

## BEN H. SCHMIDT APPOINTED "Y" SECRETARY HERE

Dr. Elliott, Chairman of Directors, Announces Selection of Outstanding Man.

Ben H. Schmidt, Appointment of Ben H. Schmidt of South Pasadena, Cal., as first general secretary of Medford's new Y. M. C. A. was announced Saturday by Dr. B. R. Elliott, chairman of the directors. Mr. Schmidt, who has been in Y. M. C. A. work since 1912, comes with the highest of recommendations from associates and co-workers, all of whom stressed his outstanding qualifications as a youth worker and counsellor.



Mr. Schmidt, his wife and family are expected in Medford about Sept. 1 and Dr. Elliott states that an active program will be planned at once. The newly appointed secretary was in Medford recently to confer with local directors and wired his acceptance shortly after returning home. He is familiar with this district, having spent vacations for the last eight years on a little farm on the Applegate highway across from McKee bridge. The Schmidts have four children, the eldest 21 years old and in the army.

Dr. Elliott and board members expressed themselves as being elated over securing a man of Mr. Schmidt's outstanding ability. Tracer Strong, Geneva Switzerland, with the World's Alliance of Y. M. C. A. and in charge of the "Y" program for prisoners of war all over the world, wrote, "Mr. Schmidt is one of those rare personalities who has the ability to remain young and to work in a personal way with boys." Another associate wrote "His ability to work with boys, to teach them, to lead them, and to inspire them is phenomenal," and still another wrote "Mr. Schmidt's success with boys and young men has been most spectacular."

**Leaving Regretted**  
From Ontario, Cal., where Mr. Schmidt was secretary of the Y. M. C. A. for nearly 12 years, the local board received many letters of praise and regret at his leaving, one civic leader writing "He has the greatest influence with boys of any man I have ever known" and another calling him on inspiring leader and counsellor.

Mr. Schmidt's record shows that he has been active in church and civic affairs in Ontario, where he was a member of the Kivans club and of the Methodist church. For the past year he has been serving as director of the Pasadena USO under "Y" supervision. The secretary first worked with the "Y" in Yakima Wash., and from there was in Eugene as boys' work secretary. He served in Tucson, Ariz., as boys' work secretary and physical education director. During the last World War he was in Missouri and Kentucky and Camp Lewis, Wash., with "Y" work and later was in charge of all physical education programs for Vancouver Barracks. For a time he was head of the business and finance department of the spruce division of the American army, Portland.

**Served in China**  
Following the war he was state boys' secretary for all of Washington and then was sent to China, where for more than four years he did boys' work. He then transferred and became a training secretary for two years

and later was language study and experimental worker for more than a year, spending altogether 10 years in the Orient. Dr. Elliott stated that the "Y" program would be aided in its start here by James Maxwell, Seattle, regional executive; Everett Harding, Portland, executive for Oregon for clubs outside of Portland, who is known here through Hi-Y work, and J. C. Tucker, high school teacher here through Hi-Y work, and J. in Medford Senior high school. The chairman added that a great many Medford people are becoming interested in the Y. M. C. A. movement here and are expressing a desire to aid the directors in any possible way in getting the program off to a good start as quickly as possible. Commenting on Mr. Schmidt's acceptance, Dr. Elliott stated he thought the wording of the acceptance telegram from the Schmidts was significant. It reads: "We humbly accept the general secretaryship of Medford Y. M. C. A. to work with board, directors and interested citizens to build a wholesome, richer Medford."

### Truckers Advised To Find Used Tires Wherever Possible

If truck owners in need of tires are able to locate used tires which will serve the purpose, and will put this information on their applications, in all probability the new emergency truck tire panel in Portland will grant permission for their purchase, it was stated today. It is reported that the extreme shortage of new truck tires is bringing to light some small supplies of used tires and the panel is anxious that these be used wherever possible.

J. H. Hedrick, district OPA tire rationing representative, states that only 50 per cent of the slim August quota has been allocated. He advises truck owners that all applications are being handled as promptly as possible and that if an application is turned down, the applicant will be advised at once.

**Resume Schedule** — A full schedule of activities will be resumed at Service Club No. 2 this coming week, it is stated by the club director at Camp White. Tuesday night will be bingo night and Thursday the regular informal dance will be held. Buses will leave the Riverside USO at 8 p. m. to provide transportation for hostesses. Saturday night a cabaret dance will be held in the Cafeteria. Volunteer Service corps hostesses planning to attend are asked to call Mrs. Ruth Boyd, corps chairman, or Miss Rena Semenza at the club.

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## BULLIS REELECTED CHAIRMAN COUNTY RED CROSS BOARD

Seth Bullis was re-elected chairman of the Jackson County Red Cross chapter at the August meeting of the newly elected board of directors. Other officers elected were: Mrs. Alfred Carpenter, vice chairman; R. G. Bardwell, secretary; C. L. Newland, treasurer.

Mr. Bullis appointed the following chairmen for regular services: Mrs. A. S. V. Carpenter, volunteer special services; Mrs. Harry Holmes, home service; J. C. Collins, disaster service; Miss Helen Bullis, home nursing; Maurice Tedrow, first aid; Mrs. Howard Colburn, nutrition; Miss Vera Humphrey, Junior Red Cross; B. E. Harder, war fund, and Mrs. S. E. Phillips, camp and hospital.

The chairmanships of water safety and public relations were left open for future appointments.

