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SEEN and HEARD on Main Street

Scores of people trying to find out how many exemptions, how to fill out Income Blanks and how much and where to get the money to pay Uncle Sam by March 15th.

Farmers signing up work sheets so that Uncle Sam can estimate production for 1943. Our heads of government have had a message from the shade of Napoleon that an army fights on its belly. Now and then a draftee is returning from training camp to take up where he was broken off several months ago.

Defense workers looking for a patch of ground for a victory garden, a poultry yard, a pig sty and a cow pasture in their fight against ceiling prices.

House hunters who want three or four rooms, and most of them want full plumbing and furniture, all of which sounds like the war is about over.

Flurry among belated car owners without an Oregon license, due since January 1st. Some blame the state for insisting on the observance of traffic laws. Suppose all laws slept on the statute books.

Women trying to discover the lost art of slicing bread and putting an edge on the old bread knife. They may be baking biscuits and rolls before the duration is over.

Rumors that a car load of lumber has arrived at the new Ordnance townsite and that plumbing and electrical goods have become involved in red tape, and that the contractor builder got tangled up so that he couldn't find the site and left for home during the freeze up.

Talk and more talk about town improvement planning when the trees begin to bud and the up-in-air conditions begin to settle about investments. The city council is filling its 1943 official roster and setting its guns for a good campaign on several fronts.

ECHO NEWS ITEMS

By Mrs. W. H. Cravy

Echo had a spell of old-fashioned winter over the week end, when the temperature dropped from 58 on Friday to 6 below zero Sunday night. It moderated a trifle Monday, reaching a low that night of 6 above zero, and a west wind Tuesday gave promise of milder weather.

Funeral services for Mrs. Jacob Geiszler Sr. were held at the Methodist church in Echo Sunday afternoon with Rev. Eric Robathan in charge. Roy Smith sang two selections with Mrs. Nona McPaul as accompanist. Pallbearers were John Young, Edw. Liesegang, Ben Krause, Floyd Mathers, Marvin Laughlin and Wm. Helmick.

Mrs. Pamela Spike left for Corvallis Monday to visit her daughter, Mrs. Lester Oehler.

Mr. and Mrs. Edw. Liesegang have received word from their son Eddie, that he was to take his final examination as a mess sergeant at Ft. Knox, Kentucky, January 18. He says that Mike Weltzin of Echo is also stationed at that camp.

Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Esselstyn, former Echo residents, are the parents of an 8½ pound son, born at Pendleton Monday. The boy is a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Esselstyn of Echo.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Geiszler Jr. returned Monday to their home at Lynden, Wash. They were accompanied by Jacob Geiszler Sr., who will make an extended visit at his son's home.

Mrs. Maude Davies of Wapato, Wash., is here for an extended visit with her sister, Mrs. W. W. Esselstyn. Mrs. Esselstyn, who was in the Pendleton hospital last week following a slight stroke, is reported to be somewhat improved.

Mrs. Nancy Spike was called to Portland Thursday by news of the death of her mother, Mrs. H. P. Holmes. Mrs. Holmes had been ill for some time.

Blair Coleman returned to Alaska the first of the week after spending a 15-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Troy Coleman. Blair is in an anti-aircraft division of the army stationed in western Alaska and has charge of searchlight maintenance.

Mrs. Raymond Attebury, who was operated on at Pendleton recently for appendicitis, is reported to be recovering slowly and is not expected to be able to return home for some time.

The county grading outfit worked over part of the Echo streets last week, but the rain Friday caused cessation of the job until the streets dry out again.

Mrs. Cora Longwell, city librarian, is still confined to home by a severe attack of flu. Mrs. Carrie Willis is acting as librarian during her absence.

A crew of men under Morrison & Knudsen, contractors, are engaged in leveling operations along the railroad right-of-way between Stanfield and Hinkle. The men are stopping at Echo trailer camp and expect to be here for about a month.

Echo Cougars have won all six of the Little Wheat league games in the first round of the season play, defeating Ione 40 to 20 Thursday evening. Hoskins of Ione was high scorer with 12 points. This leaves Echo in first place in the league, with Ione, Boardman and Umatilla tied for second place with two games lost by each team. League games scheduled for this week are with Irrigon Wednesday and Stanfield Friday.

