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## Safety Contest Prizes Are on Display at Sears

They're worth seeing—and worth winning too! The 21 valuable prizes to be awarded at the conclusion of the puzzle-picture contest are now on display at Sears.

First prize is a 21-jewel Bulova wrist watch—the kind you've always wanted to own. Other prizes are as follows:

Two 2nd prizes: Fine quality radios.

Three 3rd prizes: \$25 War Bonds.

Five 5th prizes: Parker Pen and Pencil Sets.

Ten 5th prizes: Flashlights, Pipes, Belts, etc.

Remember — the prizewinners will be those finding the most safety hazards in the ten pictures. Send your list to the Central Safety Office in the Hanford Administration building each week.

New employees and those away on vacation can "catch" up by obtaining reprint blanks from the pictures they missed from the foremen.

The contest is open to all field workman below the rank of foreman. (Sorry, no office workers or women are allowed to enter.)

Turn to page 4 for this week's puzzle—the fifth in the contest.

## Bricklayers Set New Attendance Record

The Bricklayers, after capturing first place in the Anti-Absenteeism standings in the first week that they have been officially listed, improved on their standings in the second week and set a craft absenteeism record of 2.7%.

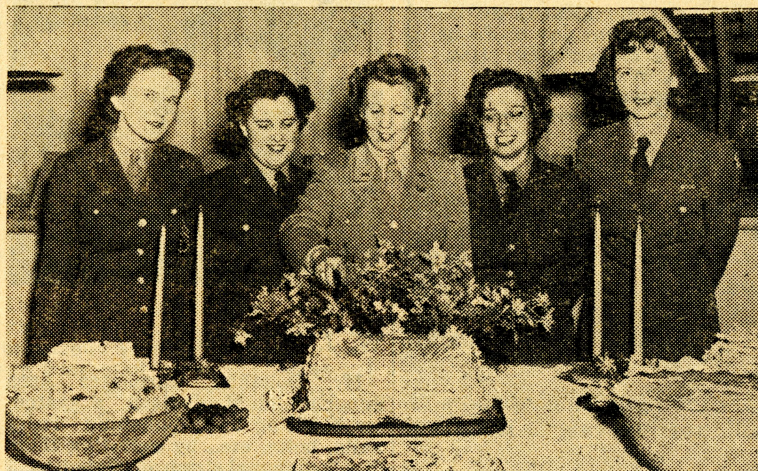
The Pipe Craft, a veteran leader in the standings, finished second with 4.8%, and the Carpenters moved into third position with 6.7%.

Crafts which improved their percentages were: Bricklayers, Mechanical, Carpenter Labor, Concrete, Paint, Concrete Labor, and Earthwork.

The over-all plant standing dropped back to 8.4%. The crafts which also slipped were: Pipe Carpenter, Rigger, Labor, Transportation, Reinforcing and Electrical.

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

## "Cutting the Birthday Cake"



Lt. Martha Gorder, Commanding Officer of the WAC's, cutting the cake at their Second Anniversary dinner. At the left, Pfc. Pat Tellander and Sgt. Ethel Perry; right, Sgt. Reba Parke and Pfc. Maxine Smith.

In observance of the second anniversary of the Women's Army Corps, the local WAC's celebrated with a buffet dinner at the Pasco U.S.O. center on Monday evening, May 15th.

The officers and their wives, as well as the enlisted men of the Area Engineers were their guests. Lt. Martha Gorder, Commanding Officer of the WAC's, presided. The main address of the evening was made by Lt. Col. H. R. Kadlec, whose speech was of an inspirational nature, but delivered in an informal manner.

In the absence of Lt. Col. F. T. Matthias, who had been called out of town, Mrs. Matthias read a message from him. Major R. F. Ebbs also gave a short talk, as did Major J. F. Sally and Major K. M. Gillette.

## "India And Burma" To Be Forum Subject

The first of the Hanford Community Forum series will be held June 2nd at 7:15 p.m. in the United Protestant church; J. Kenneth Pearce, the lecturer, will speak on the topic "India and Burma."

