

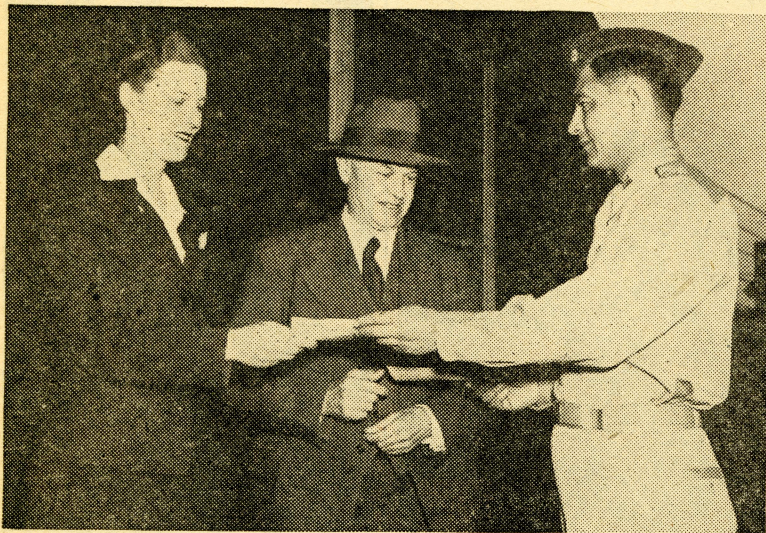
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## Comic Strip Name Contest a Tie; Avis Forsyth, W. F. Coors Win

"Sandy Sage" is now the name of our comic strip hero!

Two entrants submitted the winning suggestion, so duplicate prizes were awarded to Avis Forsyth and W. F. Coors, shown here receiving a \$25 War Bond apiece from Major R. I. Newcomb of the Area Engineers.

Major Necomb made the presentation on behalf of the H.E.W. Employees' Association, which finances the publication of The Sage Sentinel and which contributed the prizes for the contest.

Mrs. Forsyth is a shuttle-bus driver between Pasco and Hanford. She and Mr. Forsyth, a civilian employee at the Naval Base in Pasco, make their home there.

The other winner, Mr. Coors, is an electrical engineer in material control and lives in the barracks here. Mrs. Coors is in Tacoma. They have three daughters.

Members of the judging committee were Major Newcomb, H. F. Nunn, Safety Superintendent, and E. D. Raddatz of Training and Relations.

The name "Sandy Sage" won over all entries for many reasons: because it is "catchy," because it ties in with the name of the paper, because both words are typical of this region, and last but not least, because "sage" infers wisdom—exactly what the hero lacks!

Presenting—Sandy Sage!

## Tabulation Shows Absentee-ism at 7.9%

Hanford's absenteeism thermometer registered another turn for the better when last week's tabulation showed an over-all percentage of 7.9%. This still is slightly above the 7.3% low which was hung up on March 11, and leaves room for considerable improvement generally.

Absenteeism reminder cards, setting out the rule of attendance on the job, were passed out with paychecks. They are handy reference cards which include a twelve-month calendar.

The Pipe and Electrical crafts continued their battle for first position in the standing, the Pipe craft forging ahead and taking the blue first place pennant. Closely trailing Electrical is Concrete in third place.

Labor, Carpenter Labor, Concrete, Concrete Labor, Reinforcing, and Pipe bettered their showings. The others fell back a notch. Following is the standings: First, Pipe; Second, Electrical; Third, Concrete; Fourth, Carpenter; Fifth, Rigger; Sixth, 105 Craft; Seventh, Paint; Eighth, Earthworks; Ninth, Mechanical; Tenth, Carpenter Labor; Eleventh, Reinforcing; Twelfth, Transportation; Thirteenth, Labor; and Fourteenth, Concrete Labor.

## Registrar of Voters Chosen in Hanford

Vernon K. Harmon has been appointed as Registrar of Voters for Hanford and White Bluffs by Benton County Auditor Harley E. Chapman.

Mr. Harmon has all of the forms necessary for the transfer of registration from other precincts in the state to Hanford, and for the registration of new voters who have lived in the state a year, the county

## 21 Fine Prizes! "Picture-Puzzle" Starts April 28th

It's easy! It's fun! And it will be profitable, for 21 valuable prizes will be awarded!

That's the "Picture-Puzzle" Contest which starts in the Sentinel next week (April 28th) and will continue for 10 consecutive weeks.

