

Today We Pay Tribute to—



Walter Wilfred Leonard, 32, chief pharmacist's mate, who is serving in the Mediterranean area with the coast guard. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Leonard of Island City, and the husband of the former Norma Jean Warnock, who now resides in Wakefield, Mass. They have a young son, Walter Jr. Leonard attended elementary school in Washington, and La Grande high school. He entered the service in June 1936, and holds two group citations and one personal citation.

Lee G. Miller

Biography of Real Pyle Needed, Says Friend

By LEE G. MILLER
MANILA (By Wireless)—Before I get on with writing about the war out here, I thought I might say a little more about Ernie Pyle.
As a matter of fact I said long ago that if Ernie ever got killed I'd go home at once and try to write a biography of him. It ought to be done. But it looks as if I'll have to stay overseas a while. Maybe Lt. Comdr. Max Miller, author of "I Cover the Waterfront" and many other books, would do a biography of Ernie. Max loved him, and Max was with him for weeks in the Pacific.
But nobody ought to write a book about Ernie without Jerry's help. Jerry is Ernie's wife—"that girl" he used to mention in his column. If Jerry were in better health she ought to write a book herself. She knew Ernie far better than anybody else ever did. She writes beautifully.
But Jerry hasn't been well these past few years, and now that the thing has happened that she dreaded during those lonely days and years in Albuquerque—well, I guess it's out of the question.
If Max or somebody does write a book about Ernie, it ought to be the whole story, not just a gilded "success story" or a Parson Weems fable.
Maybe John Steinbeck would do it, or Ernie's old friend Paige Cavanaugh, or Milton Mackaye or Dorothy Disney or any one of many writing people who were Ernie's close friends. But let them picture the whole man.
Ernie was no cardboard saint. He used bad words sometimes. He drank sometimes. It was fun for him to relax with friends over a few highballs.
Any biographer of Ernie should go to Indiana and talk to Ernie's father and his Aunt Mary, and to his schoolmates at Indiana university. He ought to talk to people who worked with him in the old days in Washington when we were young and carefree and Ernie met Jerry. And with some of the old aviation crowd who used to gather at Ernie's and Jerry's place at 456 N. St. S. W. in Washington—I think that was the number—and talk shop or sweat out the disappearance of a mail pilot.
He ought to comb through Ernie's letters to his friends—there is a bale of them at my office, and Jerry and Cavanaugh and Roz Goodman and lots of other people must have many letters tucked away.
It ought to be a careful job, not a slapdash thing to "catch the market." I don't think Ernie is going to be forgotten in a hurry.
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Officers are Installed at Annual May Luncheon of Neighborhood Club

Sixty-five members and guests of the Neighborhood club gathered at the club house yesterday for the annual May luncheon and the completion of the year's work.
Officers for the coming year were installed, Mrs. John M. Miller being the new president; Mrs. T. B. Lumsden, first vice-president, and Mrs. R. J. Kitcher, second vice-president. Mrs. John Cavanaugh is the recording secretary, and Mrs. Glen Charlton the corresponding secretary. New director for the two-year term is Mrs. Lowell Williamson, and for the one-year term, Mrs. C. E. Branner. Mrs. James Robertson, retiring president, automatically becomes a member of the board.
Mrs. B. A. Van Wormer conducted the installation ceremony, beginning with an invocation by Mrs. Stella Ingle.
The tables were decorated with bowls of mixed spring flowers and candles in harmonizing colors in candelabra. Luncheon music was provided by the high school string ensemble.
Mrs. H. A. Zurbrick was toast-mistress, and Mrs. Leo Miller presented the musicians. Beverly Smith played a viola solo, Doug Talney, a clarinet solo, Irving Wright a violin number, Dorothy Hart piano solos and the high school string ensemble presented one selection. Accompanists for the soloists were Phyllis McLaughlin and Mary Jasper.
Final reports were given and appointments made for the summer work. Mrs. A. L. Richardson announced the five programs to be given during music week.
The new president expressed her pleasure at being president of the organization. Mrs. Alfred Cook, retiring chairman of the board of directors, presented Mrs. Robertson with a past president's pin. Mrs. Robertson thanked all who had assisted her during her term as president, especially Mrs. George T. Cochran and Mrs. Julius Clausen, and presented Mrs. Clausen with a gift from the club.
Mrs. Robertson again reminded

members that today is the fifth district spring institute, which is now in session at the club house. A business session was scheduled for this morning, and for the afternoon Prof. J. H. Gaiser was to be the speaker, and a musical program was to be presented. A luncheon was held in the Stein Coffee shop banquet room.

