

## VFW Initiates 4 New Members in Mt. Emily Post

Four new members, Tom Strand, Lewis Michael, Alfred Fueschel and Richard E. Greet, were initiated into the Veterans of Foreign Wars Saturday night by Mt. Emily post No. 2990.

Resolution was adopted by the post to endorse the sale for forget-me-nots to be held Sept. 20 in La Grande by the Disabled American Veterans.

Sixteen members and one visitor, Mervin Chandler, from post 3004, Silvertone, were present. Refreshments were served, and plans were made to hold a large initiation later. The initiation will be followed by a stag dinner, to be known as "the victory dinner." The post decided to hold one of these every three months until all Union county veterans have returned.

## Teachers Honored At School Lunch

Miss Grace Snook, instructor, and Floyd McLin, principal, of Greenwood school were honored on their birthdays with a potluck luncheon Friday noon at the school house by the teachers of the school. Besides the teachers Mrs. McLin and Miss Blanche Snook and Miss Emily Snook were present.

## Society Briefs

Mrs. E. L. Root, 802 Spring street, will be hostess at a silver tea for the L. S. to B. of L. F. and E., at her home from 2 to 4 p. m. Wednesday.

Neighbors of Woodcraft will meet at 3 p. m. Tuesday in the I. O. O. F. hall.

Miss Harriet Avery of Union, formerly of La Grande, left last week for Portland and Corvallis. She will be a junior at Oregon State college this year.

Mr. and Mrs. Loren Thompson of Elgin were in La Grande Saturday.

Miss Lois Hill, accompanied by her friend, Mary Lee Stone of Los Angeles, left early yesterday morning for Eugene, where they will enter the University of Oregon. Miss Hill recently returned from Los Angeles, where she was employed during the summer.

## Social Calendar

**MONDAY**  
2:30 p. m. Ackerman P.-T. A. first meeting of school year, in Ackerman school kindergarten room.

7:30 p. m., Loyal Star lodge meets at the Neighborhood club.

**TUESDAY**  
2 p. m., GIA social club with Mrs. Will Pidecock.

**WEDNESDAY**  
2 p. m. Northside Improvement club, club house.  
8 p. m. Wives and Mothers Service club, in USO room, to work on afghans, bring crochet hooks.

**THURSDAY**  
2:15 p. m. Presbyterian Missionary society, with Mrs. Lyle Johnson, 1301 Fifth street.  
7:30 p. m. Board of christian education of First Presbyterian church, at the church.

**FRIDAY**  
6 p. m. Cub Scouts of pack 114 supper at First Presbyterian church.

## Hospital Notes

**Grande Ronde Hospital**  
Admitted: Anna Louise Hug, Elgin, Charles B. Daugherty, Mrs. Ruby Kennedy, Vernon Adkins, Union, medical; Mrs. Rosalina O'Brien, Burns, surgery.  
Dismissed: Clyde Marshall, Meacham, Mrs. George Beldon, Mrs. Edith Hulse, Mrs. Sally Bostwick, La Grande, Mrs. Deloris Brack, Mrs. Irene Gardner, Enterprise.

**St. Joseph's Hospital**  
Admitted: Mrs. Alex Nagy, Mrs. Lionel Hoggatt, La Grande, Mrs. John Snuffer, Wallowa, Clyde Noffinger, Union, Raymond Richardson, Cove, Ernest DeVoti, Walla Walla, medical; Mrs. Kenneth Grant, William Taylor, Harby Kinkaid, La Grande, surgery; Mary Hutchinson, Union, laboratory.  
Dismissed: Roberta Standley, Doris Powers, Charles Ritter, Lynn Costoldi, Mrs. Parker Woodell, Mrs. Charles Cox and daughter, La Grande, Mildred Daniels, Mark Johansen, Union, Mrs. M. Friedenborg, Joseph.

