

Miss Vivian Anita Hindman and T. Sgt. Harry F. McIntire were united in marriage at the Episcopal church in La Grande at 4 p. m. March 3. They left Ordinance Saturday to visit with his family in Los Angeles, and stopped en route in San Francisco. Mrs. McIntire will resume her duties at the U. O. D. March 14 while Sgt. McIntire will return to his station in Louisiana.

Congratulations to our new Major—Homer Simola. Nice work, Major. Carry on!

Captain W. S. Noland and D. R. Weber will leave March 7 for the Service and Utilities Conference at Spokane, Wn.

Lt. Munch left Monday night for Camp Lee, Virginia, where he will attend Quartermaster School. He will also take a course at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland, and visit his home before returning to U.O.D.

Lt. Callis left Monday night for Delaware Ordnance Depot where he will attend school.

Dorsey Johnson of the Garage crew was able to leave the hospital last week. We are happy to see Lt. Billington back on the job after a week's illness. Charlotte Montgomery of Plant Property was able to leave the hospital Monday. Ernest Richardson is in the Post Hospital awaiting a major operation. Wm. H. Woodard, who has been ill, is improving and hopes to be back on the job soon.

Leila Henderson underwent a tonsilectomy Saturday and was back to work Monday with no hours lost. Congratulations, Leila!

Bill Luttrell, Fireman, is improving after recent illness.

Roy Ramos returned from Portland last Monday where he had a clinical examination.

Harry Nelson "entertained" the flu this week. (Now don't wist it off on us).

Cyrus and Dorothy Holdstock are in the Post Hospital for treatment.

Bill Lewis leaves March 21 and Eugene Gatlin March 22 for the armed services. LaMonda Evans enlisted in the Navy and left March 10 for Camp Farragut, Idaho. Norman E. Anderson, James Getchell and Henry Burr of the Fire Department have passed examinations and are awaiting their calls.

Phillip Campbell, Electric Department, left March 12 to visit his sister in Bruce, Wisconsin.

Plant Property is leading all departments on their Safety record. They have had no lost time for accidents for nine months.

Thelma Holmquist, Fiscal, is visiting Mrs. Bruce Follett at Lake View, Ore.

Betty Rankin recently returned from Phoenix, Arizona, where she visited her husband who is stationed there with the Air Corps.

Hyla Moore, Stock Control, left Friday night for Fort McClellan, Alabama, to be married to Pvt. Orville Kensler.

Mrs. Marion Mathias returned last week from a brief stay in Denver, Colorado.

D. P. Hughey and family left Boise, Idaho, Sunday morning where Mr. Hughey will receive medical attention.

Miss Mabel Bullock spent the week in Milton, Ore., visiting her brother.

Mrs. Barbara Graham was honored at a farewell party at the home of Mrs. Ray Laird, Thursday evening at Victory Square. The honoree was presented with a beautiful lapel locket and compact. Fifteen guests were present. Hostesses were Doris Hayes, Esta Mae Gooch and Mrs. Laird. Mrs. Graham left Saturday morning for San Francisco. Miss Marjorie Skow accompanied her. Miss Skow will visit her brother, Bob, who is in the Navy in San Diego, and Dick who is in the Air Corps at Santa Anna.

Norma Getchell and Sue Breeding spent the week end in Pendleton.

Corporal Bud McCourt, U. S. Marine Paratroops, from Camp Pendleton, is on leave visiting his father, George McCourt, and sister Peggy McCourt at Stanfield.

Sgt. Morris Trarbaugh from Mountain Home, Idaho, is here on furlough this week.

Jesse W. Melton, who has been with the Army Engineers in Alaska arrived Thursday for a visit with his family. Mrs. Melton is in the Magazine Field office.

Mrs. James Medley of San Francisco, Cal., arrived March 13 to spend two weeks with Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Tuttle.

J. H. Smith, dormitory janitor, enjoyed a visit from his son and family of Walla Walla last Saturday.

Helen Hoffman from Spokane is visiting her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Max Piger this week.

James C. Sotley of Umatilla has reported for duty in the Rail Transportation Department as yard clerk.

Mrs. Anna Myrick of Hermiston, a former employee of the Transportation Division, is rejoining us on March 13 as Traffic Clerk in graveyard shift.

William Gollyhorn is employed at the garage again.

