

By Mrs. Bob Woodward

The machinists' union held a party in the Townsend club hall Thursday evening of last week. A Townsend committee did the serving. Mrs. Udey and Mrs. Hughes were on the committee.

Johnny Economas and Lynn Black who have occupied the Carl Hammer house since last spring left last week. Mr. Economas went to Portland and Mr. Black has a new position in Eugene. Both men were in the employment office in town. Jim Clinton and Bob Van Houte, also of the employment office have taken the house for a month. An open house Wednesday evening of last week honored the two men who were leaving and was attended by many friends.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Chorch of Ellensburg spent the week-end here with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Garberding. Sunday they enjoyed a drive to the munitions depot and to the Pendleton air base. They returned home Tuesday morning.

Myrnie Caldwell was elk hunting near Kamela Sunday but returned without any game.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hammer and Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Long of Tertelton spent Monday evening in Pendleton.

Mrs. Lynn Easton (Martha Belle Caldwell) of Boyd, Oregon, has been visiting the past week at the Woodward homes while Mr. Easton and his father, James Easton, were hunting elk in the Blue Mountains near Kamela.

Students at the Columbia school enjoyed a Hallowe'en party and picnic lunch last Friday afternoon.

Mary and Peggy Sommerer entertained a group of young friends at a Hallowe'en party at their home Saturday evening.

A. H. Cable returned Tuesday evening from a 5-day elk hunting trip in the Starkey region on the Grand Ronde. The party also included Dr. Belt and Glenn Ripley of Hermiston. They returned without any game.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Feldman of Wasco were week-end guests at the Walter Maffei home. Mr. and Mrs. Bob Marvin of Heppner also visited there on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Garberding and small son of Grandview visited here Tuesday at the home of his brother, Henry Garberding.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Reuber and family of Stanfield were visiting here Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. Myrnie Caldwell.

Mr. and Mrs. George Liebe visited Sunday evening with August Lindner who reports that Mrs. Lindner, who recently went to Portland for medical treatment, is much improved.

Mrs. Carson is visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Henry Sommerer for a week. She has just recently returned from a trip to Portland where she visited with her son and family.

Frank Knapton, a former resident here, was pleasant hunting in this district Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Liebe called at the St. Anthony's hospital Tuesday to see Mrs. Wm. Tuttle but learned that she was critically ill and visitors were not being permitted. Mrs. Tuttle is a former Columbia resident, living on the Dr. A. E. Marble place.

R. B. Wilcox returned Tuesday from a two-weeks' hunting trip at Hildaway Springs, returning with an elk.

Miss Eva Wilcox and brother, Lester Wilcox are driving to Salem Friday and will spend several days there visiting their grandmother.

Along the Diagonal: Stray horses . . . a very quiet Hallowe'en . . . the last of the pheasant hunters . . . heavy frosts several nights last week . . . potato digging.

PLANS MADE FOR ACHIEVEMENT DAY

At a meeting of the 4-H local leaders at the Assistant County Agent's office last week, it was decided by the leaders to hold the annual achievement meeting at the Methodist church basement on Wednesday, November 12, at 7:30 p. m.

The leaders planned a program which included the showing of a colored forest service picture and presentation of pins by the manager of the First National Bank of Pendleton, J. A. Yeager; county school superintendent, Miss Frances Clinton; and the Assistant County Agent, Gene Lear. Refreshments of ice cream and cake will be served.

RUGG NAMED NEW IRRIGATION HEAD

A. E. Rugg of Route Two Hermiston this week was named manager of the Westland Irrigation district, succeeding Frank Caverhill who has held the post for the past two years. Mr. Rugg comes well recommended for the job as he has spent several years in the irrigation field and for the past four years has been a ditch rider for the Hermiston Irrigation District.

An election of one director will be held November 11. Hayley J. Bean and J. B. Fletcher will appear on the ballot for the three-year term.

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1000th Igloo Poured Thursday

Many Employees Leave For Homes; Work To Continue Until January

It's all over, even the shouting. The last igloo at the Umatilla Ordnance Depot was poured this morning at 3:30 (Thursday) and a job that started exactly one year ago is almost done. According to Major Harry R. Schuppner, somewhat dreary-eyed from an all-night vigil on the job but nevertheless full of vim and vigor, stated this morning that although the igloo-building was completed considerable finishing up details still needed attention.

When the final bucketful of cement was poured and the workmen began to realize that their huge task was almost completed, they gave vent to their enthusiasm and "threw" a regular old-fashioned celebration, noisemakers and all. J. A. Terteling, contractor, crew foremen and army officials were rounded up and placed inside huge cement buckets and taken for a "ride." It was all in fun

FUNDS FOR SCHOOL ASSURED HERE

Rep. Walter M. Pierce this week informed The Herald that there need be no fear locally because of the delay of funds for local schools. He further explained that Hermiston had received only one-third of the full amount because this is the proper method of handling government funds.

