

By Mrs. Bob Woodward

Miss Opal Wilson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. Wilson, arrived Monday from Denver, Colorado, and will make her home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Myrnie Caldwell left last Saturday afternoon on a motor trip which will take them through eastern Oregon and Idaho. They will visit friends at Idaho Falls and plan to return home Friday.

Miss Edith Fraker, teacher at the Cold Springs school, has returned from a visit to Portland and the Puget Sound area.

Mr. and Mrs. Hoff and children who have been staying at the H. A. Wilson place have recently moved to the H. G. McCulley home.

Mrs. Townsend entertained a group of neighbors at a service week demonstration dinner Monday noon. Lawrence Hunt was at home during the week-end from Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Garberding and nephew, Bill, spent the week-end with Bill's parents at Sunnyside. While there they attended the District No. 6 Softball Tournament at Grandview.

Miss Barbara Reid is now at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Reid, having arrived Saturday. She will be employed locally.

Mrs. A. E. Marble, Mrs. Walter Morehouse and Mrs. Cecil Warner were Tuesday callers at the Forrest Moore home.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Feagan of Prosser, Washington, accompanied by a son and nephew, are staying at the Garberding place while the men are employed at the munitions depot.

Mrs. Edward Shaw and baby son, Roy, left Friday of last week to return to their home in Alt, Colorado, after spending a month here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Baxter Hutchinson.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Upham were business visitors in Pendleton Saturday.

Mrs. Mabel Weeks spent the past week at Cove, Oregon. Monday evening visitors at the Week's home were Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Wilbur of Pendleton.

Mr. Jeppe passed away early Wednesday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Charlie Epperson, after a week's illness caused by paralytic strokes. No further information as to funeral arrangements was available at the time of this writing.

Mrs. Cora Hastings and daughter, Patty, of Seaside, sister of Mrs. Epperson, arrived last Saturday and a brother, Hugh Jeppe, arrived Tuesday from Montana, called by the illness of their father, Mr. Jeppe.

Mrs. A. H. Cable and daughter, Doreen, were in Pendleton Wednesday.

Frank Baumgardner of Walla Walla was in this district on business Wednesday in connection with the mattress making project scheduled to begin in the near future at the Columbia park.

Along the Diagonal: So many motorists that seem to forget there is a speed limit in the state . . . the need of a "Stop" sign at the junction of the county road in front of the Caldwell home.

**HELP! WHO AM I?  
WRITER ASKS FOR  
HER OWN IDENTITY**

The following letter was received at the Herald office this week and speaks for itself.

"Will you please insert an ad in the paper for me as I wish to find out who I am so I can get my birth certificate. I was raised by Volney and Clara Higginbotham as their own child. Perhaps I am; but before father died he said they found me in a schooner on a sand-bar where the Umatilla River empties into the Columbia, near the town of Umatilla when he worked for the railroad there.

"He was very sick when he told me this so may not have been rational at the time. They lived there from 1893 on to I don't know what date. Would appreciate anyone writing that has any information or knew the Higginbotham family. Would like to get by birth certificate and work on defense. They are both dead now, so would appreciate any information.

"Thanking you sincerely,  
"Umatilla Clara Columbia Higginbotham, but they call me Carrie.  
"C. Higginbotham, Box 723, Fullerton, California, c-o C. Smith."

**SCHOOL MATTERS  
STILL UNSOLVED**

Although considerable planning and preparations have been made during the past week, no definite answer to the school problem has been found. Negotiations have been underway for some time to obtain aid from outside sources to handle the large influx of students brought on by the construction of the Umatilla Ordnance Depot.

According to Superintendent W. G. Kersbergen, word is expected within a short time from P.W.A. sources as to what may be expected to relieve the situation here.

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**UMATILLA COUNTY  
FAIR PROMISES  
MANY FEATURES**

**COMMITTEES PLAN  
FOR ENTERTAINMENT**

Thursday, Friday and Saturday, August 28, 29 and 30, will be gala days in Hermiston with the Umatilla county fair slated on those days. Committees in charge have been busy the past few weeks in preparation for the event and reports indicate that a bigger and better fair is in the offing.

Premium lists will be completed this week-end and will be distributed next week. Anyone interested is asked to get in touch with Assistant County Agent M. E. Knickerbocker or call at the Herald office for a copy. Premiums have been raised in several divisions this year.

