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Japan Can Now Think Thrice.

Japan now has several thinks coming. The pagan nation timed its assault on Pearl Harbor on the day Hitler was to enter Moscow. Since then Japan has taken Hong Kong and defenseless Manila. That's about all.

Since then 26 nations have aligned themselves to defeat the Axis. Since then Russia has driven the Germans back hundreds of miles and Hitler is in retreat the full length of the line from the Baltic to the Black. Since December 7 Africa has been captured by the Allies, and the Dutch have sunk almost a battle ship a day in Malayan waters. General McArthur has made a great record in Luzon, and American air men have taken toll of many ships from the Japs. Japan awakens to the hard facts that the Allies outnumber the Axis in man power and resources seven to one, and the Allies are now organized in European and Asiatic councils with great directing forces. China has taken new life under the great General Wavell, and in one battle has killed nearly 100,00 Japs.

President and Congress have spoken with no uncertain offensive terms, and the United States has arisen to wartime energy. Just what the military leaders of the Axis are thinking no one knows. They give us plenty of propoganda, but already no one believes their public statements. No one doubts the great struggle we must make because of the wide spaces and great distances of the Pacific, and its numerous Asiatic islands, but we do know that if we keep going with the force and speed we developed the last 30 days there can be but one result.

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PAST YEAR BRINGS NEW EXPERIENCES

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Van Skike and James W. Warner pass away. Cunha appointed to succeed O. L. Babcock, deceased, to legislature.

February 13—Superintendent W. G. Kersbergen elected to 3-year term. Scouts hold Court of Honor. Noel Benion addresses project farm bureau meeting. Sam Moore issues call for veteran service.

February 20—Hermiston Bulldogs lose both games in district basketball playoff. Munitions depot contract signed for \$7,547,661. This sum is increased later. City council enacts ordinance to fix city license fees. Revenue to be used for extra policing and additional expense of operation of city affairs.

February 27—Christian mission to be in Hermiston for meetings. Many new students enter local schools. Hermiston Cafe opens for business.

March 6—Actual work starts at the Umatilla ordnance depot. Mrs. Walt Pearson and Sally scalded by bursting hot water bottle. "Pop" Warner, famous football coach, visits here at home of his brother, W. J. Warner. C. O. Marble passes away. Wallula added to Umatilla county baseball league.

March 13—Plans announced for construction of mattresses for rural families. Contracts opened for construction of city hall and jail. High school seniors present, "Second Fiddle." Townsend club sponsors Irish stew supper.

March 20—Golf ladder tournament launched. Carpenters begin work at site for housing of single workers. Hermiston merchants offer 15-acre tract for construction of "Tertel Town." Master Sergeant Ronald A. McLain, first of permanent officers, arrives. High school band gets new uniforms.

March 27—Government announces plans to construct 83 houses just west of Hermiston. Council rejects bids for new city hall. Local Pastime opens for business. Carpenters organize local union. Spring Music Varieties presented by girls' glee club.

April 3—Rotary club is organized here with Dr. F. B. Belt as president. Hermiston wins county golf cup at Pendleton. Stanfield S.C.S. camp has open house. Bowling alley opened by L. A. Moore. Justice court in Hermiston thrives.

April 10—Churches plan special services for Easter day. Hermiston Red Sox win practice tilt from Umatilla. Golfers lose match at Pasco.

April 17—Dr. W. M. Marbut reports for army service. Morton Tompkins discusses P.U.D. with interested group. New troop committee organized. Boise middleweight defeats Irish Johnny Taylor on fight card.

April 24—Pacific Power & Light Co. reduces rates. W. E. Kennedy pours foundation for jail building. N.Y.A. project approved here for shop building at high school. Auditor's report shows city finances in excellent shape. Taxi service starts.

May 1—Accidental rifle shot kills Deloris Viola Foster on rabbit hunt. Golf club defeats Athena. Building permits boom. Hermiston tied with Wallula for league lead. Employment office moves to Cronk apartments, is busy place.

May 8—City licenses pinball machines. Harold Thompson lands whopper fish. Governor Sprague pays visit here. Inspects ordnance depot. Utah Woolen Mills open business here.

May 15—High school graduates large class. Louis Moore, 88, dies from accidental burns. Co-op Grocery opens in new location. Grade graduation exercises held. Justice H. J. Bean passes at Salem.

May 22—Funeral services held for pioneer merchant, H. T. Fraser, who has been in business 34 years. Rotary club receives charter at banquet. One hour parking ordinance passed by city council. Captain R. C. Williams and personnel move to depot site.

May 29—Stanfield S.C.S. camp to close. Bible school opens classes. Poppy sale proves success.

June 5—Auto accident takes life of Randle Nielsen. A. P. Garner, pioneer, passes at age of 85. Four-H members leave for summer school at

Corvallis. Miss Ina Marie Lenhart dies in Portland. Money allotted for depot road.

June 12—Lloyd J. Russell elected as commander of local post, American Legion. Funeral services held for Mrs. Mildred Florence Corliss. Rev. C. Warner invited to serve indefinitely as pastor of Central Church of Christ. Red Sox win doubleheader from Helix. Igloo construction begins at ordnance depot.

June 19—Heavy rains cause extensive damage to hay crops. Huggins' Model Shows play to large crowds. Hermiston Auto C. plans to enlarge building. U.S.O. group organized.

