

Guard Section

Patrolman Waldo E. Stockdale of the U.O.D. Guard force believes in buying bonds 'till it hurts'. This week Mr. Stockdale, who has a grandson with the Sea Bees somewhere in the Pacific, a stepson in the Marine Hospital in Seattle, and a son-in-law who is a bomber pilot in England, with more than half of his missions completed over enemy territory, purchased \$4,600.00 worth of War Bonds. "It's what they expect us to do," Mr. Stockdale, who is 53 years old, said, blinking at your reporter. "They're risking their lives over there. The least we can do is work steady on the home front and loan our money to the government to back them up."

Besides the \$4,600.00 War Bond purchase this week, Mr. Stockdale is a regular subscriber on the payroll deduction plan.

Glenn Darby, who went overseas with the 41st and fought Japs in New Guinea until he was sent home with a medical discharge, then joined the guard force to help deliver the goods to his pals who are still overseas, is on the sick list again.

Suggestions

Everyone of us wants to win this war—to see peace restored—to have jobs to get back to when the war is won. Ten million have dedicated their time, effort and even their lives if need be, in the Armed Services. Let's get busy and dedicate a little extra time to that SUGGESTION we had almost completed and send it in.

Ask Your Conscience—"Am I Sacrificing To Buy Bonds?"

Fire Department

Floyd Heathman, Jr., better known as "Smoky", Naval Base, Quinalt, Wn., is home on a 15-day furlough visiting Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Heathman, Sr., and family at Ordnance. Young Heathman also spent a week visiting in California before coming home. "Smoky" is baker at the Naval Base and makes the pastries for 200 sailors.

Henry Burr and Norman Anderson, formerly of the Fire Department, visited here July 5th. They have been stationed at the U. S. Naval Training Station at Farragut, Idaho.

Mrs. Lottie Ransdell is back on the job after several days sick leave.

"In 1775 Freedom Was Born—1875 Keeps It Alive"

Personnel

Personnel celebrated Miss Irene Cox's birthday July 5th with a party during the lunch hour. She was presented with an attractive sweater. Delicious refreshments were served.

Mrs. Glen McGary of Pasco, Wn., and Mrs. Winford Thomas of Medford, Ore., were guests of Marjorie Gordon over the 4th. Both Mrs. McGary and Mrs. Thomas were formerly employed here.

Stock Control

George Tyler and family left for Santa Ana, Cal., where they will spend two weeks vacation. They will visit Mrs. Tyler's parents while there.

Buy War Bonds Now

West Area

Miss June Godwin is spending this week visiting her mother in Grants Pass, Oregon.

Gayle Westmark has returned after a three weeks visit in Dickinson, North Dakota.

Everett White had a bit of bad luck Monday morning when he stopped at the Cafeteria for a cup of coffee before going to work. He picked up the cup to drink and some way the cup and his teeth bumped together. The tooth came out second best, as it was broken.

Motor Transportation

'Hank' Miller is enjoying a visit from his son Don, Seaman 3rd Class, who has just completed a Radio Operators' Course in Madison, Wisconsin. Don was a former employee here. He will be stationed in Shumaker, Cal., when he returns.

Dorsey Johnson left Sunday for a week's business trip to Portland.

Headquarters

Endora Arego left Sunday for Caldwell, Idaho, to visit relatives. She will also have some dental work attended to while there. Miss Beryl Logue accompanied her as far as Huntington. Miss Logue will spend a week visiting her home there.

Capt. Herbert Miller returned July 4th from attending the Yardstick conference at Benicia, Cal.

Insure That Freedom of the People, By the People, For the People. Buy More Bonds.

Rail Transportation

L. E. Brown, who has been with DuPont at Hanford, Expediting Department and General Railroad Yardmaster, for the past 14 months, is taking Mr. Dooley's place. Mr. Brown's home is at Coffeyville, Kan. (Continued on Last Page)

SCHOOL DISTRICT 14 ANNOUNCES SPECIAL ELECTION AUGUST 7

BOTH BUILDINGS TO BE PAINTED

With summer vacation about half over, plans and preparations for the new school term are uppermost in the thoughts of school officials, board members and even the youngsters themselves are stating that the summer vacation days are "too short".

The next item of interest is a special school election which has been set for Monday, August 7, for school district No. 14, at which time three directors will be elected, one for three year term, one for a four year term and another for a five year term. Hours of the election will be from 2:00 to 7:00 p. m.

