

Headquarters
Lt. Millman entered the Post Hospital Monday.
Mrs. Marjorie Cochran spent Saturday shopping in Walla Walla.

West Area
Miss Fay Davis is in the Post Hospital.
Miss Gertrude Tichnor of Echo is a new employee in the West Area office.

Cpl. Earl Getchell arrived this week to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Getchell and sisters, Norma and Myra. Cpl. Getchell has been overseas for about three years.

Inspection
Earl Muse and Bill Young returned Monday from a field trip. They were gone about five weeks.
Miss Anna Marie Cooper returned Monday from a vacation in New Orleans, La. She made the trip by plane.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Jennings are spending two days in Yakima, Wn., attending to business and visiting friends.

Electric Shop
Esther Mordhorst had a birthday Monday and the Electric Shop celebrated the occasion with a surprise party for her. She was presented with a beautiful coffee maker. A cake baked by Mrs. Mulkins and ice cream was served. In lieu of candles which were not available they decorated the cake with a 40 watt red light (they assured her that the 40 had nothing to do with her age).

Clarence Williams is visiting his parents in Spokane, Wash., this week.

Frank Hary went back this week to get the deer he didn't get last week. He says he won't be back until he gets his game.

Personal
May Daugherty was on leave several days last week enjoying a visit from her sister, Mrs. Grace Dournian of Portland. Mrs. Dournian returned to her home Monday.
Nadyne McKenzie spent several days at Adams and Walla Walla visiting her parents. Her father has been quite ill.

Procurement
Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Clark were among the lucky hunters last week.

Control
Miss Lyndella Olson is recuperating nicely from an appendectomy. She is in the Post Hospital.

Payroll
Misses Joan and Colleen Bryson are vacationing for two weeks in California. They will visit Lancaster, Long Beach and Los Angeles.

Miss Thelma Holmquist attended a church meeting Sunday in Helix, Oregon.

Stock Control
Miss Ruth Means left Tuesday for Spokane, Wash., where she will attend Whitworth College.

Rail Transportation
George Morrison went to Spokane on a business trip last week end.

Misses Joyce and Jean Hendrickson have moved from Hermiston to Ordinance recently.

Post Hospital
Rumor hath it that Sgt. Morris Leib and Elaine Belieu are going to listen to Mendelsohn's Wedding March come Friday.

Utilities
The Machine Shop doesn't have tape enough to measure Jesse Dewey's chest these days since Mr. and Mrs. Dewey are announcing the arrival of a daughter born Monday morning at the Hermiston General Hospital.

Motor Transportation
The entire Personnel of the Garage surprised Dolly Ashbeck Saturday noon with a party given in her honor. She was presented with a beautiful console set. Delicious refreshments consisting of cookies and ice cream were served.

Here's one on Tiny Hindman. "Hunter Hindman" was out in the woods in search of a deer one fine day when an enraged bull elk put him up a tree. The elk finally wandered on and Tiny came down. I'll bet Tiny thought that if he had shot the elk he would have had a hard time convincing the game warden it was in self defense!

Medical Department
Congratulations and best wishes to Cpl. and Mrs. Clutterback, who were married September 28 at the Baptist Church in Pasadena, Cal. Mrs. Clutterback was formerly Miss Betty Ruth Stevens, daughter of O. H. Stevens of Omaha, Neb. Cpl. Clutterback came here from Traverse City, Michigan.

S/Sgt. McDaniels and Pvt. Zorist were "bitten" by the "hunting bug" Sunday. It's reported that the great sportsman, Pvt. Zorist, wandered around and got lost. They say he walked about thirty miles. How's your tootsies, Bill?

Pfc. Arthur P. Keacher arrived Monday morning from Santa Barbara, Cal. He has been assigned to the Medical Department.

The following have been elected to the Board of Directors of the U.O.D. Employees' Association for a term of one year: L. L. Mohr, Ione Case, Thomas Loyd, Max Piger, Ray Harmon, Bill Wilson and George Poland.

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UMATILLA ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE ANNUAL MEETING HELD HERE

BUSINESS GAIN IS REPORTED

A fine sized crowd attended the annual meeting of the Umatilla Electric Cooperative association held Tuesday afternoon at the U.S.O. club in Hermiston. The high school band, under the direction of G. C. Humphreys, played a short concert prior to the opening of the meeting which was in charge of Hawley J. Bean, president of the association. A. C. Houghton is secretary of the organization.