Professor Pearce has studied forest operations in eleven foreign countries; has also been a member of the College of Forestry at the University of Washington since 1934. He spent ten years in government service in India, as Logging and Chief Forest Engineer.

In 1942 he was called to Washington, D. C. by the War Production Board to organize the unit handling lumber-production problems.

Professor Pearce's extensive travels and numerous experiences add to his capabilities as a most interesting speaker.

## Not Everyone's New Here She Came 51 Years Ago

To have lived here a year is now considered quite a record; but, Mrs. Peter Sath, wife of the school custodian, has lived in Benton County fifty-one years.

Mrs. Sath came here with her parents in 1893. She has seen villages grow into thriving farming towns, but never before has she witnessed such a transformation as Hanford, White Bluffs and Richland are now experiencing.

In the early days Mrs. Sath's parents made the ninety-one mile trip to Ellensburg every three months to buy supplies, the round trip from Wahluke took eight days by team and wagon. Today, save for lack of gas, one can make the trip in five hours.

When the family first moved here the mother taught school in their own home, but the total enrollment numbered only eight. Later a school was built and the children either walked or paddled a canoe up the Columbia River in order to learn their three Rs.

As a bride Mrs. Sath chose to live in this vicinity. She says the dust storms here are something new, but "will probably stop when the top soil gets back to normal."

Mrs. Sath's brother, C. I. Wright, and one of her sons, Archie Boden, are employed at White Bluffs.

White Bluffs has been Mrs. Sath's home for many years. She and Mr. Sath owned a fruit farm there, where they planned to enjoy the rest of their lives, but government needs changed their plans. They have now purchased property in Prosser and will continue to call Benton County "home."

## Job Improvement Week Starts Monday, May 29

In order to get job improvement ideas in writing so they can be used to help in doing the best and quickest possible job on this project, the week of May 29th through June 3 has been selected as "Improve That Job" week.

Meetings will be held throughout the project during this week to explain the way to "find a bottle-neck" . . . "think up a better way" . . . "write it up in detail" . . . "check to make sure that it is sound" . . . and "submit it through the mail or the Job Improvement boxes."

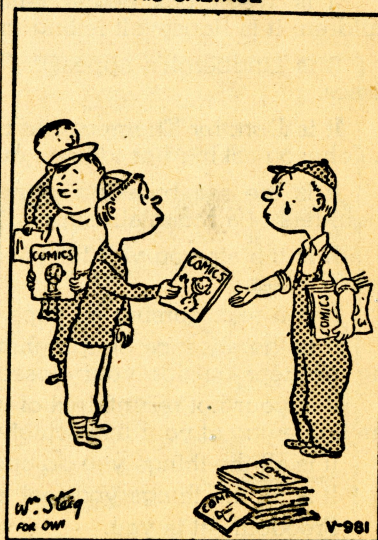
Nearly everyone has a pet idea he has been studying and developing . . . a way to avoid injuries, save time conserve critical materials or make the job easier.

All suggestions submitted are promptly recognized, and individuals who submit improvements which develop new and better construction practices are presented a letter of appreciation and a wallet-size Merit Award Card, both signed by the Project Manager and the Job Improvement Engineer.

These become the employee's permanent property, and are evidence of his achievement in furthering the war effort over and beyond his regular assignment.

It has been pointed out that "big improvements are certainly desirable, but a little improvement from a multitude of good Americans is of far more importance in snowing under the Axis powers." Our fighting men are doing their best. Give them your best efforts!

## KID SALVAGE





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## Freedom Is Made Of Simple Stuff

Hazel Parker, graduate of the Pulitzer School of Journalism, Columbia University, got a job as a reporter on the Louisville Courier-Journal. One day she wrote a page of copy and turned it in, hoping but not overly confident that it might "rate" the feature page opposite the editorial page. She was the most surprised girl in Louisville when she found it the leading editorial in the Courier-Journal that morning.

