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RED CROSS COUNTY CAMPAIGN GOAL IS \$60,000

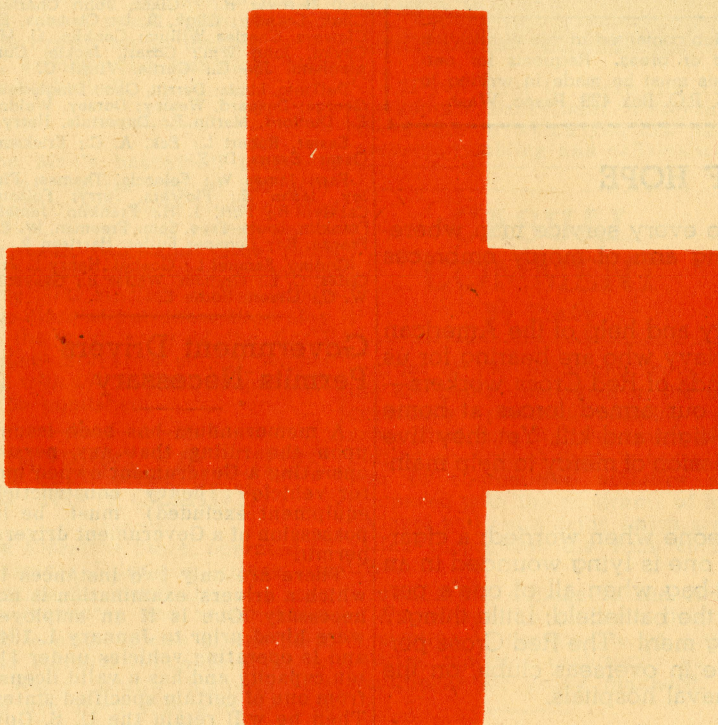
Absentee-ism Figures Improve

HEW is winning its battle against Absenteeism according to the latest statistics which reveal an overall plant absence percentage of 8.9 as compared with 11.8 in the tabulation announced in these columns last week.

The Paint, 105 Craft and Pipe crafts staged a neck and neck battle for first position with respective percentages of 4.4, 4.5, and 4.7. Carpenter and Rigger were tied for fourth with 7.1, while Concrete and Electrical deadlocked for fifth with 7.4.

Others in the standing were: Mechanical, 8.6; Transportation, 9.3; Reinforcing, 11.3; Earthwork, 11.6; Labor, 13.1; Carpenter Labor, 13.5; and Concrete Labor, 19.8

Although it ranked last in the standing, the Carpenter Labor craft won special distinction for having the greatest percentage of improvement, 10.4. Only two crafts slumped over the previously announced totals, Labor which dropped back to 13.1 from 12.7 and Electrical which dropped back to 7.4 from 5.2. The Transportation craft held its own with a repeat 9.3. All the others improved their records which was reflected in the improved over-all total.



Hanford Drive Starts Monday

Confronted with responsibilities of unprecedented proportions, as the war enters its most crucial stage, the American Red Cross has opened its 1944 War Fund appeal.

The campaign here will start next Monday, March 6, and continue through the 18th. The goal for Benton County is \$60,000.

Every employee will be given an opportunity to contribute to this cause, which is so close to the hearts of the American people.

The following "Colonels" will direct the campaign throughout the various crafts and departments:

L. J. Harris, H. Villa, E. L. Pleninger, W. V. Krewatch, G. E. Bubb, R. W. Herrmann, D. A. McGinnis, Joe Thompson, W. E. Leazer, G. F. Haab, H. A. Anderson, K. H. Talbot, C. F. Maxey, L. E. Spence, A. M. Scherffius, L. W. Walling, H. B. Coleman and J. H. Ruffner.

