

By Mrs. Bob Woodward

Jesse Moore, who has been stationed at the Walla Walla airbase since November while training in the air force, visited early last week with the W. A. Mikesells while en route to Seattle where he has been transferred. He planned to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Moore. The Moores are former residents of this district.

Sgt. Keith Hutchison and Mrs. Hutchison visited here Wednesday of last week with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Douglas, and at the home of his uncle Baxter Hutchison. They were en route to Pilot Rock from Portland.

Mrs. Harold Keller has returned home from the Hermiston hospital much improved in health.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Sowers were houseguests of Mr. and Mrs. Myrnie Caldwell from Saturday until Tuesday. Sowers, who is associated with the Sun Transport Company, has been transferred to Hermiston from Caldwell, Idaho.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Brown were Sunday evening guests at the Caldwell home.

W. D. Blackstone of Freewater was a business visitor and dinner guest at the Henry Garberding home Tuesday.

John McElroy has quit his work at the U. O. D. and will be leaving next week with a group of selectees from this area.

Guests at the Olyn Hodge home on Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Speers of Kennewick and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hodge of Hermiston.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Maffei made a business trip to Pendleton Monday.

Mrs. R. B. Wilcox drove to Heppner last Thursday with her sister Mrs. E. R. Fredrickson and daughter Iris who came from Salem to attend the funeral of Mrs. Fredrickson's niece, Miss Louise Fredrickson.

Mrs. B. E. Getchell and Mrs. John Jendrzejewski were in town Monday evening to attend the Service Mothers' club at the U. S. O.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Connor were Tuesday evening guests at the Maffei home.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Neill and daughter Peggy who have made their home in Southern California the past year have returned to Hermiston. Peggy is spending this week with her grandparents, the Lester Hammers, and Mr. and Mrs. Neill are visiting his parents near Pine City.

Carl Hammer made a business trip to Seattle last week.

Mrs. Katherine Dirks and children of Roseburg are here to spend several weeks at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Rogers.

Mrs. Bud Hooker reports that her nephew, Forrest Putnam, is now in North Africa.

IRA WARREN GEER

Ira Warren Geer was born November 21, 1881, near New London, Minnesota, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Warren Geer. Ira W. Geer lived in Minnesota until he was about ten years old. At that time he moved with his parents to Oregon, near Salem.

On November 15, 1905, he was united in marriage with Edith Carter, Mr. and Mrs. Geer moved to Wheeler County about 1918, and in 1928 came to Hermiston where they have resided ever since.

Mr. Geer has been ill for several months. About two weeks ago he was taken to the hospital in Pendleton, and on Friday morning, February 5th, he passed on into the eternal.

He leaves to mourn his passing his widow, Mrs. Edith Geer; the following children: Mrs. Hazel Shown, Charles Geer, Robert Geer, Mrs. Velda Sisson, and Alice Geer, all of Hermiston; Mrs. Helen Wilkes, Portland; Mrs. Ruby May, Medford, Jack Geer, Portland; Max Geer in the navy; and James Geer, missing in action; eighteen grandchildren; one sister, Mrs. George Burkhart of Prineville.

INLAND CO-OP TO HOLD MEETING

The regular annual meeting of members of the Inland Cooperative will be held Saturday, February 27, in the basement of the Methodist church. Manager Guy Shaw will present the business of the year as well as other matters pertaining to the cooperative.

Members are urged to keep the date in mind with more information concerning the meeting to be announced next week.

Hospital Entertains Senior Girls

Several members of the nursing corps of St. Anthony's hospital of Pendleton were in Hermiston Thursday morning to talk to the senior girls of the high school. The purpose of their excursion will be to interest some of the girls in a career of nursing.

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SHOE RATIONING ORDER RECEIVED HERE BY LOCAL FIRMS

THREE PAIRS ARE ALLOWED YEARLY

You can buy a pair of shoes now—but you must have ration stamp No. 17 of Book No. 1 if you do so. Sale of shoes resumed throughout the nation Tuesday morning after the Monday "freeze" that accompanied the OPA order limiting purchasers to three pairs of shoes per year.