Not only that, but it was read over the radio, other papers reprinted it and it was given a dramatic reading over a radio network.

Straight from the heart of a young American girl hardly out of her teens, is that editorial which has elicited so much admiration and approval. Under the caption above, Miss Parker wrote:

From the archives of broken peace we are bringing out old words and dusting them off for use again as shining lanterns to lead us through the darkness of another war.

Words like freedom, justice and truth—all of them hard to define, none of them used more frequently than freedom.

You cannot say what freedom is, perhaps, in a single sentence. It is not necessary to define it. It is enough to point to it.

Freedom is a man lifting a gate latch at dusk and sitting for a while on the porch, smoking his pipe, before he goes to bed.

It is the violence of an argument outside an election poll; it is the righteous anger of the pulpits.

It is the warm laughter of a girl on a park bench.

It is the rush of a train over the continent and the unafraid faces of people looking out of the window.

It is all the howdys in the world and all the hellos.

It is Westbrook Pegler telling Roosevelt how to raise his children; it is Roosevelt letting them raise themselves.

It is Lindbergh's appeasing voice raised above a thousand hisses.

It is Dorothy Thompson asking for war; it is General Hugh S. Johnson asking her to keep quiet.

It is the sea breaking on wide sands somewhere and the shoulders of a mountain supporting the sky.

It is the air you will fill your lungs with and the dirt that is your garden.

It is a man cursing all cops.

It is the absence of apprehension at the sound of approaching footsteps outside your closed door.

It is your hot resentment of intrigue, the tilt of your chin and the tightening of your lips sometimes.

It is all the things you do and want to keep on doing.

It is all the things you feel and cannot help feeling.

Freedom—it is you.

## Thumbnail Interviews

With Employees Whose Job Improvement Ideas Have Won Them Merit Awards For Helpful Thinking



W. J. DONAHUE

Mr. Donahue, Carpenter Area Superintendent, devised a system for cleaning and polishing rusty nails, bolts, etc., by agitating them in a hexagonal drum operated by a gasoline engine.

This is an improvement over a similar one he designed while working at an Oklahoma plant and is one of many developments he has worked out to "improve that job."

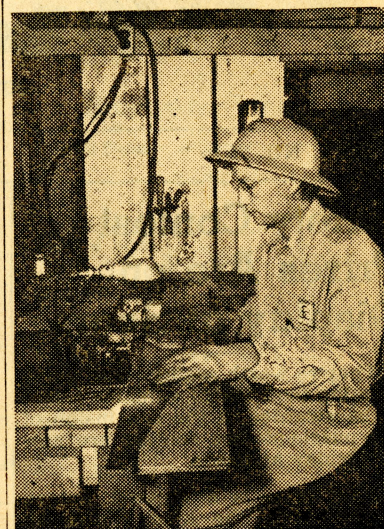


NORMA WILLIAMS

She developed a Reproduction Order form for the office engineer's division by combining a Blueprint order and a Photostat order.

The new form is an easier one to use because it allows for more complete information. Moreover, there is a duplicate so the originator can retain a copy for reference.

Miss Williams, whose home is in Vale, Oregon, is the receptionist in the office engineer's division. She has received a Merit Award Card.



C. H. McELROY

The ordinary hand method of setting a saw takes from ten to fifteen minutes—but with the saw-setting device suggested by Mr. McElroy, it can be done in the twinkling of an eye!

Mr. McElroy, a saw filing foreman, has submitted several other job improvement ideas like this one—quicker, easier and safer ways to do the job.



G. J. ROOS

Instead of using a paddle to spread cement, this spreader suggested by G. J. Roos is now used. The inside is oiled to keep the asphalt from sticking to it.

