

On April 10, 1944, the depot received the coveted War Bond Treasury Flag for 90% participation and 10% payroll deduction. After receipt of this award the goal was set for 100% participation and 15% payroll deductions. The report for the pay period July 16-July 31 shows 99.6% participation and 14.6% payroll deduction.

In striving for the goal of 100 and 15, the depot has received an additional award for reaching 95% participation and 12% payroll deduction. Employees of Umatilla Ordnance Depot are justly proud of this record and are confident that the next month's report will place this depot among the few Government installations having 100% of its civilian employees subscribing 15% of their pay for the purchase of War Bonds.

Fire Department

Zearl "Scotty" Gillespie of Station No. 2 enjoyed a weeks visit from his father, J. E. Gillespie, of Tulare, Cal. Logan Todd has been ill with sciatic rheumatism for several weeks.

West Area

West Area is proud of Miss Jean Brown who won first prize in the bathing beauty contest.

West Area celebrated two birthdays Saturday during the lunch hour. Miss Mary Jane Laurie and Bob Keith. Angel food cake baked by Nora Coppinger was served. Appropriate gifts were presented.

Miss LaVelle Markham attended a church meeting for several days in Milton-Freewater this week.

Headquarters

Vivian McIntyre visited her parents in Elgin, Ore., this week end.

Guards

Congratulations to Dennis Holland who was recently married to Miss Ruth Hails, former Guard here.

Glenn Darby is ill in the McCaw Hospital in Walla Walla, Wn., with recurrent attacks of malaria fever contacted while he was in New Guinea.

Chester Vohs is spending 10 days in Eugene, Ore., visiting friends and relatives.

Eugene Horton is on leave due to the death of his father.

Motor Transportation

Miss Dolly Correa entered the Post Hospital Monday morning.

Rose Evans of Walla Walla visited the Garage last Saturday. Rose was a former employee here.

Personnel

Miss Dorothy Prah left Thursday night for Redmond, Ore., to visit her brother Lt. Commander Charles G. Prah.

Personnel said, "Happy Birthday" to Estelle Correa Monday with a party for her during the lunch hour. A "Super" delicious birthday cake baked by May Daugherty was served. Estie was presented with a nice gift and received a 'spanking' later!

Payroll

Mrs. Elna Thrasher is on leave while her husband Arthur Thrasher, Electrician's Mate 1st Class, is here on furlough from Corpus Christi, Texas.

Thelma Holmquist who has been in Lakeview, Ore., is now employed in Payroll. Thelma was formerly with Fiscal.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Springer spent the week end at Immigrant Springs Park in the Blue Mountains. Mary reports a few stiff joints from quite a "rugged" hike.

Stock Control

Maxine Jeppe left Saturday morning for Seattle where she will visit her sister. When she returns she will bring her daughter.

Lt. Warren left Friday morning for Seattle, Portland, and Mt. Ranier on official duties. He expects to be away a week.

Electric Shop

Mr. and Mrs. Mordhorst entertained Sunday with a picnic dinner at the park. Guests were Mrs. Radford and daughter Jerrie, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Clark of Stanfield and Mrs. Thompson from Enterprise, Ore.

Stock Control

Mary Jane Laurie has transferred from Stock Control to the West Area.

Lost and Found

Did anyone lose two children's jackets at the picnic Sunday? One yellow and one blue and red. Owner may have them by calling at Plant Security Office, Building T-52.

An Award of Merit Emblem from the Maritime Commission, and a Pen and Pencil set were found on the picnic grounds Sunday. These can be claimed through Harry Nelson, secretary-treasurer of the association.

On the other hand, two galvanized wash tubs turned up missing. Advice as to their whereabouts would be appreciated.

Box Factory

Mrs. Dewey Haron has recently arrived from Weiser, Idaho, to make her home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Jones. Mrs. Haron's husband is in the Navy somewhere in the South Pacific.

Daisy Dexter is able to be back to work this week. She has been on leave several months.

