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EVERY CITIZEN'S DUTY

With two capital crimes and a third ranking high in criminal records, all committed within one week in this area, a definite warning is given to our many citizens as to what can happen here. Resting easy as to what might occur is out of the question, and business or personal security must be protected with the utmost vigilance.

Our widely heralded reputation of money growing on bushes has attracted many undesirables, who in a crowd of 12,000 to 15,000 are not easy to detect, even by the sleuth hounds of officers or detectives. With all the various officers in our midst, there yet remains the active duty of each citizen to be on guard, to watch for suspicious characters or people without a good reason for being here.

These remarks do not reflect on the defense workers, who have conducted themselves admirably, but refer to the criminal element and the riff raff who always follow projects of this kind or assemble in localities where there is money and opportunity to do deeds of violence. As the winter approaches these acts will become more frequent and not only will the larger crimes become more numerous, but a series of petty depredations are likely to occur in town and country.

With an awakened mind to the dangers, a sharp eye and reasonable care, officers may be given assistance and many crimes avoided. To have unnecessary cash about is playing with the forces of evil. Just a small investment in locks may save cellars and basements. Stores and camp ground and service station attendants should keep a sharp watch and officers should visit all camp grounds or scattered camps and inquire into the reason why each inhabitant is living here. If employed all is well, if not, find what are the visible means of support, or the why and the wherefore of their existence in a region fraught with so many unpleasant dangers to our overloaded economic and social conditions.

Even with city, county, state and federal officers about, it would require an army to have one at every danger spot all the time. Every citizen is a guardian of his own home and family and property and in this emergency it is his duty to exercise that guardianship.

THE PRESENT That Lasts A Year

A SUBSCRIPTION TO
The Home Newspaper



Auto Production Slash REALLY Hits Farmer



The farmer has a double interest in news from Washington that automobile production is to be slashed by 50 per cent. For one thing, automobiles and trucks are prime necessities on the farm. But more important, the automobile industry is one of the farmer's biggest customers.

This diagram map shows how seriously the curtailment of car production will hurt rural America. It gives statistics on approxi-

mately how much material comes from the farm for every one million units the motor car industry produces. How much the farmer will be affected by the proposed cut in car production depends on how deeply Washington makes the incision. But here are the facts! During the 1941 model year just ending, the automobile industry turned out approximately 5,000,000 units.

GIRL SCOUTS HOLD INITIAL MEETING

(From The Bulldog)
September 25 the first regular meeting of Troop No. 1 Hermiston Girl Scouts was held in the high school. The troop re-organized for the coming year and new plans for activities of work and fun were made.

The main emphasis in the troop work this year will be in conjunction with the national defense movement by training of the girls in first aid and community health and to cooperate with community organizations concerned with citizenship or defense and to continue to emphasize simple democratic troop government through the patrol systems.

The Hermiston Girl Scouts were organized last February by Miss Constance Luehrs, captain of the troop, assisted by Mrs. Dan Grey, Jr. The members of the troop who have passed their tenderfoot test and have been invested into the troop are:

Lauree Gimbel, Delores Carr, Lela-dell Reader, Nancy Lee Clark, Mary Etta Clark, Elsie Zerba, Marjorie Hughes, Ann Piersol, Rosemary Doyle, Myrlla Gailey, Ethel Clark, Lois Hunt, Irene Hunt, Doris Follett, Nancy Jo Wines, Neva Edwards, Rhea Mae Thompson, Donna Jean Myers, Leona Laird, Lucy Holloman, Peggy Todd and Laurelei Saylor.

STUDENTS VOICE OPINION OF SCHOOL

(From The Bulldog)
Members of the class of '45 were asked their opinions of Hermiston high school life and the following are typical responses:

Bob Connor: "I like high school because I can have a lot of fun at the parties and the subjects aren't very hard. I can take the subjects I like. Everything else is O. K., too."

Bill Knerr: "I think the Hermiston high school is a swell place to get a better education and have more chances of doing pleasant things."

Beulah Ryland: "I think high school is O. K., especially when we have games and dances and I think the teachers are O. K. in lots of ways."

George Corliss: "I think high school is all right because I don't have so many studies and I have more time in study period to work than I had in grade school. All my studies are fairly easy except English."

Bill Jenkins: "I never did like school but other than that it's O. K. I think I like some of the teachers, believe it or not!"

Bob Martin: "I think high school is much better than grade school because it isn't so monotonous and there is usually something of interest going on all of the time."

Virginia Borthwick: "High school is O. K. in my opinion. I can have a swell time at school if I make up my mind. The football, baseball and basketball games are fun to see. The teachers are all right in some ways and the books aren't too hard."

Tommy Todd: "Hermiston Hi is a grand old place. I do what I like—sometimes, and nobody cares, not even the teachers: they just show me the door. They don't stand behind me and poke me in the back every time I stray from my work: I get the answer at the end of six weeks. Ah boy! Isn't high school grand?"

Harold Metteer: "I like high school much more than I did grade school. There seems to be more fun and more things to do. I'm not caged up in high school as I was in grade school."

SCHOOL BAND STARTS PRACTICE

(From The Bulldog)
Band practice is under way with a total of seventy-eight young musicians now swelling the band to the largest in the history of the school. An organization meeting for the purpose of selecting officers was held Wednesday September 10 with the following elected to office: Bill Penney, president; Bob Miller, vice president; Phyllis Sires, secretary-treasurer; Barbara Follett, custodian.

Kenneth Elwood, historian; Doris Follett, librarian; L. V. McGraw, Genevieve Blinston, Gloria Hammer, Dorothy Hiatt, Mary Sommerer and Janet Hodge, housekeepers.

