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### WILL OUR FARM PRODUCTION FAIL?

Agriculture in this irrigated area has a withering prospect for production during 1942. Day by day young farmers are being called to the service, and because of the demand and big wages many others are signing up for defense work. Both are depleting the ranks of good workers on irrigated farms. The direct results already apparent will be low production of all crops, and a low degree of farming. One large northwest hatchery recently reported cancellation of orders amounting to 250,000 chicks, and many of the baby roosters are being gassed. The turkey business will not be so strong, and dairying is on the decline. Meat production must be less with the depletion of pastures and hay. With the removal of the Japs from the gardening, and other coast areas, and expenses of higher wages will reduce vegetable production. All this is war, and something we must accept and meet the best way we can.

It means that all those who remain on the farms must produce all they can through longer hours and careful planning. It also means that many in towns will have to go to the rescue of farmers at harvest time. If the war continues long a draft of farm laborers may be necessary, and it is possible that a reduction in defense wages to meet a better parity with farm prices may be exacted. It is alleged that there is plenty, and surpluses of grain, but vegetables, fruits, meats and dairy and poultry products are as necessary. This war was not of our choice, but we have it to fight to a successful end. We cannot do this on empty stomachs or ill balanced rations. With patience and patriotism we must confront the task ahead of us. We hope that our farmers will cheerfully meet the new conditions, and do all they can to prevent a falling off in our own share of our kind of sustenance.

## UMATILLA NEWS

**By Mrs. Glenn Ostrom**  
The Ladies Aid held its regular meeting Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. George Sampson with a pot luck dinner.  
Mr. and Mrs. James Byrnes and daughters, Joan and Mrs. Glenn Ostrom, motored over to Kennewick Saturday and visited at the home of their daughter and sister, Mrs. Don Harryman and family Ilene and Arlene, twin daughters of the Harryman's who returned with their grandparents to visit for a week.  
Mr. and Mrs. Howard Black and daughter Marion of Pendleton spent the week end here with Mr. and Mrs. Dale Montgomery.  
Lt. and Mrs. Herbert Little and son Robert arrived here Saturday where Mrs. Little will make her home while he is stationed at the ammunition depot. They came here from Bonneville.  
Don Diamond of Vancouver arrived here Sunday and packed their household goods and moved them Monday.  
Mr. and Mrs. Ursel Hiatt, Doris Rodenbough and Jacqueline Mustard are expected home this week from San Diego, Cal., where they went to visit Vane and Gene Hiatt who are stationed there. Gene was transferred to Wisconsin while the group was visiting there.  
Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Lane have moved into the house just vacated by the Don Diamonds.

**By Mrs. John Sharpe**  
Mr. and Mrs. John Sharpe and family left Friday for Pasco where they will make their future home. Mr. Sharpe is in business in Pasco.  
Mrs. Dale Montgomery and son Larry, and Mrs. Howard Black and daughter Marion were Pendleton visitors Sunday.  
Mrs. H. B. Hull and Letas Myers were Pendleton visitors Monday afternoon.  
Mrs. Marguerita Hull visited from Tuesday till Thursday with her brother-in-law, H. B. Hull and family. Mrs. Hull, who has spent the past three months in California stopped

here on her way home at Pomeroy. Mrs. Hull visited her son Bill in Oakland.  
John Campbell of Portland was a business visitor at the John Wurster home.  
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Warnstrom and children and Mrs. Pete McNabb were visitors in The Dalles Sunday.  
Mr. and Mrs. George McNabb of The Dalles were visitors here Sunday.  
Mrs. John Wurster and daughters Sara and Mrs. R. E. McNabb and children spent Saturday in Pendleton.  
Mae Wurster, who is attending business school in Portland spent the week end here with her mother, Mrs. John Wurster.  
Mr. and Mrs. George Sawyer and daughter Shirley and Mrs. P. Pattee spent Monday in Pendleton.  
Mrs. Leonard Montgomery went to Riparia, Wash., Sunday to join her husband who is employed there.  
Mrs. Smith of Portland is visiting her sister, Mrs. Del Jackson and plans to stay until after Easter.  
Francis Stephens and son Billy of Maryhill have been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Al Stephens. Francis is leaving soon for the navy.  
Miss Catherine Kennedy who is employed at Seattle is home convalescing from a recent illness.  
Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Smith and son Donald left last week for Portland for a few days. Donald is visiting at the home of his grandmother, Mrs. Alma Bowman.

