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FARM BUREAU MILL AND SERVICE STATION REPORT ON BUSINESS

MEMBERS ELECT NEW DIRECTORS

Members of the Farm Bureau Co-operative met last Friday in the basement of the Central Church of Christ for an annual meeting. Reports presented during the afternoon were very favorable of the past year's business.

W. A. Baker, vice president of the board of directors, read the annual report of the feed mill and service station. Sales of the feed department for the past 12 months amounted to \$187,215 against \$180,904 for 1940. Profits for the year amounted to \$2,257, slightly less than the previous year. The auditor's report recommended that earnings should be increased \$10,000 before rebates are considered.

The report of the service station and truck service showed a 10 per cent gain with a net income of \$6,680. This was returned to members in patronage dividends with \$3200 distributed in checks and the balance in certificates of ownership. The service station report showed a gross business of \$51,951 while the truck service business amounted to \$12,223, making a grand total of \$64,174.

Charles Poole, sales manager for the Pacific Supply Co-operative, talked on the problems confronting the average purchaser during war time and stressed the need of greater cooperation among farmers. Also present was Virgil Wilkes of The Dalles, former manager of the service station.

Election results were as follows: A. C. Heyden of Stanfield, representing District No. 1, J. Dell Christley, representing District No. 3 and R. G. Saylor of Echo, representing District No. 5, were re-elected. Hold-over directors are H. J. Ott, chairman of the board, and representative of District No. 4, F. S. Green of Stanfield of District No. 2, R. V. Jones of Irrigon of District No. 6, and W. A. Baker of Boardman from District 7.

The organization went on record urging the commissioners of the Port of Umatilla to build a railroad spur from the present Union Pacific railroad at Umatilla to connect with the Port of Umatilla docks.

A fair crowd was in attendance during the afternoon.

BOND PLEDGES TO BE COMPLETED

A renewed effort to cover the entire west end Umatilla county in the bond pledge drive will be made this week with all books due Saturday, according to Guy Johnson, county chairman. "Minute Men" are urged to complete their respective areas.

Anyone who is not contacted and who wishes to pledge is asked to get in touch with the following places prior to Saturday. Echo residents should go to the Tum-A-Lum (C. H. Esselstyn), Stanfield residents to Stanfield Irrigation District (F. A. Baker), Hermiston at the Herald office and Umatilla should contact Ursei Hiatt.

With the seriousness of war conditions at the present time, citizens are becoming more war-minded. Uncle Sam is in dire need of more money for war purposes and this must come from everyone living in the United States.

SIGHT OF AMERICA IS WELCOME ONE

F. V. Follett, brother of D. D. Follett of Hermiston, was a surprise visitor at the Follett home Friday following his return from overseas. A short time before war was declared, Mr. Follett sailed for Honolulu and Somaland as foreman of a steam shovel concern. No word had been received of his whereabouts since his departure until his arrival in San Francisco February 5.

Mr. Follett stated that sighting of America was the most welcome sight he had ever experienced.

REID-HAYNES

Miss Mary Viola Reid, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Reid and Robert Haynes, both of Hermiston, were married Saturday, February 14, at Lewiston, Idaho.

Bulldogs Battle for District Championship



Pictured above is the H. H. S. Bulldogs' basketball team. From left to right are: (top row) Jerry Coxen, Miller, Ray Holloman, Kenny Elwood, (Bottom row) Bernard Cullen, Lester Wilcox, Lowell Tiller, Bill Bucknum, Jim Naughton, Carl Longhorn and Coach Ray Critchfield. Since this picture was taken Gene Miller has joined the army and Francis Foss and J. Coxen have dropped basketball.

PIONEER RESIDENT DIES FRIDAY FROM EXTENDED ILLNESS

W. B. Finley, pioneer resident of Oregon and for more than 20 years a resident of Umatilla and Morrow counties passed away at the home of his son, Arthur Finley, Friday morning after an extended illness. Mr. Finley would have been 90 years of age next April.

He for many years operated a large wheat ranch in Morrow county and also engaged in sheep activities. Mr. Finley is well known by all old timers here for his active interest in agricultural affairs.

He, for many years, operated a 11, 1852, and had spent his entire life in Oregon. He married Anna Windon of Brownsville in 1876. She passed away several years ago. Surviving are three of six children, Claude and Ralph of The Dalles and Arthur of Hermiston.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at the Central Church of Christ with Rev. C. Warner in charge. Burial was in the Hermiston cemetery.

GUN SHOOT SET FOR SUNDAY

Another practice gun shoot will be held Sunday afternoon at the Hermiston trap grounds just south of Hermiston on Highway 30 according to Dan Hutchison, president of the Hermiston Rod & Gun club.

Anyone interested in trap shooting and wishing a little practice is cordially invited to attend.

