

BUY BONDS NOW!

Every dollar not absolutely essential for living should be put to work to help win this war. We can do it the hard way by going in for an orgy of spending, bidding up prices in an ever-rising spiral, forcing the government to borrow from the banking system. That is the highroad to reckless inflation. If we travel that road, we will shatter the hopes and dreams of millions of men and women in our fighting forces. The majority are saving their money, thinking of what it will buy—a house, a farm, furniture, and other things of necessity foregone while the war is on. If these high hopes are wrecked, we will deserve and properly receive the scorn and contempt of our fighting forces if they come back to find that we have blindly and selfishly lost the battle against inflation on the home front, while they are winning the victory on the fighting fronts.

Total cash war bond sales to Umatilla Ordnance Depot employees, as of July 15th, were 96 per cent of our quota.

Cash bond sales from military personnel and contractor personnel were \$4,968.00 (purchase price).

Inspection

Dan Bartlett returned Friday from Prince Rupert, Canada, where he was temporarily assigned for the past two months.

Bill Young and Bill Jennings are on field trips.

Opal Huhs is able to be back on the job again.

Utilities

Following is part of a letter received by D. R. Weber from his son, S/Sgt. W. R. Weber, whom he has not heard from for two months. Sgt. Weber has been in campaigns at Guadalcanal, Tarawa and is now at Saipan. Quote "Dear Dad: Sure seems like a long time since I last got to write to you. But I guess I can write a little more often for a while. We have been very busy since the first day. I reckon I'll not have to tell you I am on Saipan. Take it from me, this is no paradise—at least now. You remember the three fellows I joined with? One of them was killed and the other two are okay. I think of all the campaigns I have ever been in, this one has been the ruggedest. Our battalion picked the hills—as usual—and that didn't help any. Sure will be glad to get out of this place—these field rations and foxholes just don't appeal to me. Am hoping to hear from you soon—so I'll know you are okay. Write soon, your son, Bill."

Guards

Three Guard teams competed for the A. S. Buyers Pistol Shooting trophy July 14, 1944. The winning team members are Lt. Wm. P. Downing, Sgt. Walter Leale, Newton Brown and Wm. Smelcer.

Glenn Darby is able to be back on the job.

James Andrews has joined the armed services.

Scott Precise is a new employee on the Guard Force.

The Money You "Can't Spare" May Spare A Soldier's Life

Mrs. Norma Edwards spent the week end at her home in Union, Ore.

Utilities

Miss Virginia Richards left Saturday for Ontario, Ore., where she will spend a weeks vacation with friends.

Stock Control

Mary Jane Laurie left for Portland Saturday night to visit her brother who is stationed there with the Army Air Corps.

Marie Loveland is a new employee of Stock Control. She was formerly employed at the Pendleton Air Base.

You Can Bank on Uncle Sam, He'll Give You His Bond

Motor Transportation

Dolly Correa left Friday for Seattle and Tacoma, Wn. While in Seattle she will visit her brother-in-law, Clayton Copper, who has recently returned from the Hawaiian Islands. She will visit Private Emery Ashbeck at Fort Lewis.

Guests of Miss Zola Patton over the week end were her mother, Mrs. Cecil Patton and Mr. Don Miller, both of Enterprise, Ore.

Headquarters

Frances Baker is vacationing in La Grande this week.

Marjorie Cochran has returned after a two weeks vacation at Rockaway on the coast. Her husband, 1st Lt. Walter Cochran, who has been on furlough, left Sunday by plane for Camp Lee, Va.

Card of Thanks

We wish to take this opportunity to thank all our friends at the Umatilla Ordnance Depot, especially the Utilities department, for making it possible to give our son, Earl, the best possible medical care. This help is sincerely appreciated.

Mr. and Mrs. Hogan Miller (Continued on Page Four)

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DAIRY SPECIALIST MAIN SPEAKER FRIDAY AT FARM MEETING

DAIRY TESTING IS DISCUSSED

Roger Morse, extension specialist in dairying from the state college, was a speaker at a well attended meeting of the Farm Bureau Friday evening. He spoke on the situation of dairying in general and stated that while the number of dairy cows was up but two per cent over 1943, production has been increased considerably more than that figure. Dairying is now occupying a better position than a year ago, he said, and predicted a continuance of this trend in post-war years.