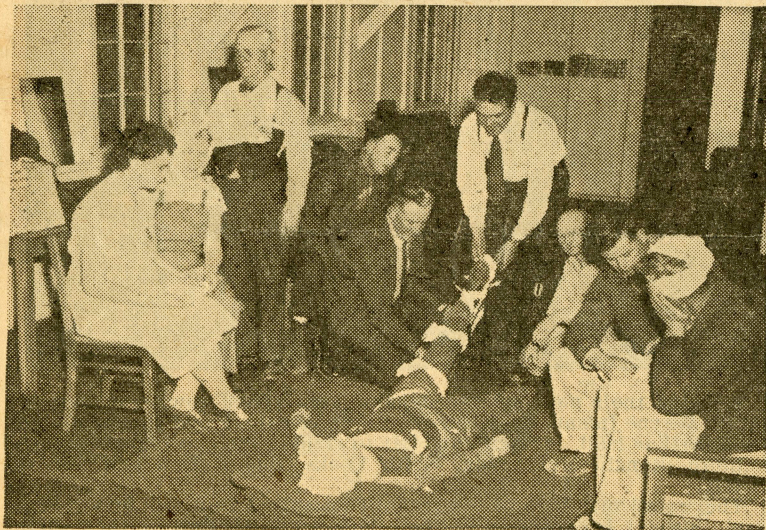
All are confident that the goal will be reached here. Everyone recognizes the vital part the Red Cross must play within the next twelve months.

This year, it must assume a greater burden than ever before, and at the same time must provide aid to servicemen being returned in ever increasing numbers.

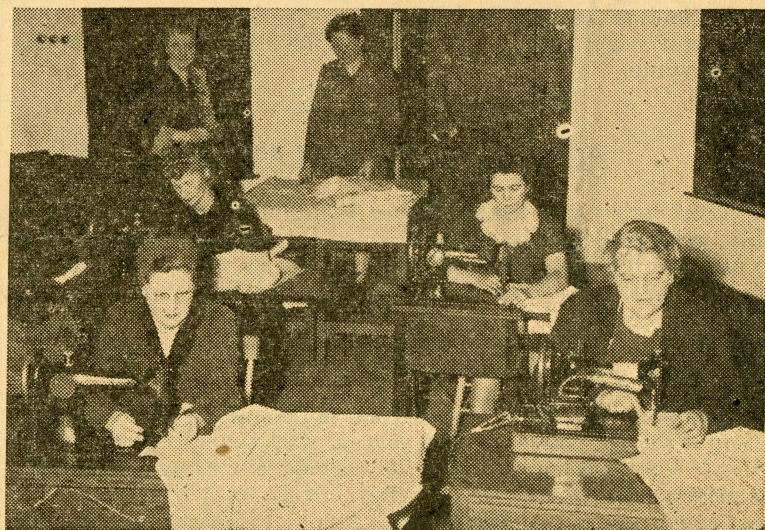
President Sets March As "Red Cross Month"

President Roosevelt, declaring that the war has entered a "decisive stage requiring the fullest measure of individual sacrifice" has proclaimed the month beginning March 1st as "Red Cross Month." He urges all Americans to observe it by donating to the relief agency's 1944 minimum war fund of \$200,000,000.

FIRST AID CLASS AT RED CROSS HUT



RED CROSS SEWING COMMUNITY BLDG.



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A BEACON OF HOPE

The American Red Cross goes to every service man wherever he may be on duty, for its long arm of mercy embraces the globe.

With it go the affection, sympathy and help of the American people to all those in the Army and Navy who are bearing for us the real burden of this war. Thousands of Red Cross workers—men and women—are now serving our armed forces at home and abroad. They are not trained to fight and kill. Yet they live the lives of our soldiers. Theirs is a mission of mercy to help maintain morale in the armed forces.

A chance to talk it out with someone when worried; a cigarette lighted by a friendly hand when one is lying wounded in an evacuation hospital; a Red Cross kit-bag when all of one's personal possessions have been lost on the battlefield; Little things? Yes, but how important to the fighting men! The Red Cross performs these services and many more in overseas clubs, on the battlefields and in the military and naval hospitals.

As the late John Finley expressed it in his poem, "The Red Cross Spirit Speaks"—

The cross which on my arm I wear,
The flag which o'er my breast I bear,
Is but the sign
Of what you'd sacrifice for him
Who suffers on the hellish rim
Of war's red line.

To those of us who watch and wait, the Red Cross is indeed a beacon of hope and relief. Your evidence of faith in this work is necessary for the morale of our fighting men. The best evidence of your faith is the little Red Cross in your window marked "1944 War Fund" as a companion piece to the little blue star on the field of white.