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TRAIN ACCIDENT IS FATAL TO B. PARSONS FRIDAY MORNING

RESIDENT HERE FOR MANY YEARS

Bert F. Parsons, a resident of this area for many years, was killed Friday morning when hit by the second section of train No. 17 on the bridge on the Union Pacific line between Westland and Hinkle. Investigation brought out the following theory. Due to a strong wind, Mr. Parsons was not aware of the approach of the train and members of the engine crew could not stop in time to avoid striking him.

The man's body was carried about 75 feet. Mr. Parsons' small dog, a constant companion, was killed at the same time. Death was thought instantaneous, according to District Attorney A. C. McIntyre, who with Judge E. P. Dodd, acting coroner, and Deputy Sheriff Roy Johnson, investigated. The death was classed as accidental.

Mr. Parsons was born May 30, 1880, at Atlantic, Iowa, and was married in 1906 to Althea May Powers in Loveland, Colo. To this union were born seven children.

Most of his life until 1910 was spent in the state of Colorado. That year the family moved to Idaho, and after several other moves came to Hermiston in 1919. He was baptized in the Christian church in 1918 at Ault, Colo., and was a member of the I. O. O. F. lodge for many years.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon from Prann's Funeral parlors with Rev. C. Warner in charge of the services. Burial was in the Hermiston cemetery.

He is survived by seven children: Donald Bert, in the U. S. Navy; James Glenn and Wm. Ray of Hermiston; Mabel May Maurus and Arnette Hawthorne, The Dalles; Eddie in the U. S. Navy, stationed at Pasco, Wash.; Ivy June Lisik, Los Angeles, Calif.; also their mother, Althea May Parsons, and one brother, Benjamin Cass Parsons, The Dalles.

WEDDING IS OF INTEREST HERE

Of interest to their many friends here is the announcement of the marriage of Miss Shirley Jarmon, daughter of Mrs. E. P. Jarmon of Bakersfield, Calif., and Henry Hanby, Second Class Watertender, at the Methodist church parsonage in Montavilla Tuesday evening at 8:00 o'clock. They were attended by Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Blessing of Portland, formerly of Hermiston.

Mr. Hanby recently returned for a furlough after two years of service in the U. S. Navy, being in the South Pacific area in recent months. He has also been in Australia. He will report April 7 at Philadelphia to attend an oil burning school. Mrs. Hanby is principal of the Gilbert grade school near Portland. She formerly resided with her parents in the Butter Creek district. She is a graduate of Pine City schools while Mr. Hanby attended the Hermiston schools.

Their future plans depend on Mr. Hanby's future assignments.

WEATHER HITS LOW MARK HERE

Anyone who thought that spring was already here received a severe shock Tuesday morning when he read his thermometer—in Hermiston it read 10 above zero and at the U. S. Field Station it read 12 above. This was the coldest mark of the winter. The other previous low in Hermiston was 14 above (Jan. 11) and at the field station 12 above on January 27.

Date	Max.	Min.
March 9	71	49
March 10	65	31
March 11	52	18
March 12	50	18
March 13	40	27
March 14	44	10

Improvement Club Meets

A Room Improvement 4-H club met with its leader, Miss Brunquist, on March 10th with six members present. A name for the club was discussed but none was decided on. Because of lack of time roll call and minutes of the last meeting were omitted. At the next meeting everyone is to have the floor plan of her room drawn to scale. No definite date was set for the next meeting.

PVT. DAUGHERTY LOST IN ACTION

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Daugherty of Hermiston were notified by telegram Saturday that their son, Ranger V. E. Daugherty, was reported "lost in action." Although no definite location was named in the cable, it is known that Daugherty was connected with the Third Bn., U. S. Rangers, which reportedly was leading the attack on the Selerno beach head attack.

Mr. and Mrs. Daugherty left for Portland immediately to seek, if possible, more information through the Red Cross. No word has been heard from them.

Vernon attended Hermiston schools prior to his enlistment and was a member of the Oregon State Guard unit here.

1ST LT. PIERSON RETURNS HOME FROM WAR ZONE

First Lieutenant Robert E. Pierson, son of Mr. and Mrs. K. D. Pierson, arrived here Saturday from the Southwest Pacific Area where he has served with the Fifth Air Force Bomber Command for the past year. Lt. Pierson recently completed his 49th mission into enemy territory and had garnered sufficient hours in the air to rate a visit home.

