

The Blue Ribbon Cooking club girls will be hostesses at a tea on Friday afternoon in honor of their mothers.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Fritz of Wood-entville, Wash., (near Seattle) were visiting with friends here Monday. Mr. Fritz was a ditch rider in this district about 20 years ago and resided on the Nebergall place.

Mrs. Edwards is quite ill and was taken to a Walla Walla hospital on Tuesday. Her daughters, Mrs. Arthur Blinston and Mrs. Halliburton went to Walla Walla with her, but were expected to return Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Clarence Williams and daughter, Della Mae, of LaGrande visited with Mr. and Mrs. Baxter Hutchison Saturday evening.

Mrs. Catherine De Moss made a trip to Walla Walla on Saturday and again Sunday on business.

Norma Getchell spent the weekend in Boardman visiting Doris Getchell.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Olska and Lee and Jimmy Dallason, all of Tacoma spent the week-end at the Elmer Ryland home. Mrs. Olska is a niece of Mr. Ryland.

Henry Garberding and nephew, Bill, drove to Pasco last Saturday evening to see the semifinals of the Washington State Softball Tournament and on Sunday, accompanied by Mrs. Garberding, they saw the finals played and enjoyed a picnic dinner with friends from Grandview.

Mr. and Mrs. Myrnie Caldwell visited at the home of her parents in Stanfield Sunday, and were accompanied by Carolyn Woodward who remained there for several days' visit.

Shirley Stockard has been visiting his parents here after several months spent at various points in the middle western states. He is going on to Seattle where he expects to be employed in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. Myrnie Caldwell visited friends in Pendleton Tuesday evening.

Beverly Jo and Dale Woodward returned home Tuesday morning from the Hermiston General Hospital, where they had their tonsils removed Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Chapman and their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Grant Chapman and Sam Nelson, all of Pilot Rock spent Sunday evening at the Baxter Hutchison home.

Work on the Townsend club building got under way again Monday with Mr. Loudermilk in charge of the carpenter work.

Along the Diagonal: The Carl Hammers driving a new Chevrolet coupe.

HARTS PURCHASE MACK BUILDING

A deal which has been pending for several weeks, was closed recently whereby Mr. and Mrs. M. V. Hart of Ontario take over the interests of H. H. Mack in the brick building which houses the Shaw Bakery, Gamble Store and the Knerr Repair Shop. Although nothing definite has been announced, it is understood that the Harts plan to operate a lunch room and will probably renovate the second story into a rooming house.

Some shifting of store locations will be necessary but to date no announcement has been made as to who will move where.

FOOTBALL MEN TO REPORT SEPT. 2 AT LOCAL SCHOOL

A sure sign of fall, football talk is in the air. The Hermiston high school Bulldogs will report for practice Tuesday, September 2, according to Ray E. Critchfield, head coach. Suits and other equipment will be issued on that date and it is important that all those wishing to turn out be on hand on that date.

Coach Critchfield will have an assistant this year. Lee Webber, recently of Junction City, will handle part of the coaching duties. He has had previous experience at Estacada and Eugene.

Prospects for a winning team this year are considerably brighter than in recent seasons due to the increased number of students who will attend here. However, the quality of the turnout is still very uncertain and it will be several weeks before the exact strength will be known.

URGENT APPEAL TO WASHINGTON MADE

The local school district with the aid of E. P. Dodd Thursday night contacted Washington, D. C. concerning the local school situation. Night letters were also addressed to Oregon Congressmen and Senators.

Some concern has been expressed locally that federal aid for the schools here will arrive by the opening of school, September 8. The correspondence asked for immediate consideration.

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SCHOOL PROBLEM CAUSES WORRY TO SUPERINTENDENT

REGISTRATION TO BEGIN SEPTEMBER 2

By W. G. Kersbergen

Parents who have children of school age should see that they are registered during the week, September 2, 3, 4, 5. Heretofore it has been customary to register high school students the week before school starts, and this year due to increased population, it will be necessary to register elementary school children. It is requested that parents accompany small children or send older children with them so that registration blanks can be filled out.

In former issues of this paper, readers have been informed of efforts to secure federal funds to partially defray the extra costs of serving several times the normal number of students. The school authorities have contacted numerous government bureaus and all state that aid will be forthcoming but to date no allotment has been made. It is expected that something will be done in the very near future.

This situation is the real reason for a complete registration. We want all registered. We will accept those who attended here last year and want a list of others so that we may notify them at once just as soon as the federal agencies come to a decision. We still hope it may be before school opens, but if not then in a week or two.

