

# War Bond Sales Started By Solicitors Monday

The sale of war bonds in the 7th war loan drive started Monday of this week after solicitors had been named last Friday to canvass all homes in every district in this part of the Nehalem Valley, Mrs. Ben Brickel, local chairman, announced Tuesday. The solicitors have been assigned districts which they will thoroughly cover in carrying out the canvass so that the quota in this drive may be reached. The quota figure is larger this time than that of previous campaigns due to the fact that only two war loans are to be launched

this year whereas three each year were formerly held.

In order to give the 7th war loan a boost, a mammoth meeting is scheduled at St. Helens May 28th, Monday, at 7:45 p.m. at the high school. Present at the meeting will be E. P. Sammons, state war finance chairman, and Capt. Robert Augur, veteran of Corrigidor and a prisoner at Bilibid for 23 months. Other features of the program there will be four short pictures: "Fury in the Pacific," "The Fleet at Midnight," "Landing at Iwo Jima," and a picture of the Tokyo Rose broadcast. As many local people as possible are asked to attend.

Named last Friday as solicitors and the sections they will cover are: Corey hill — Mrs. Homer Gwin, Mrs. Pete Wiedman and Miss Margaret Sturdevant; O-A flat—Mrs. Anita Marks; Vernonia east of Rock creek—Mrs. Frank Hartwick, Mrs. Leonard Johnson, Mrs. Emil Messing and Mrs. Mike Willard; Park addition—Mrs. Loel Roberts and Mrs. Fred Tousley; O-A hill to Mile bridge—Mrs. Ernest East, Mrs. Merle Ruhl, Mrs. Frank Riley, Mrs. Hamp Roberson and Mrs. Dick Fletcher; Riverview — Mrs. L. L. Wells, Mrs. Tom Crawford, Mrs. Claude Gibson; Vernonia business section — Mrs. Harry Culbertson, Mrs. John Kirk, Mrs. Gene Shipman and Mrs. Lyman Hawken; Wilark and Pittsburg—Mrs. Ralph Valpiani; Treharne—Mrs. Bert Tisdale; and Keasey—Mrs. Herb Counts.

## Board Outlines Park Program

Officially the city park playground and all its facilities will open for the summer on June 4th according to a tentative program which has been outlined by the city park board and presented the city council by Wallace McCrae for the council's consideration.

Members of the park board met with the council at its last meeting to present the outline and discuss the summer program. As tentatively established, the park will be open and under the supervision of Orle Robbins from June 4th to September 3rd. His hours on duty there will be from 10 to 12 in the morning at the playground and from 1 to 5 and 7 to 9 in the afternoon at the pool. The afternoon hours will be devoted to the playground on those days which are too cold for swimming. Mr. Robbins' day off will be Tuesday of each week.

Only a small amount of equipment is needed this year to round out the program, the board reported. Items needed are: horse shoes, a half dozen softballs and a small amount of wire. Other equipment needed remains from last year.

The park board also has suggested a war memorial to the council. In the suggestion is included: the acquisition of property for the memorial; planning; and setting aside a fund for post war park development.

Ray Mills and Cecil Johnson have been appointed to the park board to fill vacancies.

## Students to Get Year's Awards

Vernonia high school students will seat their new officers for the next year at an assembly Friday when awards for the year's work in different activities will also be made. The year's awards will include those for basketball, track, music, drama and public speaking.

Nominees for student body officers were made by the student council and student body and the election was held Wednesday for those who will fill the positions.

## CARS WRECKED FRIDAY

An accident occurring near Pittsburg last Thursday almost completely destroyed a car and a pick-up. The vehicles were driven by Bob and Jim McMullen. Some injury was suffered by the drivers.

## Red Cross Responsibilities No Less Due Collapse of Germany, Chairman States

"The collapse of Germany's fighting forces in Europe in no way lessens the American Red Cross responsibilities," E. M. Fisher, chairman of the Columbia County Chapter American Red Cross announced a few days ago.

"Chairman Basil O'Connor has informed me from Washington that everything possible must be done to maintain Red Cross services to American troops remaining in Europe; the wounded in hospitals, liberated prisoners of war, civilian internees and returned veterans, and to intensify our operations with the military in the Pacific and China-Burma-India theatres," Mr. Fisher said.

"The anticipated transfer of American troops from Europe to the opposite side of the globe and the expansion of the army and navy in the final push against Japan must be accom-

panied by a corresponding increase in Red Cross services in the Pacific and C-B-I commands. "Europe has been only one front in this global war, nothing has happened in Europe which reduces our overall burden for the next twelve months. There seems no likelihood of immediate mass withdrawal of American troops from the European continent.

"The Columbia County Chapter must put forth an even greater effort to carry on its share of the Red Cross programs. There are still a great number of kit bags to be made and filled, there is and will be a considerable amount of knitting and regular items of production to be produced for the military as well as great numbers of items and articles to be produced for the victims of war torn Europe and the far east.

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## MAY 30 PROGRAM BEING OUTLINED

The annual observance of Memorial Day is being outlined by the Women's Relief Corps and the American Legion and Auxiliary and will be completed for announcement next week. Tentatively, a program is intended for the Legion hall that day, May 30th, and all individuals and organizations wanting to take part are invited.