Thirty-five directors were present at the meeting. Various chairmen outlined their plans for future work and a short talk was given by Grant Fitch, active field director of Camp White. Mrs. John Young, wife of Col. Young, was elected a member of the board to represent army women.

The Ashland branch of the Jackson County Red Cross will hold its monthly meeting, August 24 at 7:30 p. m. at the Ashland Elks club.

### THE GRANGE

**Upper Applegate Grange**  
Upper Applegate Grange met August 12 with Master Christine Harr presiding. 31 members present and three officers absent. Mr. and Mrs. George Evans were obligated in third and fourth degrees.

Ways and means committee announced another dance for Saturday evening, September 2. Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Fish of Phoenix Grange were present and expressed pleasure at being with us again.

Lecture hour consisted of group singing led by Jesse Fish, violin and piano solos by Wallace Haskins and Eva McKee. Bertha Haskins asked quiz questions.



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## TOM TAMS TELLS EXPERIENCE ON INVASION CRAFT

Tom Tams, torpedoman's mate, second class, participated in the June 6 invasion of France as a crew member of the McCook, one of three destroyers which shelled the coast during the early hours of the invasion. Tams, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Tams, 219 South Holly street, has since written his parents that he came through the battle without injury and that "it wasn't as bad as I expected."

The part played by the three destroyers was described in the July 8 issue of the Saturday Evening Post, the writer having been aboard the McCook. The McCook's first task as the battle opened was elimination of a pillbox with six-foot thick concrete walls. The destroyed fired 250 rounds in 25 minutes, the report states, and during two days of continuous fighting the ship destroyed three major assigned targets and ten "targets of opportunity."

Torpedoman Tams wrote that his copy of the Tribune arrives regularly, in spite of battles and invasions, and he commented on the news of the contemplated swimming pool, which he hopes will be built by the time he comes back to Medford to stay. Copies of the paper are like letters from home, the young man wrote. He has been in the navy a year and a half, entering after graduating from Medford senior high school.

### PROSPECT AGE GROUP GIVE RED CROSS \$21.50

Townsend club No. 1 of Prospect sent in \$21.50 last week as a contribution to the American Red Cross, the secretary, Mrs. Nell Goode, stating that part of the amount was donated by them and the balance was from a card party given for the purpose.

The continued contributions are greatly appreciated by the Jackson county chapter, according to Seth Bullis, chapter chairman.

## CARD IS RECEIVED FROM CPL. DAVIS, PRISONER OF JAPS

A prisoner of war card from his son, Cpl. William E. Davis, military prisoner of the Japanese in the Philippine Islands, was received yesterday by E. R. Davis, Box 428, Route 2, Joe Jack Road. The card was a printed form, with both Japanese and English printing, and carried a typewritten message from the corporal, signed in his own handwriting. The message came from Philippine Military Prison Camp No. 4, near Manila.

The message read: "Dear folks—Just to let you know I am well. Please notify everyone of my address and be sure and write via Red Cross." This is the second such message received by Mr. Davis, the last coming last November. In the past, Mr. Davis has been informed that the prisoners were receiving no mail, but upon receipt of the card, immediately wrote thru the Red Cross, as instructed.

Cpl. Davis was taken prisoner when Corregidor fell. He has been in the army about 10 years and at the time of the battle of the Philippines, was in an anti-aircraft division. He has three brothers in the service, one in the navy and two in the army. Cpl. Davis also has several relatives residing in Medford and vicinity at present.

### FIELD REPRESENTATIVE FOR RED CROSS VISITS

Cecil Davis, field representative of the National Red Cross Disaster service, spent two days last week consulting in Medford and Ashland with Red Cross officials, accompanied by J. C. Collins, Jackson County Disaster chairman.

Because of the shortness of this field visit, Mr. Collins' plans for a meeting of the Disaster committee were postponed until Davis returns in about six weeks.

Mr. Davis, a resident of Eugene, and formerly chairman of

the district affected by Willamette floods, pointed out to local officials the well known Red Cross responsibility in disaster such as tornado, fires and that preparedness saves both lives and property when emergencies arise.

## 6TH COVER SPRAY DUE BY AUG. 28

The sixth cover spray for control of codling moth on late pears and apples should be completed by August 28, according to L. G. Gentner, Southern Oregon Experiment station entomologist, and C. B. Cordy, assistant county agent.

He advises using three pounds arsenate of lead, one-fourth pound Colloidal 77, one quart of stove oil per 100 gallons. Add to partially filled tank in order listed with agitator running. With astringent lead, use Multifilm instead of Colloidal 77.

To reduce pre-harvest drop add \$1.12 worth of any of the commercial hormones to 100 gallons of the above mixture.

For late scab on Nells add 1 1/2 pounds of ferate per 100 gallons or use a 5-5-100 Bordeaux.

### OREGONIANS LISTED

Washington, Aug. 19 —(U.P.)—The navy department tonight announced 323 casualties of the U. S. naval forces, including from Oregon:

Ames, Edward E., Cpl., USMC, dead, Salem.  
Usery, Robert C., Pfc., USMC, wounded, Portland.

The Revolutionary War battles of Concord and Lexington took place on April 19, 1775.

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**BIG REALTY DEAL**  
Santa Cruz, Aug. 19—(U.P.)—The largest real estate deal of the year was completed here today, in a transaction involving \$130,000.  
George L. and Sonja Holland purchased Casa Alta apartments from the Santa Cruz Seaside company, the latter in turn purchasing a 142-foot frontage on the beach side of Beach street.

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