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How would you like to see Richland as a College City?

It can be a dream and it may be a possibility.

The other day a prominent authority advised against making the Columbia Basin College a four-year institution.

State education leaders have been hinting that there should be another four-year college in Washington. In view of the location of our present two higher institutions of learning, southeastern Washington should get the next one.

There is no other finer spot in South-eastern Washington than the All-America City of Richland. It would be the ideal site.

The movement has already started here, and last Sunday a group of prominent Richland men and women, representing different groups, visited North Richland, inspected several of the large buildings there, and will try to stop the wrecking or moving of these structures in the hopes that they might be utilized in a possible college development.

A visiting official to the Tri-Cities recently stated that after inspecting the three cities, Pasco and Kennewick appeared better equipped for industrial development and that Richland struck him as being a residential and cultural center.

Isn't a cultural center an ideal place for a college?

Here is the latest announcement about the proposed Shopping Center in the Uptown business district. It's official.

There have been signed up already by the promoters 100,000 square feet for new stores and services. This is a fine beginning. Combined with the present arrangement of stores, offices and parking areas, it will create a modern business and commercial center which will attract many new customers to Richland.

The liquor thief is operating again in town. This person evidently parks his car near the downtown state liquor store and watches people who make purchases and return to their cars with the packages. He then follows them to a supermarket or other store which they enter to make other purchases, leaving their cars unlocked. The thief then takes the liquor package from the parked car and drives off. This has happened several times lately, according to police reports. Watch to see if you are followed and get the registration of this freeloader.

A Birch avenue Boy Scout was practicing in his yard the other day and rubbed two sticks together to start a fire. His father complimented him on the performance. The boy then challenged his Dad to do this Scout test. Without hesitation the father took two sticks, rubbed them together and in a jiffy had a fire going. One of the sticks was a match.

At the Safety Council meeting the other night one of the safety committee chairmen from a PTA group gave an illustration of how children in the schools are being benefitted by the safety education programs. He related how he was lying on a couch at home the other night, smoking a cigaret, when his nine-year-old son came into the room handed him an ash tray and asked him to quit.

"You could fall asleep and set the house on fire," he said judicially.

"My boy cured me of this habit," the father related.

According to the newspapers two local hunters shot themselves recently. That's too bad but it is better than wounding other fellow sportsmen. An accidental shooting is no different from a premeditated one, if the victim is killed. He's dead.

We recommend safety belts for all the seats in school buses, to protect the drivers.

If we had a wish it might well be that we were half as good looking and personable as George Sahler, the newly-elected president of the Richland Kiwanis Club. A smile is the outward expression of a person's personality and George has one that radiates to those who happen to be around him. What people think about him is usually indicated by the calls they give him for leadership.

He is president of the Benton-Franklin United Crusade. He has been nominated as president of the General Electric Supervisors Assn. He holds the position as vice president of the Richland Chamber of Commerce, and he now heads the Richland Kiwanis Club. He has been a generous contributor to the activities of the Tri-City Water Follics Association and the Bi-County Social Planning group.

A Man's Man, a cultured gentleman, and a dedicated community service advocate.

Two bucks and several dainty does have made North Richland territory a present safe haven. They moved in after the army moved out. Crews now engaged in tearing down several of the former Army barracks in that area have seen them several times lately, in fact one of the bucks has been watching them from a cover.

Saw this sign in front of a Stevens Drive auto shop — "Save On Sea Covers."

Have you had your picture "taken" lately? We have reputable, professional photographers here who guarantee their work, something fly-by-nighters never do. A family group — Dad, Mom and all the children makes a wonderful Christmas gift to send back to relatives in other states to brighten the family album. Smile please and watch the birds!

Can cause mixed emotions — when your mother-in-law drives your new Cadillac over a cliff.

Trick-or-treat — kindergarten training in how to become chislers.

The Desert Inn has new place mats on the dining room tables which contain special maps of Richland with sight-seeing routes, and printed facts about the All-America City of real interest to visitors.

Whoever built the Uptown business district walks and parking areas must have mixed fertilizer with the cement. Hardy weeds and grass have pushed their way up through the pavements in places. Some of the flower seeds we planted in good soil never even peeked.

There seems to be an improvement in TV shows, except in the commercials. It might help if we stopped trading with people who blast us with irritating ads, who make false claims right in our faces, and who expose our alleged internal machinery.

# 300 Expected For Odd Fellows Sessions Here During Weekend

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Three hundred delegates representing Independent Orders of Odd Fellows and Rebekah lodges are expected to attend the regional meeting and workshop of the Northwest Odd Fellows Association which opens today in Richland and will continue through Sunday. Delegates will be registering today at the Desert Inn from British Columbia, Idaho, Oregon and Washington and will represent all branches of the order.

Planning and working committee for the event for the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs consists of Mrs. H. W. Hansen, Mrs. H. E. Weaver, R. M. Garrison and Virgil Harrison.

From 2 to 7:30 p.m. today the grand officers and delegates will register at the Desert Inn where booths have been set up in the main lobby. There will be a meeting of the grand officers at 8 p.m. at IOOF Hall at 706 Williams Blvd. A social evening will follow, with refreshments served by the local Richland Lodge No. 338. Past Grand Master H. J. Blackstock of Haney, B.C., is chairman of the Northwest Odd Fellows Association, and will preside at the meeting.

**SATURDAY'S** program will start at 9 in the morning with the first general meeting of the association at Odd Fellows Hall.

Arthur Haworth, chairman of the Chamber of Commerce Tourists and conventions committee, will introduce City Manager Murrey Fuller who will give the address of welcome. Important business discussions and committee reports will take up the morning session program. There will be adjournment for lunch at the IOOF snack bar at 12 noon.

The afternoon session will start at 1:30 p.m. and the workshop purposes will be to further "the brotherhood of the Order and man," giving the delegates important actions to report back to their units and states better ways and means of promoting

these objectives and fraternal cooperation.

**THE OUTSTANDING** event is scheduled for Saturday evening at 6:30. It will be the banquet served in the main hall of the Masonic Temple at 412 Thayer Drive, prepared and served by the All States Rebekah Lodge No. 319. Dinner music will be supplied by Mrs. Virgil Harrison.

Following the dinner will be the evening program with Walter Faubion of the Toastmasters as master of ceremonies. He will be introduced by Robert Garrison. There will be a musical entertainment program which will be presented by the Treble Clef group, violin solos by Tamara Small of Pasco, and quartet selections by the Lancers, composed of Don Ott, Kerrick Lambert, Vernon Bates and Albert Leavitt of Richland.

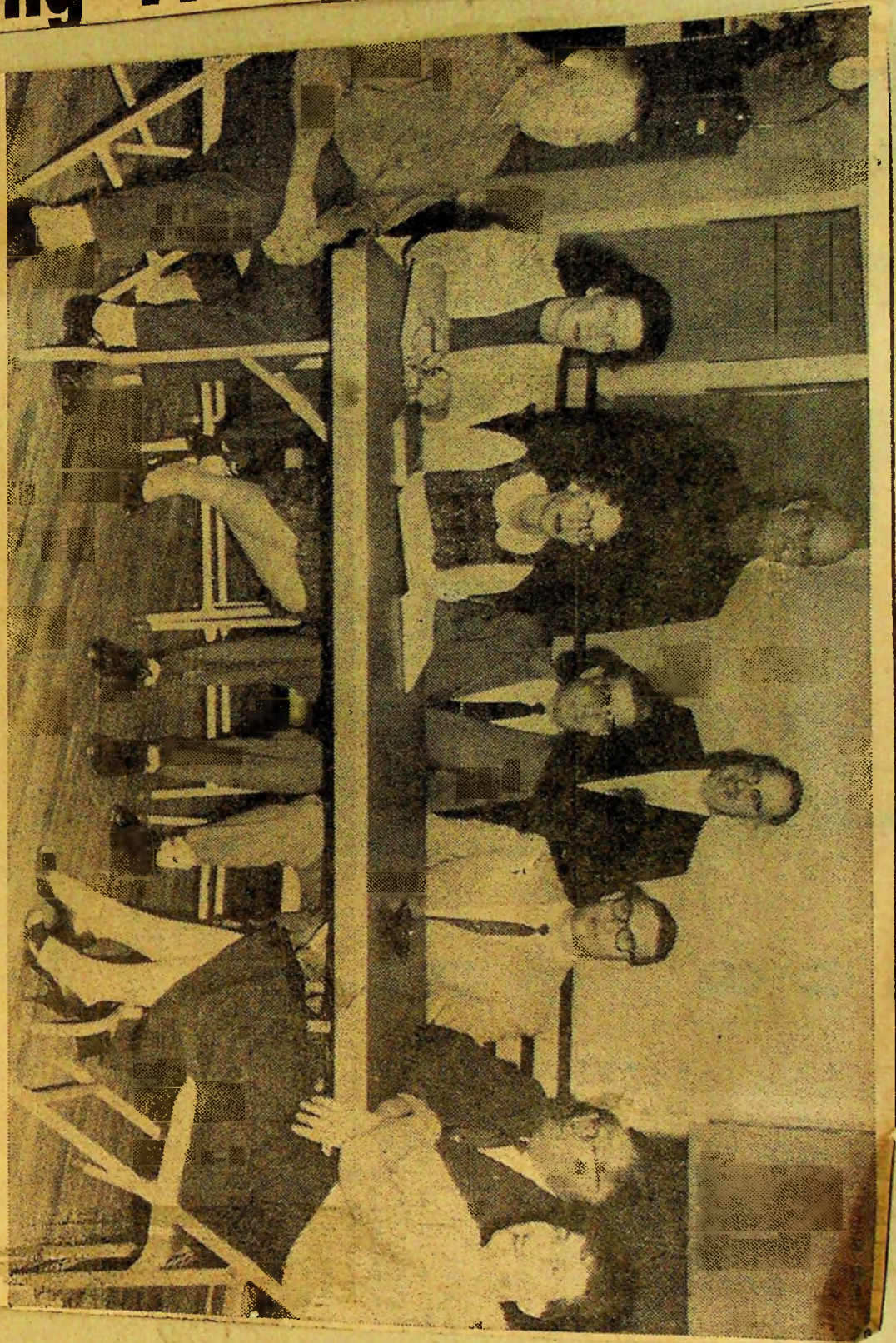
**FEATURED SPEAKER** of the evening will be V. M. Milligan, Hanford employe. Benediction will be given by the Rev. Earl Reisner of Grandview.

On Sunday morning from 6:30 to 9, ranch breakfast will be served at the Odd Fellows Hall by the Richland Temple Association. Final meeting of the regional conclave and workshop will start at 9:15 a.m. and adjournment will follow at about 1 o'clock noon.

The committee expressed its thanks to Arthur Haworth, chairman of the Tourists and Conventions committee, for his interest and assistance in coordinating the many convention details and arrangements.

**READY FOR MEET** — Preparations have been completed for the IOOF sessions here. Talking over plans here are: standing, Virgil Harrison and Warren Willson; sitting, from left, Harvey

Atwood, Noble Grand; Mrs. H. E. Weaver, Mrs. H. W. Hansen, Walter Faubion, master of ceremonies; V. M. Milligan, featured speaker, Robert Garrison, and Mrs. W. O. Slagle—Noble Grand.



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It wasn't a guess. We were right. This column had this to say in the Friday, May 26, 1961 issue:

"There are still many people who are disturbed over the situation anent the proposed new school building. The bond issue of \$2,000,000 was put over largely on the candy promise of matching federal funds. Now we hear the cost will be some quarter of a million dollars over the previous estimate."

Well, we did not get the matching funds promised and the newspapers announced a few days ago that new bonds may be sold to compensate for the loss in matching funds and for the new estimate of costs for the new high school.

The state slashed \$300,000 from the matching funds which had been promised by the sponsors of the local deal. This column's prediction of a quarter of a million was a near bullseye.

A Cullum Avenue couple, man and wife, both work, and occasionally they do not have their house keys and get locked out. They hit on the plan of putting an extra key in a bottle and burying it in the garden, marking the spot with a trowel. It happened again the other night, that neither had a key, so they went to the garden to dig up the emergency key. Somebody had taken the trowel, they couldn't find the key grave, and anyway there was no trowel to do the digging. Can you figure out how they got in the house?

You dog lovers will enjoy this true story. L. O. (Babe) Williams lives at 1426 Stevens Drive and owns a cocker spaniel. His next door neighbor W. A. Crossman at 1424, Stevens owns a pointer. The four of them have a game. There is a wooden fence dividing their properties. When Williams throws a ball over the fence into the Crossman yard, the pointer will pick it up, carry it to the fence, push the ball through an opening for the cocker to pick it up and carry it back to its owner. When Spencer reverses the game, the cocker will get the ball, carry it to the fence and push it through to his chum, the pointer, and that intelligent animal will take it to his boss. These dogs will play this game all day if you will enjoy it with them. Isn't that something? Proves that dogs can think. We thank Harvey Stoller for the tip on this one.

May we compliment General Electric Co., for hiring many handicapped workers. They hire them for what they can do and not for what they cannot do. They employ people without an arm or a leg. The only handicapped persons they will not hire are those without brains.

Had a pleasant visit at the Sacajawea elementary school the other day and learned that out of the 15 women teachers there, 13 were married. What a change over the years. Half a century ago school boards were not allowed to appoint married women to their teaching staffs, for what official reason we will never know. Only single girls got the jobs in the old days. Are we wrong in presuming that married teachers know a lot about children and how to handle them?

Joe Perler, who managed the Diamond store in Richland for several years and is now associated with C. C. Anderson Co., has been off duty for several weeks as a result of a back injury he received while working in his garden. Well, he is back on the job again and his many friends here are happy to see him. Looks as though he lost some weight, but he still has the warm, friendly smile.

We have had stories about crows and ducks visiting Richland on our main streets and would now like to mention that last Wednesday morning we saw a magpie on George Washington Way near Haupi. This scavenger probably thought he was on the Hunt.

Commenting on the fact that Asst. Fire Chief Milt Wight is back from an extensive trip in Europe, we might predict that several local service clubs will want to have him as their guest speaker on a near date. He's a good one.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Haworth will be leaving soon on a trip to Hawaii. This trip was awarded Art by the Western Insurance Co., for his production record.

We heard that the Army headquarters building at North Richland has a stop-order on it so that it will not be sold for two years. The idea is that AEC might want to utilize the entire building for its 700 area office personnel who can occupy it until the new Post Office building is ready. Understand that AEC will have an entire floor in the new office.

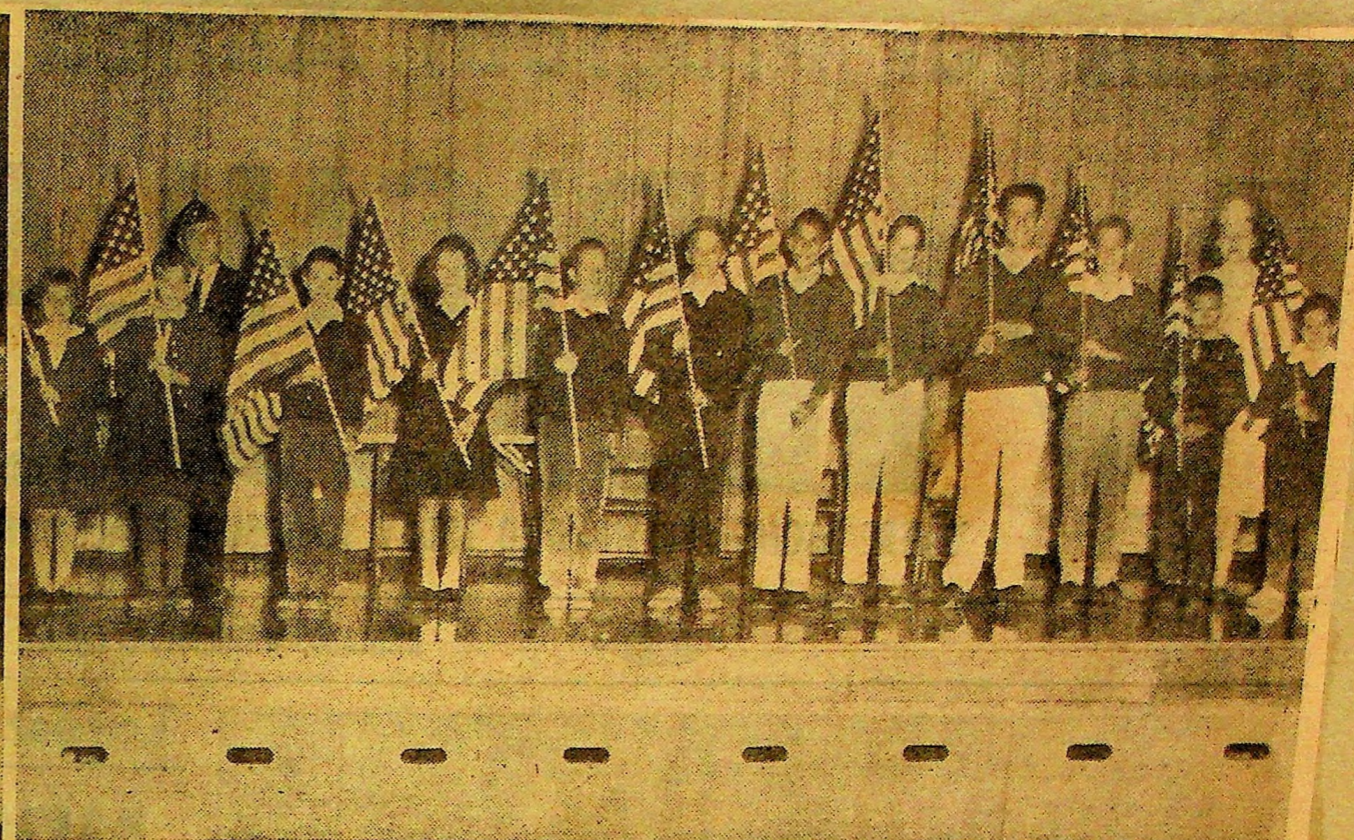
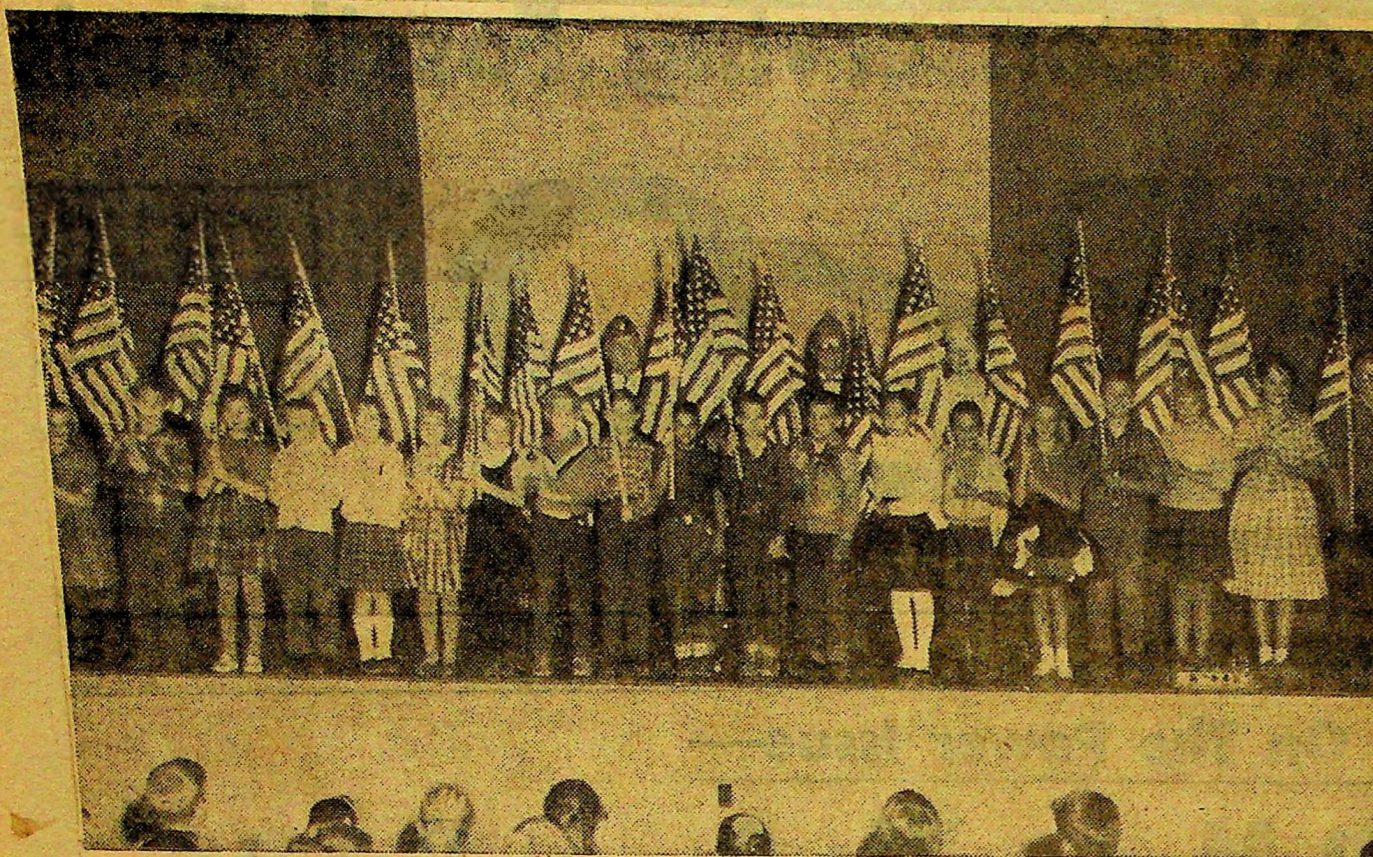
A Fitch Street man dropped off a package of laundry the other day at Uptown Laundryland and when he returned to his car he found he did not have his keys. He went back to search for them but failed to locate them. Flabbergasted, he did not know what to do. Just then one of the women employees approached him and said: "I think I know where they are." She reached down to the bottom lining of his top coat and felt around and there were the keys. "How did you guess they were there?" the man asked. "The same thing happened to my husband last week," she explained. "I sewed up the hole in his pocket".

