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LAWRENCE JENKINS DISCUSSES CROP PROSPECTS FOR 1942

H. K. DEAN TELLS OF STATION TESTS

BY GENE LEAR

At meetings held in Columbia park hall and Stanfield Grange hall Tuesday, Lawrence Jenkins, assistant farm crops specialist, Oregon State college, discussed small seed crops and hay and pasture improvement, with about 35 farmers present.

Mr. Jenkins stated that probably the prices of alfalfa seed for 1942 would be higher than they were last year because of a less than normal crop of alfalfa seed in 1941. It was brought out at these meetings that where regular crop rotations are being practiced, a farmer should not try to keep his alfalfa planting for too long. As soon as the stand becomes depleted to the point where hay yields are reduced, the alfalfa should be plowed up and then either a grain crop grown for a year and then reseeded, or reseeded to alfalfa.

Harold Dean, superintendent of the U. S. Umatilla Experiment station pointed out that records at the station showed that varieties of hardy northern common alfalfa have given the best results at the station. Where it is desirable to keep alfalfa longer than four or five years, wilt resistant and hardy varieties should be planted for this purpose. Mr. Jenkins recommended plantings of Orestan which is an Oregon produced wilt resistant winter hardy variety of alfalfa. Mr. Jenkins also stated that as soon as seed is available there will be a new variety of wilt resistant alfalfa that will probably replace all our present varieties. To date, seed of this variety is not commercially available.

Prospects for growing hairy vetch for seed were discussed and the fact pointed out that this crop tends to become a pest when planted. This is because of hard seeds that do not grow the first year or for several years.

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FORMER RESIDENT DIES IN ATTACK

Sergeant Wilmer Inlow, who is well known in Hermiston, was killed in the December 8 attack on Pearl Harbor. News of his death was received here by Mr. and Mrs. Pete Laas, for whom he was employed for some time, and by Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Hill of Irrigon, where he resided.

SAME BUSINESS BUT DIFFERENT NAME

Hereafter the Chisholm Grain and Feed Co. will be known as the Hermiston Grain & Feed Co., according to Pete Berg and Kenneth Gregory who have purchased the interests of J. J. Chisholm. Fred Hensel has been appointed sales manager.

The concern will continue to operate in the same location, handling the same lines of feeder supplies. They will feature Umatilla and Columbia brand feeds.

STONE MANAGER ENLISTS IN ARMY

George Trainer, who has been manager of the Hermiston Stone Food store since its opening, enlisted with the U. S. army last week. Mr. Trainer recently passed his physical examination in Pendleton.

Rodger Olin, who has been employed in the store, has been boosted to the managership, with Vern Martin still in charge of the meat department.

Odd Fellows To Meet Monday

A regular meeting of the Hermiston Odd Fellows lodge will be held Monday night at the Masonic hall. Business will get underway at 8:00 o'clock.

BOY SCOUTS' RANKS GROWING



The above poster in colors, now being displayed all over the country, announces Boy Scout Week with the slogan "Strong For America." Boy Scouts everywhere in the nation have taken on the defense of America. Boys 12 years of age and over who are not Scouts and who wish to share in winning the war by doing these "Good Turns" should get in touch with the nearest office of the Boy Scouts of America.

PLEDGE DRIVE TO BE COMPLETED

According to Sam Moore, local chairman, "minute men" who have been canvassing the city for defense bonds pledges, should complete their work this week in order that all pledges can be turned in Saturday afternoon.

The response to date has been quite generous although it has been rather difficult for all "minute men" to contact their districts 100 per cent.

CO-OP. MANAGERS ATTEND INSTITUTE

Otto Pierce, manager of the Farm Bureau Co-operative, Ben Gerking, manager of the Hermiston Mercantile Co-operative, and Guy Shaw, manager of the Inland Co-operative, attended the cooperative institute at Milton held at the city hall Tuesday and Wednesday. They report that the meetings were well attended and were of considerable value.

IRRIGON TO PLAY HERE TUESDAY

The final home game of the regular basketball season will be played Tuesday night, February 2, against Irrigon. Several more games are scheduled in the district playoff in addition to the contest at Pendleton, Friday, February 5.

The Bulldogs are remembering the 13-12 contest played at Irrigon earlier in the season and will attempt to make the margin of victory more concise this time.

BAND AND GLEE CLUBS TO PERFORM

The Hermiston high school band and glee club, under the direction of G. C. Humphreys, will present a concert for the public on Friday, February 13, at 8:00 p. m.

The program will be divided into four sections: classic, Negro spiritual, patriotic and modern. There will be a small admission charge.

MRS. F. B. PENNOCK PASSES TODAY AFTER SHORT ILLNESS

Harriet J. Pennock, a long time resident of the Hermiston project, passed away early today (Thursday) at her home after a very short illness. She reached the age of 78 years.

