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## BUY BOMBER IS HANFORD'S ANSWER TO INVASION

### Project Band To Organize

Hanford Engineer Works is going to have a 50-piece band, and instruments and music have already been ordered, it was announced this week by the business manager of H.E.W. Employees' Association, sponsoring organization.

Membership is open to both men and women on the project, whether they live in Hanford or Richland, where concerts are to be given, or one of the other surrounding communities.

#### Many Musicians Needed

Although membership in the band is growing, many more musicians are needed, and it is urged that interested persons make known their abilities at once. Names and instruments played should be reported to Paul Toombs or Jim Carter, Phone 8442.

Wanted for the organization are players of the following instruments: trumpet, trombone, baritone, alto, bass, clarinet, saxophone, flute, piccolo, drums, bells and marimba. Instruments will be furnished those who do not have them.

#### Professional to Direct

Director of the band will be Paul Clark, former professional concert violinist, band and orchestra leader. Clark, employed since 1935 by the U. S. Engineers, was slated to be guest conductor of the National Symphony Orchestra of Costa Rica, but was transferred to this project shortly before the date set for the concert last year. Prior to abandoning music as a career in 1930, Clark had traveled extensively in every state and province of the United States and Canada and had made several tours of South America. He will be remembered for his violin solos at the opening of Hanford Theatre last December.

Announcement of rehearsals for the organization will be made later.

### Labor Gains Contestants

With one more lap to go in the Safety Picture-Puzzle Contest, the Labor-Carpenter competition tightens up with Carpenters maintaining a slight edge over Labor, tabulation of entry results revealed today.

Although the contest is entering its final stretch, Central Safety points out that the competition is still anybody's race for the 21 prize awards. Reprints of the eight picture-puzzles that have gone before may be obtained through job foremen.

Object of the contest is to find and list the hazards in the weekly picture series, prizes going to those who find the most safety "don'ts."

#### Bulova Watch Given

First prize in the contest is a 21-Jewel Bulova wrist watch, with 20 other prizes for runners-up.

Two Second Prizes: Detrola table model radios.

Three Third Prizes: \$25 War Bonds.

Five Fourth Prizes: Parker Pen and Pencil sets.

Ten Fifth Prizes: Flashlights, pipes, belts and billfolds.

All prizes are on display at the Sears-Roebuck store.

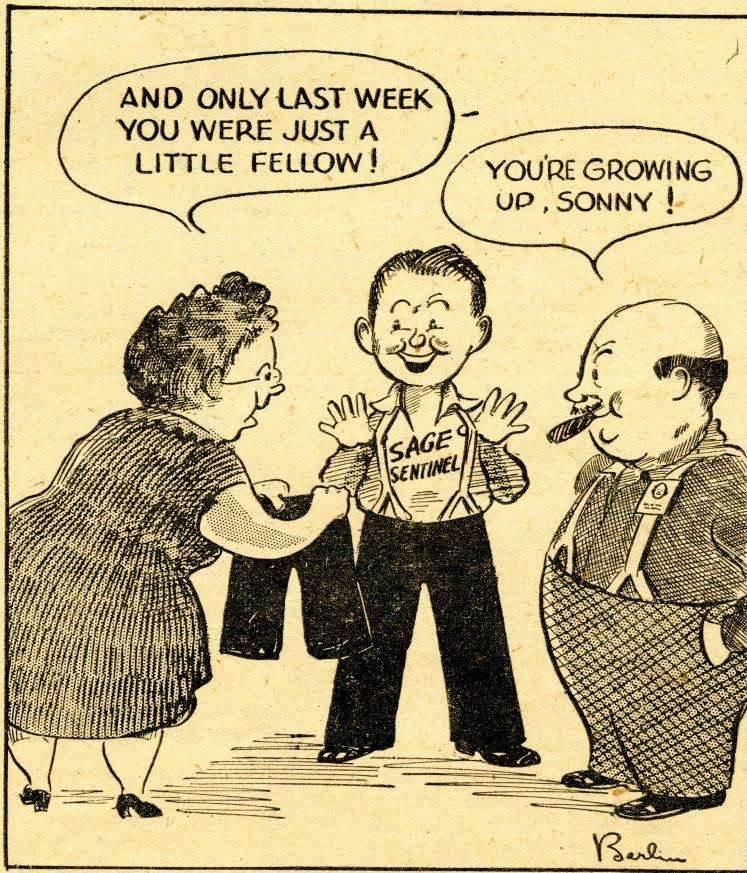
All field workmen below the rank of foreman (including sub-contractors) are eligible to enter. No women or office workers are permitted to submit entries.

This week's puzzle, ninth in the series, is on page 4.

#### DANCE TOMORROW NIGHT

The regular Employees' Association Dance will be held tomorrow night from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. It will be the official opening of the new Auditorium.

### Growing Up!



### Sage Sentinel Increases Size

The Sage Sentinel appears today in its new size, made possible by an allocation of additional newsprint stock by the War Production Board.

The Area Engineer notified the H.E.W. Employees' Association, publisher of The Sage Sentinel, just before presstime on this issue. Hurred reorganization of the editorial material resulted in this issue reaching you in its new tabloid size.

The editors of your paper received the authorization for a larger paper with the full realization that a critical paper shortage exists, and that it was given only because the paper is filling a great need on the project. They stated that the policy of the paper will continue to be the biggest use possible of every square inch of space to carry the news needed by readers to help them push project work to the utmost.

The larger size not only will provide more space and more adequate news coverage, but it will permit more economical printing of the paper itself. Larger presses now may be used, releasing manpower and lessening time of printing. These savings will be passed on to the readers in the form of more current news.

### Driver Awards Made To Winners of Week

Safe Driver of the Week awards of two theatre tickets each have been made to D. A. Harris and Mrs. R. A. Fullmer for their safety consciousness.

