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## Our Men In Service

### FINDS CLIMATE Milder

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Lundell have received a letter from their son, Pfc Wallace Lundell, who states that he is on his second mission to New Guinea. While not divulging his location, he states that the climate is milder than the spot he first visited there. He will have many interesting scenes and activities to tell about when he returns from the war.

### ANOTHER SOLDIER PAPA

Mr. and Mrs. Garnett C. Snow are the parents of a daughter born April 27 at Newport, Wash., where Mrs. Snow is making her home. The child weighed 7 1/4 pounds. Garnett is an AMM 3/c and is stationed at Jacksonville, Fla.

### HE'S A LOOIE (jg)

Len Gilliam has been notified that his son Lewis, who visited here the past week, has been elevated to the rank of lieutenant (jg) in the navy. The promotion came while Lewis was on leave and he was lieutenant (jg) several days before he learned about it.

### TRANSFERRED

T/Sgt S. G. McMillan writes the Gazette Times asking that his paper be forwarded to him at McChord Field, Tacoma, Wash. Sam says it is quite a treat to be stationed where it is cool and green after spending more than two years on the hot Arizona desert.

### GOES TO KANSAS

Lt. Donald Drake has been transferred to Ft. Phillips, Kan., according to information received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Drake of Heppner. His wife and son are enroute to Kansas by car to join him.

### MAKES SHORT VISIT

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. O'Donnell drove to Pendleton Tuesday to meet their son Harry who is home on a short leave. Harry flew to Pendleton from San Francisco.

### COMING ON VISIT

Matt Kenney son of Mr. and Mrs. John Kenney and Jack Healy son of Mr. and Mrs. John Healy, telephoned from San Francisco that they were coming home on leave. Matt has not been home for two years and the last time he came he found orders awaiting him to return to his ship at once. He had just four hours at home that time.

Mrs. Lester Doolittle writes that her son Paul spent last week at home, the first furlough he has had in two years. He is just fine, she added.

An army release in today's Oregonian reported Lt. Ralph Currin missing in action in the Mediterranean zone. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Currin of Pilot Rock.

## Runnion Slated to Call 4-H Club Sale

V. R. "Bob" Runnion informs this newspaper that he has been asked to call the 4-H club sale at Union during the annual stock show which will be held the first week in June. The sale will be held June 4.

The Heppner auctioneer who spurns the title of "Colonel" will handle the big stock sale at the Barker & Dams ranch near Condon Saturday.

The next sale at the Runnion Sales Yard in Heppner will be held on May 27. These sales are proving popular not only as a drawing card for people who like to attend auctions but as well for people who have stock and other stuff to sell and the sales provide a market for them.

Runnion has asked that anyone having stuff to offer for this forthcoming sale please enter it at once so that it may be given listing in the advertising.

## Choral Club Wins Audience Favor in Initial Appearance

About 150 people, most of them skeptical, were agreeably surprised Tuesday evening when the Women's Choral club appeared in concert at the gymnasium auditorium. Skeptical is used advisedly, because expressions heard prior to the concert would lead one to believe that 50 percent were going as a matter of civic duty while the other 50 percent attended out of curiosity to see what a group of women, just their neighbors with whom they had visited for years over the back fence, might do when banded together as a singing organization. They had not long to wait after the group formed on the stage for the first number. Curiosity gave way to admiration and pleasant anticipation which mounted with each succeeding number.

The first annual concert launched the Women's Choral club as a fixed and valuable asset to the community, something the people may look forward to with assurance of high class entertainment in coming seasons.

A highlight of the program was the playing of two groups of piano numbers by Miss Marylou Ferguson. Her artistry and musicianship were displayed most pleasingly in the modern lighter classics of her first group and found full expression in the two Chopin numbers comprising the second group. Always a delightful performer, she captivated her audience Tuesday evening.

The program, arranged and directed by Mrs. O. G. Crawford, with Mrs. J. O. Turner at the piano, was as follows:

Dear Land of Home, Sibelius, At Dawning, Cadman; and Modern Hymns, Bliss—Women's Choral club.

At the Donnybrook Fair, Scott; The Surf, Van Dyke, and Volcic in D Flat, Mokrejs—Marylou Ferguson.

Lift Thine Eyes, Mendelssohn; Lullaby, Brahms, and Lord's Prayer, Malotte—Women's Choral Club. Polonaise in C Sharp Minor, continued on Page Eight

## 14th Annual Band Concert Tuesday

Offering a diversified program, the Heppner school band will present its 14th annual concert at 8 p. m. Tuesday May 16, in the gymnasium.