June 26—All adults register for home defense work. August F. Bessel funeral services held. Carl Hammer elected business agent for Carpenters' Union Local 933. Levester Mulkins chosen to compete in Ford safe driving contest. Rev. Malcolm B. Ballinger is new pastor of Methodist church. June record month for rains.

July 6—Munitions depot contract increased \$3,145,841, total now \$10,760,534. Softball league started. Mr. Heasley acquitted in local court on assault charge.

July 10—Business booms as thousands of workmen crowd city streets. Carey Allen dies of auto accident injuries. Charles Jacob Clapper, depot worker, drowns in attempt to rescue daughter. Kennedy completes new building on Main street. Fourth of July celebration draws large crowd at Stanfield.

July 17—Mrs. H. E. Hanby, local pioneer, passes away. Thermometer hits 108 degrees on two successive days (Oh, Happy Days!). F. S. A. office moves to Hermiston. Hermiston schools begin to worry about added students.

July 24—Break in "A" line cuts off all irrigation water. Fear felt for crops. Quick repair, however, saves all crops from damage. Sterr opens Drive-In Market. Earl Watson replaces Alton Sisson as manager of Hermiston Cooperative Laundry & Cannery.

July 31—Fire destroys Tilden barn. Highway change from Hale corner to First National Bank announced.

August 7—Dr. W. L. Morgan buys Kennedy building. A 3 to 1 vote favors issuance of school bonds to match in part federal funds. Rankin named to county fair board. Seven ingloos built in 24-hour period. Strike troubles prove troublesome to local mill as feed orders cancelled.

August 14—Bible school graduates students. County assures work on access road. Duck pin alleys open. John Ballack begins work as new police officer.

August 21—Harts purchase Mack building. Fire destroys hay at Mulkins ranch. Trailer house fire fatal to Guy W. Callison. Free-for-all fist fight brings arrests here. Carroll Edward Irvin fatally injured at ordnance depot.

August 28—Hermiston welcomes Umatilla county fair goers. Large crowds attend entertainment features. Walter M. Pierce lauds workers and officials of Umatilla ordnance depot. County health unit offers free health clinic.

September 4—Fair entries fail to match 1940 show. Dr. I. C. Bohlman leases Dr. Marbut practice. John A. Clarke transferred to Sunnyside, Wash., by P. P. & L. Co. Art Thrasher named new manager here. Many students register for high school courses. Dr. Stewart S. Merrill opens office here.

September 11—New record of 14 igloos in 24-hour period established at ordnance site. M. E. Knickerbocker transferred to Canyon City in Grant county. Gene Lear new assistant county agent. Hermiston police officers have hands full.

September 18—U. S. Senator Rufus C. Holman is Hermiston visitor. Economic council holds hearing to discuss overcrowded conditions due to construction workers. Ross Newport begins work on access road. Mayor McKenzie receives word that congress had approved Hermiston sewer and water improvement projects.

September 25—One igloo per hour is record established at munitions depot. Stone Market to open business here. Hermiston schools open with record enrollment. Shooting gallery opens. New city budget not to raise tax levy. Bulldogs win first football

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October 2—Mrs. Cora Tobin, Kenneth Gorsuch and Marvin Adams lose life at the hands of a youthful gun killer, John Soto, on farm west of city; murder caught soon after. Hermiston depot robbed of seven mail bags. No clue is discovered. George W. Beddow passes after long illness.

October 9—Pankow resigns as chief of police. Mrs. J. S. Burnham buys building in which store located. County clears city lots. Mrs. L. L. Journault passes at Stanfield.

October 16—Hermiston Bulldogs hold Pendleton to tie. Mrs. Ida A. Simmons passes. U. S. O. building announced.

October 23—New laundry opens in Morgan building. Money for school arrives, much to relief of officials.

October 30—Harry Dent begins duties as new police chief. Survey for sewer construction begun by R. H. Corey of Portland. Igloo Inn opens for business.

November 6—1000th igloo poured, job almost done. Major Harry R. Schuppner tells of work still to be done. A. E. Rugg named manager of Westland Irrigation district. City pays off final water bonds, now free of bonded indebtedness. Carpenters entertain depot employees.

November 13—Bulldogs win Armistice day football tilt with Heppner. Major Ralph Cook Scott reports for work as commanding officer of ordnance. Funeral services held for Mrs. William Southward. Stone's Market opens for business.

November 20—Work tapers off at ordnance depot, many workers leave. Basketball prospects bright at high school.

November 27—Mrs. U. Edwards, 75, passes away. Mrs. Francis A.

Baker of Stanfield suffers fatal injuries in auto accident. Council rejects 20-year power franchise to P. & L. Co.

December 4—Turkey picking in full swing for holiday markets. Andrew Brosten buried here. Curtis B. Brown purchases O'Conner's Cafe. John F. Wurster passes away in Umatilla.

December 11—War is declared! Hermiston takes war news with determination. Civilian defense meeting announced. Police meeting of west end cities elects Lloyd Russell of Stanfield as chairman. Local boys near scene of Japan attack. No casualties reported.

December 18—Large crowd attends defense meeting at high school. James D. Todd, defense chairman, names committees. Engineers take charge of work at ordnance site. Practice blackout attempted. H. V. Gifford passes away in Portland. City prepares for emergencies.

December 25—City of Hermiston reduces water rates to \$2.00 minimum. Ambulance fund reaches \$1041, machine ordered. Happy New Year!

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