

Headquarters—
Colonel Buyers returned from Washington, D.C. April 30. While there he went to New York to Columbia University where he attended the ceremonies of the graduation class of the Midshipman's school of which his son, Ensign Archie A. Buyers, was a member. When he returned he brought his son, Ensign Archie, with him who will be here for about twenty-one days.

Our sincere sympathies go to Main Kenneth Billington who was called to his home in Rye, New York, last week by the death of his son.

Major Homer Simola, who has been at the depot for about three years, will leave Saturday, May 5, for the Separation Center at Fort Lewis, Wash. Good luck, and happy landings, "Mr." Simola.

Mrs. H. C. Sutch is now in the Post Hospital. We hope your stay there is very short.

Inspection—
Earl Muse, ammunition inspector, who has been here quite some time, has transferred to Camp Blanding, Florida.

Mrs. Audrey Smith is a new employee at Inspection.

Clem Henry spent three days last week visiting his mother at Elgin, Oregon.

Stock Control—
We offer sympathy to Marjorie Tobin who was called to her home in Enterprise by the death of her mother.

Payroll—
Betty Juhnke spent the past week end visiting her parents in Wasco, Oregon.

Irene Munns spent Wednesday of last week shopping and visiting friends in La Grande.

Personnel—
Personnel said "Happy Birthday" to Miss Nerece Glasgow Monday when they had a party for her through the lunch hour. She was presented with a nice gift. A delicious cake baked by Eileen Brown was served.

Marjorie Gordon has transferred from Personnel to Plant Security.

Fiscal—
Hazel Finley, who recently underwent an operation at the Post Hospital is back on the job.

Invest in War Bonds—
Rail Transportation—

Janet McNabb who has been away for quite some time returned and is now employed in Rail Transportation Office.

Joyce Hendrickson, former employee, is now in San Francisco.

Patricia Watson is on the sick list this week.

Jeanne Carter who has been off work caring for her children, who had a siege of chicken pox and measles, has now returned.

Utilities—
Eddie Sene, former employee, is back on the job again.

The Resident Engineer now has an office in the Post Engineer building in connection with construction activities.

The Electric Shop celebrated all their "April birthdays" Saturday with a beautiful four layer cake, jello and whipped cream. Forty-eight employees enjoyed the party. Stratton "did the honors" of cutting cake as Saturday was his birthday. Other April birthdays were Glenn McCracken, Frank L. Hary, Phillip Aulton, Morris Close, Alexander Gibb, Clifford Wenzel and Don Roberts.

Mrs. Edna Mulkins almost started a riot (or exodus for Ritter by employees of the Electric Shop) when she announced that she had enjoyed fresh mountain trout and homemade butter on her recent visit there with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Arbogast.

For some unknown reason Don Roberts is a bit "touchy" on the subject of weiner pigs!

Magazine Area—
Gertrude Meade was presented with a lovely satin comforter as a farewell gift from the girls in the Magazine Field Office. Irene Reuber, formerly of Control in the West Area has replaced her.

Beverly Alexander who is also leaving was presented with a Lusite glass compact as a farewell gift from the office girls.

Wanda Gentry spent the week end in Pendleton.

Edith Bowen enjoyed a three day vacation in Portland last week.

Guests of Connie and Alice Frush over the week end were Petty Officer 2/c Clifford Woods and Seaman 2/c James Wadge from Colorado.

—Lend for Victory—Spent in Peace—

Box Factory—
Emery Mace is back after several days absence due to illness.

Laura Watkins is leaving due to ill health. She has been in the Box Factory for a long time and hopes soon to be able to return.

Guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Dexter are Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hobbs and children from North Powder, Oregon.

AMATEUR SHOW WELL ATTENDED SATURDAY IN LOCAL GYMNASIUM

JERRY PIGER IS PRIZE WINNER

Saturday evening a fine number of top performers "strutted their stuff" before a record crowd at the Hermiston high school gym under the able direction of the master of ceremonies, Max Piger. All acts were entertaining and the program was enjoyed by all.