**Rheumatism and Arthritis**  
I suffered for years and am so thankful that I was cured of this terrible affliction that I will gladly answer anyone writing me for information.  
Mrs. Anna Pautz  
P. O. Box 825  
Vancouver, Washington  
—Pd. Adv.

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## Five New Members Initiated Into VFW Auxiliary at Meeting Here Saturday

Five new members were initiated into the Veterans of Foreign Wars auxiliary at the meeting Saturday night in the K of P hall. They are Mrs. Margaret Keffer, Mrs. Laura Mae Browning, Mrs. C. H. Taylor, Mrs. F. D. Sherman and Mrs. Jessie E. Michael.

Reports on the district meeting were given by the delegates, Mrs. Dick Durnett, Mrs. Ray Snider, Mrs. Glen John and Mrs. L. R. Edwards.

It was announced the regular meeting of the sewing group has

been postponed until next week, when it will be at 2 p. m. Thursday, Sept. 28 at the home of Mrs. August P. Nelson, 508 N. avenue. Several members volunteered to sell Forget-Me-Not's for the DAV when their sale is to be conducted.

At the close of the meeting refreshments were served to the post and auxiliary. On the committee were Mrs. Nelson, Mrs. Eva Pearl Daugherty, Mrs. Teresa Patton, Mrs. William Bailey, Mrs. George Kennedy, Mrs. Clarence Smith, Mrs. Harry Brooks and Mrs. Elizabeth Bailey.

## Officers Elected By Presbyterian Youth Fellowship

Officers for the coming year of the Westminster Youth Fellowship of the First Presbyterian church were elected yesterday afternoon at an outdoor meeting and wiener roast at Immigrant Springs park. After the wiener roast, Rev. M. A. Talney led the devotional service.

Officers elected are: Verna Vicker, president; Max Ingerson, vice president; Maureen Gerards, secretary; Bill Wells, treasurer; Ellajan Cade, pianist; Beverly Smith, chairman of the fellowship commission; Arlene Gaither, chairman of the faith and life commission; Alta Baker, chairman of the stewardship commission; Jerry Owsley, chairman of the christian outreach commission; Doug Talney, Phyllis Cash, Jane Hudspeh, Joyce Schiro, attendance captains; Verna Vickers, Doug Talney, representatives on the board of christian education of the church; Beverly Smith, representative on the building committee.

An outline of the program of the commissions was presented by the various chairmen, and a general discussion of the work followed. The next meeting will be a fire-side gathering at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Talney, when Mrs. Ralph Jones will speak on "The World at Your Door."

## WRC Has Second Autumn Meeting

Oliver P. Morton Woman's Relief corps held the second meeting of the fall season Saturday afternoon in the IOOF hall. Mrs. J. R. Dickerson presided over the lengthy business meeting.

Lake Vanern, Sweden, is the largest European lake outside of Russia.

## Leonard Themmis Home From Europe To Visit in Cove

COVE, Sept. 17 (Special)—Lt. Leonard Themmis who has been in Germany for the past year is home on a furlough here with his wife and small son. His parents live in Ohio where he will visit after a few days here. Lieutenant Themmis and his wife, the former Geraldine Wright, are at present in Boise, Idaho. He will be sent to Missouri at the conclusion of his furlough.

A reception was held for the teachers Thursday evening at the school house with a nice attendance. Mrs. Mack Rees had charge of the program. A social hour was spent.

The Ladies Aid had a business meeting at the church parlors Wednesday afternoon.

Public library is now open on Wednesdays and Saturdays.

## The Public Pulse

To The Editor,  
Dear Sir:

Many people have given the Observer their opinions on the living memorial for the veterans. I wish, if I may, to enter my opinion or thought as well as many others.

The living memorial should be of use to all, not just a few. The veterans organizations need a place to meet, and the city of La Grande needs a public auditorium.

A building in which the veterans can have their meeting halls and a club room and lounge, where they can go evenings and relax and chat or play various games, any time they feel like it. Not before or after meetings only. All this could be downstairs and have the public auditorium upstairs for the benefit of the public.