Joe Carroll shot a pheasant but cannot eat it. Here's why. Joe went hunting with his young son and brought the bird down at 200 yards with a 12-gauge gun. Later he was talking with an experienced hunter who asked him a few questions about the distance, the type of gun used and the shells. The hunter then castigated Joe with these tender remarks: "Joe, it would be impossible for anybody to shoot a pheasant at that distance with the gauge shot gun and with the type of shell you used." So Joe made this comment: "If what I did was impossible, then how can I eat the pheasant which proves himself by being in my deep freeze right now?"

A few days ago a Douglass Avenue woman panned her husband for not raking and burning the leaves in the yard. He told her that a big wind would come up any time now and blow them into the neighbors' yards. Well the big Chinook fulfilled his prediction, only it came from the wrong direction and now all the leaves from all the neighbors' yards have been deposited on his premises—and somebody stole his rake.

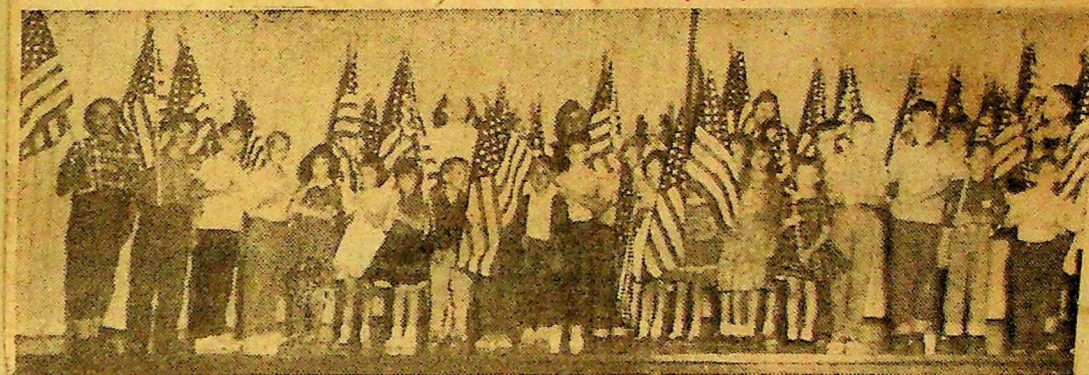
Our best wishes and congratulations to Robert Rose who has been honored with an important appointment by Governor Rossellini. He has been an upstanding citizen in both Kennewick and Richland, prominent and energetic in many important community services in both cities. Most political appointees are self seekers who get offices as political rewards.

In the case of Bob Rose, the governor sought him because of his fine background and qualifications. An appointment like that means that the state will be a real beneficiary. We do not forget that Citizen Rose helped prepare the script which won Richland the honor of being selected as an All-America City. He will be a credit to the Tri-Cities area.



IN RECENT ceremonies at the Sacajawea Grade School (left) and the Christ the King Parochial School, new 50-star American flags were presented for all the class rooms. This is part of the Americanism program of the Richland Veterans of Foreign Wars Post and when it is completed each class room in every Richland school will have a new flag. Commander U. Lester Sweetin of the VFW Post of the VFW Post makes the presentations.

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MORE U. S. FLAGS — At an earlier date, flags were presented to students at Marcus Whitman School. They are shown here.

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## Mrs. Thompson Tells Of Park Pageant Plans

The Richland Chamber of Commerce Tourists and Conventions Committee, at its meeting during the past week, discussed and made plans for several important projects for Richland and the Tri-Cities area.

Mrs. Margaret Thompson of the Benton County Park Commission gave a talk on the July 25 Lewis and Clark Pageant which is being planned for Columbia Park. She indicated that an outdoor theater will be built at the lower end of the park with a stage large enough to accommodate the pageant programs, in which several hundred people from Richland, Pasco and Kennewick will participate.

Various local organizations are now being lined up to handle the many stages of history in the Lewis and Clark Westward Ho adventure which successfully claimed this section of the country for American ownership and development.

One of the main features of the big celebration will be a chartered bus trip starting in St. Louis which will cover the original Lewis and Clark route to the West coast. All the cities and towns along this scheduled tour are making plans to entertain the people who make this bus trip. Senators in all the states to be traveled have a hand in the plans. Scheduled stops will be made during the trip to visit historical spots.

The tourists are expected to arrive here on July 25 to witness the Tri-Cities pageant and thousands of other tourists and visitors will also be on hand to see the big celebration. The Richland Players will probably put on the last three episodes in the historical event.

HOMER MOULTHROP spoke

on the organized group in Richland which has been working on the proposition that this city would be the ideal location for the proposed four-year college. Efforts have been made to stop the sale and wrecking of the large buildings at the former North Richland U. S. Army camp in the hope that they might be used for such a college project.

Moulthrop suggested that active local organizations and clubs should take favorable action on this subject and bring their influence to bear on state educational leaders, wherever possible. He described such a college as the equal of a large new industry as it would mean ultimately housing some 2,000 college students here and would have an important bearing on the economy of the City of Richland.

President Sam Volpentest approved the idea of a four-year college in Richland and intimated that the subject would be discussed at the next meeting of the board of directors. He also paid a high compliment to Robert Rose, who was recently appointed by the governor to head the state Department of Commerce.

CHAIRMAN Arthur Haworth announced that there would be a meeting in Richland on Nov. 22 at 7:30 p.m., at which the newly-organized committee would present the new college proposition, and he invited all persons interested to attend.

Past President Harold Morgan of the Chamber of Commerce presented the idea that the Chamber should support a plan for a \$500 scholarship in literature to be awarded an outstanding student here.

Charles Kilbury of the Tri-

Cities Zoo organization was a guest speaker and he described plans for enlarging and improving the facilities at the Chawana Zoo. He said 24,000 persons visited the zoo last year, including student groups from Tri-Cities' schools. He mentioned that there is now a charge to visit the zoo, which previously had free admission. Before this charge was made there was some vandalism reported at the zoo and this has now been eliminated.

CHAIRMAN HAWORTH presented those present with copies of the new Richland Guide, a publication originated by the tourists and conventions committee. It contains greetings from Mayor Joyce Kelley and others and contains information about shopping facilities, hotels, motels and eating places, Community House facilities, recreation facilities (parks and playgrounds), beauty shops and laundry locations, information of value to tourists and Richland visitors. These have been placed in the hotel and motels for free distribution.

Wes Brown, Benton County commissioner, gave a talk on more details concerning the Lewis and Clark celebration, and Mrs. Faith Cook of West Richland added other facts about the July project.

H. E. Ramerman, Richland retail merchant, mentioned that local stores would like to carry in stock mementoes of Richland, as many out-of-town people and customers have asked for them. He also said that there was a dearth of colored postal cards with Richland scenes for which there is a constant demand.

Rev. Cecil P. Knippers of the Richland Nazarene Church complimented the committee on its success in attracting conventions to Richland and in getting better publicity which should attract more tourists here during the season.

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## Gravel Pit Plans Hit; SIA Eyes School Idea

Thirteen subdivisions of the Southside residential area were represented at the quarterly meeting of the Southside Improvement Association held at Lewis and Clark School Sunday night. In the gathering were several husband-wife combinations.

In supporting a plan for making the shoreline and some of the adjoining flood plain of the Yakima River between Van Giesen and the George Washington Way bridge a recreational area compatible with the development of Richland as a leading vacation resort center of the Pacific Northwest, members voted to send a letter to the Planning Commission requesting any amendment to flood plain usage for permitting sand and gravel operation be discontinued.

This action was based on the proposition that the Recreational and Industrial Opportunities

Committee should have time to make a city-wide study of the problems involved.

IN CONNECTION with the association's proposal of a \$36,000 cost plan for alleviating obnoxious odors at the Rose Bowl, members voted to send a letter to the City Manager requesting that those phases of the sewer system engineering study dealing with above-ground collection of obnoxious gases at the disposal plant be given priority over underground phases of the study to avoid the possibility that construction scheduling might otherwise prevent alleviation of the gaseous odors prior to the World Fair tourist season.

A vote was passed favoring the formation of an official corporation among Richland citizens in which individuals could purchase five dollar shares, as needed, to aid vital civic enterprises. This would be entirely separate from the Southside Association as such, but would provide legal means by which collective financial investment could be made to insure the best long-range development of Richland. An initial investment might be the continuing development of the area between Abbott street and the By-Pass highway.

ANOTHER VOTE passed was on the subject of maintaining better liaison with other civic groups, including the Chamber of Commerce, in regard to developing the recreational and industrial potential of Richland, including support for construction of the NPR power conversion project.

There was a discussion of the proposal to seek the location of a new Washington state four-year college in Richland in the area formerly occupied by the U.S. Army at North Richland. Members voted to contribute to the study of this plan and to have Southside Improvement Association members at the meeting to be held at the Community House on Nov. 22, starting at 7:30 o'clock, at which time the college proposal will be discussed.

President Homer Moulthrop was authorized to appoint a nominating committee of five members to prepare a list of candidates for the election of 1962 officers of the association.

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## Junior Rifle Club To Meet At Richland

Do you have a .22 you've been wanting to shoot for a long time? Or perhaps you wish you could develop a keener eye? If so, the Richland VFW Junior Rifle Club is for you.

For the past 10 years, this organization has been offering boys AND GIRLS over 12 years of age a fine opportunity to enjoy target shooting at a Navy range while at the same time meeting with those you know, many of whom are probably already among the 45 members who have joined this year.

One valuable feature of this club is that no special equipment is required; and this includes rifles, which are furnished by the club. Another is that the Hunter's Safety Course license is offered by the club to any interested member.

There are two instructors on hand — H. A. Farmer and T. Seaton—who are always ready to give pointers and correct errors.

Meeting time is every Tuesday night at the rear entrance of the VFW Post 7952 Hall in Uptown Richland at 7 o'clock

## News Of Interest To Veterans

# Closing Of VA Office Pondered By Vet Groups

The announcement that the Veterans Administration office in Richland will be closed suggests the possibility that our Frank White, who has been in charge here for several years, may be transferred to the VA Hospital in Walla Walla for his new post location, and that he may be able to have a day each week for official visits in the Tri-Cities to continue the conduct of the veterans' affairs. This will be a second choice development for the veterans here. It is well known that the Richland office has handled a high quota of cases.

What will happen in the cases

of the widows and orphans, and those veterans who are not financially able to travel to distant VA offices? These people are not qualified in many cases to handle their inquiries by correspondence either, some officials here state.

Veterans who belong to the Veterans of Foreign Wars or the American Legion have service officers who can look after them and their needs, and they can also contact the Department service officers who will act as their attorneys in preparing their cases and officially represent them at hearings.

The suggestion has been made

that all veterans who do not belong to vets' organizations should join at once to protect the interests of themselves and their families.

Both the VFW and the Legion are contacting government officials, senators and congressmen, with the hope that the order to close the Richland VA office may be cancelled. They have expressed deep appreciation to Frank White for his long and efficient service here and have indicated that they will do everything in their power to keep him here on the job if possible.

**AS A RESULT** of the Veterans' Day observance held in Richland on November 11 most members of all local veterans' organizations are now convinced that all future celebrations of the same type should be planned for indoors. The high wind that prevailed last Friday kept many people away who would have attended exercises held indoors. The planned program was moved into the City Hall council chamber which was crowded to the doors, and the outside corridors also were well filled.

After the program many of the vets and their wives moved to the Desert Inn where a lunch and reunion were enjoyed. The hotel rang with the music of the World War I songs and the

hearty singing voices of the old timers.

Past Commander William E. James of the Veterans' Day committee deserves high credit for the great job he did. State Commander Boyd Rozen of the Veterans of Foreign Wars was a guest.

The hospitalized veterans at the Walla Walla VA hospital received a pleasant visit a few days ago from a group representing the Cook-Erickson Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post Auxiliary. In the party were President Eunice Hetrick, Senior Vice President Margaret Sweetin, Hospital Chairman Capitola Murphy and Esther Carter. They presented gifts to the bed-ridden patients, wrote letters for them to send home, and performed services requested.

The Auxiliary ladies announce that they are preparing a recreational program for the patients for the near future, which will include bingo games with prizes. They will also continue their project of supplying the hospital with books, magazines, and other articles which are needed.

**AT THE LAST** meeting of Richland Post 71, the American Legion, membership awards were presented to Past Commanders Ray Tillson, William E. James, Russell Grob, Glen Hendrickson, James Skerbitz and one to Mace Watkins. Edward Larrabee received a 40-year continuous membership card. The presentations were made by Senior Vice Commander Carl Seman.

In discussion plans for next year's Junior American Legion baseball it was mentioned that it cost \$852.60 to finance the team during the last baseball season. This amount was raised by donations from the Richland Exchange Club, the American Legion Post, sale of Christmas trees, concessions at home games and the Fourth of July concession, a pancake breakfast and donations by players. Members voted to have a team in the 1962 schedule, and the coaches and manager are making plans for several events to raise the needed funds. The Post advanced the Junior team \$150.00 for the purchase of Christmas trees for the coming holiday.

**Question of the week—**  
Q — Can a veteran's pension be seized by a creditor?  
A — A veteran's pension can not be seized nor garnished except by the Federal Government to cover unpaid taxes.

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# VFW Will Sponsor '62 March Of Dimes Drive

The annual March of Dimes project is being planned for the month of January, and for the second successive year it will be sponsored in Benton County by the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Head of the county set-up will be VFW District Commander C. C. Owings. Mrs. Helen Kass, a past president of Cook-Erickson Post Auxiliary, has been named county chairman for the Mothers' March program. Commander Owings and President Kass already have attended preliminary indoctrination meetings in San Francisco and in Yakima, where national officers met with them and went over the 1962 plans from the county and city levels.

VFW Post commanders in Richland, Kennewick, Prosser and Benton City are seeking local chairmen to handle the polio drives in their respective cities and their names and committees will be announced in the near future. In Richland it is expected that at least 200 women will be organized by school districts to participate in the annual Mothers' March. Captains and lieutenants will be appointed to handle the big operation when the marching mothers will call at every home in Richland to collect funds for the annual polio drive.

**AT THE LAST** meeting of the Cook-Erickson Post, VFW, members of the VFW Pony League baseball team which won the 1961 championship were guests of the post and were introduced to the members. The championship trophy which was won was presented to Commander U. Lester Sweetin, and will be placed in the post trophy case.

The post voted to endorse the movement for a new 500-bed veterans' hospital which has been proposed for Vancouver, Wash. The sum of \$25 was voted for the department hospital fund, and a contribution also was voted for the Cystinosis Research fund. Action was taken voicing disapproval of the closing of the local VA office, which has been one of the busiest in the state handling veterans' affairs in Eastern Washington.

At this meeting District Commander C. C. Owings made his first official visit and was accompanied by District Junior Vice Commander Fred Krier, District Inspector Del Tucker and Department Sergeant-at-Arms Russell Neill.

**AN UNUSUAL** feature of the post meeting was the presentation of a life membership to Art Worthington, an 89-year-old Spanish-American War veteran who joined the Richland VFW Post a year ago.

Commander Sweetin announced that arrangements are being made for the annual children's Christmas party which will take place at 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 16. There will be a movie, entertainment, a Santa Claus and the distribution of gifts and refreshments. On the same evening there will be a Christmas party for members of the post and auxiliary at the post headquarters. Arrangements are also in the making for the annual New Year's party.

**DISTRICT COMMANDER C. C. Owings** presided at the recent meeting of the VFW 17th district meeting held at Moose Hall in Kennewick. Department Commander Boyd Rozen and members of the state staff were guests. The vacancy in the position of junior vice commander was filled by the election of Past Commander Fred Krier of the Pasco Post. Commander Rozen gave a talk on the subject of membership quotas and asked each post commander to have well-organized membership drives this year.

Past District Commander Norm Gross, with Mrs. Gross and family left yesterday for a

week's trip to California. Their plans include a visit to Livermore, Calif., where they will be the guests of Past Commander and Mrs. Maynard Dunn.

It has been announced that Kelsey Dunn, a former Richland VFW Post commander, is returning from the West Indies soon on a visit and is expected to be in Richland.