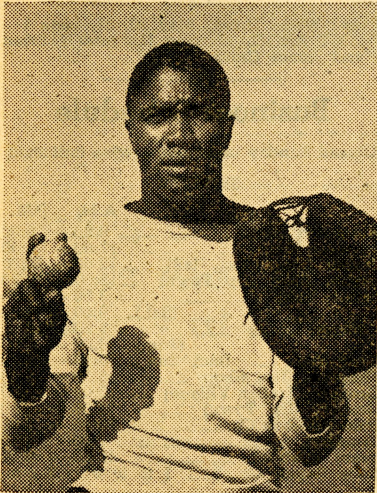
This device has many advantages that make it easier for workmen to use. It can be made from scrap lumber, on the job; it saves material because it spreads more evenly; and it saves manpower by spreading more than 10 men can by hand.

Mr. Roos is from San Antonio.



# Hanford SPORTS PARADE

## Eagles' Manager



Wilson Alexander, Labor, who is manager of the Hanford Eagles and will also be the catcher for that team.

## Alexander Says His Team Is Going To Be "Red Hot"

The Hanford Eagles, one of the strongest teams in the Hanford Sunday Baseball League, will be managed by Wilson Alexander, Labor. This rugged athlete will, in addition to his managerial duties, hold down the catcher's position.

Alexander came to Hanford from Baton Rouge, La. Back in that southern state Alexander is well known in amateur and semi-pro circles, having been a star performer for the past fifteen years.

In 1939 Wilson spent a season with the Chicago Brown Giants. By holding down the first string catcher's job with this club Wilson gained valuable experience in one of the toughest professional leagues.

Asked about the prospects for his team—Wilson had nothing but praise for his boys and is confident they will be the team to beat—Wilson explained to the writer that he has four good pitchers and an ex-

## First Sunday Baseball League Game May 28th

Next Sunday morning, May 28, at 10:00 o'clock the Hanford Blue Jays and Transportation will take to the field to open hostilities in the first Official game of the Hanford Sunday Baseball League.

In the afternoon the Carpenters will pair off against the Hanford Eagles; game time: 1:30 p.m. At 4:00 p.m. Crane and Rigging will meet Utilities to round out the day's schedule.

All games will be played on the practice field "B" Avenue and 7th Street, just north of Mess Hall No. 8. It will be necessary to play all league games, for at least the first three weeks, on the practice diamond—pending completion of the regular ball field.

An appropriate pre-game Ceremony is being arranged and will start promptly at 9:45 a.m.

During the past five weeks—period of preliminary training—a tremendous amount of interest has been generated by baseball fans in Hanford, and it is expected that a huge throng will be on hand for the opening.

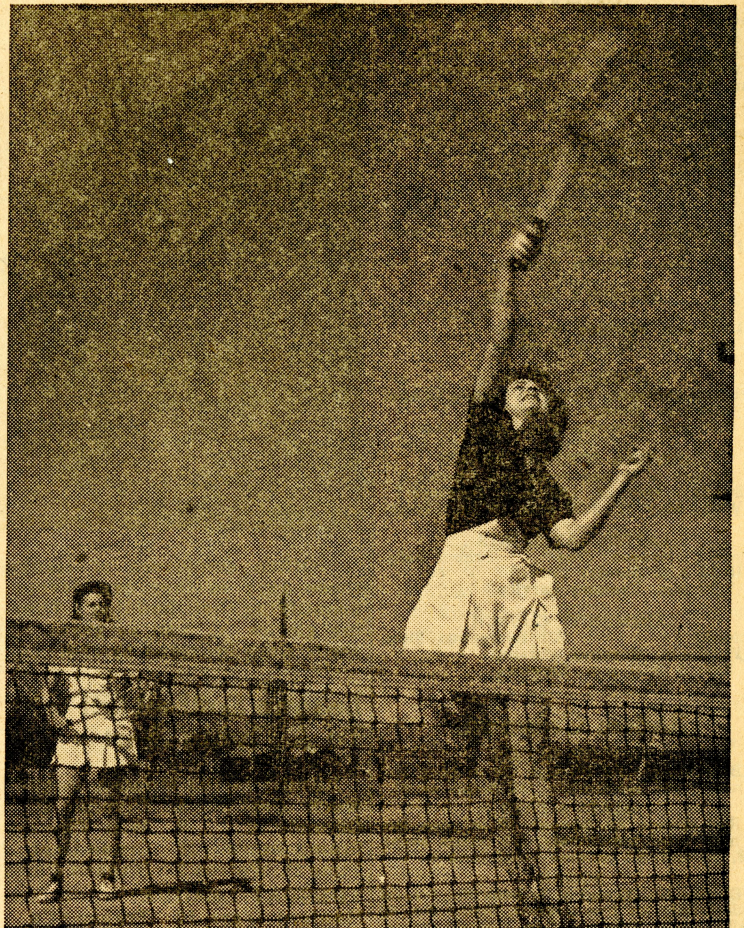
There will be no admission for any of the games, and everyone is invited to come out and cheer for their favorite team.

