

What's New?

U. of O. Library
Eugene, Ore.

The U. S. overall production of planes, tanks, ships, guns and ammunition during June was nearly three times that of last November, the month before Pearl Harbor, War Production Chairman Nelson reported. Mr. Nelson stated, however, "Too much boasting about production progress is altogether premature—the biggest part of the job is still ahead." Any letup now, he said, "would mean years more of war and hundreds of thousands more lives."

Chairman Nelson, as an index of the nation's productive effort, estimated that approximately 36 per cent of the U. S. 's record breaking income during the first six months of this year went into military channels. This compares, he said, to the 50 to 75 per cent of total income being spent by Great Britain and Germany.

Rationing

Price Administrator Henderson reported gasoline coupon counterfeiters had been peddling bogus ration books in the East and stated these "Saboteurs attacking our war program" will be prosecuted promptly and vigorously. All persons found to be in possession of the counterfeit books, he said, are liable to have their regularly issued ration books either revoked or withheld. Because of delays in obtaining gasoline rationing books, the OPA said service stations may sell gasoline on a "coupon credit" basis until midnight, July 31.

The OPA increased tire and tube quotas for August and said 90,000 bicycles will be made available for rationing in August as compared with 45,000 in July. The office said only trucks engaged in services essential to the war effort or public health and safety will be entitled to recapped or new tires after July 28 under a drastic revision of the tire rationing regulations. The OPA published names and addresses of field representatives who may be called upon by tire dealers, recappers, truck operators and other users of tires for aid in solving problems arising under the rationing regulations.

Maximum Prices and Rents

Price Administrator Henderson reported "Government controls of prices and rents, where they are in effect, are doing a good job of holding down prices, but uncontrolled food prices are showing a definite inflationary tendency." He said "the total cost of food to city families advanced by 1.3 per cent between May 15 and June 15, continuing the steady upward price trend of the previous 14 months and offsetting the benefits of price control on all food stuffs covered by the general regulation.

Mr. Henderson said housewives and other members of the buying public will acquire the legal right beginning July 31, to bring civil suits for damages against any storekeeper who charges more than OPA regulations permit. The purchaser is entitled to recover \$50 in damages plus attorney's fees or triple the amount of the overcharge plus attorney's fees, whichever is larger. Similar suits may be filed in defense rental areas against landlords who collect rents above those permitted by OPA orders. The office reported it has designated 370 areas as defense rental areas and by August 1 rent regulations will become effective in 94 of these areas.

President Roosevelt reported the recent scrap rubber collection drive added 454,000 tons to the Government's stockpile—exclusive of rubber in small piles still at service stations and junk dealers. WPB Chairman Nelson asked state and local governments to lend their trucks and workers to local salvage committees to help transport scrap material collections before winter sets in. To keep steel furnaces going at full capacity, more than 750,000 freight cars will be required to carry scrap iron and steel, most of which must be moved by trucks to rail points.

The WPB extended the tin can salvage program to 104 cities in addition to 36 metropolitan areas previously announced, because de-tinning plant capacity requirements have been increased from 250,000 to 400,000 tons. The Board said the government will requisition from junk dealers all useless automobiles—those that cannot be repaired on a practical basis—to maintain the present peak movement of automobile scrap to mills. On the basis of a questionnaire to 350 firms, the Board estimated 100 million pounds of essential chemicals could be realized in the next 18 months if manufacturers of war equipment began now to recover wasted spray paints.

Profits

The House Naval Affairs committee, after investigating 40,000 contracts, said "95 per cent of the war contractors are doing an honest and effective job and receiving only fair and reasonable profits," the average being 8 per cent.

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R. E. A. CONNECTS WITH BONNEVILLE FOR ENERGIZATION

PICTURE DISPLAY AT LOCAL OFFICE

By Miss Jane Jackson

The Umatilla Electric Cooperative association this week completed all arrangements to enable it to serve its members with power from the Bonneville power administration. R. L. Woolley, manager of the cooperative, stated that he was notified by Will T. Neill of the Pacific Power & Light Co. that as of July 21 the association would be served by the Pacific Power & Light Company facilities for the account of the Bonneville power administration. This terminates a contract with the Pacific Power & Light Company which has served the association since the energization of its lines in 1938.

