

By Mrs. Bob Woodward

Mrs. Grace Foster returned last week from Southern California where she had been visiting her son and family during the past month.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Shuity of Umatilla and Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Phillips were New Year's day dinner guests of Mrs. Grace Foster and son Mark.

New Year's day guests at the Baxter Hutchison home were their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Hutchison and Patricia of Pendleton.

The A. R. Blinston family moved to Portland Sunday. They recently sold their place here to Sam Carter.

The first news in over three months from Ray Woodward, U. S. Navy, was received Wednesday. Although he does not write of being in actual combat, his letter tells that he has recently lost all of his personal properties, such as clothing, pictures, watch, etc.

The H. G. McCulley family were surprised New Year's morning while listening to the radio news to hear the name of Mr. McCulley's nephew, E. D. Shaw of Klamath Falls, as having taken part in a bombing raid over Germany, and bringing his damaged ship back safely to the home base. A very interesting account of the incident was later seen in the Sunday issue of the Walla Walla newspaper.

Mrs. Jendrzewski reports that her son Bernard was recently transferred to a special duty assignment on the east coast. Also that the Jendrzewski's daughter, Mrs. George Welter, is now living near Long Beach, Cal., where her husband is now stationed on duty in the air corps.

BULLDOGS LOSE AND WIN TILTS

By Jack Jackson

After a layoff of two weeks the Hermiston Bulldogs traveled to Umatilla Tuesday night to take up basketball again. The game was an even contest throughout the first three quarters with Umatilla having a slight lead all of the way. Then in the last period the Vikings tightened their defense and held the Hermiston boys scoreless while they piled up a safe margin.

The first quarter plainly showed that both teams were a little out of practice, with fumbling and missed passes for each side. At the end of the quarter the score was 5 to 4 in favor of the Vikings. Much of the game's scoring was done in the second quarter, and at half time the count was Umatilla 19, Hermiston 15. The last half was a defensive one for both sides and the final score read Umatilla 28, Hermiston 21.

The main difference in the two teams was the fact that the Bulldogs could not hit their shots. They had more shots from close in than usual but were unable to take advantage of them.

The Umatilla B squad defeated the Hermiston Bees in the opener 15-13.

Echo Game

The Hermiston Bulldogs redeemed themselves entirely by coming from behind to edge out Echo 18-16 in a game that was really a thriller. This was really something to Hermiston's credit because this game was the first loss of the season for the Echo outfit. Up to this time they had won seven straight games and had run up lopsided scores against every team they had played.

In the first quarter it looked like it was going to be another easy Echo victory with the Echo boys jumping into a 7-1 lead at one time. The first quarter ended Echo 8, Hermiston 3. Neither team did much in the scoring line in the second period and at half time the score was Echo 8, Hermiston 5.

Things began to happen in the third quarter when a quick flurry by the Bulldogs put them out ahead 12-10 for a short while. Echo came back to lead 14 to 12 at the end of the quarter.

The final quarter was a battle all of the way with Hermiston going ahead 16 to 14 about half way through the period. A final basket by Belt gave the Bulldogs the needed margin and the final score was Hermiston 18, Echo 16.

In the preliminary game Rugg's Wolves defeated William's and Schoonover's Gromlins 12-10 in a real thriller. Star of this game was Johnson at referee.

LOCAL BOARD HAS NEW HOURS

The war price and rationing board, No. 85, Hermiston, has posted new office hours which will be effective until further notice, according to Mrs. Julia Penney, chief clerk. The office, located in the reclamation building, will be open from 12:00 noon to 5:30 p. m. every day. The public is cordially invited to make their requests during these hours.

The office force, which consists of Mrs. Penney, Mrs. Roy Hale and Mrs. Julius Gimble, will work in the mornings but will be busy with office reports.

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E. D. MARTIN RETIRES FROM PROJECT WORK AFTER MANY YEARS

SPENCER NAMED NEW MANAGER

The usual custom is to write an obituary of a person when he passes away, but this week Hermiston lost a citizen in the best of health, but who nevertheless deserves a writeup. December 31, 1942, terminated the services of Enos D. Martin with the Hermiston Irrigation district, with J. M. Spencer taking over his duties beginning with January 1, 1943.