HOW TO LICK INFLATION

Don't let's go off the deep end again. Don't let's spend foolishly, forgetting that the wages we're making now may not last forever, and bringing about inflation just as we did in the first World War. Let's hold down the cost of living this time! By saving our money. By buying war bonds and building a nest egg. By buying only what we absolutely need. By obeying the price ceilings. Remember the terrible '30's!

Are you going to let your soldier lad come home to a country where a cup of coffee costs a quarter and a hamburger costs a dollar? That would be what inflation means; simply, a great and disorderly rise in the cost of living. Don't let it happen! Save your cash, now. Buy war bonds. Refuse to bid up prices. Pay off old debts.

Here Are Owners Of Unclaimed Property!

If your name is listed here, the Lost and Found Department has some property belonging to you!

Please stop at the Hanford Patrol Headquarters (across the street from the Fire Department) and claim it as soon as possible.

Acree, Thomas Green; Adams, John H.; Allen, Luke S.; Anderson, Wayne H.; Andrews, Alex; Armstrong, Bruce L.; Armstrong, Wm. F.; Abbott, Benjamin F.

Bailey, John; Bergstrom, Eleanor Marie; Bird, Leo G.; Blick, Edward H.; Blythe, F. W.; Bohrer, John; Boulton, Jack; Brewsaugh, Omer; Bradley, Elsie Mae; Bradley, J. L.; Brown, Archie; Brown, Austin; Brownrigg, John Henry; Burdett, James Lee; Butler, Olan; Byrne, Paul Vincent.

Campbell, Donald L.; Campbell, James Earl; Caples, Robert Lee; Card, Robert; Carter, Reuben E.; Case, Ned Carson; Cash, Donald F.; Chapman, Aron L.; Christensen, Hartwig R.; Clark, John Charles; Clark, Leander; Clark, R. L.; Clemons, E.; Clowers, Charles Willum; Conklin, O. M.; Cohan, John Wm.; Cozart, Jackie; Cunningham, Joe C.; Curtis, Virgil C.

DelTinto, Linda; Derritt, Geo.; Dingledein, George; Despard, Wesley; Dorsey, Weldon E.; Dunford, Martin P.; Dupertuis, Henry.

Easter, Robert L.; Eck, A. C.; Erickson, Oscar; Evans, D. E.

Farr, James W.; Feleccia, Thomas; Finley, Jason H.; Flowers, Jerry; Folsom, Carolyn B.; Fort, J. H.; Franklin, James; Franklin, Louis; Free, Sam; Freeman, W. E.; Freeze, Roy Eugene; Fuller, Harrison B.

Goding, Samuel L.; Goebel, Henry L. Jr.; Gales, C. L.; Graham, Walter B.; Grayson, W. C.; Green, Eddie E.

Government Drivers' Permits Necessary

A memorandum has been issued upon the ruling that any person operating a Government owned motor vehicle (heavy construction equipment excluded) must be in possession of a Government drivers' permit.

There are only two instances in which a drivers' examination is not necessary. One is if an employee were hired prior to January 1, 1944 and is operating vehicles under 1½ ton capacity and has a valid license from one of certain specified states. Then he will retain the U. S. Government drivers' permit now in his possession.

The other exception is those employees hired since that date who have a valid chauffeur's (not drivers') license. All others must take the examinations.

"Improve that Job" Ideas Are Studied

During the past few weeks, the number of suggestions submitted to "improve that job" has greatly increased.

In general, they are timely and helpful. Many are leading the way to improvements in equipment and methods; others have been helpful in bettering living conditions.

Every suggestion received, regardless of subject or intent, is carefully studied because it is an idea which someone really believes will "improve that job." Every suggestion is answered if the sender has given his name and address.

