

By Mrs. Bob Woodward

The mothers of the 8th grade graduating class at Columbia school met Tuesday to discuss plans for graduation.

A crew from the S.C.S. camp at Stanfield is working on the Anderson farm, formerly known as the Boylen place, to repair the damage recently caused by the break in the "A" line canal.

The Dizzy Dozen Calf club met Wednesday evening at the home of their leader, Miss Eva Wilcox.

Miss Joyce McCulley is now employed at the Oregon Hardware in town.

Mr. and Mrs. James Barber have recently gone to Milton where they are employed.

Mrs. John Gray and Miss Lucille Lukens, county health nurse, went to Salem last week to bring home Frederick Gray who is quite ill with rheumatic fever. He has been attending the State School for the Blind at Salem.

Mrs. Miles Barager, who has been in Portland the past two weeks for medical attention, has returned home and is much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Afton McIntyre of Wasco visited at the Walter Maffei home on Friday of last week.

Mrs. Anna Hoof of Walla Walla visited Sunday at the Elmer Ryland home. She was accompanied by Mrs. Rod Garrett of La Grande who has spent the past week in Walla Walla, and who will remain here for an indefinite time with her mother, Mrs. Ryland.

Other visitors Sunday at the Ryland home were Mr. and Mrs. Jim Chetwood and daughter Katherine of Wallowa, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Grey and Mr. and Mrs. Hanley of La Grande.

Guests at the Forrest Moore home the latter part of last week were Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Fischer and small son of Sacramento and Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Fischer of Stockton, Cal. Mrs. Johnny Fischer is a granddaughter of Mr. Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Templeton made a business trip to Pendleton on Tuesday. They were accompanied by Mrs. John Jendrzewski and Mrs. W. A. Mikesell who attended a home extension meeting in Pendleton as representatives of this unit.

UMATILLA NEWS

By Mrs. Glenn Ostrom

Joe Tucker is able to return to school after receiving a bad cut on his right hand on a piece of corrugated roofing which he had started to throw away. He was rushed to Hermiston for medical attention and it was necessary to take seven stitches in his hand.

Joe Cooney has been quite ill at the home of his parents and is unable to attend school.

Roy Roberts and Shirley, and Joyce McFarland motored to Monument Sunday where they visited his son Leroy.

The Pochontas lodge took in one new member, Mrs. George Williamson, and re-instated Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Binder at the regular meeting Thursday evening.

Mrs. George Butterwood and Mrs. Harry Grammer returned the last of the week from Seattle where they had spent a couple of days visiting.

Several improvements are to be noticed around town. The Tucker's hotel, which includes the Western Union office, the Fred Knudsen home, the Butterwood house on the highway, all have a new coat of paint. The Butterwood home in town is receiving a new screened-in front porch. The Yerxa place, which includes three new houses, has been fenced with new wire. The new Switzler houses are practically completed and are all occupied now.

Mrs. Fred Knudsen was hostess to the bridge club at the home of Mrs. Harold Regele Thursday evening. The pinochle club met in the evening at the Fred Knudsen home.

Mrs. Albert Keefer and twins David and Diane returned home from the Pendleton hospital last week.

The railroad business has picked up enough that a third switch engine has been put on here with the shift beginning at 12 p. m. Jeff Stephens is the engineer.

The depot added a cashier to its force this week. The position is temporarily held by Walter J. Bullard.

Betty McKenzie returned Saturday from Portland where she had spent since Thursday on business.

C. A. Binder has returned from Soap Lake after spending several days there at the hot lake.

Mrs. Lyle Brown was hostess to a group of ladies and their mothers Thursday afternoon honoring her son Norman on his first birthday. Those present were Mrs. Bill Hanson and daughters Sybil and Linda, Mrs. Al Reed and sons Fred and Sonny, Mrs. Ray McNabb and Freddie and Diane, Mrs. Vera Dodson and son Don, Mrs. Glenn Ostrom and son Gary Dean, Mrs. C. A. Binder, Mrs. Earl Benschel and sons of Hermiston, Mrs. Jess Connell and Skee, Mrs. Annie Edwards and the hostess and son.

Margie Enbysk of Pendleton is employed at the Bill Switzler home. Mrs. Bessie Wisdom has gone to Irigon.

Mrs. Bertha Cherry who has been recuperating at her home after a recent operation at Portland is improving very rapidly.

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ACCIDENTAL RIFLE SHOT KILLS GIRL ON RABBIT HUNT

FAULTY SAFETY DEVICE BLAMED

DeLoris Viola Foster, 16, of Hood River, was killed near Hermiston Sunday afternoon by an accidental discharge of a .22 rifle as she and three other young people were en route to a rabbit hunting site. The loaded rifle, without a workable safety device, was placed in the front seat of the car. Apparently the discharge was caused when the car jolted on the rough road, the bullet going through the back of the front seat striking Miss Foster in the chest.