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MANY ATTEND U.O.D. ANNUAL PICNIC AT LOCAL PARK SUNDAY

PASCO BAND IS DAY'S HIGHLIGHT

The annual U. O. D. picnic held last Sunday at the Hermiston ball park turned out to be one of the most outstanding and successful events ever carried out by the employees of the depot. An estimated crowd of over 2000 people was in attendance, and from all appearances everybody had an old fashioned fun-fest, especially the children who really made great quantities of ice cream and pop disappear.

A special feature of the day was the playing of the Pasco Naval Station band, which furnished music at various times during the afternoon and early evening. Their music was thoroughly enjoyed by all, and the association extends thanks to the band members and their commanding officer for their splendid performance and willing cooperation.

The afternoon's events were headed by a softball game between the Magazine Area champions and the All-Stars, with the Magazine Area team emerging the winner by a comfortable margin. Following the ball game, a scheduled program of racing and special events was carried out to the interest and amusement of all. The contestants and spectators were very enthusiastic, in fact, pork chops were too much in demand for just one moment, but all in all, the entire program was completed very successfully and without serious incident.

The final event on the program, the bathing beauty contest, was won by Dolores Jean Brown of the West Area, who will rule as "Miss U.O.D." until the next annual picnic.

Presentation of the "Miss U.O.D." award was made by Colonel A. S. Buyers, who also made the awards to the prize winners in the recently completed Bond Sales Contest in which the Depot went over the top with flying colors. Winners in this contest were Catherine Wahner, 1st; Charlotte Nelsen, 2nd; Mabel Rand, 3rd; Wyoma Rosenbaum, 4th; Pauline Jensen, 5th; Matilda Radford, 6th; Marjorie Gordon, 7th; and Leila Henderson, 8th.

Colonel Buyers expressed his pride and appreciation for the splendid showing made by the Depot in this Fifth War Loan Drive as well as in the greatly increased output since going on the nine hour day.

After Colonel Buyers' closing remarks, the band played a short program, and finally, with the playing of The Star Spangled Banner, the U.O.D. Picnic of 1944 became pleasant history.

The success of this picnic was due, in large measure, to the cooperation and assistance rendered by the business people of Hermiston and the surrounding vicinity. The U.O.D. Employees' Association gratefully acknowledges contributions made by the following firms and individuals:

Hales' Confectionary (Sam Nye), Pheasant Cafe (Ben Conner), Oregon Hardware, Brierley Dry Goods Store, L. A. Moore, First National Bank, Hermiston Laundry, Farmers Supply, Hermiston Dry Cleaners, Tum-A-Lum Lumber Co., Hermiston Grain & Feed, Inland Cooperative, Co-op Service Station, Farm Bureau Co-op., Moore & Ripley Drug Store, Hermiston Food Store, J. G. Pearson, Hermiston Drug Co., Carver's Barber Shop, Hotel Hermiston, Dr. W. L. Morgan, Rohrman Motor Co., O. O. Felthouse, Saylor's Dry Goods, Ernest Ghorimley, Herb's Grocery, Naomi's Beauty Salon, Hermiston Barber Shop (V. E. Daugherty), Dr. F. B. Belt, Pearson's Shell Service Station, Roy E. Williams, Hermiston Auto Co. (M. K. Ransom), Lester Marshall, Miller's Trading Post (W. D. Miller), Beauty Haven (Barbara West), Temple Cafe (Mrs. Christenson and J. W. Roberts), Umatilla Co-op Creamery, Null's Texaco Service Station, Hermiston Mercantile Co-op (A. E. Rugg), Associated Service Station (C. A. Miller), Union Bar (Clyde Belles), Stone's Grocery, Hermiston Trading Co., Safeway Stores, all of Hermiston.

Pingree's Cafeteria, Fosters' Market, Rennecker's Market, all of Ordnance; Bill Roesch Brewing Co. and Gillanders & Burroughs (Olympia Brewing Co.) of Pendleton; The Tavern and The Pastime of Stanfield; and Columbia Cafe, Rodenbaugh's and Sy's Place of Umatilla and Griffin's Cash Grocery (Mrs. Naughton) at Victory Square.

