

Three More Spies Sought
Washington—Hundreds of thousands of posters are displayed throughout the nation showing pictures of three more German terrorists who either are already in this country or on their way here to join the eighth already on trial, with orders to launch a deadly wave of destruction throughout America. All are "honorary" graduates in the murderous practices of the German High Command's School of Sabotage; all have lived here and have German family connections through which they hope to operate in blowing up railroads, power and munition plants, department stores filled with women and children and other designated objectives. In New York, clever aliens were caught with 100 aerial photographs showing bridges, tunnels, water-supply stations and power houses, each circled to show the bombing range. Nine were Germans and two Italians.

Inflation Arrives!
New York City—While congress wrangles over the control of food prices to block inflation, the New Yorker is digging deeper into his pockets every week for the bare necessities of living. To begin with, all last week many cuts of meat were not obtainable. Like gasoline, there was plenty of meat, but not in New York; unlike gasoline, meat never reaches this market by water, yet neither railroadmen, packers, or New Deal "economists" could explain the disappearance of the meat in transit. Apples, rotting on the ground on up-state farms because nobody will pick them, are 50 percent higher in price than last March. Lamb jumped 10 percent higher in price than in any other similar period in 20 years, and chickens followed with a 9 percent "boost."

Nelson Saws Wood
Washington—While the political pot boils merrily in the White House and on Capitol Hill, Donald Nelson, head of the War Production Board, who learned about business from a mail-order catalogue, goes right on getting important things done. War spending is now keyed up to \$158,600,000 a day. Production of essential war materials in June was three times that of last November only a month before Pearl Harbor. It now takes 36 percent of the national income to arm and equip our men and our Allies; back in '39, while Germany and Japan were singing us to sleep with the help of Mr. Chamberlain and his umbrella, were paying a miserly 2 percent premium on a life-policy covering our very existence as a nation.

Tales Can Now Be Told
Portuguese East Africa—Arrival here of a refugee ship bearing several hundred American war correspondents and missionaries in exchange for a like number of Japanese prisoners from U. S. A. lifts the veil from stories of atrocities that show the Japanese to be equally as well schooled in murder and brutality as his German masters. All correspondents were arrested as spies, robbed of all personal valuables, and subjected to long torture before being exchanged. English, Canadian and Australian soldiers captured at the fall of Hong Kong were shot without even being prisoners, but U. S. submarines operating off-shore prevented moving the vast stores of loot which Japanese hoodlums had piled in huge dumps ready for transport back to Japan. Hundreds of white women were raped, their throats cut and then thrown into common graves. All stories tallied on one point, that the Japanese were well paired with his German overlords as the most savage degenerates of recorded history. Two thousand Americans still remain in Japanese-occupied China.

Unlabeled Gets Own Dose
Chicago—James Petrillo, the czar of alien origin, who tells America what music it may listen to with his august consent, had the tables turned on him when the National Broadcasting company refused to broadcast a concert from Grant Park, which he sponsors personally. Last week he denied the air to the foremost high-school orchestras in the U. S., and has also forbidden his union slaves to make talking machine records. This week the federal government begins two separate investigations into the various musical rackets that pay Petrillo \$46,000 a year plus enormous "expenses."

Boys Upset Town
New Milford, Conn.—Business in this thriving town came to a practical standstill when two 8-year-old boys rified the post office boxes of five concerns, including two banks, and tore up a bushel basket full of mail, together with hundreds of incoming and outgoing checks.

Reach Deadline for Cars Without Fed. Stamp

Tagging of cars and trucks not bearing the \$5 federal use stamp has begun, Internal Revenue Collector Clark Squire announced today, following a receipt of a wire from Washington, D. C.
Persons whose vehicles are tagged will be notified to report to a certain internal revenue office. The law provides penalties for drivers as well as for owners of unstamped autos.
The \$5 stamp, which went on sale June 10, will be available from now on only at internal revenue offices in Seattle, Spokane and Tacoma. In case a motorist writes any of those offices for the stamp, federal regulations require that payment be made by money order or certified check.

Chamber to Protest Removal of Local Doctors

Two here, 3 at Pasco, to go into army soon; ask replacement

A prompt and vigorous protest is to be lodged with the procurement and placement division concerning the lack of local medical protection. This action was determined this noon at the meeting of the chamber of commerce upon hearing the information that both the local doctors and three of the five physicians of Pasco are to enter the army the first of September. Both Dr. Stevens and Dr. deBitt have passed their physical examinations and are expected to be inducted the first of September.