When the project was in its very early stages all those interested in it hoped some day to see it being served by the Bonneville administration, therefore a great dream was realized when notification came to this effect. This service is being made possible through a transfer agreement with the Pacific Power & Light company whereby the Bonneville power administration serves power to the association over the lines of the Pacific Power & Light company.

Effective with the billing as of September 1, the farm and residence schedule will be reduced approximately 60c for the first 100 kilowatt hours. It is hoped that further reductions may be made at a later date. This will be contingent upon the operations of the system under the present new schedule. All savings possible will be passed on to the members of the association.

Two representatives of the system planning and marketing division of the Bonneville power administration called at the local office last week to leave for display pictures illustrating the Bonneville dam and the power lines built to distribute power from it.

HOP PICKING TO START AUG. 25

Picking at the L. W. Dixon hop yard east of Hermiston will commence about August 25, according to Mr. Dixon. The crop looks especially fine at this early date and unless complications set in a bumper crop is expected.

Mr. Dixon has about 30 acres in hops, including both the early and late clusters. The picking should be excellent this year because there is very little foliage.

CITY NOW OWNS ARTESIAN WELL

At a recent meeting of the Hermiston city council, a deal was made with Dr. and Mrs. A. E. Marble whereby the City of Hermiston acquires all interest in the artesian well just south of the city limits, five acres and some buildings. A lease has been in effect for the past several years but it expired July 21. A purchase price of \$2500 has been announced.

CITY COUNCIL BUYS GRADER

Nervous city residents who have been wondering what the city of Hermiston is going to do with the many rough streets now in existence might be interested to learn that a Wehr motor grader has been purchased by the city fathers and will be put in action as soon as possible. The machine cost \$600 and will be delivered from Spokane, Wash.

Speculation is now rife as to who will be the "man behind the controls" of the machine.

DeMoss Enlists With Navy

Don DeMoss, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. DeMoss of the Columbia district, enlisted with the U. S. Navy this week and expects to leave for Portland about August 19. He recently took his physical examination in Pendleton.

LEADERS LOSE TILTS BUT ARE STILL AHEAD

Columbia Softball League Standings

	W	L	Pct.
Cooperative	4	1	.800
Engineers	3	1	.750
P. & H.	3	2	.600
Townies	2	2	.500
Odegards	2	2	.500
Echo	1	3	.250
Ordinance	0	4	.000

This week's issue of The Herald comes about four hours too soon in writing up the softball story, for tonight at 7:00 o'clock it is very likely that the first half championship of the Columbia Softball league will be decided. The crucial game is between the league leading Co-op team vs. the Engineers. Each squad has suffered one defeat to date.

Should the Co-op team win, they will be the first half champions; should the Engineers win they would still have to win over the fast-moving Townies to cop the title.

Odegards has been causing considerable trouble for the league leaders this week, downing both the Co-op and Engineers in two snappy games but ran into a snag Wednesday night, losing a 10 to 3 decision to the Townies.

Here is what could happen—Engineers might defeat Co-op, Townies might defeat the Engineers, Odegard might defeat P. & H. and other things being equal, a four-way tie for the first half honors might result. However, that remains to be seen.

The schedule for next week follows: Friday, Echo vs. Ordinance; Monday, Townies vs. Echo; Tuesday, Odegard vs. P. & H.; Wednesday, Engineers vs. Townies. This will end the first half play.

STREET PARADE FRIDAY NIGHT

Members of the Hermiston unit, Co. E., 22nd Bn., Oregon State Guard and members of the Hermiston ambulance corps will stage a parade along Main street Friday evening about 8 o'clock for the benefit of those who are not aware of the fact that these two groups are in existence. They will also advertise the benefit dance scheduled for Saturday night at the Townsend pavilion.

The guard has recently added five more recruits, bringing the number well over one hundred. Another addition to the local unit is the arrival of another commission, 2nd Lt. Rex Moses of Umatilla.

TOWNSENDITES TO MEET FRIDAY

A special meeting of the Hermiston Townsend club will be held at the pavilion east of town Friday night at 9:00 o'clock, according to Mrs. Joe Udey. Present will be Charles Weternan, state representative of Portland, who will deliver a Townsend address.

The general public is cordially invited to attend the lecture.

Library Hours Changed

New hours for the Hermiston public library, as announced by Mrs. R. A. Brownson, librarian, are from 3:00 to 5:00 p. m. every afternoon and Monday night from 7:00 to 9:00 o'clock. This schedule will be in effect until September 1.