Mr. Martin arrived in this region in August, 1921, after he had worked on surveys of the Minidoka project with H. M. Schilling, with whom he was connected from 1906 to 1911. When he first arrived here he was employed by the U. S. reclamation bureau on the survey work on Western Lands. Other work included topography survey for Western Lands; investigation and proving dam site of Umatilla Rapids, associated at this time with E. R. Crocker; with E. R. Crocker on a canal realignment and concrete lining; with E. R. Crocker on moving flow line and axis of McKay dam, also sectioning lands to be inundated by McKay reservoir; Stanfield distribution system investigation and making out estimates for complete revamping by the government; sectioning lands under Western Lands project; complete investigation for locating distribution system and making estimates of cost to supply water for "Judson unit" below Irrigon; reconnaissance survey of Paradise project near Pendleton, to be watered from McKay; concrete bench flume near Nolin to serve lands under old Teel project.

The above work occupied the space of three years and in 1924, Mr. Martin was appointed superintendent of irrigation for this project by the U. S. reclamation bureau. He served in this capacity until 1926 when the secretary of interior appointed him project manager of the Umatilla Project, at which time the settlers took over the actual management of the widespread irrigation system. Mr. Martin held that position until December 31, 1942.

Although the above listing indicates that Mr. Martin was an extremely busy man, he found time for many community and civic services. For 12 years he served on the school board, and also served as secretary of the

DECEMBER IS WET MONTH

The past month may not set a record for rainfall, but no one can deny the fact that it was plenty wet for eastern Oregon. A total of 2.06 inches of precipitation was recorded, in addition to a total of seven inches of snow which fell on three occasions, December 5, 6 and 27. The rain was fairly evenly divided over the entire month with some recorded every week.

The following is the report for the past week according to Chas. Taylor, local weather man:

| Date | Max. | Min. |
|-------------|------|------|
| December 30 | 45 | 36 |
| December 31 | 51 | 32 |
| January 1 | 47 | 34 |
| January 2 | 44 | 33 |
| January 3 | 44 | 26 |
| January 4 | 36 | 25 |
| January 5 | 38 | 28 |

EXTRA GAS FOR TRUCKS ISSUED

Urgent needs for additional truck mileage are now being taken care of at Farm Transportation offices in Pendleton, Milton-Freewater, Ukiah-Albee and at the assistant county agent's office in Hermiston.

Jens Terjeson, chairman of the Umatilla County Farm Transportation committee, requests that only farmers who need additional gasoline for the first quarter, January through March, make appeals immediately as emergency temporary rations will not be issued after January 31. Farmers whose quota is sufficient for the first quarter, or the greater part of the first quarter, should delay making appeals until those in urgent need have been taken care of.

Operators requesting additional or revised truck mileage and gasoline allotments should bring their Certificates of War Necessity and coupon ration books as these are necessary in completing the appeal forms.

FLASH!

Word was received at The Herald office late Thursday through Paul N. Odegard & Associates that the contract for the construction of 450 housing units for workers employed at the U.O.D. was awarded to C. F. Davidson of Tacoma, Wash. Work is expected to get underway about the middle of the month.

POWER COMPANY REVIEWS WORK OF PAST YEAR

There was one item of the family budget that actually declined in price during the war year of 1942—and you didn't have to stand in line or use a ration card to buy it.

This item was the electric service used in homes served by Pacific Power & Light company, according to a year-end review of company operations released here by A. M. Thrasher, local manager.

Average cost of electricity used in homes on the Pacific system dropped during 1942 to a new low of 2.07 cents per kilowatt-hour, Mr. Thrasher said. And instead of being rationed residential customers actually used an average of 5.7 per cent more in 1941. Much of the story of what has happened (Continued on Page Five)

POST OFFICE HAS EXCELLENT YEAR

Stamp sales at the Hermiston post office compared very favorably with the record year of 1941, according to W. J. Logan, postmaster. Total stamp sales in 1942 amounted to \$24,460.79 as compared to a total of \$24,541.75 in 1941. The same comparison also holds true in the amount of money orders sold. In 1942 a total of 32,574 orders were issued for a total of \$435,513.51, while in 1941, 40,131 orders were issued for a total of \$572,259.15.

That residents in this vicinity are doing their share towards the purchase of bonds is evidenced by the fact that the post office has sold a total of \$108,468.75 during the past year. Bonds have also been sold at the First National Bank and have also been issued at the ordnance depot.