Following is a list of the essential facts the average person should know in order to purchase shoes under the rationing program announced today:

Stamp 17 from war ration book one will be needed to purchase a pair of shoes from February 9 through June 15. As with sugar and coffee, the stamp must be torn out of the book at the time of purchase in the presence of the person selling the shoes or making delivery. If you buy shoes by mail, the stamp can be detached and sent with the mail order.

Stamp 17 is transferable among members of a family living in the same household and related by blood, marriage, or adoption. For example, fathers or mothers can use their stamps to provide extra shoes for their children, if necessary.

If a pair of shoes is returned, the retailer will give the customer not only a cash refund but a number 17 stamp and a refund slip. In order to buy another pair of shoes the customer must give up both the stamp and the refund slip.

If a person needs to buy shoes and has no stamp 17 in his immediate family which he can use, he may apply to his war price and rationing board for a shoe purchase certificate. Persons who do not possess war ration book one may apply for this book at their war price and rationing board.

SOLDIERS' SHOW PLEASURES HERE

A large number of soldiers and army personnel from nearby bases enjoyed a special traveling road show composed of soldier-entertainers from Fort George Wright at the Hermiston U.S.O. Monday evening. The show personnel comes from the headquarters of the Second Air Force and is making an extended tour of remote army posts which will cover 16 western states.

Established at the request of Maj. Gen. Robert Olds, the seven-man show presented 90 minutes of song, dance and variety of entertainment. Dubbed the "Wing-Dingers", the group of former professionals staged an entertainment that kept a packed house in stitches much of the time. Featured in the show were Buddy Lake, master of ceremony; Buddy Lewis, song and dance artist; Jim Hall and his Hammond electric organ; Max Artis, tap dancer, and the four "of beats", composed of Gordon Munro, drums, William Whipple, trumpet, Norman Edland, sax, and Hall.

Mayor F. C. McKenzie made a short talk, welcoming the boys to this community and offered the cooperation and good will of Hermiston to all soldiers in this area. He stated, "Most of us have boys of our own in the service, and we want to treat you like we would like to have our boys treated wherever they may be stationed."

Beef Club To Reorganize

The 4-H Beef club, which had a very successful year in 1942, will again re-organize this week. This club, led by Roy Attebury of Echo, has now completed two years of work with 100 per cent of the members completing their projects. This year there are now 14 steers on feed by the members. In addition to this three of the members have registered heifers and two of the members have grade heifers.

Odd Fellows To Meet

An important meeting of the Hermiston Odd Fellows lodge will be held Monday evening in the local hall. Several matters of importance will be discussed and it is quite necessary that all members be present.

SUB-DISTRICT PLAY SLATED

Mac-Hi basketball team will come to Hermiston Monday night for the first game of the annual sub-district playoff between Milton-Freewater, Pendleton and Hermiston. The Hermiston Bulldogs travel to Pendleton Tuesday night and Pendleton going to Mac-Hi Wednesday night. These dates are tentative but quite probable. Further games, if necessary, will be scheduled later.

The Bulldogs took an easy 31-20 win over the Stanfield five on the local court Tuesday night with Coach Lee Weber using 23 men during the contest. The last half was played almost entirely with second and third string performers.

WEATHER MAN IS MORE POPULAR

Slightly warmer weather this week took some of the pressure off the fuel dealers and some talk was even heard around town about spring gardens and the like. However, two days still showed a trace of snowfall. Sunday with .23 inch and Monday with .14. The first part of this week brought out the sun.

The report follows:

Date	Max.	Min.
February 3	48	28
February 4	49	35
February 5	51	36
February 6	51	36
February 7	49	35
February 8	46	25
February 9	44	28

FELTHOUSE HERE ON FURLOUGH

Ensign and Mrs. William Felthouse visited relatives and friends in Hermiston Thursday on a short furlough from the U. S. Navy. Ensign Felthouse is a son of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Felthouse of this city. He has been attending school at Cornell and Harvard and is now being transferred to Alameda, California.

