

John Arego, veteran U.O.D. Magazine Area foreman, says he is leaving the "big shots" alone and has now turned his attention to small caliber ammunition. Arego has a new post as head warehouseman in charge of the storage of small arms ammunition. He will coordinate the work of the three shifts in the big standard magazines.

Mrs. Rose Tufteford is conducting drawing classes, using a group of women as students and the standard magazines as their subject. Mrs. Tufteford's crew is making scale drawings of the stacks of ammunition in the magazines to assist in storage control.

The Storage Officer has doubled the silver bars on his collar and is now Captain Miller.

According to figures released July 27, 8 per cent of the gross pay of Magazine Area employees is deducted each payday for the purchase of War Bonds. A drive to increase participation in the payroll deduction plan is being planned by representative employees. The withholding tax deductions from pay checks have caused a few employees to cancel bond deductions.

In his first vacation from the U.O.D., Superintendent A. B. Swingley flew home to Savanna, Illinois, to visit his mother, returning by plane on July 27. While in Savanna, Mr. Swingley made a tour through Savanna Ordnance Depot, where he had previously been employed. "It was hot there," Swingley said, "up to a hundred. It seemed a lot hotter than a hundred does here at U.O.D." He also visited W. P. Daly's mother in Savanna. Daly is Chief Ammunition Inspector at U.O.D., and like Swingley, was formerly employed at Savanna Ordnance Depot.

Pioneer residents of the new town of Ordnance are within easy walking distance of the time clocks at the U.O.D., but still have to use gasoline to get food pending the completion and stocking of the big, modern Ordnance Shopping Center.

Loren Miller spent the last of the week on a fishing trip. One day was spent on the Umatilla river and the remainder of the trip on the Minam river beyond Elgin. He returned with sore feet and some fish.

Phyllis Jacobs returned to work Tuesday after having spent several days in Portland where her father is recovering from an operation.

A large number of our force is among the new residents of Ordnance.

A beautiful diamond graces the third finger, left hand, of Miss Bernice Mansigh and does it add sparkle to the Plant Property Office.

Marjorie Hamer transferred to the War Housing Project at Ordnance last week.

Mary Ellen Rumley and Virginia Herd went on an overnight camping trip to Emigrant Springs this week end.

Shortly after the close of the day's work on Tuesday, the West Area office employees and their families and friends took off for Irrigon Park on the banks of the Columbia for an evening of picnicking and recreation.

After a game of softball and a swim by the more ambitious a most appetizing and sumptuous supper prepared by the wives was enjoyed by all.

The only casualty reported was a sprained finger suffered by one of the young ladies making a spectacular catch for the final out of the ball game.

American Supply and Maintenance System Commended

The report of a British official observer attached to the American Army in North Africa highly commended the American Supply and Maintenance system which actually starts at depots of the Ordnance Department, Army Service Forces, here in the United States.

Included in the report was a vivid description of the work done by Ordnance troops on the battlefield. The report was forwarded to the Chief of Field Service, Brig. Gen. Julian S. Hatcher, who in turn transmitted it to Col. A. S. Buyers, commanding the Umatilla Ordnance Depot.

"Due to the extent of the supply lines and the terrain where roads snake over one hill just to hit another hill," the report said, in part, "it was at times impossible to get specific items from bases to places they were needed. This happened notwithstanding the fact that Ordnance Field Service Depots at home had made sufficient quantities of these supplies available. This was overcome by the Ordnance Field Echelons and maintenance units actually manufacturing

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STAGE ALL SET FOR BIG BOND AUCTION NEXT WEDNESDAY

FINE PROGRAM IS PREPARED

The stage is all set for a gigantic bond auction on Hermiston Main street next Wednesday, August 11, beginning at 8:00 o'clock. Indications are now that it will be one of the greatest events of its kind ever attempted in the west end of Umatilla county with Echo, Stanfield, Umatilla and Hermiston cooperating in the evening's program. In naming these towns it is taken for granted that it includes all farmers residing in their vicinity.