**ONE OF THE** features of the recent Veterans' Day event which failed to get mention in the newspaper reports was an honor conferred on Victor Nelson, a member of Richland Post 71, the American Legion. The post had in its possession the original standard of the old Richland John Lindstrom Post 134, of which Vic Nelson was a charter member. The standard

was presented to Nelson as his personal property for a keepsake.

The recent General Electric dinner to its retired employees held at the Community House had the appearance of a veterans' convention — nearly a hundred of the former employees had served in the armed forces. Among them was Andy Anderson, a former member of Richland Post 71, the American Legion, who enjoyed himself so much that he remained a week here as a guest of Past Commander William E. James.

**Question of the week —**

Q — Where do I apply for VA domiciliary care?

A — Application may be made by the veteran, his guardian or representative at any VA office.

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We hear that two large chain supermarkets have been making inquiries about the proposed new shopping center in the downtown business district north of Syons Street. One of them may be selected by the promoters. We are going to be so happy.

Four corner spaces have been allotted for bus stations, and the Richland planning commission has given approval.

No late news has been received about a large department store for the new shopping center but we have indirect information that interest is being shown by a chain store group.

A new plan is being prepared by the architects which will give the latest picture of the progress being made in the development and it will be submitted to the planning board next week.

Here is a suggestion for several of our Richland organizations and clubs which are having trouble getting their members to attend meetings regularly and to take an active part in the programs and projects planned.

How about having a public relations official appointed from among your membership? He could open up new contacts with other groups, and put some life into your own operations. Only an experienced person can fill this type of job. How is your publicity? Your errand members may be attracted back into the fold when they discover that you are doing something for the community.

Make your meetings interesting. Plan them well ahead with live-itemed agendas. Check on your committee chairman, encourage those who are doing a good job, and fire those who are not producing. That's right FIRE them.

The residents near the Comstock-Barth area are up in arms over the rumor that the small playground there is to be dismantled and divided into lots to be sold. The moms and Dads want the playground preserved for their children up to 12 years of age. They claim it is the most-used play spot in the entire system and its discontinuance will mean that the kids will have to use the streets in this dangerous traffic location. A committee has been appointed to contact the authorities.

A Stevens Drive gas station is advertising a loaf of bread with every 10 gallons of gas purchased. Never tasted bread with gas for the 70 cent spread.

The Post Office Department recently announced that during the past year 6,000 postmen had been bitten by dogs. This is off-set by the big bite the Department takes out of government appropriations. On the other hand dogs should not be allowed to stop the mail deliverers.

Happened to be in a local drug store the other day and actually saw a woman pay \$1.50 for a (s)cent.

Received a recent letter from a correspondent (who did not want the letter used) who drives through town from the area (when he is tired and hungry) and is irritated by the fact that the through traffic is needlessly held up by the light changes in the downtown area. Under the present system, motorists have to speed between the short distance lights in order to keep going. We noticed it too. The correspondent enclosed a one dollar bill (for what reason we do not know) and we could not return it because of no name or address, so we gave it to one of the newspaper carriers.

We observed Thanksgiving this year with Christmas decorations.

The amount of money people throw away in gambling rackets and for booze is now up in the billions of dollars. Legitimate business takes this economic loss under the belt, and the moral fibre of the nation is being sapped. Russia watches us and takes notice of what is going on.

A local retail merchant brought out the fact the other day that there is demand for souvenirs of Richland from visitors who come here to see relatives and from tourists also. There must be somebody in town who can come up with an idea or two and perhaps start making gadgets that the stores will be glad to carry in their show case. How about a metal atomic bomb that can be used on office desks as a paper weight. Store owners and managers should be able to suggest something, as they are supposed to know what people want and will buy.

If you have an idea about this send it to this Seen and Heard Column. Will be glad to

use it.

Have you ever had this experience? You want to park on the street and think you see a space ahead. When you get there you find one of those pocket-sized midge cars blocking you. You see another space ahead and hie for it and there is another one of those little guys just in out of sight. We will not repeat your language after you seek the third space and find a four-wheeled tin can in possession. Where in heck do they come from? There ought to be a law against it.

George Anderson, president of the Richland Lions' Club, is a real live wire, and such sparks that organization in its current projects. The Lions are noted particularly for their humanitarian project, the Blind Aid program. They supply glasses to those who need them and cannot afford to pay for them. Many of their money-raising events are for this purpose.

One of these events is scheduled for tonight—a dance at the Tri-Cities Center in Kennewick with a well-known Moses Lake orchestra furnishing the music. The club recently completed its Apple Project, and dispensed several bushels of the famous Washington varieties. If you do not belong to any local club, the Richland Lions would be a first-class choice. You can help in their community service program.

Noticed a sign at a local automobile dealer's place which reads "Cad for sale." All the cads we ever knew gave themselves away, sooner or later.

If there is a local organization that is hard up for a project that will benefit others, we might suggest that the Columbia High School band is out to raise money for a new set of uniforms. After witnessing how Kennewick people have raised thousands of dollars for the activities of their high school band, there is no reason why their example shouldn't be followed here. This would be more or less a civic project and everybody will be willing to contribute. It only remains now for one of our clubs to start this project.

Attended a meeting the other day at which Congresswoman Catherine May was the speaker. Right afterwards heard a man say, "I voted for her at the last election because I heard her debate with Mr. Mundy and she sure did a job on him. However, I think a man should

be the congressman." This shows that there are still folks who cannot think of women as people. Women can do something that men cannot do, they do not hide behind apron strings.

Like to compliment the working force at City Hall which has the job of keeping the building spic and span. It is always in shining good order no matter when you look it over.

Before long we will have a new boat basin on the Yakima River east of the bridge on George Washington Way, thanks to the L. W. Vail Co. which has agreed to do the excavating on its own leased land.

## VFW Auxiliary Planning Flag Presentations Too

Not to be outdone by its sponsoring post, the Auxiliary of Cook-Erickson Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, is planning to present to all Richland schools large, new 50-star silk American flags for use in their auditoriums. The first ceremony of this kind is being planned for the Christ the King Parochial school, and similar events will be announced for all the other Richland schools.

The Richland VFW Post, directed by Commander U. Lester Sweetin, recently completed its major 1961 Americanism program by visiting all the elementary schools in the city and making presentations of 360 large 50-star American flags for

use in the class rooms. Similar presentations will be made after the New Year at Columbia High school, and the Carmichael and Chief Joseph Junior High schools.

These flags are to be used for the Pledge to the Flag ceremonies and on other patriotic occasions. Assisting in these ceremonies at the schools have been Past Commander William Owens, Senior Vice Commander Hap Parmer and Public Relations Director W. C. MacBrayne, with President Eunice Hatrick and Secretary Geneva Helgerson of the Auxiliary.

Letters from the teachers' staffs and from the students of the various schools have been

received by Commander Sweetin expressing thanks and appreciation for this Americanism project.

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**DURING THE** present annual membership drives in progress by both the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion posts, reports have come back from the canvassers that many veterans have never joined either organization because their wives were opposed. No general reason was given for this better-half objection, and there were probably varying reasons in specific cases. What many wives do not appreciate or perhaps know is that the veterans' posts have service officers whose duty it is to look after the interests of veterans, their wives and dependents.

When a war veteran dies, his wife and dependents are eligible for many government benefits, things the wives know little about. Upon the death of a member of a veteran's post the service officer immediately goes into action for the family, in assisting in giving the deceased a military funeral and then consulting with the widow to protect her interests.

Among these interests are insurance payments, pension benefits, funeral expenses, education of minor children, to name a few.

With these things in mind wives are advised that they should encourage their husbands, if they are honorably discharged veterans, to join and keep up continuous memberships in veterans posts. As for the veterans themselves, they should be proud to play a part in the civic services and projects which these veteran organizations are accomplishing for the community of Richland.

**PAST COMMANDER** William E. James had an interesting interview with Congressman Catherine May during her recent visit in Richland and discussed with her the need of keeping the local VA office open for the service of veterans and their dependents. Mrs. May stated that she had already had telephone conversations with officials in Washington, D. C.

She asked James to write her a letter giving a brief on the local situation, which he did promptly the following day.

There was an interesting article in the November issue of the American Legion Magazine which brought out the fact that 17½ per cent of the last

class to enter West Point were cadets who had been Boy Staters. This certainly is a tribute to the American Legion and its annual Boys' State project which over the years trains thousands of fine young men in government and civic leadership.

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**YOUR VETERANS'** Administration says it is smart for veterans to take good care of your military discharge papers. Have them recorded at the county courthouse and have certified copies made. Keep the original papers in a safe place and tell your folks where it is.

The VA also has a word of caution for veterans with GI insurance policies. Always keep your list of beneficiaries up to date. It is the only way to make sure the money will be paid out to the persons you want to get it. Any VA office will give you a "change of beneficiary" form.

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**Question of the week—**

**Q —** I am receiving railroad retirement payments and also veteran's pension. In filling out the income questionnaire received from VA, do I report the railroad payments as "annual income" anticipated for 1962 or is this exempted?

**A —** If you are receiving pension under the old pension law do not count it as income. If you came on the pension rolls after June 30, 1960, or changed from the old to the new law after that date, you must report as income all railroad retirement payments above the amount you contributed to the RR retirement fund.

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# SEEN and HEARD

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BY THE  
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Having heard a lot of talk about the subject, we would like to suggest to Mayor Joyce Kelley and the members of the Richland City Council that early action be taken on the important project of annexing the Richland "Y" district and that section of Benton County known as the Highlands which includes around 400 homes occupied by Hanford workers.

Many of these people were forced to build homes out of town because government regulations forced them to leave Richland before we were an incorporated city. They are still Richland minded and would undoubtedly vote for annexation if given the opportunity. Most of them trade in Richland and they earn their money here.

If we sit on our haunches nothing will be done about this. Wouldn't it be better to drop the "a" from haunches and follow our hunches? Dreams can come true when they vision the future.

This column would like to pay its respects today to the C. C. Anderson Co. which has been the biggest commercial asset to the city since it opened for business here in the early days. At some time or other probably every person living in Richland has visited this store which is a landmark in the Downtown business section. The firm also has attracted a share of its business from nearby cities and towns. Its store managers have been men who trained along broad salesmanship lines and who, in addition, have taken an active interest in our many community services.

We are glad to hear that although a new shopping center is being talked about in an area about three miles from Richland, the C. C. Anderson Store will remain with us, as an old friend.

Can you believe this? An Indian entered the Desert Inn the other afternoon, approached the desk clerk and asked for a room. The lady clerk gave him a smiling greeting and—of all things—asked him if he had a reservation.

Here is a hunter's story you are asked to believe. We couldn't. A local man came back from the hunt with the talk that he had shot 15 elk. "Wasn't that over his limit?" he was asked. "Well, yes it was, but there were 14 other hunters in the party and he gave them each one." He explained that he came on a large herd of elk and knocked them off one at a time. Sounds like a fish story, doesn't it?

Dr. G. C. Sutch reported the other day at a local club meeting that he had had the honor of meeting President Kennedy face to face in Seattle last week. And he joshed, "I will be glad to accept a dollar from any of you who would like to shake the hand of the man who shook hands with the President."

The type of leadership Homer Moulthrop is showing in several important areas of community service has caused several of his friends and admirers to suggest that he would be a good man to have in the Richland City Council. Homer is not only a deep thinker and an intrepid fighter for the things he believes in; he is also an expert in public relations and equally well versed in the cultural needs of his community.

An unusual feature of the Moulthrop technique is that much of his force is used in trying to arouse the interest of the people of Richland in these projects which are for the general good. He has a special publicity bureau set up in the tract house which is located adjacent to his home at 505 George Washington Way, completely fitted with office equipment and mimeographing service and he turns out hundreds of information sheets which are distributed by block chairmen in residential neighborhoods. Thus he makes direct contacts with the heads of families, husbands and wives, who appreciate this

service and are influenced by it. He runs these campaigns not for himself or for personal gain, but as a community service. Nobody can doubt his sincerity.

A state trooper arrested a speeding motorist the other day for having an illegal exhaust system on his car. His name was Willie Blowe.

A newly-built wall on the north end of the Desert Inn blew down in that last big wind storm. It fell like a ton of bricks.

A number of people believe that the mayor and council should take the initiative in trying to obtain a four year college for Richland or the Tri-Cities area. The plan may not succeed but at least city officials could show leadership interest. When the officials talk about reserving North Richland for new industries we might ask, "What industries?" Wishful thinking will never get us industrial development.

We like dog stories. This one involves Melvin E. Brown of 212 Cullum. Down town the other day a woman motorist called on him for help. She was locked out of her car. She explained that the keys were inside and when she went to open the door of the car her two large dogs inside were so happy at her appearance they pawed the car door and locked it. When she went around to the other door they were one step ahead of her and pawed that one also and locked it. When you leave your keys in the car with a dog, this trouble can occur.

Next week if you are in the vicinity of the new medical clinic building in process of being erected on Goethals drive you will get a good idea of how it will appear in size as the steel framework will be up. The architect and contractor have been busy during the past several days preparing for this structural development. Like the Medical Arts building and the new Dental center, this new Richland Medical Clinic building was the inspiration of far-seeing local doctors—private citizens interested in making Richland the leading medical center in Eastern Washington. These investments were made from their own private funds and everybody will be benefitted.

We are now being bombarded by TV commercials on taste buds and saturated fats. This may take the heat off those feminine beauties who have seen romance fade-fade away because of B.B.

One of our forward-looking citizens is Gene Astley who was chairman of the first organizational meeting of the Tri-Cities Civic Improvement Assembly and who will act in the same capacity at the subsequent meetings planned for Dec. 6, Jan. 31 and March 14.

For the information of those who may have forgotten, Astley was one of the eight candidates nominated for the city council at the last primary and just missed the election. He has a manager's position with the General Electric Co. and is a member of the Elfun club. He was one of the first to recognize the importance of making Richland a recreational center for eastern Washington. He has many fine ideas about future development plans for the city.

During our happy Thanksgiving time with our loved ones gathered around us, the happiness we all felt was our expression of appreciation of the many blessings we have received. We could not help having an errant thought for others who might be lonely and bereft of hope. The husband whose loving wife was missing this year, the anguished mother who had lost her son or daughter, and those other lonely souls who no longer have any family ties—how can we feel for them. These experiences may come to all of us, sooner or later, a prospect that predicates a sobering thought.

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## Holidays

## May Bring

## Tragedy

"Just ahead of us there are three holiday weekends — Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Years — and millions of automobiles will be crowding the highways as motorists reunite with their families for these festive occasions," says President Fay Jones of the Richland Safety Council.

"Yet tragedy will enter the homes of hundreds of families because of careless driving and failure to observe traffic safety rules. How can we help to cut the staggering holiday toll? We have tried to emphasize each individual's moral responsibility to be a good driver but there are still deaf ears to these appeals and these road tragedies add up each year to some 40,000 people killed and over a million injured."

Recent safety council surveys show that drinking drivers are a special hazard especially during the Christmas and New Year's holidays when early darkness and bad weather may add to normal dangers. A survey of last year's Christmas fatalities showed that more than one-half of the drivers in fatal accidents had been drinking when they tried to drive.

Driving too fast for conditions or in excess of the speed limits was a factor in three-fourths of these holiday crashes. The Safety Council urges motorists to start trips early, to slow down in bad weather and at night, and to obey all speed laws.

It has been shown also that during the last six hours of these holiday periods, the hourly rate for fatal accidents was five times greater than for the remainder of the holidays, President Jones said. Darkness and drinking proved the deadliest combination. Keep tragedy out of your own home by being a safe driver.

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## Yule Tree Advice Given

Americans during December will buy and decorate around 45,000,000 natural Christmas trees cut from the nation's tree farms and forests.

For these trees Americans will spend over \$50,000,000.

To decorate them families will buy around 200,000,000 new ornaments.

Fire Marshal Norman R. Hayes of the Richland Safety Council this week asked that care be taken in erecting and decorating these trees. He said that if proper precautions are taken fire may be avoided.

He made the following suggestions—

Trees should not be set up close to stairways because in case of fire the stairway as an exit from upper floors might be blocked.

When selecting Christmas trees at local sales points, choose those which appear to be freshly cut. Feel the needles to make sure they are firmly attached. Keep the tree out of doors until just before Christmas and standing in a pail of water so that it will remain fresh. Trees should be set up as far as possible from heaters to reduce the chances of fire and keep the trees from drying.

Christmas tree decorations should be flame-proof. Use only decorations made of glass, metal or fire-resistant materials. Use only electric lights to decorate trees, never candles. Lighting sets should be checked before placing them on trees, to detect frayed wires. Lights on trees should be turned off when you are away from home.

When the needles start falling take the tree down immediately and discard it. Even if the tree is still fresh plan now to dismantle it the day after New Years.

Fire Marshal Hayes suggests that all trees be carted to the annual fire burning project of the Richland Jaycees following the holidays.

## Accident Summary Presented

Last month's traffic accident records presented to the Richland Safety Council at its meeting showed that a majority of the 28 drivers involved were between the ages of 16 and 25 years of age. Twenty-two of the drivers were Richland residents and six were from out of town.

The record also shows that these accidents were caused by (1) failure to yield the right of way, (2) disregarding traffic signals, and (3) making improper turns.

**SO FAR THIS YEAR** there have been 161 motor accidents with 44 injuries to drivers, occupants of cars, or pedestrians, compared to 193 accidents during the same period a year ago, with 37 injured. This represents an increase in injuries of 19 per cent and a 17 per cent decrease in accidents. The record of the month showed that 16 accidents had criminal complaints signed against one or both of the drivers. There were 308 traffic citations issued during the month with 278 convictions and 100 written warnings. Total citations issued to date were 1985 as compared to 2162 for the same period last year.

Vice president Homer Moulthrop reported that 2,000 sample sheets of page 1 of the Nov. 3 issue of the Richland Villager had been obtained and would be mailed to every Parent-Teachers Association in the State of Washington. The front page article was an exclusive Villager report on how safety councils and PTA groups could cooperate in sponsoring safety education programs in city schools.

**FIRE MARSHAL** Norman Hayes gave a report on the Junior Fire Marshal program for the grade school students. There was a discussion of plans for several monthly safety programs for 1962 to cover traffic safety, home accident hazards, and the checking of fire hazards in the homes.

Publicity material was discussed for release before the Christmas holidays on the subject of Christmas tree fire hazards and traffic accidents.

Virgil McArthur of the Columbia Basin Outdoor Advertising Co. reported that the company had set up an illuminated, rotating outdoor sign with the words "Obey traffic signs" and "The life you save may be your own," which would be seen in the Tri-Cities during the next few weeks. The Richland Safety Council voted its approval of this project.

News Of Interest To Veterans DEC. 7-1961

# Busy Round Of Parties Prepared By Vet Groups

Christmas parties this year are being prepared by committees in all the local veterans' posts and their auxiliaries.

Richland Post 71, American Legion Auxiliary women will have their party on the night of Dec. 18, Monday, at the home of Mrs. Betty Hall, 1203 Cottonwood Drive.

Each member will contribute a gift which will be exchanged during the festivities.

The Richland Legion Post Christmas party is scheduled for the evening of Dec. 19 at the VFW building. Nace Watkins and Glenn Hendrickson have been making the plans. Dom Castelli will have charge of refreshments. Following the social hour there will be dancing. The Department Commander Charles Binger and members of his staff have been invited to attend. There will be an initiation ceremony during the preliminary meeting.