Ensign Felthouse gave a short talk before the Hermiston Rotary club at its regular luncheon Thursday. His visit was very timely as his father was head chef for the day, serving a chicken dinner.

THOMPSON HAS REXALL SALE

On Page Three of this week's issue, the Thompson Drug Store is featuring a Rexall sale for the month of February. Mr. Thompson has recently received a large shipment of Rexall products.

Included in Mr. Thompson's advertisement is a schedule of rationing and other important dates. He suggests that readers clip the item for future reference.

NOTICE!

Representatives from all stores and places of service of Echo, Stanfield, Hermiston and Umatilla are urgently requested to be present at a meeting at the Hermiston high school Friday, February 26, at 7:30 p. m. The purpose of the meeting will be to discuss Pricing of Commodities and Services and planning for Point Rationing soon to go into effect. Advisers from the Portland office of price administration will be present to outline the plans for carrying out the above program. More information concerning the meeting will be announced next week but those interested are urged to keep the above date in mind as it is quite necessary that they attend.

OIL RATIONING SET NEXT WEEK

Residential fuel oil rationing will be February 15, 16 and 17, at respective school hours in each town. In Echo the hours of each day will be from 2:45 to 5:00 p. m. and from 6:30 to 8:00 p. m. The Stanfield registration will be in the afternoons with the hours to be posted later. The hours in Hermiston will be from 1:00 to 6:00 p. m. on each of the three days. Umatilla registration will be from 4:00 to 8:00 p. m. each day.

Fuel oil users are asked to bring dimensions of each and every room and closet and bring these figures to the school. Teachers will help users fill out the necessary blanks which will be left there to be processed and later turned to the local War Price and Ration board 85-25-3. The board will then mail out the completed fuel ration stamps.

Everyone should register even if users have sufficient fuel on hand for the remainder of the season. Also be sure to bring inventory as of February 1.

Gene Rugg To Leave Sunday

Gene Rugg, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Rugg, received notice Thursday that he must leave Sunday for Portland and from there proceed to Seattle for his physical examination, indoctrination and further instructions preliminary to aviation cadet training. It is probable that he will be sent to the Pre-Flight school at Del Monte, Cal. Gene has been anxiously waiting for his notice for the past several months.

S. A. Anderson Visits Here

S. A. Anderson, former Hermiston tinsmith who has worked for the past six months in the Kaiser shipyards in Portland, arrived here Saturday afternoon for a short visit with friends and also to attend to business matters. He returned to his work Wednesday.

IMPORTANT MEET IS SCHEDULED

One of the most important commercial club meetings in some months will be held Tuesday, February 16, when a committee will report on various means to obtain revenue for city affairs. Several methods of raising money have been discussed, one of the most prevalent being a business tax.

Merchants and business men of Hermiston are urged to attend this meeting as a voice from them will have a great deal to do with future activities. The meeting will be in the form of a luncheon at the U.S.O. building at 12:15, with the meal being served by the Igloo Inn.

CREAMERY PAYS INDEBTEDNESS

At a recent board meeting of the Umatilla Cooperative Creamery, the organization voted to liquidate the loan with the Spokane Bank for Cooperatives in the sum of \$5,895.56, which was made in July, 1938. This clears the creamery of all indebtedness and members have occasion to rejoice that the business is free of debt. Also a cash payment will be made to the members in the near future, who had an equity in the creamery in 1931.

These two payouts represent the bulk of earnings for the year 1942, counting the cash dividend paid in December. The cooperative reports sales of \$260,000.00 for 1942, according to Herman Plaas, manager.

The annual meeting of the cooperative creamery will be held Saturday, February 20, in the basement of the Methodist church.

YOUNG MEN GET STIFF SENTENCE

Darvin Webb and Walt Hinkle, both Hermiston young men, received a 90-day jail sentence in the local justice of peace court Wednesday afternoon as a result of a fight which occurred at the Townsend Pavilion hall last Saturday night. The boys pleaded guilty to creating a disturbance.