MOBILIZATION OF WOMEN UNDERWAY

The task of registering all women of this region in the mobilization program launched this week is proving quite a job although the job will be completed soon. Soon difficulty was experienced in obtaining sufficient forms in this area.

Every housewife in the county will be asked to list the various occupations she would be able to fill if called upon.

HANBY BAGS LONE COYOTE RAIDER

Hank Hanby, Hermiston nimrod of no mean ability, Sunday bagged a coyote southwest of Hermiston while making a trip over the desert country. He first noticed the full grown male fairly close to the road but the coyote ran some distance before Hank got out of the car to shoot.

He made an excellent shot, killing the animal on the run. The coyote was in good condition for this time of year. It will soon be on display among the collection at Hale's Confectionery.

COMMERCIAL CLUB TO MEET TUESDAY

The Hermiston Commercial club will meet next Tuesday, February 24, in the American Legion hall for a noon luncheon at 12:00 o'clock.

Any Hermiston business man or woman and others interested are cordially invited to attend.

CARPENTERS LOCAL ACQUIRES INTEREST OF IGLOO INN

Hermiston Carpenters Local, 933, this week completed arrangements for the purchase of the Igloo Inn, local restaurant, from Mr. and Mrs. M. V. Hart. Although no price has been announced, it is understood the transaction was a cash deal.

The union has made no definite arrangements for the future, according to Roy White, business agent, and will not take any definite steps in the immediate future. Mr. and Mrs. Hart will continue to operate the cafe until other arrangements can be made.

The Harts have operated the cafe for several months and are only selling the business because of Mr. Hart's health. He expects to undergo an operation soon.

FIRST SHIPMENT OF SCRAP IRON MADE

The first carload of scrap iron which has been gathering along the tracks between the Farm Bureau and Inland Cooperative left today (Thursday) for Seattle. Guy Shaw, chairman of the drive and manager of the Inland Cooperative, which has donated the time and labor, states that the drive will continue and that there will be another carload or two to follow.

A drive was held in the Westland district Tuesday. The following people contributed to make a total of 6400 lbs. which was added to the pile in town: Guy Knapp, who also donated his truck for hauling, Dan Dan Lambert, V. V. Lewis and Wm. Van Orsdall.

FOOD STAMP PLAN TO CONTINUE HERE

The fact that the Food Stamp plan is going to continue was stressed today by Lincoln P. Bloomfield, acting area supervisor of the surplus marketing administration, in announcing the discontinuation of the use of continuation cards for retailers. Hereafter, all stamps received by retail merchants are to be placed on master cards only, for purposes of redemption. All continuation cards now in the hands of wholesalers and banks must be submitted to the Portland Audit office for redemption, Bloomfield said.

"Some retailers have misunderstood this change in procedure to mean that the Food Stamp plan is going to fold up," he continued. "This is definitely not the case. The Stamp Plan is going to continue."

LICENSE EXAMINER SCHEDULED HERE

A traveling examiner of operators and chauffeurs is scheduled to arrive in Hermiston Thursday, February 26, and will be on duty at the city library between the hours of 10:00 a. m. to 5:00 p. m., according to a recent announcement released from the Secretary of State's office.

All those wishing permits to drive cars are asked to get in touch with the examiner during these hours.

HERMISTON WINS AND LOSES TILTS FOR DISTRICT TITLE

NEXT CONTEST AT MAC HIGH FRIDAY

A greatly rejuvenated Hermiston high school basketball team is in the thick of the fight for the district championship and the right to play the winner of the The Dalles-Hood River series for a free ticket to the state tournament at Salem in March. The Bulldogs came back with a resounding boom Monday to blast the Pendleton Bucks 28 to 18, only to lose a one point thriller to Mac High Wednesday night, 25-24 before a packed crowd in the local gymnasium.

Pendleton was eliminated from the playoff Tuesday night at Milton-Freewater when the Bucks lost a 32-28 contest to the Rufus Fox coached lads. Mac High now leads with two wins, no losses, while Hermiston has a win and a loss, with Pendleton eliminated. The series is double elimination making another game necessary between Mac High and Hermiston which will be played Friday on the former's court.

Scrapping from the opening whistle and uncorking a zone defense Pendleton couldn't handle, Hermiston trounced the county seat boys 28 to 18 in the opening game of the play-off at Pendleton Monday night. Both teams missed innumerable easy shots but Hermiston steadied in the pinches to run up a 10 point lead.

Pendleton failed to make a field goal in the opening quarter which ended 3 to 1 for the Bulldogs with Tiller sinking a long one and Rugg sinking a gift shot. In the second period the count was knotted at 5-all and then Pendleton went into the lead by two points. Baskets by Rugg, Holloman and a "hope" shot by Wilcox connected, giving the Bulldogs a 11 to 7 lead at the rest period.