Cook-Erickson Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, is planning two Christmas parties on Dec. 16. From 10 to 12 in the morning there will be a Santa Claus party

for the children with movies, gifts, entertainment and refreshments. In the evening at the VFW headquarters the annual party for members of the Post and Auxiliary will be staged. Senior Vice Commander Hap Farmer heads the post committee and Mrs. Geneva Helgeson is chairman of the auxiliary committee. The auxiliary has asked its members to bring canned goods which will be used in Christmas baskets to be distributed to needy families.

**THE AUXILIARY** of the Marine Corps League has scheduled its Christmas party on the evening of Dec. 19 at the home of Mrs. Don King, 812 Stanton Ave. Mrs. A. G. Bals is president of this live organization. An exchange of gifts and games will be enjoyed during the evening.

Another Christmas activity which should be mentioned is the sale of Christmas trees at the A&W location on Lee Boulevard. Glenn Luckens, who was coach of the American Legion Junior Baseball team last summer, will be in charge and will be assisted by several fathers of the boys who played on that state championship team.

Money raised will be used to finance the Legion Junior team during the 1962 training and playing season. Arrangements have been made for the purchase of 2,000 trees of various sizes, and the Richland Exchange Club has advanced the money for this transaction.

It has been announced that the Exchange Club will host a banquet soon for the officials and members of the 1961 champions.

**COMMANDER U. Lester Sweetin** of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post, who is also chief of staff for the Department of Washington, made a recent trip to Wapato, where he assisted in organizing a new VFW Post composed of veterans who formerly lived in the Philippines. These

young men migrated to Washington, bought farms from the Indians and became truck farmers and the raisers of hops. This new post will be the first of its kind ever to be organized in this country.

Regular meeting of the Veterans of Foreign Wars post will be held Monday night, when final arrangements will be made for the two Christmas parties to be held on Dec. 16. Notice has been given that during the week of Dec. 11-16 there will be two shows each night at the club rooms titled "Mandrake the Magician." A special show for the children will be presented on Saturday.

Norm Anderson and Lenny Carr, "The Double Aires," are presently supplying music for the nightly dances. The Thursday night game parties are continuing and are enjoyed by post and auxiliary members and their guests.

**ON THE NIGHT** of Dec. 15 there will be a Christmas party at the Walla Walla Veterans Administration hospital and a convoy of cars from Richland, arranged by the Marine Corps League Auxiliary, will travel to the hospital to help make the party a success. Members of the Columbia High school band have volunteered to go along and put on a musical program for the hospitalized veterans. Gifts will be distributed and refreshments will be served.

Yesterday a group of women from Richland Post 71, American Legion Auxiliary, visited the Walla Walla hospital to work on the preliminaries of the annual Christmas party. The women helped in the gift wrapping and the selection of gifts which are to be given to the veterans to send home.

Next Tuesday a group from the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary will visit the hospital to perform similar service.

Question of the week—

Q — May young men be called into the service to get out GI insurance policies?

A — No. GI Life Insurance is no longer issued.

# SEEN and HEARD

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The National Realty Trust of Washington D.C. recently purchased apartments in Gribble Street and their bid was over the government appraisal figure. Thus big eastern financial interests have come to Richland, the All-America City.

We head this week that Eastern financial money had a representative here to look over the Columbia Apartments on Jadwin Avenue at Van Giesen, known locally as the "stilts," which have been offered for sale. We understand the government has two prices in mind, one to buy and repair, and the other to buy and tear down for removal.

We doubt if these Eastern capitalists would want to buy and wreck, so, it may be assumed, that if they do purchase the 220 apartments it will be to remodel and rent.

While many people have regarded these houses as an eye-sore, it would be uneconomical to raze them and the city would lose more than it could gain. We need all the housing we can get.

What these new owners might do would be to set aside about 150 of the apartments and remodel them for retired people and make the rentals commensurate with their retirement incomes. They might even build a recreation hall for them where the old timers could have meetings, dinners and social events. And perhaps a swimming pool for the occupants of all 220 apartments. Hundreds of retired people in the Tri-Cities area who do not have satisfactory home accommodations might be attracted here. They would be close to a large shopping area and these people always spend their money at home. Here is another job for the city council to take a hand in as a public service.

People are commenting on the fact that most of the ambitious plans and proposals for

the future growth and development of Richland are coming from individual citizens or citizen groups. For illustration there is the big Southside recreational development, which has been sponsored by the Southside Improvement Association. And more recently the idea of making Richland a big college town. And then there is the proposed new shopping center Uptown. Another one is the planned coliseum at the Washington Way entrance to the city. All of these are important undertakings and should have the active support of everybody, especially the people who should take the official lead.

When we read in the newspapers about married couples who have observed their silver and golden wedding anniversaries it must impress us with the fact that these nice people learned how to make the adjustments necessary for successful marriages. Nowadays these young people who get wedded in their teens and expect their parents to subsidize their marriages do not have the time nor the experience to adjust themselves and they seek early divorces. Thousands of these quick marriages have been for the purpose of escaping military service. The trend is unfortunate and does not speak well for the future of our country.

A correspondent asks us what happens to our thousands of school children after they leave the protection of their school boy patrols on traffic duty and are on their own away from the school areas and on the way home.

We checked several schools recently to come up with the answer and were surprised at what we saw. These children have learned their safety lessons well and on their way home keep to the sidewalks, do not play in the streets, stop, look and listen at street intersec-

tions, and do not cause accidents.

A compliment should go to the Richland Safety Council and the Richland Police Department for the safety education programs developed in our Richland schools.

We read a lot in the G.E. News about Dr. Herbert M. Parker of 1936 Harris Ave., who for many years has headed the Radiological Science Division and whose present title is Manager of Hanford Laboratories. He has had a prominent part in the research program to develop plutonium-bearing fuels for power reactors. Dr. Parker is one of our long-time residents in Richland and has a wonderful scientific background. He has devoted much of his time to community services. We place him in the category of esteemed citizens.

Local advertisers have been alerted to the fact that the Richland Villager, "our own newspaper," has a circulation larger than the circulations of all other newspapers which come into this city, including the newspaper published in Kennewick. This means well over 25,000 readers. This Friday circulation gets into the homes early in the morning when people, especially the women, are preparing to do their big shopping. The Villager will help to make this one of the greatest Christmas shopping seasons in the history of our All-America city.

Two women on the roof of a house at Wright and Duportail recently gave the neighbors proof of how "do it yourself" has gone feminine. They sure did a men's job in ripping the boards preliminary to a new roofing project. Can't keep the ladies down.

Christmas office parties that become drinking parties and later release addle-brained drivers will cause many of the fatal holiday season accidents. Past records prove this.

Miss Mary H. Aldrich of 608 Wright Ave. is a career woman. By profession she is a chemist with the General Electric Co., and has had many important assignments during her service with the company. Also, she is a woman who is interested in community affairs.

She was president of the Richland Business and Professional Women's Club for two terms, 1957 through 1959, after going through all the chairs of that well-known organization. At present she heads the legislative committee of the club. She sparked the Heart Drive twice and served on several committees of the organization.

Recently she was elected district director of the State Federation of Republican Women of the Fourth Congressional District. She had an active part in the last Catherine May campaign. Miss Aldrich is a graduate of the University of Illinois.

Our admiration to Miss Aldrich and women like her who give such fine service to the community.

On TV the other night heard a motor car described as having sophistication which means the car has lost its "natural simplicity and frankness." Who would want a car like that!

A local insurance man tells us that there has been a big increase in the field of retirement insurance. With social security, pensions, fringe benefits and retirement insurance, the average man can be very well provided for in the future.

When we read about a discount funeral parlor, we will have heard everything.

Which reminds us, the other day we were visiting a mortician's place and saw a brand new and magnificent chair which had been recently installed there. On inquiry we found that it was for "Rigor Mortis to set in."

## News Of Interest to Vets

# Chief Joseph School Gets American Flags

Chief Joseph Junior High School was the scene of a flag presentation ceremony during the past week, the eighth Richland school to be so honored.

Thirty 50-star large American flags, one for each class room, were given to the school by Cook-Erickson Post 7952, Veterans of Foreign Wars. The presentation address was given by Commander U. Lester Sweetin. Mrs. Margaret Sweetin, senior vice president of the VFW Auxiliary, conducted the pledge to the flag ceremony.

Following students took part in the event, each receiving a flag for the class room — John Smith, Jeanette McGee, Roger Bergdahl, Sid Samora, Chris Lih, Bill Hickman, Molly Brown, Thomas Simpson, Perry Bushnell, Janet Smith, Linda Korpi, Edward Gargart, Pat Spencer, Chuck Trujillo, Richard Marks, Dick Varvel, Kathy McIntosh, Vicki Smith, Suzanne Berry, Vicki Manning, John Galbraith, Vicki Grubb, Louise Yesberger, Jane Harty, Janet Bergdahl, Wendy Erickson, James Nielson, Douglas Conrad, Richard Brunelle, Brian Johnson, James Bradley, Gaynor Dawson, Richard Hammond, Robert Turping, Sandy Keller, Gail Ghirardo, JoAnn Bushnell, Chris Janos, Glen Spencer, Diane Murphy, John Dietz, Dorothy Stratton, Allen Strege, Kenneth Strege, Drucilla Murphy, James Brunelle, Rojean Grazzini, Philip Reitan, David Kiel, Maureen Barber, Phillip Neill and Judy Corder.

A SIMILAR presentation of 28 class-room flags from the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post took place at the Jefferson elementary school, with Commander Sweetin giving the address and being assisted by Mrs. Margaret Sweetin and Mrs. Geneva Helgerson of the Auxiliary.

The following children took part and received the flags for their classrooms — Joanne Schmid, Mary Ann Galbraith, John Cloy, Kevin Kendall, Virginia Quinley, Todd Watkins, Scott Stinson, Pat Reardon, Timothy McCormack, Sheila Ramerman, Greg Lawless, William Woodfield, Donald Chisholm, Max Rees, Susan Jensen, David Temple, Scott Britton, Stanley Lewis, Donnie Trujillo, Nancy Carter, John Ingram, Ben Peterson, Philip Stover, Dwight Carey and Andy Nichols.

A large delegation from Richland Post 71, the American Legion, and its auxiliary will be present at the 10:45 a.m. service at the Bethany United Protestant Church in West Richland next Sunday to participate in the special service.

As a gift from the Legion Post, the church has received a bell which has been installed in the new church belfry and which will be used in the future to call people to worship on Sundays. This is the same bell which formerly was in the old Grange building in Hanford, before that town was taken over by the government. In the old days this bell was used, it is reported, to call out the volunteer fire department.

The Rev. Elmer Zamzow, church pastor, will accept the bell on behalf of the parish and he will preach the morning sermon.

THESE LEGION Auxiliary members made the trip to the Veterans Administration Walla Walla hospital — Mrs. Ruth Eichelberger, Mrs. Margaret Castelli, Mrs. Helen Smailes, Mrs. Laura Green, Mrs. Frances Flora, Mrs. Nona Reitz, and Mrs. Alma Pasch. They took gifts to the disabled veterans and assisted the gift shop during the afternoon in wrapping packages which the veterans later selected to be sent back to their wives and children at home.

Legionnaires William E. James, William Picket and Dom Castelli accompanied the ladies on this Christmas project and helped with the package wrapping chores.

Mrs. Mille Johnson, president of the Legion Auxiliary, has requested all the members to attend the auxiliary Christmas party which will take place next Monday night at the home of Mrs. Betty Hall. Gifts will be exchanged. All members of the auxiliary are also asked to be present on Tuesday night, Dec.

19 at the VFW headquarters where the annual Legion Christmas Party will be held. There will be refreshments and an entertainment with dancing.

The last rummage sale was a success and another one is being planned for the Spring.

Latest figures issued by the VA indicate that there are now 22,403,211 living veterans of all our wars. The average age of World War I veterans is 67.1 years; World War II, 42.1 years; Korean War, 31.6 years; Spanish-American War, 83.5 years.

EVERY YEAR the Veterans Administration receives 100,000-000 letters. Are any of these letters yours, asks the VA. Most of them come from men and women who are very anxious to get information and help from VA, and of course they want a prompt reply. Here's an easy way to make sure your letter does get a quick VA answer and does not get lost in the shuffle. In every letter you write include your full name, your correct address and "C" number or insurance number if you have one.

### Question of the week—

Q — I have just become the widow of a World War II veteran and am told I am eligible for a non-service connected death pension. Can I apply under the old or new pension law?

A — Widows, or minor dependents, qualifying for pensions after July 1, 1960, come under the new pension law.

# SEEN and HEARD<sup>Dec 14 1961</sup> BY THE ROVING REPORTER

The peregrinations of a Roving Reporter cover a lot of ground.

The other day we dropped in to have a chat with Duane Einan, our local mortician, a man who knows a lot about buried hopes.

Among other things he mentioned the fact that he has officiated frequently at the funerals of men who had died at the ages of 66 and 67, men who had retired at age 65 and had these brief survivals.

Men who lead active lives up to the retirement age and then stop in their tracks, who feel that they are worthless to themselves and the world, give the appearance of sitting in the rocking chair to await the grim reaper. They lose interest in life and age beyond their years.

Really, there is no excuse for this.

When a man retires at 65, the very next day he should go out and look for another job. Scores of Richland retirees have done this and have found a new interest in living.

If these men are not physically able to do some type of work, there are plenty of other activities which will keep them mentally alert and on the move. They can be active in their churches, active perhaps in their political parties, active in the many community services and projects which always need volunteers and workers. They can pursue hobbies. We know one man who is 80 years of age and since his retirement has had a hobby of making attractive jewelry out of agate stones which he gathers in different parts of the state. He makes good money at it and is happy with his work.

Don't be a quitter at 65. Keep going. There is a new life ahead.

Of the 20,000,000 people in the United States who are over 65, the majority can be an important factor in the economic life of the nation. What a wealth of experience they represent. Why waste it!

Our friend George Sahler has just received a well-deserved promotion in the General Electric community and public relations division, and with his experience and fine personality will make quite a change in the atmosphere of his organization. He is esteemed by everybody, is affable and approachable, and knows how to make the right contacts. There is nothing stand-offish about George Sahler because he likes people. And people like him.

A character drove into a local gas station a few days ago and asked the man in charge to put a quart of gas in his car. To show the he was a spendthrift he also bought a pint of oil. Not to be outdone, the garage man asked him to wait a bit, went into his station and came out with an eye-dropper which he used to put some water in the radiator.

We lost a national beauty contest the past week because there was no hall large enough in the Tri-Cities area to handle it. This would not have happened if the proposed coliseum had been built in the south end of town. We are also missing a number of big attractions for the same reason.

Progress is being made on the ice skating rink which will have 16,000 square feet of skating surface and will be ready for its opening around April 1. The manager of the Spokane hockey team said recently that he would stage exhibition games in Richland when the rink is ready to handle them.

John R. Hills — Jack to most of us — a licensed public accountant, and formerly a member of the Walton-Hills Insurance (partnership), has opened his new office in the

Roy Davis building at 613 Knight.

He will handle accounting and tax business in which he has years of experience. Jack has been in the business for the past 18 years, since 1944 in fact. He has other important duties also, being a commissioner of the Port of Benton and a director of the General Telephone Co. of the Northwest. He is a past president of the Richland Kiwanis Club and is one of the moving spirits in that community service organization. He has been a member of the Tri-Cities Country club for the past six years and is a member of the Clover Island Boat Club. For several years he has been active in the Richland Chamber of Commerce.

Speaking personally about Jack, he is one of the grandest fellows you will ever meet, a public-spirited citizen who has contributed much to the growth and development of the city of Richland, a friendly, personable man of fine character and reputation. Because of these things, his continued business success will have no limits. Visit him at his new office, where his presence make an atmosphere that is uniquely Jack Hills.

Saw Larry Andre, manager of the J. C. Penney Store Uptown down on the main floor section waiting on customers the other day and helping to arrange displays. That's the kind of man he is. All his clerks think the world of him and he has surely made a fine atmosphere around the place. Seems only yesterday that he came to Richland yet the completion of his first year here is just around the corner. He has made a lot of friends here. We are glad he came to Richland.

Hear about the fellow who got rich out of his chain of physical culture parlors. First case in history were a man made a fortune because he was paid by the weak.

It has been tentatively announced that the 1962 Water Follies will take place July 20-22. Let's hope Richland gets a better share out of the deal this time.

Here is a ticklish one we have been asked to answer. A correspondent sends in this: "I have been told that when a man divorces his wife he can be held responsible for any child born 11 months after the divorce date. Is that true?" Our attorney gave us the information that the Supreme Court in this state in a decision on such a case gave 384 days as the presumption of parenthood.

Who is responsible for pavement repairs on the George Washington Way bridge over the Yakima. Better take a look, boss.

A budding politician told us recently that when he addressed an audience of 200 men a few days ago he felt that he was talking over their heads. He is a college man and they were workers. Well, buddy, 200 men know a lot more than a presumptuous youngsters. They represent 200 separate experiences in life and if they averaged 50 years of age that means 10,000 years. And so, boy, you will have to live ten thousand years to equal the experiences of your audience. They learned the hard way.

Heard yesterday that several air-minded young men in Richland have organized a "Sky-Diving" club. They will specialize in parachute jumping which is quite the rage in several parts of the country. So in the near future we may be seeing these lads hurtling out of the heavens and landing in our midst. Pretty hard to get the jump on some of these air-minded lads. This should add to our floating population.

## 'Each Man For Himself'

(The following contributed editorial is printed by the Villager in the interests of the community safety program).  
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More than 600 persons were killed over the holidays in motor and other accidents and yet nobody pays much attention to the toll.

Every day an average of 105 men, women and children lose their lives in auto accidents.

That makes an average total during the year of 735 who become statistics instead of living people each week. The average person on the street doesn't know about these appalling figures, and if he does, who cares? That seems to be the general situation.

IN PRESENTING these fatality figures the Richland Safety Council is not trying to scare people into being careful drivers. That has never worked. But it does believe that saving the life of a motorist is an individual situation. Each man for himself. The careful driver seldom has accidents. The speedster, the drunk driver and those who flagrantly flaunt rules of traffic safety—these are the ones who will end up in the cemeteries each day and each week.

Figures show that motor vehicle deaths are at their highest level in December because of longer hours of darkness coupled with increased pedestrian activity during the holidays.

Seat belts installed and used in all motor vehicles would save 5,000 lives each year and reduce serious injuries by one-third, according to special studies of Automotive Crash Injury Research at Cornell University.

IN MOST ACCIDENTS, improper driving of one sort or another is the contributing factor. In fatal accidents it is mainly speed and failure to yield right of way. Following too closely is another factor in these fatal accidents.

A special study recently made showed that in accidents caused by speeding or drunken driving, more than 50 per cent of the drivers had previous violations, mostly speeding. They were the repeaters who finally killed others or were killed themselves.

The year 1962 is just ahead of us and another 40,000 people will lose their lives in motor accidents. You can be one of these.