Admits Slaying



Pictured above is Elton Campbell, held in the Umatilla county jail for the second slaying in Hermiston within a month.

AMBULANCERS BEGIN COURSE IN FIRST AID

A first aid course for the members of the Oregon Women's Ambulance Corps will start Monday evening, August 3, at 7:00 o'clock at the U. S. O. building. All women interested in joining the corps are asked to report at this meeting and all members are requested to bring first aid books.

The ambulance corps would like some volunteer trucks for members to drive one hour for completion of their motor mechanics course. Anyone who has a truck that they will let members of the group drive for one hour are asked to leave their name at the U. S. O. office.

Fourteen members have secured their chauffeurs licenses as part of their O. W. A. C. requirements. The corps will march with the state guard Friday night to advertise the dance Saturday night. Members should report at the U. S. O. at 7:30 in uniform.

FOUR SONS IN ARMY IS BOAST

Mr. and Mrs. George Harris of Hermiston feel that they are entitled to some kind of recognition and no one will deny them this honor. Four sons of the Harris family are now wearing uniforms as members of Uncle Sam's army. Although two of them are now members of the Hermiston unit, Oregon State Guard, their ambition is to get into the regular army.

William is now with the air corps, Robert is in the infantry and Wayne and George are members of Co. E., 22nd Bn., Oregon State Guard.

BIOLA GROUP GIVES CONCERT

A fine appreciative crowd was in attendance Tuesday evening at the Baptist church when members of the Bible Institute of Los Angeles presented a string ensemble concert. Both instrumental and vocal numbers were enjoyed.

The group was on a tour during the summer vacation.

GREEN GUARDS BELIEVE IN DOING 'BIG' THINGS



"It's easy to get to be a Green Guard," Dale Lander, 15-year-old Roseburg youth tells Oregon boys and girls. "Just drop a postal card to address shown on card I am holding and sign your name. The Green Guard program is a splendid one for the boys and girls of Oregon to join to help our nation win the war. You know, we watch and report fires in our forests." Harris Ellsworth, Roseburg publisher and Keep Oregon Green chairman for Douglas county looks on approvingly to Green Guard Lander's novel way of enlisting Green Guards, as does Harry Pinnerger, county civilian defense coordinator.

HODGE EXPLAINS OPA CEILING AT CHAMBER MEET

C. L. Hodge, Commercial Club secretary, and Mrs. Polly Thompson were principal speakers at a regular meeting of the Hermiston Commercial club Tuesday noon at the U.S.O. building with the Igloo Inn serving the lunch. A fine crowd was in attendance.

Mr. Hodge and Mrs. Thompson recently attended a meeting of the OPA organization at La Grande held for Commercial Club secretaries in this region. Mr. Hodge made an outline as to what is required by this ruling and how merchants can go about meeting its specifications. He was quite emphatic in the statement that merchants must post ceiling prices in their places of business. Following his talk, members of the club asked questions which were answered by Mr. Hodge and Mrs. Thompson.

Pete Berg, member of the agricultural committee, gave a report concerning new industries here and was assured support of the club.

PAST FIFTEEN DAYS ARE WARM AND SULTRY

Residents in this region are wondering how long the hot spell can last without some kind of a break. The past two weeks have been rather on the warm side with no storm or rain to break the monotony. The thermometer has been hovering around the 100 mark most of the time.

During the past few nights the temperature has been quite cool giving welcome relief to workers who welter throughout the day in the sun. The report, according to Chas. Taylor, follows:

Date	Max.	Min.
July 16	80	61
July 17	79	55
July 18	86	52
July 19	91	52
July 20	95	53
July 21	103	56
July 22	102	73
July 23	100	59
July 24	100	55
July 25	99	57
July 26	97	65
July 27	98	67
July 28	95	67

CITY JAIL IS STILL BUSIEST PLACE IN TOWN

Just by way of diversion, this week's story of the town drunks will begin by listing the culprits first and will end by naming the arresting officers last. On the blotter during the past seven days were:

Cohen Hester, drunk three times, sentenced to 10 days in county jail and 60 days suspended providing he does not return to Hermiston; James Flynn, same charge and same sentence; Henry White, drunk; Jerome Smith, drunk; Ray White, Echo, drunk; Joe Carson (not the former mayor of Portland) drunk on public highway; Harry Hodges, drunk; Ralph W. Longhorn, driving while drunk; Chas. Webb, drunk and fighting; H. E. Hastings, drunk; Frank Foster, drunk; Geo. Kennedy, drunk and disorderly; Chas. Sanders, drunk; George Ray, drunk; Arthur Tefft, drunk; Albert F. Teyerrill, drunk and fighting; Edw. G. Parr, drunk; Lester Hale, drunk.

