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## Thanksgiving Around The World

It is customary at this time of the year to give expressions of gratitude in song and prayer, and speech and festivity, to the Divinity that shapes our ends, and this year in particular, to the Lord of Hosts who guides our ways. In this year, perhaps more than any other, when the heart of humanity has been tried, and yet when abundance of sustenance and power, and success in a noble cause have been mingled, have we more to think about and more to open our hearts in Thanksgiving.

It has been many a year since the Pilgrim fathers first observed this day with praise and festivities, and grateful hearts for freedom. How close is comparison with today. They too, had suffered for the same cause, and they too, were determined on that which was nearest to men's soul—freedom of religion, of speech, of individual opportunity and control of their own welfare.

The wild turkey was plentiful in the forest and became a symbol of plenty. We too, have the domestic bird and it too has been used as a symbol of gratitude to our boys on all our fronts. Memories of home go with the feast in fox holes, coral isles and muddy trenches. It is the same old story told in a different time, but simple, humble and glorified. Our boys are fighting for that same freedom established at Plymouth Rock, and we are expressing our gratitude in the same old way. Changed as the world may be since the first Thanksgiving day, the heart of America is the same.

The difference is that the spark of freedom at Plymouth Rock kindled a blaze three hundred years ago, that has gone around the world. It has spread to the peoples of every land—small or great. The natives of the South Seas, the blighted soul of Moslemism, and the awakening peoples of Confucianism, and even perhaps the incrustated minds of the "Superman" may catch a fagot from the flames of freedom around the world today.

For this may our sacrifices be justified, and our praise and gratitude to the God above be acceptable in His sight as expression of our renewed effort for the liberty of mankind.

evening worship at 8 o'clock.

**CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SERVICES**  
Services every Sunday at 11:00 a. m. at the American Legion hall. All are cordially invited to attend.

### NOTICE OF LAND SALE

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, Mayor of the City of Hermiston, Umatilla County, Oregon, pursuant to Ordinance No. 175 passed by the Council of said City and approved by the Mayor thereof on the 4th day of August, 1937, will on the 6th day of December, 1943, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m., offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash in hand at the office of the Recorder of said City in Hermiston, Oregon, the following described parcel of land, to-wit:

Lot 3, Block 9, Original Town, now City of Hermiston, as located in Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 11, Township 4 North, Range 28, E.W.M.  
F. C. McKENZIE, Mayor of the City of Hermiston, Oregon.  
(Nov. 25-Dec. 2)

### U. O. D. NEWS

#### Safety In The Home

So much time and effort is spent to arouse interest and stimulate safety consciousness on the job that we may be inclined to be lax as far as the home place is concerned. Yet if any one place needs the concentrated thought and effort of every American towards accident prevention it is that of the home. Most of us give very little thought to the high toll of accidents occurring every year.

We are so careless and reckless in our habits and manner of daily living that we manage to kill 30,000 of our people in home accidents each year. On the average one person is killed and 154 injured in the home every 18 minutes.

Most home accidents could be prevented if the same precautionary measures are taken in the home as are taken in a well organized industrial plant.

More than half of these home fatalities are due to falls—such as toppling from stepladders and improvised supports for reaching high places; slipping on loose rugs; slipping in soapy bathtubs; stepping on toys, marbles, and other loose material on stairways. Stairways should have hand rails and gates and should be kept clear of litter. Persons ascending stairways should always have one hand on the rail. Children's toys should never be left on the sidewalk. Care should be taken to keep sidewalks free of snow and ice.

Burns, which result in more than 5,000 deaths, take their greatest toll in children four years of age or under and are caused by playing around the stove and pulling over pots of boiling water or other fluids and are scalded. Children playing near unprotected stoves suffer burns as oftentimes their clothing is ignited. They get inflammable material such as gasoline and kerosene on their clothes with tragic results.

There is no fixed preventative for all types of accidents that occur in the homes, but a realization by all of us of constant dangers and the development of a family spirit of greater precaution. Family conversation at intervals regarding dangers will help to impress our precautionary spirit.

The family whose members are taught to put things in their proper places; to avoid the careless deposit of litter, oily rags, paper, rusty cans, and rusty nails; to keep toy wagons and tricycles, roller skates from ly-

ing about, will reap a dividend in the reduction of tragic consequences of carelessness.

Fred I. Erickson,  
Safety Engineer.

### Secretary of War to Make Awards to Depot Employees

Civilian employees of the Umatilla Ordnance Depot may soon wear on their coats and dresses war decorations in the same manner as officers and soldiers under a plan that was announced this week by the Secretary of War. There will be three types of emblems and ribbons authorized for civilian employees who have contributed high individual effort to the successful conduct of the war, the first being known as the Emblem of Civilian Service, which will be presented under the direction of the Secretary of War's Council.

The awards are authorized under an act of the 78th Congress granting non-monetary rewards in recognition of such services.

The order of Secretary Stimson's read: "Civilian employees of the War Department are contributing significantly to the successful prosecution of the war. In furtherance of the Department's policy to encourage the continuance of the highest individual effort and to recognize those civilians who have served faithfully, meritoriously and exceptionally, and pursuant to the authority of Congress establishing the use of non-monetary awards, I hereby authorize the establishment of the following emblems."