The top prize-winner for the 10 weeks will receive a valuable wrist watch of a nationally known brand. There will be two second prizes—fine quality, rebuilt radios!

And that isn't all!

Three 3rd prizes of \$25 War Bonds!

Five 4th prizes of matching pen and pencil sets . . . so handy to have, so hard to obtain these days!

Ten 5th prizes—including flashlights, jackknives, hunting knives and other such merchandise.

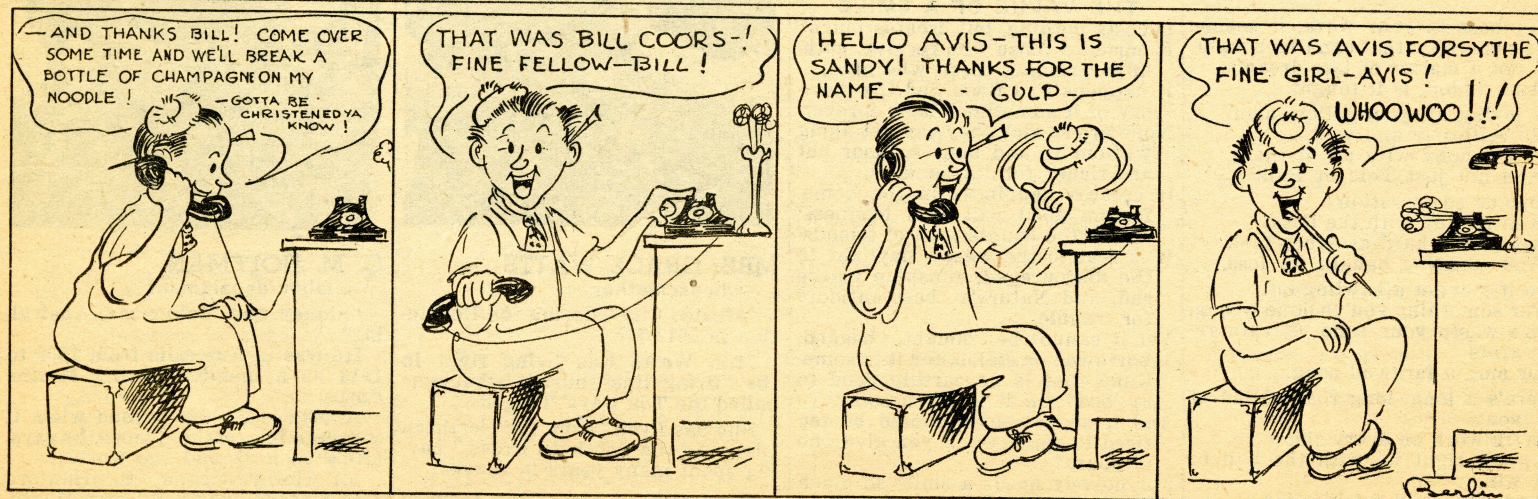
Here's how the contest will work: Each contestant will try to "spot" as many safety hazards as possible in the puzzle each week. At the end of 10 weeks, those finding the most will win the prizes. (Exaggerated hazards will count against you. They must be practical!)

Turn to page 4, for our sample picture-puzzle. Are you good at spotting hazards? Then this contest should be a cinch for you!

ninety days and in the town for thirty days by July 11th, the date of the primary election.

To vote in the primaries at Hanford, new registration or the transfer of registration must be made by June 24th, as the registration books are closed fifteen days before each election. Mr. Harmon is in his office between 9:30 a.m. and 8 p.m. in Training & Relations Division.

## "SANDY SAGE"





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One of our "star contributors" is G. R. Moore of Job Improvements. Here is another poem from his files:

## THE TEST

The test of a man is the fight he makes,  
 The grit that he daily shows;  
 The way he stands on his feet and takes  
 Fate's numerous bumps and blows.  
 A coward can smile when there's naught to fear  
 When nothing his progress bars;  
 But it takes a man to stand and cheer  
 While the other fellow stars.  
 It isn't the victory after all,  
 But the fight a brother makes;  
 The man who, driven against the wall,  
 Still stands erect and takes  
 The blows of fate with his head held high  
 Bleeding and bruised and pale,  
 Is the man who'll win and fate defy  
 For he isn't afraid to fail.  
 It's the hurdles you mount and the breaks you get,  
 And the shocks your courage stands;  
 The hour of sorrow and vain regret,  
 For the prize that escapes your hands,  
 That test your mettle and prove your worth;  
 It isn't the blows you deal,  
 But the blows you take on this good old earth,  
 That show if your stuff is real.