Entertainment for the three days will be varied. The Vernon Spallinger carnival has again been signed and Mr. Spallinger reports that he will bring with him quite an assortment of rides, concessions and side shows.

Although some of the other entertainment is somewhat uncertain, it is expected that horse racing, drum and bugle corps contest, tin lizzie derby, the Mustangs and airplane stunts will be among those listed. Contracts for the various features will be signed within the next week and advertising will be released.

The Saturday morning parade will again be the highlight of the final day of the show. Guy Shaw, Inland Cooperative manager, has again been placed in charge of this event. He announces that approximately \$50 in prize money will be available. This amount will be raised from the businessmen of Hermiston.

Harold Rankin, president of the show, states that the same spirit of cooperation as shown last year will again be greatly appreciated. Due to the large number of residents here because of the Umatilla Ordnance Depot, this year's fair should be well attended.

**RANKIN NAMED TO  
COUNTY FAIR BOARD**

H. G. Rankin, prominent turkey raiser of Hermiston and president of the local Umatilla county fair, has been appointed by the county court to serve on the county fair board. He replaces the late Thomas Fraser who had held the position for a number of years.

The position carries quite a responsibility but Mr. Rankin comes well recommended for the job due to his many years of experience with fair work.

**ALUMINUM PILE  
GETTING LARGER**

The pile of aluminum, being contributed by local residents for the defense movement, continues to mount each day. The location is at the west end of the Rohrman parking lot well marked by one of Bill Belt's bright signs.

Anyone having aluminum of any type available for this use is asked to make a contribution. Similar projects are underway in all the communities of the United States.

**HERMISTON BATH  
HOUSE OPENS**

Laborers employed at the Umatilla Ordnance Depot and others will be pleased to learn that the Hermiston Bath has now opened for business. According to Hollis & Whitlatch, proprietors, accommodations at the present will care only for men but showers for ladies will be installed soon.

New towels and soap will be furnished for each bath. The concern is located just west of the Labor Temple.

**FOUR-H CALF CLUB MEETS**

The 4-H Calf club, under the leadership of Miss Eva Wilcox, met Wednesday, August 6 at the David Dufur home. The president, Glen Wilcox, called the meeting to order. Roll call was taken and new business discussed. A demonstration of making a rope halter and a calf blanket was presented.

**STRIKE TROUBLES  
AFFECT OPERATIONS  
OF LOCAL MILL**

Considerable concern over the strike situation in the various milling companies in the northwest has been felt locally. Practically every mill order of the local Farm Bureau Cooperative was cancelled Wednesday with no word forthcoming as to how soon the orders would be filled. It has been estimated that materials on hand here, including concentrates and other feeds vital to the turkey and chicken raisers, will be depleted in 10 to 15 days unless mill orders can be filled.

The labor situation has been in turmoil in the larger companies for some time but operations have been continued. However, early this week workers went out on strike and efforts to reach the concerns by telephone have been futile.

Every effort is being made by local officials to obtain materials from some source or other in order to care for the huge demands of turkey growers.

**HERMISTON NOW  
BIG TIME CITY**

The final step of becoming a full-fledged city became official the past week when an honest-to-goodness shoe shine stand began operations at the corner of Main and First streets. Shelter was found under one of F. B. Swayze's shade trees and business is flourishing.

In fact, business is so good that the personnel was increased to two operators the first of the week. The boys explain that Hermiston dust is ideal for the shoe shine trade.

**POLICE REQUEST  
TURNED DOWN**

Additional state police help in Hermiston was frowned upon by Superintendent Charles P. Pray this week when he announced that his department has consistently rejected requests that state police be assigned to cities and towns for local law enforcement.

The request for police aid was made by County Judge Carl Chambers.

**COUNCIL FAVORS  
LONG FRANCHISE**

The Hermiston city council Friday night voted 3 to 2 to grant the Pacific Power & Light Co. a 20-year franchise to continue operations in this city. The company has been operating under a two-year franchise but is asking a longer term.

The franchise will be published for two consecutive weeks in the near future after which the council must again pass on the matter to make it official.

**TRAFFIC EXAMINER  
COMING THURSDAY**

A traveling examiner of operators and chauffeurs is scheduled to arrive in Hermiston Thursday, August 14, and will be on duty at the city library between the hours of 10 a. m. and 5 p. m., according to an announcement received at the Herald office from the Secretary of State's office.

All those wishing permits or licenses to drive cars are asked to get in touch with the examiner during these hours.