After the idea has been studied and the facts of the matter obtained, a complete record is made of the suggestion, and it is filed for necessary reference. In order to improve the quality of suggestions which are submitted, we would like to offer the following:

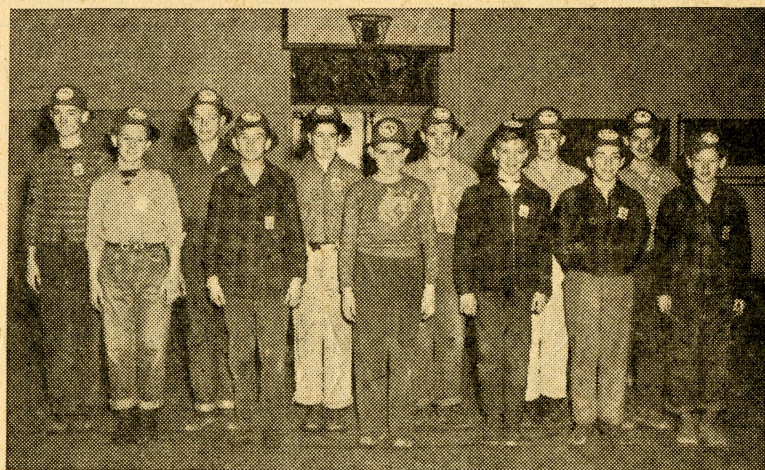
1. Look for hazards, slow spots, waste, bottlenecks, etc.
2. Think up a better way—a better material or tool.
3. Write it up. Give details, drawings and what it will do.
4. Check every item for safety, quality, cost, efficiency.
5. Submit it by mail or drop it in any Suggestion Box. "There's always a better way. . . Improve That Job!"

Walter Duranty Was Pasco Forum Speaker

As we go to press, Walter Duranty was to be the speaker at the Pasco-Kennewick forum on Wednesday evening, March 1st, his subject being, "Russia and Post War Europe."

Mr. Duranty, famous foreign correspondent, author, short story writer and lecturer, has been special correspondent for the North American Newspaper Alliance since 1934.

Some of the Boys in Jr. Fire Patrol



Wearing their new red "hard hats" are: (Back row, from left to right): Wayne Inman, Fred Reeves, Evert Tisdale, Floyd Hover, Blaine Colson, Arthur Hall. (Front row, left to right): Eugene Lightfoot, Virgil Smith, Ronald McPherson, Keith Voeks, Bud Nelson and Ernest Handley.

They're all members of the recently-organized Hanford Junior Fire Patrol; special badges signify their membership. One of their first projects was to assist in the Safety Trailer exhibit.

HANFORD SPORTS PARADE

More News About Some of Our Sports Personalities

Myles Martinez, Transportation, working in the Battery Shop at Central Shops, is still a very young man but he has been "through the mill" in the field of fisticuffs. Myles calls St. Paul his home and much of his early fighting was in that general vicinity.

Discovered and trained by Mike Gibbons, considered by many to be the greatest middleweight of all time, Myles engaged in 150 professional fights from 1934 to 1939, winning all but fifteen of them.

At his peak, Myles was considered the best lightweight prospect in the northwest (Minnesota, North Dakota and South Dakota.) Ring Magazine ranked him seventeenth among the world's lightweight fighters.

Some of the better boys Myles has boxed were: Mickey Slater, Jimmy Bukler, Newsboy Brown and Johnny Gander.

A slight injury suffered early in 1939 influenced Myles to give up his ring career. At present he does not think he will ever attempt a comeback.

Max Cichon, Carpenter, a veteran of many years in the ring, both as a boxer and wrestler, has volunteered to instruct local boxers working out in the Hanford School Gymnasium. Max is a valuable addition to the staff of instructors already working with the boys.

Max, you may remember, was that "tough guy" who blasted his way through the heavyweight division to win the championship at the Christmas Boxing Tournament.

You boxing fans who followed the fight games back in the early 20's may recall "Tiger Teddy Kelley" who was taking on all comers back round Chicago, Omaha, Denver and out here on the coast. Kelley, whose real name is E. E. Butler, is a steamfitter employed in the 200 West area.

The H.E.W. Girls' Basketball team is off to a fine start. Recently organized, the girls are practicing in the Hanford Gymnasium. The group at present, is primarily interested in basketball, but many of the girls have expressed hope that many other physical activities will be included in the program. As a result, plans are now being drawn up to include volleyball, archery and tumbling, along with basketball.

The Men's basketball league is approaching the end of the schedule—only one more week of play remains. Crowds at recent games have been two, and three times larger than they were when the league first started—a fine tribute to the class of ball these boys play.

In the next issue of the SAGE complete statistics on the league, along with the All-Star league team will be published.