First prize went to young Jerry Max Piger, age 5, who stole the show with his singing. Second prize went to the tumbling team from Ordinance composed of Billy Hunsinger, Jimmy McFarland, Merrill Manning, Bobby McVicar, Lynn Mohney and Raymond Buntin. Third prize was won by Misses Grace Nelson and Shirley Frazier with their song and dance act. Fourth prize was won by Billie Buntin and Walter Bearrows with their cowboy duet. Fifth prize went to Marilyn Miller, Janice Daugherty, and Maxine Hinkle with their tap dance number. Sixth prize was won by Joe McCoy with his guitar and vocal solo. Consolation prizes were won by Ina Jane and Sammie Parley and Miss Betty Jo Williams.

Specials on the program were rendered by individuals who did not compete for prizes. The numbers which added much to the program were excellent and greatly appreciated.

A band composed of Esther Frederickson, Evelyn Ford, Mrs. Max Piger and Ray Meade supplied music at different times throughout the evening. Miss Evelyn Ford pleased with several accordeon solos. Miss Esther Frederickson, talented violinist, rendered several numbers during the evening.

Others on the program were a special tap dance number by "Miss 'Guess-Wh' Petunia", vocal selections by Billie Munton, piano selections by Mrs. Glasgow, original sketch by Junior McVickers and Norvil Sasser.

Some unknown admirer of "Miss Petunia" the tap dancer, wishes to give her two dollars. If Miss Petunia will make her identity known, she may receive the money.

FUNERAL RITES ARE ANNOUNCED

Mrs. Frank Helms (Beulah Barker) passed away Tuesday, May 1, in Sacred Heart hospital in Spokane following an extended illness. She passed away at the age of 60, having resided for 54 years in the Echo and Butter Creek district. Funeral services will be held at the Echo Methodist church Friday, May 4, at 2:00 o'clock, with interment in the Echo cemetery. The Rebekah lodge will be in charge of the graveside service.

Mrs. Helms was born September 24, 1884, and in January, 1920, married Frank Helms. Surviving her are Mr. Helms, and three children: Mrs. Fred Rauch Jr., Mrs. James Elliott of Spokane, and Harriet Helms at the home in Spokane. Also four sisters and one brother survive: Mrs. Almira Kennedy and Mrs. Mary Ruckle of Long Beach, Calif., Mrs. Will Roberts of Ashland, Mrs. Alice McMullan of Portland, and J. H. Barker of Buhl, Idaho.

NEWS OF DEATH IS SHOCK HERE

The news of the death of Staff Sgt. Mike Haniuk on Leyte, February 21, was received here this week. Sgt. Haniuk, who was the fiancé of Miss Norma Getchell of Hermiston, was well known here and had a large circle of friends. He was killed just a week prior to leaving for the United States, his name coming next on the rotation list.

Sgt. Haniuk was killed when he attempted to rescue his buddy who had been injured. The story told by another buddy revealed that Sgt. Haniuk was shot once while trying to save his wounded partner. He got up and again attempted to reach him, this time receiving a fatal wound. His parents reside in North Dakota.

Bureau Meeting Is Postponed

The regular monthly meeting of the Project Farm Bureau, which was to have been held Friday, May 11, has been postponed until Friday, May 18. The change was made due to the dairy meeting which will be held at Columbia May 10. This arrangement will hold true for this month only.

U.O.D. Employees Awarded



—Cut Courtesy East Oregonian

At the Umatilla Ordnance Depot there are 232 employees who have had no unapproved absences for one year or more.

In November, 1943, a system of awards for attendance and adopted suggestions was inaugurated. The picture shows the emblems which are given for one year or more of service with no lost time and for an adopted suggestion.