While it was the feeling at the luncheon that it would probably be useless to ask that one at least of the doctors be allowed to remain here, the community should not be left without ample facilities for the care of health. Pointing out that with but two remaining doctors to care for a population of 12,000 to 15,000 people in the two towns, while other sections had a ratio of one doctor to 1,000 people, provision should be made to send older men, past military age, here to protect the district.

Not only are the two local doctors already overworked, but with a greatly enlarged population at the local war industries the situation will rapidly become worse. The Kennewick doctors average now, more than 700 patients a week—a load, according to the doctors, which could well keep four doctors fairly busy.

The lack of hospital facilities will also be stressed in the message to the procurement department, as an added inducement to have Kennewick's doctors replaced for the duration.

Motor Boat Races To Give Benefit Regatta Sunday

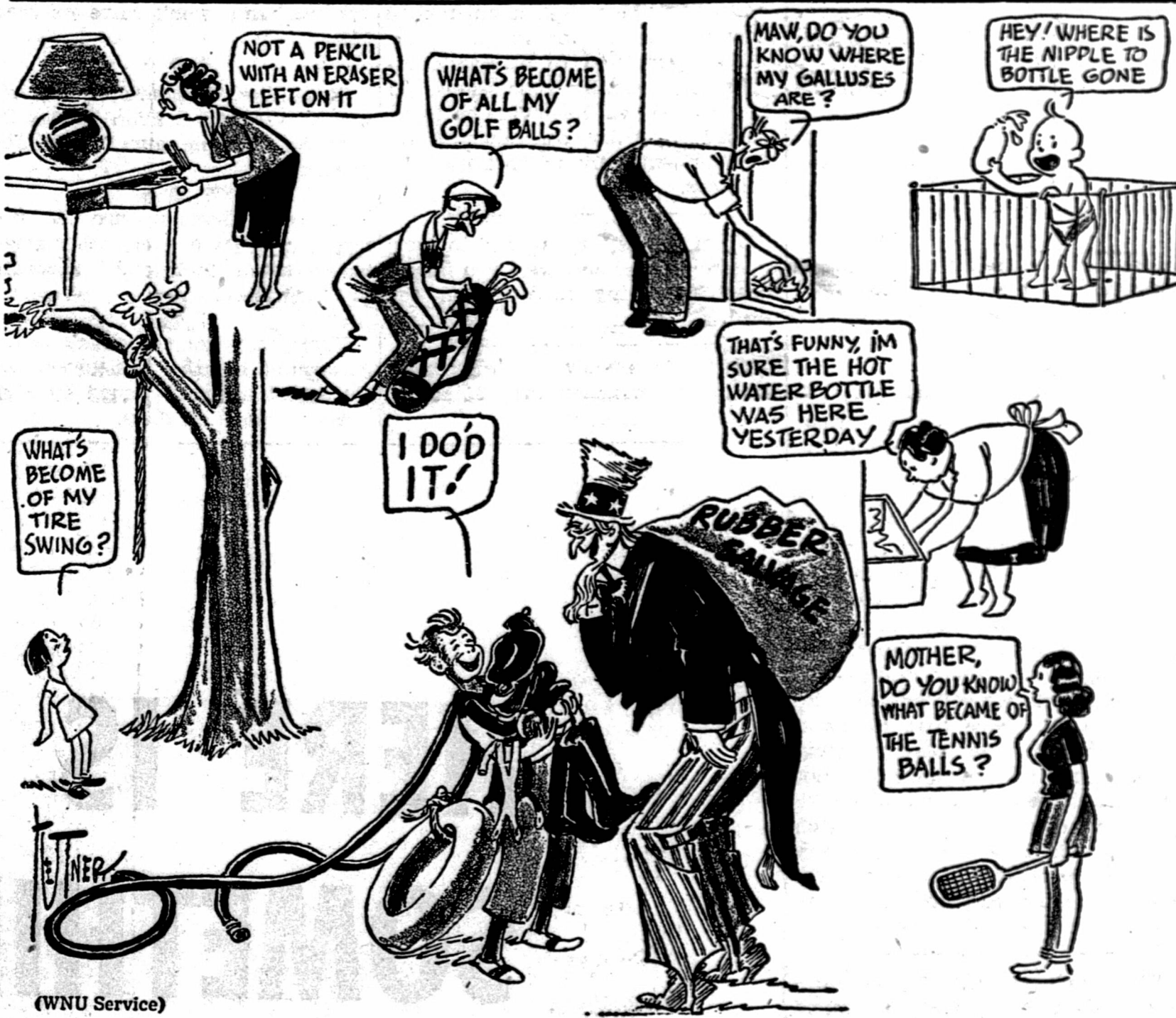
Speedy boats, crack drivers to compete in USO benefit