Pete Berg, general chairman, has spent a busy week arranging for the various details of the auction. He stated Thursday morning that cooperation to date has been 100% and that if the residents will purchase bonds accordingly the bond auction will be a howling success. The purpose of the auction is to sell bonds and more bonds. The goal in sight is the financing of a giant air bomber to be named "The Spirit of Umatilla" should this county sell a total of \$300,000.00 in bonds.

The plan of the bond auction is very simple and can prove very profitable for the purchaser. It is an established fact that everyone should buy bonds. Next Wednesday night everyone will have an opportunity to buy all sizes of bonds by auction and in addition receive a valuable gift as a bonus. For an example, the auctioneer will say, "Here we have a 30-pound turkey gobbler, what am I offering." The prospective purchaser will offer a \$25.00 bond to start with but this bid may run up to \$500.00—who knows? Anyway, it is going to be lots of fun and for a good cause.

Prior to the auction a parade will furnish entertainment to the large crowd expected for the evening. A Pendleton delegation, including the air base band, army equipment, and other features will parade in Echo at 6:15; at Stanfield at 6:45 and be in Hermiston shortly thereafter. Here the procession will be augmented by the Hermiston Trailriders, State Guards, Ambulance Corps, Boy Scouts, Bert Michel's orchestra, equipment from the U.O.D. and possibly other features. The parade will form at the Legion hall at 7:00, according to Guy Shaw, parade committee man.

Hermiston's Main street, between First and Second street, will be roped off for the evening with a platform located near the center. R. C. Peters, local auctioneer, already is gargling throat tonic for the occasion, while numerous entertainment features will be interspersed. The Pendleton Round Up quartet will be on hand as will several notable visitors, including Walter Holt, county agent who possibly will be Master of Ceremony. Col. Lyman S. Phillips of the Pendleton Air Base, Col. A. S. Buyers of the U.O.D., Guy Johnson, county bond chairman, Lowell Stockman, congressman, and others. Bert Michel's orchestra and the Pendleton air base band will also furnish numbers. The entire program will be sent over the loudspeaking equipment being loaned for the occasion by the Hermiston Carpenters Local 933, with Roy White at the controls.

Farmers and business men of the various west end towns have generously donated hundreds of prizes which will be given away absolutely free during the evening. A purchaser needs only to buy a bond of some proportion and receive a free prize as a bonus. A partial list of some of the gifts are found in another column on this page.

Members of the committee who have worked hard on the forthcoming event are cordially inviting everyone to attend the auction and promise a worthwhile evening.

VERNIE DeLASHMUTT

Vernie DeLashmutt of Hermiston passed away Saturday in St. Anthony's hospital in Pendleton. Funeral services were held Tuesday morning from Prann's Funeral Parlor with Rev. W. A. MacArthur, officiating. Burial was in the Hermiston cemetery. He passed away at the age of 61 years, 10 months and 14 days.

Mr. DeLashmutt was born at Sheridan, Ore., on September 14, 1881. He was a son of Francis and Lindsey DeLashmutt and is survived by one brother, Ellery, of Sheridan; two sisters, Millie Savage of Portland and Victoria Churchman of Hermiston, and ten nieces and nephews.

He made his home with his sister, Mrs. Churchman.