On the eve of the Season Opener, not one of the six teams can be called the favorite. All teams are reputed to be strong and competition is expected to be keen. All ball season will run for the next twenty Sundays and should provide swell entertainment for thousands of baseball fans in Hanford.

ceptionally strong infield. The outfield is still a question mark but with ten or twelve good candidates trying out Wilson feels he will have no trouble lining up his garden trio.

In summing up his thoughts concerning the whole league, Wilson said "All the teams are going to be pretty good, but our team is going to be "red hot."

## Reaching for a High One!



Beverly Brunton (right) and Annette Buckholt (left) trying out the recently completed tennis courts.

## CASUAL COMMENT

By Proxy

The Japs, past-masters of trickery and dirty fighting, already are complaining that the Yanks are making it too hot for them in hand to hand jungle conflict. They'll be interested to know that the National Boxing Association has more in store for them.

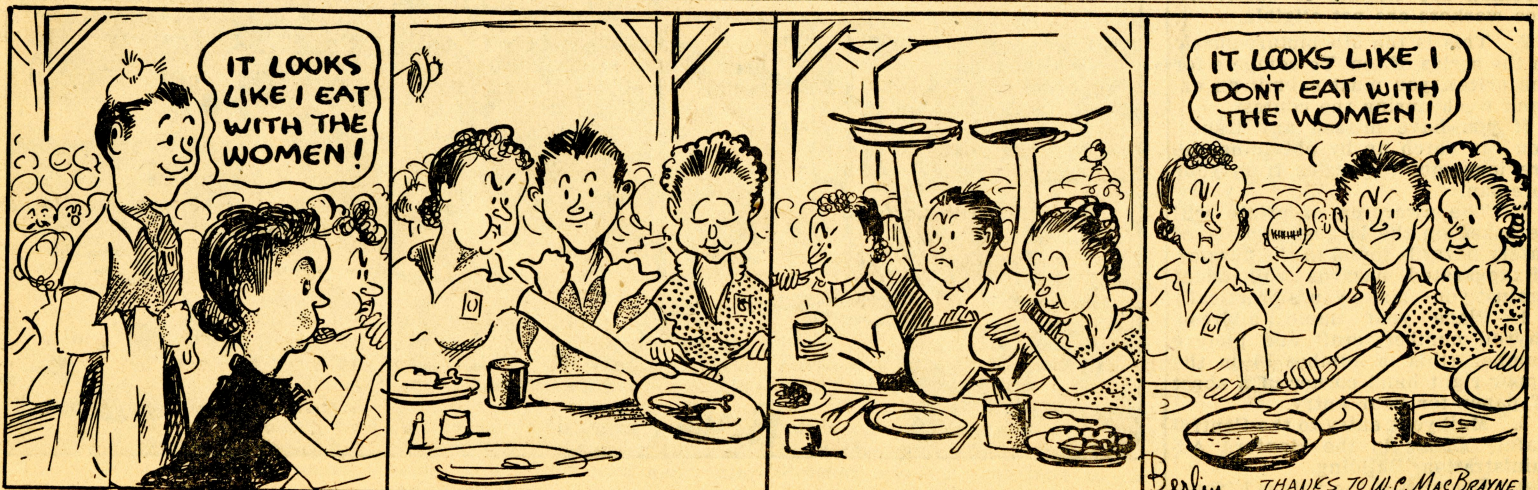
At the recent M.R.A. meeting in New York City the feature was a rough and tumble fighting exhibition put on by Lieutenant Benny

Leonard of the Maritime Service, Benny, you recall, is the retired undefeated light-weight champion of the world.