**VACATION BIBLE  
SCHOOL TO SIGN  
PUPILS SATURDAY**

The annual vacation Bible school will commence in Hermiston Monday, August 11, and will continue for two weeks. Sessions will be held in the Baptist and Methodist churches and in the public school building.

Classes will be provided for children from 4 to 16 years of age. Registration of all students will take place Saturday at the Baptist church from 1:00 to 8:00 p. m. Anyone interested in the project is asked to get in touch with the committee in charge.

**EPWORTH LEAGUE PARTY SET**

A "straw hat" party will be given by the Epworth League of the Methodist church at the church Thursday evening, August 14, at 8 o'clock. The Baptist young people will be guests for the evening. Girls will dress in gingham and the boys will wear blue denim overalls.

**P.W.A. GRANT FOR  
LOCAL RECREATION  
FACILITIES URGED**

Very encouraging word from PWA officials was received this week by a local committee concerning the proposed grant for recreation purposes in Hermiston due to the large influx of workers. A request for \$17,500 was made by the committee but this has been upped by PWA to \$38,050.

Proposed projects include a \$28,500 club house, lights for the softball field, wading pool for children and other playground facilities.

Definite word concerning the grant is expected within a short time. Should the money be forthcoming, it is thought that construction would begin immediately.

**VOTE ON SCHOOL  
BONDS FAVORABLE**

An approximate vote of 3 to 1 in School Districts 14 and U-9 was cast Monday favoring bond issues for the respective districts. School district 14 (Elementary) voted \$5,000 in bonds while the total for U-9 was \$3,000. The bonds will be used to match in part federal funds.

The school districts have made application to the Public Works Administration for a grant to be used to provide additional school facilities, necessary because of the large influx of new students. The application carries the provision that the local districts will contribute one dollar for each nine dollars in the proposed grant.

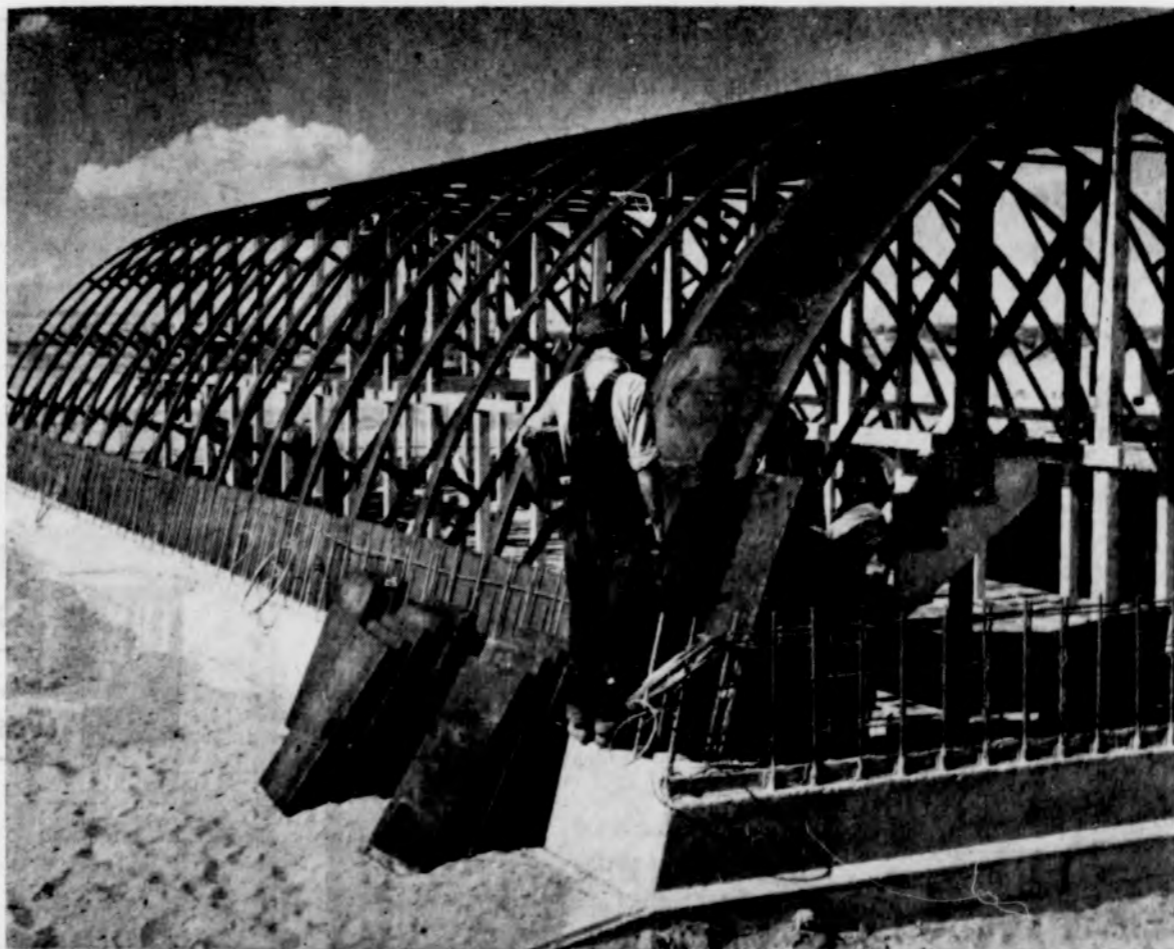
Should, however, the grant from P.W.A. not be forthcoming, bonds will not be sold.