The matter of testing of dairy cattle for tuberculosis and Bangs' disease was the subject of considerable discussion with Dr. R. R. Fast present. Pete Berg, representing a committee from the Hermiston Chamber of Commerce, stated that some forty per cent of the amount necessary to locate the present veterinarian here had been subscribed and that he hoped to have the remainder shortly. In a conversation with State Veterinarian Lytle in Salem that day he received the necessary information with regard to forming a testing area. In brief these appear to be: In a contemplated testing area it must be ascertained that dairy cattle are in the majority over beef cattle. Then 60 per cent of the cow population may be signed up for testing, when the county court may be petitioned to set aside the named area for testing. With this completed, testing of dairy stock will be compulsory in the area. At the present time it is contemplated to include the west end of Umatilla county and a portion of Morrow county which include the Irrigon and Boardman areas.

H. K. Dean, superintendent of the U. S. Umatilla Field station, extended an invitation to the Farm Bureau to hold their August meeting at the station, which was accepted. The meeting, the second Friday in August, will include the usual potluck at 7:00 p. m., instead of 7:30.

THERMOMETER JUMPS TO 103

The hottest day of the year was recorded Tuesday in this area when citizens were sweating to the tune of 103. This mark was quite high in comparison with reports from other parts of Oregon. Portland and Pendleton, 235 miles apart, each recorded 102 while other portions of Oregon varied up and down. Wednesday was hot and sultry but cloudy skies and threatening showers somewhat cooled the atmosphere.

The report for the week, according to Chas. Taylor, follows:

Date	Max.	Min.
July 12	90	64
July 13	88	55
July 14	92	50
July 15	91	50
July 16	93	63
July 17	98	55
July 18	103	53

CITY WATER NOW MUCH SOFTER

Mayor F. C. McKenzie has received a report of a sample test of the water from the new well for hardness and the result is quite gratifying. The old well near the reservoir on the butte has 190 parts per million hardness, and last year before the pump was installed in the fair grounds artesian well the water tested 100 parts per million hardness. The water sample recently tested shows only 60 parts per million hardness or a little less than one-third the hardness of the old well supply. This change from 100 to 60 parts per million hardness is due to the pumping for several months of a considerable amount of water from the underground source.

It may be hard to believe that this change of city water supply from 190 parts per million hardness of the old well to the present 60 parts per million hardness of the water from the artesian well will save the water consumers as much as the amount of water bills in reduced soap use. This has been proven in a number of eastern cities where city water softening plants have been installed. Besides there is the saving in the wear and tear of clothing washed in hard water and the convenience of soft water.

The report came from the office of R. H. Corey of Portland.

SCHOOL BIDS TO BE LET AUG. 1

Superintendent W. G. Kersbergen this week received information from C. E. Stewart, district engineer, Federal Works Administration, Portland, that bids for the new school buildings at Hermiston and Orndance will be let about August 1. No further information has been received here.

The unit at Hermiston, for grade school purposes, will be a 7-room affair and estimated to cost about \$56,000.00. The unit at Orndance will be four rooms with a cost of about \$23,000.00.

U.O.D. WINS WAR BOND HONOR ROLL

U. O. D. employees have put the Umatilla Ordnance Depot on the 9th Service Command War Bond Council's Honor Roll by subscribing, on payroll deductions, to more than 95% participation and 12% of pay. Sights are now being set to 100% participation with 15% of pay reserved for bonds. Figures as of July 1, 1944, show 96.8% participation and 13.9% of pay deducted for bonds.

The 5th War Loan Drive for cash sales has surpassed the 4th War Loan. Figures to date show purchases of \$45,425.00.

Col. A. S. Buyers, commanding officer, stated that he is very happy with the results attained. He further stated that the employees were building a future for themselves, in supporting so generously the 5th War Loan Drive.

FURTHER NEWS OF NYE AWAITED

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Nye received word about June 30 that their son, John Henry Nye, had received some injuries in the battle Saipan and was aboard a casualty ship. On July 5, Mrs. John Henry Nye also received word from her husband stating that he was aboard a casualty ship but he did not say very much about his condition. He intimated, however, that although he did not know where his boat was headed, he "hoped it was home."

No further information has been received since that date and both relatives and friends are anxiously awaiting further word.

INSPECTION OF TIRES CHANGED

Two types of tire inspection stations will shortly be designated in this area in order to make sure that no tire goes out of service before it has given its last mile of wear, McDaniel Brown, district OPA director, announced today, adopting a tire inspection program being inaugurated by the OPA throughout the country restricting authority for inspections to stations equipped to do a thorough, specialized job.

Official truck and passenger tire inspection stations will be authorized to inspect all types of tires for which replacements are sought, and in addition will make periodic inspections required by the ODT.