N.B.A. is getting ready to offer a series of three months pre-induction preparedness boxing training for the 17 year olds, in cooperation with the Selective Service and various state boards of education.

Kingpins in the program includes such ring luminaries as Commander Gene Tunney, Captain James J. Braddock, and Commander Jack Dempsey, all of whom have done a good deal in the past to debunk the myth about citizens of the United States being "softies."

## SANDY SAGE: A Sad Mess!





## Church Services

Sunday, May 28, 1944

### CATHOLIC

Rev. W. J. Sweeney Tent Theatre  
Sat., May 27, Confessions 6:30 - 10 p.m.  
Sun., May 28, Masses, 7 and 9:30 a.m.  
Wed., May 31, 6:30 p.m. Confessions; 8 p.m. Novena; 8:30 p.m. Convert Classes.

### UNITED PROTESTANT CHURCH

Rev. A. J. Blackmon United Church  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship  
8:00 p.m. Evening Worship

### CHURCH OF CHRIST

E. E. Mitchell, Minister White Chapel  
12:30 p.m. Bible Study  
1:30 p.m., Church Services

### ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Service Grange Hall  
10:00 a.m. Morning Worship  
2:30 and 7:30 p.m. Services

### LUTHERAN CHURCH

National Lutheran Council White Chapel  
4:00 p.m. Sunday School  
6:30 p.m. Worship and Communion

### CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH

Parlors of United Protestant Church  
Sunday, May 28, 1:00 p.m. Services  
Wed., May 31 8:00 p.m., White Chapel

### LATTER DAY SAINTS

Clyde F. Hansen, Pres. School Bldg.  
10:30 a.m. Sunday School  
7:30 p.m. Evening Service

### COMMUNITY CHURCH

Colored 201 Recreation Bldg.  
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship  
3:00 & 8:00 p.m. Services

## Ration Calendar

### CANNED GOODS

Blue stamps A8 through Q8 in book No. 4 now valid indefinitely. (10 points each).

### MEATS & FATS

Red stamps A8 through T8 in book No. 4 now valid indefinitely. (10 points each). U8, V8 and W8 become valid June 4.

### SUGAR

Stamps No. 30 and 31 in book No. 4 valid indefinitely for five pounds. Stamp No. 40 valid until 1945 for five pounds home-canning sugar. Spare stamp No. 37.

### SHOES

Stamps No. 1 and 2 on "Airplane" sheet in book No. 3 now valid indefinitely.

### GASOLINE

Stamps No. 11 in A book valid through June 21 (three gallons each); B2, C2, B3, C3, R and T stamps, 5 gallons; D, 1 1/2 gallons; E, 1 gallon.

## "Landscaping" on Their Own Time!



Office employees of Hankee-James are hurrying through lunch these days so they can devote a few minutes of their own time to beautifying their building. They plan to have geranium beds and morning glories, as well as grass. They improvised their own tools. The seeds were provided by their company.

## League Softball Off To A Flying Start

### Results in the Monday league:

Mech. Dept. 9 Olympic B. 2  
Olympic A. 9 W.B. Fire De. 0  
Stump Jum's 16 Crane Dept. 12  
Time O. Wolves 9 Hankee J'mes 0

### TUESDAY LEAGUE:

Hanford D'grs 10 Transp't'n 6  
Riggers, Hanf. 7 Layout 1  
Hanf. F're De. 20 Riggers, L.S. 8

### THURSDAY LEAGUE:

Earth Worms 9 Kettle B'nd'rs 0  
Sage D'g'r's 9 Control Dpt. 0  
Riggers, 100-D vs. Riggers, 200W, game called because of weather.