Pat Emert To Attend School

Pat Emert, who has been employed in the office of the assistant county agent for some months, has announced her intention of entering the Kinman business college at Spokane. She is remaining on the job until Gene Lear, assistant county agent, can obtain another secretary. Anyone who can qualify for the position is asked to get in touch with Mr. Lear.

CLUB TO NAME NEW OFFICERS

The first meeting in 1943 will be held by the Hermiston Commercial club Monday, January 11, at which time new officers will be elected. Outgoing leaders will be Leander Quiring, president; E. P. Dodd, vice president, and Charles Hodge, secretary.

The meeting at the U.S.O. will begin at 12:15 with a luncheon served by the Igloo Inn. Attention is called to the fact that the meeting is scheduled for Monday instead of the customary Tuesday.

CLINIC SET FOR LOCAL TOTS

Immunizations have been completed at the Stanfield school, with a total of 140 students receiving protection against diphtheria and smallpox or tested for tuberculosis. There were 35 children under eight years old given diphtheria toxoid, 71 schick tested, 30 vaccinated against smallpox and 77 given tuberculin tests.

There will be an immunization clinic at the Hermiston USO on Tuesday, January 12, from 9 to 11 a. m. for pre-school children in the Hermiston district. Any child from nine months of age to six years who has not been protected against diphtheria or smallpox may attend.

Also, school children will receive their annual opportunity to receive similar protection at school on Wednesday, January 13.

These clinics are sponsored by the Umatilla County Health Unit with local physicians in charge. There is no charge to the public for these services.

ITEMS NEEDED FOR SOLDIERS

Anyone having any games, books or magazines of recent date which they would like to donate to soldiers is cordially urged to contact the management at the Hermiston USO. The items are needed at the Boardman bombing range and also at the Stanfield camp.

As soon as the articles can be obtained they will be distributed to the camps by the USO.

Call Issued For Furniture

Mrs. F. B. Belt was informed Thursday that the club room in the Pendleton air base recreation building is now ready and the recent request for any type of furniture, books, games and other furnishings should now be delivered. Anyone here who has a davenport, chairs, tables or desk which they would be willing to donate towards furnishing the room is asked to contact either Mrs. F. B. Belt or Mrs. W. J. Logan.

ARMY CALLS FOR .22 SHELLS AND HUNTING KNIVES

The following letter was received by Roy Hale this week:

"Due to the present national emergency there has arisen a critical shortage of .22 caliber, long rifle cartridges. These cartridges are so urgently needed by our armed forces that the government has directed this office to procure all of these cartridges that are available in this district.

It is requested that you assist in this program by reporting all the full boxes of .22 caliber long rifle cartridges that it is possible for you to locate. On receipt of a report showing the number you have assembled, with their cost price to you, this office will issue a purchase order for the amount of your cost plus 10 per cent. This is an emergency request."

The U. S. army is also asking for hunting knives with blades four inches in length or longer. So pressing is the need for such weapons that the army has promised to ship the knives by plane, placing them in the hands of fighting men soon after their collection. It is not necessary to relate in this article to what use the knives will be put.

Mr. Hale is anxious to cooperate in this matter and urges that the needed articles be brought to Hale's Confectionery & Sporting Goods and they will be properly dispatched.

WEDDING NEWS OF INTEREST HERE

Mr. and Mrs. John A. Clarke of Sunnyside, Wash., announce the marriage of their oldest daughter, Edith Elizabeth, to Don Serell of Hermiston. The wedding took place on New Year's eve at the parsonage of the Christian church minister in Caldwell, Idaho. The couple spent the Christmas week end in Sunnyside and the New Year's week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Serell, at Ontario.

Mr. and Mrs. Serell have known each other for many years, having gone through high school and college together. In 1932-33 the team of Clarke-Serell went to the finals in the high school debate competition at Corvallis. At the present Mrs. Serell is teaching in the senior high school in Salem and she plans to complete the year there. Mr. Serell, who at present is employed in the Hermiston post office, plans to enter officer's training for the army in the near future.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Serell are well known here. Mrs. Serell's father, John A. Clarke, formerly was manager of the Pacific Power & Light Co. here.