In an attempt to rush her to the hospital, the car became stuck in the sand causing the loss of valuable time. Walter Liebe, who happened to pass by, rushed her to the Hermiston General Hospital but Miss Foster was dead upon arrival.

Included in the hunting party were James Alec Crenshaw, 19, of Hood River, and Neal Borthwick, both in the front seat, and Irene Borthwick and Miss Foster in the back seat. The latter and Mr. Cranshaw, both of Hood River, had come with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Cranshaw, to visit the E. L. Borthwicks Sunday. After dinner, the young people decided on the fatal rabbit hunt.

The two boys propped their guns between them in the front seat while DeLoris had her .22 automatic rifle with her in the back seat. Prior to the accident, James had taken a few shots at eels near the Umatilla river dam and reloaded his gun there. It was his gun which discharged later. The accident took place about three miles from Hermiston, near the Ray ranch.

The girl's body was taken to Hood River Sunday evening. She is survived by her parents, and six brothers and sisters.

The tragedy serves as another warning that loaded guns are dangerous weapons and should be handled carefully.

PETTYJOHNS MAKE APPLICATION FOR BUS LINE TO DEPOT

N. E. and Paul Pettyjohn, now operating a bus line from Heppner to Arlington, and doing business as the Greyrock Lines, have made application to operate a bus line from Hermiston to the army ordnance depot, and undoubtedly daily service will begin within the next few days.

This statement was made in Hermiston today by Ralph H. Mitchell, secretary to the public utilities commissioner, Ormond R. Bean, while a Hermiston visitor.

The Pettyjohns have acquired a 12-passenger bus, said Mitchell, and plan to start service as soon as the state issues permit plates to them.

SOFTBALL LEAGUE TALKED HERE

At a short meeting held in the Herald office Wednesday evening, a six team league for softball was discussed. Teams are proposed from Hale's Confectionery, Rotary club, army engineers, Terteling's crew, and two teams to be chosen either from Echo, Stanfield, Umatilla, Irigon or Boardman. It is possible that the league can be enlarged to eight teams.

It is hoped that lights can be installed in the near future for night play. Another meeting for permanent organization will be held next Wednesday, May 7, at the Herald office.

FISHING SEASON OPENS SATURDAY

In the midst of all the boom activities in Hermiston, the opening of fishing season has been somewhat clouded. Local fishermen, however, are looking forward to the day and many plan to drop all business and seek the open stream and the elusive finny tribe.

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Milton-Freewater—A caravan of boosters, including the queen candidates, and the Mac-Hi drum and bugle corps will be in Hermiston Saturday, May 3, in the interest of the Pea Festival on May 17. Left to right are Carol Angerman, Donna Hopkins, Margaret Cockburn, Betty Ross Crow and Betty Martin, members of the royal court, and one of whom will be chosen festival queen at the close of the button sale on May 10.

HERMISTON AND WALLULA HEAD COUNTY LEAGUE

Umatilla County Baseball League Standing

Team	W	L	Pct.
Walla Walla	2	0	1.000
Hermiston	2	0	1.000
Texaco Chiefs	1	1	.500
Helix	1	1	.500
Umatilla	0	2	.000
Mission	0	2	.000

Games Next Sunday—Walla Walla at Mission, Hermiston at Helix, Texaco Chiefs at Umatilla.

The Hermiston Red Sox and Wallula maintained their perfect standing in the Umatilla county league this week by defeating Umatilla and Texaco Chiefs respectively. Helix broke into the win column by eking out a narrow 5 to 4 win over Mission on the Helix diamond.

Hermiston went to Umatilla Sunday expecting another "after dinner tea" contest and almost came home on the short end of the score. Umatilla pounced on Chas. Wilcox, starting Red Sox pitcher, and continued the onslaught on W. C. Morehouse in the second frame. However, Fred Rankin came to the aid of the faltering Hermiston team and held Umatilla scoreless the remainder of the contest.

Umatilla has a greatly improved team and will make things interesting for the rest of the season. (Continued on last page)

P.E.X. PROGRAM FRIDAY NIGHT

The annual Physical Education Exhibition (P.E.X.) program, sponsored by the combined high school girls' and boys' physical education classes, will be presented Friday night, May 2, at the high school auditorium, beginning at 8:00 o'clock.

The performance each year draws a record crowd with this year's program expected to maintain the high standing. Friday night's show will be divided into five divisions and will include numbers by the high school band, freshman and sophomore girls' gym classes, a pageant depicting the stages of a girl's life, boys' gym classes and the coronation of Queen Marie Hinkle.

Miss Constance Luehrs and Ray E. Critchfield, high school instructors, are in charge of the program.