Included in the program will be numbers by the senior and the beginners' bands, a baritone horn solo by Walter Skuzeski, and selections by the band orchestra, with vocalists. The orchestra is a development of this year's band work and has proved a popular supplement to the main organization.

If the weather is favorable, the band will stage a parade on Main street at 5:45 p. m. Saturday.

## FARM BUREAU FEDERATION TO BE ORGANIZED HERE

Sam Hunter of Milton, was in Heppner today completing arrangements for an organization meeting of the Oregon State Farm bureau which will be held Sunday, May 14 at the Lexington-grange hall.

Mac Hoke, Pendleton, will be the main speaker and Hunter states that at least 20 farm federation members of Umatilla county will be at the meeting which will be open to all farmers of the county.

## CLUB ACCEPTS INVITATION TO SING OVER KWRC

The Women's Choral club has accepted an invitation of radio station KWRC, Pendleton, to appear in a 30-minute concert over the radio. The hour and day are 4:30-5:00 o'clock p. m. Sunday, May 14.

A business meeting and short rehearsal will be held at Crawford home at 7 o'clock Saturday night.

## Victory Gardens Play Strong Part In Offense Plans

People Urged to Raise More and Preserve More

Production and preservation of food is just as essential to the war effort in 1944 as it was in 1943, Miss Doris Crabtree told members of Heppner chamber of commerce at the regular weekly luncheon Monday at the Lucas place. Miss Crabtree is war emergency assistant in food preservation and is spending three months in Sherman, Gilliam and Morrow counties giving demonstrations and otherwise assisting in the promotion of food production.

The fact that market shelves are well stocked today is due to the expansion in production last year, when Victory gardens numbered better than 19,000,000, yet in spite of this phenomenal record the people are asked to plant no less than 22,000,000 gardens this year, Miss Crabtree stated. This is made necessary through the accumulation of vast stocks of food in strategic centers to back the invasion and to support the general war effort.

Miss Crabtree stated the purpose of her visit here at this time to be to hold demonstration meetings on food preservation and conservation. Six meetings have been scheduled, two of which have been held, one at Boardman Tuesday and one at Ione Wednesday. She is conducting a meeting at Rhea creek grange hall today and the other meetings will be at Heppner Christian church May 12; Lexington grange hall May 16 and at the home of Mrs. Mabel Hughes at Lena May 17.

## 4-H Club Summer School Cancelled By Oregon State

More than 20 Morrow county 4-H club boys and girls who had planned on attending the 1944 annual 4-H summer school at Oregon State college will be disappointed by word received today by C. D. Conrad, county agent, from H. C. Seymour, state 4-H club leader, that wartime shortages of housing and help on the Oregon State college campus have made it necessary to cancel what would have been the 30th annual 4-H club summer school.

Decision to abandon the summer school, which normally attracts around 2000 club members, was arrived at by the college administrative staff only after every possible method of overcoming the difficulties had been canvassed, Seymour informed Conrad.

"This is the saddest message I've ever sent to you people," Seymour wrote to all county agents and club agents, "because I know what summer school means to the 4-H club members. We want to assure all club members, leaders, parents and donors of scholarships that every effort will be made to handle the summer school in 1945."

Club members who had won summer school scholarships on their last year's work for use at the 1944 school included: Louis Carlson, Robert Peterson and Mildred Carlson of Ione; Jean Rauch, Vesta Cutsforth, Hilmuth Herman, Audrey Majeske and Loraine Van Winkle of Lexington; and Carolyn Bergstrom of Heppner.

## GUESTS OF SMITHS

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Pfeiffer of Seattle, parents of Mrs. Orville Smith, and Dr. Ralph Huber of the same city are guests at the Smith home this week, arriving Wednesday.

## Capacity Audience Grooms All-School Program Friday

A capacity house greeted the all school musical extravaganza Friday night and a delightful program was enjoyed by those present.

Tedious hours of planning and coaching were rewarded as the story unfolded. "I Hear America Singing" was a review of American life depicted in songs and dances, reaching back to the days of the pilgrims with a Thanksgiving hymn by the upper grade chorus. This was followed by a colorful southern minuet by upper grade girls and a negro spiritual by the boys in those grades.

The primary children sang and danced a gay little number, "Sweetheart Out a Hunting," an Ozark folk melody. The little folks also sang "Sachajawea's Lullaby."

Music of Spanish California was portrayed by a group of high school girls.

"Tenting Tonight" was effectively sung by upper grade boys in a realistic campfire scene, "Over There" recalled World War I, and "Say a Prayer," by the combined chorus brought in the present global conflict.