The Bulldogs came back like only a Bulldog can and ran the count to 16-7 before Pendleton broke the ice. The third period whistle saw Hermiston leading 17 to 13. Smart court strategy in the final period brought an easy victory for the Bulldogs. Ray Critchfield had his boys "suck" Pendleton out of position by stalling.

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STONE MANAGER MARRIED SUNDAY

Of interest to their local friends is the marriage of Miss Eleanor Maxwell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Maxwell of Spokane, and Roger Olin, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Olin of Spokane, at Couer 'd Alene, Idaho, Sunday. The ceremony was performed in the Baptist parsonage in that city with the Rev. Hughes officiating.

Mr. Olin is manager of Stone's Market here. The couple will reside in Stewart's Auto Cabins.

SCHOOL PROGRAM PROVES EXCELLENT

A large crowd was in attendance last Friday night at the mid-year concert of the Hermiston high school music department. The program was under the direction of G. C. Humphreys, music director.

The concert was presented by the band and glee clubs and was well received by those present. This phase of the high school curriculum has improved by leaps and bounds in recent years.

SAYLORS OPEN PASCO STORE

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Saylor this week are renovating a store building in Pasco, prior to opening a clothing business in that city. They will continue to operate in Hermiston and will divide their time between the two places.

No date has been set for the opening in Pasco but it is hoped to get underway by the time building operations begin in that region.

IN APPRECIATION

We deeply appreciate the kindness shown during the illness and death of our father, W. B. Finley, and for the expressions of sympathy. Also for the beautiful floral offerings.

Arthur Finley and family
Ralph Finley and family
Claude Finley and family.

BUY A SHARE IN AMERICA



Portland, Ore.—A roar that could be heard all over the state went up last Monday when taxpayers received their first bill for the six months ending June 30, 1942. In many cases the bill was close to double the 1941 amount. Small home owners are the hardest hit and the repercussions from this unpopular move on the part of the state tax commission are bound to be a red hot issue in the coming campaign. The next legislature will no doubt remedy the evil, but in the meantime thousands of voters who are property owners make no bones about what they intended to do at the ballot box May 15. The Republican primary campaign for governor promises to be a close affair—ten thousand votes or less may decide the contest, and it is very reasonable to believe that the increased property tax may be the one issue which will swing the pendulum one way or the other.

In this column several weeks ago we told you of a case then before the U. S. supreme court which was of vital interest to Oregon people. The case was the Pacific Fishermen's union vs. the Columbia Packers, Inc. Members of the Fishermen's union received a shock when the high court by unanimous decision, speaking through Justice Hugo Black, declared the "union" was an association of business men. The union was suing the Columbia Packers, Inc., who operate on Bristol bay and the Columbia river. All the bigwigs of the labor staff, CIO and A.F.L., joined in writing a brief showing that it was a dispute between employers and employees.

When the arguments had been discussed the court adjourned and returned last week saying that inasmuch as the union was only an association of business men and the only matter in dispute was whether the Columbia Packers should buy fish exclusively from the union, it was not a disagreement between employers and employes but a controversy over the sale of a commodity.

Furthermore, the court said that the so-called union members are independent business men, owning their own equipment, some cost as much as \$15,000, and they hire and fire their crews. Also, Justice Black pointed out that at least two members of the union are not fishermen at all—not even connected with gear—but are buyers of fish the same as the Columbia Packers. Members of the union are residents of Tacoma, Seattle and Columbia river towns. The decision came in time before the boats start for Alaskan waters.

One for the book is the proposed bill to be introduced in congress by a brilliant (?) Minnesota congressman, which would pay all soldiers time and a half for all duty performed in excess of 40 hours a week. We herewith most respectfully suggest an amendment to the bill as follows: "No soldier is to shoot at any enemy soldiers unless he is in good standing, with his dues paid, and he must show his card prior to firing to indicate he is all O. K." When folks read of such proposed legislation, as they did last week when the story came out of Washington, it makes us wonder what is wrong with the "greatest deliberative body in the world"—the congress of the United States.

The Democrats of Oregon will attempt to fill their campaign war chest with the "long green" via a \$25 per plate dinner to be given the evening of February 23. All of the big shots and office holders are supposed to bounce enough hard cash on the line to buy several of the \$25 tickets, while the rank and file pay but \$1.50 for the eats, which yeaves no profit for the war chest. The affair will be nationwide and it is expected the national committee will gather in over one half million iron men to start their campaign. President Roosevelt is scheduled to address the gatherings via a nation-wide radio hook-up.

Speaking of taxes, don't forget to make out your statement for federal and state income taxes. You have only about three weeks left to even up your score with the government, while the state gives you until April 1 to file your return. Scores of federal men are in the field checking on taxpayers and the lineup at the local bureau of internal revenue reminds us of the ticket window at

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