A sample list of the gifts to be given away free at the

Bond Auction Aug. 11

- FAT HOG Ray Armstrong
- 30 DOZ. FRESH EGGS Umatilla Proj. Farm Bu.
- 10 FAT HENS John McMullen
- FAT HOG Hermiston Grain & Feed Co.
- FAT HOG W. T. Stillings
- DURHAM CALF J. H. Reid
- 15 LB. TURKEY John Jendrzejewski
- 3 18-LB. TURKEYS Elwood Service Station
- 3 30-LB. TOMS Elwood Richfield Station
- 10 FRYERS Harry Olson
- 6 FRYERS "Vigorbilt" Hatchery
- VEAL ON HOOF Hermiston Rotary Club
- CRATE WATERMELONS D. J. Kenney
- REG. DUROC PIG (Papers) Bert Michel

UNION VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL OPENS MONDAY

The Union Vacation Day Bible School opened Monday morning with an enrollment of 77 but by Wednesday the figure had reached 114 students. Due to transportation difficulties, many pupils who attended in former years are not able to be present this year. It is thought that enrollment figures may be still higher by this week end.

The school is operating under four departments: Beginners, Primary, Junior and Intermediate. Mrs. Jessie Hinele is superintendent of the beginners with Mrs. Al Quiring, Mrs. Sloan Spencer, Mrs. A. G. Hartsock and Mrs. Bernard Kendall as assistants. Mrs. H. V. McGee is superintendent of the primary department with Rev. McGee and Mrs. T. J. Means as assistants. Rev. S. E. Graves is superintendent of the junior department with Rev. E. M. Ayers, Mona Picker and Anelee Shiver as assistants. Rev. W. A. MacArthur is superintendent of the intermediates with Mrs. Chas. Shown as assistant. Rev. C. Warner is dean of the school.

The school will run for two weeks with closing exercises scheduled for the Baptist church Thursday evening, August 12.

MRS. R. G. PENNEY RESIGNS POST

Mrs. R. G. Penney, chief clerk with the local office of the War Price and Rationing board since its inception, has tendered her resignation effective August 15. Mrs. Penney states that she takes this step with much regret but due to health and personal business she is forced to make a change. No successor has been announced by the board as yet.

PROJECT FARM TO HONOR GENE LEAR

A regular meeting of the Project Farm Bureau will be held Friday, August 13, at the Columbia park hall. The meeting will be in the form of a farewell for Mr. and Mrs. Gene Lear who are leaving soon for Redmond. J. H. Reid is chairman of the program committee.

SOLDIER CHESTS DONATIONS NOW BEING RECEIVED

Arrangements have been made whereby donations towards the purchase of a number of soldier chests may be left at the Pacific Power & Light Co. office where a sample chest is on display. The box, which will be shipped by the Red Cross to some distant post where soldiers are not able to receive similar articles.

The chests contain games, books, a Bible, puzzles, cards, various types of knick knacks, magazines and hundreds of small articles to amuse soldiers during leisure moments. The cause is a worthy one and needs the support of everyone.

The project was originated by the Victory Service League of which Charles Hodge is the chairman. Mr. Hodge is purchasing three of the chests on his own account.

ROHRMAN SHOP OPENS MONDAY

A. F. Rohrman, owner of the Rohrman Motor Co., announced Thursday that the shop, recently damaged by fire, would open for business Monday. Building operations have been about completed with painting scheduled to get underway Friday.

Dr. M. S. Kern of Pendleton, owner of the building, has made several improvements in the structure which will greatly facilitate shop operations.

Engagement Is Announced

Announcement is being made this week of the engagement of Miss Bernette Mansigh, daughter of Mrs. Hilda Mansigh of Kalispel, Mont., to Mr. Ted Hodge, son of Mr. and Mrs. Olyn Hodge of Hermiston. Miss Mansigh is employed as a stenographer at the U.O.D. while Mr. Hodge is connected with his father in the dairy business. No date has been set for the wedding.

License Examiner Due Here

The traveling examiner of operators and chauffeurs is due in Hermiston again Wednesday, August 11, and will be the Legion hall between the hours of 10 a. m. to 4 p. m., according to an announcement released from the Secretary of State's office.

Scouts Return From Camp--

(By the local Boy Scouts)

If there is any doubt in the mind of a father or mother of the value of scouting, he need but visit the Boy Scout camp of the Blue Mountain Council held each year at Wallowa Lake and this doubt will be immediately removed. Thanks to the generosity of the local ration board, we were granted this privilege over the past week end.