Lt. Pierson enlisted in January, 1941, and completed his flight training in rapid order. Most of his work has been with the B-24's with his missions taking him mostly into Rabaul and Wewak. Although Lt. Pierson is reluctant to tell of much of his experiences it is known that he has seen considerable action while overseas.

Simultaneous with the arrival here of Lt. Pierson, was a message to The Herald from Lieut. General George C. Kenney, Commander of the Allied Air Forces in the Southwest Pacific Area, which read as follows:

"First Lt. Robert E. Pierson is awarded the Air Medal for meritorious achievement while participating in sustained operational flight missions in the Southwest Pacific Area, during which hostile contact was probable and expected. These operations consisted of long range bombing missions against enemy airdromes and installations and attacks on enemy naval vessels and shipping."

Although Lt. Pierson has not been notified as to his future assignment, he states that he would like to "go back." He will report April 5 to Santa Monica, Calif.

STATISTICS ARE FAVORABLE FOR RESERVOIR FILLUP

The snow water accumulation on the Umatilla river shed improved considerably during February but is still below average, according to the March 1 records of the Oregon Snow Survey compiled jointly by the U. S. Division of Irrigation and the Oregon Experiment Station. The snow water was 66% of that of 1943, 102% of 1942 and 80% of the average. A month ago it was 28% of 1943 and 50% of the average.

The estimated storage in Cold Springs Reservoir March 1 was 39,000 acre feet as compared with 46,750 a year ago and 38,500 two years ago. McKay Reservoir had 39,130 acre-feet stored this March 1 as compared with 62,050 and 66,550 the last two years. This year's storage was approximately 10,000 and 7,000 acre-feet above 1941 and 1940. The water shed soils are hard frozen beneath the snow.

This condition is likely to favor greater reservoir storage from rapid run-off, but is considered unfavorable to sustained run-off where storage facilities are lacking.

EXTENSION UNIT TO SEEK LABOR

Plans are now being formulated for handling the farm labor problem in Umatilla county by the extension service, according to Frank Hackler, assistant county agent here. Farmers or ranchers in West Umatilla county wishing to seek employees may leave their names, address and the type of work that is requested of the farm employee at the office of assistant county agent.

As soon as plans and materials are finished and secured, the employment will be handled by an individual stationed in Hermiston for this farming area, states Mr. Hackler. The dairy feed payment applications for January and February may be filed at the assistant county agent's office for this area.

MAYOR URGES COOPERATION IN PRICE CONTROL

Mayor F. C. McKenzie of Hermiston today called on individual members of the public to assist the local OPA price committeemen in their campaign to combat black-market operations and price-ceiling violations in this community.

"The local board members have been given a great responsibility", he said, "and they have been frank enough to admit they cannot hope to accomplish the job effectively without the sincere and sustained support of the people."

"Personally, I feel that the majority of our retail merchants are complying with the price regulations, even in the face of their complexities. The board's price control committee shares this opinion."

Mayor McKenzie said that dealers who refuse to obey the regulations are doing a disservice, not only to the consumer and the war effort, but to their more honest and patriotic competitors.

RED CROSS GOAL SURPASSED HERE

Mrs. Roy Tiller, Hermiston Red Cross war fund chairman, reported Wednesday that the local quota of \$1,500.00 had been reached and that she had sent \$1,560.00 to the county Red Cross office in Pendleton. In addition to this funds are still being turned in which will run the figure considerably higher.

Mrs. Tiller and her corps of helpers wish to express their appreciation to the residents of this area for their whole-hearted support of the campaign and their willingness to give. The Red Cross is doing excellent work in the present conflict and is worthy of support.

MRS. ARCHER IS NOW WITH WAVES

Mrs. LaVeeta Vivian Archer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Wilson, Rt. 1, Hermiston, has enlisted in the WAVES, yesterday announced Chief John H. Bedford, recruiter-in-charge of the Pendleton U. S. Navy Recruiting substation, which handles WAVES applications in the Hermiston area.

She took the WAVES oath at the WAVES enlistment headquarters for Oregon, 735 S. W. Alder street, Portland, with Lieutenant Lucia Brown officiating. Mrs. Archer joins her brother in the U. S. Navy, Lewis H. Wilson, apprentice seaman, now stationed at the U. S. Naval Training station, Farragut, Idaho.