Harris, a carpenter on the project from Columbus, Georgia, has been driving a car practically every day since 1914 and already has two citations for safe driving. When observed this week driving through barracks streets, he showed particular skill in handling a car in an emergency.

Mrs. Fullmer, this week's other winner, comes from Salt Lake City, Utah, and while in Hanford is employed in the Blue Print Department. She has been driving a car for seven years and has never had an accident during that time.

When presented with their awards, Harris said he felt Hanford women drivers were far above average; Mrs. Fullmer gave credit for lowered accidents to good mechanics.

### Text of Approval Telegram From Washington, D. C.

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### Electrical Craft Bumps Bricklayers to Garner Lead in Presenteeism

The Electrical craft provided the shock this week in the Absenteeism standings by taking the lead away from the Bricklayers who had held it ever since they entered the contest several weeks ago as a separate craft.

The accomplishment of the Electricians was tarnished slightly by the fact that they actually slipped a little from their percentage for the previous week.

The project-wide total was 7.7 per cent slightly poorer than the previous week's 7.2 per cent which stands as the record.

In the craft standings the Bricklayers were a surprised second with 5.3 per cent. Pipe and Paint, both persistent contenders and leaders at one time or another, were tied for third with 6.6 per cent.

In contrast with the previous week, when all crafts registered improvements in their percentages

### Notary, License Office

Hours of the Notary Public have been changed to 10 a.m. to 12 Noon and 2 p.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Friday. Hours are the same on Saturday with the exception of an 8 p.m. closing time.

### Campaign To Collect Day's Pay Pledges Starts Monday

### Trucks, Bank Sell E-Bonds

Bonds of H.E.W. folks continue to pile up against the enemy as the Fifth War Loan Drive goes into its third week of "we're behind the boys at the front."

Over-subscribed on War Bonds by more than 1000 per cent, Position Specification, Wage Compliance Groups, proudly holds up its record for inspection.

As the campaign progresses, a record of the craft standings in bond purchases are being posted on the Bond Board in front of the Time Office. Using weighted averages to allow for size and pay in various crafts, each department will have an equal chance to win in the competition.

#### Buying is Easy

For convenience of craftsmen in buying bonds, two bond wagons circulate daily from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Schedule for the No. 1 truck is: Monday and Thursday, Hanford and 101 Building; Tuesday and Friday, Richland and 300 Area, and Wednesday and Saturday, Central Shops and 200 North Area. Bond Wagon No. 2 will go to the 100-F Area, White Bluffs and Leazer Spur on Monday and Thursday; 100-B Area and Riverlands on Tuesday and Friday, and 100-D Area on Wednesday and Saturday.

#### Banks Open Nights

In addition to the mobile units for bond sales, Hanford Bank is open from 1 to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday. Richland Bank bond hours are from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Saturday, with an additional two hours Monday from 7 to 9 p.m.

The Fifth War Loan Series E Bonds are sold in convenient amounts from \$18.75 to \$750. These amounts represent 75 per cent of their redemption value 10 years hence. War Bonds yield the highest rate of interest—2.9 per cent—of any United States Government securities.

### Community and Theatre Buildings No. 2 to Open

Opening of Community Building No. 2 on Sixth Street immediately North of Mess Hall No. 5 and scheduled opening of Theatre No. 2 on Sixth Street between "A" and "B" Avenues within the next week has been announced.

The Community Building occupies the former location of Barracks No. 201, and its four wings house a chapel for church services, soda fountain and snack bar, pool room, barber and beauty shops, and indoor and outdoor dance and recreation pavilions. Operation of the unit will be on a seven-day week basis.

Theatre No. 2, which will open soon, will operate on a program equivalent to that at Theatre No. 1.

### Reminder to Motorists

Purchase of Federal Use Tax Stamp must be made by June 30.

except two, the Earthworks and Concrete Labor crafts were the only ones bettering their previous week's showings.

The craft standings: First, Electrical; Second, Bricklayers; Third, Piping and Paint; Fourth, Earthworks; Fifth, Carpenter and Rigger; Sixth, Reinforcing; Seventh, Mechanical; Eighth, Labor and Concrete; Ninth, Transportation; Tenth, Carpenter Labor, and Eleventh, Concrete Labor.

Following invasion news, a spontaneous patriotic movement has sprung up among H.E.W. employees to buy a bomber to add to the European battle's vigor.

Taking the form of a campaign to start Monday for a week-long period to close July 3, pledges of a day's pay are asked from project employees. To aid in the drive, subscription forms will be distributed among the various craft members, actual cash payments being collected between July 3 and 15.

#### Give Certificates

Each person making a pledge will be given a red, white and blue bomber button and a certificate as a share owner in the bomber, according to plans of the committees in charge.

Simultaneous with the donation drive, a contest will be conducted in The Sage Sentinel to name the bomber. Details of the contest will be announced later.

#### Name Leaders

Craft leaders who will head up collection of the pledges are: Millwrights, W. H. Scott; Steamfitters, C. C. Neal; Plumbers, G. M. Brown; Labor, F. Cusick; Carpenters, G. G. Normand; Office, N. R. Lipke; Electricians, J. E. Dixon; Transportation, Paul Dockman; Firemen, J. C. Hidebrink; Engineers, C. V. Adams, and Paint, Archie Halloran.

Other leaders in the drive are: Linemen, E. A. Olsen; Hospital, M. M. Shaw; Patrol, R. E. Morris; Boiler Firemen, R. L. Earin; Mess Halls, L. E. Tewksbury; Sheetmetal, W. B. Kent; Concrete, Roy Pyles; Janitors, Al Winkleman; Reinforcing Steel, Garry Millman; Earthworks, Leo Dewitt, and Rigger, F. R. Moore.