The Federal Works Agency advances one-third upon final approval of the project. Thereafter there is a continual flow of money until completed, as funds are needed and as found by their field auditors to be necessary.

Mr. Pierce read a school story in the November 23 issue of The Herald in which it stated that Hermiston had received only one-third of the previously announced school funds.

SMITH CLEANERS OPENS BUSINESS

Another new establishment opened for business in Hermiston this week when Ewing Smith announced a dry cleaning service in the Jens Skovbo building directly behind the Tum-A-Lum Lumber Co. Mr. Smith states that he has installed the most modern equipment.

A cash and carry plan will be adopted by Mr. Smith's firm, saving the saving on to the customers.

CITY OF HERMISTON FREE OF BONDED INDEBTEDNESS

FINAL WATER BONDS PAID THIS WEEK

An occasion of great rejoicing was experienced this week when the city of Hermiston paid off a \$25,000 bond issue. The final check was written Saturday by City Recorder Charles Taylor. The bonds were authorized at an election held August 7, 1911, with a vote of 487 for and 32 against the project.

The bonds voted at that time were to finance a water system, which at the present time includes 7 1/2 miles of pipe, ranging from 3/4 inch to 12-inch pipes. The bond issue covered a 30-year period, bearing interest at 6 per cent, which interest in the 30 years amounted to approximately \$30,000 or \$5,000 more than the original issue, according to Mr. Taylor.

Many changes have been made in the original system which has been practically rebuilt during the 30 years. The bonds and improvements have been paid from current water collections. The original system was built almost entirely of wood but now the city has invested in steel and iron pipe.

The first bonds were retired in 1935, when \$2,000 was taken care of; in 1936, \$3,000; in 1937, \$4,000; in 1938, \$3,000; in 1939, \$3,500; in 1940, \$4,500; in 1941 the remaining \$5,000, all in \$500 bonds. At the present time the city of Hermiston is free of all bonded or warrant indebtedness, and is one of very few cities in Oregon to be in this pleasant position.

Other statistics concerning early day developments in Hermiston prove interesting in connection with the paying off of the debt. The council in 1911 was composed of H. Ross Newport, mayor; F. C. McKenzie, city recorder; R. C. Todd, E. P. Dodd, D. R. Brownell, Jr., W. S. Phillips, H. A. Waterman and B. F. Strohm, councilmen. Of these men only four are still living, namely Ross Newport of Portland, Mayor McKenzie, R. C. Todd and E. P. Dodd, all of Hermiston.

The water department at the present time is in fine condition but is taxing all departments to meet the heavy demands due to the added activities in the community. It is felt that if the city continues to grow it will be necessary to enlarge the system. Due credit belongs to Mr. Taylor in handling the water department receipts in order that rapid payments on the bonded indebtedness have been made possible.

FORE LIL ABNER! SADIE HAWKINS DAY IS COMING

The boys at the Hermiston Union high school are busy these days planning fast means of transportation and other methods of evading feminine advances. Friday is annual Sadie Hawkins day at school when the girls have their day (what a break for the boys, Ed.)

The festivities of the day are sponsored by the senior class and this year will feature several new innovations. The day will be climaxed by a party and dance in the gymnasium in the evening.

VANDALS BREAK WINDOWS IN HALL

Members of the Hermiston park board report that considerable vandalism is prevalent at the park. During the past few months numerous windows have been broken in the dance hall. One day this week a large rock was thrown through one of the windows. The case has been reported to local authorities and steps will be taken to avoid further trouble.

COMMERCIAL CLUB TO HOLD MEETING NEXT WEDNESDAY

A regular meeting of the Hermiston Commercial club will be held in the high school next Wednesday evening, November 12, beginning at 7:00 o'clock. A dinner will be served prior to the business meeting. The occasion will serve to some extent to welcome all the new business men and women of Hermiston.

As a feature of the evening a representative of the Pacific Power & Light Co. will be present to show pictures on various phases of electricity. Art Thrasher, local manager, will be in charge of this part of the program.

George Harkenrider, president of the club, invites all the newcomers and urges them to attend.

HEPPNER HIGH TO MEET BULLDOGS ON ARMISTICE DAY

The only unbeaten A team in eastern Oregon is the record boasted by the Hermiston high school Bulldogs. This record is held by only five other high schools in the state of Oregon. Heppner, a greatly improved team in recent weeks, now is the only hurdle standing before the Bulldogs and a perfect season, marred only by a 7-7 tie with Pendleton.

