

COLUMBIA NEWS

By Mrs. Bob Woodward

A small party at the Lester Hammer home on Sunday honored the eleventh birthday anniversary of Dick Hammer.

Mr. and Mrs. Frances Knox, Sr., who have been here with their son and family for several weeks while employed at the munitions depot, left the first of the week for Grand Coulee, Washington.

Mrs. James Getchell spent Monday visiting near Pendleton with Mrs. Hawkins.

About seventeen ladies were present at the organization meeting of the Home Extension Unit Tuesday afternoon at the Columbia club rooms.

Mrs. De Moss reports that they have just sold the last of the 1800 chickens raised at their farm this year.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lucht and two children and Mrs. Lucht's father, Fred Stuber, Jr., of Albany were week-end guests at the George Liebe home while enroute home from a hunting trip near Elgin.

Mrs. Al Wells of Olympia, Washington, was visiting at the Lester Hammer home Tuesday. She will be remembered as Mary Wilson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wilson, former residents of this district.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hammer made a business trip to Heppner Sunday. John Knox, Jr., visited Sunday in Condon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Reid made a trip to Walla Walla on Wednesday.

Week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Duff Knight were his sisters, Mrs. June Rhode and Mrs. Evelyn Shinkle and a brother, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Knight, all of Tafe, Oregon.

Along the Diagonal: Driving home from town last Saturday morning a local resident received the hitch hiker's signal from a quite small pedestrian near the Townsend Hall.

How big those pennies from empty bottles seem when they go to buy a candy bar, little man, but how pitifully small they would be when you were cold and hungry enough for a meal.

UMATILLA NEWS

By Mrs. Glenn Ostrom

The cast has been selected for the high school play "The Ready Made Family" which is to be given the last of November.

The Ladies' Aid Missionary Society met at the community hall Thursday Mrs. Jesse Griffith of Pilot Rock, president of this missionary district, met with them.

Bob McKenzie, who recently entered the service, is now stationed at Fort Grant, Illinois.

Mrs. Peggy Buell is now employed at the "Naomi's Beauty Shop" in Hermiston in place of "Ruby's".

Dr. I. M. C. Williams and a friend from Portland were guests of Milo McFarland Wednesday and Thursday for the opening of the pheasant hunting.

Mrs. J. B. Springer entertained the bridge club at her home Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Elmore McKenzie was in Pendleton Wednesday and Thursday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. U. E. Hiatt have purchased a new 1942 Ford.

Mrs. H. E. Rodenbough and daughter, Doris, and son, Keith, spent Saturday in Pendleton.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Knight and baby, and Mrs. Bob Shinkle of near Taft, Oregon, were visitors here in this territory over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Stan Wolf were recent Pendleton visitors to be with Mrs. Wolf's mother, Mrs. Bill Southwick, who underwent an operation.

Mrs. Annie Edwards was a Pendleton visitor Saturday.

Roscoe Williams accompanied C. Corryell, Jerry Buell, Fred Houghton to Pullman Saturday where they attended the O.S.C.-W.S.C. game.

Returning home they had an auto accident near the Hermiston cut-off on the Wallula road.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Regele and son returned Sunday from a trip to Salem. They left Thursday and Mr. Regele attended a meeting in Salem while Mrs. Regele visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Rose in Estacada and his parents in Salem.

The Umatilla Christian Endeavor was host to the neighboring groups at the district meeting held here Friday evening at the local church.

U.S.O. BUILDING OPERATIONS BEGIN HERE THIS WEEK

TEMPORARY SITE AT RECLAMATION HALL

Building operations on the United Service Organization structure at the Hermiston park began this week with McCormack & Foley, Inc., of Pendleton as general contractors.

The entire project will be completed within 60 days with grand opening ceremonies scheduled for Christmas night when a nation-wide radio network will broadcast a program commemorating all the U.S.O. buildings in the United States.

The exterior of the building, which will face north, will be painted white with a composition roll roofing.

Other features will include a reading room, club room, lounge room, both men and women's toilets, kitchen and refreshment bar.

FIRST TURKEY POOL TO START NOV. 4 AT LOCAL PLANT

The first turkey pool of the current season of the Eastern Oregon Turkey Growers will begin next Tuesday, November 4, at the local plant.

New pickers are asked to register as soon as possible in order that arrangements can be completed.

IGLOO INN OPENS FOR BUSINESS

Another new business was welcomed by the city of Hermiston when the Igloo Inn opened for business Thursday on Main street in the building formerly occupied by the bakery and Gamble store.

Mr. and Mrs. Hart have renovated the building to a considerable extent, utilizing the upstairs for apartments and the downstairs for the restaurant and beer counter.

FIVE MEN INJURED NEAR COLD SPRINGS

Five men were injured, one seriously, in a wreck Saturday night at the Cold Springs junction on the Wallula highway, when a car driven by Jerry Buell of Irrigon turned over three times and rolled about 54 feet.

Mr. Buell stated later that he had started to pass a car when the driver turned off without giving a signal.

Mr. Buell received a fractured skull and was later taken to Portland by ambulance. Mr. Corryell accompanied him to Portland.

RED CROSS FIELD REPRESENTATIVE SCHEDULED HERE

Miss Frances Palmer, field representative of the Red Cross would like to meet all persons interested in the First Aid and Home Nursing classes at the Legion hall Wednesday, November 5, at 3:45 p. m., according to Mrs. F. B. Belt, local chairman.

This meeting will be an important one and it is hoped that all in the community who wish to aid this cause will be present.