### Hanford Employee Gets Eighty Days for Ration Violations by OPA Court

J. J. Donovan, formerly an employee of Hanford Engineer Works, is now in Federal jail, doing a stretch of 80 days for making false statements on a Government application for additional gasoline and for illegal use of rationed gasoline.

Donovan, together with the six men who signed his application for supplemental rations, was tried by OPA attorneys, after the case had been investigated by OPA Enforcement Division, and he was convicted and sentenced in the United States Federal Court in Yakima.

The information was that although Donovan was living in the barracks, he made application to drive to and from work, and used the gasoline received for that purpose to drive to neighboring towns and to take a trip to California.

The six men arrested with Donovan were given a severe lecture by the Judge in Federal Court, and the charges were dismissed against them. They had signed the application, stating that they were going to ride with him to and from work, but they had never ridden with him. He received 40 days on each of the two counts and is serving the sentences concurrently.

### Five Chippers Killed in Storage Tank Collapse

Five men were killed and two seriously injured last week when the underpinnings of a storage tank being constructed at 200 West Area collapsed, the catastrophe being the most serious in H.E.W. history.

All men were chippers in the employ of a sub-contractor. The dead are Delbert A. Hickey, Bartlesville, Oklahoma; I. M. Scott, Everett, Washington; J. C. Moore, Yakima, Washington; Charles I. Brazeal, Sanford, Texas, and C. A. Qualsett, Petersburg, Nebraska.

The injured men are Ted J. Sitters, Harshorne, Oklahoma, and G. F. Scott, New Plymouth, Idaho.



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## SERVE IN SILENCE

On June 3 radio listeners heard a radio flash that the Allies had landed in France. True, there has been an invasion, but there was none on the 3rd, nor was there any until some three days later. A false report—in this case, unintentional—had slipped out through the carelessness of a wireless operator in England, but it had circulated like wildfire.

Last week too we read of another slip—this one from the lips of a former major general. He is quoted as asserting prior to the invasion's occurrence that it would definitely take place before June 15. This would appear to be more than careless.

So far as we know the enemy did not benefit by these slips. The big secret of the time and place for the proposed invasion, and in what force, was kept from the enemy—at least, initial successes would so testify. The collective personal efforts of the countless soldiers, sailors and marines involved had effected apparently a virtual blackout of the information the enemy needed to meet the attack.

The enemy is always anxious to know the when, where, what, who and how details regarding any of our plans, stratagems or any activities of military importance. Ordinarily, the enemy's job of detection of these details is easier the broader the scope of the activities and the more widely the knowledge of those activities is shared.

In the invasion activities, the censorship was strict and tight, but, with isolated exceptions, it was the collective individual sense of patriotism that made the trustees (individual soldiers, sailors, marines and all the rest) keep their faith.

Here at Hanford we have a guarded, restricted reservation of military importance, though we are far removed in point of space from the invasion and its battle tempo, our security job is big; in fact, because we are so far removed, the need for security is apt to seem inconsequential—and our job is, therefore, that much bigger. Each of us possesses some fragment of seemingly unimportant information—some, more of these fragments than the rest of us. Who is working on this job? How many? Where is the project? How large? What is the nature of the production equipment? What is the project designed to produce when? Bits of information—answers to some or all of these questions—are being collected here, so far from the fighting front, by enemy agents listening to our conversations on and off the Project.

That a newspaper has wrongfully published any item of information does not mean that we are thereby licensed to do likewise. We do not know the extent this newspaper information was circulated. Remember our patriotic duty—our challenge. The enemy may not know details of size, scope or nature of this Project. Are we going to make his job easier? Remember, we're on the side of those boys coming onto the beaches from the Channel. Let's have no slip of the lip that will help the enemy here at Hanford. Let's keep Fritz and Tojo in the dark.

Let's all serve in silence. Silence Means Security.

## IT'S OUR INVASION

The great invasion of Europe is on!

Thousands of high explosive bombs are dropping, day and night, on our enemy's installations. Our boys—the cream of the crop—are doing the job.

We on the home front have paid for these instruments of war—bond for bomb. Our mites have made their might. We cannot keep them up there if we let them down here.

Let's not waste too many words on the bond drive. Most of us are intelligent and patriotic. We know what is expected of us. We know that it is better to be whipped into action than whipped in action.

Right now let us not use stereotyped phrases to fire our imaginations. The job is there to be done. We are the ones to do it. DO IT!

## WHAT THEY SAY

We've got to provide eight tons of supplies every month—including everything—for each man we bring to the Central Pacific. In the Aleutians the job is 25 per cent greater.—Rear Admiral J. J. Gaffney, Navy Pacific Supply Chief.

Until we are prepared to concede that a larger welfare and a higher good than our own national policy must guide decision of an international tribunal, there is no real basis for international cooperation.—Supreme Court Justice Robert H. Jackson.

## Hanford Tales Live, Colorful

Coming here two years after Washington was made a state, "Ivvy" Wright, foreman at the White Bluffs Ice Plant, has had 53 years of interesting, factual and first hand experience for the listener.

"White Bluffs, at first, was scheduled for the district which is now known as 100-F," relates Mr. Wright "however, the officials disagreed during the discussion of locating the new town, and the two factions split up. One group established Hanford, and the others began the settlement of White Bluffs. For quite some time a lively feud existed between the two towns, both trying to out-do the other in gaining new settlers, etc. Hanford, perhaps, had a slight advantage—as the little, chuggy river steamer touched at Hanford's shores before it reached White Bluffs, and sometimes passengers intended for White Bluffs, by some mysterious means were persuaded to stay at Hanford."

Before this time, in order to get supplies, the men would "pack" to Ellensburg—a six day trip. If they ran out of provisions meanwhile, they would do without. Mail would reach them every three months.