The annual Armistice day classic, Heppner vs. Hermiston, is expected to be a thriller this year. The Bulldogs will be fighting to maintain a fine average while the Heppner eleven would like nothing better than to upset the high flying Bulldogs.

Coach Ray Critchfield reported Wednesday that his boys were in fine fettle but admitted that some of them had to enter the school doors sideways these days, due no doubt to swelled heads.

STORES TO CLOSE ARMISTICE DAY

Next Tuesday, November 11, will be Armistice day. The stores and business houses of Hermiston will close in honor of the day's festivities. The high light of the day here will be the annual football classic between Heppner and Hermiston.

The Hermiston post American Legion has invited the Heppner and Ione posts to spend the day here. The high school band and Legionnaires will march prior to the game.

CARPENTERS LOCAL ENTERTAINS FOR DEPOT EMPLOYEES

MAJOR SCHUPPNER LAUDS WORKERS

The Carpenters Union No. 933 was host to approximately 2000 members, their families and friends, the entire personnel of J. A. Terteling & Sons, and the U. S. Army official family of the ordnance depot at a banquet at Hermiston park hall Friday night. "Workers of the Umatilla Ordnance Depot are 'fighters' very similar to those in the U. S. Army but are using tools of their trade while the soldier uses guns and bayonets," stated Major Harry R. Schuppner, in speaking to the assembled crowd.

Other speakers introduced during the evening included J. A. Terteling, contractor, Lt. V. G. McLeod, William Foss, construction superintendent, and C. D. Long, president of the Oregon State Council of Carpenters and labor relations manager for the Umatilla project.

Major Schuppner in his address expressed his appreciation for the part played by the carpenters on the job. The Umatilla Ordnance job, largest in the world at this time, was completed in record time, greatly due to the fine spirit of cooperation.

OFFICERS REPORT FOR ORDNANCE DUTY AT MUNITION DEPOT

Army officials are arriving weekly at the Umatilla Ordnance Depot for duties connected with the ordnance department. Work at the site is gradually being completed with the permanent ordnance officers gradually lining up their duties.

Those arriving recently and among those scheduled to arrive soon include Major Ralph C. Scott, assigned to the commanding officer after November 12. He comes from the office of Chief of Ordnance at Washington, D. C.

First Lt. Homer Simola arrived November 1 from the Benicia Arsenal in California to take up his work with the permanent setup here. First Lt. John C. Vaughan came Thursday from Fort St. Houston, Texas.

Deep Sea Fishing



but the thought behind it all was that a major defense job had been completed in record time, indicating that the American people intend to and will do everything in their power to defend this continent from outside invasion.

Col. E. M. George, Zone Constructing Quartermaster of San Francisco was present for the final ceremony. Also there for the final igloo pour was Gen. Brehon T. Somervell, head of the construction division of the Quartermaster Department at Washington, D. C. Both men were loud in their praise of the work done at the Umatilla Ordnance Depot and spoke well of both the contractor and the army officials.

However, with the sweet also comes the bitter. With the last bucketful of cement also came the announcement that approximately 3000 men had completed their duties. The Herald reporter interviewed a number of the men this morning. They were all in accord that they had had a lot of fun in Hermiston and wished now that they could have stayed a little longer. The men have been making good money, they have enjoyed the weather and generally like this community. Most of them thanked the community for its efforts to care for so great a number.

Foremost in their minds, of course, was their next job. Some indicated that they would remain in Hermiston for several days until they could get their bearing as to the next project. Others stated that they were going home to their families. Locally the boys are going "back on the farm" and catch up on the chores. When asked concerning any further developments, Major Schuppner stated that rumors were coming in fast and thick of another igloo job in the northwest but to date he had no information as to any further work. He indicated, however, the next project might be within six or seven hundred miles.

When actual pouring of igloos began last July, the Umatilla Ordnance job was rated as about six weeks behind schedule. Lost ground was rapidly made up, however, and when the last igloo was completed November 6 the same job was rated as a month ahead of schedule. This indicates what can be done with modern machinery, driven by workers instilled with proper spirit and enthusiasm. The huge project has been completed without any serious trouble of any sort. Contrary to many other projects now under construction in the United States, absolutely no labor trouble has resulted here. Had sufficient steel been available at all times, it is estimated that the work could have been completed by October 15.

Now what follows? Major Schuppner, still dreary-eyed but full of vim and vigor, stated that gradual dismantling of tents and barracks would come next. Only about 85% of the job here is finished. In a project of this kind, when the work in the field is rushed with all possible speed, it is impossible for the office workers to keep up with the job. For the next few weeks all office records will be brought up to date and other incidentals taken care of. Numerous

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Armistice Day Classic - - Heppner High vs. Hermiston Undefeated Bulldogs