The camp, so beautifully located in the Wallowa mountains, is the common meeting place for boys from all walks of life between the ages of 12 and 18 years. Every creed, color and class is included. Each boy, through his own effort and initiative, is permitted the opportunity to advance as rapidly as possible and gain the coveted awards and badges of merit that mark his advancement and progress.

There were 75 boys gathered around the dining table the evening of our arrival. They were standing with arms folded thanking God for the bountiful feast that was about to be served them. At one table sat those on kitchen duty, eager and anxious to answer the many requests for refills and any other necessary requests. In the kitchen, another scout aided the cook with her many tasks. On the kitchen table was a huge birthday cake with dozens of candles to honor those having birthdays the past week. Following the meal, they all joined in singing their favorite songs while the leader at each table scraped and piled the dishes ready for the kitchen police to take over.

At 8:30 every evening, they enjoy a huge camp fire. They march in silence, each with his own troop, up onto a side hill where the fire is laid. A small amphitheatre, very rustic with its benches made of logs, surrounds the fire. A very impressive Indian ritual is indulged in, the older boys aiding in the ceremony. The Chief then tells them many of the customs and beliefs of the Indian tribes. Each patrol then puts on a little stunt, and these indeed were most humorous and original. They are then

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HERMISTON KIDS WIN OVER U. O. D. OUTFIT SUNDAY

The Hermiston Kids, strengthened for the occasion by Fred Rankin of Walla Walla, won a 19 to 11 "comedy of errors" marathon Sunday afternoon on the local diamond. Sunday the Indians will attempt to duplicate the feat of the Kids by tackling the first half champs on the local field. Should the Indians defeat the U.O.D. aggregation, they would clinch the second half honors. Should the U.O.D. team defeat the Indians, the second half race would then be in a three-way tie.

The Kids (at least two. Schoonover and Harkenrider) jumped in Mora Smallwood for at least one run every inning and continued the onslaught on Orville Kensler who relieved Smallwood. The contest was complete with long hitting, numerous bobbles and some good baseball mixed in. But what mattered most, it was fun for the players and spectators.

LIQUOR STORE AT UMATILLA ROBBED

Bold thieves entered the Umatilla liquor store late Tuesday night and took approximately \$90.00 in cash, besides several bottles of brandy and rum. Due to the liquor shortage, the shelves were quite empty making the loot smaller than it might have been.

Entrance was gained by jimmying the front door. The cash register was also pried open. State police are aiding in the investigation.

GENE LEAR GIVEN REDMOND OFFICE

Gene Lear, assistant county agent here since M. E. Knickerbocker left for the John Day region, has accepted the position of county agent for Deschutes county with headquarters at Redmond. The move comes as an advancement for Mr. Lear who, although he regrets leaving Hermiston, is eager to accept his new duties.

He will assume his office at Redmond August 15 and will move his family there during the next week. No announcement has been made as to his successor here.

LT. GENE PIERCE IS MARRIED MAN

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Pierce received word early this week of the marriage Wednesday of their son, Lt. Gene Pierce, to Miss Fay Baker, formerly of Tulsa, Okla. Lt. Pierce is with the U. S. Armed Forces somewhere in Australia and Mrs. Pierce is a 2nd Lt. in the Trained Nurse corps. Mrs. Pierce has been in Australia over a year, slightly longer than Lt. Pierce. Lt. Pierce is well known here and in Pendleton where he was employed in the First National Bank.

MARBLE ATTENDS STATE CONFAB

Dr. A. E. Marble attended a five-day convention last week of the State Chiropractors association at the Columbia Gorge Hotel. Dr. Marble was chairman of the nominating committee of this year's meeting. Approximately 125 chiropractors from the state were present for the convention.

Dr. Marble modestly explained that he was the leader in a croquet contest held during the "rest" periods of the meetings. Accommodations at the Gorge Hotel were very excellent, according to Dr. Marble.