—Carlyle Straub

## Other Contributions from Our Readers

Here's a poem sent in sometime ago by a member of the Ditto department:

### HAPPINESS IN YOUR WORK

Happiness in your work, it seems,  
 Is something that can't be bought.  
 It's not a matter of idle dreams,  
 And seldom is it taught.  
 It's loving all your fellow men  
 So selflessly and well,  
 You get along with all of them  
 And not just Tom or Belle.  
 It means co-operation  
 And pulling with the boss;  
 It's working hard at every task,  
 And counting naught for loss.  
 And if you get a bawling out  
 For something you've done wrong,  
 Don't waste your time on vain regrets  
 Or sing a farewell song.  
 There's a long, long road ahead of you  
 With work on every side;  
 So pitch right in, with the will to win,  
 And time will fairly glide.

—Kati Didd (Chicago Tribune)

The following poem was printed in the Engineering Office "Safety News" of March 30th, edited by Carol Green . . . and is re-printed here "by popular request":

### THE VALUE OF A SMILE

It costs nothing, but creates much;  
 It enriches those who receive, with-  
 impoverishing those who give;  
 It happens in a flash and the mem-  
 ory of it sometimes lasts forever  
 None are so rich they can get along  
 without it, and none so poor but  
 are richer for its benefits.  
 It creates happiness in the home,  
 fosters good will in a business,  
 and is the countersign of friends.  
 It is rest to the weary, daylight to  
 the discouraged, sunshine to the  
 sad, and Nature's best antidote  
 for trouble.  
 Yet it cannot be bought, begged,  
 borrowed or stolen, for it is some-  
 thing that is no earthly good to  
 anybody till it is given away.  
 And if some people should be too  
 tired to smile won't you give one  
 of yours?  
 For nobody needs a smile so much  
 as those who have none left to  
 give!

# Thumbnail Interviews

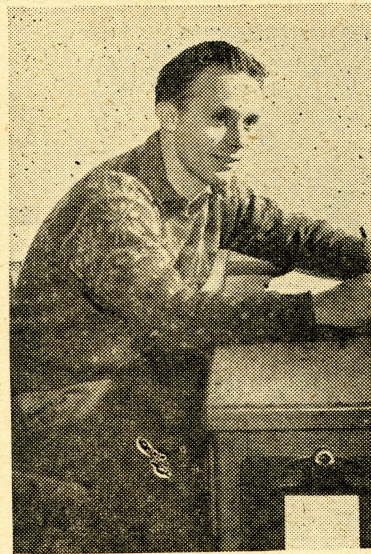
## TRAVELERS OF THE WEEK

### "Name The Most Interesting Place You've Ever Been"

Everyone has done a little traveling or he wouldn't be here. Some have traveled farther than others.

The "flash-bulb reporter" found a number of globe trotters in Hanford.

Here are four who have ceased their travels to stay in Hanford and help the war effort.



### JOE BUTCHER

. . . Trailer Camp Office

"Shanghai—from 1937 to 1939. But 'interesting' isn't the word for the Jap invasion that occurred while I was there!"

A graduate of Annapolis, Mr. Butcher was retired from the Navy as a Lieutenant in February, 1942.

Several weeks ago, he and La Jet Campbell were married here. They live in the Trailer Village.



### C. R. WHITIS

. . . patrolman

"Hawaii!"

Mr. Whitis was stationed at Schofield Barracks there from 1929 to 1932.

He liked the semi-tropical climate—the fruits—and the scenery.

He's been here four months now. Mrs. Whitis works at Central Shops. With their two daughters, they live at Toppenish.



### MRS. GRACE WATTS

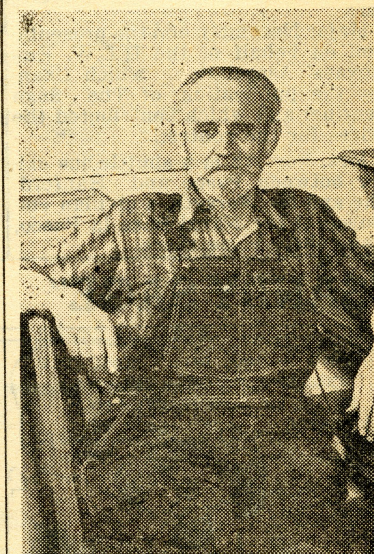
. . . housemother

"Mexico City—during the Revolution in 1913."