Arrangements so far include a speaker and a short parade.

## Parents Urged to Set Tonsil Date

Local medical authorities issued a statement this week to parents of this area that tonsil operations will be performed from June 1 to August 15 but not after that date. In order that parents may have these operations for their children before the August date, they are urged to arrange a time with their physicians as soon as possible.

Both the Oregon State Medical association and the State Board of Health strongly urge that no throat operation be performed after August 15th because infantile paralysis is more prevalent then.

## Boundary Board Sets Election

The Columbia County District Boundary Board has ordered a consolidation election to be held on the consolidation of school district 87 of Washington county and school districts 47 Jt., and union high school No. 1. Voting by taxpayers of the districts will be held Monday, June 4, from 2 to 7 p.m. at the Washington grade school.

In order to make voting easier and to save expenses incidental to the voting, both districts will vote at the one time and place with one election board handling the voting of the taxpayers of both the high and grade school units.

## Truitt Here Tuesday

Rollie Truitt, radio sports announcer, was here for a short time Tuesday from Portland. He met with the high school baseball teams of Vernonia and Jewell while they were playing at the city park that afternoon. Truitt is now conducting the Davidson Baking company baseball radio broadcast which commands a considerable audience here.

## Graduation Rites Planned

### Eighth Grade Students to Hear Erwin

Forty-nine eighth grade students will complete their work at the Washington school on Thursday evening of next week which is the date set for the eighth grade graduation exercises, Paul Gordon, superintendent, announces this week. Principal speaker of the evening will be Warren Erwin, state representative from Multnomah county.

The full graduation program includes: processional and recessional marches by Mrs. Maude Kobow and Miss Jean Ellen Irvine; Invocation and Benediction by Rev. Backer and Rev. Livinstone, numbers by the seventh grade sextet and James Stearns; presentation of awards by Mr. Gordon, Mrs. Lona Weidman and Miss Velva Ramsey; the address; presentation of diplomas by T. F. Keasey; and presentation of the class to the high school and acceptance by Mr. Gordon and Wallace McCrae.

Names of the students to graduate are: Lloyd Alexander, Mary Jane Armstrong, Calvin Levold Bass, Lois Marilyn Berger, Jimmie Brewer, Lurena Rae Cantwell, Orpha Coburn, Lester M. DeHart, Dellmar C. Dosh, Evelyn Marie Fuller, Alice Louise George, Goffery Gowen, Marilyn Graves, Raymond Hahmeyer, Mickie Hall, Florence Darlene Harms, Alvae Mae Harris, Maxine Anita Hartwick, Beverly Ann Herrin, Lester Paul Hershey, Albert Huntley, Dorothy Mae Huntley, Viola Mae Jacobs, Dolores Juanita Johnson, Sally Kaspar, Lela Arlene Kirk, Einard Carl Koski, Richard Arthur Lalli, Betty Jean Lewis, Kenneth Lindley, Grant E. McCabe, Georgia Joanne McDonald, Richard Roy Newton, John A. Normand, Roy W. Oakes, Robert Jesse Ray, Melvin Reid, Richard Dean Renfro, Derl G. Roberts, Genevieve May Schwab, Donald Edward Shepard, Pearl Lenora Siedelman, Dudley P. Spofford, Jr. Richard LaFrance Stearns, Alexander Sword, Clara Arlieen Thomas, Lawrence O. Thomas, Juanita Francis Weidman, William Matthew Wilcoxon.

## New Point Raise Effects Shortening

The point values of lard shortening, cooking and salad oils were increased from six points, the former value, to ten points a pound on Sunday, May 13, Willard F. Case, OPA food rationing representative announced.

The action was necessary by the war food administration's reduction in the amount of its allocation of fats and oils for civilian use, Case explained. He pointed out that the WFA decides how much civilians are to get of any food item, then the OPA handles the mechanics of rationing according to the available supply.

Industrial users such as bakers and others who use fats and oils will receive an adjustment in their second quarter allotments, Case explained. Applications for adjustments must be made in writing to the district OPA food rationing division, Bell building, Portland, between May 15 and June 5.

## DAMAGE \$200

An automobile driven by Frank Williams of Portland was wrecked to the extent of approximately \$200 near the Braun Shingle mill on the Beaver Creek road Sunday. The car was driven off the road, causing the accident. It was taken to Portland.

## THOSE WHO ARE IN IT

### M. P. VISITS HERE

Cpl. Normand E. Helland visited at the home of his sister, Mrs. Rex Normand, Riverview, over the week end. He is with a military police unit stationed at Fort Lewis, Wash.

### SIX MONTHS COMPLETED

Captain Donald F. Morris, B-17 flying fortress pilot and son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Morris, capped close to six months of combat duty with the eighth air force in bombing attacks against last-remaining nazi positions.

Decorated with the distinguished flying cross and the air medal with four oak leaf clusters, for outstanding achievement and courage while helping to pave the way of allied armies to Berlin with bombs, Captain Morris has braved savage enemy flak and fighter opposition to carry out assignments against important German installations stretching from the Rhine to East Prussia.

