

What's New?

A WEEK OF THE WAR

President Roosevelt asked Congress to enact by October 1 legislation under which he would be "specifically authorized to stabilize the cost of living, including the price of all farm commodities." In a special message to the legislators, the President said "inaction on your part by that date will leave me with an inescapable responsibility to the people of this country to see to it that the war effort is no longer imperiled by threat of economic chaos. In the event that the Congress should fail to act, and adequately, I shall accept the responsibility, and I will act."

Mr. Roosevelt said the purpose of the legislation "should be to hold farm prices at parity, or at levels of a recent date, whichever is higher." He said "at the same time that farm prices are stabilized, wages can and will be stabilized also. This I will do."

The President recalled that two points of his original seven-point anti-inflation program required legislation—"an adequate tax program, and a law permitting the fixing of price ceilings on farm products at parity prices." He said delay in enacting this legislation "has now reached the point of danger to our whole economy . . . We cannot hold the actual cost of food and clothing down to approximately the present level beyond October 1. But no one can give any assurances that the cost of living can be held down after that date . . ." He renewed his request of last April for an individual net income limitation of \$25,000.

The War Front

After ten straight raids without a loss, two U. S. Flying Fortress bombers were reported as missing September 7 following the greatest American aerial attack of the war on Nazi-occupied France. Three squadrons of the big bombers attacked the Airframe factory at Meaulte, near Albert, for the second time, while a fourth squadron bombed the St. Omer airfield. In the raids the Fortresses destroyed five enemy fighters and probably destroyed 13 more, and damaged another 25. The bombers were escorted by 400 Allied fighters, three of which were shot down.

Gen. MacArthur's Australian headquarters reported September 7 that heavy Allied bombing planes attacked a Japanese cargo ship Southeast of New Guinea which was believed to have been attempting to supply the trapped enemy forces in the Milne Bay area. Australians were mopping up the remnants of Japanese forces in this area. U. S. Army air forces in China, continuing their offensive, scored a direct hit on Japanese military headquarters in Nanchang, sank at least seven steamers, blasted a railway station and warehouse and strafed a troop train.

Two Navy vessels, the destroyer Blue and the auxiliary transport Colhoun, have been lost in action in the South Pacific in the past two weeks, the Navy announced. There were few casualties. The Navy also announced the sinking of nine more United Nations merchant vessels by enemy submarines in the Atlantic.

Army and Selective Service

Assistant Secretary of War McCloy said that between February 1 and August 30 U. S. Army planes destroyed 234 Japanese planes in the air, compared with American losses of 109. This record, together with the "Flying Tigers," record of 218 Japanese planes destroyed as against losses of 84, is due mainly to the performance of the P-40 fighters, he said. The Army said it has developed a system of technical inspection and maintenance supervision of aircraft that is undoubtedly the finest in the world.

The War Department sent 36,000 dependents allowance checks totaling \$4,500,000 to relatives and dependents of enlisted men in the four lower grades of the service. Selective Service headquarters instructed state SS boards to place their calls so that most men right now will come from local boards with the most single men or men with dependents other than wives and children.

Rationing

The War Production Board released 50,000 of the refrigerators which have been frozen in the hands of dealers and distributors since February 14 for sale to the general public after finding that they were not needed for essential purposes. Another 50,000 will be released by authorization of WPB for delivery to dealers and transfer to ultimate consumers. The WPB Food Requirements Committee recommended to the Board the following meat conservation program—(1) limitation of the amounts of meat packers may sell to the civilian trade so that each civilian will be able to buy 2½ pounds a week; (2) direct consumer rationing to be started as soon as possible—in about four months; (3) an interim voluntary conservation program.

FOUR-H FAIR SET FOR SEPTEMBER 25.26 BY GROUP LEADERS

FOOTBALL GAME ALSO FEATURED

At a recent meeting of the Umatilla county fair board it was definitely decided to have the fair this year entirely for the 4-H club and FFA members. The fair will be held on September 25 and 26, and will be sponsored by the 4-H Leaders Association of West Umatilla county, according to Harold Rankin, president of the fair board.

Since there will be no open class show this year the premiums to be paid will be considerably larger to the 4-H and FFA members. All exhibits are to be brought in by noon September 25. The home economics exhibits will be judged the afternoon of September 25, and the livestock and crops exhibits on the morning of September 26.

