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Almost 500 persons signed up for home defense and more will join the movement when it becomes organized and underway. We assume that this community is one hundred per cent but if there are any in the border land, or, in the Red, we shall soon know.

Home defense has many features that should be made permanent, but with war imminent, many others should be strengthened. The home is the foundation of the way of life. Good home preparations in defense of our democracy will aid greatly in winning that battle.

At length, after some months, the work on the diagonal road to the Umatilla Ordnance Depot is about to "begin to get ready to start." In fact, the machinery is there and the factors toward construction have reached a cooperative bases. New gravel and oil is now in the plans and some widening and straightening can be expected.

For weeks this has been the worst stretch of highway for five miles in Umatilla county with 2000 cars a day bounding over rough boulders, with tail and head lights being disconnected, mufflers failing off, and general damage to cars taking place. But this is not all the story. The road and dust provided dangerous conditions for wrecking cars and loss of human life.

We trust that now nothing will interfere with its completion and that a good surface will be built for the thousands of cars that must pass to and from the urgent work that is now going on.

## UMATILLA NEWS

By Mrs. Glenn Ostrom

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Springer motored to Seattle last week to visit with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Mahoney and children. Their granddaughters, Patsy and Marilyn returned with them to spend a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Clark spent last Wednesday and Thursday in Walla Walla at the Art Troub home.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Gilliam stopped at the Fred Knudsen home last week on their way to Wallowa Lake on their honeymoon.

Word was received here last week from Yakima that Harry Lewis, a Consolidated Truck driver, was quite seriously injured in a collision with another truck near Zillah, Wash. Mrs. Lewis, who had been visiting at the coast, came over Friday and reported Mr. Lewis was recovering as well as could be expected. They have rented their house here for awhile.

Allen Stevens of Salem, Oregon, visited at the W. E. Cutting home last Wednesday.

Mr. McDonald, who recently purchased the Riley place about 3 miles southwest of town, has started a foundation for the new house which he is building on the place.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Cherry of Hesper visited at the home of his mother, Mrs. Bertha Cherry last Wednesday evening.

Tugs attempted last Saturday to refloat the wheat barge Port Kelly, which has blocked the upper Columbia river at Umatilla Rapids since last Wednesday morning. Twenty-two men worked for several days sacking the wheat which was unloaded into another barge. The barge grounded on the rocks when the steering gear broke on the Keith. Three boats, Keith, Clearwater, and Inland Chief all tried to move the barge, but failed. If tugs cannot move the barge, it will have to be dynamited. It is owned by the Upper Columbia River Towing Co.

Mrs. Jeff Stephens and son Alva returned with and will remain for some time.

Mrs. E. McKenzie and daughters Jean and Betty, Junice Mae Blakely and Virginia Compton were The Dalles visitors Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Grammer, Mrs. George Butterward and Juanita Brown spent Thursday in Walla Walla. Annabelle Martin, who had been visiting with her grandmother, Mrs. C. Aitchinson returned with them to visit at the home of her grandparents, the Grammers.

Betty McKinzie and Fred Rankin of Hermiston took Virginia Compton to her home in Hilgard Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Enbysk of Pendleton visited at the home of his sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Gene McFarland, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cy Ronen and granddaughter Cherie Shanky have moved from the Texaco Cabins to their home they built on the back of their restaurant.

Dan Ford of The Dalles visited here Saturday and Sunday.

Bill Bennett of Canyon City visited here with friends Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph O'Harrow and children of Jerome, Nevada, came Monday and are making their home at the Cutting cabins while he is employed at the munition depot. She is the sister of Mrs. Albert Keeper.

Miss Leta Meyers of Pendleton visited friends here Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leland Smith and Mrs. Gwenth Mases spent Monday in Pendleton.

Betty McKinzie accompanied a party from Hermiston to Tollgate on Sunday for the day.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Smith and daughter accompanied James Byrnes to Walla Walla Tuesday.

## MORNING GLORIES ROUTED BY WHEAT PLUS CULTIVATION

Eastern Oregon wheat land that had been abandoned to morning glory is now producing 38-bushel wheat crops on the morning glory control station in Umatilla county. The method used in control has been that of cultivation and cropping, reports Lawrence Jenkins, assistant extension specialist in farm crops at O.S.C.

This weed control experimental area was established several years ago under the terms of a special legislative appropriation. The work has been carried on by L. E. Harris, assistant agronomist of the experiment station assigned to weed research throughout the state.

Weed-infested land on the area, handled under the normal summer fallow method, yielded only seven to 10 bushels of wheat per acre in 1940, compared to a 38-bushel yield on the managed land. The experiment has shown that it is practical to continue cropping land, obtaining a crop every other year, and at the same time control morning glories.

The big improvement in cultivation practices tried out on the area has been extending the time between cultivations, says Jenkins. The best yields of wheat have been obtained where the morning glory-infested area was cultivated often enough to prevent the weeds from emerging to the light. It has since been found that cultivating perennial weeds every two weeks will bring about eradication fully as soon, and usually more quickly than cultivating every week.

There is some difference in the elapsed period for various weeds. Jenkins points out. It appears possible to allow a longer interval on Canada thistle and Russian knapweed than is safe for whitetop and morning glory, although all of these weeds have been killed in from two to three years with cultivation made four or five inches deep every two weeks. As the season advances the weeds come back more slowly, making it possible to lengthen the intervals between cultivations even more.