Other numbers in a lighter mood were "Sidelwalks of New York" and "Sweetheart Waltz."

The costuming had been carefully planned and fitted appropriately into each setting, greatly enhancing the various numbers. Stage effects too added to the general picture. The youngsters, from the little people of the primary department through the high school were on their toes and faithfully carried out the interpretations taught them by their directors.

Everett Smith, principal of the grade school, and Miss Lela Peterson were largely responsible for the arrangement and continuity of the program and Miss Frances Weaver created the art work while directing and coaching was in the hands of Miss Rose Hoosier, grade music supervisor, and Mrs. Kathryn Hoskins, high school music director.

## GRADE STAFF FILLED

Supt. George Corwin announced this week that the grade school teaching staff has been filled, with the signing of contracts by Miss June Diener of Gillette, Wyo., to take the place of Miss Frances Weaver in the fifth grade and Mrs. William Davis of Heppner to take Mrs. Lela Crawford's fourth grade position. There is but one vacancy remaining in the teaching staff of the high school, that of principal, which Corwin expects to fill shortly.

## ON BOOT LEAVE

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Swensen were Heppner visitors the first of the week. Swenson is in training at Farragut and completed his boot training last week, drawing the usual 15-day leave. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Buzzard came from Monument to greet their friends and to take them home with them for a short visit. The men were guests of George Corwin at the chamber of commerce luncheon.

## VISITORS FROM PENDLETON

Homer Beale, district manager of the Pacific Power & Light company, was a business visitor in Heppner Tuesday. He was accompanied from Pendleton by Dr. F. W. Vinson, former manager of the Pendleton office of the company. Although well advanced in years, Dr. Vinson still takes a lively interest in every day affairs.

## NEW CLERK AT POST OFFICE

Alva Jones has accepted the position of clerk in the Heppner post office, succeeding Jimmie Driscoll who resigned to enter the navy. Alva took over his new duties the first of the week.

## Hynd Bros. Sell Sand Hollow Ranch To O. W. Cutsforth

Place Under Same Management for Forty-Six Years

One of the biggest real estate deals of recent years in Morrow county was consummated this week when O. W. Cutsforth of Lexington purchased the Sand Hollow holdings of the Hynd Brothers company. The place contains 6,141 acres and has been operated by the Hynd brothers as a sheep ranch continuously since February 1898.

The Sand Hollow property has been under supervision of William and David Hynd for many years. They have tended sheep, pitched hay, milked the cows and done other chores connected with running a big ranch, always keeping up their end of the company's operations. In recent years the task has grown more difficult, especially the past three years with labor growing scarcer each season. David Hynd stated today that this has been the toughest spring for them since they have been engaged in the business and seeing no relief and nothing but a harder struggle for the duration of the war they decided to dispose of the holdings. Their sheep are on summer range and at least two of the bands will be disposed of during the summer.

Cutsforth already has a plow out fit on some of the land which he plans to seed to grain in the fall. He is admirably equipped to develop a wheat and cattle ranch out of the new holdings, having both machinery and cattle to work and stock it.

The Hynd brothers and their sister, Miss Annie Hynd, probably will remain at the ranch until the first of September. Beyond that their plans are indefinite, although David stated they are thinking of acquiring a home in Heppner. "It's pretty hard to give up a home that has been occupied so long and we are in a bit of a quandary about future plans," he stated.

## ANNUAL MEETING OF LOAN ASSOCIATION HELD TODAY

The annual dinner and meeting of the Hardman National Farm Loan association was held today at the I. O. O. F. hall, with the Rebekah lodge serving the meal. Plates were served to about 40 members and friends of the association, of which W. L. Loveless of Pendleton is the secretary-treasurer.

O. W. Cutsforth served as chairman in the place of J. J. Wightman who was absent due to illness. Frank S. Parker gave the executive committee report for the year, the secretary reported on the financial condition, and Arnold Anderson made a report on the condition of the Federal Land Bank of Spott of the land bank.

Directors of the Hardman association were elected. J. J. Wightman terms and Frank S. Parker the one and O. W. Cutsforth for three year term.

## LEGION AUX URGED TO IMMEDIATE ACTION

Mrs. Alta Brown, chairman of the legislative committee of the Legion auxiliary, has asked that the membership get busy immediately and send telegrams, post cards or letters to the Oregon delegation in congress urging that bill H.R. 3917 be given favorable consideration at once.

Mrs. Brown asked cooperation of this newspaper in reaching the membership as a means of saving time, which is highly important in reference to action on the bill in question.