The hanger bar shown at the top inscribed with the words "Umatilla Ordnance Depot" is given to each employee entitled to any award. This hanger bar is worn on the outer garment and from it are suspended the awards. There are bars for six months' and

nine months' service without lost time as well as those shown.

By March 1, 1945, 451 six months', 301 nine months' and 232 one year emblems had been awarded. In addition 139 employees of the Depot had made suggestions for improved operation and were presented with the Adopted Suggestion bar.

The rules for the award of service bars were set up largely as recommended by the U.O.D. Employees' Association and are quite rigid. No employee is entitled to an award unless he has worked at the depot for the required period without any absences not approved in advance.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL PLANNED

Daily Vacation Bible School, under the direction of the Hermiston Ministerial association, will begin in Hermiston on May 27 and run through June 1. Classes will be held in the Methodist and Baptist churches, and will include children from four years of age through high school.

Rev. H. V. McGee will act as dean for the school this year, and teachers and officers will be used from all of the cooperating churches.

Each class will meet daily, Monday through Friday, and the hours will be 9:00 a. m. through 11:30 a. m. On the last Thursday evening of the two week school, a program and display will be held at the Central Church of Christ.

Further announcements and information for parents will be published later.

LA GRANDE TRIP FOR TRACK MEN THIS WEEK END

Coach Frank Davison will leave Friday night with a group of Hermiston high school track men and George Harkenrider will take the remaining squad to La Grande Saturday morning where they will compete in the annual district meet. The team this year is the largest ever to attend a track meet at La Grande, and considering their record to date, are probably the best balanced squad. Although there is little chance for high team honors, it will be no surprise if several members qualify for the state meet in Corvallis, May 11 and 12.

Members of the team going are: Frank Harkenrider, Lloyd Hughes, Dan Pollett, Gordon Shown, Bill Schoonover, Frank Myrick, Jim Rugg, Bob Thomas, and Bill Rowell. The only events that the team will not be represented in are the pole vault, high jump and mile run.

An interesting event will be the third meeting of Frank Harkenrider, and Lamb of Mac Hi in the 880, each of whom hold one victory over the other.

Lt. Gerald White Still Busy

In a recent letter, Lt. Gerald White, who is stationed on an island in the North Pacific, he writes that they are still extremely busy trying to keep the mail coming and going. He is stationed with a postal unit, having been overseas approximately 11 months. In a recent record day, his crew handled 31,000 pounds of air mail coming in, and sent out, the same day, 11,000 pounds of air mail. There are 28 men in this unit. Mrs. White is a rural mail carrier in Hermiston.

Pvt. Frank Thorne Wounded

Pvt. Frank Thorne, formerly of this area, son of Walter Thorne of Haines, was slightly wounded at Luzon on April 11. He volunteered for the army on May 23, 1944. He finished his training at Camp Roberts, Calif., in December and spent a 10-day furlough with his wife and daughter prior to going overseas in January of this year.

SGT. NAUGHTON REPORTED DEAD

Mrs. James Naughton this week received a telegram from the War Department stating that her husband, Staff Sgt. Naughton, was killed in action over Germany December 24, 1944. He had been listed as missing since January 15 and since that time further word had been anxiously awaited. From the information received from crew members, it has been learned that six of the crew of nine were killed in the same crash.

Funeral services were held at the local Catholic church Tuesday morning, commemorating the death of Staff Sgt. Naughton. He is survived by his widow, the former Miss Barbara Connor, and an infant son. He is also survived by his mother, Mrs. James Naughton who resides in Victory Square.

LT. JACKSON IS WOUNDED

Word has been received here that Second Lt. James Jackson, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Jackson of Hermiston, was wounded in action in Italy April 18, receiving a head injury. It is thought that the wounds will not prove serious as he wrote a letter to his wife, who resides in Pendleton, three days afterward stating that he was receiving excellent care and that he was able to be about.

Local relatives and friends are anxiously awaiting further information as to his condition.