If you're a motor boat fan, keep Sunday afternoon open, for you'll have a date down at the river. Fast boats, good drivers and plenty of excitement are in store for those who thrill at the drone of an outboard motor.

The affair is a benefit for the USO and is staged by the Oregon Outboard association—the same group which staged the races here last Fourth of July. At that time thousands of fans lined the banks and watched one of the best regattas staged during the season. On the occasion no one crashed or even got dunked.
The show will start at 1:30 and races in all three classes of boats will be run in heats.
The west's fastest speed boats and some of the best drivers in the business will be entered. This will be the only major event of the kind in the Northwest this year, some of the drivers being furloughed from the service especially to compete, as it is a benefit for the USO. Half of the proceeds will go to the drivers as prizes, the other half being divided between the USO organizations of the two towns.
The Kennewick Kiwanis club is sponsoring the Kennewick share of the preparations, ticket-taking, etc.

Mrs. Odes Sloan went to Spokane Thursday to be with her husband, who is in the Sacred Heart hospital there. Friday Sloan underwent a major operation after having spent several weeks in the hospital for treatments.

There's a Rubber Shortage at Home, Too!



Station Cancels Field Day Event

Annual field day at the Prosser branch experiment station will not be held this year, Harold P. Singleton, superintendent, reported Saturday. The event was to have been August 25, but like other field days and celebrations have been cancelled because of the war.

County agents will be asked to bring groups of farmers to the station to view the experiments and have them explained if they wish to do so, Singleton said.

Cancellation of the event will save considerable expense in getting ready for it. If it were held it would be contrary to the program of saving rubber and gasoline and would not be in line with the feeling against gathering of large crowds during the emergency, Singleton explained.

Tire Board Issues Recap Certificates

The local tire rationing board Monday night issued the following certificates: Truck tires to H. J. Leibel and Paul Pasche and a truck tube to W. S. Webber. Two obsolete tires and tubes were issued each to H. A. Giese and H. W. Dillon.

The following each got certificates for two truck recaps: Less Pain, E. B. Olson, C. E. Evler and A. E. Reid. Thad Grosscup got three passenger recaps and two each were granted to G. F. Britton, C. R. Cooksey, B. N. Drake, W. S. Green, Woodrow Duncan and R. C. Dimond, while C. K. Dimond got one passenger recap.

Canning Sugar

Citizens wanting more canning sugar are requested to call at the local rationing board office before August 15th, officers asking prompt application so as to help the board with its book work.

OUR BOYS IN SERVICE



CPL. WARD F. LARSEN
Recently received rank of Corporal Technician and is in the Medical Detachment of 30th Inf., somewhere in California.

Wilbur Ash Is Now Second Lieutenant

Staff Sergeant Wilbur Howard Ash of Rt. 1 was recently graduated from the Officer Candidate course of the Quartermaster School, located at Camp Lee Va., and received a commission as a Second Lt. in the Army of the United States.

His class consisted of specially selected enlisted men of the Quartermaster Corps, who demonstrated to their local commanders and selection boards that they possessed the qualities of leadership and initiative necessary for officers of the Quartermaster Corps.

Benton REA Cuts in on Bonneville Power This Week

Mgr. quotes savings; serve 985 rurals over 330 miles of line

Electric power was delivered to the Benton REA for Bonneville account July 24 over the Pacific Power & Light transmission lines.

The Benton Rural Electric Association, Prosser, will have its power costs reduced nearly two-thirds during the coming year, Manager John B. Whitehead said today in commenting on the new low wholesale rates just announced by the Bonneville Power Administration for ten REA-financed rural distribution systems in Eastern Washington, Oregon and Northern Idaho.