Considerable difficulty was encountered during recent weeks in determining the proper procedure for changing the grade school board from a three to a five man organization, necessitated by the fact that the district had increased to a school population of over 1,000. The regular election was called off some weeks ago when it was discovered that the board had apparently erred in interpreting the ruling. The matter was taken up with District Attorney A. C. McIntyre who in turn requested a decision from the Oregon Attorney General George Neuner.

The following decision was reached: "It is my opinion that a special election should be held pursuant to section 111-908, O.C.L.A., and that there should be elected three directors for the terms three, four and five years, respectively, as the term of the director holding for three years would have expired at the time of the annual school meeting, and his successor should have been elected at that time, plus the two additional directors for the four and five-year terms." Mr. Neuner explained his decision by stating that it was an unusual case.

Other plans which are in the offing include the painting of both the high and grade schools by James Brooks, local painter. The colors will be in keeping with other buildings in that area.

To date teachers have been signed for all positions in both school districts. Unless unforeseen difficulties arise, all will be in readiness for school opening on the day after Labor Day, or Tuesday, September 5.

BOND PREMIERE POPULAR HERE

Residents of this area purchased a total of \$24,250.00 (maturity value) of extra war bonds in recent weeks which entitled the purchasers to a ticket to the bond premiere at the Oasis Theatre in Hermiston on July 6. According to L. A. Moore, owner, three shows were presented during the day, with the 7:00 o'clock show being the most popular.

"A Guy Named Joe," featuring Spencer Tracy and Irene Dunne, was the picture shown, plus the usual shorts. The bond premiere was in keeping with a program general among all the theatres of the United States as part of the function of the Fifth War Loan.

UMATILLA MAN ENTERS SERVICE

New Orleans, La.—Private Leonard L. Montgomery, whose wife, Mrs. Veta H. Montgomery lives in Umatilla, has been assigned to the Army Service Forces Training Center at Camp Plauche for basic military training.

After six weeks of basic work, Pvt. Montgomery will receive nine weeks of specialized training to fit him for duty with the Transportation Corps, which is charged with the mission of transporting men and war materials to theatres of operations throughout the world. Prior to his induction last May, Pvt. Montgomery was employed as telegraph clerk and agent for the Union Pacific railroad.

Methodist Institute Beckons

A group of 26 of Echo, Stanfield and Hermiston young people, accompanied by Rev. W. A. MacArthur of the local Methodist church and several other chaperones, will leave early Saturday morning for the annual summer Methodist Institute at Suttle Lake. The trip will be made aboard the Rohman school bus. The group will be at Suttle Lake for one week.

LOCAL USO HAS STATION WAGON

Miss Mary Lou Johnson, director of the Hermiston U.S.O., returned to Hermiston from Portland the first of the week sporting a station wagon to be used for field work by the local U.S.O. personnel.

Miss Johnson went to Portland last week end to complete details for the delivery of the automobile.

STATE GUARD TO BE KEPT ALIVE

The war department is interested in maintaining the Oregon state guard on a high plane of efficiency, and that desire also is shared by the state military department and by Governor Earl Snell, state guard officers were told Friday night at the Portland armory in their first official meeting with the new state acting adjutant-general, Lt. Col. Raymond F. Olson.

"Governor Snell is very desirous of maintaining a high state of efficiency," said Col. Olson, a veteran of many years of service in the army and Oregon national guard, who returned to the United States in February of 1943 after service in the southwest Pacific with the 41st division.

"It will be my goal to help maintain the state guard as an outstanding military organization, comparable to the distinction enjoyed by Oregon national guard units of the 41st division, when it ranked among the top outfits of the nation," he said, after being introduced to the guard officers by Brig. Gen. Ralph P. Cowgill, commanding general of the state guard.

Proof that the war department is vitally interested in the state guard is found in the fact that federal allotment of arms, ammunition and equipment has been increased, said Maj. B. G. Groth, army instructor to the state guards of Oregon and Washington.

Captain V. E. Daugherty, Lt. Walter Carlson, Lt. Chas. Friday, Sgt. R. F. Stanton, Sgt. Bob Russell and Corp. Ray Oviatt are leaving Saturday evening for Camp Clatsop for a one-day bivouac. All are members of the Hermiston State Guard unit.

T. SGT. HAMM IS HOME FOR VISIT

Technical Sgt. W. D. (Bill) Hamm, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hamm, arrived home last week from the Central Pacific area where he has been stationed for the past two years. Bill enlisted with the armed forces in February, 1942, and some months later was sent overseas. He has been on various islands in the Central Pacific area, being connected with the quartermaster corps.