## College, Tourists Are Topics

The Chamber of Commerce Tourists and Conventions Committee, chaired by Arthur Haworth, met and discussed several important subjects at its meeting during the past week, among them the project of supporting plans to have a four-year college located in Richland and the use of former U.S. Army buildings at North Richland.

George Bowers, one of the speakers, stated that the University of Washington was interested and that the land involved as a site for such a college was more important than the buildings. He mentioned that the buildings could be used temporarily to get the project started. A tremendous asset, he said, is the close proximity of the Hanford laboratories.

The closeness of the Columbia River was another asset and would mean the development of crew activities at the college. Experience has proved, he claimed, that colleges with their thousands of students have an effect on a city's economy and have been one means of attracting industry to a city or town.

Bowers also mentioned that

a private, non-denominational college also has made inquiries about the North Richland site and seems to be interested. Other speakers took part in the discussion and all favored the idea of a four-year college for Richland as a cultural asset also. They recommended support for the local committee which has activated the project.

WALLY BOWEN, manager of the Desert Inn, discussed the Seattle World's Fair, and mentioned that Richland and other Washington cities might benefit as overflow locations for the millions of people who will come to the state to attend the fair and will not be able to get accommodations in Seattle. He said Richland will be only four and a half hours drive to the main entrance of the fair.

He recommended that the Chamber make contact with the Seattle Chamber and give that organization a summary of the tourist accommodations available here. The information also should be given to the

World's Fair Housing Committee, which is making plans to handle the immense overflow of tourists predicted, he said. Bowen also mentioned that Seattle will not be able to handle scores of conventions during the fair period and some of these might be transferred to Richland if action is taken now to get them.

HE SAID A Chamber letter to the Seattle Chamber on this subject might give us a head start. Last year, he mentioned, 5,800,000 tourists visited Washington and spent more than \$214,000,000. These figures will be five times multiplied during the world's fair year.

IT WAS RECOMMENDED that Bowen, Frank Peddicord and Duane W. Connell, managers of the hotel and two motels here, have a conference with the management of the Columbia Outdoor Advertising Co. and discuss a plan for the erection of outdoor advertising billboards at strategic points on Highway 410 directing the thou-

sands of tourists into Richland and playing up its accommodations for travelers.

Roy Webber, representing people who are handling the Richland Coliseum project at George Washington Way and the Bypass, displayed the architect's plan for this \$3 million project, and announced that the first unit, the ice skating rink, would be ready for use by April 15.

It was announced that Mrs. G. R. McKinney is preparing and editing a new table of organizations for Richland, which will have the complete list of all types of these groups, with names, addresses and telephone numbers of the presidents. All organizations having elected new officers are requested to send her this information.

## 'Sky Diving' Meeting Slated Here In Spring

A hundred and fifty parachute jumpers — sky divers — will congregate in Richland in the early spring for a meet and exhibition, and Tri-Cities people will see their first show of professional airborne jumpers landing on fixed targets. The big event will be staged on Saturday and Sunday, the dates to be announced later.

The exhibition will be sponsored by the Tri-City Sky Divers, Inc. on the Richland airfield. Roger A. Lagerstrom, vice president and publicity director of the Tri-City Sky Divers made the announcement yesterday. He said that parachutists from all over the country will be here to participate in the contests and that parachutes will be given as prizes in some of the events. He expects to have the program completed in about a month.

THE MEET will bring to Richland some of the record-breaking parachutists from all over the country. Among them will be John Swetish, who has 822 jumps during his profes-

sional career, and who holds the national endurance record of 123 jumps made in a 24-hour period. Two others who have national reputations are Bernie Sutliff, 105 jumps, and Duane Hubbs, 67 jumps. There are now more than 200,000 trained jumpers throughout the United States who enjoy this newest and most dangerous sport.

The Tri-City Sky Divers holds weekly meetings on Thursday night at the AEC airfield. Former members of airborne divisions who served in the recent wars are especially invited to join. If interested they will be trained in the latest parachute jumping methods.

CARE IS TAKEN in the safety factors involved. The latest type of parachutes are used which can be steered to any

marked landing spot.

Officers of the Tri-City Sky Divers, Inc., are: Robert Rempel, president; Roger Lagerstrom, vice president and publicity director; Mickey Miquelon, vice president and treasurer; Delores Jackson, secretary. Mickey Miquelon is a woman teacher at the Columbia Basin College, has a master's degree in Education and a commercial pilot's license and raced planes in the Powder Puff derby. She is also a skin diver and golfer.

Members of the sky divers' unit have suggested that an arrangement might be made with the 1962 Water Follies Association to have a parachute diving feature arranged for the next July event, and also that Tracey Barnes, professional balloonist, might also be engaged as a Follies special feature.

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There is a new five-year plan on for the Kadlec Methodist Hospital.

That means that in five years the present scattered hospital layout will be replaced by a new and modern hospital.

A new power plant which will cost \$150,000 is also to be added and it is expected that this will be built and financed by the Atomic Energy Commission.

A few weeks ago in this column it was mentioned that the present surgery section of the hospital had become inadequate and that a new section was planned, which would have more space and better facilities. In view of the new five-year plan, the new surgery idea has been dropped.

There have been times when the Kadlec Methodist Hospital has been so crowded with patients that it has been necessary to have overflow cots on the corridors. This is always true during epidemics, like the present run of influenza (flu).

The present hospital buildings have outlived their usefulness and another five years will give them a real run-down condition.

The news that Richland will have a large, modern hospital will be welcome to all of the people in this community. We are developing one of the finest medical centers in the State of Washington.

We might add a word about the new Medical Clinic on Goethals drive, not far from Swift boulevard which has its steel structural work completed and the interior construction ready to start.

When the new Richland Medical Clinic is ready for occupancy, four of our leading physicians and surgeons will move from the Medical Arts building into the new clinic where they will have spacious offices and the last word in modern medical equipment.

They are: Dr. Bjorn Lih, surgeon; Dr. P. E. Kendall, M.D. and heart specialist; Dr. M. R. Peterson, specialist in obstetrics and gynecology; and Dr. J. O. Baugher, medical physician. All of these doctors have practiced in Richland for a number of years and have been prominent also in important community activities. We are fortunate in having these forward-looking professionals who are in the vanguard of the new era for our growing community.

We have a few small convention groups scheduled to come here during the next few months, Jan. 15, Associated Cities Electrical, 50 persons; March 11, Jeffery Ballet, 35 persons; March 29, Laundry and Dry Cleaners, 50 individuals; May 28-30, Biology Group, 100 persons; June 16-17, Rod and Gun Club, 200 persons. All have been signed up for the Desert Inn.

We have received several calls from Richlanders who mention that they were missed on Richland Villager deliveries. When this happens, call WH 3-1126. (Now, how the heck can they call if they don't have the paper to read this paragraph. We should have thought of that).

At the recent General Electric Co. dinner given to its retired employees, three of the old boys got together for a friendly card game and, above all things, talked about how they would prefer to die. The first one said he would like to drop dead. The second hoped he would die in his sleep. The third hopeful, oldest of the trio, put them to shame by remarking, "I would like to get shot by a jealous husband."

During the last snow storm an Uptown shoe store owner put this sign in the store window, "We have rubbers for the whole damp family."

Extending a Happy New Year to City Manager Murrey Fuller, we would like to compliment him on the fact that the great majority of our citizens feel that he has made good in the important office he holds. He was well-experienced in his profession before he came here, but Richland had many peculiar problems that were new to him and the city council, and they were faced with good judgment and sound reasoning. Manager Fuller never gets excited or unnerved by the unexpected which often happens at city hall. He is always ready to meet people and discuss their problems or hear their complaints. He has poise and a good sense of humor. Seems to be the right man in the right place.

Roy Webber agrees that the new ice-skating rink down at the entrance to the city will have a lot of frozen assets.

Mrs. Pat Merrill of the Richland City Council is being complimented on the open stand she has taken in favor of a four-year college for Richland. She has unexpectedly made for herself a lot of votes.

Something we were pleased to hear was the statement by Jim Rightmire, newly-elected president of the Chamber of Commerce. He said, "We will seek a closer and more harmonious relationship with the community and will support those programs that will be of the greatest good to the greatest number in the community."

Take a look at the front of the Desert Inn and you will notice that 51 new doors have been added. They are glass sliding doors which will lead directly to individual parking spaces outside each room.

One funny thing about women shoppers at supermarkets—they seldom have the money out for quick payments to the check-out girls. This holds up the waiting lines. Men usually do just the opposite.

Had a complaint about there being no cab service in Richland after midnight, even for emergencies. Chief Bob Marshall of the Police Department says that the police have helped out on some of these personal emergency calls. We cannot expect cab drivers to work all night when there isn't enough business to warrant such service.

People can get clipped at a barber shop for only \$1.75. A local motorist got clipped at a street intersection the other day and it cost him \$250. He went through a Stop sign into a collision.

The city of Yakima had the benefit of 61 large conventions during the past year, several of them attracting more than 2,000 visitors. They also have a fund of \$10,000 which they can use to attract these events. Richland has no such arrangement. Something should be done about this.

Our New Year suggestion to you is that if you have not already done so, you should see your lawyer and make out your will. If you fail to do this, the state may have a lot to say about who will get your money. Name your own beneficiaries and have your mind at ease.

Fire hazards in the home always increase during the Christmas season. Throughout the nation many homes will be destroyed by fire, and people will lose their lives. Adequate precautions will prevent this happening here. Richland has a fine record in fire prevention. Let's keep it that way.

## News Of Interest To Vets

# 'Voice Of Democracy'

## Contest Slated Jan. 5

The 15th annual "Voice of Democracy" contest, sponsored in Richland by Cook-Erickson Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will be staged at the Columbia High School on Friday, Jan. 5, at 3:30 p.m.

All high school students are eligible to enter this contest and they will be supervised by W. D. Turley of the Columbia High School teaching staff. Arrangements for the VFW sponsorship are in the hands of Past Commander William Owens and Marvin M. McDonald.

This annual contest is endorsed by the United States Office of Education, and the National Association of Secondary School Principals, a department of the National Education Association. Contestants write and deliver

three to five-minute scripts on the theme "What Freedom Means to Me." These scripts are in the style of radio or television commentaries and are taped. The judges who pick the winners do not see the contestants but judge them by their taped voices on basic theme, organization, style, originality, voice quality and effectiveness.

Top winner in each of the 50 states will receive a free trip to Washington, D.C., in February for the national awards ceremony and three days of activity around the nation's capital. At that time the national winners will be announced and will receive one of four scholarships to an accredited college. The winner chooses. Winners at

all levels of the contest receive certificates of merit. The Richland winner will receive a \$25 government savings bond contributed by the Richland VFW. Final judging for the state will take place in Seattle.

AT THE LAST meeting of the Richland VFW Post, Past Commander Norman L. Gross gave a report on the next big project being planned. This will mean quite an expense to the post as it involves the making and distribution of 7,200 identification tags to the students in all the Richland schools. These tags are to be worn by the students at all times. Their purpose will be to identify the boys and girls in event of great emergencies or disasters, such as atomic attacks. The tags will contain the names, addresses and telephone numbers of the wearers, which means that each tag will have to be individually processed.

Because of other commitments, Chaplain Roy Brassfield had to submit his resignation from this VFW office. At the next meeting nominations will be made to fill the vacancy.

The Post voted a contribution to the muscular dystrophy drive.

The mid-winter conference of the Washington Department, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will take place at Moses Lake, Jan. 20-21, and several members of the Richland VFW Post plan to attend. This annual meeting is really an junior convention and accomplishes much important business.

District Commander C. C. Owens of the 17th District announced that he will make official visits to the Sunnyside Post Dec. 27, and the Grandview Post Dec. 28.

HERE'S SOME information about the VA's War Orphan Education program. Young men and women, generally between the ages of 18 and 23 whose veteran father died of service-connected conditions, may be eligible for up to 56 months of schooling, with VA paying an allowance of up to \$110 a month. In the usual sense of the word an orphan is a child who has lost both parents, but this is not so for a child to be eligible for the education pro-

gram. Only the veteran father must have died and from service-connected causes.

You can get complete information on this from the VA office.

The letters "R" and "S" are very important to you Korean veterans who have GI term insurance policies. They can save you money. VA says if your GI term insurance policy has these two letters in front of your policy number you can save up to two-thirds of your present premium costs. You do this by switching to a new kind of GI term insurance. The premium costs are much lower. The only thing is that you cannot renew it after your 50th birthday. But you still have the right to convert the policy to a permanent GI plan before the last renewal period runs out.

### Question of the week—

Q — How many hospital beds does the Veterans Administration maintain?

A — During the past year the VA operated 120,580 beds in its 170 hospital throughout the country.

## Mother Arrives For Yule Visit

Polish Christmas traditions will add to the holiday atmosphere of the M. J. Szulinski home in Richland with the arrival of his mother, Mrs. Josephine Szulinski, whose train arrives from Baltimore, Md., this midnight.

Mrs. Szulinski will be making her fifth visit to her son's family, but the first at Christmas-time. She has promised to bring her special cookie recipes and to make other traditional confectations from the old country. An unusual Christmas Eve tradition of which she tells centers about a gathering of large families. The eldest mother present tells all her own children the nicest things each has done during the year, then the next younger mother takes up the story for her family.

Mrs. Szulinski's latest visit to Richland was four years ago, when the youngest grandchild was only two years old.

# SEEN and HEARD

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We frequently hear or read in the newspapers about the future possibility of Richland, Pasco and Kennewick some day becoming one city with one city government. The strange thing about this is that these suggestions come from Richland sources only. Not once, to our knowledge have they come from officials or people in Pasco and Kennewick. Pasco and Kennewick have their own traditions and apparently haven't the slightest desire to lose their identities. We may be wrong, but that's the way it looks.

Saw this in an Uptown store the past week. A man made quite a purchase there and gave payment with his check. What attracted our attention was that he made out the check with a pencil. People have been warned about this before. You could sign a check that way for, say, \$10 and the person who received the check could raise the amount to \$100. Never use a pencil in writing checks. Don't learn the foolishness of this the hard way.

They have been predicting a hard, cold winter for this section of the state, but the other morning there were 65 robins on our lawn looking for frosted worms. Birds know more about the weather than humans do and if robins are hanging around this time in the winter, it must be that they expect good weather or an early Spring.

Did you hear about the man who weighs over 250 pounds and has a son bigger than he is? The boy is only eight months old. The father's name is Joe Bigger and the son is a Little Bigger.

The other night at the American Legion Christmas party, members had two big turkeys for door prizes. All the married couples were hoping to be among the winners. Guess who won the birds. Two lonely bachelors.

Richland organizations can help to attract conventions here by contacting their state organizations and inviting them to select this city for their next annual meetings. They should tell all about the fine hotel and motel accommodations now available here, and the chance to tour the Atomic City for unusual sights. Be sure and mention also that this is an All-America city.

We made casual checks among Richland merchants the past week end several of them informed us that their Christmas business was up 30 per cent over last year. They had advertised this holiday season in the Richland Villager, which now has the largest home circulation, larger than all the other circulating in the city. It pleases us to know that we contributed to this local business upturn.

This column would like to pay its respects to Ted Van Arsdol of the Richland Villager staff for the fine historical articles about Richland which have been widely read during 1961 and favorably commented on by the people of the Tri-Cities area. They represented deep research and documentary treatment and we 100 per cent Richlanders appreciated them.

As always, New Year resolutions go in one year and out the other.

Heard this one about a character who went into the local state liquor store to make his yearly purchase of a quart of fire-water. He said; "I don't want the cheapest nor the best. Can you recommend something in between? The clerk told him he was not allowed to recommend brands. After taking half an hour of the clerk's time in the crowded store the man finally let go of his money. An hour after he left the place he called back by telephone and said: "I opened the quart and sampled it. Didn't like the taste. I'll be down to exchange it for something better." As we said before, a character.

The City Council finally will have a committee to look into the issue of a four-year college for Richland. This is rather slippery weather to be jumping on a band wagon.

We should all be grateful to Mr. Chinook who has been blowing into this section of the country a warm wind from the Pacific ocean which eliminates the snows and keeps our summer birds from going South. Quite a guy.

The postmaster has announced that hundreds of Christmas cards in envelopes which bore second-class mailing will go into the ash can because of improper addressing. The proper four-cent stamp would have returned the mailing to you.

Gene Astley, who announced his candidacy for the Richland City Council during the past week, will receive strong backing from people who would like to add cultural advantages to Richland as a college town. Such a college would help to attract new industries here, something that has failed to materialize since the city was incorporated.

Our special citation to Karl Dietrich as one of our outstanding citizens for the year 1961. As a director of the philharmonic group, he gave us fine music throughout the year. As a member of the school board, he gave leadership and experience to our educational problems. As a business man, and former Chamber of Commerce president he helped engineer the growth of our assets and opportunities. As a man he won the esteem of all good citizens.

May long life and continued leadership be his in the years to come.

## News Of Interest To Vets

# Department Commander Is Visitor To Richland

Richland Post 71, the American Legion, was honored by having the Department Commander, Charles Binger, as a two-day guest, and the visitor mentioned before leaving that he had seldom been better received and entertained.

Commander Binger mentioned he had made a promise at the state convention that he would personally visit every post in the state of Washington during his term of office. He already has visited 51 posts and has some 67 more on his itinerary. While in Tacoma recently he visited a Legion Post composed entirely of Negroes. The commander of this post told him that it was the first time in 42 years that a state commander had visited the post.

Commander Binger was a guest speaker at a Legion meet-

ing in Richland and his remarks dealt mainly with the great danger faced by the United States because of the Communist conspiracy which now faces the world. He said that in our time it will be decided whether democracy will prevail or people will be overwhelmed by the ideology of Russia and China. He said that our people must play a part in this, the greatest battle in the history of the world.

Commander Binger also emphasized the outstanding programs of the American Legion—education, youth training activities, community services, and Americanism projects.

TODAY, DEC. 29, the Veterans Administration office in Richland officially closes. The office has been located for the

past several years on the second floor of the building at 1329 George Washington Way in the Uptown business district, with Frank H. F. White in charge.

From this date on, White will have his office in Walla Walla at the VA Hospital. He will be in Richland at the Community House every Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. to handle veterans' cases for Richland, Pasco, Kennewick, Prosser and Benton City. When he had the local office with a secretary he was able to have case files on all the cases handled. He will not be able to do this under the new system and the veterans who make application for aid in their cases will be supplied with the needed forms and will have to do much of the paper work themselves.

The effort to save the Richland office apparently failed, although we hear it succeeded in the cases of Wenatchee and Bellingham. White also will handle the Yakima district, giving it one day a week.

In addition to his government work, White also was an active participant in community

affairs and church work. He has an interest in the proposed new Uptown shopping center planned for the area between Symons and Van Giesen streets. His new assignment will make it necessary for him to move to Walla Walla but everybody hopes that he will not sever all his Richland connections. Veterans and their families owe much to this civic-minded and public-spirited citizen.

## ANOTHER PRESENTATION

of 50-star American flags was made the other day to the Carmichael Junior High School with Commander U. Lester Sweetin of the Richland Veterans of Foreign Wars doing the honors.