Mrs. Watts was living right in the "firing line" during what was called the Ten Days' Tragedy.

She has lived "from the Northern Lights to the Southern Cross," having spent many years in Alaska.

She has been here since January 3rd, having come from Seattle.



### C. M. HOFFMAN

. . . labor department

"Sidney and Melbourne, Australia!"

He was in Australia from 1909 to 1913 as a member of the Marine Corps.

Alaska is a close second when it comes to interesting places, he says. (He's been around the world).

Mr. Hoffman came to Hanford four months ago from Terre Haute, Indiana. He lives in the barracks.



## Ration Board Has Problems

Due to the decreased gasoline quota available for civilian use, it has become necessary for all Rationing Boards to comply strictly with OPA regulations.

The Plant Transportation Committee, which is responsible for the handling of all ration applications, has received instructions to make a complete check of all applications. This requires that much more time be spent in review of these applications than at any time in the past.

The Plant area board, which is located in Kennewick, is also charged with the responsibility of making a thorough review of all applications and all previous applications before the issuance of any coupons or ration certificates. This also requires considerable more time than the processing which has been done before.

It is believed that everyone concerned with this program is doing everything possible to speed things up; but, since it was necessary to secure and train additional personnel to handle this work, it may be sometime before faster service can be provided.

Meanwhile, please help the Rationing offices speed up service to the employees by complying with the following:

(1). REQUEST YOUR RATIONS 10 DAYS IN ADVANCE IF POSSIBLE. Please do not wait until you are completely out of gasoline, fuel oil or other rationed items before applying.

(2). PLEASE DO NOT INQUIRE AS TO STATUS OF YOUR APPLICATION FOR AT LEAST ONE WEEK. This should not be done before 7 days unless you are completely out of stove gasoline, fuel oil or are unable to get to work due to lack of gasoline or tires. Each inquiry that is made just takes up someone's time who could be processing other applications. Telephone calls should not be made to the Area Ration Offices or to the Kennewick Board except in cases of extreme emergency.

(3). Applications should be turned into the ration office most convenient to the employee.

(4). All remaining old-type "E" and "R" coupons should be turned in for exchange at the Hanford Ration Office immediately. Please do not ask for emergency stove gasoline except in case of extreme hardship.

## Careless Smoking Caused One-Third of March Fires

As in February, approximately one-third of the fires in Hanford in March were from careless smoking.

This is revealed in the monthly fire report summary for March. Apparently, smokers are still not aware of the seriousness of this hazard.

So far, only the quick action of the fire department has prevented serious consequences, as the fires have been reported immediately. Any one of them, however, could have destroyed a building, threatened the surrounding ones, and caused loss of life.

Smoking in bed is especially hazardous. In spite of continued warnings, some employees continue to do so, thus endangering their own lives and those of others.

Other tips for smokers: Use your ash tray, not the floor. Never leave

## Hanford SPORTS PARADE



James Landreth, machinist of Central Shops, is shown here getting in some extra bowling on his day off. His outfit doesn't have a league yet, but hopes to form one soon.

## Six Teams in Sunday Baseball League Now Ready To Start Spring Training

The Baseball season officially got under way all over America this week when the American and National leagues opened play on Tuesday. Here, in Hanford, the opening for the newly organized Hanford Sunday League is still several weeks away; however, six teams comprising this league are all ready to start their spring training campaigns. The following teams will make up the Sunday League:

Carpenter Department, managed by Ed Lumpkin; Labor Department, Earl Whitaker; Water and Sanitation Department, P. R. Meredith; Crane and Rigging Department, "Tex" Stansfield; Transportation Department, John Ash; Utilities and Fire Department, Harry Campbell and Frank Hughes.

A temporary practice field is now being laid out and will be used for workouts until the regular ball diamond is completed. The new diamond, expected to be ready in about three to four weeks, is located on 5th Street, just south of the Bowling Alleys.

At the last meeting of the men interested in Sunday baseball, it was decided to limit the league to six teams and to play one game in the morning starting at 10:00 a.m. and two games in the afternoon with the first game starting at 1:30 p.m. The ball field will be used during the week for practice and informal games.