Along with last year's players and numerous "beginners" on instruments, several veteran players have been transferred from other schools. Among these are Bill Jenkins, Phyllis Anderson, Marian Grafe, Mildred Schumacher and Nellie Moore.

Mr. Humphreys, band director, stated that he is very pleased with the improvement the band has made over last year and thinks that the prospects are very bright for the coming year.

The first public appearance will be at the home football game with Pendleton October 11. The band has always been one of the most popular organizations in school and it looks as though it has improved both in quantity and quality.

ANIMAL CIRCUS SCHEDULED HERE

(From The Bulldog)
The Mason's Animal Circus will be the first National Assembly to appear at Hermiston high this year. The date is set for October 7, at 2:30 P. M.

A universal love of animals prompts the bringing of this unique assembly attraction.

This production is being brought by Harry and Marie Mason, widely-known entertainers and members of the United States Zoological Society. Mr. Mason is well known as a western naturalist while Mrs. Mason is a widely experienced trainer of small animals. Both are outstanding authorities on natural history and animal training.

Mr. Mason speaks with authority on the habits of birds, reptiles and monkeys. These animals will be shown to demonstrate the facts disclosed. His stories of the reptiles are both highly interesting and valuable from an informational standpoint. His experience as a zoological adviser together with his lecture and entertainment experience combine to give him a most unusual background for assembly work.

The Masons have monkeys from almost every section of the world from which monkeys are brought. These will be described to show the different habits as well as the types of monkeys. All this is accompanied with fun palore furnished by the monkeys themselves.

For entertainment the Monkey Circus presented by Mrs. Mason will predominate. These well-trained Simians will offer a wide variety of tricks climaxed by the hilarious tea party. There will be monkey ball players, bicycle riders, tight rope walkers and tumblers.

It is unusual that the Masons have presented this program in practically every state of the Union, largely under the auspices of the Zoological Society of the United States.

LOCAL REQUEST IS 'SMALL TIME'

(From The Bulldog)
Compared with Groton public schools, Groton, Conn., Hermiston public schools have asked for a mere drop in the bucket in the way of federal aid for defense workers' children. For their additional 75 students they have asked for a \$582,000 federal grant, and for our avalanche of 800 new ones we've asked only \$46,200.

The following article appeared in the Groton paper: GROTON, CONN., Sept. 9 (AP)—Demanding action on an application for a \$582,000 federal grant for additional school facilities, town officials had barred classroom doors to approximately 75 children of navy families today as the school year began in this town, site of a navy submarine base and the nation's biggest submarine shipyards.

S. B. Butler, superintendent of schools, made it clear there would be no three R's for navy kids until Washington acted on the application. The new school facilities, he as-

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serted, were made necessary by government housing projects built to accommodate the increased personnel brought here in expansion of navy activities.

"Groton is ready to meet its responsibilities," said Butler, "just as soon as it has some assurance that the federal governmental agencies concerned will meet their responsibilities to Groton."

"It's not that Groton doesn't have funds. The point is that this is a governmental problem. Education of government project children is an added financial burden to the town for which there is no return except for the small payments made in lieu of taxes, which are by no means sufficient."

"This burden should not fall on the taxpayers of one small community. It is a national problem."

COUNTY QUOTAS ON FOOD FOR DEFENSE BEING SET

County USDA agricultural defense boards in all 36 Oregon counties will soon be undertaking the job of setting up reduction goals for each county's contribution to the 1942 farm defense program.

The state USDA defense board meets October 3 to review data on past and possible production, processing plant capacities and other factors related to a breakdown of state production goals into sectional and county goals. The board is consulting with land use planning committees, farm organization leaders and agricultural specialists to determine a distribution of the goals that will

bring the production of the needed foods and still be in line with long-range land use programs.

Robert B. Taylor of Pendleton, chairman of the state board, declared that the board is seeking practical methods of stepping up the output of milk, eggs, beef and vegetables in accordance with the state goals, but to accomplish the increase on the basis of sound farming principles.

CHANGE TIME OF CATHOLIC SERVICES

Until further notice the Sunday masses in Hermiston will be at 8:00 and 10:00. Umatilla, Echo and Boardman as usual. Services will commence in Stanfield church Sunday, October 12th at 9 a. m.

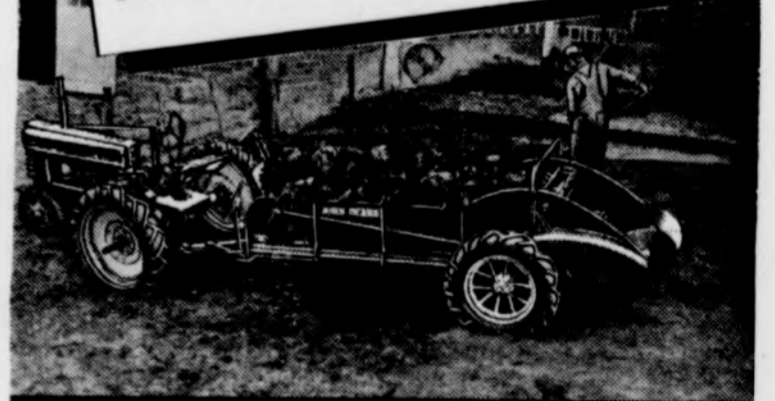
During the month of October there will be Rosary, Sermon, Benediction and prayer for peace at Our Lady of Angels, Hermiston, at 7:30 p. m. Alban Cullen, Pastor.

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