The Hermiston high school football team will play Kennewick high school on one afternoon of the fair.

The 4-H leaders have indicated that their club members are working hard on their projects at this time, and that there should be an excellent showing of livestock and home economics work.

The premium lists for the fair are being prepared and will be mailed to all club members and leaders soon.

STOP SIGNS TO BE ENFORCED

It is reported that the police are going to tighten down on the violations of traffic laws at the railroad crossing here in Hermiston. They have been checking and notifying drivers for two weeks and a few arrests have been made, but the stop signs are being disregarded.

The state has ordered that such crossings throughout the state be restricted, and in this case there are five street and highway entrances, besides two railroad tracks, and it is considered one of the most dangerous crossings in Oregon because of the heavy traffic.

FIRST V-MAIL RECEIVED HERE

The Herald received its first V-Mail letter this week, Pvt. William C. Lindner writing from Ireland. V-Mail is the newest form of quick mail from long distances and is done by photography. The letter follows:

"Just a line to let you know that I am in Ireland and in the best of health. Have been here a week and am getting used to the customs of the people. They sure are friendly, but seem odd to us Americans at times. Had some difficulty in mastering the different coins at first but am doing fairly well now.

"Will close for this time. Tell my friends in Hermiston 'Hello' for me and I wish you all the best of luck."

HOP PICKERS IN DIRE NEED HERE

L. W. Dixon has sent in an S.O.S. call for more hop pickers at his ranch east of Hermiston. Although he has had a fairly good crew during the past week, he is just now getting into the heavy part of his harvest and badly needs a couple of hundred more pickers. According to Mr. Dixon, some of the laborers are earning high wages and even most of the women can make as high as \$4.00 a day.

Mr. Dixon stated early this week he was greatly disappointed in the fact that many of the local residents who signed up several weeks ago for picking jobs were not showing up. This has severely handicapped him in his operations.

Local Youth Now Corporal

Merle A. Gallon of Hermiston is stationed at Hamilton Field, northern California Army air base. He has been promoted to the rank of corporal it was announced at base headquarters recently. Corporal Gallon is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Null, who reside in Hermiston. Corporal Gallon is a graduate of the Nachis high school, Nachis, Wn., and he enlisted in the Army on October 8, 1940, at Yakima, Wn.

INJURED MAN IS IMPROVING

J. A. Scott, elderly Hermiston man who was injured last week when he stepped into a freight engine, is apparently on the road to recovery, according to the latest reports. He is feeling somewhat stronger but is still bedfast.

Due to his age, the shock of the accident was quite severe and it will be some time before Mr. Scott will again appear on Main street to greet all his friends.

MORE SOLDIER BLANKS, PLEASE

Last week the Herald ran an item "Who's In Uniform?", asking that relatives of boys in the service fill out the questionnaire in order that a complete list might be made. Numerous blanks have been returned to this office but there are still many others which should be completed. For the convenience of those who missed the opportunity last week, the form is run again this issue.

It would be greatly appreciated by the editors if the forms were filled and returned to the Herald soon.

FUEL RATIONING SCHEDULED HERE

According to Mrs. R. G. Penney and N. R. Mueller of the Hermiston rationing board, it is quite essential that the fuel rationing recently ordered by the Fuel Administration be observed by all citizens. The purpose of this registration is to learn the extent of the actual shortage of fuel for householders so that all agencies concerned, both public and private, can know more accurately the nature of the fuel shortage problem.

Difficulties which exist in the fuel situation are due to war conditions and citizens can contribute to the solution by economizing on fuel in every way possible. Registration dates are September 9, 10, 11 and 12. According to the local rationing board it is quite essential that all citizens register, even though it is voluntary. The results may have quite a bearing on the fuel situation here. Rationing hours will be in the afternoon only.

DOG MENACE IS FROWNED ON

Several warnings have been issued in recent weeks by city authorities concerning the number of dogs being allowed to run free about the city. The problem is becoming quite acute with as many as eight dogs running in packs about Main and other city streets during the busy hours of the day.

Members of the council have intimated some drastic action will be taken in the immediate future if dog owners do not take some measure to keep dogs tied up or under leash.