RECAPPING FACILITIES ARE NOW READY

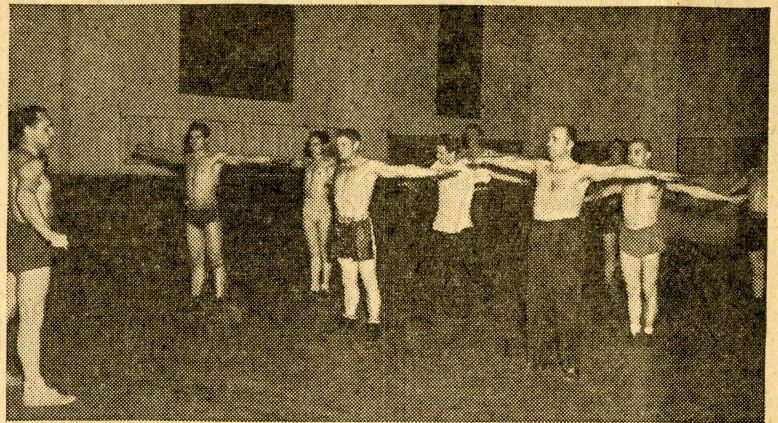
The Firestone Store, operated by Contractors' Sales and Service, has completed the installation of a complete recapping and repair plant.

The location is two blocks north of the Administration Building on the White Bluffs highway; the hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Synthetic camelback is available to all those who have their tires recapped during the next four weeks.

Propane Gas Available

Propane gas is available at the Employees' Tire Shop, operated by Contractors' Sales and Services and located two blocks north of the Administration Building on the White Bluffs highway. Hours are 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

A Calisthenics Group at the Gym



If you want to "keep fit," come over the school gym for regular workouts! Basketball, volleyball, wrestling, and boxing are among the sports in which you can participate . . . other activities include archery, tumbling and calisthenics groups like the one shown here.

CASUAL COMMENT

By Proxy

A lot of the American ways of life are being vindicated in the increasingly powerful display of arms that our fighting men are putting on. One of them is our system of competitive athletics as compared with the programs of individual and mass drills which prevailed throughout the Axis countries.

Iowa State College is the first of the colleges to announce that it is electing to concentrate on competitive athletics exclusively as a conditioner for young manhood.

Physical education leaders at Iowa State say that they have tried both methods, and there is no substitute for healthy competition.

Our military leaders are seeing a lot of virtue in competitive sports as a buildup. They reported that when the Allied beachhead in Italy was being attacked, the Yankees persisted in comparing it with a goal line stand in football. This simile seemed to give them new spirit, and they "held that line!"

LEAGUE STANDINGS

	Won	Lost
Randall-Doyle	5	1
Mid-State Amusem't	5	1
Hanford Grocery	4	2
Hanford Drug	2	4
Richland Cafe	2	4
Foisy's Amusem't	0	6

SHOE STORE PLANNED; ALTERATION SHOP TOO

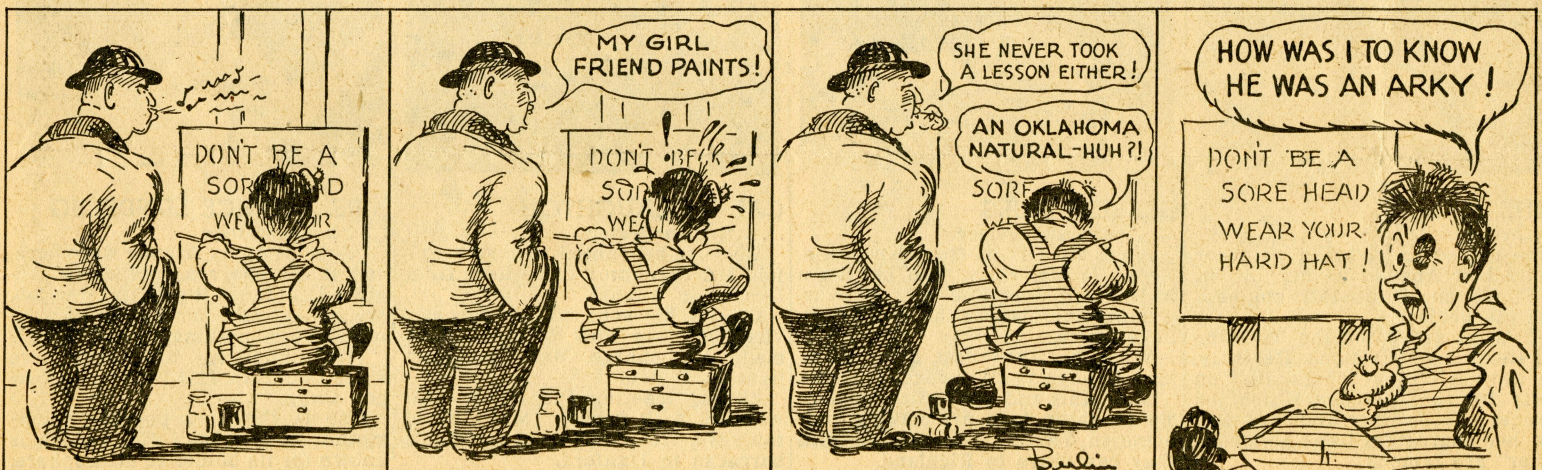
The contract has been signed for a Shoe Store to be operated by the Saad Brothers of Spokane and to be located in the building most recently occupied by the Sears Roebuck mail-order division.