A highlight of the afternoon was the short moving picture of the Skagit project in Washington, sponsored by a representative from the Bonneville Power administration. The pictures were both entertaining and educational and greatly enjoyed by those in attendance.

R. L. Woolley, association manager, presented a graph indicating the increased business of the cooperative during the past 12 months. He stated that the average consumption for the year was 150 KWH per member per month for an average residential farm. This in view of the fact that there is a shortage of electrical appliances. A discussion was held of the business operation of the association, including an explanation of the use of meter cards and the method used in billing.

President Bean gave a short address in connection with comparing this association with other companies now being served with Bonneville power. The Umatilla Electric Cooperative ranks high in this comparison.

The following directors were elected by districts: 1, W. C. Kik; 2, H. J. Ott; 3, A. C. Houghton; 4, Minnie McFarland; 5, F. S. Green; 6, H. J. Bean; 7, Claude Meyers.

Directors in district 1 and 2 will serve for one year; districts 3 and 4 for two years, and districts 5, 6 and 7 will serve for three years.

In a drawing for door prizes, Stanley Tucker won an electric clock and John J. Lorenzen and Lillie McCulley were also awarded Christmas lighting pieces.

Mr. Woolley wishes to thank members of the U.S.O. staff for the use of the club's facilities and also Mr. G. C. Humphreys, high school band director, and his students.

MANY REGISTER FOR ELECTION

Over 1000 people have registered prior to the primary and general elections this year at Ordinance and Hermiston, according to Mrs. Margaret Fraser at the Oregon Hardware & Implement Co. A total of 500 registrations were completed prior to the primary election and 581 have registered prior to the November 7 election.

This figure ranks the highest in Umatilla county for new registrations.

LOCAL MEN AT LEGION MEET

Harry Kelley and Sam Moore of the Hermiston Post, American Legion, attended a meeting of Legionnaires in Pendleton Friday. Present was State Commander Penn Crum of Hood River and other Legion officials. The principal topic of discussion was concerning liaison work for returning World War 2 veterans.

The group attended a Kiwanis luncheon at noon with representatives present from Heppner, Milton, Freewater, Hermiston and Pendleton.

JIM STEWART IS FOOTBALL HERO

Although he is now in the armed forces, Jim Stewart, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Stewart, still finds his way into a football uniform. He recently was the hero of a game between the Fleet City, Calif., Bluejackets and El Toro squad when he recovered an El Toro fumble in the end zone for his team's only touchdown. "Big Jim", as he was affectionately known during his University of Oregon days, was prominently mentioned on several All-American teams during his college days.

Mrs. Jim Stewart is now in Shoemaker, Calif., visiting her husband. Their children, Frances Yvonne and James Richard, are visiting their grandmother, Mrs. Frances Stewart, here, while their mother is in California.

Proclamation

I, F. C. McKenzie, as Mayor of Hermiston, do hereby proclaim the period from October 16 to October 31 inclusive as official War Fund Campaign time. It behooves every loyal American citizen to aid to the fullest extent this worthy campaign which will help to lighten the load for some soldier in distress or some unfortunate child in need of help. Hermiston in the past has always done more than her part in these enterprises, let us continue this record.

Signed: F. C. McKenzie,
Mayor of Hermiston.

KERSBERGEN AT SCHOOL MEETING

W. G. Kersbergen, superintendent of Hermiston schools, attended a meeting of school administrators at Salem the first three days of this week. These conferences have been held for the past 10 years and Mr. Kersbergen has attended nine of them. He states that the attendance this year was probably the largest ever and that many topics of interest were discussed and many school problems aired.

Mr. Kersbergen returned to Portland Wednesday afternoon to attend to matters concerning the furnishing of the new grade school building.

HUNTERS SET FOR SATURDAY

Nimrods who specialize in game birds instead of the elusive big game will have their inning this Saturday when the season for pheasants, Valley Quail, Hungarian partridges and migratory game birds opens. Major interest, of course, will be centered on pheasants which are reported not as plentiful as in former years.

The bag limit this year is four male pheasants in any one day but not more than eight such birds in any seven consecutive days or in possession at any one time.

WESTLAND TO HAVE HEC MEET

Miss Warren, home demonstration agent of Pendleton, will be present for an all day meeting under the auspices of the Westland Grange home economics club Wednesday, Oct. 18, at the home of Mrs. B. C. Zeek, in the Westland district. A pot luck dinner will be served at noon.

Everyone in Hermiston and surrounding territory is cordially invited.