From a little community of five families to our modern encampment is quite a step—an intriguing and fascinating one—and Mr. Wright has seen this panorama of the West take place.

One of our supervisors, J. F. Sembover of Training & Relations, was "on the job" before the two towns were disbanded, and witnessed the closing chapter of this "Tale of Two Cities." The following is an account of his impressions and reactions as given to "The Sage."

"Those hardy citizens of the two communities who had lived through early disappointments when neither town grew to the size predicted were aware at last that White Bluffs and Hanford had a destiny, but not the one which had been envisioned for them.

"What the two towns failed to achieve in size and commercial importance they had been able to make up for in the charm and comfort of small town existence. Gone were the ambitions to 'be bigger than Yakima,' but there still was left the will to become good little towns. When the desert quiet was shattered by the arrival of heavy construction equipment which was but a forerunner of what was later to come, the local citizens looked on with amazement.

"Progress is not always easy on folks, and the citizens of White Bluffs and Hanford found themselves being swept along. However, the spirit of western adventure was still very much alive in them, and they made the adjustment better than many persons have been able to make it in places dislocated by the necessity of war. The construction people who have arrived early made friends among the residents, and these friendships smoothed the start of the job. They also could understand the bitter disappointment which welled up in the hearts of some of the people who had to give up their homes.

"In our present work force are a good many former White Bluffs and Hanford residents, still building for the future in rushing this significant war plant to completion. These and the other residents who have moved elsewhere still maintain a lively correspondence based on the neighborliness and friendships which now seem 'long ago and far away.'"

## Approach Heat With Coolness Medicos Say

From the efficient coolness of H.E.W. Hospital, medical officials sounded off yesterday on how to keep cool during a torrid Hanford summer.

Mostly, the medical men pronounced, folks from around here will be spending their "summer vacations" on the job instead of getting relief at some cool resort. What with rationing and the family bus a year older, it's the smart thing to do anyway.

"Besides, it's mostly in your mind—this summer heat," the doctors allowed. "Remember how you longed for this kind of weather last winter? Well, you'd have liked it then, wouldn't you?"

### Good for Us

Dripping with perspiration may be uncomfortable at times, it was agreed, but all in all summer is a very good time for people. It heats

## \$10,000 Bond Buyer



William A. Easom, Rome, Georgia, bought \$10,000 worth of war bonds from Juline Watts, employment sign-up clerk, his first day on the project—June 15. He sold out his dry cleaning and retail grocery business in Rome, where his wife and little girl still are, and, when the Army turned him down (he's over 38 anyway), he thought the next best way to help win the war was to come to Hanford, which is rated as an important war job. He's in the Patrol Division.

He says of war bonds: "The only thing I know about war bonds is to buy everyone you can and don't cash them. I know the Government needs this money."

## Contributors' Column

### Safety First

(Two songs composed especially for H.E.W. employees were introduced at the first project-wide dance in the new Auditorium June 10. In order to satisfy requests for copies of the successful numbers, they are printed below in their entirety. Both words and music are by Helen M. Thompson, du Pont employee.

### Hello, Uncle Sam

There are war jobs through the country,  
Working safely night and day,  
Every day insures our freedom,  
If you hear me won't you come this way?

If you want to aid your country,  
Join the Hanford Engineers.  
They are backing boys in service,  
Happy you will be in after years.

Chorus:  
Hello, my dear Uncle Sam,  
I'm calling from western land,  
Hanford Engineers are here  
Working wonders, give a cheer,  
To this Columbia Valley in the West.  
Hell-o to one and all,  
Have you heard the call?  
H.E.W., wait and see,  
Will turn the tide, speed Victory,  
Do tell the boys, Uncle Sam.

### From Over There

Over here in foreign countries,  
Many hardships we go through,  
We don't mind for it's our duty,  
We would like to get it over too.

You are back where life has beauty,  
Where we all would like to be,  
Be a soldier on the home front,  
And bring us back to you where man is free.

Chorus:  
Hello, from boys far away,  
Fighting for you every day,  
Won't be home 'til all is o'er,  
Risk our freedom? never more,  
And liberty we love and hold so dear.

We need more guns and supplies,  
That's where your job lies,  
Buy more war bonds, don't delay,  
You'll save lives in just that way,  
You keep the faith, folks at home.

them up and gives them reserve they need for the entire year. Actually health records show that there are fewer deaths and sicknesses in July and August than any other months of the year.

"Take in the sunlight, sure," the medical men say, "but take it easy. All roasts are better if done slowly." The idea is to take just a little sunlight the first few days, and if you have to look dusky, work up to it gradually. "And do wear a hat," they added.

### Watch the Old Diet

"Watch those summer weather eats, too," was the warning. "Hot foods are all right, it's the heavy ones that are a little hard to take in the summer time. And maybe it would not hurt to eat less, too. Another thing—avoid too much picnic or buffet style cold foods.

About salt tablets, the doctors recommended them—in moderate quantities, of course. And water? Don't drink a gallon of cold water when you come off the job.

Here's the last warning anent hot weather: "Better to swim in the shower than in a stream that you don't know."

Argument over whether the peak to be seen in the West is Mt. Adams or Mt. Ranier leads to heated discussion at the White Bluffs Fabric Plant. J. C. Smith, an innocent by-sitter in the debate, asks "The Sage" to settle the question once and for all—for safety's sake.

One of Hanford's best authorities, C. I. Wright, foreman in the Bluffs Ice Plant and veteran of 53 years hereabouts, says the peak is undoubtedly that of Ranier. In the first place, he says, Mt. Adams is Southwest of here while Mt. Ranier is due West. Ranier has a saddle-shaped peak and Adams a hump. Also, the Rattlesnake Mountains obscure good view of Mt. Adams.

Argument settled!

### Hanford Safety Signs

To maintain our reputation,  
As a leader in the nation,  
In our Safety demonstration,  
Each of us must do his share.