The following students took part in the ceremony accepting the flags for each of the school class rooms—April Trunnell, Patsy Bolson, Rick Conley, Dick Nichols, Ruth Mudd, Douglas Keck, Larry Greer, Carol Fatur, Trudy Quintal, Toby Wheeler, Pat Gallien, Gene Voiland, Dean Nichols, Susan Vandenburg, Lesley Wood, Paul Blazene, Dick McClelland.

Paula Feister, Ted Smith, Gary Christenson, Ken Olson, Randy Simmons, David Horner, Mike Henniger, Carol Watson, Rod Altman, Jack Orchard, Bill Knirck, Jon Claypool, Bob Park, Mary McGuire, Louise Meyers, Barbara Kester, Fred Norton, Karen Row, Nina Jones and Gary Rolph.

Flag presentation to the Columbia High School will be made early in January, thus completing the VFW Americanism project which provides for a new 50-star American flag for every class room in all the Richland schools.

Clyde Ganzell, who was prominent in American Legion activities when he lived in Richland, sent his New Year greetings to his old friends and associates in a letter received the other day by Past Commander Bill James. Clyde now lives in Long Beach, Calif.

## Question of the week—

Q—Does the VA furnish guide dogs for blind veterans?

A.—Veterans who are entitled to compensation for a service-connected disability and who are blind in both eyes are eligible to receive from VA not only a guide dog but also training to enable them to use the dog and the cost of the dog's medical attention.

# Richland Sets 14-Year Pedestrian Safety Record

At midnight on Sunday, a new traffic safety record was established in the city of Richland, one of the few cities in the United States to make such an excellent claim.

The record—14 straight years without a pedestrian fatality.

The last fatal accident of that type occurred here on June 5, 1947.

According to President Fay Jones of the Richland Safety Council, credit for this outstanding record goes first to the people of Richland, both motorists and pedestrians, who have been safety-minded and have observed the traffic regulations in large part, also to the Safety Council members who have devoted their time and efforts to keep active the safety education projects, and to the Richland police department traffic division. This combination

of efforts has reduced to a minimum the number of accidents in Richland with injuries to motorists and pedestrians.

AT THE Richland Safety Council last meeting of 1961, with Vice-President Homer Moulthrop presiding, Sgt. W. H. Gordon of the Police Department gave the monthly report for November covering traffic violations and arrests, which showed that 12 of the 20 automobile accidents were caused by failure to yield right of way, and negligent operation was the second major cause.

Through the year the failure of motorists to come to a full stop at stop signs caused many accidents and injuries to drivers as well as property damage. For the first 11 months of 1961 there were 181 accidents with 54 injuries, compared with 211 accidents and 37 injuries for the same period the previous year. Thus with a decrease of 14 per cent in accidents there was a 46 per cent increase in injuries.

TOTAL TRAFFIC violations to date for 1961 amounted to 2,966 as compared to 3,154 for the same period last year. Dur-

ing November there were 110 traffic arrests in age group 16 to 25, 88 in age group 25 to 34, and 49 in age group 35 to 44. There were 105 such arrests in age group over 44. The police report showed that November and December had more accidents by motorists over 25, because of holiday shopping activities.

At the Safety Council meeting there was a discussion of articles to be submitted for debate at the Feb. 13 annual Town Hall Meeting scheduled to be held in Richland. Members also voted to hold the 1962 meetings of the council on the fourth Thursday of each month.

# SEEN and HEARD

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Now that everybody is getting in on the discussion about four-year college for Richland, it might be well to have an examination of the possibilities and the facts in the case.

In the first thinking we must realize that getting a big college is a "plum" and that many other cities will be planning lobbies to contact the legislature, where the decision will be made. Such cities as Spokane, Vancouver, Wenatchee, Bellingham, Yakima, to mention a few, already are making their moves. Several of these cities can probably offer advantages which we lack. What to do to meet that type of competition? We must recognize that politics will be involved.

We have a united local legislative unit in favor, led by Senator Mike McCormack. The city council appears to be lukewarm. We need the united backing of everybody and every organization. Split support will be negative support.

What should be realized by everybody is the fact this cannot be a quick development. Our efforts and plans should be paced accordingly. We are thankful to a fired-up citizens committee which has sponsored this cultural project, and we must depend upon these people to carry on vigorously with inspired leadership.

By not wearing hats Richland men are cutting down their "over-head" expenses and they also are catching colds. So, cough up and buy a hat. Be your age.

In connection with the 1962 Water Follies, it is Richland's turn to have the big annual parade, and also to build the Tri-Cities Float. Pasco and Kennewick have each sponsored and built the Tri-Cities Float and paid the expenses for its various trips to the Seattle Seafair and other cities which have annual parades and events. If we fail to uphold our

end of the bargain, we might get into the "cheap skate" category.

Talked with a downtown store manager who mentioned that fires have been caused all over the country by, above all things, fashions. These feminine additives are fashioned over foam rubber and it happens that when they are ironed and set aside, the heat continues to grow in the rubber and finally they ignite and start house fires. The next time we meet Chief **Pat Quane** we will ask him if, under the above circumstances, a man calls fire department, can he be arrested for a false alarm.

The days are starting to get longer, one minute by earlier sunrise and one minute by later sunset. That's two minutes a day or an hour each month. By next March that means three hours more daylight, and so on. It won't be long now!

A Delafield housewife tells us that when she returned from a neighborhood shopping trip the other day she found a strange man in the house. He ran out the back door and across her yard. She had left the rear door unlocked, which is an invitation to any prowler. Keep all your doors locked even when you're in the house, for your own protection. Don't be careless about this, please.

Radio Station KALE will open a new branch in Richland in the store which has been added to the Roy Davis Furniture Co. building on Goethals Drive. Local programs will be broadcast there.

The General Electric electronics exhibit which has been located in the Desert Inn lobby for more than a year has been removed. The space will be used in the near future by the

Kay-Max Travel Agency for its enlarged quarters. The entire hotel lobby is going to be remodeled and redecorated, and we HEARD that the big Bon Marche Company of Seattle will supervise the new decor.

**Maury Kirkpatrick**, realtor, is another one of our forward looking citizens who sees a big future for Richland as a recreational and cultural community. "Recent developments," he says, "point in that direction. The proposed Southside recreational project with hotel and waterfront development signalizes such a future advancement. The proposal for a big college here is a similar indication of what is going on in the minds of our interested citizens. All of us should support these promotions as individuals and groups by personal participation in such projects, and financially whenever possible."

We have this idea about "Fall-Out Protection" — use seat belts.

May we wish a Happy New Year today to a Gold Star Mother, **Mrs. Alta Tivey**, who is your hostess at the Desert Inn main dining room. She probably hasn't any idea how many people are warmed each day by her smile and her personality. A lovely lady who deserves the best in the coming year.

"Worst Aid" is when the person giving it doesn't know beans about "First Aid."

Morticians have a "special customer" list which contains the names of motorists who take chances.

We join with others in congratulating **Bob Phillip**, who has been named top-notch Kiwanian for the year 1961. The honor was well deserved by a business man who has implemented the Kiwanis "We Build" platform with a real interest in its aims, and an active participation in its diversified community projects. Hail fellow, well met.

**Sam Volpentest**, retiring president of the

Chamber of Commerce, has probably established a new record for that office. No previous president has ever devoted so much of his time to the job as he has, especially time in the Chamber office personally handling its affairs and projects. He has made many trips out of town on Chamber business at his own expense during the past two years he has held the office, and has always been available for other favors outside the Chamber business. One of the outstanding accomplishments of his service was the honor which came to Richland as an All-America city. The major credit for this distinction should go to Sam Volpentest.

Stealing Christmas decoration bulbs is the latest form of youthful vandalism perpetrated by light-fingered delinquents.

City Clerk **Carl Kruegel** has visited all the local fire stations to indoctrinate firemen in the business of registering voters. This is another type of volunteer work in which our firemen engage each year. In this connection remember that January 13 is the last date to register for the coming primary and Feb. 13 the last date for registering for the election. You can visit any firehouse in Richland for this service. Hosannas to our versatile fire-fighters.

The year 1961 continued another record in that there were no fatalities in Richland due to motor accidents, and involving motorists or pedestrians. Much of the credit for this goes to the Richland Safety Council and the Richland Police Traffic Division for their safety education programs, and, of course to Richland people who have become safety-minded.

We heard about a local neighborhood squabble which could be heard a block away. The wife wanted the house temperature at 80 degrees and the husband insisted on 70. So husband made it hot for her. Tempers can rise by degrees, it seems.

Both the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion Posts in Richland will participate in a new project in connection with Century 21, the big Seattle World Fair. Most of the veterans who are members of these organizations have relatives living in other states. In the proposed

project all members will write letters to friends and relatives in other states inviting them to come to the State of Washington during the months this year when the fair will be in operation, and to make their visits include stops in Richland, enroute to or from the fair.

habilitation, Carl Henze, Waitsburg; Publicity, Russell Grob, Richland.

SINCE THE local office has been closed, veterans who have questions to ask about their personal cases are invited to send them in to this Veterans' Column and they will be answered.

We received this one the past week: "Is it possible for a man to have first priority for VA hospitalization without actually serving on active military duty?"

The answer is Yes. Certain very few inductees or enlistees of World War I, World War II and the Korean conflict who did not enter active duty may be entitled to hospitalization under the first priority group. To be eligible they must have incurred disabilities not the result of their own misconduct while en route under orders to report to a place for final acceptance, inductance, or entry upon active duty, or while at such place or en route home.

THE EFFECTIVE moment of a service man's release from the military has been set — for veterans' benefit purposes — as midnight of the day of separation at the earliest, or the time of his arrival home by the most direct route, if later than that. Public law 87-102 set the new standard. It applies to vets of past wars as well as present and future serv-

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Plans for the July and August pageants commemorating the Lewis and Clark Expedition and other memorable events of the early Columbia Basin history, which are being planned for presentation by local groups in Columbia Park, were discussed at a special meeting during the past week in the North Room of the Richland Public Library.

Mrs. G. E. (Jan) Lewis presided, and representatives were present from organizations in Richland, Pasco and Kennewick. There was much discussion about the music and dance features that are to be interspersed between the many episodes, which have been distributed to the communities for preparation — three each to Pasco, Richland and Kennewick and one each to West Richland, Benton City and Prosser.

**AS PRESENTLY PLANNED,** Pasco will have the landing of the Lewis and Clark party with Mrs. Herschel Kidwell supervising, the resident Polk scene under the direction of Ivan Merrick, and the Gov. Isaac I. Stevens scene with Lon Leeper in charge, representing the Social Studies Department of the Columbia Basin College.

Kennewick will be responsible for two Jefferson scenes under the direction of the DAR with Mrs. R. W. Strawn supervising and Kennewick Toastmasters assisting, headed by Robert Marpole. The Longmire covered wagons episode will be developed by the Pioneer Association led by Frank Green, and the Benton County Mounted Possee and Auxiliary, headed respectively by Ray Hamilton and Mrs. William F. Kelly.

Prosser organizations directed by Mrs. Maloy Sensey, are planning the Lincoln episode, and Benton City people will take care of the David Thompson scene.

**THE LAST FOUR SCENES** or episodes are scheduled to be handled by Richland and West Richland organizations. The West Richland Chamber of Commerce has assumed the responsibility for that city's contribution, and the Richland Chamber of Commerce is ex-

pected to coordinate the All-America City pageant scenes.

All the scripts for the various episodes have been prepared by Mrs. Margaret Thompson, a member of the Benton County Park Commission, and are in the hands of the various leaders involved.

It has been announced that a stage will be built to accommodate the various planned scenes and episodes of the pageant, as well as the musicians and dancers who will participate. This will be in the Columbia Park area, which will give the largest audience accommodations.

Organizations which have not been contacted and which may wish to participate in the pageant events may contact Mrs. Margaret Thompson, JU 2-3237, or Mrs. G. E. Lewis, WH 3-3577.

**COMMANDER** Edwin Merrill of Post 71, the American Legion, has released the following list of 1962 Department and 12th District officials for the information of veterans who may wish to clip the same from this column for future reference; Charles F. Binger, Department, PO Box 268, Electric City; Fred M. Fuecker, Department adjutant, 620 University, Seattle; 12th District officers, posts and commanders — Kay Whitted, district commander, Connell; James Skerbitz, district vice-commander, Richland; Commander Joseph Dondanville, Prosser Post 20; Commander Robert C. Atkinson, Walla Walla Post 32; Commander George O. Edgar, Kennewick Post 33; Commander John Haystack, Post 34; Commander

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# SEEN and HEARD JAN 12 1962 BY THE ROVING REPORTER

Many people wonder why Richland has not had one real applicant from a heavy or small industrial plant to locate here.

Well, the other day you probably saw in the newspapers an authorized story from the Kennewick Port Commission that during 1961 that city hadn't had even a "bite" from a new industry although contacts had been made with several all over the country—and Kennewick has everything to offer in the way of locations, railroad and port facilities.

We should face these facts squarely to explain why we are not in a position to compete with Pasco and Kennewick for quick industrial development.

(1) We do not have any through railroad facilities which heavy industry looks for when they seek new locations for their expanding plants.

(2) We are not on a state highway to accommodate mobile freightways.

(3) We have no port facilities which heavy industries could use for river transportation.

(4) We do not have an open labor market and may assume that AEC and General Electric might not like the present labor situation to be disturbed.

(5) And there is the housing situation.

SO — before we can hope to attract new industries our officials must work on correcting the above "disadvantages" which stare us in the eye. Let's face the facts and openly.

Over the two recent holiday week - ends more than 1,000 people were killed in automobile accidents. One way to get rid of reckless drivers is to kill them off, and we are doing this at a rate of 500 every week in the year. But these reckless drivers also killed hundreds of innocent pedestrians, men, women and children, as well as their car occupants, members of their own families. We can have little sympathy for drunken drivers and speedsters who court death and injury on the highways of the nation, and it is too late to give sympathy to their innocent victims.

One of our national advertisers emphasizes the fact that its pen will write over butter. So when you write to your relatives be sure the note paper is well spread with butter. This will vouch-safe the advertiser's guarantee.

This is a little late to mention, but a Hunt street woman told us that she went into a local store right after Christmas to make some purchases and as she was handling the articles on display a clerk came up to her and said: "Gracious, you want to buy something?" It was the first sale she had made all day. The other customers had brought back Christmas gifts to exchange for sizes or swaps.

Received a call from Mrs. Claude Kremer of 214 Douglas Avenue who had read this column's paragraph about a flock of 60 robins visiting one lawn recently. She narrated: "They have been around our place also but the other day we watched a robin red breast on a branch outside the window and it had a tuft of feathers on top of its head. It looked like a strange bird, but we are convinced it was a robin." What say you readers, is this a crested robin or something new in the Aves category?

If you drive by and observe the roof on the new Good Shepherd Lutheran Church now being built on Geo. Washington Way at Newcomer, you will have to admit that it is the steepest in Richland, and we are not referring to its cost.

We don't like fakes. We expose them whenever possible. The government released a story

a few days ago of action taken against a shaving cream firm which showed a phoney TV picture of its product being applied to a sheet of sandpaper and the sand shaved off with one stroke. It wasn't sandpaper at all, just a camera fake. The thing to do when you see these fakes pulled in TV advertising is not to use the product, which may be as phoney as its advertising.

A Harris Avenue man recently took his wife to dinner and she saw him give the waitress a 50-cent tip. (She thought—After all the dinners I have prepared for him he never gave me a tip.) There is now a new arrangement in the home dining room. In addition to the food on the table there is a piggy-bank. The Old Boy is required to drop in a 50-cent piece after each evening meal. The money collected will go for the vacation fund.

Homer Moulthrop and Gene Astley are two new candidates for the City Council who helped originate and have pressed the idea of making Richland the site for a big-four-year college. Both are interested in major projects also to build Richland as a recreational center in the Northwest. They have devoted unnumbered hours of their time to these important promotions, which appear to have the backing of a great majority of Richland voters. The great Southside hotel and recreational project is about ready to start, and a big college located here would add to the cultural advantages which belong in an All-America city. It takes men of vision and strong leadership to plan and point the way to such high attainments.

Many of us have been disturbed over the fact that Richland is not on a state highway, which in many ways, is and has been a disadvantage to us. You have heard the old observation "If you cannot beat 'em, join 'em." So if we cannot get a state highway through Richland, put Richland on a state highway. It is as easy as that. Annex the Richland "Y" district and we will be on Highway 410. We have urged this before. Here is a golden opportunity for a member of the City Council to make the first move.

Lee Clarkson, principal of the Lewis and Clark school, has a very fine personality, and everybody who knows him esteems him, to put it succinctly.

Lee has a twin sister living in Kansas and it is a tradition in the family to treat their friends with a birthday cake on each anniversary. Last Friday at the Lewis and Clark school, the teachers were recipients of this delectation, thanks to the baking artistry of Mrs. Clarkson.

The other night Clarkson was functioning as state chairman of the Elks Leadership Committee, a national project of the BPOE, which sponsors city, state and national contests for scholarships awarded to high school students.

Among honors he has received was the Oak Cluster Pin from the Parent Teachers Association for his exceptional interest in and for the youth of the community.

As an active member of the Richland Kiwanis Club our popular school principal was chairman of the Library Fountain project, Kiwanis sponsored, and through his efforts rocks from every section of the United States were sent here to be used in building the fountain. Lee personally polished the rocks. He's versatile.

Clarkson is a member of three educational organizations, the Yakima Valley, Washington State and National Principals Associations.

Women are not too much bothered by the prices charged for the new style skirts—it's the upcreep.

## News Of Interest To Vets

# Turnout Is Big For VA Visit

Veterans who have problems relating to disability pensions, hospitalization, compensation, insurance policies, GI home loans and similar matters may contact, today and every Friday, their Veterans' Administration representative, Frank H. White, at the Social Room in the Richland Community House. He will be available for interviews from 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1 to 4:30 p.m. Veterans should have with them all papers and records which relate to their cases, to facilitate the handling of their inquiries and claims.

This new VA office was opened last Friday and the place was crowded. Veterans came from Prosser, Grandview, Kennewick, Pasco and Benton City, as well as Richland. Cases were handled expeditiously by White, who makes a point of regarding each case as the most important matter facing him, as it is in the case of each individual veteran applicant himself. Frank White will have with him practically all the forms needed for veterans to make their application for the various ser-

vices and benefits which have been covered by national legislation. These applications in the future must be completed by the veterans themselves, as there is no office staff available for this help as in the past.

All veterans should belong to either the Veterans of Foreign Wars or the American Legion Posts so that the services of the post service officers will be available to them, post officials stated. This is especially important in local emergency cases.

Winners in the annual Voice of Democracy, a project sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars, were announced yesterday by Past Commander William Owens, chairman of the Richland VFW committee which handled the event.

First honors went to Miss Marye Durbin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Durbin of 2169 Trippe. She received a \$25 U.S. Savings bond from the sponsoring Richland Post. She also will now be eligible to enter the state competition, and if successful there, the national contest.

Second place went to Miss Joyce Herbie of 1431 Jadwin, and third winner was Miss Judy Altman of 629 Basswood. They each received certificates for the Columbia High school Year Books.