The Benton REA Cooperative would have saved \$7,333.00 or 63 percent of its 1941 wholesale power bill, if the Bonneville rates had been in effect last year, Mr. Whitehead pointed out. The cooperative bought 925,380 kilowatt hours of electricity in 1941. The new retail rates, effective August 1st, will save the REA farmers from 18 to 40 percent, depending on the number of kilowatt hours used each month.

Benton Rural Electric operates 330 miles of line, which furnish electricity to 985 rural consumers in Benton and Yakima counties. Construction of the power lines was made possible by loans from the REA amounting to \$339,875.00.

Mr. Whitehead stated that the extension of Bonneville rates to the Benton system is being effected under a power exchange contract providing for delivery of Bonneville power over the lines of the Pacific Power and Light Company. The cooperative will buy its power direct from the Bonneville Power Administration instead of from the private company as formerly.

Similar exchange contract arrangements are being made by the Bonneville Power Administration with the Washington Water Power and Pacific Power and Light Companies for nine other REA-financed systems. These nine and the Benton Cooperative bring to 21, the number of REA systems which will receive the low rates on public power generated by the Bonneville Power Administration. The 21 systems operate 7,705 miles of line and serve 16,224 rural consumers.

Councilman Wants Merry-Go-Round

It would astound most people to know the number of valley folk who visit the local park each year, according to Larry Oliver, chairman of the park board. With the addition of a playfield, the number would be very greatly increased, he thinks, and as chairman of the board, he is laying plans for the installation of playfield equipment.

Providing, of course, that he gets the backing of the community—and it is possible to secure said equipment. Therefore he is asking for comment from the public.

The city owns enough additional undeveloped land at the east end of the park area to provide room for the equipment and the installation would not be particularly expensive the councilman thinks. A merry-go-round and a ferris wheel are available from a carnival that is no longer operating, he thinks, and he plans to investigate this situation. Other equipment is available and a more or less complete group of entertainment devices can be secured.

His idea is to operate the riding devices at a very nominal charge—enough to pay operating costs—and as often as there is a demand enough to warrant the operation.

In the meantime, he would like to hear comment, one way or the other, concerning his plan. He's sold on the deal and thinks the city should pay more attention to the entertainment of the younger people—particularly at the park, where now the only entertainment facilities are the tennis courts.

What do you think? Tell Oliver.

Christian Church Gives \$50 to China Relief

Tomorrow another bank draft will be forwarded to the China Relief. Since the last draft, the contribution bank in the printing office has received contributions very slowly, only about five dollars being put into it. Yesterday, however, the bank got full when the Christian church brought in a check for fifty dollars.

OUR BOYS IN SERVICE



DONALD O. JOHNSON, T.M.3c
Connected with a submarine repair unit located in the Pacific

Lt. Hughes, of Hover, Reported Missing at Cebu

Lt. Harrison Hughes, of Hover, who was at Bataan when the war broke, has been reported missing, according to word received by his mother on Monday of this week. Mrs. Hughes had had no word since the outbreak of war from her son, who was then at the island of Cebu in the Philippines.

Following a long period of silence from him, Mrs. Hughes wrote to Congressman Hill to try to find out if anything had happened to her son. Word was received from the war department that he was reported missing, possibly a captive of the Japs.

Hughes was with the 20th Pursuit Squadron.

Spectacular Fire Destroys Grange Warehouse

Biggest single loss was of grain sacks; elevator not filled

One of the most spectacular fires the community has witnessed in years occurred last Friday at midnight when the warehouse and grain storage elevator belonging to the Grange Warehouse Co. was destroyed.

The fire was of unknown origin, bursting into brilliant flames within a few minutes after it was first discovered. The loss is estimated by Manager J. C. Swayze at about \$40,000, which was covered by insurance. The largest individual loss was that of grain sacks, both new and used ones, which were required for the current wheat harvest. Approximately \$7,000 worth of sacks were destroyed.

The elevator and storage sheds to the east were total losses, while the grinding room, enclosed within cement walls, prevented the fire from spreading to the office section of the adjoining building. Both the sheds and the elevator were new construction and made a spectacular blaze of such proportions that the department from Pasco was called to help control it.

The grain elevator contained a comparatively small amount of barley, Mr. Swayze said, although in another month the warehouse would have been filled with grains of various sorts.