So, in order to awake us,  
From our careless habits break us,  
And more Safety conscious make us,  
Safety signs are every where.

There are signs in each direction,  
Shop and yard and intersection,  
All put there for our protection,  
To avoid an accident.

They give safety information,  
For each task and occupation,  
Every rule and regulation,  
That will injury prevent.

But if we neglect to read them,  
Thoughtlessly forget to heed them,  
And just carelessly proceed, then,  
By our failure we may rob,

Someone of his precious eyesight,  
Hand or foot, or kill him outright.  
So do your part. Obey the rules,  
right

To the letter, on this job.  
—Floyd Kelly,  
Patrol Department

### Orchids

For the entire month just past, the Construction Design Department, Railroads and Roads, under Engineering Services, had a perfect attendance record.

### For You and Me

Our lads have gone across the sea  
To fight and die for you and me,  
How can we here in Hanford town  
Afford to let these brave boys  
down?

To gripe and groan about the dust  
And swear to quit and leave or bust  
What would my husband, your son  
say  
If he could hear us talk this way.

Our lads who fight in mud and rain  
Who face death and laugh at pain  
See their comrades beside them fall  
These boys who give their life,  
their all.

Let's show our boys how much we care  
All pitch in and do our share  
Don't quit, help our boy win this fight

Victory will be a welcome sight  
(For you and me and all our boys.)  
—M. Sherer  
Time Office



BASEBALL GAMES ATTRACT CROWDS

Rounding the Bend—On Skates



New indoor sport for Hanford folks is skating at the rink next to the Auditorium. Although the skaters caught by the photographer above look a little grim, the amusement is popular with project people, particularly the young crowd.

Stump Jumpers Upset Softball

A mild up-set occurred last week in the Monday Twilight Softball League when the Stump Jumpers knocked Mechanical out of undisputed first place by handing them their first defeat of the season—the score was 8 to 5. Olympic went into a tie with Mechanical by winning a close one from Hankee-James 13 to 12. The game, despite the high score, was well played and had plenty of action from start to finish.

Those tough Earthworms continue to dominate play in the Tuesday and Thursday league. Led by Jack Warner, one of Hanford's better pitchers, the "Worms" are still unbeaten by any local team. Cecil Green's red-clad athletes established themselves as the "team to beat" when they defeated both the Administration Riggers and Mechanical in games played last week.

Supervised Playground For Richland Youths

Supervised softball games and other playground games for boys and girls of the Village are scheduled for four mornings each week at the Cemetery Ball Field.

Girls' games are scheduled for 10 a.m. on Mondays and Fridays, under the supervision of Eleanor Amend. Boys' games will be played at the same hour on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and will be supervised by Don Berst.

CASUAL COMMENT  
By Proxy

Competitive sports are making a hit around here. The baseball season underway has been one of the best "morale builders." Aside from horseback riding, hiking and so on, most of the athletics that have succeeded here are competitive.

There seems to be a running debate among physical culturalists as to which is better, competitive or non-competitive sports. Well, it is pretty hard for us to visualize a program of calisthenics going over very big with Hanfordites coming in from their work.

And we're just typical of most Americans. We like to get our exercise and body-building, but we want to work in the competitive spirit if we can. When the war started and too many of us were flabby physically, they pointed to the mass gymnastics and calisthenics programs of the enemy nations. While we have adopted many of the good points of that conditioning, we still demand competition.

Probably that is one big reason why our fighting men are winning. They are in great physical condition, and are competitors as well. All of which causes us to wonder a little over the University of Chicago's apparent lack of enthusiasm for competitive sports, resulting it to drop from the Big Ten. Old A. A. Stagg this week blasted: "To me it is a sign of weakness when deter-

Sunday Games Go to New Field

The Hanford Baseball League has moved up town. Starting next Sunday, June 25, all League games will be played in the beautiful new Hanford Baseball Park, complete with bleacher seats and a grass playing field, located on 5th St. between Avenue C and Avenue D.

Our local teams are playing high class semi-pro ball, and will perhaps even do better, on a diamond that compares with a great many minor league parks. The opening schedule of games is particularly attractive—four teams are tied for first place, and you fans who like baseball will want to be in the stands early when Utilities tangles with the Hanford Eagles . . . in the 10 o'clock morning game and at 4:30 p.m. when Transportation takes on Crane and Rigging.

The morning game will pit two good fielding and hitting teams against another; it looks like a toss-up and the team that wins will share first place in the league.

The Transportation - Crane and Rigging game will feature a real pitchers duel between two of the league's pitchers, Jim Pollard for Transportation against Marty Tomazin for the Riggers. Both of these boys are very fast and will have plenty of support back of them. We look for a thriller in this one.

The first afternoon game, starting at 1:30, will be the two tailenders, Carpenters and Hanford Bluejays battling one another to get out of the cellar. On past performance the Carpenters rate an edge in the contest, but the Bluejays might "surprise."

Bluejays Troubled With Getting Right Combination

A careful inspection of the record of the Hanford baseball league brings out the awful fact that the Hanford Bluejays, tied for last place in the league standings, had failed to score a single run in four official games, while their opponents have marked up 61. This must be some kind of a record—one which we suspect the Labor Department is not very proud of. Despite this poor showing the Bluejays have a few very capable performers, and, with another pitcher or two, a catcher, and we could name several other positions—the Jays might easily get back into the league. We know Woody Wood and Tim O'Leary have worked very hard with this club; but so far they have failed to come up with a right combination. One of these days, "they will be heard from."

Richland All Stars Defeat Utah Champions

Richland All-Stars, in their first baseball game of the season defeated Market Inn, Utah's 1943 baseball champions, with a score of 2 to 1 in an exciting game Friday evening, June 16.