BUILDING PERMITS BOOM IN APRIL

April proved a banner month in Hermiston in the building field, according to Charles Taylor, city recorder, who is keeping a file of building permits. A total of \$26,300 in permits was issued during the 30-day period. March showed a total of \$6,200 but the month prior to that, February, showed a total of \$14,600.

Some of the larger permits in April were the houses being built by Buell Throop of Walla Walla, the W. E. Kennedy building and the Garret Carpenter shop.

U. S. DEFENSE BONDS AND POSTAL SAVINGS ON SALE HERE MAY 1

The United States Defense Savings Bonds and Postal Savings Stamps will be placed on sale in the main Post Office at the opening of business on Thursday, May 1, as part of the national effort to make America impregnable.

Postmaster Wm. E. Logan announced today that plans are nearly completed for this community, along with thousands of others from coast to coast, to do its full part at the opening of the savings program. It is expected that the mayor and other civic leaders will be among the first purchasers of savings bonds and stamps here.

Postmaster General Frank C. Walker, in a letter to postmasters throughout the country, said that the help of local postmasters would be "a real service to the country". He transmitted the thanks of Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau for the help that local postmasters had already given in the sale of United States securities, and also Mr. Morgenthau's thanks in advance "for the cooperation which he knows you will give to this new effort".

The new Defense Savings Bond is similar to the familiar "Baby Bond", of which more than five billion dollars worth have been bought by more than two and a half million Americans since 1935.

A Defense Bond may be purchased (Continued on last page)

UMATILLA RAPIDS DAM APPROVED BY HOUSE GROUP

ELECTRIC ENERGY TALK REVIVED

Authorization for the construction of the Umatilla Rapids dam was approved Wednesday by the House of Representatives rivers and harbors committee. It had previously been approved by the committee on Commerce. The bill provides \$23,700,000.00 for a navigation dam including foundations for installation of machinery for generation of electric energy.

The bill includes projects in every state in the union except four at an estimated cost of \$500,000,000.00, with appropriations to be made by congress for each project as funds are needed. It is expected to pass the house of representatives, and also the senate without much, if any, opposition.

The measure is no surprise to local advocates of the Umatilla Rapids project, who have kept in touch with the development of sentiment for this particular project.

Support of the Umatilla dam has now many forces which were inactive during the past several years. Paul J. Raver, administrator of Bonneville and Grand Coulee has stated publicly frequently during the past year that the Umatilla would soon be needed for power within a few years, and the board of army engineers have considered it justified in the early future.

It is also figured as necessary for the defense program on the Pacific coast. Another feature of the last move is to provide employment as soon as the defense program slackens, and the President has said he would approve appropriations for any such projects as would aid national defense.

The location of the Umatilla Ordnance Depot here will strengthen the need for more power and better use of the Columbia river for transportation. Senator Chas. L. McNary and Congressman Walter M. Pierce have kept a watchful eye for the proper opportunity to inject the Umatilla dam into national legislation. For many months reports from Washington and other sources have carried assurance that the news just received would reach the public before the summer months arrived.

LOCAL GOLF CLUB OUTSCORES ATHENA

Members of the local golf club outscored the Athena club members here Sunday 21 1/2 points to Athena's 11 1/2. Pen Harris of Athena was low medalist for the day with a score of 71 for the two rounds. He broke the course record when he turned in a card of 33 the second round, three strokes below the par 36.

For the home boys, B. Doyle receive the prize for the closest to the pin and Dan Gray made the longest drive. For the visitors L. Pinkerton had the closest to the pin and D. Fossetti had the longest drive.

The two round scores and points follow: Hermiston—Glenn Ripley, 44, 43, 3 points; Jim Todd, 36, 41, 1; Eddie Benschel, 41, 38, 2; Bud Beard, 48, 48, 0; "Shorty" Matott, 39, 40, 1 1/2; J. Jackson, 44, 41, 2; Dan Gray, 37, 39, 3; Paul Van Patten, 46, 46, 1; B. Doyle, 42, 42, 2; Howard Klagges, 45, 41, 3; A. E. Benschel, 46, 48, 3.

For Athena—Snider, 45, 49, 0; P. Harris, 38, 33, 2; Pinkerton, 44, 37, 1; C. Hanlon, 42, 37, 3; D. Fossetti, 39, 40, 1 1/2; Hayes, 46, 40, 1; Johnson, 42, 42, 0; Barnes, 48, 41, 2; Gordon, 40, 46, 1; Weigand, 47, 51, 0; Kaputot, 52, 49, 0.

JUNIOR PROM SET FOR FRIDAY, MAY 9

The annual Junior Prom will be held this year on Friday, May 9, in the high school gymnasium. Invitations will be sent out in the near future.

The Prom is the highlight of social activities each year and considerable time is being spent in making this year's event successful. Further information will be released soon.