Remodeling will start around the middle of March. The store will carry a complete line of men's and women's dress and work shoes at popular prices. There will also be shoe repairing service there.

Another addition to Hanford businesses is Mary's Repair Shop, an alteration service to be located in the old Gas Rationing office next to the laundry. Mrs. Mary Dougherty of Sioux City, Iowa, who had a similar shop there, will be in charge of the shop.

Life in Hanford starring (???)

(The Hero's name will be chosen in a contest to be announced soon.)



Many Opportunities Here For Voluntary Red Cross Service

As Hanford has developed, the Red Cross has constantly widened its activities, offering residents here varied opportunities for volunteer service in this great cause.

One First Aid group has already finished the elementary course and is now studying as an advanced class. Patrolman Worlton Roos is their instructor.

Meanwhile, another beginning class has started in First Aid and others will be organized soon. Meetings are held from 7:30 to 9:30 on Monday and Thursday evenings at the Red Cross Hut.

Materials have been obtained for the surgical dressings groups now, and 1200 dressings were folded the first week, according to Mrs. Buena Maris, who has organized this work. The instructors are Mabel Askew, Rose Grant and Alice Dunn.

Work goes on from 7:30 to 9:30 at the Red Cross Hut on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings. The present goal is the folding of 5,000 dressings a week for the use of army and navy hospitals. Those who participate in this work are asked to wear clean cotton dresses. Headdresses are provided by the Red Cross.

The Community Building is also the scene of some Red Cross activities. An all-day sewing group meets there on Wednesdays under the leadership of Mrs. Dave Mostoller and Mrs. Glen Masters. Three sewing machines are available there on Mondays for the personal use of the women who are

willing to give a day to the Wednesday group.

Many completed garments have already been sent in, including men's shirts for disaster relief, hospital bedside bags, etc. Knitting is another activity here; additional yarn is expected to arrive within the next few days.

A new class in Home Nursing will start on March 7, under the direction of Miss Eleanor Kalberg. Classes will be held on Tuesdays at the Community Building from 2 to 4 o'clock. A Home Nursing group for barracks residents will be organized soon, with meetings in the evenings at the Women's Recreation hall.

Mrs. Evva Brown, executive secretary of the Red Cross for Benton County is in Hanford on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Her office is located in the Community Building.

The volunteer home service chairman for the Red Cross here is Mrs. G. A. Downs, housemother of Barracks 19. Her duties are many and varied, and are particularly concerned with the problems of service men, veterans and their families.

Catholic Plans Changed

Plans for moving the Catholic Church Services from the tent theatre to Mess Hall Number 7 have been cancelled. All Catholic church services will continue in the tent as usual.

Church Services

CATHOLIC SERVICES

The schedule announced by the Rev. W. J. Sweeney is as follows: Sunday Mass, March 5th, 11:30 a.m., at the Tent Theatre.

Confessions, Wed., March 8, 6:30 p.m., Rev. Sweeney's office in the Tent Theatre; 8:00 p.m., Lenten Devotions at Community Bldg.

Rev. Sweeney lives in Kennewick, P. O. Box 254, Phone 3131.