This was the first time in two years that the Utah champion Market Inn team had been defeated. It looks like a great season for Richland's All-Stars.

mination and resolution should be dominant in creating courage, fighting qualities, and morale among the students."

Three Big Games on Practice Field Display Good Ball Play

Under the ideal playing conditions and before a huge crowd, Hanford's six ball clubs put on another swell exhibition last Sunday on the Practice Field. Two of the games were wild affairs and ended with lopsided scores, but the third game was just as good a game as we have seen in a long time.

Standings	W	L	Pct
Crane & Riggers	3	1	.750
Hanford Eagles	3	1	.750
Transportation	3	1	.750
Utilities	3	1	.750
Carpenters	0	4	.000
Hanford Bluejays	0	4	.000

Utilities Win From Jays

Utilities started things off by soundly trouncing the game but outmanned Hanford Bluejays. The score was 20 to 0. Utilities had too much all-around strength and sent 15 men across the plate in the first three innings. The Bluejays used four pitchers in an effort to hold Utilities' sluggers, who were hitting the ball like a bunch of "big leaguers." Catcher Mike Huiras led the assault getting four for four. Pitcher Dave Charlton, besides getting two hit balls in four innings he worked, helped his own cause by getting three hits out of four times at bat, including two doubles. Jim Koumougis pitched the last three innings, and he also allowed the Bluejays only two hits.

Transportation Wins Close One

In the best played game of the season (we'll take Mr. Scherffius' word for it), Transportation fought an uphill battle to take a close one from the greatly improved Carpenter team, 7 to 5.

The Carpenters, behind the outstanding pitching of Alvah Rogers, led the favored Transportation up until the eighth inning. With the score five to three against them, Transportation pushed across two runs in the eighth to tie up the game and tallied two more in the ninth to win it.

The Carpenters jumped all over El Rogers and "Sonny" Sutherland in the fourth and fifth innings, and Mgr. Jack Cawood lost no time in getting his ace pitcher, Jim Pollard, into the game. Pollard pitched beautiful ball the rest of the way and gave up only one hit. Center Fielder Jim Corteaux had a swell day at bat, getting four for five and made two spectacular catches to save his team more trouble. Jack Warner, Max Fanning and Vic Parker all hit safely twice to lead the Carpenters.

Crane-Rigging Down Eagles

Crane and Rigging, behind the superb pitching of Marty Tomazin, ran rough shod over the previously undefeated Eagles. The score was only 14 to 0, and by winning the Riggers drew into a tie for first place.

Tomazin was in top form as he set the usually hard hitting Eagles down in order, pitching four hit ball, Marty was never in danger, and the Eagles looked feeble against the best pitching exhibition we have seen so far in the League.

The Eagles used everyone but the bat boy on the mound, but none of the pitchers was successful in stopping the determined Riggers, who banged out 12 hits. Mgr. Danny Welock hit safely four out of five times at the plate, and Tomazin was credited with two for three—one of his hits was a home run, the bases loaded. Mgr. Wilson Alexander led the losing team by getting two of the four hits the Eagles got.

Richland Softball Schedule

**Tonight, June 23**  
Engineers vs. Patrol—Cemetery Field.  
Stores vs. Cafeteria—Old High School.  
Technicians vs. Coordinate Club—Dormitory K-8.  
Area 145 vs. Layout—Dormitory K-8Y.

**Tuesday, June 27**  
Technicians vs. Stores—Cemetery Field.  
Engineers vs. Layout—Old High School.  
Cafeteria vs. Patrol—Dormitory K-8.  
Area 145 vs. Coordinate Club—Dormitory K-8Y.

Hanford Girls Play Wednesday Softball

The Hanford Girls' Softball League got off to a rather shaky start last week when one official game was played. Olympic Girls nosed out the du Pont Girls 21 to 20 in a game that might be called "a comedy of errors."

We have heard of higher scores—but only in basketball and football.

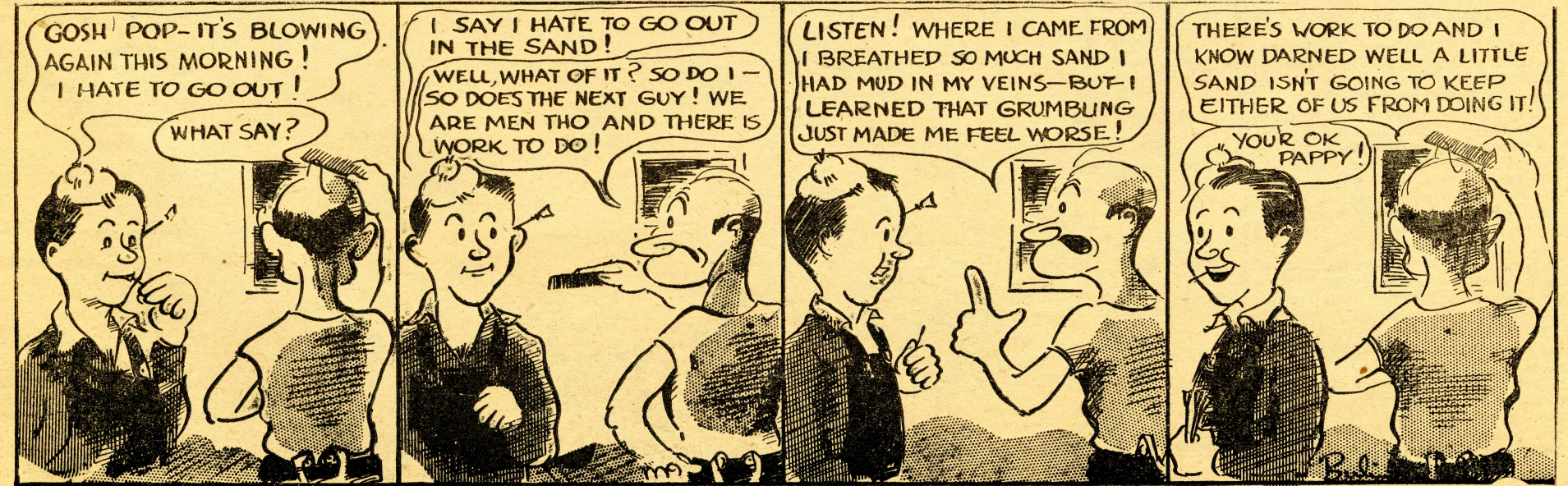
Val Kinsey, manager of the du Pont Girls, explained to the writer that her girls were a little nervous and were perhaps trying too hard, but she promises that they will do better next time.