E. B. Wattenburger of Pine City, Butter Creek bee man, recently won a \$5 prize from the Sears company for sending in the best prepared muskrat pelt for the 14th national fur show.

PINE CITY NEWS

By Mrs. Bernice Wattenburger

Miss Frances and Betty Finch of Heppner spent the week end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marian Finch.

It was ten below zero on Butter Creek Monday morning. Everyone had trouble in getting their car started. Ruth Vogler and Junior Wattenburger didn't get to school at Echo that day because of the cold.

School was closed at Pine City on Tuesday because of cold weather.

Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Myers were callers in Pendleton Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Corrin of Lena spent Sunday afternoon in Pilot Rock.

Miss Rosetta and Helen Healy spent the week end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Healy.

Mr. and Mrs. Garnet Abercrombie were Heppner callers Monday.

Mrs. Anna J. Thompson, teacher of Pine City school, spent the week end in Heppner.

STANFIELD NEWS

By Mrs. Rose Hedrick

Mrs. Kenneth Beebe was honoree at a shower on January 15 at the home of Mrs. Roy Duncan. After a few games, Mrs. Bob Beebe assisted in the opening of the gifts. Fourteen ladies and eight children participated. The guest list was comprised of Mrs. Cleghorn, Hill, Leader, McPhetridge, Ward, Cox, Lenna Waid, Mrs. Hedrick, Mrs. Refvem and Mrs. Myrnie Caldwell, Mrs. Parsons and Mrs. Woodward of Hermiston. Cake and tea were served.

Mrs. Ernest Greathouse was hostess to the Woman's Study club on Thursday. The president, Mrs. C. E. Fisk, gave the current events, and the highlights of Dr. Dubach's speech of January 7th at Pendleton. Mrs. Era Green read her paper on Post War Problems. Guests other than members were Mrs. Lillian Brewer and Mrs. Eva Bard.

Mrs. Ellen Troyer left Thursday last for Pacific Grove, Cal., due to the serious illness of her sister.

Miss Patsy Duncan suffered a broken ankle a week ago but will return to school probably in another week with the aid of her crutches.

Mrs. J. V. Hanover is the new edi-

tor of the Trailer Stirrup. Please leave the news at the office.

Mrs. Gordon Hoffnagle met with a group of 4-H club girls Tuesday afternoon at the high school and they elected the following officers: president, Irene Robertson; vice president, Frances Stevens; secretary, Marian Winsted and treasurer, Alida Picantso.

Mrs. Fred Thorne was hostess to the Home Economics club Monday at her home. The cold weather only brought out six members but they had a good time with Mrs. Agnes Herick as program chairman. Gingerbread and whipped cream and coffee were served.

Ladies Aid will celebrate the January birthdays on January 21. Kathryn Dennis, La Verne Gillanders and Mrs. J. W. Sturdivant are the honorees. The last named will be honored with a gift as she and Mr. Sturdivant will leave soon to reside at Parkdale.

Mrs. Thelma Tenney and children are moving to Portland this week. The children will attend Jefferson school.

OREGON LEADS AGAIN IN SALES OF WAR BONDS

Oregon again leads the U. S. A. in war bond sales and Umatilla county did its part by purchasing \$238,862.80 of war bonds during November, the last month for which official figures are available. Total state wide sales equaled \$10,787,000.

Oregon's national record is the largest purchase of war bonds in proportion to income of any state in the union. \$9.93 out of every \$100 of income was loaned to the government to provide equipment for the boys on the fighting fronts.

Oregon has led the nation twice in the last four months, having also been number one state in August.

The state's quota for January is \$10,300,000, which is \$2,200,000 higher than previously. The quota for Umatilla county is \$224,540.

The limit purchase for husband and wife or any owner and co-owner has been raised from \$5000 to \$10,000 in any one year. Many individuals, who have accumulated funds will want to take advantage of this new high limit during January.