Tech. Sgt. Hamm was one of the first Hermiston boys to enter the armed forces and needless to say he has seen many phases of army life. Although extremely reluctant to tell of his experiences, because of censorship, he does state that life on the islands is quite rugged at times. Bill admits that the boys have "considerable fun" at times to help relieve the monotony.

As to his future orders, Bill is not certain. He states that after a few months in the "states", he will probably go back to the scene of battle.

Congressman Visits



REP. STOCKMAN LOCAL VISITOR

Representative and Mrs. Lowell Stockman, who have recently returned from Washington, D. C., visited at the Umatilla Ordnance Depot and at the town of Ordnance Monday. Later in the day they stopped in Hermiston for a short visit. The Stockmans were guests of Col. A. S. Buyers while at the U. O. D.

Rep. Stockman stated that his first year in Washington proved to be quite interesting. He was named on several committees and stated that the work of a representative became quite involved at times. The weather had been quite hot at Washington and housing facilities are extremely crowded.

VETERINARIAN ARRIVES AND BEGINS PRACTICE

Dr. Robert Fast of Ritzville, Wn., a graduate of Washington State college, arrived in Hermiston this week to open a veterinary practice. Dr. Fast is a single man but indicates that "conditions" might change in the next several months. He graduated from a veterinary course at Washington State in 1942.

Since that time he has practiced for 1 1/2 years in Seattle and at Ritzville, Wash., for six months prior to coming to Hermiston. In Seattle he was mostly associated with small animal work but at Ritzville he engaged in general dairy practice. Dr. Fast was urged to come to this community by members of a Chamber of Commerce committee which has worked on the project for several months.

Dr. Fast had arrived in Hermiston but a few hours when calls began to come in for his services. His present phone numbers are 3311 and 3713.

Elwood Leaves For Service

Dale Elwood, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Elwood, left Monday night for Portland where he will be inducted into the armed forces. His wife and baby will live at Victory Square. Dale recently figured in a piece of news when he helped in the rescue of a greyhound dog from atop the Pierson ranger station above Ukiah. Apparently the large dog had been helped up the tall tower by some boys who in turn were unable to get the dog down, and left him there. The animal was later discovered by the ranger who sought help from the Elwoods who were camped nearby. The rescue was accomplished by use of a rope.

THEY DIED TO MAKE THEM FREE



This poignant picture made by an Army Signal Corps photographer shows a kneeling woman and her child gently and reverently placing flowers over the still forms of two American boys who paid the supreme price to liberate them from the Nazi and Fascist grip. Look at their faces and you will see that both mother and child realize that these Americans died for them. Remember this picture when you are asked to buy an extra War Bond during the Fifth War Loan. U. S. Treasury Department

U.O.D. AIDS IN FIRE CONTROL

A fire Tuesday that started along the Union Pacific right-of-way and which at one time threatened to destroy a store belonging to J. B. Perry at Westland, was successfully fought by the Umatilla Ordnance Depot fire department. Two sheds, a model T Ford, coal, lumber and some chickens were destroyed by the fire.

The U. O. D. fire department has been instrumental in saving several bad fire situations in surrounding territory in the past two years.

CPL. ED BENSEL BACK IN ITALY

Cpl. Eddie Bensel, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Bensel of Hermiston, has now returned to his base in Italy following some months in Russia. He was a member of the first American task force ever to operate from Russian soil and made history by its excellent work. His group recently received a Commendation from high war department officials for the success with which the Russian project was accomplished.

In part the commendation reads: "The cooperation and understanding which you displayed in working with our Russian Allies set an example for future American-Soviet operations."

Eddie is still enthused about his work with the Army Air Forces. Typical of him, he still sees the humorous side of many things and writes cheerful letters to his relatives at home.

HEAVY SCALES TO GET CHECKUP

The state department of agriculture now has its weights and measures testing equipment in Umatilla county for the checking of all heavy duty grain and livestock scales. M. Clarke Webb, deputy state sealer of weights and measures, is in charge and hopes to check every big scale in the county before the equipment is moved to another area.

Livestock operators or grain men who have scales in different locations than last year and who wish to get in touch with Mr. Webb to advise him of the change, may contact him through the department's division of grain inspection in the Stangier building in Pendleton. Both the large heavy duty weights truck and the smaller testing equipment maintained by the department will be in service in this county in the present check-up.

WESTLAND HAS MUCH ACTIVITY

At a recent meeting, Westland Grange voted to back the efforts to obtain a veterinarian for this vicinity financially and in any possible way. J. D. Corliass and Elmer Watson are representing the Grange on this important committee.