FAMOUS GENERAL LOCAL RELATIVE

General Courtney Hodges, whose name is ranked high in the present war, is a cousin of Horace Hodges, an employee of the Hermiston grade school. General Hodges, who now rates four stars, is a member of a famous family which has played an important part in warfare for several generations.

Mr. Hodges (Hermiston) fought over the same grounds that his cousin is now covering. He was injured in one of the skirmishes. His son, Courtney, who attended school here in recent years, is also in the armed forces and landed at Normandy, and is now following his famous uncle across France into Germany. He spent a furlough here some months ago.

NEW SLAUGHTER QUOTAS LISTED

Farm slaughter quotas have been re-established and it will be necessary for those farmers who intend to slaughter, sell, and transfer meat in 1945 to register by May 14 with the local OPA board. The farmers who are making applications for a slaughter permit must submit evidence of the slaughtering and marketing that was done by them in 1944.

If evidence cannot be furnished, then they cannot sell, transfer, or deliver meat in an amount of 400 pounds in any calendar year, according to Frank E. Hackler, assistant county agent.

SERVICE BOARD MUCH INTEREST

Much interest is being manifested in the Honor Roll service board which has been erected on Main street just east of the Oasis Theatre. The board contains approximately 400 names of boys in the service from this area. A complete list of the names will be published soon in order that any corrections or additions may be made.

The beautiful honor roll board, bordered by red, and headed by a huge eagle, was constructed by Rev. W. A. MacArthur with the aid of the shop boys at the high school. Others who have been instrumental in the project are Pete Berg of the Hermiston Grain & Feed Co., L. A. Moore, Dr. R. R. Fast, Vern Daugherty and The Herald office.

It is granted that there probably are some needed corrections but it has been a tremendous task to get a correct list of names. These corrections will be made as soon as they are called to the attention of Rev. MacArthur or The Herald.

PLANS OF RAPIDS DAM RUSH ORDER

An article in the Portland Journal Thursday morning contained the following item, originating in Seattle:

"Col. Ralph A. Tudor, Portland district army engineer, announced Tuesday the engineers have a 'rush order' to develop construction plans for a large dam across the Columbia river at Umatilla. Its estimated cost is between \$75 million and \$100 million."

The news was received jubilantly here.

LOCAL CHAPTER HOST TO GROUP

Umatilla Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, was honored by Queen Esther Chapter April 25th, with a very lovely degree put on by the local chapter.

Star members living at Ordinance, who have been coming to Queen Esther Chapter, presented Worthey Matron Rachel Jackson with a beautiful bouquet of pink rosebuds.

A beautiful degree was also put on for Mrs. Chloe Refvem and Miss Elva Berry of Stanfield, who are leaving soon to make their home in California. Each were presented with gifts from the Chapter.

Very delicious refreshments (yes, hot dogs with all the trimmings!) were served after the meeting, by the Ordinance members.

The next meeting will honor all Mothers and the men will have charge of the refreshments.

HERMISTON IS TENNIS WINNER

The Hermiston high school tennis racquet swingers, under the tutelage of Coach Frank Davison, won their first match of the season Wednesday when they defeated Heppner 3-2. The local racquet-eers displayed some excellent tennis but clearly showed lack of competition.

Roy Sires won in the boys singles from Ferguson 6-2, 2-2. Mary Arnold lost to Miller 6-4, 6-3. The boys' doubles team of Frank Harkenrider and Bill Schoonover defeated Pickens and Connor 10-8, 8-6. The girls' doubles of Cleda Nusser and Donna Jean Meyers lost 6-3, 6-4. The mixed doubles of Glen Wilcox and Doris Ann Daugherty won 6-4, 6-3.

CANNING SUGAR ISSUE TO START

The issuing of canning sugar will start May 15, it has been announced by the local War Price and Rationing board. Spare Stamp No. 13 will be valid, with absolutely no stamps given over the counter as all stamps must be mailed to those applying after the applications have been passed by the board. Applications should be made prior to the actual need after May 15.