The site for this building could be on Jefferson avenue where that building is already started. Down stairs have the meeting halls, a club room and lounge. Then up stairs have the auditorium for the public and the down stairs would be for the veterans.

Everyone would get the benefit of this kind of memorial instead of a swimming pool which is going to be built already anyway. So lets have a swimming pool and a living memorial in the form of the building suggested. I remain yours for a bigger and better La Grande.

Earl S. Carpenter.

## New Bendix Shown At Music Supply

Today is "B-day" for the Radio Music and Supply company, as the new Bendix home laundry is on display there. It is the first one received and is being demonstrated. George Tiss recently returned from Portland where he flew to attend a sales meeting.

## BIRD GIANT

The dinosaur, a giant bird that once lived in New England, reached a height of 12 feet. It was related to the kiwi and cassowary and was unable to fly, having only rudimentary wings.

## Wife Joins Husband At Los Angeles Base

Mrs. Nine Brack left this morning for Los Angeles, after receiving word from her husband, Jack Brack, S 1/c, that he has returned from sea duty and will enter the hospital there. Mrs. Brack, the former Nina Proffitt, has been secretary to the AAA. Her place will be taken by Mrs. Mary Johnston until she returns.

## John McCormack Irish Tenor, Dies

DUBLIN, Sept. 17 (UP)—John McCormack, world famous singer for more than 40 years, died at his home in county Dublin last night after a brief illness. He was 61.

The Irish tenor, who became an American citizen in 1919, had been in ill health and under a doctor's care for some time. He became ill last Monday and by Friday bronchial pneumonia had developed.

McCormack had been living quietly just outside Dublin and had made no public appearances since his farewell concert for the Red Cross at London's Albert hall in 1939.

Although he had sung in opera, McCormack caught the imagination of the world with his Irish ballads such as "Mother Machree" and "I Hear You Calling Me . . ." He made his real debut in the United States as a member of Oscar Hammerstein's Manhattan Opera company Nov. 10, 1909, appearing in Traviata with Tetraxini and Sammarco.

His first appearance at the Metropolitan was in the same opera when he appeared with Madam Melba, at her special invitation.

## Snell Urges Study Of Constitution

SALEM, Sept. 17 (UP)—Pointing out today is the 158th anniversary of the ratification of the United States constitution, Gov. Earl Snell urged that the document be studied in schools, be read by all members of the national community and that a copy of it be placed in every home.

"It is in truth, a remarkable document," the governor said, "and it is unfortunate more citizens of our country are not more familiar with it."

A cottontail's tail is made of fur and a jackrabbit is not a rabbit, but a hare.

## OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN SERVICE



**Master Sgt. Carroll L. Hollen**, on duty with an anti-aircraft artillery battalion headquarters in Hawaii, has recently been promoted from technician fourth grade. His wife, Mrs. C. L. Hollen, lives in Portland. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank L. Hollen, reside in Condon.

Sergeant Hollen is the sergeant major of his unit. He was inducted in October 1942 and arrived overseas in March 1943 after completing basic training at Camp Callan, Calif. Sergeant Hollen is the holder of the Good Conduct Medal and the Asiatic-Pacific theater ribbon. Before entering the service Sergeant Hollen was associated with the Bankers Life company of Des Moines with offices in La Grande.

## Warren D. Evans

carpenter's mate, first class, route 1, La Grande, sailed into Tokyo bay Aug. 30 aboard the transport, U. S. S. Braxton, and landed U. S. marines on the conquered soil of Japan. A few hours before, General of the Army Douglas MacArthur's triumphant arrival at the Atsugi airfield, the Braxton moved past silenced batteries of 16-inch guns and unloaded the first marine occupation force on the beach of Futaba Saki on the eastern shore of Tokyo bay. The Braxton, a maritime commission vessel, was part of the huge convoy of transports which participated in the conquest of Okinawa.