The general school policy is:

1. Last year the Hermiston schools served 181 high school and 306 elementary students, a total of 487.
2. This year the estimated number is, high school 347, elementary 876, or a total of 1223.
3. These extra students were brought here by Federal Government Agencies. The parents work at the Umatilla Ordnance Depot.
4. It is totally impossible for the Hermiston school to pay for schools for such a large number.
5. The Hermiston schools presented this matter to the Government February 13, and frequently since then.
6. Congress passed a bill appropriating money for such cases June 12, 1941.
7. The local schools have applied for funds from the appropriation, and also raised their tax levies as high as state law permits.
8. We believe our application will be granted. We will accept students just as soon as this is done.
9. Parents will be notified as soon as the United States Government notifies us, until such time we regret that it is impossible to accommodate children other than those registered last year. If we have room for a few, we will accept others in order of their registration.

FIRE DESTROYS HAY AT MULKINS RANCH

Approximately 80 to 90 tons of hay was destroyed Wednesday night at the ranch of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Mulkins of near Hermiston. Only 30 tons were covered by insurance.

No definite clue as to the origin of the fire was determined but officers are working on the case. The uninsured hay will amount to a loss of about \$350.

HOTEL DINING IN NEW HANDS

F. M. Graham of Milton-Freewater Wednesday took over the management of the Hermiston Hotel dining room. The restaurant has been operated for the past six months by C. J. Wallace who also came from Milton-Freewater. The latter has not announced his future plans but indicated that he will probably remain here.

Mr. Graham also operates a restaurant in his home town which will now be managed by his wife. He will devote his time mostly to the local business.

EXAMINER COMING

An examiner for driver and chauffeur licenses will be in Hermiston at the library on Wednesday, August 27, from 10 a. m. to 5:00 p. m.

Those desiring licenses to drive on the highways of the state should get in touch with the examiner at this time.

Center of Attraction in Next Few Weeks



UMATILLA COUNTY FAIR PROMISES TO BE BIGGER--BETTER

HORSE RACING TO BE BIG FEATURE

A bigger and better Umatilla County Fair is the promise of the committee in charge of this year's show. The dates are Thursday, Friday and Saturday, August 28, 29 and 30. A full program of entertainment is being arranged for with indications pointing to numerous exhibits and displays.

Exhibits are welcomed from all parts of Umatilla county. All applications for entry must be made on printed forms in accordance with instructions printed on the forms. These should be turned in to the secretary of the fair on or before Thursday, August 28, at which time the entries close and all exhibits must be in place.

Superintendents of the various divisions report that interest this year is as keen as ever, even though a majority of the exhibitors are extremely busy at this time.

Horse racing will be revived this year with betting to be under the supervision of the fair board. Jess Myrick, who is handling a greater part of the races, stated Wednesday night that approximately 25 horses were already signed up and that more were expected from various parts of the northwest. The purses have been raised sufficiently to draw some of the fastest nags in this territory.

The Saturday morning parade will again be under the supervision of Guy Shaw. He is busy lining up various entries at this time. Anyone wishing information about this event is asked to communicate with Mr. Shaw at the Inland Cooperative.

The drum and bugle corps contest should again prove a thriller this year with three teams definitely lined up at this time. This event is always colorful. Other entertainment includes trick horse stunts and local saddle horse racing. A new feature will be model airplane racing which has proven quite popular at other shows this year. Gasoline driven motors, mounted in miniature airplanes, are operated from the ground. This event is expected to be popular with the youngsters.

The highlight of this year's show is expected Saturday night when Eddie Gipson and his 13-piece dance band will play at the park hall. Gipson is well known in the west by dance music followers and his appearance here is rated a rare treat.

CUTOFF ROAD IS NOW ASSURED

The Oregon state highway commission Tuesday approved contracting the line change in Hermiston from near the south city limits (Stewart's Auto Camp) to the First National Bank corner. R. H. Baldoek, chief engineer, so informed Mayor F. C. McKenzie following a meeting of the commission in Salem.

The letter further stated that Mr. Baldoek had instructed the construction engineer to prepare the plans so that they can be advertised as soon as possible. The work will be put on sometime this fall; the oiling work cannot be done until next spring because of the lateness of the season.

Just how soon actual work will begin has not been stated but it is expected that the matter will not be delayed long.