## PINE CITY NEWS

**By Mrs. Bernice Wattenburger**  
The Lena Grange ladies met Wednesday afternoon at the Bernice Wattenburger home, with ten members present and seven visitors. A business meeting was held and lunch was served at four o'clock. The small children enjoyed an Easter egg hunt.  
Mr. and Mrs. Marian Finch and daughter and C. H. Bartholomew and Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Wattenburger and children were Pendleton callers Saturday.  
Jim McCarty had another light

# NOTICE OF CHANGE OF HOURS

Hereafter the bank will open at 10:00 A. M. instead of 9:00, and close at the regular 3:00 P. M.

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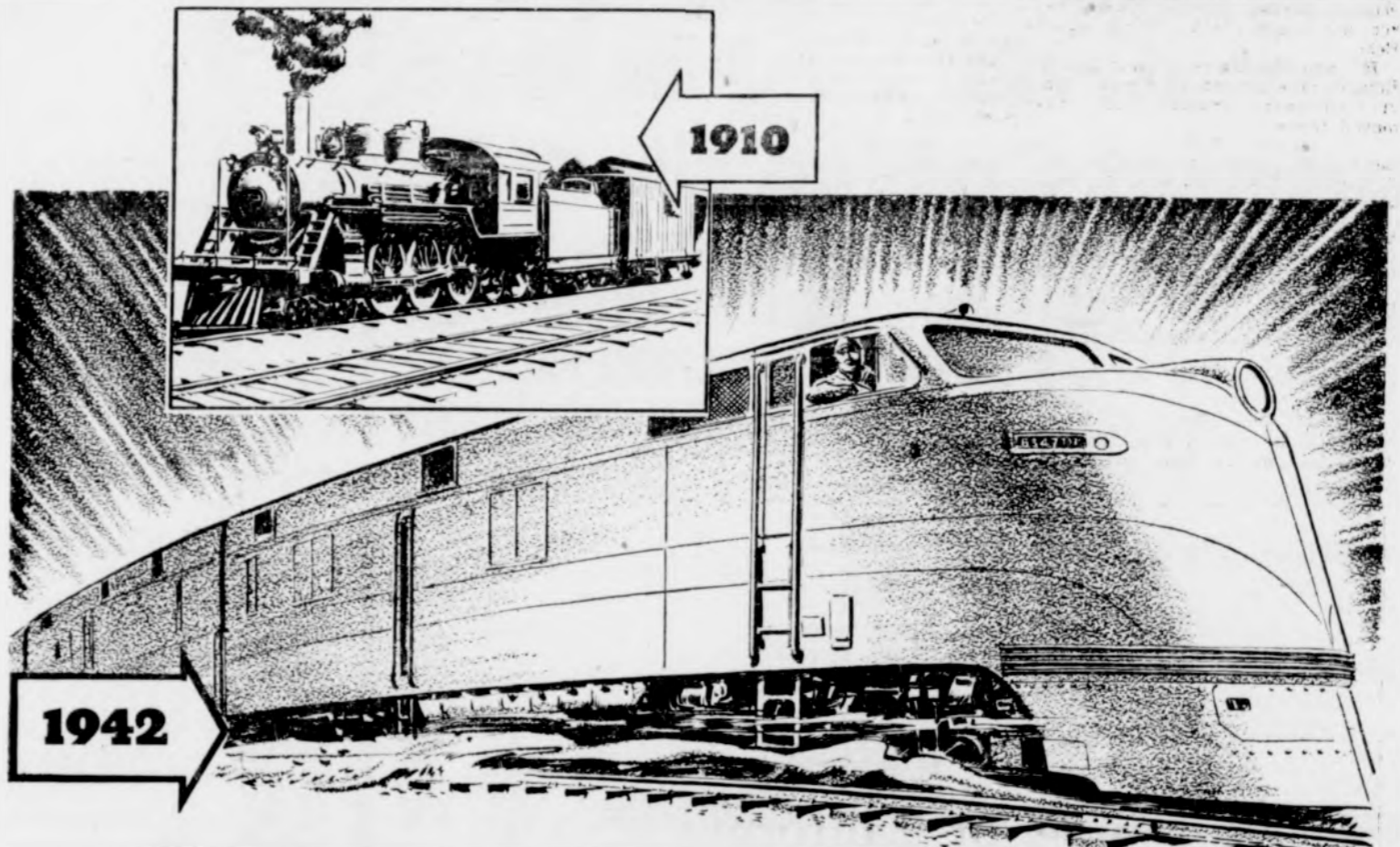
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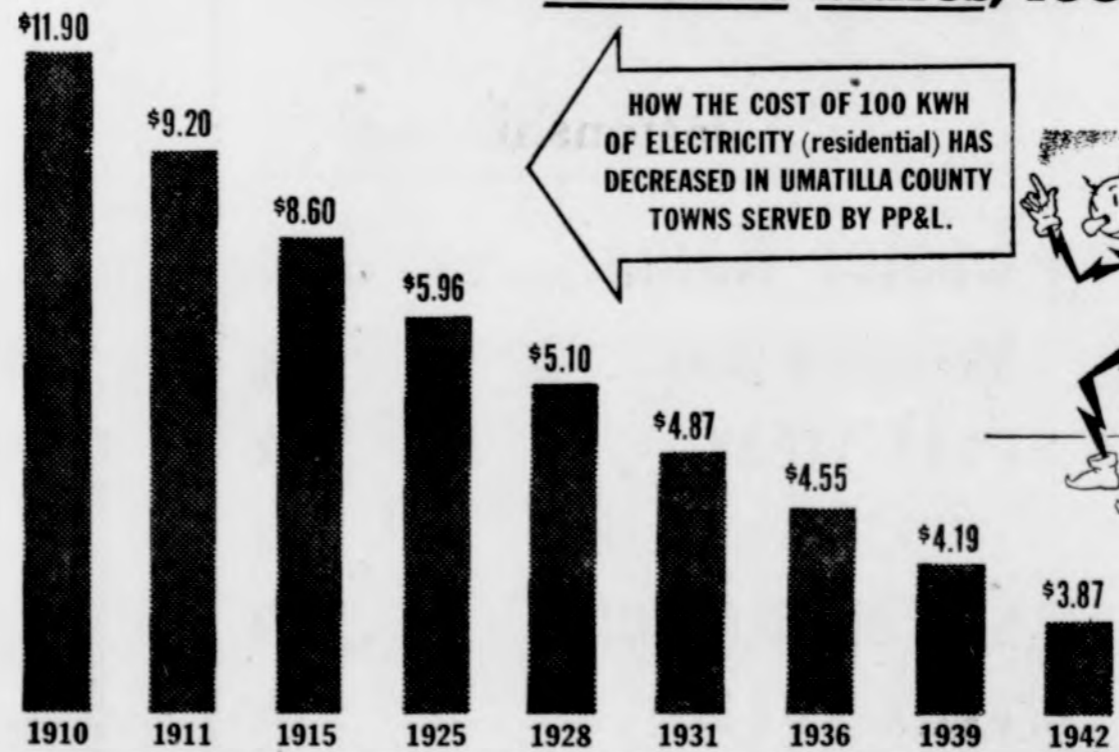
stroke last Thursday. He is at the home of Bill McCarty, his brother.  
Mr. and Mrs. Marian Finch and daughters spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Eb Hughes of Lena.  
Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Pettyjohn and family of Heppner spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Ayers.  
Mrs. Mary Richey and Miss Hazel Richey and Bill Westermeyers spent Sunday and Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Ayers.  
Mrs. E. B. Wattenburger and daughters spent Sunday with Mrs. Walter Wigglesworth of Echo.

Clayton Ayers, Jasper Myers and Burl Wattenburger attended a meeting of the home guard in Echo Sunday evening. Jasper Myers signed up.  
Mrs. John Harrison returned home to Eugene Monday. She had been visiting her sister, Mrs. George Curran, at Lena.

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