The girls play every Wednesday night at the Athletic Field.

It's the Bird

Dubbed "The True Sage Sentinel" by R. H. Sargent, discoverer, an owl sits on a tree branch near the 100-D Area. There night and morning, the nocturnal bird has a perfect attendance record that dates back as far as December. Sargent's conjecture is that the wise old owl is the oldest bird on the project.

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## SERVE IN SILENCE

On June 3 radio listeners heard a radio flash that the Allies had landed in France. True, there has been an invasion, but there was none on the 3rd, nor was there any until some three days later. A false report—in this case, unintentional—had slipped out through the carelessness of a wireless operator in England, but it had circulated like wildfire.

Last week too we read of another slip—this one from the lips of a former major general. He is quoted as asserting prior to the invasion's occurrence that it would definitely take place before June 15. This would appear to be more than careless.

So far as we know the enemy did not benefit by these slips. The big secret of the time and place for the proposed invasion, and in what force, was kept from the enemy—at least, initial successes would so testify. The collective personal efforts of the countless soldiers, sailors and marines involved had effected apparently a virtual blackout of the information the enemy needed to meet the attack.

The enemy is always anxious to know the when, where, what, who and how details regarding any of our plans, stratagems or any activities of military importance. Ordinarily, the enemy's job of detection of these details is easier the broader the scope of the activities and the more widely the knowledge of those activities is shared.

In the invasion activities, the censorship was strict and tight, but, with isolated exceptions, it was the collective individual sense of patriotism that made the trustees (individual soldiers, sailors, marines and all the rest) keep their faith.

Here at Hanford we have a guarded, restricted reservation of military importance, though we are far removed in point of space from the invasion and its battle tempo, our security job is big; in fact, because we are so far removed, the need for security is apt to seem inconsequential—and our job is, therefore, that much bigger. Each of us possesses some fragment of seemingly unimportant information—some, more of these fragments than the rest of us. Who is working on this job? How many? Where is the project? How large? What is the nature of the production equipment? What is the project designed to produce when? Bits of information—answers to some or all of these questions—are being collected here, so far from the fighting front, by enemy agents listening to our conversations on and off the Project.

That a newspaper has wrongfully published any item of information does not mean that we are thereby licensed to do likewise. We do not know the extent this newspaper information was circulated. Remember our patriotic duty—our challenge. The enemy may not know details of size, scope or nature of this Project. Are we going to make his job easier? Remember, we're on the side of those boys coming onto the beaches from the Channel. Let's have no slip of the lip that will help the enemy here at Hanford. Let's keep Fritz and Tojo in the dark.

Let's all serve in silence. Silence Means Security.

## IT'S OUR INVASION

The great invasion of Europe is on!

Thousands of high explosive bombs are dropping, day and night, on our enemy's installations. Our boys—the cream of the crop—are doing the job.

We on the home front have paid for these instruments of war—bond for bomb. Our mites have made their might. We cannot keep them up there if we let them down here.

Let's not waste too many words on the bond drive. Most of us are intelligent and patriotic. We know what is expected of us. We know that it is better to be whipped into action than whipped in action.

Right now let us not use stereotyped phrases to fire our imaginations. The job is there to be done. We are the ones to do it. DO IT!

## WHAT THEY SAY

We've got to provide eight tons of supplies every month—including everything—for each man we bring to the Central Pacific. In the Aleutians the job is 25 per cent greater.—Rear Admiral J. J. Gaffney, Navy Pacific Supply Chief.

Until we are prepared to concede that a larger welfare and a higher good than our own national policy must guide decision of an international tribunal, there is no real basis for international cooperation.—Supreme Court Justice Robert H. Jackson.

## Hanford Tales Live, Colorful

Coming here two years after Washington was made a state, "Ivvy" Wright, foreman at the White Bluffs Ice Plant, has had 53 years of interesting, factual and first hand experience for the listener.

"White Bluffs, at first, was scheduled for the district which is now known as 100-F," relates Mr. Wright "however, the officials disagreed during the discussion of locating the new town, and the two factions split up. One group established Hanford, and the others began the settlement of White Bluffs. For quite some time a lively feud existed between the two towns, both trying to out-do the other in gaining new settlers, etc. Hanford, perhaps, had a slight advantage—as the little, chuggy river steamer touched at Hanford's shores before it reached White Bluffs, and sometimes passengers intended for White Bluffs, by some mysterious means were persuaded to stay at Hanford."

Before this time, in order to get supplies, the men would "pack" to Ellensburg—a six day trip. If they ran out of provisions meanwhile, they would do without. Mail would reach them every three months.

From a little community of five families to our modern encampment is quite a step—an intriguing and fascinating one—and Mr. Wright has seen this panorama of the West take place.

One of our supervisors, J. F. Sembower of Training & Relations, was "on the job" before the two towns were disbanded, and witnessed the closing chapter of this "Tale of Two Cities." The following is an account of his impressions and reactions as given to "The Sage."

"Those hardy citizens of the two communities who had lived through early disappointments when neither town grew to the size predicted were aware at last that White Bluffs and Hanford had a destiny, but not the one which had been envisioned for them.