POWER COMPANY ADDS TRANSFORMER

Pacific Power & Light company construction crews are installing additional transformer capacity at the company's substation here to enable a 60 per cent increase in power delivery in the Hermiston area.

NEW POLICE CHIEF BEGINS DUTIES HERE

Harry Dent, recently of Lewiston, Idaho, began work in Hermiston this week as police chief. He replaces H. A. Pankow who recently resigned to accept a position with the Boeing Aircraft Corporation in Seattle, Wn.

Kenneth Gibbs has accepted the position of water superintendent, a position also formerly held Mr. Pankow.

ARMY TO BUY MORE HORSES

On Saturday, November 1, there will be another United States Army horse purchase in Pendleton at the Round-up grounds at about 9:00 a. m.

Woolleys Move To Pankow Residence

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Woolley moved Wednesday into the home recently sold to Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Boulware by Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Pankow, who moved to Seattle Tuesday.

PROCLAMATION

Whereas, October 27th has been designated as the beginning of a campaign for enlistments for our Navy, and Whereas, it is necessary that our armed forces be recruited to full strength for national defense in the present world emergency, and Whereas, the Navy has requested that all local agencies, organizations and groups assist in this worthy movement:

Therefore, I, F. C. McKenzie, Mayor of the City of Hermiston, do hereby proclaim the opening of the Navy campaign and urgently request that merchants, business firms, newspapers, cooperate in this laudable undertaking, and further urge that heads of the American Legion, Chamber of Commerce, Rotary, Women's Clubs, and all influential citizens act as a nucleus for arousing public and community interest in the Navy Campaign.

I call upon all patriotic young men in our community who are eligible for service to consider the extraordinary advantages offered by our Navy for enlistment.

Given under my hand and the seal of the City of Hermiston this the 30th day of October, 1941.

Signed: F. C. McKENZIE, Mayor

NOTICE GIVEN WAR VETERANS

Armistice is our day to howl! Be at our next meeting of American Legion Post No. 37, Thursday, November 6, to help us make arrangements for Armistice Day.

We have invited Heppner and Ione Posts to join us in the observance of this Armistice; so some of you'se birds come out to this tour of the Munitions Depot so we can inform the Major.

Signed: Lloyd Russell, Commander Sam Moore, Com. Chairman

JIM STEWART NOW PROUD DADDY

Jim Stewart, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Stewart of the Columbia district, notified his parents this week that he had become a proud papa.

"Big Jim" is playing professional football this year with the Washington Redskins. The team has won four straight games this fall and seems to be headed for a banner year.

MUNITIONS DEPOT CONSTRUCTION NEARS FINAL STAGES

Major Harry R. Schuppner, genial first world war veteran and constructing quartermaster at the Umatilla Ordnance Depot, stated Thursday evening that although the igloo pouring operations were nearing completion, work at the depot would continue until January 21.

At the present time there are approximately 6500 men and women still employed at the site, according to Major Schuppner.

The project will cost about \$14,000,000 before completed.

LICENSE EXAMINER SCHEDULED HERE

A traveling examiner of operators and chauffeurs is scheduled to arrive in Hermiston, Thursday, November 6, and will be on duty at the city library between the hours of 10 a. m. and 5 p. m., according to a recent announcement released 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.

ASSISTANT COOKS NEEDED AT SCHOOL

Some additional help at the high school cafeteria is needed, according to Superintendent W. G. Kersbergen.

Anyone interested in accepting one of these positions is asked to get in touch with Mr. Kersbergen at the high school.

LIBRARY BASEMENT TO HOUSE PUPILS

Superintendent W. G. Kersbergen stated this week that arrangements are being made to utilize the city library basement for school purposes Monday.

The basement will be used by parts of the fourth and fifth grades, according to Supt. Kersbergen.

SURVEY FOR SEWER CONSTRUCTION BEGUN BY PORTLAND FIRM

PROJECT NOT TO INCREASE LOCAL TAX

Operations on the actual survey and possible construction of the Hermiston sewer system was launched this week when R. H. Corey, Consulting Engineer of Portland, started a crew of men on preliminary survey of the City of Hermiston.

Of primary interest at the present time is the proposed sewage disposal system. A need for a sewer system has been felt for many years by city officials.

In Mr. Corey's agreement with the city, the following paragraph is significant: "It is specifically agreed that I (Mr. Corey) am to receive no payments for services except those which are approved and allowed by PWA and to be paid only out of funds received from the government by the City of Hermiston except later if the City helps finance any project then the amount required shall be paid from each fund if separate in proportion to the amounts furnished by each."

The Hermiston sewer system, the cost of the sewer construction will be raised by revenue bonds. There will be no added taxes or any assessed tax placed on any property.

At a later date an election will be called in order that the property owners of Hermiston may voice their opinion on the project.

PEARSONS ACQUIRE BROWNSON HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Pearson this week purchased the residence now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. David Middlesdorf but owned by Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Brownson.

The residence was one of the best structures in Hermiston. Mr. and Mrs. Middlesdorf have not announced where they will move.

DEFENSE FOOD NEEDS DISCUSSED AT FARMERS' MEET

Approximately fifty farmers in West Umatilla county met at the high school gymnasium, Wednesday night to hear the discussion of the Agricultural Defense Program as it affects Umatilla county and their own farms.

Hawley Bean, Echo, was the general chairman of the meeting. Mr. Bean, a member of the U.S.D.A. defense board for this county attended a meeting of this board in Pendleton last week, at which time the "Food for Defense" program was explained.

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