The contestants wrote and had taped their own broadcasts on "What America Means To Me," and the judges who listened to the tapes and did not see the contestants, judged them on the material, as well as the voices. The judges were Holly

Bishop of KEPR and Kenneth Brooks of KALE.

Today Richland Post 71, The American Legion, and its auxiliary will be on the streets selling the Rainbow Crutches, a project to raise money for the March of Dimes. Past Commander Dom Castelli is chairman of the committee in charge. Legionnaires wearing their caps, and Auxiliary members will be at the banks and at public places to sell the crutches, which are made to wear on lapels.

In connection with the March of Dimes, the Legion Auxiliary ladies have their own plans for raising money, as outlined by President Mille Johnson. A series of coffee parties have been arranged and will be held at the homes of members on the following dates: Jan. 9, 11 a.m., Mrs. Lester Fishback, 1302 Symons; Jan. 15, 2 p.m., Mrs. William Smailes, 1412 Mahan; Jan. 18, 2 p.m., Mrs. Floyd Thompson, 415 Cottonwood Drive; Jan. 23, 11 a.m., Mrs. Frances Flora, 1428 Goethals Drive; Jan. 25, 2 p.m., Mrs. William Hall, 1203 Cottonwood Drive; Jan. 30, 2 p.m., Mrs. F. J. Bowers, 1517 Perkins.

Past Commanders Russell Grob, Ray Tillson, accompanied by District Commander Dave Whittee of Connell, leave today for Seattle where they will attend a meeting of the executive committee of the Department of Washington, American Legion. All the Department committee chairmen also will be present. Grab is chairman of the state legislative committee and his report will include the statement that all posts should keep up close relationships with their state legislators and use their influence to protect the Veterans Rehabilitation Commission funds which certain legislators are trying to have transferred to the state general fund. Now that the VA has closed its Washington officers, the demands on the state will be increased.

Legion Adjutant Ray Tillson reported that the post has now reached 92 per cent of its 1962 membership quota.

The first 1962 meeting of the Marine Corps League Auxiliary will be held on Wednesday, Jan. 17, in the East Room at the Richland Community House. Plans for the new year projects will be discussed and a social hour enjoyed.

Quotation of the week—

Q—More than 20 years ago I was rated totally disabled for pension benefits. Can my disability be now rated as not permanent and total?

A—No, your present rating will last your lifetime.

## VFW Backs College Plan

Support for the Tri-City College Corporation's project to locate a four-year college at the Camp Hanford area was voiced at a recent meeting of Richland's Cook-Erickson Post 7952 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

The proximity of the college site to the Hanford laboratories was presented as a major asset by the group. It was also pointed out that the attraction of thousands of students to Richland would help the city commercially.

It was also deducted that it would be far more practical to develop the cultural and recreational potential of Richland rather than the industrial. It was pointed out that the lack of railroad facilities required by heavy industry, lack of through highways for freightways and lack of port facilities made industrial development impractical.



MISS MARYE DURBIN

## Col-Hi Girl Places First In Contest

A Columbia High School student of Richland won first place for the region in an annual "Voice of Democracy" contest sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

She is Miss Marye Durbin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Durbin of 2169 Trippe, Richland. Miss Joyce Herbel of 1431 Judson Ave., Richland, took second place, and Judy Altman of 629 Basswood Ave., Richland, placed third.

Kenneth Finley of 810 Willard Ave., Richland, and Bonnie Hertz from the Richland Y tied for fourth.

The contest was based on the content, delivery, originality and voice of tape recordings on "What Freedom Means to Me." Judges were Holly Bishop of KEPR and Kenneth Brookes of KALE radio stations.

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# Merger Of Legion Posts Discussed; Doubt Aired

While it probably will never happen there has been some talk going around among legionnaires about the possibility of calling a meeting of representatives from Pasco, Richland and Kennewick American Legion Posts to discuss the proposition of uniting into one Tri-Cities post.

The Pasco post has been going through serious financial troubles caused by the move which was made after the fire which destroyed its building, and these difficulties have been well-aided in the newspapers. The Richland post lost its fine building a few years ago partly as a result of the same causes.

Some officials say there does not seem to be any middle ground on which three Tri-Cities legion posts could meet for an amalgamation. Each city would want to be the meeting place of the combined group, and each city would want to have the office of commander, unless a rotating system were devised. It does not seem likely that this proposal will ever be accepted by the three posts, yet there is talk, several persons have informed the Villager.



U. LESTER SWEETIN

Tickets may be purchased at the VFW headquarters or at post meetings. All reservations must be in by Feb. 14. Following the dinner and post prandial exercises, there will be a social hour and dancing. Details are being handled by Commander U. Lester Sweetin and Auxiliary President Eunice L. Hetrick. Past presidents of the auxiliary also will be honored at this dinner.

**THE ANNUAL PAST** Commanders' Night dinner has been arranged by Cook-Erickson Post 752, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the date will be Saturday night, Feb. 17. That's a week from tomorrow night. The event will also honor the charter members of the post, several of whom are still active here.

The club manager will have a Valentine style of decor for this event, and there will be a limit of 200 tickets to be sold.

**BEST WISHES** this week go to Adjutant Ray Tillson of Richland Post 71, the American Legion, who reached the General Electric retirement age and has started a new life with plenty of time on his hands. He has announced a new activity of his own which will be the laborious job of enlarging the basement of his home at 300 Jadwin Ave. (formerly Goethals) at Comstock street. He will supervise and also engage in the work and the purpose of the innova-

tion will be to have a room large enough to hold meetings of the Richland Post 71 executive board.

"Tilly" has served more than 40 consecutive years in the American Legion and is a former commander of a post in his former home city. Now that he will have more time on his hands, members of the post are proposing him for the office of commander at the next election.

He has served in various official capacities, has attended most of the state conventions and district conferences and is well schooled in every phase of Legion business and practice. Tillson is a licensed pyrotechnician and is the man who annually sets off the fireworks at the Legion Fourth of July event at the Bomber bowl.

The recent mid-winter conference of the Veterans of Foreign Wars at Moses Lake was attended by the following Richland post and auxiliary members — Commander and Mrs. Lester Sweetin, Past Commander Marvin and Mrs. McDonald District Commander and Mrs. C. C. Owings, Senior Vice-Commander and Mrs. Hap Parmer, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Taylor, Mrs. Geneva Helgerson, and Mrs. Leah Kenna.

**ALL ATTENDED** the general meetings and special conferences which were set up in the form of schools for different office classifications. Hap Parmer took it upon himself to collect all the papers and forms required by the post service officer covering such subjects as pensions, insurance, widows and orphan benefits, compensation, GI loans, and the like and these will be available at the Richland VFW headquarters to all members who wish to complete these forms.

This new service has been added because the local VA office has been closed, and much of the veterans' business must now be handled by service officers.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Larrabee recently returned from a three months' trip to Wisconsin, Illinois and Ohio where they visited the homes of the several sons and daughters. They reportedly had a fine time renewing old acquaintances. They ran into several cold winter snow storms which made their return to the banana belt unusually happy. Mrs. Larrabee is a past president of the Richland Legion Post Auxiliary, and Ed has been active in the local post for several years.

## Kiwanis Club Committees Announced

President George H. Sahler of the Richland Kiwanis Club announced his 1962 committees yesterday, as follows:

**Youth Service Division—**

**Boys' and Girls' Work—**Earl Harris, chairman; John Clarke, George Doran, J. E. Goodwin, Terry G. Hartman, James V. LeClair, Robert Phillip, Max Walton, George W. Wopat.

**Special Youth Service—**Glenn S. Quinley, chairman; Lee Clarkson, Roy Davis, William Haglund, Thomas V. McGuire, John B. Nason, Dr. Loy G. Woodall.

**Vocational Guidance—**Jack M. Heffner, chairman; Dr. James C. Conant, Gerald W. Giard, L. W. Herford, Arthur H. Kintz, Richard P. Wersen, Lou Wetzel.

**Citizenship Service Division—**

**Public and Business Affairs—**Robert M. Watkins, chairman; Kenneth L. Brooks, Wes Luckey, Ray L. Moran, Blake E. Miller, Dr. E. D. Otterholt, Jerry D. Phropheet, Kenneth L. Robertson, Niti Romeri, Morris J. Smith.

**SUPPORT OF Churches—**Marlin Johnson, chairman; Mark H. Arndt, A. Eldon Rex.

**Administration Division—**

**Achievement Report—**David J. Rietmann, chairman; Wally M. Hunt.

**Attendance and Membership—**D. E. (Mickey) McGuire, chairman; Julius S. Johnson, Thomas F. Murphy, Edward C. Peddicord, Joseph J. Perier, F. Rudy Rice, Leo Robic, Ross D. Squair, Robert M. Watkins, Floyd S. Vogt.

**Education and Fellowship—**John B. Thompson, chairman; Dr. Robert E. Chase, Dr. Robert Franco, the Rev. Leland C. Lawrence, Hal D. Tibbals, William A. Watts, Dr. Loy G. Woodall.

**Finance—**A. J. McGinnis Jr., chairman; Edward G. Corcoran, Dr. G. R. Hewett, Stanley N. Randolph.

**House—**Robert R. Watts, chairman; Arthur E. Haworth, Dr. R. A. Reiten, Earl W. Slusher, Milt C. Wight.

**INTERCLUB Relations—**Kenneth Brooks, chairman; Harold G. Morgan, Dr. Charles A. McCartney, R. J. Pederson, David J. Rietmann, Kenneth A. Wright.

**Laws and Regulations—**Joseph C. Stricker, chairman; Thomas F. Murphy.

**New Club Building—**Max R. Walton, chairman; R. J. Pederson, George H. Sahler.

**Program and Music—**Marv R. Schneller, chairman; Jack R. Ingram, assistant chairman; Henry A. Carlberg, Karl C. Dietrich, Rev. Melvin M. Finkbeiner, Robert Phillip, James N. Rightmire, William A. Watts.

**Public Relations—**Douglas S. Cameron, chairman; Dr. James C. Conant, Frank Ingram, Daryl E. Mabee, Leo Rubic, Milt C. Wight.

**Reception—**Major W. C. MacBrayne, chairman; Karl C. Dietrich, Arthur H. Kintz, Robert Phillip, Fran W. Rish, Robert R. Watts.

**Special Projects—**John R. Hills, chairman; Leonard W. Bastin, Robert E. Brown, John T. Day, Ira E. Dunn, J. E. Goodwin, Willard W. Parker, H. E. Price, C. W. Sagvold, Milt L. Snyder, D. F. (Mike) Spellman, Sam Volpen-test.

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## Kiwanis Goals Are Announced

Richland Kiwanis Club opened its 1962 project year at a luncheon meeting at the Desert Inn Round-Up Room, with the newly elected President George Sahler being installed. The ceremony was performed by R. J. Pederson, lieutenant governor of the Kiwanis Northwestern District.

The following new members of the board of directors were also installed with First Vice President David Rietman and Second Vice President Roy L. Davis—Dr. James Conant, Everett Goodwin, William Sagvold, James Marshall, Thomas F. Murphy, James Rightmire, and William A. Watts.

President Sahler announced his appointment of the following



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committee chairmen for the new year: David Rietman, achievement report; Murrey Fuller, agriculture and conservation; Mickey McGuire, attendance and membership; Earl Harris, boys' and girls' work; John Thompson, education and fellowship; A. J. McGinnes Jr., finance; Norman R. Hayes, house; Kenneth Brooks, interclub relations; Joseph Stricker, laws and regulations; Max Walton, new club building; Marvin R. Schneller, Jack R. Ingram (assistant chairman), programs and music; Robert Watkins, public and busi-

ness and the activity by informing the public of its value and by encouraging others to assume sponsorships; (5) support actively the clubs in Division 16 which need assistance, including Pilot Rock, Ore., and the newly chartered club in Benton City.

It was announced that in the future all meetings would start promptly at 12:05 noon, speaker will go on at 12:35 and the meeting will adjourn at 1:05.

This is the 1962 membership list of the Richland Kiwanis Club:

**DR. T. M. ARMSTRONG**, Henry Arndt, Mark H. Arndt, Leonard W. Bastin, Kenneth L. Brooks, Robert E. Brown, Ray Cain, Douglas Cameron, K. T. Campbell, Henry A. Carlberg, F. Joseph Carroll, Dr. Robert Chase, Lee Clarkson, Dr. James C. Conant, Edward Corcoran (treasurer), Roy L. Davis, John T. Day, Karl Dietrich, George Doran, Ira E. Dunn, the Rev. Melvin Finkbeiner, Dr. Robert Franco, Murrey Fuller, Gerald Giard, J. E. Goodwin, William Haglund

Earl Harris, Terry Hartman, Arthur E. Haworth, Norman Hayes, Jack Heffner, L. W. Herford, Rial O. Herremann, Dr. Gerald Hewett, John R. Hills, Capt. Douglas Hunt, Wallace Hunt (secretary), Robert Hurst, Frank Ingram, Jack R. Ingram, Julius Johnson, Marlin Johnson, Arthur Kintz, the Rev. Leland C. Lawrence, James LeClair, E. Daryl Mabey, Major W. C. MacBrayne, James Marshall, Dr. Charles McCarty

A. J. McGinnes Jr., D. F. McGuire, Thomas J. McGuire, Blake Miller, Dr. Earl W. Moore, Ray Moran, Harold Morgan, Thomas Murphy, John Nason, Dr. W. D. Norwood, Dr. E. D. Otterholt, Willard W. Parker, Edward Peddicord, Rufus Pederson, Joseph Perier, Roger Perry, Robert Philip, H. E. Price, Jerry D. Prophet, Glenn Quinley, Stanley N. Randolph, Dr. Rolland Reiten, Elden A. Rex, Rudy Rice, David Rietman, James Rightmire, Fran Rish, Kenneth L. Robertson, Leo Robic

Niti Romeri, C. W. Sagvold, George H. Sahler, M. R. Schneller, Earl Slusher, Morris J.

## Legislative Committee Will View College Sites

The Tourist and Conventions Committee of the Richland Chamber of Commerce, with Chairman Arthur Haworth presiding, held its monthly meeting during the past week and prominent on the agenda was the project of the four-year college which has been activated by an alert committee of local citizens.

George Bowers presented the case as it stands at present and announced that on Feb. 9 an interim sub-committee from the Washington State Legislature will visit Richland to evaluate the site which has been proposed here for North Richland and other sites that might be proposed. He said that if the local effort is properly coordinated by people who are really interested in making this a cultural area the chances of Richland having such an institution of learning would be excellent for the future.

**HE SAID THAT** industry when looking for new locations examines the educational facilities, and a big college here would attract industries which otherwise might not interest these tax-paying organizations. He also mentioned that such a college would attract educational conventions, meetings, conferences and tourists to Richland.

Chairman Haworth announced that a letter had been sent to

the Seattle Chamber of Commerce suggesting that in 1962 Seattle might not have the facilities to handle many small conventions in that city because of the World Fair and that they might be channeled to Richland.

It was recommended that action be taken to have the Greyhound buses renew their travel connections to West Richland, and there also was a discussion about having regular local bus runs between Richland, Pasco and Kennewick.

**HAROLD MORGAN** described a project for the Uptown Business district in which it is hoped that local garden clubs can be interested in — beautifying the freeway pedestrian areas which bisect the section between George Washington Way and the Jadwin avenue sides of this business district.

Ernie Curtis, recreational director, made an announcement that will be of interest to people who enjoy boating and picnics. He said that U.S. Corps of Engineers have money in the budget for 1963 to build a causeway at Hunt Point to Nelson Island a short distance out on the Columbia River and to develop the island with docks and facilities for the use of people who have been requesting this facility. A harbor could be created by such a project which could be used by water skiers and others. The city of Richland could pave the existing river road leading to the contemplated causeway.

**PRESIDENT Jim Rightmire** of the Chamber of Commerce congratulated the Tourist Committee on its activities, and he also discussed the work of the Tri-Cities Development Committee of which he has been rotating president during the past year.

Roy Webber of the Richland Coliseum Corp. reported that the big ice skating rink at the south entrance to the city would be in operation by April 1. This is the first unit of the planned development of this recreational area.

The 1962 Tourist and Conventions Committee has the following membership: chairman, Arthur Haworth, Chamber of Commerce; Wally Bowen, housing; Ernie Curtis, recreation; the Rev. Cecil Knippers, churches; Chief Robert Marshall, police department; Wesley H. Banta, organized labor groups; Chris Anderson, health; Dean Knapp, transportation; Mrs. G. R. McKinney, civic organizations; Mrs. Pat Merrill, City Council and Girl Scouts; William Watts, General Electric Co.; Harold Morgan, business and planning; George Bowers schools; Faith Cooke, entertainment and special events; Major W. C. MacBrayne, publicity; Richard Lubbin, hospital.

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Attended a meeting of the Richland Safety Council the other night and heard a statement that is hard to believe.

However the statement was a true one and if you drive a car you can prove it about yourself any day in the week.

Sergeant W. H. Gordon of the Richland Police Department was the speaker and he is an expert in traffic laws and violations.

"If you follow any motorist any day of the week that he or she drives a car on the streets of Richland, you will see him (or her) break one or more traffic regulations," he remarked.

This applies to the ordinary, law-abiding citizen, the individual who is an average, careful driver and in most cases isn't aware of his infractions.

One of the constant violations is in the school areas where a 20-mile speed is designated by signs along the streets involved. Most people (including you) average 30 to 35 miles in these areas. Police clocked records prove this.

Another constant violation is failure to come to a complete stop at stop signs, as the law requires. Most drivers slow down only and keep moving ahead.

Other flagrant violations are failure to give "right of way", driving too close, jumping yellow lights, failure to give proper signals at turns, improper parking, and exceeding speed limits on most of the city streets. We all do it at some time or other. Let's be more careful in the future.

These local folks who have been criticising the governor for his appointment of a Kennewick man to head the State Commerce Department, apparently haven't been looking through "Rose"-tinted glasses. We might add, as our comment, that Gov. Rosellini is noted for wearing a rose each day in his lapel. Now he has acquired one that will not wilt.

Blake Miller opines that we should all dedicate ourselves to preserving America's natural resources. For instance—the taxpayer.

We have a number of versatile people living in Richland but we must doff our hats to Dr. Earle A. Hussell, the Richland dentist, who is also one of the crack pistol shots in the United States, is a big game hunter, owns and rides an Arabian stallion, and holds a Medic's Combat Badge for his Korean War service.

And to prove that he is community minded and active in civic activities, he is a member of the Richland Rotary Club, junior vice commander of the Richland Veterans of Foreign Wars Post, a member of the Richland Safety Council, member of the Richland Rod and Gun Club, member of the Richland Riders' Club, and surrogate of the VFW 17th District organization.

Dr. Hussell has practiced here since 1954. He was born in Ohio and was graduated from Ohio State University Dental School. He has a rating of Life Time Master in the National Rifle Association, based on one of the highest scores in that organization's national indoor pistol competitions. He served two years in Korea with the 1st Cavalry Division and also had combat duty with the 15th Medical Battalion. He owns two saddle horses, one of them a valuable Arabian. Dr. Hussell has hunted big game in several Western states and in Canada. Versatile isn't too graphic a word to apply to this popular and energetic Richlander.