Once again Westland is participating in the war bond drive by purchasing a bond for the Grange and by contacting the community. J. D. Corliass reported the appointment of fire wardens in the district. The Pep Committee was asked to arrange for a grange-community picnic for the near future and to make plans for other grange entertainment. Assistant county agent Frank Hackler and various committees gave interesting reports on timely subjects. Fire Insurance and Business Agent Floyd Laird reported new policies written and asked grangers to check their property for fire hazards. The Home Economics committee furnished the entertainment and the men served the refreshments for an unusually pleasant evening.

The Home Ec. club met with Mrs. Harry Olson on July 12th. A nice class of 4-H club members and other young people will be initiated in the 1st and 2nd degrees July 14th.

Don't forget the fat collection. It's more important than ever now. Keep saving that waste paper. We can't let Oregon get behind as it is reported to have done last month, and save your tin cans—they will be collected again.

Mabel Corliass, publicity chairman.

Lt. Graham Visitor Here

Lt. (j. g.) and Mrs. Howard E. Graham and daughter Lani will leave Friday, July 14, for Annapolis, Maryland, where Lt. Graham is to take a year of Post Graduate study at the Naval Academy. Mrs. Graham and Lani have been living with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy E. Tiller for the past year. Lt. Graham has recently returned from 13 months duty in the S. W. Pacific.

HERMISTON YOUNG PEOPLE IN HOSPITAL FOLLOWING ACCIDENTS

BOTH PARTIES NOW DOING FINE

Two Hermiston young people are in a Walla Walla hospital as a result of summer vacation accidents. Miss Hope Reynolds, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Smiley O. Bean, was taken to Walla Walla Sunday evening suffering from severe bruises as a result of falling from a horse earlier in the evening. She received a severe bruise on the back of her head and also suffered a sprained ankle, as well as other minor abrasions.

Her condition was quite critical for a time but was considered some better by the middle of the week. She is under strict observation at the hospital in fear of complications.

The other accident victim is Earl Miller, 13-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Hogan Miller. He is in company with Earl Fowler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Fowler, Bob Phelps, Royal DeLaney and Tom Schoonover were starting out on a rabbit hunt south of Hermiston Tuesday noon, carrying .22 rifles.

The group reached the bridge across the irrigation canal near the H. G. Rankin home when young Earl Fowler stopped to pick out a pebble from his shoe. In laying down the gun, which was cocked ready for firing, he either jarred it enough or the trigger caught on something. The bullet entered Earl Miller's back and lodged in the forepart of his abdomen. A doctor was immediately called and the injured lad rushed to the local hospital. From here Earl was taken to Walla Walla.

An operation, performed that afternoon, removed the bullet and it was discovered that fortunately all vital organs had been missed, although striking his colon a number of times. His condition was announced as quite satisfactory Wednesday morning and later reports indicate that he is getting along nicely.

ALLAN CLARKE IS INSTRUCTOR

Staff Sgt. Allan Clarke, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Clarke of Sunnyside, Wash., but formerly of Hermiston, is now serving in an instructors school in Chicago, according to reports received here. Allan, who attended local schools, enlisted in the Marine Corps in September, 1942, and received his boot training at San Diego, following which he was sent to the school of radio engineering at Texas A. & M. college.

He placed the highest in his class in electrical and radio engineering and was sent to the Bellevue Training School in Washington, D. C. While at the latter place he was director of the post male chorus of 48 voices. He graduated April 1 of this year with honors and was then transferred to Chicago as a staff instructor.

Staff Sgt. Clarke was active in high school affairs while attending school here.

WARM DAYS ARE ON WEEK'S MENU

The past week has seen seven full days of sunshine, interspersed with some wind, making an ideal setting for range fires. Although the thermometer has not reached the 100 degree mark during the week, there were no showers or cloudy skies to break the monotony of warm sunshine. To date the summer has been pleasant with only a few days of 100 degree heat.

The report for the week follows:

	Max.	Min.
July 5	89	64
July 6	84	58
July 7	88	46
July 8	87	48
July 9	91	53
July 10	95	63
July 11	95	58

NEW MINISTER FILLS PULPIT

Rev. and Mrs. Leland Morse, recently of Lostine, Ore., have arrived in Hermiston. Rev. Morse has accepted the pastorate of the Hermiston Pentecostal church, recently vacated by Rev. S. E. Graves, who with his family have moved to Yoncalla, Oregon.

Rev. Morse's family consists of his wife and two little boys.