**STANFIELD SCHOOL  
TO REGISTER SOON**

Students who intend to enter the Stanfield schools are asked to report August 15 and 16 for registration, according to Wilfred Thomas, superintendent. Registration will be from 9:00 a. m. to 4:00 p. m. and from 7:00 to 9:00 p. m.

This is the first school in this district to announce the opening of school activities.

**Just One Igloo in a Thousand!**



—Cut Courtesy Pendleton East Oregonian.

**IGLOOS BEGIN TO  
MOUNT AS ACTION  
MAINTAINS PACE**

**PERMANENT SETUP  
MATERIALS ARRIVE**

Rapid inroad is being made daily in the huge task of constructing 1000 igloos at the Umatilla Ordnance Depot. As many as seven have been built during 24 hours, but the average is less than that. It was estimated early this week that about 90 igloos had been completed or approximately one-tenth of the job done.

Weather during the past two weeks has been ideal and the 3,000 workmen at the depot are concentrating every effort to complete their task in the allotted time. The kinks have been ironed out in the various departments and production is now running along smoothly and rapidly. The months spent in preparation are now bringing results.

The igloos themselves are interesting. Each one costs the government approximately \$8,500. They are heavily reinforced and equipped with lightning arresters. Each igloo is 26 feet in width and 80 feet in length and are being constructed in long rows, divided into separate blocks.

Although the end is still far into the future, plans are already underway for the permanent organization when construction is completed. Information received this week from Captain James M. Piercy, Ordnance Department, Umatilla Ordnance Depot, indicates that the arrival of motor trucks, tractors, miscellaneous tools and equipment toward the permanent organization and operation of the depot is now taking shape.

His organization of key personnel is now busy on their planning and establishing of the various Ordnance Division required in maintaining and operating the depot after the completion of construction. No information is available when actual storage of material will commence, but the facilities for same are now well underway and showing good progress every 24 hours.

Personnel for the permanent organization at the depot, outside of a few of the key personnel, who have been with the Ordnance Department for a number of years, is to be selected from the certified lists of the District Manager, Eleventh U. S. Civil Service District, Seattle, Washington, which are requested when personnel is needed to fill existing vacancies and additional personnel for Ordnance activities.

However, the task on hand at present is the construction of approximately 900 more igloos.

**DR. MORGAN BUYS  
KENNEDY BUILDING**

One of the largest building sales here in recent years was completed Monday whereby Dr. and Mrs. Morgan take over the interests of the new building built during the past few months by W. E. Kennedy. Several deals have been in the offing in recent weeks and considerable interest has been displayed as to who would occupy the new structure on Main street across the street from Moore's Furniture Store.

Dr. Morgan announced Wednesday that a duck pin alley would probably occupy the west half of the building but he was not ready to state what would be in the other half.

**COOL NIGHTS ARE  
APPRECIATED HERE**

Residents of this vicinity have been in better humor during the past week, very likely due to the fact that the nights have been cooler making sleeping much better. Monday night a minimum of 59 degrees was recorded.

The report for the week, according to Chas. Taylor, recorder, follows:

July 31	59	63
August 1	86	55
August 2	79	60
August 3	72	58
August 4	78	50
August 5	85	52

A total of .24 inch rainfall was noted. The rain proved a great boon to crops which had suffered somewhat when irrigation water was out during the break in the A canal.