It is urged that special care be taken of stamps for if they are lost or destroyed, they cannot be replaced. "Keep them in a safe place away from fire and children," is the warning.

Sugar stamp 36 which became valid May 1 will stretch over a four month period and no additional stamp will be validated prior to September 1, because domestic sugar reserves are at rock bottom. Local ration board in addition have been instructed to issue only up to 70 per cent as much sugar for home canning as they issued last year.

VOLUNTEER PROGRAM IS LAUNCHED HERE BY RATIONING BOARD

WOMEN TO AID WITH DETAILS

A new volunteer program is being inaugurated at the local office of War Price and Rationing board. This step was deemed necessary to obtain more help in the office where work has become too heavy for the regular clerks. With several busy periods in the immediate offing, including the issuing of canning sugar after May 1, extra help is urgently needed.

Mrs. Thelma Harkenrider Wednesday was appointed volunteer supervisor. Present at the organization meeting were Mrs. Frances Dobyms, Pendleton district supervisor, and Mrs. Pauline Scherer of the Portland office. Mrs. Harkenrider will recruit volunteers and will be in the board every Thursday from 10:00 a. m. to 2:30 p. m. Anyone having time to give to the board may call or come in to see Mrs. Harkenrider at that time or phone 2753.

Volunteer clerks on a regular status have been named as follows: Mrs. Daisy Best, Mrs. Marie Todd, Mrs. Frank Sargent, Mrs. Mabel Gimble, Mrs. Hugh Fraser, Mrs. I. C. Bohlman and Mrs. Ray Loosevult. Mrs. Best has worked many hours in the office during the past few years, working five days each week on a volunteer basis.

Extra volunteers who have signified intentions of helping in the volunteer program are Mrs. Inez Hoffman, Mrs. M. P. Casseday, Mrs. Al Quiring, Mrs. Beulah Simmons and Mrs. Winifred Norton. Others will be registered during the coming weeks.

The War Price and Ration program is considered one of the most important in war time efforts and anyone who has any time to devote to all this worthy effort is asked to contact Mrs. Harkenrider.

ANNUAL P. E. X. TO BE HELD FRIDAY

This Friday, May 4, at 8:00 p. m. will be a gala one for students of Hermiston High School when they hold their annual P. E. X. (Physical Education Exhibition) in the gym in honor of the May Queen and her court.

Supporting the entire production will be a picked band of 25 under the direction of Mr. G. C. Humphreys, local bandsman, who has made arrangements suiting each individual act.

The whole program centers itself about three dashing sailors—Mildred Lambert, Jerry Uleman, and Peggy Young—tripping around the world on the Goodship P. E. X. from this grand U. S. A. to parts unknown until they encircle the globe, finally arriving home.

Before completing their journey they will see many spectacular sights which have been carefully planned and rehearsed. Selections vary from featured folk to ball room dancing. This includes the newly developed modern dance and tap routines. Both boys and girls have strained muscles limbering themselves for specialized tumbling acts requiring regular practice. For variety the audience will be favored with one vocal solo and a minstrel act. So all in all, the program as planned promises to be one of variety which will be enjoyed by children, students, and adults.

Everyone has been practicing for weeks and, of course, at present participants are on the last minute details to whip everything into shape.

TOWNSEND CLUB TO MEET MAY 8

The next Townsend club social meeting will be held at the Townsend club east of Hermiston instead of at the USO club Tuesday, May 8, at 8:30 p. m. All members are invited and asked to bring a gift, as there will be a mock wedding and a treasure hunt.

Friends are invited to come and help eat the wedding cake.

NEW SHOE STAMP VALID AUGUST 1

A new shoe ration stamp will become valid on August 1, 1945, for one pair of shoes per ration book holder, M. R. Collins, district OPA shoe rationing representative, announced this week. Airplane stamps 1, 2 and 3 are now good and will continue to be valid indefinitely, Collins added.

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