What You Buy With WAR BONDS

The mess kit is one of the most important items in the Soldier's equipment. It consists generally of a pan, a plastic canteen and cup, a fork, knife and spoon, all in a canvas pack cover. The total cost runs up to about \$2.00.



Canteens and other items such as handles on knives and forks, formerly made of aluminum, are now plastic. Alloy has replaced stainless steel. You can buy many of these mess kits for our boys with your purchases of War Bonds and Stamps. Invest at least 10 percent of your income in War Bonds or Stamps every pay day and top the quota in your county. U. S. Treasury Department

REV. LOREE TO QUIT PASTORATE

Rev. and Mrs. Grayden Loree and son are leaving next week for Portland where Rev. Loree plans to attend the Western Baptist Seminary this winter. He has resigned his pastorate of the local Baptist church which he has held for several years. For the past month Rev. Loree has been working on a construction crew near Stanfield in addition to preaching.

Following completion of this winter's course in the Seminary, Rev. Loree plans to attend Albany college for two years to obtain his degree.

FOOTBALL SQUAD GREET'S COACH

Coach Lee Webber was all grins Wednesday afternoon while watching his football charges go through their tactics on the practice field. Although he is not promising wonders or another unbeaten season, he is not losing any sleepless nights due to the lack of promising material. Should he be able to find a couple of capable tackles from the group of enthusiastic youngsters, his worry would be slight indeed.

When the entire squad reports next week (some of the boys are still working) Coach Webber will have quite a workable group and should be ready to go September 25 or 26 when Kennewick comes here for an opener date.

Shaars Return From Vacation

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Shaar returned this week from a short vacation stay at the Oregon beaches. The trip was somewhat marred when Bill was forced to return to Portland to undergo medical treatment. He is back at work again this week.

LABOR DAY IS QUIET HERE

Little activity of any kind was in order here Monday, Labor day. A goodly portion of the workers at the Umatilla ordnance depot were busy at their jobs, although several contractors released their men for the day.

Stores were closed for the day, affording tired clerks a day to "sleep in". Family gatherings and outdoor picnics were quite prevalent.

FALL WEATHER AROUND CORNER

It won't be long now and trees will begin to shed their leaves and the frost will be on the pumpkins. A gradual change has been in the making the past week with hot weather apparently a thing of the past. The past several days have seen considerable wind, causing the streets to be cluttered with paper and sand.

The report for the week, according to Chas. Taylor, weather man, follows:

Date	Max.	Min.
September 2	92	44
September 3	94	53
September 4	95	53
September 5	94	61
September 6	81	47
September 7	81	48
September 8	80	46

PAUL MARBLE TURNS TO FLYING

Selecting the battle fields of the air to serve his country in the war, Paul A. Marble, 24, of Hermiston, has joined the growing ranks of United States Naval Aviation Cadets, word received from the office of Comdr. Bert H. Creighton, Senior Member of the Naval Aviation Cadet Selection Board for the Thirteenth Naval District, disclosed.

He is the son of Dr. A. E. Marble and Mrs. Marble. The prospective naval pilot was graduated from Hermiston high school in 1936 after winning two letters in football and two in basketball. He is the second member of the family to join the armed forces, as his brother, Ralph W. Marble, is now in flight training for the Army.

The family has lived in Hermiston for fourteen years.

UMATILLA HIGH IN RECRUITS

Umatilla county added another feather to its cap this month when its local navy recruiting station in Pendleton copped the "E" pennant from 14 other Oregon recruiting stations to place it first in the state for the month of August with a standing of 1.62 men enlisted per 1,000 population. In charge of the station is L. M. Spencer, chief water tender, who is assisted by Chief Specialist J. H. Bedford and third class yeoman Martin J. Hoffman.

Chief Spencer announces that ratings in the construction battalion are again open for enlistment, with the exception of clerical ratings. Calling attention to the 174 ships launched in the nation on Labor Day, Chief Spencer reminds that these ships must be manned, which is done by voluntary enlistment in the navy or the naval reserve. Men between the ages of 17 and 50 are urged to respond to this call and are asked to contact the navy recruiting officer in Room 250 of the Post Office building in Pendleton.