Eldon Saylor Commissioned

Ralph Eldon Saylor, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph G. Saylor of the Butter Creek district, received his commission as Second Lieutenant in the Army at graduation exercises held October 3 at Ft. Benning, Ga. Lt. Saylor was inducted into the army on September 9, 1942, and served with the 601st Field Army Bn. before going into Officer Candidate School four months ago. He is a graduate of Hermiston high school and was attending Oregon State college before entering the service.

FIRE DESTROYS QUANTITY COAL

A greater portion of about 75 tons of coal was destroyed in an early Sunday morning fire which completely burned the Tum-A-Lum Lumber Co. coal shed just north of the depot. Although the cause of the flames has not been definitely determined, it is thought that it was probably started by combustion. Although firemen and others reached the scene, very little could be done because of lack of sufficient hose to reach the flames.

The shed will be rebuilt immediately, according to R. A. Brownson, manager.

TRASH BURNING INJURES STREET

Several cases of residents burning leaves and other trash in city streets have been reported. In one case a fire was built in a newly oiled block causing considerable damage to the new oiled surface.

Mayor F. C. McKenzie stated this week that all practices of burning rubbish in the streets must be stopped at once. While in a scolding mood, citizens once more are urged not to flush rags and other articles down the city sewer as this practice is causing considerable concern.

EARL GETCHELL IS VISITOR HERE

Corp. Tech. Earl Getchell arrived here Wednesday afternoon to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Getchell, after 2½ years in overseas activity. He was accompanied here by his wife. Getchell entered the service in June, 1940, and since that time has seen many parts of the world. Much of his time has been with Aircraft Warning, by the use of radar.

Among places he has visited are Australia, Guadalcanal, New Caledonia, Admiralty Islands and Tonga Tobu. Although he has been in the battle zone many times he has suffered no ill effects from his experience.

Mulkins Chosen As Instructor

Randolph Field, Texas—Second Lieutenant Elmer L. Mulkins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Elmer Mulkins, Rt. 1, Hermiston, has arrived at Randolph Field to take training as a pilot instructor of the Army Air Forces Training Command. He is one of several hundred pilots, selected for their flying proficiency and ability to teach, who will take a month's course in Randolph Field's Central Instructors School.

N. H. A. GIVES NEW ORDER TO RELIEVE HOUSE SHORTAGE

Relief from the present housing shortage in the Hermiston area has just been made possible. George W. Coplen, regional representative of the National Housing Agency, announced today that this locality has been determined eligible for an unlimited number of residential conversion priorities. This action is in accordance with the recent announcement of the War Production Board and the National Housing Agency that such priorities would be made available in areas where NHA determines that housing shortages are causing extreme hardship.

Apartment houses and other existing dwelling units may now be remodeled or converted to provide smaller housing units. Applications for permission to convert or remodel such structures should be filed with the Federal Housing Administration, a constituent unit of NHA, at 515 Platt Building, Portland 5, Oregon. The applicant will be permitted use of materials contained in the War Housing Critical List and the rents charged will be under OPA regulations. Occupancy will not be limited to war workers.

Need for providing additional living units for general occupancy in congested areas has long been recognized but little could be done about it until materials needed to construct housing for war workers could be released.

STREET OILING IS COMPLETED

City streets of Hermiston have undergone quite a change in the past several weeks. The Western Rock Co. employees have been kept quite busy oiling, resurfacing and otherwise repatching the various streets about town. Probably the most drastic change is noted on Second street between Gladys avenue and Hurlburt street where trees have been removed and the street resurfaced.

Several firms and private individuals have taken advantage of the fact that the oiling crew was in town and have done considerable improving. At Stone's store a large parking lot has been oiled, and in numerous other places resurfacing has been done.

FORMER U.O.D. WORKER BACK

There will be happy reunion in the Wakefield family in Centralia, Wash., this week as S/Sgt. James Wakefield, 27-year-old Air Forces gunner returns home on furlough after a year in German hospitals and prisoner of war camps. He is one of a group of recently repatriated Americans, who have been brought to the Bushnell General Hospital at Brigham City, Utah, for specialized medical care.

S/Sgt. Wakefield is the husband of Mrs. Thelma Wakefield and they are the parents of a son, Lonnie, 3½ years old, whom the airman hasn't seen since he was only a few months old. Wakefield was wounded when his B-17 Flying Fortress was blasted by enemy flak during a raid over Germany. He is well known in Hermiston as he was employed here during construction of the Umatilla Ordnance Depot.