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ERNIE PEDIGO HAS INJURIES

O. W. Pedigo, Hermiston, received a letter from his brother, S/Sgt. Ernie Pedigo, this week stating that he had recently received a shrapnel wound in his face. He writes, "They grafted on new skin and if you never knew about it, you would never notice it." About a year ago a piece of shrapnel went into his right side and out the left. At that time he spent six weeks in a hospital.

About the latter incident he writes, "I came out of the hospital as good as new but a lot madder. The hospitals are the best in the world. Each one specializes in one kind of wound. Last month I directed artillery fire and counted 32 dead. So I guess I got even. It wasn't nice to see so many dead but wish there had been more."

STATE GUARD IS IMPORTANT NOW

Col. R. F. Olson, adjutant-general of Oregon, and Gen. Ralph P. Cowgill, Oregon state guard commander, recently made an appeal for volunteers to fill the ranks of various guard units of Oregon. They stressed the importance of state guard troops as protectors of Oregon in an emergency and as now being the only troops subject to the call of the governor. They stated that well-trained and organized guardsmen are the bulwark of Oregon home defense.

Capt. V. E. Daugherty, local commanding officer, stated this week that the local company still needed more men and urged more enlistments.

HERMISTON HAS FINE FINANCES

A financial statement of the City of Hermiston can be found on page 3 of this issue. In checking the figures, it is revealed that the "city fathers" have done an excellent job of management during the past few years. The city not only has no indebtedness but has a surplus of moneys in several departments.

This money will be put to good use as soon as the war is over and building restrictions are removed. Many improvements are being planned in a post-war program.

SARGENT BEGINS NEW SEWER MAIN

Work was begun this week by Frank P. Sargent on the construction of extensions to the Hermiston sewer system. First to receive attention was the district in the southern part of the town, where conditions were quite urgent.

W. E. O. Criger, engineer on the job when the original sewer was built, is also in charge of the extensions.

Dance Scheduled At Umatilla. Pocahontas Council No. 35 is announcing another of a series of dances at the Umatilla high school for Saturday, August 12, with the Lone Cardinals furnishing the music.

Furnish Ditch Break Near Echo Is Quickly Repaired by Railroad Crews

Traffic over the Union Pacific main line was halted all day Sunday by a break in the Furnish ditch which washed out 10 rail lengths of track. The break occurred on the hillside about a half mile south of town and the resulting rush of water stripped the top off a short stretch of old highway 30, and made a big cut in the railroad embankment and flooded the farm land of Tom Able, Muriel Berry and the break of the Joe Ramos ranch.

The break, which occurred about 10 o'clock in the morning, was repaired so that rail traffic could be resumed about 6:00 o'clock that evening. Section crews from all the towns from Rieth to Umatilla worked on the repair job. The long sidetrack south of Echo was also washed out and was not completely replaced until Wednesday. Although some farm land was covered with several feet of water, the owners report no damage was done to crops or fields.

PROJECT FARM MEETS FRIDAY

The Umatilla Project Farm Bureau will hold its regular meeting Friday night at the Umatilla Field Station as the guests of H. K. Dean. There will be a pot luck dinner at 7:00 o'clock and those attending are asked to bring their own table service.

An interesting program is being planned for the evening.

F. O. TED RIPLEY HAS WOUNDS AND MAY COME HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Ripley have received word, via telephone, that their son, Flight Officer Ted Ripley, has returned to the United States and is now at Norfolk, Va. He telephoned his parents Sunday stating that he had just arrived from overseas and was getting about on crutches. "Just stopped a piece of flak," was his answer to an inquiry as to what had happened.

Flight Officer Ripley has been in service overseas almost 18 months and has been in the service four years this October. Most of his time overseas recently has been in Italy. He is the pilot of a fighter bomber and has seen considerable activity. It is hoped that he will be able to come home in the near future.