**Master Sgt. William D. Conner** of Columbus, Neb., a veteran of 16 months in England, has been separated from service with the army air forces at Ft. Leavenworth, Kan., and has returned to civilian life.

Son of Mr. and Mrs. James O. Conner, Box 112, La Grande, he is married to the former Lillian L. Welsh, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arch Welsh of 1254 33rd Ave., Columbus. Sergeant and Mrs. Conner have an 18-month-old daughter, Judith Lee.

A graduate of Creston, Neb., high school, class of 1935, he was a mechanic with the Stockton super service, Bakersfield, Calif., until he entered the service at Los Angeles, in October 1942. At the time he resided at 1269 East

Broadway, Long Beach, Calif. He received basic training at Victorville (Calif.) army air field and was assigned to a heavy bombardment group based in England. He served as a crew chief on a B-24 Liberator bomber from February 1944 until June 1945. He has been awarded the bronze medal, and the European-Africa-Middle East campaign ribbon with six battle stars.

His brother, James G. Conner, Jr., is serving with the United States navy.

## William Lynch

is in La Grande after serving with the infantry in Germany. Besides his service in the European theater of operations Lynch also served in Alaska. Lynch, a resident of La Grande before entering the service, was employed at The Nook cafe.

## James LeRoy Jordan

recently returned from four years duty in the south Pacific with the 41st division, is a guest at the home of his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Jordan. He has an Australian wife and year-old baby, who have not yet come to this country.

## Charles A. McCrary

22, radioman, first class, USN, whose wife lives in Vale, and whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. McCrary, lives at 1501 S. avenue, La Grande, who took part on the Cruiser San Diego, in many of the Pacific operations, was at his battle station in Japanese waters when announcement of the Japanese capitulation was broadcast. His ship was among those which then entered Tokyo bay for the first stages of the occupation. A number of crewmen on the San Diego were commended by the commanding officer for their work during the ship's strenuous 60-day operating period from March to May.

## NATIONAL ODDITY

John Paul Jones, whose real name was John Paul, was born in Scotland, was a commander in the American navy, served as a rear admiral in Russia's Black Sea fleet, died in France in 1792, and, 113 years later, was brought back to America and buried with full naval honors at Annapolis.

## City News In Brief

**BARN DESTROYED**—Fire on the T. J. Lovely place, 2709 Maple street, destroyed a barn Saturday night. The fire, of unknown origin, started about 11:30 p. m., and despite efforts of the fire department, leveled the building, and burned a hog to death. Damage to the uninsured building is estimated at \$150.

**THREE ARRESTED**—Carl C. Farlow, La Grande, was arrested by city police Saturday night on charge of being drunk and disorderly. He was "floated" to Elgin, where he is employed. Edward Lyman, Ill., was arrested Saturday on charge of being drunk. He was released on \$10 bond for appearance in city court today. Owen Ledridge, Island City, was arrested Saturday night on charge of being drunk. He was "floated" out of town, police records show.

**ACCIDENT**—Automobiles driven by Zella Mitchell and Lee McCheesney, both of La Grande, collided Saturday morning on Adams avenue and Third street. The accident occurred as McCheesney was making a left turn. Damage was estimated at \$25 for Miss Mitchell's automobile.

**TO PORTLAND**—Miss Helen Manning, who has been in charge of the public welfare office here, leaves today for Portland where she will be employed in the state office of that department. Much of her time will be spent traveling and her headquarters will be maintained in Portland.

**ABSORB BOARD**—Absorbing of the Wallowa ration board into the Enterprise board, effective Sept. 27, was announced today.

**COMMITTEE MEETS**—First meeting of the committee recently appointed to make needed revisions in the city charter will be held at 7:30 p. m. today.

**OPINIONS DIFFERED**  
The learned Aristotle believed that caterpillars were formed by the plants on which they lived. Pliny thought they were made of dew, thickened by the sun.

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