Captain Morris serves with the veteran 390th bombardment group which has been cited by the president for skill and daring in battle, and which shares in another presidential citation award for aiding in the third air division's epic shuttle attack on Messerschmitt plants at Regensburg, Germany. The group holds a war record for the destruction of enemy aircraft by a lone group in a single engagement, having shot down 63 German fighters over Munster, Germany, on Oct. 10, 1943.

### MAINTENANCE DIRECTED

An eighth air force fighter station, England. Over a period of eight months, Tech Sgt. Hugh E. McDonald, veteran aircraft crew chief from Vernonia, directed maintenance work on P-51 mustangs which have completed 59 consecutive missions over German territory and completed 371 combat hours without turning back because of mechanical failures.

T-Sgt. McDonald, who has been serving overseas with his group for the past 19 months, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. McDonald.

### GETS DISCHARGE

Sgt. E. V. (Lige) Robertson, brother of Cleve Robertson, has received his discharge from the army under the newly instituted point system. The discharge was received last Saturday after he had reported for duty following a furlough during which time he visited here with relatives. Sgt. Robertson is a veteran of North Africa, Sicily, Italy and Southern France and was in the states on a 45-day furlough from Strasburg, Germany.

The sergeant was with the 3rd division acting as platoon sergeant in the communications section of the infantry.

### HERE ON LEAVE

RIVERVIEW—John Wilcoxon, S2c, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Wilcoxon, who spent a 21-day leave here, left Friday for San Diego where he will continue his job of cooking for Uncle Sam's sailors.

### HERE SUNDAY

Lt. Bob Acord was here last Sunday from Portland, where his mother and sister now reside, to visit with friends. He is home after serving in Italy with the 15th AAF and completing his 50th bombing mission as bombardier.

### TRANSFERRED

RIVERVIEW—Geo. W. Wood, S1c (AOM), who has been stationed at Alameda Cal. has been transferred to Shoemaker, Cal. according to word received this week from the war department by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Wood. His new station is Taden.

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## Baccalaureate To Begin Senior Class Exercises

The 28th annual graduation exercises for seniors of Vernonia high school begin with the baccalaureate services at the Christian church this coming Sunday evening at 8 p.m., Principal Wallace McCrae has announced this week. Rev. W. O. Livingstone will officiate for the evening and the high school glee club will be the choir. Class members are in charge of the decorations and music.

The Sunday services will be followed Wednesday evening by commencement at the Washington grade school auditorium at 8 p.m. Graduating seniors and the audience will hear Dr. D. V. Poling of the Oregon state system of higher education deliver the evening's address.

On the basis of their four-year grade averages, the class Valedictorian is Tommie Lou Holcomb who will also make a short address. Class Salutarian is Phyllis Bonislaw. Miss Holcomb's average for the four years is 95.29 and Miss Bonislaw's, 94.97.

Officers who have led the students during the past year are: president, Glenn Justice; vice-president, Lloyd Stuve; secretary, Dan Rollins; treasurer, Helen Fowler. Advisors have been Miss Freda Beck, Mrs. Alvenia Martin and Mr. McCrae.

Of the class roll of 34 students, four are now in the service and one more may leave before the commencement exercises. Those who have already left are Max Millis, Jimmie Johns, Glenn Justice and Douglas Culbertson. Ralph Sturdevant is the student who may report before next Wednesday.

Students of the class are: Florence Berger, Ralph E. Bergerson, Dolores Bergstrom, Phyllis Bonislaw, Shirley Ann Brady, Otto Walter Browning, Douglas Culbertson, Joe Enneberg, Marietta Errend, Helen Lorraine Fowler, Josephine Hanel, Ruth Hausler, Ivan E. Hess, Thelma M. Hobin, Tommie Lou Holcomb, James T. Johns, Glenn D. Justice, Duane Lane, Fred Larson, Marjorie Lolley, Bessie Colleen Lusby, June Adele McDonald, Max R. Millis, Betty Jean Mizell, Jack Nance, Shirley Lee Ray, Ralph Roediger, Dan Rollins, Dorothy Sasse, Jack Solberg, Ralph H. Sturdevant, Lloyd Stuve, Marvin D. Turner, Vona Weidman.

## Poppy Sale Dated For May 25, 26

Once again the members of the American Legion Auxiliary will devote their efforts to the distribution of memorial poppies here on May 25 and 26, Mrs. Freda Biggs, poppy sale chairman states. The flowers will be available on the two days to assure everyone the opportunity of wearing the memorial to the fighting men of both wars.

There is no fixed price for a poppy, whatever is given being welcome. The little boy's pennies and the business man's dollar are equally acceptable.

Every cent that is given for a poppy goes toward the rehabilitation of disabled fighting men and to aid the children of the dead and disabled.

## Shorthorn Official Here

J. E. Oakley of Signal, Ohio, member of the Ohio Milking Shorthorn Breeder's association and George E. Kennedy, manager of Broadmead Farms at Amity were here for a short time last week to discuss shorthorn matters with C. Collins Guptill, publisher of the Dual Shorthorn magazine which the latter started publishing here a month or so ago.