VIOLATORS OF SERVICE ACT TO BE PROSECUTED

Salem—Start of a campaign to locate for compliance or prosecution all Oregon registrants listed by local boards as delinquents was announced by Colonel Elmer V. Wooton, state director of Selective Service, following a conference with United States District Attorney Carl C. Donagh and representatives of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Willful violators of the Selective Training and Service Act can expect speedy prosecution and stringent penalties, United States District Attorney Donagh has assured the State Director. Maximum penalty under the act is 5 years in prison or \$10,000 fine, or both.

Although willful violators of the act can expect no leniency, Colonel Wooton indicated that registrants who had become delinquent only through unintentional neglect to notify local boards of change of address

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or other unintentional minor infractions of the law would receive less stringent treatment.

"Any person who voluntarily reports to his local board during the month of January 1943 and whose delinquency was not willful is likely to be given a chance to comply with his obligations and not be prosecuted," Colonel Wooton said. "In the event such persons have been listed by the local board as delinquents but not yet reported to the United States District Attorney, the decision will rest with the local board. Decision as to the prosecution of registrants reported to the United States District Attorney as delinquents will rest with the United States District Attorney although the local board is authorized to make recommendations.

Colonel Wooton stated that assistance of newspapers and radio had been enlisted in the hopes of locating many registrants now listed as delinquent but whose delinquency was probably unintentional and consisted chiefly of forgetting to report a change of address to local boards. Only by immediately contacting local boards can registrants suspected of delinquency hope to clear themselves, he pointed out.

Notices of delinquency have been sent to 3,467 Oregon registrants since the beginning of Selective Service operations, but 1515 of this number cleared themselves with local boards without being reported to the United States District Attorney. The balance includes 752 registrants listed as delinquent but not yet reported to the United States District Attorney and 1,200 who were reported to that official. Of the 1,200 reported to the United States District Attorney, 709 were either cleared or prosecuted and 491 cases are pending.

Beginning February 1, 1943, delinquent registrants can expect law enforcement officers to "crack down hard", it was indicated by Colonel Wooton. "In time of war even un-

intentional shirking of a prime duty of citizenship is reprehensible, and a deliberate attempt to evade service for the nation cannot be condoned," Colonel Wooton declared.

It was also intimated that registrants could expect increased activity upon the part of law enforcement officers to investigate persons between 18 and 65 who failed to carry registration certificates. Persons 18 to 45 must not only carry with them the registration certificate but also a notice of classification if they have been registered for six months or more.

In connection with the new requirement that a registrant have notice of classification in his possession, Colonel Wooton urged registrants between 18 and 45 to obtain duplicate classification notices from local boards if the originals have been lost. All registrants have been classified with the exception of the 18-year olds who registered during the latter part of December.

METHODIST CHURCH

Malcolm B. Ballinger, Minister

Sunday, January 24—10 a. m., Sunday School at Hermiston and Echo. 11 a. m., Morning worship at Hermiston, with sermon by the minister: "Wouldst Thou Be Made Whole?"

6:30 p. m., Hermiston Methodist Youth Fellowship.

7:30 p. m., Evening worship at Hermiston and Echo. Hermiston: Motion picture: "Village Life in India", showing the poverty, toil and hunger of India, and, in contrast, the life at Ushagram, a model Christian village and school. Echo: Sermon by the minister.

8:30 p. m., Hermiston Young Adult Fellowship.

Wednesday, January 27, Echo W. S. C. S. meets in afternoon. At 7 p. m., motion picture: "Village Life in India." 7:30 p. m., Bible study and prayer.

MILK BOTTLE LOSS TOO HIGH!

Housewives are urged by the local dairyman to use only warm or cold water to rinse out milk bottles after they have been emptied.

Losses from cracked bottles are running high at both dairies. The principal causes of these cracks has been determined to be the use of hot water in rinsing bottles, too recently removed from a refrigerator. The cracks are generally very small and unnoticeable but when the bottles have been washed and refilled at the dairies they break when the force of the capping machine is applied.

The dairies point out that the trade is short of bottles and new ones are now sometimes hard to get when needed. It is not necessary to use hot water in washing the bottles because they all must be thoroughly washed and disinfected with steam before they are refilled by the dairies.

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