QUICK INJURED WHILE AT WORK

Bert Quick, who has been employed in the shipyards in Portland for almost a year, was badly injured last week Wednesday when he fell from a 20-ft. scaffold. He received an impact fracture of the wrist and it was later discovered that he had also suffered a slight skull fracture in the fall.

He was immediately rushed to St. Vincent's hospital for treatment. Mrs. Quick went to Portland Saturday to see her husband and returned home again Tuesday night, reporting that he was getting along nicely but that he would be hospitalized for a few more weeks.

About two weeks ago Mrs. Quick and children went to Portland where Mr. Quick had arranged for them to see the launching of a sub-chaser at the Commercial ship yards.

CECIL WARNER WRITES LETTER

Rev. and Mrs. C. Warner are in receipt of an interesting V-Mail letter from their son, Sgt. Cecil R. Warner, who is stationed in England. The latter is stationed in the General Hospital and apparently is enjoying his work.

Cecil tells of an interesting experience he had when he was made an honorary member of a club known as the 1914-18 veterans group which is composed of members who served overseas (from England) and who saw action. Cecil was in a group of seven who were accorded the honor, each man receiving a pin signifying his membership.

SMITH PURCHASES MORGAN BUILDING ON MAIN STREET

LAUNDRY TO OPEN IN NEAR FUTURE

The first large business real estate transaction of the new year was announced this week when Mr. and Mrs. Horace Smith purchased the Dr. W. L. Morgan building which formerly was occupied by the laundry and duck pin bowling alley. Mr. Smith, also owner of the Farmers Supply Co., took immediate possession and completed moving of his stock from the old location across the street from the Hermiston Transfer & Storage.

For the present the Farmers Supply Co. will occupy the west half of the building and, as soon as necessary repairs for the equipment can be obtained, the laundry will also open for business. The move again places the Farmers Supply Co. back on Main street, having moved some months ago from the W. M. Shaar building to the location which they have now vacated.

Mr. Smith's plans for the old location are still somewhat indefinite but he intends to divide the building into living quarters for renting purposes. The little building at the rear of the old location, which was formerly The Target, has been sold to Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Beaver who have fixed it up for living quarters.

The latest business deal makes Mr. Smith one of the most wide-spread business property owners in Hermiston. He also owns the lot and property now occupied by the Beauty Haven, operated by Mrs. Charles Hodge.

NEGRO SLAVES LISTED ON SALE

Earl Brown of Hermiston is the proud owner of an ancient auction sale dodger which was printed in the Oxford Standard, Nebraska, approximately 20 years ago. The advertisement was a reprint from a public auction sale 81 years prior to that time. Of particular interest in the sale is the listing of several negro slaves. The lineup reads as follows: I will sell my negro slaves: two men, 35 and 50 years old; 2 boys, 12 and 16 years old; 2 malotto wenches, 30 and 40 years old. Will sell all together to same party, as will not separate them.

Other items listed for sale were: fox hounds, 20 gallons of apple brandy, ox teams, 10 gallons maple syrup, 2 spinning wheels, 32-gallon barrel of John Miller whiskey, seven years old, 40-gallon copper still, and many other less popular items. The owner stated that the reason he was selling out was that he was moving to the Oregon Territory.

FARM BUREAU TO MEET JANUARY 9

The first meeting of 1943 for the members of the Project Farm Bureau will be held in the Columbia park hall Saturday, January 9, according to President A. H. Cable. The latter is particularly interested that all members turn out as plans for the new year will be discussed.

Listed on the entertainment program are a talk by Gaylord Madison on the recent state convention of the Farm Bureau and a picture show by Gene Lear, assistant county agent. The evening's program will start at 7:30 and a pot luck dinner will be served by the auxiliary members.

NEW CLASSES AT USO SCHEDULED

Anyone interested in taking a course in mathematics is urgently requested to sign up immediately at the U.S.O. club, according to Miss Mary Lou Johnson, director. The classes will be held in the evening and are open to the public at no charge.

Anyone of any age who wishes to take tap dancing lessons may now register at the USO club. The hours for these classes will be determined after registration is completed.

Chet Dyer Visits Here

Chet Dyer, who is stationed with the U. S. Marines at San Diego, spent the week end here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Dyer. His brother, Gilbert Dyer, visited here a few weeks ago. Both boys are employed in the property room at the San Diego base and are enjoying their work.

OUR DEMOCRACY—by Mat

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