She was employed as a timekeeper with C. F. Davison Construction company, Tacoma, Wash., for three months in 1943. Previous to this she was a saleswoman with A. W. Behrman Jewelry store here for five months. Mrs. Archer attended the high school at Wiggins, Colo.

LINDNER SETS AUCTION SALE

Henry F. Lindner, residing two miles east and three miles north of Hermiston, will have an auction sale Tuesday, March 21, with R. C. Peters as auctioneer, and Pete Berg, clerk. The sale will get underway at 1:00 o'clock.

Listed on the sale sheet are horses, cattle, hay, farm implements, furniture and other items. The Lindners plan to make their home in Hermiston, having purchased one of the three new homes built by Interstate Homes on the West side.

2ND LT. FRASER HOME ON VISIT

Second Lieutenant Thomas Fraser, who received that rating at graduation exercises at Douglas, Arizona, March 12, this week spent three days here visiting his mother, Mrs. Margaret Fraser, and friends. Lt. Fraser has been in Cadet training for 13 months and has made the successive steps in fine order.

Although his future plans are not too definite as yet, it is thought he will be assigned to a B-17 squadron for additional training.

Mrs. Walter Smith Returns Home

Mrs. Walter Smith, proprietor of the Hermiston Hotel, returned last Thursday evening from King City, Calif., where she had spent several weeks caring for her two grandchildren, while their mother, Mrs. Lyn Anderson underwent an operation. Mr. Anderson is a flight instructor near there.

WAYNE CASSEDAY HAS 21 FLIGHTS

Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Casseday have received word from their son, First Lt. Wayne Casseday, that he completed his 21st mission on March 4. It is thought that by now he will probably have reached his goal of 25 flight trips over enemy territory.

Lt. Casseday recently spent a short time in a rest camp in Scotland but apparently soon returned to action, according to the flights he has made since that time. Lt. Casseday's base is somewhere in England and his missions have taken him into the heart of enemy territory.

STAFF SERGEANT BILL HARRIS IS VISITOR HERE

Among the Hermiston boys who have taken an active part in the present conflict is Staff Sergeant William Harris, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Harris. Bill, who was student body president in his senior year at Hermiston high school, recently spent a week on furlough here with his parents and friends.

Although Bill has never taken part in actual combat, he has been in and out and near combat zones frequently. Being in Air Shuttle Service Command, he has been in many parts of the world, including Australia, Ceylon, India, Burma, China, Persia, Arabia, Algeria, Gold Coast, Brazil and other places.

He has been overseas about 26 months, having India as his headquarters much of that time. Bill brought back with him two albums of snapshots, passed by the censor, which gave some indication of the scope of work that has kept him extremely busy during his time overseas. Of the 5000 men in his camp, he was one of a very small group given an opportunity to come home. He was at a loss to state why he was picked.

Although his plans for the future are not certain, he believes that he will be made an Air Corps Supply instructor. "My only regret in coming home," stated Staff Sergeant Harris, "is that I have been over there all this time waiting for something to happen in the way of a big invasion. Now that I get home, I read in the papers that activities will soon start and here I am."

BOYS TAKE EXAM FOR TRAINING

A qualifying test for the Army Specialized Training program and Navy College Program V-12 was given to a group of high school boys last Wednesday. Those taking the test were Virgil Logan, Bob Greer, Jack Rodgers, Courtney Belt, Warren Caudle, Tommy Todd and John Lewis, all of Hermiston high school, and Delas Knighton, Franklin Kenchloe and Bob Larson, all of Irrigation high school. No results of the examinations have been announced as yet.