GUARDSMEN TO RECEIVE FULL EQUIPMENT HERE

Company E, 22nd battalion of the Oregon state guard, will soon receive full equipment, according to Capt. V. E. Daugherty, local commanding officer. This information, which originated from the office of Governor Snell, was released this week while members of the local company attended a bivouac at Camp Clackamas over the week end. It is understood that the war department is interested in maintaining the Oregon State Guard and is increasing federal allotment of arms, ammunition and equipment to this organization.

The local company is making extra effort to raise its personnel number to at least 45 and at latest reports the number had reached well into the 30 figure. Age limits of registrants are 16 to 50 years with Monday slated as meeting night.

At the Clackamas meeting, guard members were instructed as to use of gas and maneuvers in that field were demonstrated. Those going from here were Capt. Daugherty, Lt. Charles Friday, Sgt. R. F. Stanton and Sgt. Bob Russell.

LT. EMERT NOW LISTED MISSING OVER FRANCE

Word has been received by relatives locally that Lt. Alfred Emert, son of Mrs. W. A. Emert of Hermiston, is missing in action over France since July 4. No further details were given in the message from the Adjutant General. Lt. Emert is a bombardier on a B-24 Liberator.

Lt. Emert recently received an air medal for meritorious achievement while engaged in operations over enemy territory. He received his final training and his wings at Childress, Texas, prior to leaving for overseas duty.

Prior to entering the service in July, 1942, Lt. Emert attended the University of Tennessee and still later was a farm owner and operator. His wife at present lives in Seymour, Tenn.

NEGRO HELD FOR KNIFING SCRAPE

Sammy A. Fisher is in the Umatilla county jail in Pendleton under \$1000 bail following a fight with Emeal Sparks, another negro, in the Skovbo camp Wednesday evening. Sparks was painfully cut on the head and his right arm when he was attacked by his opponent with an open knife.

The arrest was made by local and state police, the latter taking the prisoner to Pendleton later that evening.

Logan Is Named Director

William E. Logan, postmaster, attended a convention of Oregon postmasters in Portland recently at which time various matters pertaining to postal operations were discussed. Mr. Logan was named as third class director. However, Mr. Logan seems somewhat slighted as Hermiston is now a second class office.

SARGENT GIVEN CONCRETE JOB

Frank P. Sargent of Hermiston this week was awarded the contract at the Umatilla Ordnance Depot for widening concrete loading piers for the sum of \$9,900.00. Work on the project will get underway immediately.

In addition to the above contract, Mr. Sargent this week was also low bidder and contract winner of a \$6000 sewer job and \$1600 pumping station project at Pasco, Wash.

AUXILIARY HAS NEW OFFICERS

The Hermiston Legion auxiliary held its annual election of officers last Thursday evening with the following selected for the coming year: Mrs. Jeannett Saboe, president; Mrs. Christina Greer, first vice president; Mrs. Tom Means, second vice president; Mrs. Ethel Clarke, recording secretary; Mrs. Grace Logan, financial secretary. The executive committee will be appointed later.

Delegates to the state convention, to be held in Portland August 10, 11 and 12, are Mrs. Helen Belt, Mrs. Marie Todd and Mrs. Jeannette Saboe. Alternates are Mrs. Grace Logan, Mrs. Laura Kelley and Mrs. Anita Moore.

Peggy Todd was present at the meeting and told of attending the Girls State held this year at Silver Creek Falls. Ellamae Grimm also attended the sessions. Both girls were sponsored by the Hermiston auxiliary unit.

STOCKARD SENDS HOME SOUVENIRS

In a recent edition of Bosn's Whistle, official publication of the Oregon Shipyards, Portland, appeared a picture of Anita Stockard, wife of Clement Stockard, seated beside a Russian battle flag, a German mess-kit, billfold of camel hide filled with foreign money, a piece of Java, and a flare gun taken on the Italian front. The trophies had been sent to Mrs. Stockard by her husband who is on the battlefront.

Clement is a son of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Stockard of Hermiston.

LOUDERMILK IS HIGH IN RATING

Henry E. (Elvin) Loudermilk, Radio Technician 3rd class, and son of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Loudermilk of Hermiston, recently won a rating of 84.53 and stood 16th in a class of 233 at the Naval Training School at Gulfport, Miss. The scholastic standing was as of July 7, 1944, and is considered exceptionally good.

Elvin is a graduate of Hermiston high school where he also was high in scholastics. He writes that his present address is H. E. Loudermilk, R T 3/c, Co. S. B. Billet 178 Section F, Naval Training Schools, Navy Pier, Chicago, Ill.