ACCIDENT FATAL TO DEPOT WORKER

Carroll Edward Irvin, 44-year-old resident of Umatilla, was fatally injured at 2:30 Wednesday morning while employed at the Umatilla Ordnance Depot. Sheriff Bob Goad, who investigated the accident, stated that death apparently resulted from being crushed beneath a carryall pulled by a tractor driven by Elwood Glen. Irvin was employed taking care of stakes.

Mr. Irvin, a truck driver by trade, resided in Umatilla with his sister, Mrs. Earl Shaw. He came to Umatilla last spring from Tacoma, Wash. The body was brought to Prann's Funeral Parlors pending funeral arrangements.

He was unmarried.

TRAILER HOUSE FIRE FATAL TO DEPOT WORKER

Fire of undetermined origin took the life of Guy W. Callison, 37, early Saturday morning and destroyed a trailer house in the Ray Trailer Camp just south of Hermiston. The fire broke out shortly after 1:00 a. m. and in a short time had totally burned the trailer and with it the man inside.

The flames were first discovered by neighbors nearby who were awakened by the barking of dogs. Rushing to the scene, they managed to open the door but outrushing flames made it impossible to rescue the sleeping man. The fire department arrived on the scene a few minutes later but was too late to save either the trailer or the man inside.

Numerous rumors were circulated following the fire concerning the happenings of the evening. Some stated that a commotion had been heard in the trailer house earlier in the evening. Foul play was also suggested from various angles. However, to date officers have found no trace of this theory and it is generally assumed that Callison went to bed, leaving a burning cigarette. With the help of neighbors and the fire department the further spread of flames was prevented.

Papers found in his car revealed the fact that Callison came to Hermiston about three months ago from Las Vegas, Nevada, and has a divorced wife and two children. Also surviving is his father, John Callison of Colorado Springs, who came here the first of the week to take care of the body.

Funeral services were held Tuesday evening with officers and friends aiding.

DRUNKEN DRIVING GETS HEAVY FINE

Albert Canida, 34, of Hermiston was meted out a \$50 fine and sentenced to 90 days in jail by Justice of Peace E. P. Dodd this week. Canida was accused of driving a motor vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor.

Busy Man



SUPT. W. G. KERSBERGEN

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL CLOSSES THURSDAY EVENING

Commencement exercises for the Daily Vacation Bible School were held Thursday night at the Methodist church. A total of 169 students were registered during the two weeks. The committee in charge wishes to express its appreciation to all who helped make the school a success.

The following business houses contributed to the cause: Null's Service Station, Hermiston Auto Co., Cooperative Service Station, O'Grady's Service Station, Pearson's Service Station, Gifford's Service Station, who contributed gasoline for transportation, and the Variety Store and Hermiston Mercantile who contributed other gifts.

Pupils from many churches attended the school, making it truly a union organization. The following were represented: Assemblies of God, Pilgrim Holiness, Catholic, Adventist, Church of the Brethren, Nazarene, Lutheran, Latter Day Saints, Methodist, Baptist, Christian and 25 registered as no church preference.

LARGER QUARTERS FOR POST OFFICE NOW ASSURED

Word was received Thursday by Postmaster W. E. Logan that Hermiston is scheduled for larger post office quarters. The information came from J. E. Fitzgerald, inspector, and stated that he had received instructions from the U. S. Department to advertise for larger quarters. Advertising forms will be forwarded immediately.

The need for more quarters have been apparent for some months but with the Christmas season again approaching something must be done immediately.

The present quarters are exceedingly cramped and urgent appeals from the local postmaster and citizens has at last brought result. More definite information concerning the project will be published next week.

WORKERS ENGAGE IN BATTLE ROYAL WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Dissatisfied workers who had apparently lost their jobs during the day sought to avenge their feelings Wednesday night by taking it out on the responsible foreman. The victim of the attack was Vernon F. Hart, foreman of a crew at the Umatilla Ordnance Depot. Local officers arrested Jack Anderson, Ed Anderson, W. J. Warren and Ed Schutz the same evening and they were lodged in jail overnight.

The men appeared before Justice of the Peace E. P. Dodd Thursday morning. Ed Anderson and W. J. Warren, leaders of the group, are still in jail but Schutz and Jack Anderson are out, the former on his own recognizance and the latter on \$100 bail.

The men have engaged Peterson & Peterson, Pendleton lawyers, and a hearing will be held Friday or Saturday. The men are accused of assault and wanton destruction of property.

The Oldtimers



(WFO Service)