It appears that baseball fans at Hanford should be able to see some really high class ball this summer as most of the teams have indicated that their lineups will be studded with former professional and semi-professional players.

We realize that with only six teams only a small number of base-

a burning cigarette on the edge of a dresser or desk. Do not throw away a match before making sure it is completely extinguished. Don't toss a burning cigarette out of a car.

ball players will be able to participate in their favorite sport. However, most of the teams plan to carry a much larger roster than would normally be carried and any players interested in trying out for any of these teams should contact the Recreation Department, phone 8442.

## CASUAL COMMENT

By Proxy

An outstanding piece of post-war planning has been offered by the fistic industry. Sgt. Joe Lewis, now in England, has announced that he views Billy Conn as the logical challenger for his title at the end of the war. Billy very quickly agreed with Joe that he is leading challenger.

American soldiers may be preparing for invasion of Europe, but they already have invaded British sports. Latest sports conqueror among the Yanks quartered currently in England is Pvt. Garrett Nash of St. Louis who is reported to have "electrified a capacity audience at the Queensberry Club" by lifting the world's table tennis championship from Richard Bergmann, an Austrian refugee who has held the title since 1937.

Ohio State's young grid mentor. Paul Brown, has been commissioned in the Navy. He will be assigned to the Great Lakes Naval Training Station. Perhaps it is only a coincidence that Coach Paul (Tony) Hinkle of the Great Lakes football team has been promoted, and there is a grid coaching vacancy there.

## Bowling League Interest Wanes

Although the bowling season is barely five weeks old many leagues are experiencing difficulties in holding their teams together. It appears that much of the enthusiasm shown in the earlier part of the season is gradually wearing off. In fact, it is so bad in some cases that several leagues are seriously considering disbanding.

We know of two leagues who were able to solve the problem and thus save their leagues by going together to form one league. In the event the other leagues do this it may be possible to keep organized bowling in Hanford alive.

## Softball Meeting Wed.

Managers of all teams entered in the Class A Men's Twilight Softball League are urged to attend a meeting to be held at 8:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 26, in the Conference Room of the Administration Building. At this time rules and regulations to govern the league will be presented for formal adoption. Also, schedules and other league matters will be discussed.

It is still undecided as to when the Softball season will officially get under way. However, it is thought that the league teams will be able to start play sometime the week of May 15.

## Did You Know....

That no powdered eggs have ever been served here? That's right!

In the post-war world, we'll probably all be using dehydrated foods of all kinds. At present, the limited supply is all being sent to the armed forces overseas.

Only fresh eggs are ever used for breakfast here; sometimes frozen ones for other cooking purposes when fresh ones are not available.

That not a single ounce of saltpeter has ever been served on this project? That's right!

The Secretary of the Olympic Commissary says that actually, there has never been any saltpeter used on any Olympic contract anywhere.

That all the poultry used in the mess halls is either fresh-frozen chicken or turkey, shipped from this very Northwest territory? That's right!

And that all the rolls, pies, cakes and cookies served here are made right here? That's right! (And aren't they good . . . almost "like Mother used to make!"

## This Is YOUR Paper

Let's have some contributions from you!

Send us your "news tips" on interesting people in Hanford. This is a regular community, just like the one you left, "back home" . . . and there are people here we'd all like to hear about.

For instance . . . which family has the most members working on the Project.



# SAVE THIS RATION CALENDAR

COMMODITY	BOOK	STAMP	VALID	EXPIRES
SUGAR 5 lbs.	4	30	Now	Date Indefinite
5 lb s.	4	31	Now	Indefinite
5 lb s.	4	40	Now	Through Feb. 28, '45
20 lbs. max.	4	37 (Spare Stamp)	Now	Indefinite
SHOES	1	18	Now	April 30
	3	1 (Airplane Stamp)	Now	Indefinite
	3	2 (Airplane Stamp)	May 1	Indefinite
MEATS, FATS & OILS	4	RED A8, B8, C8, D8, E8, F8, G8, H8, I8, J8, K8, L8, M8	Now	Indefinite
CANNED FISH & DAIRY PRODUCTS		RED N8, O8, P8, Q8	April 23	Indefinite
PROCESSED FOODS	4	BLUE A8, B8, C8, D8, E8, F8, G8, H8, I8, J8, K8	Now	Indefinite
GASOLINE COUPONS	3 gal. 5 gal.	A No. 11 B2, B3, C2, C3	Now Now Now	June 21 May be renewed within, but not before, 15 days from date shown on cover of book.
STOVE GAS	5 gal.	E 1	Now	Indefinite
FUEL OIL	10 gal. Undeclared	Period 4 Period 5	Now Now	Sept. 30 Sept. 30

## Do Not Send In This Puzzle! Study It—"Get Set" For Next Week!

See how easy it is?