## Keep Children Away From Columbia River

A river can prove to be just as hazardous as it is useful. There are great holes in the river here as a result of dredging, and strong whirlpools often result; because of the spring thaws the river becomes deeper each day.

Only last week two small children were marooned on an island in the river when their small make-shift raft collapsed. Both children and adults must heed the dangers of deep water. Provisions are being made for safe swimming; until that time however, everyone should stay away from the river.

## Hanford Theatre

Week days, continuous shows from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m., Sunday, 1 p.m. to 11 p.m., Box office open at 12.

Friday and Saturday, May 26 and 27—WHISTLING IN BROOKLYN, starring Red Skelton and Anne Rutherford.

Sunday and Monday, May 28 and 29—TENDER COMRADE, starring Ginger Rogers and Robert Ryan.

Tues., Wed., Thurs., May 30, 31, June 1—LOST ANGEL, starring Margaret O'Brien and James Craig.

## Business Schedule

(Closed Sunday unless otherwise indicated)

### SHOPPING

	A.M.	P.M.
Alteration Shop	8:30	8:00
Apparel Shop	12:00	8:30
Barber Shop (Rec. Hall)	12:00	10:00
Barber Shop (Up Town)	12:00	10:00
Beauty Shop	9:00	9:00
	(Sat.)	9:00
Canteen	9:00	10:00
	(Sun.)	8:00
Drug Store (incl. Sun.)	10:30	9:00
Firestone Tire Shop	8:30	9:00
Grocery (Trailer Village)	10:00	9:00
Grocery (Up Town)	11:00	8:00
Hanford Shoe Co.	10:00	8:00
Laundry	9:00	8:00
Sears Roebuck	12:00	9:00
Shoe Repair Co.,	1 to 5; 6 to 8	p.m.

### SERVICES

	A.M.	P.M.
Bank,	Monday	1-6
	Tues., Wed., Thurs.	10:00 - 3:00
	Saturday	10:00 - 1:00
	Friday	4-9
Payroll Checks Cashied Fri.		1-9
Express Office	10:30	8:00
(Closed 12:30 - 1:30 and 5:30 - 6:40 daily)		
Western Union, (incl. Sun.)	8 a.m.	12 p.m.
Notary Public, 4 to 10 p.m.; Sat., 4 to 8 p.m.		
Library, Tues. thru Sat., 10 a.m. - 10 p.m.		
Sunday, 1-6 p.m. (Closed Monday).		

### POST OFFICE

	A.M.	P.M.
Gen. Del. Mon. thru Fri.	10:30	9:00
	Saturday	10:30 - 6:00
C.O.D. and Registry Window,		
Money Orders, Stamps, and Parcel Post.		
Monday thru Friday	8:00	5:00
Saturday	8:00	2:00
Extra hours Mon., Fri. only		3:30 - 9

Call 8661 for further information

## See How Many Safety Hazards You Can Find in This Picture!

### Send List For Picture 5 To Central Safety Office

Are you good at spotting hazards? If you are, maybe you'll be a winner of one of the 21 valuable prizes in this 10-week picture-puzzle.

Read about it on page 1 of this issue of the paper . . . then study the rules below:

### CONTEST RULES

1. All field workmen (including sub-contractors) below the rank of foreman are eligible to enter. Office workers are not eligible.

2. This is the 5th picture-puzzle in the series of ten. To compete for the prizes, you must submit an each week during the contest.

If you have missed any issues, you can catch up by obtaining the previous picture-puzzles from your foreman.

3. The awarding of prizes will be based on the largest number of safety hazards found in the puzzles (Exaggerated hazards will count against you—make yours practical.)

4. Place your name, address, payroll number, craft and picture number (this is number 5) in the upper right hand corner of a sheet of paper for your entry.

5. Mail your entry to the Central Safety Office in the Hanford Administration Building.

6. Decision of the judges is final.