Five Stages of Man's Life Told in Film
Five stages of a man's life and his reaction to five women who have a part in his career form the theme of the screen drama, "The Keys of the Kingdom," which opened today at the Liberty theater.
Roddy McDowell has the part of Francis Chisholm as a youth, and Gregory Peck plays the role of the principal character from the age of 19 to 70.
The motion picture is taken from the best-selling novel of the same name by A. J. Cronin.

Two Are Honored At Farewell Party

Mrs. Don Browning was hostess last night at her home to St. Ann's guild at a farewell party for Mrs. Howard Fisk, who will leave soon to make her home in Coquille, and for Mrs. Bart Dobson, who will make her home in Hood River.
Mrs. Don Fehr was a guest. The evening was spent informally and playing gin rummy, and refreshments were served.
The next session of the group will be at 8 p. m. Tuesday, at the home of Mrs. Paul Bull, 1911 East N avenue.

Woodcraft Lodge Has Business Session

Mrs. Sydney Happersett, president of the Neighbors of Woodcraft, presided at a business meeting of the lodge last evening in the IOOF hall, with 17 members present.
In observance of Mothers' Day, Mrs. Elizabeth Clay was presented with a potted plant for being the mother who has been a lodge member the longest number of years. Mrs. Bess Scriber was presented with a potted plant for being the oldest mother present.
A cash donation to the Cancer fund was approved. The remainder of the evening was spent practicing drills for the convention June 4 and 5.
The United States has been at war 111 times, counting Indian wars with various tribal nations.

VFW Auxiliary Has Initiatory Rites

Mrs. Robert Webb was initiated into the Veterans of Foreign Wars auxiliary last evening in the K of P hall.
Mrs. Lee Lovell was appointed membership chairman, and it was announced that the next meeting will be an anniversary night, in observance of the eleventh anniversary of the local unit.
The sewing group will meet May 17 with Mrs. Earl Courtney.

Railway Groups Meet for Luncheon

The Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and the Grand International auxiliary, enjoyed a potluck luncheon yesterday noon in the K of P hall. A business meeting of the auxiliary followed.
Mrs. Bob Robertson, Mrs. Ed Ebell, Mrs. H. K. Hickey, Mrs. Walter Hutchison and Mrs. C. M. Humphrey were selected as the

Social Calendar

THURSDAY
12 m. BRT auxiliary, anniversary dinner, Neighborhood club.
1:30 p.m. Ackerman P-T-A pre-school party, school.
2 p. m. Island City Ladies Aid Mothers day party, Mrs. John Dahlstrom.
2 p.m. Home Department of First Presbyterian church, Mrs. Lynn Bohnenkamp.
8 p.m. BLF and E Auxiliary, IOOF hall.
FRIDAY
2 p. m. Meet Your Neighbor club, Mrs. Joe Foster, Fruitdale.
2:15 p.m. Fruitdale P-T-A school.
6 p.m. BLF and E and auxiliary, potluck dinner, K of P hall.
SATURDAY
2 p. m. Oliver P. Morton Woman's Relief corps, IOOF hall.
entertainment committee for the social meeting May 15.

Bishop Will Be La Grande Visitor

Rt. Rev. William P. Remington of Pendleton, Episcopal bishop of eastern Oregon, will be in La Grande May 13, for his annual visit and to conduct confirmation at St. Peter's church.
Bishop Remington and Rev. Clarence Kopp will go to Cove the same day for the bishop's annual visit. Some time will also be spent getting the church camp ground in condition for use this summer.



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