The experimental work is being continued to work out further details of best and most economical methods.

## FARM PRICES UP AS GOOD HARVEST PROSPECTS LOOM

The old rule of big crops bringing low prices is apparently not holding good this year. Although crop prospects in the country as a whole are as favorable as during the last three years, which were good seasons, further gains have been made in the general farm price level, according to a report on the agricultural situation just issued by the agriculture extension service at O.S.C. Gains in industrial workers' incomes have strengthened domestic demand, while a moderate increase has occurred in exports owing to the lease-lend program.

The gain in foreign demand for farm products is only moderate and mostly for hog products, some dairy and poultry products, and some specialty crops. The general export outlook remains poor as no marked increase in exports of wheat, fresh fruits, or cotton is expected.

The income of industrial workers is already about 20 per cent higher than the 1940 average, the report says, and the Oregon farm price index shows a similar percentage gain in the general farm price level. The greatest gains have been in prices for meats and wool, truck crops and poultry and dairy products which respond promptly in price to changes in consumer purchasing power.

Farm costs have increased only moderately during the past year, compared with prices for farm products in general. As a result, the purchasing power of farm products is higher than a year ago. The exchange value of some items is above or near parity, particularly the "domestic-type" products. The exchange value of most of the "export-type" farm products is still below parity owing to surpluses in relation to market de-

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mand, and relatively high prices for some items of farm expense.

On the whole, the exchange value of farm products is now around 90 per cent of the 1910-1914 parity. Relatively low prices for grain, fruit, cotton, and some other farm products account for some of the disparity which remains. The remaining disparity is also accounted for partly by relatively high price indexes for farm machinery and building materials, with higher taxes and farm wage rates also affecting farm cost.

### LAND SALE NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That the undersigned, Sheriff of Umatilla County, Oregon, by virtue of an order duly made and entered herein by the County Court of Umatilla County, Oregon, on the 27th day of May, 1941, will, on the 8th day of July, 1941, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon, sell to the highest bidder for cash at the front door of the Umatilla County Court House, Pendleton, Oregon, subject to a minimum price of \$120.00 therefore, to be paid in cash, at the time of sale, the following described parcel of land, heretofore by Umatilla County, Oregon, acquired for delinquent taxes, to-wit:

Lots 4, 5, 6 and 7, Block 8, NE SE, Section 10, Twp. 4, North Range 28, EWM, in Hermiston, Umatilla County, Oregon.

R. E. GOAD, Sheriff of Umatilla County.

(June 5-July 3)

### SUMMONS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR UMATILLA COUNTY

Sidney E. Phillips, Plaintiff, vs. Laura Mae Phillips, Defendant.

To Laura Mae Phillips, Defendant above named:

In the Name of the State of Oregon, You are hereby notified and required to appear in the above entitled court and cause on or before Thursday, the 10th day of July, 1941, which is within four weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons, and answer the complaint of the plaintiff filed therein against you; and you will take notice that if you fail to appear and answer said complaint or otherwise plead thereto within said time, the plaintiff, for want thereof, will apply to the court for the relief prayed for therein, namely, for a decree of the court dissolving the marriage contract existing between plain-

tiff and defendant, and for other equitable relief.

This summons is published in the Hermiston Herald, a newspaper published weekly at Hermiston, Umatilla county, Oregon, and will be published for four successive weeks beginning with the issue thereof dated and published June 12, 1941, and ending with the issue thereof dated and published July 10, 1941, by order of the Honorable C. L. Sweek, Judge of the above entitled court, made the 7th day of June, 1941.

Dated this the 12th day of June, 1941.

Peterson & Peterson, Attorneys for Plaintiff, Residence and Post Office, Address: Pendleton, Oregon (June 12-July 10)

### NOTICE OF LAND SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That the undersigned, Sheriff of Umatilla County, Oregon, by virtue of an order duly made and entered herein by the County Court of Umatilla County, Oregon, on the 7th day of June, 1941, will, on the 15th day of July, 1941, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon, sell to the highest bidder for cash at the front door of the Umatilla County Court House, Pendleton, Oregon, subject to a minimum price of \$50.00 therefore, to be paid in cash, at the time of sale, the following described parcel of land, heretofore by Umatilla County, Oregon, acquired for delinquent taxes, to-wit:

Lot 19, Block 5, Hermiston in NW SW, Section 11, Twp. 4, North Range 28, E.W.M.

R. E. GOAD, Sheriff of Umatilla County.

(June 12-July 10)

### NOTICE OF LAND SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That the undersigned, Sheriff of Umatilla County, Oregon, by virtue of an order duly made and entered herein by the County Court of Umatilla County, Oregon, on the 4th day of June, 1941, will, on the 15th day of July, 1941, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon, sell to the highest bidder for cash, at the front door of the Umatilla County Court House, Pendleton, Oregon, subject to a minimum price of \$140.00 therefore, to be paid in cash, at the time of sale, the following described parcel of land, heretofore by Umatilla County, Oregon, acquired for delinquent taxes, to-wit:

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R. E. GOAD, Sheriff of Umatilla County.

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3rd	John Deere "A"	Laurence Kohns	8.2¢	10.7¢
4th	John Deere "H"	Laurence Gummow	8.2¢	10.8¢
5th	John Deere "H"	Gernis Boothby	8.2¢	12.1¢

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