Both Webb and Hinkle are soon to be drafted into the armed forces. Their sentences will be suspended in case this occurs prior to the expiration of their terms.

CHANGES IN U. P. TRAIN SERVICE EFFECTIVE FEB. 15

To better and more efficiently move the ever-increasing production of essential war materials and supplies, the Union Pacific is voluntarily reducing the speed of its regular passenger trains by lengthening schedules.

Therefore, effective February 15th, Union Pacific's train for Pendleton and Spokane will leave Hermiston at 10:13 p. m., instead of 1:33 a. m., connecting at Pendleton with the Portland Rose for the east. "The Rose" will leave Pendleton at 12:15 a. m., instead of 3:20 a. m., with arrivals in the east approximately as now, namely Salt Lake City 11:30 p. m., Denver 1:00 p. m., Kansas City 7:55 a. m., Omaha 8:40 p. m., Chicago 8:30 a. m. Westbound, the "Rose" will arrive at Pendleton at 12:45 a. m., and connection to Hermiston will leave Pendleton at 1:25 a. m. and arrive in Hermiston at 2:36 a. m.

The "Pacific Limited" also for the east will leave Pendleton at 3:30 p. m., instead of 4:35 p. m., with little change in arrivals at eastern terminals.

There will be no change in present schedules of transcontinental streamliners "City of Portland", "City of Los Angeles" and "City of San Francisco".

J. C. Cumming, general passenger agent of the Union Pacific, in discussing these changes, said "We found it impossible to get our regular passenger trains through on time because of the ever-increasing number of extra war trains, passenger and freight, which must have preferred attention." Continuing Mr. Cumming said, "The only alternative was to lengthen the schedules. I am sure civilians who find it necessary to travel will willingly adjust themselves to these slightly longer schedules during the duration."

COMMITTEES FOR CITY COUNCIL ARE NAMED BY MAYOR

ROHRMAN IS NEW GROUP MEMBER

A. F. Rohrman, owner of the Rohrman Motor Co. here, this week was appointed to the city council to replace A. M. Thrasher who declined to accept the position due to numerous other duties. Mr. Rohrman has accepted the appointment which was confirmed by the city council.

Committees have been named by Mayor F. C. McKenzie as follows: Streets and lights, W. W. Felthouse, George Harkenrider and Jim Pearson; Sewer, Harkenrider, Pearson and Rohrman; City water, Harkenrider, Al Quiring and Felthouse; Irrigation, Rohrman, Pearson, Quiring; Police, Felthouse, Pearson, Quiring; Ways and means, Quiring, Dr. W. L. Morgan, Pearson; Audit and fire, Pearson, Morgan, Rohrman; Cemetery, Morgan, Rohrman, Harkenrider; Park and U.S.O., Harkenrider, Harold Rankin and Thrasher.

The council has also named a planning commission to aid in civic management. The members are Thrasher, Harkenrider, Lee Quiring, Curtis Simons, Pearson, Harold Thompson and Lloyd Moore.

The following department heads have also been named: City attorney, W. J. Warner; Chief of Police, B. J. Nation; Health Officer, Dr. F. B. Belt; Fire Chief, O. C. Pierce; Library Board representative of the council, Al Quiring; N. R. Mueller and Mrs. Margaret Fraser were re-appointed to the library board which consists of two more members, Mrs. Audra White, president, and Mrs. Hattie Hamm, secretary-treasurer.

VICTORY BOOK CAMPAIGN ON

Mrs. Roy Tiller, chairman of the Victory book campaign in this area, this week launched an active campaign to gather as many books as possible for the boys in the service. The purpose of the victory book campaign is to provide books—good books, both as to physical condition and readability—for the increasing millions of our fighting men, soldiers, sailors, marines, coast guardsmen, merchant seamen, wherever they may be.

"Any book you really want to keep is a good one to give." Remember, the fighting man of yesterday is still your neighbor of yesterday and tomorrow. He likes to read the same books that every American man or woman, likes to read. Specifically, current best sellers and the more recently published (1930 to date) popular fiction and non-fiction; adventure and western, detective and mystery fiction; technical books published since 1935.