SHORTHORN SALE IS SCHEDULED

The Hermiston Livestock Commission Co. is announcing an addition to their regular Friday sale for July 21 when approximately 69 head of mostly Shorthorn and Guernsey milk cows, Shorthorn steers, heifers and some mixed breed cattle will be brought in from the Jess Arnold estate.

In addition to the above cattle, the usual assortment of consigned fat hogs, weaner pigs, miscellaneous cattle, poultry, and a variety of farm machinery and household goods will be featured.

NEW FUEL ORDER IS EFFECTIVE

"Hereafter, no delivery of firewood or coal can be made by a dealer to a consumer until the consumer has furnished the dealer with a signed statement of his annual fuel needs, the amount of fuel he has on hand, the purpose for which it is used and the place it is to be used." J. C. Scully, regional OPA fuel rationing representative announced today.

The order becomes effective July 20. Most dealers have forms for recording this information. Use of signed master cards is permitted and if master cards are used, statements necessary for subsequent deliveries can be made verbally to the dealer by the consumer.

SARGENT IS AWARDED SEWER EXTENSION BY HERMISTON COUNCIL

STREET PAVING SOON TO BEGIN

Frank P. Sargent of Hermiston was low bidder for the proposed sewer extensions to be launched soon on local property. Mr. Sargent's bid, which was officially accepted by the city council Wednesday night, was for \$4,944.00, in comparison with the highest bid of \$9,497.55. Other bidders were Martin & Dean, Portland; Frank Belvail, Pendleton; George Abraham, Portland; Hoffmeister & Janacek, Kennewick, Wash., and the Coast Construction Co. of Seattle, Wash.

The present sewer line on Fourth street will be added on to by two laterals, one extending to the Ritchie cabins and another to the Pulley cabins in the southern part of town. This needed addition will be greatly welcomed by residents in that area.

A shorter addition, but one involving probably more labor and inconvenience, will be built in the heart of town. Due to the fact that the sewer line running in the alley at the rear of the Union Cafe and the L. A. Moore furniture store is not deep enough for proper draining, it is planned to connect that portion with a deeper line running in the alley behind the Hermiston Food Store and the Hermiston Laundry.

The successful bidder must complete the proposed project within 60 days from the day he is given the "go ahead" signal. However, due to the fact that siphons for part of the construction need to be manufactured, a proviso in the completion clause states that the job must be completed 30 days from the date that the siphons are delivered on the job. It is thought that there might be some difficulty in getting speedy delivery on these siphons.

The latter improvement will mean that the new line will be dug across Main street and some inconvenience may result. However, it is thought that this phase will be rushed through as fast as possible.

Work of paving several streets in Hermiston has not been started as yet but Mayor F. C. McKenzie states that plans are being made for this needed project in the near future. Property owners will pay part of the cost of this paving.

FUEL OIL USERS ARE WARNED

A definite fuel oil shortage within the next few months is the prospect facing users of the commodity who are advised by the Office of Price Administration to do something about it if they want to avoid heating difficulties next winter. According to officials of the OPA this is no scare talk but a warning that must be regarded or there may be intense suffering before the winter is over.

Conditions arising from the summer campaign in Europe are direct factors in the announced scarcity. Whether the European conflict ceases by January or February or not, war needs will drain production resources and civilian supplies will be cut. Should the war in Europe come to a close around the first of the year it is said that heavy withdrawals of fuel oil will be made in order to fuel the Atlantic fleet for transfer to the Pacific zone.

The OPA advises that people depending upon this type of fuel not delay in using up their surplus coupons from last year as well as going into first period coupons of the new issue and buy all the oil they can store on their premises. The word sent out is to do this prior to August 30 as after that date there may be curtailments which will cut many users short of their allotments.

Former Hermiston Girl Honored

Mrs. Anna Briggs, who is visiting here from Dunsmuir, Calif., has received word that Miss Rosemary West, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. West, Grangeville, Idaho, has been granted a scholarship to Whitman college for the term of 1944-45. Miss West is one of 18 high school girls to receive this honor, which is based on leadership, industry, loyalty and scholarship. She is a former Hermiston girl when her father was manager of the creamery here.

Kinney Leaves For Service

Frank Kinney, son of Mrs. Ruth Kinney of Hermiston, left Thursday afternoon for Pendleton where he joined a group of inductees into the armed forces.



By Frank Marano—Milwaukee Sentinel

U. S. Treasury Department