The boys who did the work, of course, were Chief of Police B. J. Nation and his aide, Leland Smith.

BEAUTY HAVEN HAS NEW OWNER

Arrangements were completed the first of the week whereby Mrs. Dorothy Lindner disposed of the Beauty Haven to Mrs. Roberta Hodge. The latter will take over active management Saturday, August 1. Mrs. Lindner has operated the business since acquiring it from Mrs. Duff Knight several years ago. Mrs. Lindner has made no definite plans for the future but will remain with the Beauty Haven as an operator for a month or so.

Mrs. Hodge states that she will operate the Beauty Haven along the same lines as heretofore and will give the same courteous and efficient service. Competent operators will be in charge at all times.

NEGRO SLAYER IS CAPTURED SHORTLY FOLLOWING CRIME

SECOND SLAYING WITHIN MONTH

Elton Campbell, 39-year-old negro, is in the county jail facing a charge of first degree murder as the result of a knife stabbing brawl which took the life of Choice Hayes, a fellow negro. Campbell has admitted wielding the deadly weapon but has not waived the right of a preliminary hearing to await grand jury action on his case.

Quick action by the Hermiston police, Chief Bert Nation and Deputy Leland Smith, brought about the capture of Campbell about eight hours after the murder just north of Hermiston. State police and county officers also worked on the case.

Nation and Smith spotted Campbell crossing the railroad tracks about a mile northwest of town just before dark Sunday, after the latter had hid all day in the drain ditch near that spot. The men gave chase and were finally forced to take two shots at the fleeing man before he surrendered. Apparently he was waiting for a freight train so that he could leave this territory. He was not armed at the time of arrest but the knife which he apparently used in the attack was later found near the spot where he was captured.

In reconstructing the story, it seems that the quarrel started in Daddy Rodell's shack just north of town with the actual slaying about 1:10 p. m. The injured man ran about 350 feet before he dropped dead. The news soon spread around and a short time afterwards police were on the slayer's trail but could not locate him until late that night.

Shortly after the attack, Campbell entered the home of W. A. Oliver, ordnance worker, awakened him and at the point of the knife forced him to drive his car out of town. Oliver later stated that the negro kept the sharpened knife at the back of his neck. He managed to stall his car in the sand just about a mile from town and convinced the slayer that an approaching car was loaded with officers. The negro then ran for cover.

The story of the quarrel is more or less incomplete, according to officers. The victim, who had been picking peas in the Athena section, met Campbell there and started to Hermiston with him. In Pendleton Campbell's car developed trouble and the two fought over the matter. However, they later continued into Hermiston. Campbell has been employed at the ordnance depot but had gone to Athena where he met Hayes.

No information concerning Hayes has been found and his identity was not learned until Portland and Seattle police checked his fingerprints. It is not known if he has any relatives. Campbell, who gives his home address as Richmond, Mo., says that he has a wife in Alton, Ill. He has worked here for about a month.

This is the second negro slaying here in recent weeks, in addition to a number of cutting scrapes.

LOCAL LAD DIES FROM INJURIES

Teddy Wayne Hindman, five year old son of Worth A. Hindman, passed away at the St. Anthony hospital in Pendleton Friday as a result of complications following a broken arm, Sunday, July 19. He broke his arm while playing at his home in Smith's trailer camp where the family has resided for more than a year. He suffered a compound fracture.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon from Folsom's Funeral Home in Pendleton with Rev. Wisenbach in charge.

OFFICE GIRLS NOW AT DEPOT

In case this week's Herald does not have that effeminate touch it is because this office has done its bit towards the war effort by relinquishing all rights on the girls employed here. In other words, the Misses Joyce McCulley, Kay Joyce Ritchie and Anne Sommerer are now employed at the ordnance depot in one capacity or another.

Some help has been received by the able assistance of Mrs. Ritchie, mother of Kay Joyce, and Miss Elsie Rauch who have come to the rescue.