UNITED CHURCH SERVICES

The Rev. A. J. Blackmon of the United Protestant Church announces this schedule for Sunday, March 5.

9:45 a.m., Sunday School
11:00 a.m., Church Service
3:00 p.m., Special Choir Rehearsal.
6:30 p.m., Discussion Groups
8:00 p.m., Church Service
Wednesday, March 8—2:00 p.m., Women's Association 8:00 p.m., Mid-Week Prayer.

Friday, March 10—7 p.m., Junior Choir Rehearsal. 8:00 p.m., Senior Choir Rehearsal.

OTHER SERVICES

at the United Church building:

CHURCH OF CHRIST

E. E. Mitchell, Minister

Sun., March 5, 12:30 p.m.

Tues., March 7, 8:00 p.m.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Sun., March 5, 2:30 p.m.

Thurs., March 9, 8:00 p.m.

LATTERDAY SAINTS

Sun., March 5, 4:30 p.m.

Mon., March 6, 8:00 p.m.

LUTHERANS

Sun., March 5, 6:30 p.m.

COMMUNITY CHURCH (Colored)

201 Recreation Building

Sun., March 5, 9:30 a.m., Sunday School.

11:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., Services.

6:30 p.m., Bible Discussion.

8:00 p.m., Church Service.

Dedication of United Church To Be March 12

The Rev. A. J. Blackmon has announced that the dedication of the United Protestant Church will be held on Sunday, March 12th at 3 p.m. Special services will be held in the morning and evening also, with guest speakers.

Further details will be announced next week.

CINEMA THEATRE PROGRAM

Continuous shows from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. on week days; Sundays from 1 p.m. to 11 p.m.

Fri., Sat., March 3 and 4: WOMAN OF THE TOWN with Claire Trevor and Albert Decker.

Sun., Mon., March 5 and 6: THE FALLEN SPARROW with John Garfield and Maureen O'Hara.

Tues., Wed., March 7 and 8: GOVERNMENT GIRL with Olivia de Havilland and Sonny Tufts.

Thurs., Fri., March 10 and 11: Double Feature: THE SEVENTH VICTIM with Tom Conway and MYSTERY OF THE 13TH GUEST with Dick Purcell. Also selected short subjects.

Orchestra Formed Under Direction of G. D Kelley

"Kelley's Melody Keys" is the name of a new nine-piece orchestra which has been organized by G. D. Kelley of Office Equipment.

Having held a number of rehearsals, they are now ready to accept engagements for parties at a moderate fee. All are members of the American Federation of Musicians and have had previous experience with well-known bands. Call Mr. Kelley at 8365 for additional information.

Stop For Buses

Your attention is called to the regulation that approaching cars as well as those behind school buses must stop when the school buses are unloading.

Thumbnail Interviews

THE QUESTION THIS WEEK . . .

"How did you happen to come to Hanford?"



ANNE MASON

. . . artist

She moved to Richland with her family last August, as her father, R. F. Mason, is a staff engineer with the project.

She's an artist for the Training and Relations Division. Recently, she gave a clever "chalk-talk" on safety for that division which led to requests from other divisions, and now her characters like "Awkward Elmer" are famous.



HERBERT HULS

. . . ass't supervisor

A recent arrival from Knoxville, Tenn., is Mr. Huls, who has been in Hanford since Feb. 1st. He is assistant supervisor of the Trailer Village office.

What he likes best about Hanford, he says, is all the activity here.

Mrs. Huls and their thirteen-year-old daughter, Jean, are making their home in Yakima temporarily until they can move to Richland.



CAL E. CLAUGHTON

. . . fire inspector

Because he wanted to have a war job, Mr. Claughton came here from Denver in August.

One of his sons was in the service, but has now been given a medical discharge. Mrs. Claughton lives in Denver.

"I like meeting the public, and working with people," Mr. Claughton says. He lives in the fireman's barracks in Hanford.



MRS. BERNICE LUNDBERG

. . . housemother

"Several of my friends were here, and that's one reason I came. Another is because it's a vital war job. My son is in the service, and I wanted to do something to help, too."

Mrs. Lundberg has been here since Dec. 10th. Her home is in Oregon City.

She is the very popular housemother of Barracks 23-A, which is known for its homelike atmosphere.