GUARDSMEN TO PLAY HOSTS

The local unit of the Oregon State Guard will entertain their wives Thursday evening, September 17, a regular drill night. Younger guardsmen who are unmarried are urged to bring their girl friends. An informal evening of entertainment will be enjoyed at the community hall at the fairgrounds.

Regular drills are being held every Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

Third Son To Join Navy

The third son in the family of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Kasari of Hermiston has joined the navy. He is 20 year old Roy William. His twin brother, Robert J. Kasari is in the Navy Signalman School in San Diego, Cal. Another older brother, George, is in the Navy Diesel Mechanical school in Miami, Florida. Roy William also expects to enter a mechanical school.

NEW ENROLLMENT EXCEEDS ESTIMATE AT SCHOOL OPENING

MORE TEACHERS ARE NEEDED

General order out of chaos was the rule the middle of the week at the Hermiston grade and high schools. Due to the fact that the enrollment was some higher than at first anticipated, considerable last minute arrangements were necessary and classes were operating smoothly by Wednesday, according to Supt. W. G. Kersbergen.

Sufficient teachers were on hand at the high school but several late additions were needed at the grade school in order to handle the students. By Tuesday 105 first graders had registered and it was impossible to take care of the entire group. Mr. Kersbergen, however, wanted it made clear that by Monday all first graders should report for duty as rooms and teachers would be available by that time. Some arrangements for those registering later will be made as soon as the occasion demands.

A total of 631 students had registered at the grade school by Tuesday compared with a figure of 791 last year. However, due to the fact that school authorities are attempting to limit classes to one shift this year, the conditions are somewhat more crowded. The following is a list of the grades and the registration: First, 105; second, 87; third, 73; fourth, 74; fifth, 76; sixth, 78; seventh, 70; and eighth, 68.

In the high school a total of 275 had registered by Wednesday, making two less than the highest at any time last year. However, late registrations are expected to swell this number the first of the week. Mr. Kersbergen is in the market for a part time shop instructor, and anyone interested in holding a two-hour class a day is urged to get in touch with him. Several more grade teachers are also needed and applicants who are qualified are urged to get in touch with the superintendent.

Parents with children in the first and second grades are informed that if they feel that the day is too long for the youngsters they will be dismissed at 2:30 if proper request is made. Otherwise they will enjoy a recreation period until 4:00 o'clock when the buses leave.

CHILDREN ACT AS GREEN GUARDS

The 57 boys and girls from Umatilla county enrolled with the Oregon Green Guard have made a direct contribution to the war effort by preventing farm and forest fires in their local communities, according to word received from Keep Oregon Green headquarters, Salem.

The local chairman advises these boys and girls to submit early entries in a statewide fire prevention contest which offers a three-day outing at Santiam Lodge located in the heart of the Cascades near Skyline trail. Ten boys, ten girls and an additional squad will be named winners, and the judging will be based on achievement records in fire prevention by the Guards. Closing entry date is midnight, September 15, while the outing is set for September 24, 25 and 26.

Hermiston boys and girls enrolled as Green Guards and eligible for contest competition are:

Robert Grimps, George Corliss, Elvin Harig, captains, Richard Borthwick, Virginia Borthwick, Charles Seeliger, Robert Rice, Katherine Sturm, Joyce Beck, Eleanor Beck, Delmar Van Arsdale, Jimmy Seeliger, Adacarl Corliss, Gerald Borthwick, Dorothy Sturm, Preston Buzzard, Bill Hibbard and Dorothy Hiatt.

Wayne Barber, Zelma Sutton, of Stanfield; Pauline Roach and Frances Chapman of Umatilla.

LOCAL GOLFERS AT WALLA WALLA

A quartet of local divot diggers made a trip to Walla Walla Sunday where they participated in a tournament under the colors of Athena. Going from here were R. A. Brownson, Jim Todd, C. J. Jackson and Dan Gray.

Although the scores ran rather high for the day, the Hermiston boys did right well in comparative scores.

We Can't Equal Their Sacrifices, but We Might Try

THE WEIGHT OF THE WORLD
GREATEST TRAGEDY

IF ALL THE BEST OF US SACRIFICED EVERYTHING TO BUY MORE BONDS
WE COULDN'T EVEN TRY

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