BUS SERVICE IS INTERRUPTED

For the first time in some time, Hermiston was without bus service Wednesday when drivers of the Union Pacific stages refused to operate following a dispute of long standing over assignments of regular and temporary drivers. Everything was patched up, however, Wednesday evening and by Thursday morning buses were again operating on schedule.

Although the interruption caused some inconvenience, everyone accepted the situation in good humor.

INSTALLATION IS AUGUST 17

The August meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary will be held Thursday evening, August 17, at the Legion hall. Officers for the ensuing year will be installed: Mrs. Jeanette Saboe, president; Mrs. Ethel Clark, recording secretary; Mrs. Grace Logan, financial secretary.

Reports of the state convention will be given at this time. Mrs. Saboe and Mrs. Ethel Tiller, delegates from the local unit, are attending the convention in Portland this week end. All members are urged to be present.

Art Thrasher Visits Here

A. M. Thrasher, Electrician's Mate First Class, arrived last week end to spend a little over one week here on leave from his base at Corpus Christi, Texas. Mr. Thrasher, former manager of the Pacific Power & Light Co. here, appears to be in fine fettle and as always is enjoying his visit with friends here.

HAMM RECEIVES WAR INJURIES

Corp. David Hamm, U. S. Marines, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hamm of Hermiston, recently was wounded in action, probably in the battle for Guam. How serious the wounds are is a matter of conjecture, as is his custom. David's letter, which was received here this week, makes light of the matter. He merely states that although he did receive some wounds, "they are not serious and don't worry."

Corp. Hamm, who is a member of the 4th Marine Regiment, has been in at least three major engagements since going overseas about a year and a half ago. He has sent home numerous souvenirs, indicating that he has seen considerable action and been in many places. Mr. and Mrs. Hamm are anxiously awaiting further word from David.

SHELL MISHAP INJURY CAUSE

Daniel C. Bartlett, Inspector, Umatilla Ordnance Depot, received serious injuries and is in the McCaw hospital in Walla Walla following a mishap while attempting to destroy unserviceable ammunition at the ordnance depot last Friday morning. Robert W. Bailey, munitions handler, received minor burns and returned to work. Mr. Bartlett's condition is considered excellent, according to reports received here this week.

A post card from Mr. Bartlett to The Herald Thursday morning (today) had this to say: "Improving steadily from shock. Will be seeing you soon." He continued: In Appreciation: "I wish to publicly express my sincere appreciation to Col. A. S. Buyers, the surveillance section, and many other true friends for their expressions of sympathy and condolences since the unfortunate and painful accident last Friday morning. Your kind acts will always be remembered."

DIST. 14 NAMES NEW DIRECTORS

Three new directors were named at a special school election held Monday at the elementary school. A. H. Cable was named for a five year term. Mrs. Margaret Fraser for a four year term and Harry A. Andrews for a three year term.

Charles Hodge, who recently resigned when he moved to Heppner, will be replaced by a director yet to be named by the board. Lee Quiring is the other holdover director.

MORE MUNITION WORKERS URGED

Officials of the Umatilla Ordnance Depot are making another urgent call for munition handlers. Although other workers are also needed, there is a definite shortage of munition workers. Employees in this department are now averaging 53 hours per week with overtime at 1 1/2 times for all hours over 40.

Interested parties may register either at the employment office in Hermiston or at the Umatilla Ordnance Depot.

DAIRYMEN WILL TALK CAMPAIGN

Monday evening, August 14th, at 8:00 p. m. at the U.S.O. there will be a meeting of local dairymen to discuss the possibilities of petitioning a district to eradicate bovine infectious abortion. Quite a few dairy cows have reacted to the test for bangs disease in this area, and the local dairymen are quite anxious to eliminate this disease, according to Frank E. Hackler, assistant county agent.

Interested persons are urged to attend the meeting.

