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The death of Allen Thomson is a shock to a wide circle of friends in three counties, and in other parts of the state. He was of that family of pioneers who settled on Butter Creek in the Sixties, and have been prominent three quarters of a century in farming and livestock business, and in political matters. They were oaks of solidarity that developed the strength that made the state, and lived during the period when Oregon grew from savage control of the Indians to its present high plane of civilization. He spent most of his active life at his farm where the Old Oregon Trail was marked 100 years ago, and where the name of Butter Creek was applied the stream since famous in Eastern Oregon history. His father was on the committee which established Pendleton, then a way station and sage brush flat, and who later became a pioneer sheriff.

Umatilla county suffers the loss of a good citizen and good county commissioner, the west end of the county in particular, the loss of a good friend. His passing was unexpected and untimely.

STANFIELD NEWS

By Mrs. Rose Hedrick

Miss Grace Rice is a new clerk at the Gamble store. Billie Gabriel is a new clerk at the Refvem store.

Patricia Richards spent a few days here last week visiting her mother and returned to Portland Friday night.

New workers at the U.O.D. are Miss Marie Lane, Miss Edith Duke, Loren Hughes and Mrs. Cora Olday.

Mildred Rogers arrived Monday from Spokane to visit her mother, Mrs. Grace Rogers.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Thomas returned Monday from a week end trip to Spokane, having made the trip to take the two members of the navy, Roy Loughary and Rees Roby back, who came to Stanfield to graduate with their class. The boys expect to soon be sent from the Farragut Idaho base to school.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Liesegang from Louisville, Kentucky, arrived here Monday. Eddie is on furlough.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Fisher came home from Portland Sunday. Mr. Fisher is gradually recovering from his assault.

Marie Tenney visited Miss Laura Stevens during commencement.

Mrs. Elna Winsted came over from Pasco and her daughter Marianna returned with her last week end.

Mrs. Harry Fisher of Pasco (Barbara Parker of the class of '42) attended the commencement exercises here May 21.

Robert Curtis and Donna Curtis returned to The Dalles with Loren and Bernice Hughes.

William Tuttle and Ben Fiv of Plymouth shipped sheep to Portland Tuesday and loaded them from the local stock yards.

Mrs. Sherman Chapin and daughters will visit over the week end in Ellensburg and attend to some business.

Jack Thomson of Seattle visited his sister Mrs. Glen Clark Monday and she accompanied him to Wallowa to attend his wedding.

Mrs. Marion Switzer left Friday night to visit Miss Kay Stevens in Portland over the week end and thence to San Jose where her husband Irvin Switzer is teaching. Stanfield schools are sorry to lose Mrs. Switzer and Miss Stevens from the teaching staff. Miss Stevens has accepted a position in Canby.

Sgt. Harold Reeves returned to Williams Field, Arizona, Tuesday after a week's visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Reeves.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Dennis and sons went to Spokane Sunday to visit her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Kohler and Steve returned to Seattle last Saturday after a week's visit at the home of C. B. Greenes, parents of Mrs. Kohler.

Mrs. Fennor Foster and son and Mrs. Darrell Wallace and daughter left Sunday for Portland to visit.

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BOARDMAN NEWS

By Margaret Thorpe
(From last week)

A surprise birthday party was held at the Elvin Ely home Tuesday night honoring Mrs. Ely. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. George Daniels, Mr. and Mrs. Nick Falter, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lay, and Mrs. I. Skoubo.

H.E.C. met Wednesday night at the home of Mrs. Leola Tannehill with 13 members and 8 of the husbands present. The next meeting is to be Tuesday night, June 8, at the Francis Harter home.

A committee consisting of the teachers, Mrs. Macomber, Mrs. Zivney, Mrs. Conyers, Mr. Baker, Mrs. Ely and Mrs. Harter met at the Harter home Friday to make plans for the community picnic to be held Tuesday, May 25, at the schoolhouse. Every one is to bring a main dish and either a dessert or salad.

Mrs. Flossie Coates left Wednesday night for a month's visit with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Mallory in Tacoma.

Mrs. Mabel Allen returned home from Tacoma Saturday where she has been with her husband the past two months. Mr. Allen expects to return to Huntington in a short time.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Acres and children of Ione visited at the Russell Miller home Saturday night. Mr. Acres is a brother of Mrs. Miller.

Grange met Saturday night in the grange hall. The main event of the evening was initiation when the following candidates were initiated: Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. George Daniels, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Briggs, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Crowder, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Van Metre, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Conyers, Mr. and Mrs. Webster Smith and Mr.

and Mrs. Burl Maynard. Mr. and Mrs. Francis Harter and children spent Saturday in Heppner shopping and attending a board meeting.

Word has been received that Edward Skoubo is in the hospital in Australia suffering from his second attack of malaria fever. According to a more recent letter he is some improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Miller and family of Gresham moved Monday onto the George McCutchen place.

Mr. and Mrs. Burl Acres and children of Ione spent Sunday at the Russell Miller home. Mr. Acker's father, Ralph Acres, who has been staying at the Miller home for several weeks, returned to Ione with them.

Frances Skoubo and Mrs. Blanche Shannon are staying at the Bill Lilly home while Mr. and Mrs. Lilly are in Portland.

Eldon Shannon, who is working down on the coast, spent the week end with his family.

A farewell party was held Monday night honoring Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Brown who will leave soon for a new job. The evening was spent singing songs.

Dale Ford is confined to his home with the measles.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lay went to the valley Monday to look for a new location.

Don Ford has gone to Walla Walla to work in defense work until he is called into the army.

Raymond John Gronquist and Frances Geraldine Healy were united in marriage at Hermiston Thursday with Father Alban Cullen officiating. Mr. Gronquist is a soldier at the local base where he has been stationed for about a year. Mrs. Gronquist has lived here for several years and is well known.

Mrs. Mary Martin, 72, passed away at the Hermiston General hospital.

She has been living with her daughter Mrs. Clarence Nelson at Messner. She is survived by two daughters Miss Gladys Martin of The Dalles and Mrs. Clarence Nelson of Messner, and one grandchild. Burial will be at Maupin Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob McLouth have moved to Athena where Mr. McLouth will work on a wheat ranch.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jones and Elvin will go to Eugene right away where Mr. Jones will work in defense work. Marvin is going to Mayville, Ore., to stay with his uncle Lloyd Smith and work on his wheat ranch. Celia will stay with his aunt Mrs. Celia Cooley at Newberg and work in the Albino shipyards.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Macomber and family of Spray spent the week end at the Nate Macomber home.

Mrs. Florence Barlow is home from the valley where she has been visiting relatives.

Mrs. Jack Gorham and Mrs. Ella Blayden have gone to New Plymouth, Idaho, where they were called due to the illness of their sister and daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Nickerson who own the place where the Potts live are staying at the Earl Briggs home while both Mr. Briggs and Mr. Nickerson are employed at the Ordnance depot. Mr. McLouth is farming the land on the Briggs farm.

Bob Harwood moved Mrs. Anna Jenkins to Tacoma Saturday where she will stay with her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Bradley.

Arthur Allen has 100 packages of bees coming right away to fill in where so many have died this last year.

Chas. Dillon took a truckload of cows to Portland Sunday and another load Tuesday.

Bob Smith has been leveling the ball diamond at school with the tractor and fresher.

One of a series of twelve advertisements about the men who manage PP&L business in Oregon and Washington



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