Some of the outstanding safety hazards in this picture are marked with arrows; but there are lots of others not marked. (Once the contest starts, there won't be any arrows to help.)

For example, your entry sheet would read like this:

1. Falling hammer.
2. Nail keg inadequately supported.
3. Broken rung of ladder.
4. Man facing wrong direction on ladder.
5. Man standing on makeshift support.
6. Broken glass in works area.
7. Scrap lumber carelessly stacked.

The contest begins next Friday, and will continue for 10 consecutive weeks. All field workmen (below the grade of foreman) including sub-contractors' employees are eligible; office workers are not eligible.

### To Honor Leading Craft

The awarding of the prizes will be based on the largest number of safety hazards found in the puzzles. The craft displaying the greatest percentage of participation each week will be publicized in the Sentinel and honored throughout the project.

There are 21 valuable prizes in all—read all about them on Page 1 of this issue!

Troop 5 of the Hanford Girl Scouts filled small Easter baskets with candy for the patients in the hospital and distributed them there.

The General Welfare & Service Office has announced that many calls have come in requesting women to care for children during the day. Anyone who wishes to give assistance of this kind should contact the office and necessary plans will be made.

There are many women on the area who are willing to do laundry of any type, work clothes or lighter pieces. Call 8493 for full particulars regarding these situations.

## Bank Open Until 9 p. m.

You can avoid "the 6 o'clock rush" at the bank on Friday evenings by planning to go there later in the evening to have your check cashed, for they are open until 9 p.m. Since the enlargement of the building, facilities have been improved.

## Chorus Meets Mondays

The Mixed Chorus meets at 8 p.m. each Monday evening in the Music Room of the Women's Recreation Hall (Barracks 11-A). You are cordially invited to attend.

## Sunday Services Hanford Churches

Sunday, April 23, 1944

### CATHOLIC

Rev. W. J. Sweeney Tent Theatre  
Saturday, April 22, 6:30 to 10:30 p.m.,  
Confessions.  
Sunday, April 23, 7:00 a.m., Mass.

### UNITED PROTESTANT CHURCHES

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

### CHURCH OF CHRIST

Rev. E. E. Mitchell White Chapel  
12:15 p.m. Church Service

### ASSEMBLY OF GOD

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

### LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

### COMMUNITY CHURCH

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

## Get Your Free Copy Of Drivers' Manual

A very interesting booklet entitled "State of Washington Drivers' Manual" has been issued by the Department of Licenses, Olympia, and is being distributed here by Patrol.

You can obtain your complimentary copy at Patrol Headquarters at the corner of 2nd and B, or the Outer Area Traffic Headquarters, across from the Women's Barracks.

## Sings Patriotism

Myrna Stockton of the 3rd grade morning class at the school has taught her classmates a song on buying bonds which she learned in school at Vancouver. They've been practising it, and plan to teach it to the rest of the school.

# CINEMA THEATRE PROGRAM

Week days, continuous shows from 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.; Sunday from 1:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Fri. & Sat., April 21 and 22—  
THE LODGER, starring Merle Oberon & Laird Cregar.

Sun. & Mon., April 23 & 24—  
LASSIE COME HOME, starring Rodney MacDowell and Donald Crisp, in technicolor.

Tues. & Wed., April 25 & 26—  
OLD ACQUAINTANCE, starring Betty Davis and Mariam Hopkins.

Thurs. & Fri., April 27 & 28—  
JANE EYRE, starring Joan Fontaine and Orsen Wells.

## Hanford Library Opened Tuesday, April 18th

The Hanford Library, sponsored by the H.E.W. Employees Association, opened its doors Tuesday, April 18.

The library stacks contain current fiction and popular books of all kinds. A choice selection of twenty contemporary magazines is to be found on the racks also. All of the reading material is on high school and adult reading levels.

Library hours are scheduled for 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. daily, except Sunday, thus making it possible for workers on any shift to gain access to the library.

Miss Mathea Hanson, the librarian, has worked diligently to set up a smooth functioning library.

## "Sample" Picture Puzzle; Contest Starts Next Week!