FUEL OIL QUOTAS RELEASED SOON

Mrs. R. G. Penney, chief clerk of the local War Price and Rationing board, announced this week that fuel oil quotas will be mailed out after August 15. Unless persons have changed residence there is no need to go to the rationing board for fuel oil allotments.

Although there has been no definite announcement, it is thought that this year's quotas will be very similar to that of last year.

Pvt. McKenzie Visits Here

Pvt. Frank McKenzie, who has been stationed at Yuma, Arizona, came Sunday to visit until Friday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. McKenzie. Pvt. McKenzie is sporting a rifle marksmanship medal won for accurate use of the rifle. He has been with the armed forces since shortly before Christmas and states that although the work is quite hard he greatly enjoys the training.

FLAMES GUT INTERIOR OF STONE'S STORE IN EARLY MORNING FIRE

DAMAGED GOODS TO BE REMOVED

The second major fire in recent weeks occurred early Monday morning when flames gutted the interior of Stone's Store west of the tracks, seriously damaging the building and ruining a greater portion of the stock. The fire started in the rear of the building where Jack Crane was working with the refrigeration system. Gas fumes from one of the tanks used for refrigeration escaped and were ignited by a burning torch.

The flames spread rapidly causing painful burns to Crane who ran to the front of the store warning Mike Hunt, manager, who was working there. Mr. Hunt quickly dashed through the front door of the store and to an upstairs apartment at the rear of the building barely reaching it in time to rescue Mrs. Hunt and infant baby who were asleep there. The Hunt apartments were completely filled with smoke when Mr. Hunt reached them.

The fire department answered the call immediately and battled the fire to a standstill. The flames had burned through the partition at the back of the store and were licking along the west wall until they reached a hole in the wall where an air conditioner was fastened. This is the only place where the flames broke through the outside walls.

A checkup the next morning revealed that the building's interior is seriously marred and the large stock of groceries and meats almost ruined. Some of the meat was salvaged immediately while the remainder of the merchandise was not touched pending the arrival of an insurance adjuster. The goods have now been inventoried and claimed by a salvage company. The damaged stock will be removed 100 per cent and taken away.

Just what the future plans are has not been indicated but Mr. Hunt stated the middle of the week that he had information from Spokane that the company planned to re-open for business as soon as possible. Whether this meant that the present building would be revamped or a new one constructed was not ascertained.

Mr. Hunt wishes to thank the fire department and others who helped in battling the flames which for a time threatened to destroy the entire structure with its contents. He especially wants to thank Roy Hale and L. J. Micheli who guarded the building the remainder of the night.

ROY HALE NOW CHIEF GARDENER

Roy Hale, Hermiston merchant who for the time being is on the retired list, is making quite a name for himself these days. Not only does he have his own place looking "like a million" he is venturing into other pastures and doing almost as well. He has been seen in recent weeks cutting lawns at various residences and at the Legion hall has cleared away high grass and brush and generally given the place a cleaning up.

It is not known whether Mr. Hale is making a business venture out of his experience in these matters or whether he has the community at heart and is offering his services. However, it is suggested that anyone in need of help (either physical or just advice) to call Mr. Hale at his residence.

A BOOKS NOW ALL MAILED OUT

A gasoline rationing books have now all been mailed to lawful users, according to the local office of the War Price and Rationing board. It is absolutely necessary that everyone owning a car or truck obtain an A sticker prior to applying for additional gas. All B and C books are not all in as yet, according to rationing board figures.

There is considerable misunderstanding concerning gasoline rationing and citizens are urged to study the law prior to complaining too loudly to board officials.

Columbia H.E.C. To Meet

A regular meeting of the Columbia Home Economics club will be held Friday, August 6, at the L. W. Dixon home on the former George Strohm farm. Afternoon activities will include the usual program of entertainment and instruction.