MRS. GEER GETS MEMORY PLAQUE

Mrs. I. W. Geer recently received a certificate, signed by the President of the United States, in grateful memory of James Elgin Geer, who presumably lost his life at sea, off Savo Island, while aboard the U.S.S. Lafayette, on November 14, 1943.

The certificate states, "He stands in the unbroken line of patriots who have dared to die that freedom might live, and grow, and increase its blessings. Freedom lives, and through it, he lives—in a way that humbles the undertakings of most men."

HERMISTON SCHOOLS ANNOUNCE LIST OF TEACHING PERSONNEL

BUILDINGS ARE NEWLY PAINTED

The Hermiston schools will open for the current term on Tuesday, September fifth. During the summer the buildings have been cleaned inside and out. Floors and blackboards have been refinished and walls where needed. Both buildings have been repainted on the outside and present a much improved appearance.

A full corps of teachers has been under contract for some time, and barring last minute resignations, the last minute search for instructors, a feature of the last three years, need not be indulged. The past three years extreme uncertainty of the size of enrollment made it impossible for school boards to have an adequate corps on hand.

Elementary school faculty roster includes: primary, Jessie Hineline, Catherine C. Sommerer, Eleanor Norsby, Marguerite McKay, Gladys Chapman, Helen Cowan, Alice Smith, Lois Nørnsby and Janet Newkirk; intermediate teachers, Clara McReynolds, Laura C. Morris, Eleanor Dudley and Elizabeth Rooper; junior high school assignments, Thelma Myer, Nora Percey, Rema Fleener, Glenna M. Jones, Harriet M. Brown and Myrtle Wilkerson. G. C. Humphreys will direct band and orchestra, and T. J. Means will be principal of the elementary division. In addition to the regular academic courses in junior high school instruction will be given in art, music, sewing, shop work and physical education.

The high school faculty includes: G. C. Humphreys, Audrey Hall, Ethel B. Clark, Frank Davison, Clara Burrell, Alma Greaves, Olive Ridge, Margaret Morris, W. A. MacArthur and Annabell Nilsen. The schedule of classes includes: English, 5 units; natural science, 4 units (general science, biology, physics and chemistry); social science, 4 units (world history, United States history, civics, social and economic problems and world geography); physical education, 1 unit, music, glee clubs and band, commercial, 5 units, elementary business training, typing I, typing II, shorthand and bookkeeping, languages, latin and Spanish, mathematics, general mathematics, algebra and geometry.

Student activities will be about as in former years and will probably include student newspaper, annual year book, class organizations, school parties, class and school plays, band and glee club concerts, girls league activities, home economics club, Torch Honor club, lettermens club and last but far from least, will be the school athletic program. This latter will include football, basketball, baseball and tennis team. Competition will be both intra mural and inter-scholastic.

The first item in the sports is of course the football schedule. The plan calls for eight games, four at home and four away from home. To date seven games have been scheduled, four away from home and three at home. It is hoped to schedule one more home game. The home games already scheduled are Pasco, Kennewick and Heppner.

CARPENTERS TO HEAR LEADER

The president of the Oregon State Federation of Labor, A.F. of L., will be in Hermiston Thursday, August 24, to discuss the post war program with local carpenters and others interested. The meeting will be held in the carpenter's hall and members of the Rotary club, Chamber of Commerce, Hermiston city officials and others are invited to attend.

More particulars as to the program will be printed next week.

Myrnie Caldwell Is Ill

Mrs. Myrnie Caldwell left Tuesday for San Francisco where she was called by the illness of her husband, Seaman Second Class, U. S. Navy, who is in a station hospital there, apparently suffering from a stomach ailment. It is not thought that the illness is at all critical. Mr. Caldwell managed the Pheasant Cafe prior to entering the armed forces.

Floyd Pierce In Merchant Marines

Floyd Pierce, recently of Prineville but a graduate of Hermiston schools and a son of Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Pierce of this city, recently enlisted with the Merchant Marines and is now in training at Avalon, Calif. He was employed in the logging industry near Prineville prior to his enlistment.

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