Mrs. Pennock was born near Valparaiso, in Porter County, Indiana, on March 17, 1864. She has lived in her home in Minnehaha district since 1908, coming here from Milton.

She is survived by her husband, F. B. Pennock, and one son, Norman Pennock.

Funeral arrangements were not made at press time.

TRIPLE MURDERER SENTENCED TO DIE

John Anthony Soto, aged 17, Monday received a sentence to die in the state gas chamber March 20 for the murders at the Cora Tobin ranch here September 25. In addition to Mrs. Tobin, he also killed her son, Kenneth Gorsuch, and a nephew, Marvin Adams. He was given the extreme penalty by Circuit Judge C. L. Sweek at Pendleton where a jury returned a verdict of guilty without leniency.

Soto received the sentence without apparent feeling and calmly replied "No," when asked if he had anything to say. He was taken to Salem Tuesday by Sheriff Bob Goad.

WARNER LISTED AS AN OLD TIMER

The following item was taken from the Pendleton East Oregonian in news of 25 years ago. For once W. J. Warner, popular Hermiston attorney, cannot take offense at being called an "old duffer." The clipping follows:

"W. J. Warner, well known Hermiston attorney, is slated to coach the football team of the Chemawa Indian school near Salem next season, according to Portland papers. Warner, several years mentored the University of Oregon team. He is a brother of Glen Warner, who rose to fame as coach of the Carlisle Indian team."

LEGION AUXILIARY PLANS CARD PARTY

The Hermiston American Legion auxiliary is planning a benefit card party for Monday night, February 9, in the high school gymnasium beginning at 8:00 o'clock. Bridge and pinocle will be played during the evening.

Refreshments will be served at the close of the evening.

HERMISTON VOTERS CAST FAVORABLE BOND ISSUE VOTE

ACTION EXPECTED TO GET UNDERWAY SOON

Voters of Hermiston overwhelmingly cast their ballots Saturday in favor of sewer and water bonds. When the votes were counted Saturday night, the results favored the issuance of sewer bonds 129 to 13 and water bonds 124 to 16. Although the vote was rather light, the trend was concisely indicated by Hermiston residents who sense the fact that future developments in this area will underline the necessity of these projects.

By this vote the city has accepted the proposal of the government to aid in construction of a sewer system which will cost not to exceed \$73,000 and improve the city water system to the extent of \$53,000. Word received Thursday (today) from L. R. Durkee, regional director at Seattle, Wn., again verified a prior offer that the government grant the sum of \$60,000 of the estimated \$73,000 needed for the sewer construction. If this plan is accepted, there will remain only approximately \$13,000 to be raised by the issuance of bonds.

Latest reports from R. H. Corey, Portland surveyor who was in charge of the survey recently completed here, stated in a letter to Mayor F. C. McKenzie and City Attorney W. J. Warner that it would be necessary to drill eight test holes before final plans could be sent in for final acceptance. Just as to who will be responsible for this job was not indicated here Thursday.

In addition to the above requirement, it will be necessary to get several rights-of-way and easements, which will not be difficult to acquire but will require a little time.

However, it is expected that all angles will be ironed out in the very near future so that actual construction of both projects can proceed. Several contractors have contacted city officials in regards to bidding on the job.

JIM REID TELLS OF JAP ATTACK ON PEARL HARBOR

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Reid of the Columbia district received an extremely interesting letter this week from their son Jim and family who are residing in Honolulu. He has recently transferred from the Civil Engineering subdivision to the Military Engineering subdivision and consequently is on duty from 6:00 a. m. to 11:00 or 12:00 at night, although this arrangement will not be permanent.

Mr. Reid states that Jap planes zoomed to 40 feet above their heads leaving a path of death wherever possible. Fortunately they all escaped injury. He has been in flood control work there for the past four months and this experience is proving quite valuable in his new duties.

Mr. Reid expresses an opinion that seems to be quite prevalent among armed forces in that territory. He states that they are quite willing that the Japs come back for a return engagement, only this time they will be better prepared. In fact, they seem quite jealous there that the fighting is taking place in the South Seas. The change of attitude on the islands is almost 100 per cent since December 7, according to Mr. Reid.

He is quite proud of his garden which he states has been neglected considerably since war has begun. However, he states that the crop looks very promising and goes on to list the varieties being raised.

A note of cheerfulness and unconcern is prevalent throughout his letter.

PROPERTY TAX PAYMENTS URGED

Word received this week from the tax department at Pendleton states that under the personal property tax law, passed by the last legislature, all the 1941 personal taxes unpaid at this time are subject to judgments being taken.

Taxpayers paying this tax before service is made will save the additional expense of costs.

An Ultimatum



Basketball Doubleheader - Irrigon vs. Hermiston - Tues., Feb. 3