FIRST RAINFALL IN SOME WEEKS

The first rainfall in many weeks was recorded Wednesday, October 4, to give some relief to dry lawns which have suffered considerably since halting of city irrigation. A total of .06 inch was recorded, according to Chas. Taylor, local weather man.

The record follows:

Date	Max.	Min.
October 4	74	45
October 5	70	44
October 6	71	30
October 7	72	47
October 8	71	33
October 9	79	41
October 10	77	38

(A welcome shower came Thursday morning and is not included in the above figures. Ed.)

Kenny Bensel 2nd Lieutenant

Kenneth W. Bensel, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Bensel of Hermiston, was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Army on October 3 at Ft. Benning, Ga. He entered the armed forces in September, 1942, and served with the 694th Field Artillery Bn., Ft. Sill, Okla., before going to officer's training school. He is a Hermiston High graduate and was an Agricultural Major, in ROTC, and a member of Delta Upsilon at Oregon State college prior to entering the service.

ANNUAL DRIVE FOR WAR FUND TO GET UNDERWAY OCT. 16

HELEN BELT TO HEAD CAMPAIGN

With a goal of \$2,200.00, Hermiston War Fund Drive workers are mindful of the huge task confronting them in the next several weeks. The campaign, which gets underway Monday, October 16, and ends October 31, is part of the Umatilla county drive, with a quota of \$49,000.00, which in turn is a part of a state and national campaign. Quotas in other towns in this area are: Echo, \$1,200.00; Stanfield, \$1,000.00; Umatilla, \$800.00; Ordinance Depot, \$300.00; Ordinance Housing, \$500.00. Umatilla Ordnance Depot workers residing in the various towns will contribute toward that town's quota.

Approximately 70 per cent of the total money raised will go to men and women in the armed forces through the U.S.O., War Prisoners Aid and the Salvation Army, while the remainder will go to Boy Scouts, relief in the allied countries, and various Oregon child welfare agencies.

Mrs. Helen Belt, chairman of the Hermiston campaign, states that as in former years, the War Fund Drive eliminates all other drives with the exception of the Red Cross, March of Dimes and Christmas health seals, and that for this reason contributions should be in larger proportions. Mrs. Belt, who is absent from the city attending an executive board meeting, American Legion Auxiliary, in Portland stated that plans have been completed whereby every resident of the city will be given an opportunity to donate toward the fund.

It has been suggested that everyone donate at least one day's salary towards the fund. In Hermiston store owners will be asked to handle the solicitation in their own firms. Mrs. Belt states that the Hermiston Women's Service club will be instrumental in the local solicitation. Mrs. James Todd, president of the club, is calling a special meeting for Wednesday night, October 18, at the U. S. O. club at which time instructions will be given as to the details of the drive.

Special attention must again be called to the drastic need of the War Fund. Many of the charitable institutions of this nation, many taxed to the very limit because of the present war, are dependent on funds solicited during this drive. It behooves every true American to take an active part in making the many horrors of war a little easier to bear for those who are carrying the heavier loads. Complete plans of the local campaign will appear here next week, according to Mrs. Belt.

SEWING FOR RED CROSS POPULAR

A group of 28 women registered on the Red Cross Sewing roll for work Tuesday afternoon. Among the articles finished during the week were 10 ditty bags, four boys' trousers, one sweater and two lap robes. Girl scouts and Brownies, under the leadership of Mrs. T. J. Means, Mrs. H. H. Gailey and Mrs. Henry Kopacz, are helping on robes and ditty bags.

Refreshments were furnished by Mrs. E. L. Jackson and Mrs. Floyd Sherwood. Visitors attending from Boardman were Mrs. Minnie McFarland and Doris Lilly and from Umatilla were Mrs. W. W. Agee.

Hermiston Man Honored

Bluejacket Reed L. Ekleberry, 37, of Hermiston, received recognition as eligible to qualify for the petty officer rate of motor machinist's mate third class during recent graduation ceremonies at the Naval Training School (Diesel) on the Iowa State college campus, Ames, Iowa. Selection to attend the specialty school is based on the results of recruit training aptitude test scores. The course of study includes the use, operation and maintenance of diesel engines.

PROJECT FARM MEETS FRIDAY

The Project Farm Bureau will hold its October meeting Friday at Columbia park hall. New officers were elected at the September meeting and these will preside Friday. A pot luck dinner will precede the business meeting.

State and county Farm Bureau dues for 1945 are now being taken. The meeting is an open one and all farmers and others interested are invited to be present.

New Deal Harvest Time!