HIGH SCHOOL TO GIVE CONCERT

The High School will present its band and chorus in the third of its series of concerts in the high school gymnasium, Thursday evening, March 23. As usual, there will be no charge. The program follows:

- Chorus
 - Prayer for Peace, Bortnianski.
 - Soft Call the Birds, from "Les Preludes", Liszt.
 - Liebesträum, (Number 3), Liszt.
 - With Horse and Hound, (Hunting Chorus), Caldescott.
 - Popular, This is a Lovely Way, Adamson.
 - Popular, Candlelight and Wine, McHugh.
 - All God's Chillen Got a Robe, Negro Spiritual.
 - A Kiss in the Dark, Herbert.
 - In old Vienna, (The Emperor Waltz), Strauss.
 - Love (from Operetta "Lawn Party"), Humphreys.
 - God Bless America (Chorus and Audience), Berlin.
- Band
 - Cossack, Imperial, King.
 - Cossack Invocation and Dance, Lenikov.
 - Waltz, Nights of Gladness, Ancliffe.
 - The Viking, From Sigurd Jorsalfar, Grieg.
 - Monastery Garden, Ketelbey.
 - March, His Honor, Fillmore.
 - Serenade from Millions d'Arlequin, Drigo.
 - Scarf Dance, Chaminade.
 - Watermelon Dance, Roberts.
 - Gavotte, Amaryllis, Ghys.
 - Star Spangled Banner.

CHAMBER GROUP NAMES NEW OFFICERS AT MEETING MONDAY

SAM MOORE IS NEW PRESIDENT

Sam Moore, Standard Oil Co. distributor, Monday night was named president of the Hermiston Chamber of Commerce for the coming year. Mr. Moore has had many years of experience in furthering community affairs and his elevation to the presidency was popular. Dr. F. B. Belt was named vice president and Rev. W. A. MacArthur, secretary. Col. W. J. Hoffmann and L. C. Smith of the Umatilla Ordnance Depot were guests at the meeting which was held at the U.S.O. club.

The president has appointed the following committees: Board members, F. B. Swayze, George Harkenrider; Membership, city. Pete Berg and Roy Hale; rural, A. H. Cable and Harold Rankin; Ordnance City, D. W. Bliss; Budget and hard-boiled, F. C. McKenzie, A. F. Rohrman and Glenn Ripley; Roads, C. L. Hodge, W. W. Felthouse, L. A. Moore; Legislative, E. P. Dodd, F. B. Swayze and F. C. McKenzie. Committees on new enterprises will be appointed at regular meetings as the individual enterprises are brought out at such meetings.

Various matters came up for discussion during the evening. Foremost was the finding of a location for an Ordnance employment office in Hermiston. Due to the fact that the United States Employment Service office has been temporarily withdrawn from Hermiston, it was thought necessary to find a substitute to aid the Umatilla Ordnance Depot in obtaining proper and sufficient help. A committee, headed by Pete Berg and F. B. Swayze has announced that two locations have been located for this purpose and the one decided upon will be announced soon.

F. C. McKenzie, mayor, told of the need of several improvements in the city and ways and means whereby the Chamber of Commerce could cooperate with the city council. He told of findings of the post-war planning committee and asked whole-hearted cooperation from Chamber members.

Frank P. Sargent told those present of his plans of constructing a cold storage locker plant in Hermiston and some of the handicaps he must overcome prior to beginning the job. The chamber group went on record as favoring Mr. Sargent's plan and voted to aid him in advertising the plan in order that activities can get started as soon as possible. A message, sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, can be found on Page Two of this issue.

The Chamber of Commerce will hold its next regular meeting Monday, April 3, with a dinner starting at 7:00 p. m.

ROTARY CLUB IS HOST TO TEAM

Coach Frank Davison and his Hermiston high school basketball players were guests of the Rotary club Monday night in the banquet room of the Methodist church. The highlight of the evening was a chicken dinner served by the Ladies Aid of that church.

Rev. W. A. MacArthur served as toastmaster in the absence of W. W. Felthouse, president of the club. Entertainment was furnished by Jack Jackson on the piano and A. W. Behrman showed several reels of movie film.

GRADES TO GIVE MUSIC PROGRAM

The Primary and Intermediate grades of the Hermiston Elementary school will present the following program for the pleasure of parents and friends Wednesday, March 22, at 1:30 p. m. in the high school gymnasium:

- Opening number, Grade School Orchestra.
- "Community Helpers", a playlet of Primary Social Studies, First Grades. Orchestra.
- Mother Goose's Party, Second Grades. Orchestra.
- A Pantomime of Oregon History Events, Third Grades. Orchestra.
- A Colonial Playlet, Fourth Grades. Orchestra.
- "Alice's Dream", an Irish Literature Playlet, Fifth Grades.
- Closing number by orchestra.
- A small door charge of 10c is being made to defray expenses.