The decorations will be in the form of lapel ribbons, suitable for wear on the coat or dresses, and will bear the emblem in colors of the unit issuing the citation. The ribbon is woven in blue and silver colors. Additional strands of braid at each end of the ribbon will be used to denote the two highest events. When an employee is presented with more than one award, only the highest will be worn. The three classes of awards and the basis on which each is to be conferred are:

1. Emblem for Civilian Service, to be conferred on all employees having a record of six consecutive months of satisfactory service.
2. Emblem for Meritorious Civilian Service will be granted automatically to all employees of the War Department who have completed ten years of faithful and satisfactory service. Others eligible include employees who



**TOUGH LUCK**  
With so many home repair items on the critical list, now is no time to run into tough luck. A broken window may not be so bad, but a real fire or a bad windstorm could be very serious

indeed. Replacements on many items are practically unobtainable. So be extra careful now about fire. Eliminate every possible hazard. AND be sure your insurance fully covers the present value of your home property. Check fire insurance, windstorm insurance, smoke damage insurance, hail insurance, etc. See that you are fully protected by adequate insurance limits. This agency offers its services to home owners. We will gladly, and without obligation on your part, check over your present insurance and submit recommendations regarding the kinds of protection you should have; and in amounts which will truly protect your investment. Why not see about it today?

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have been responsible for suggesting new methods of procedures.

The award for the emblem for Meritorious Civilian Service, while it does not automatically provide an in-grade promotion, will be given added weight by the reviewing committee if the recipient is recommended for such promotion.

3. Emblem for Exceptional Civilian Service will be conferred by the Secretary of War himself or his personal representative.

Those eligible include employees who have developed and improved procedures on a broad scale which resulted in improvements, or who exhibit courage in the face of danger while in performance of their duty.

### HERMISTON METHODIST CHURCH

Walter A. MacArthur, Minister  
"The God of the Normal Man," will be the sermon this Sunday morning at 11:00 a. m.

The Sunday Evening Club will meet at 8:00 p. m. with another chalk-illustrated sermon on the subject, "The Power of Faith."

Church School at 10:00 a. m.  
Youth Fellowship at 6:30 p. m.  
A cordial welcome is extended to all.



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And you?

Will you be able to welcome him back with nothing but sheer joy and thankfulness in your heart?

Or will the sight of him remind you, for the rest of your life, that even

though your job was unutterably easier than his, you still didn't do it—you didn't quite measure up?

That would be a miserable thing to have happen to you. It would be a miserable feeling to carry through the years.

So don't take any chances. Don't just buy your share of War Bonds. Do that—and then do more. And do it today.

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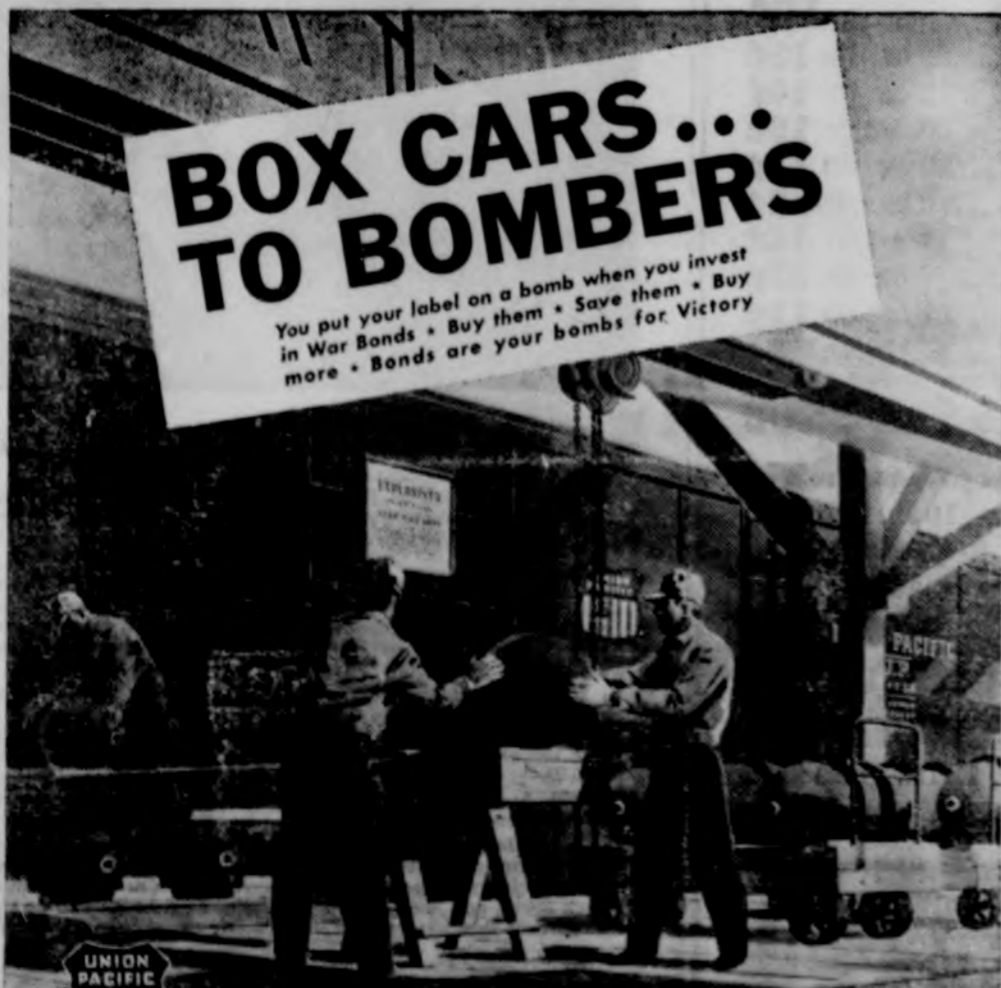
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