"What the two towns failed to achieve in size and commercial importance they had been able to make up for in the charm and comfort of small town existence. Gone were the ambitions to 'be bigger than Yakima,' but there still was left the will to become good little towns. When the desert quiet was shattered by the arrival of heavy construction equipment which was but a forerunner of what was later to come, the local citizens looked on with amazement.

"Progress is not always easy on folks, and the citizens of White Bluffs and Hanford found themselves being swept along. However, the spirit of western adventure was still very much alive in them, and they made the adjustment better than many persons have been able to make it in places dislocated by the necessity of war. The construction people who have arrived early made friends among the residents, and these friendships smoothed the start of the job. They also could understand the bitter disappointment which welled up in the hearts of some of the people who had to give up their homes.

"In our present work force are a good many former White Bluffs and Hanford residents, still building for the future in rushing this significant war plant to completion. These and the other residents who have moved elsewhere still maintain a lively correspondence based on the neighborliness and friendships which now seem 'long ago and far away.'"

## Approach Heat With Coolness Medicos Say

From the efficient coolness of H.E.W. Hospital, medical officials sounded off yesterday on how to keep cool during a torrid Hanford summer.

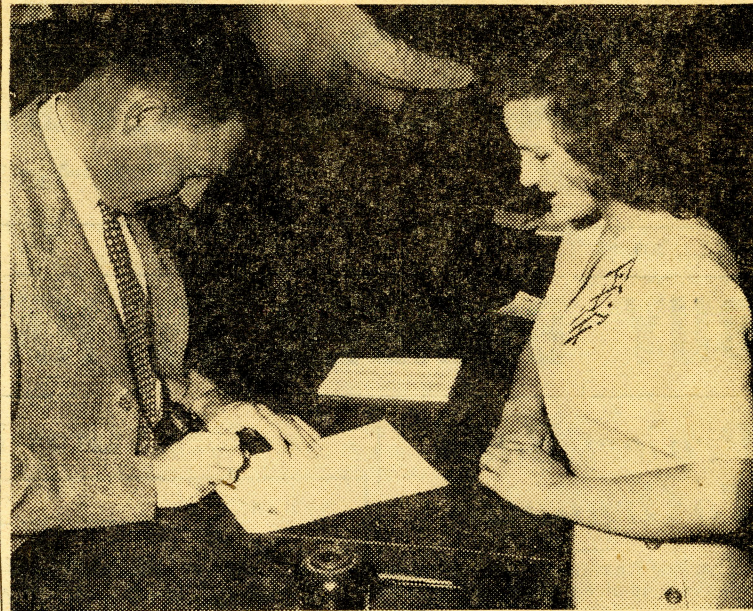
Mostly, the medical men pronounced, folks from around here will be spending their "summer vacations" on the job instead of getting relief at some cool resort. What with rationing and the family bus a year older, it's the smart thing to do anyway.

"Besides, it's mostly in your mind—this summer heat," the doctors allowed. "Remember how you longed for this kind of weather last winter? Well, you'd have liked it then, wouldn't you?"

### Good for Us

Dripping with perspiration may be uncomfortable at times, it was agreed, but all in all summer is a very good time for people. It heats

## \$10,000 Bond Buyer



William A. Easom, Rome, Georgia, bought \$10,000 worth of war bonds from Juline Watts, employment sign-up clerk, his first day on the project—June 15. He sold out his dry cleaning and retail grocery business in Rome, where his wife and little girl still are, and, when the Army turned him down (he's over 38 anyway), he thought the next best way to help win the war was to come to Hanford, which is rated as an important war job. He's in the Patrol Division.

He says of war bonds: "The only thing I know about war bonds is to buy everyone you can and don't cash them. I know the Government needs this money."

## Contributors' Column

### Safety First

Argument over whether the peak to be seen in the West is Mt. Adams or Mt. Ranier leads to heated discussion at the White Bluffs Fabric Plant. J. C. Smith, an innocent by-sitter in the debate, asks "The Sage" to settle the question once and for all—for safety's sake.

One of Hanford's best authorities, C. I. Wright, foreman in the Bluffs Ice Plant and veteran of 53 years hereabouts, says the peak is undoubtedly that of Ranier. In the first place, he says, Mt. Adams is Southwest of here while Mt. Ranier is due West. Ranier has a saddle-shaped peak and Adams a hump. Also, the Rattlesnake Mountains obscure good view of Mt. Adams.

Argument settled!

### Hanford Safety Signs

To maintain our reputation, As a leader in the nation, In our Safety demonstration, Each of us must do his share.

So, in order to awake us, From our careless habits break us, And more Safety conscious make us, Safety signs are every where.

There are signs in each direction, Shop and yard and intersection, All put there for our protection, To avoid an accident.

They give safety information, For each task and occupation, Every rule and regulation, That will injury prevent.

But if we neglect to read them, Thoughtlessly forget to heed them, And just carelessly proceed, then, By our failure we may rob,

Someone of his precious eyesight, Hand or foot, or kill him outright. So do your part. Obey the rules, right

To the letter, on this job.

—Floyd Kelly, Patrol Department

### Orchids

For the entire month just past, the Construction Design Department, Railroads and Roads, under Engineering Services, had a perfect attendance record.

### For You and Me

Our lads have gone across the sea To fight and die for you and me, How can we here in Hanford town Afford to let these brave boys down?

To gripe and groan about the dust And swear to quit and leave or bust What would my husband, your son say If he could hear us talk this way.

Our lads who fight in mud and rain Who face death and laugh at pain See their comrades beside them fall These boys who give their life, their all.

Let's show our boys how much we care All pitch in and do our share Don't quit, help our boy win this fight

Victory will be a welcome sight (For you and me and all our boys.)

—M. Sherer Time Office