A number of local organizations are purchasing one or more new books for the collection. Boxes have been placed in various stores, at the Ration Board headquarters and at the library. Cooperation in this another war effort will be greatly appreciated.

ROBERT PIERSON HOME ON VISIT

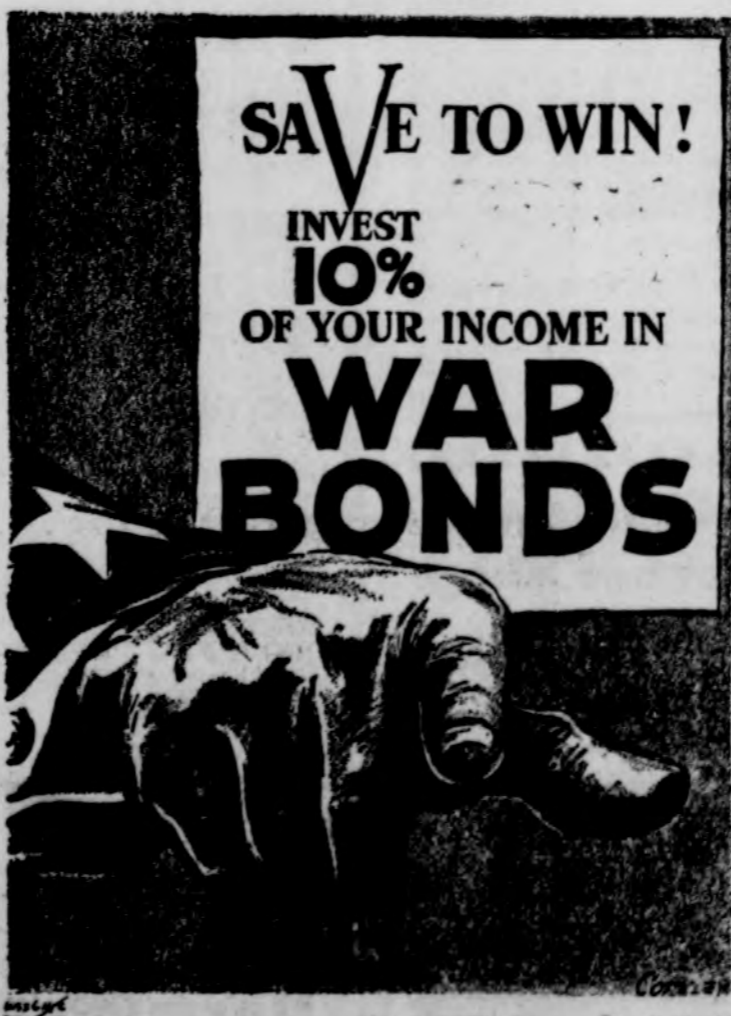
Second Lieutenant Robert Pierson, son of Mr. and Mrs. K. D. Pierson, came last week end to spend several days in Hermiston with his parents and friends. Bob received his wings on November 25, 1942, at Roswell, New Mexico, and since then has been stationed at Topeka, Kansas, where he has been undergoing special training for combat duty. Bob Follett, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Follett, also received his wings at Roswell.

Second Lt. Pierson has averaged 12 hours in the air for the past several months, weather permitting, and has filled the position of co-pilot. He expects an over-seas assignment immediately upon his return to Topeka, probably going to either England or Australia. He left for his post today (Thursday).

Among Hermiston youths who are now sporting wings in the air corps include: Bob Pierson, Ted Ripley, Ralph Marble, Bernard Jendrzejewski and probably one or two others.

YOUR PRIVILEGE

SAVE TO WIN!
INVEST 10% OF YOUR INCOME IN WAR BONDS



U. S. Treasury Dept.

—Courtesy Washington, D. C., Post.

Sub-District Tournament - Mac Hi vs. Hermiston Monday Night - H. S. Gym