The fire burned for a couple of days, the walls of the elevator falling at noon the next day after the fire started. Rubbish smoldered for a couple of days after that.

A sketch of the fire, done by Mrs. Larry Newsome was on display in the Courier window the next morning and attracted considerable attention and favorable comment.

Candidate Tells C. of C. Why He Entered Campaign

Les Babcock seeks legislative job; good government only aim

Les Babcock, operator of the Washington Chief service station on the highway, has filed as a candidate for representative for this district on the republican ticket. The district comprises Franklin, Benton, Klickitat and Skamania counties and is entitled to two representatives and a joint senator. Two democrats have filed from the lower end of the district, but Babcock is the only candidate from the east end of the district and the only republican to file for the position. He served in the 1939 session as a representative from Pend Oreille county.

Babcock was asked to tell members of the chamber of commerce this noon why he had filed for the office. He said that it was something that gets into a man's blood after he has served. He said he had become intensely interested in state government by his experience previously and felt that he could be of value to the state and this district by his service.

He said that he had no axes to grind, was not a crusader for any group or organization, but was primarily interested in good government and did not feel that the number of bills introduced was any measure of a legislator's ability. As a matter of fact, he said, it would be a good job to have the legislature sit for a couple of months and cancel a whole maze of laws now on the statute books which are out of date and many of which were drawn for special interests.

Local Draft Board Lists Essential War Time Activities

Classification explains items in occupational grades

The War Manpower Commission has provided for the Director of Selective Service a list of essential activities by broad industrial groups. This list may be used as a guide by the Selective Service System, in determining those activities necessary to war production and those activities essential to the support of the war effort, and thus to assist in determination of the classification of registrants in Classes II-A and II-B and in classes III-A and III-B.

The occupational bulletins forwarded the agencies of the selective service system will provide information concerning those activities necessary to war production and essential to the support of the war effort, and those occupations within such activities which are considered "critical," and the known supply of trained, qualified or skilled persons to fill occupations.

"Included in this list of essential activities are most all phases of agriculture, including, marketing and assembly services and industries doing food processing," Gerald Foley, chairman of Benton County Local Board commented today.

However, when considering a question of occupational classification, it should then be determined that it is a civilian activity necessary to war production or essential to the war effort by its meeting one or more of the following tests:

1. That the business is fulfilling a contract of the army, navy, maritime commission or other governmental agencies engaged directly in war production;
2. That the business is performing a governmental service directly concerned with promoting or facilitating war production;
3. That the business is performing a service, governmental or private directly concerned with providing food, clothing, shelter, health, safety or other requisites of the civilian daily life in support of the war effort;
4. That the business is supplying material under subcontracts for contracts included in one of the first three above; or,
5. That the business is producing raw materials, manufacturing materials, supplies, or equipment, or performing services necessary for the fulfillment of contracts included in any of the above.

Having found that the business in which the registrant is engaged comes under some group which would classify it as an essential activity, it must then be determined if the registrant should be classed as a "necessary man" or if he could be found replaceable.

As the war effort progresses and nonessential activities are curtailed, many of those employed in nonessential activities will become available for more essential employment. Many registrants deferred by reason of dependency will leave nonessential employment and seek employment in or training for essential activities. Persons engaged in nonessential activities should not cease their present employment until their services are needed in some essential activity. The Federal Government will make known the opportunities for training and employment of qualified and skilled persons in essential activities so that this shift of employment may be made with the minimum disruption to the welfare of the community, the family, and the individual, consistent with the prosecution of the war.

Killed in Training

Word has been received here this week of the tragic death of William B. Jenkins, former well-known Kennewick boy. He was in the air corps and was killed in a bomber crash in Tallahassee, Florida last Thursday.

Billy was born in Kennewick 26 years ago and lived here nearly all his life. He was the son of Mrs. Meddie Schuaz and grandson of Mrs. H. C. Zinser of Kennewick. He was well known and liked during his life in Kennewick.

Lloyd Robinson Enlists in the Navy at Seattle

FINLEY—Lloyd Robinson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Robinson, has enlisted in the navy and left Monday night for Seattle. If he passes his examination successfully, expects to leave at once for San Diego. Mrs. J. McKensy and Mrs. L. Sellers visited friends in Hover Saturday.