We HEAR that work on the Hoxie street extension is about to start and 16 new ranch type houses will be erected on the new thoroughfare right away. More outside capital will activate this new development in our All-America City.

This happened here just the other day. A

local insurance office received a telephone call from a woman who related—"I was just about to drive to your office to have you insure my new car. Unfortunately I have only one key to the car and I accidentally locked it inside the car. Would it be all right if I broke the window glass to open the door, and will you pay for the damage?" All she was asking was to have the insurance people pay for car damage that happened before it was insured. What next?

Not that it means anything to you but for your information the Yakima River is 100 per cent hard water, and the Columbia River only 77 per cent. That's why our future water supply will come from the big stream.

On his program the other day Art Linkletter asked one of the six year old kids if his parents had given him any instructions before he went on the program. The answer—"My Dad told me not to scratch myself no matter where I itched." A soap commercial followed.

New developments are perking up Wellsian Way which may have escaped your notice. The Arrow Press (commercial printing) has taken new quarters in the Richland Transfer Company building. It is operated by Allen Koehler, a long-time resident here, and an expert in his business. He was formerly located at 603 Thayer Drive.

Down near the Lee Boulevard end of Wellsian Way the new building of the George A. Grant Co., contractors, is taking shape. It is of pink cement construction and will brighten up this commercial neighborhood.

Up in the new Beverly Heights residential section they are naming the streets after girls, to wit, Agnes, Ada, Anne, etc. So, don't misunderstand any newspaper story which might tell about a man walking all over Agnes.

Received a telephone call from a woman who had read our recent paragraph about a house prowler. She said an alleged salesman, a nondescript character, came to her back door the other day and when she answered the knock, he tried to open the screen door. When she asked to see his city permit, he gave her a dirty look and walked away. Cases like this should be reported to the police at once.

We HEAR that the GESA (Government Employees Savings Association) now located next to Ganzell's Barber Shop on the Parkway, has purchased the lot on George Washington Way adjacent to the Stanley Randolph Insurance building and will erect its own office building there. A sign of progress by a well-managed concern.

Talked the other day with Jack R. Ballard, Eastern Washington interline manager of the Canadian Pacific Airlines who had checked in at the Desert Inn. He said Richland was one of the best cities he had every visited. "Everywhere else I go, there is snow," says he, "but here there seems to be a special climate." How do we do it, he queries.

The new street signs are up changing the name of Goethals Drive from Williams Boulevard south to "Jadwin Avenue." Old residents of Goethals will not like this but the deed is done.

People who borrow books at the Richland Library and do not return them on time are now being "paged."

Another phoney TV shaving soap ad the other night showed the man getting a clean shave with eight strokes of the razor. The only thing wrong about this was that it takes at least 150 strokes to get a clean shave.

News Of Interest To Veterans

## Reasons For VA Office Closure Are Explained

Commander U. Lester Sweetin of the Richland Veterans of Foreign Wars Post has received a copy of a letter sent to U. S. Senator Henry M. Jackson from the Veterans Administration, in reply to the senator's letter asking why VA contact offices in the State of Washington, including the Richland office, were being closed.

Excerpts from this letter will be of interest to local veterans, and we quote:

"We have carefully considered the views of persons and veterans' organizations mentioned in your letter who have shown an interest in our decision, and we believe these small offices along with 157 other similar-sized offices throughout the country have now fully served the purpose for which they were originally created and should be closed as scheduled.

"We activated 1,049 Veteran Administration Offices during the close of World War II to provide information and assistance on veterans' benefits to facilitate the readjustment of millions of servicemen returning to civil life. To date we have closed more than 80 per cent of these offices because diminishing need for them could no longer justify their retention. Then, too, through the years our veterans benefits program has become sufficiently stabilized to where we believe veterans have become familiar with benefits available to them and with the regional offices responsible for the adjudication of their claims."

So that seems to end the controversy.

A CHECK-UP on the visit made last Friday by Frank White to the weekly schedule at the Community House showed that he handled 76 cases during the day. Because of the rush of business he was not able to have his arranged lunch hour. He inconvenienced himself to take care of applicants, several of whom had to wait two hours to talk with him. Many of the cases handled the past week were those involving widows and orphans.

Veterans who belong to the VFW or the Legion, who were not able to see Frank White in person, may contact their post service officers for advice.

At the Richland Veterans of Foreign Wars meeting the past week, Gordon Towne was elected chaplain of the unit replacing Roy L. Brasfield, who had resigned.

Senior Vice Commander Hap Parmer reported that progress was being made to get the use of the former U. S. Army outdoor rifle range at North Richland for the use of the VFW Junior Rifle Team, which is associated with the National Rifle Association. This project has been sponsored by the Richland VFW Post for the past seven years, during which time more than 700 Richland boys and girls have been trained in rifle practice and certified for state hunters licenses.

IT WAS REPORTED that funds are being raised to pay for the important Civil Defense project which the post will sponsor and which involves furnishing all the students in Richland with identification tags.

It was announced that committees from the post and auxiliary will be appointed to make plans for the annual Valentine party to be held on Wednesday night, Feb. 14. The Thursday night game parties are being well attended, it was reported.

The post took favorable action on the matter of supporting the movement for a four-year college in Richland and criticism was aimed at the Richland City Council for not taking positive action in support of the idea.

The membership committee reported that 75 per cent of the quota had been reached and renewed efforts will be made to reach the 100 per cent figure by the end of January.

Tomorrow and Sunday the mid-winter conference of the Washington State VFW will be held at Moses Lake and several of the officers and members of Richland will leave today for that city. This conference is referred

to as a "junior convention," where many of the big problems are discussed by the delegates.

QUESTIONS received this week:

Q—Is it true that the VA has patients in some non VA hospitals?

A—The VA uses some beds in Federal hospitals under the Department of Health, Education and Welfare. The VA also may authorize care in non-Federal hospitals for veterans with service connected disabilities, under certain conditions.

Q—Because of my income, I am not entitled to the VA pension although my disabled husband had the required war-time service. Are my minor children by my deceased husband eligible?

A—Yes, minor children may be eligible even if the mother is not.

## '62 Character Education Event Will Last Month

Character Education Week will be changed to Character Education Month, as the result of a vote passed by the executive board of that Tri-Cities organization. The event will be observed during the month of February. This change will give an opportunity to a larger number of community service organizations to give emphasis to their roles as active participants in an important community project and its objectives of character building, officials said.

In announcing the change, Mrs. William E. Parker, secretary of the Tri-Cities Character-Education Council, said:

"In the past years organizations whose regular monthly meetings fell outside the designated week have seldom been able to participate in this observance. This expansion of the emphasis period to a full month represents a major advance in the implementation of character-education programs in their own programs for members and will give us more effective community participation.

"THERE WILL be a meeting early in March at the Columbia Basin College to which interested organizations and individuals are invited. At that time the agenda will be prepared for the annual Town Hall Meeting which this year will be Tri-Cities wide in scope and will take place at the Carmichael Junior High School auditorium on Tuesday, March 6, at 7:30 P.M."

Officers of the Tri-Cities Council for the year ending April 30, are: president, Homer Moulthrop of Richland; first vice president, the Rev. Ronald Yates of Kennewick; second vice president, Mrs. George

Heidlebaugh of Pasco; secretary, Mrs. Parker, Richland; treasurer, the Rev. Russell Booher of Pasco.

Organizations were recently asked to submit articles to be discussed and debated at the March Town Hall meeting. These should be mailed to Mrs. Parker, 1402 Lee Blvd., Richland. Articles already have been received from the Character-Education Council, the Civic Improvement Association and the Richland Safety Council.

AMONG SUGGESTIONS already submitted are:

(1) Developing a sense of accomplishment — Do our children have enough home responsibility? Do the schools feature too much "busy work"? Is their social life too much emphasized? Are they joiners or doers?

(2) Dignity of Labor — Are our children learning to work? Are parents giving their children an opportunity to learn or do they find it easier to do things themselves rather than to teach them?

(3) Early Guidance — Is enough attention being given to early guidance during the growing years? Is the advantage of being available when needed being sacrificed by the economic pressures which require so many mothers to work.

(4) Developing citizenship responsibilities—Do parents back up their youngsters in wrong doing? Are too many saying "I will not punish my children to correct them?"

(5) Safety Education — What effective methods can we make to win the financial support of organizations and individuals for the Richland Safety Council and its safety education projects?

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So now it's official.

The big issue in the coming city election campaign will be the four-year college issue.

A few days ago one member of the City Council said it was silly to believe that this would be an issue.

And now a week or so later an alternate brings the issue in the open and makes it official.

Of course it was official before but some people couldn't or wouldn't recognize it.

Our guess is that over 90 per cent of the people of Richland would like to see our cultural advantages enhanced by making the All-America city a college town, which in itself would help to attract future industries here. On this issue they will probably support candidates who are in favor of this important project.

The present enthusiastic movement from unofficial sources could create educational advantages that would mean so much to the families living in the Tri-Cities area. Not much room left on the bandwagon!

The Richland Parachute Club is seeking to enlarge its membership which gives us the paradox of a membership that is increasing and at the same time dropping off (in parachutes).

The local VFW post believes that a chaplain should be the type of man who can be looked up to, so the elected Gordon Towne, who is six feet, seven inches tall.

The Richland TV Cable Corp. entered business here in 1954 and now has cable installations in 3,275 homes. Our old friend Jack Quinn was the first manager. This growing business which "brings the world to your home" (its slogan) is now under H. R. (Bud) Enders as general manager.

Had coffee with an associate the other morning and noticed that he raised the cup to his lips with his left hand. Unusual thing to do for a right-handed guy. Asked him about it. "By using your left hand," he postulated, "that part of the cup rim reaches your lips which has not been touched by drinkers who have preceded you. Who knows who washed the cups?" Germs!

We have this sad story to relate. A Goethals Drive resident refurbished his home and surprised his wife by installing twin beds. He had not consulted her about this innovation. Then a chain reaction started. She decided to buy a hot water bottle to keep her feet warm. Drove down town, passed a stop sign and hit a truck. In the mix-up she lost her purse. When she arrived home she sprained her ankle on the front steps. The old hot water bottle still leaks.

If anybody is interested in making a million bucks why not get the concession of selling lollypops at race tracks. Think of all the suckers there.

A well-known Richland bachelor was married recently after years of resistance. Rumor has it that he was brought down by guided mistletoe.

G'enn Gunn avers that you do not have to be a "Big Shot" to become a member of the Richland Rod and Gun Club.

A high honor may be credited to Mrs. Norman Fuller of Richland whose name has been submitted to the National Red Cross to have her appointed to the National Board of Governors. This body consists of 50 members to represent all sections of the United States. Action on this probably will be taken at the Red Cross Annual Convention, scheduled to take place in Seattle, May 13-14.

Mrs. Fuller has been active in Benton County Red Cross work for the past 14 years and has the responsible title of Volunteer Service Chairman. She recruits and trains these volunteers who at present number 500 men and women. One of her outstanding accomplishments was the recent recruiting and training of 27 Gray Ladies, who visit and serve all the nursing homes in the county on a weekly schedule.

Our good wishes to this fine Richland woman who gives her time and talents in many good causes.

A citizen is a man who demands better roads, bigger schools, a new postoffice and lower taxes.

Bill Pickett remarks that if you can't hear a pin drop, ten to one there is something wrong with your bowling.

We heard a proud mother boasting the other day about her first offspring — "He's only two and he's been walking like that for almost a year." From which we gather the kid never sits down or sleeps.

At the C of C Tourists and Conventions meeting recently Chairman Art Haworth suggested a sign here pointing across the river to the Zoo as a tourist attraction. Why not also have a sign at the Zoo pointing to Richland asking folks to examine our specimens (in the monkey business area)?

Heard this well-deserved character analysis of W. K. MacCready, former general manager of the Chemical Processing Plant at Hanford. It was made by one of his former subordinates associated with him at the General Electric Co. He said: "Mr. MacCready is the type of man who 'lives' public relations. There were times when he had to say 'no' to requests we made to him and he did it in such a way that we felt we actually didn't want the things we had asked for."

Quite a compliment to the boss to have his subordinates feel at ease in his presence.

One of the first lessons to learn in life is that you can make some people deliriously happy simply by letting them alone.

Just to let Rev. Oliver Gill know how much we all think of him why not send him a "Get Well" card. He is at the Providence Hospital, 17th and Jefferson, Seattle. One of the finest men we ever met.

Here's another phoney TV cliché which appeared the other night. This character was called in to repair an electric washer. After fumbling around inside like an amateur he came up with a handful of soap suds and grimaced to the lady. "This is what clogged your washer". In cases like this there should be a firing squad.

Fire Marshal Norm Hayes was an old friend of ours. We worked with him for several years on the annual Fire Prevention Week projects. He was particularly devoted to this important safety education event not only because of his official position as Fire Marshal but because of his deep interest in community affairs. He seldom missed meetings of the Richland Safety Council and the Chamber of Commerce. For the past several years he compiled the annual Fire Prevention Report Book which won state and national first in the competitions sponsored by the National Fire Prevention Association and the Chamber of Commerce of the United States.

We will all miss the associations we had with this dedicated public official and friend.

## News Of Interest To Vets

# Mothers' March Set By VFW For Jan. 30

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Tuesday evening, Jan. 30, has been announced as the date for the 1962 Mothers' March, the final project of the March of Dimes, which is being sponsored this year by the Veterans of Foreign Wars and their auxiliaries.

District VFW Commander C. C. Owings, a past commander of the Richland Post, heads the Benton County Chapter formation, and post and auxiliary officers in the other cities in the county will have similar set-ups for the main and sub-projects connected with the big polio drive.

Past President Mrs. J. L. Goodenow of the Richland Post VFW Auxiliary is the "general" of this year's Mothers' March and she has announced the following captains for the various school districts: Mrs. Louise Bowen, Lewis and Clark; Mrs. Eunice Hetrick, Marcus-Whitman; Mrs. Barbara Stambaugh, Spalding; Mrs. Betty Bennett, Sacajawea; Mrs. Lillian McDonald, Jefferson; and Mrs. Ray-

mond Hultman, Jason Lee.

THESE WOMEN are holding meetings at which the mechanics of the "march" are discussed with Past President Helen Kaas, the county chairman, as a speaker. She recently returned from a San Francisco National Foundation meeting, where she completed a course of instruction. Each captain will have several lieutenants assisting her to make up the lists of women in the various districts who will do the active work in visiting all the homes in Richland to collect the needed funds. More than 300 women are expected to take part in the 1962 march.

In addition to this phase of the drive, a VFW Auxiliary committee composed of Mrs. Margaret Sweetin, Mrs. Eunice Hetrick and Mrs. Geneva Helgeson has been appointed to contact all Richland organizations to interest them in planning and executing their own March of Dimes, and the funds raised by these units will go into the general fund collected.

Mrs. Capitola Murphy is the Mothers' March chairman for West Richland.

AT THE REGULAR meeting of the William S. Wingfield unit, Marine Corps League Auxiliary, an invitation was extended by Commandant A. G. Bals of the

league to join his organization in holding monthly meetings on the second Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the IOOF Hall, 708 Williams Blvd., Richland. Business meetings of the two groups will be held separately and a social hour will follow.

The Auxiliary voted to accept the invitation and also to hold one regular meeting on the third Wednesday of each month at 1 p.m. in the East Room of the Community House, thus making contact with all their members.

Mrs. W. W. Wingfield, chairman of the VA Volunteer Service of the Walla Walla Hospital,

went to the hospital during the past week with her Richland group, and an enjoyable party was arranged with bingo games for the disabled veterans in one of the wards. Mrs. D. R. King remained over for the evening meeting of representatives of the volunteer groups serving the hospital.

Mrs. W. W. Wingfield and Mrs. W. D. Patty have been chosen by the group to be recommended to the National VAVS organization for appointment to the office of VAVS representative and alternate respectively for the Walla Walla hospital. These ap-

pointments are certified by the national officers and are for two-year terms. All work done at the hospital in Walla Walla by the Marine Corps Auxiliary will then be supervised by these officers.

PAST DEPARTMENT Commander Marvin M. McDonald of the Veterans of Foreign Wars expressed these sentiments at a recent meeting of that organization:

"The basic reason for the VFW and other veterans' organizations is for the protection and preservation of our country and the

American Way of Life. Our American Freedoms are very much in danger right at this time. The danger is not so much from outside our country, since we have armed forces to resist this threat, the FBI and other groups to handle sabotage and spy rings, but the real threat is within our country where we have groups which are openly propagandizing their wares to eat away our faith and cause doubt in the very beliefs that are the basis and foundation of our system of government.

"These groups resent such things as having the Pledge of Allegiance in our schools, are ready to ridicule the flag being displayed on patriotic holidays, try to keep religion out of our school Christmas and Easter programs. They do everything they can to debunk our American history and its traditions. They are the termites undermining our nation and the things we believe in. We are the voice that must answer and expose these inside enemies of our government.

"Our job is to do it locally on every occasion when we recognize the source of this subversive propaganda."

Question of the week:

Q—I am a disabled veteran with 100 per cent disabilities and house-bound. May I receive additional compensation for regular aid and attendance?

A—For severe cases of house-bound disability as you describe, an additional compensation of \$150 is granted. However, the total cannot exceed \$600 a month in combination with other applicable ratings, exclusive of additional compensation for dependents.

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# SEEN and HEARD <sup>75B-2-1962</sup> BY THE ROVING REPORTER

Met and talked with John Neuman, the manager of the Port of Kennewick, who commented on the recent item in this column about the Port not getting a "bite" from industrial firms that had been contacted in 1961 to interest them in locating a new or branch plants in the Kennewick industrial areas.

"We have had several bites but no fish," he said.

"We do want to specifically point out that due to an active promotional program by the Port, we had several visitations by company executives to discuss plant location and to make a personal site location. In addition there were three separate economic and marketing analysis studies for three major corporations. We cannot at this time report that this will result in a new industry within the Port of Kennewick industrial complex in the immediate future, for there are very definite marketing outlet problems."

In a recent competition between two members of the Richland Chamber of Commerce, a tie score has been recorded. It happened this way. Both men wear bow ties. At a recent meeting each admired the other's neck adornment and they decided to swap ties on the spot. They agreed to keep up the practice whenever they met. All went well until last week when one man wore a brand new tie and the other had on a three year old relic. The swap was made for the last time.

Just a paragraph here to give credit to the men who are devoting much of their spare time in Boy Scout work. They get very little praise and only a modicum of appreciation from the rest of us. Our Boy Scouts become our future leaders who have graduated from an atmosphere of good citizenship, and credit for this contribution goes to these men who expect no rewards for the personal sacrifices they make. We thank also their wives who cooperate and share in the performance. These good people keep alive our faith in "do-unto-others" precepts.

A Jaycee member noted for his wit told us the other day that he was usually "broke" and had been advised to start budgeting. He said he did this, is still broke, but now it's systematic.

The head of the house may be a big gun at the office, but at home he is just a Pop.

Our Hi-Spot group, which holds its meetings and social events at the Community House, is composed of teen-agers who are a credit to themselves and to the community. Recently they installed new furniture in the North Room, paid for out of their own funds, including daveno, coffee tables, lamps and chairs. They are planning new drapes for all the windows on the street side of the hall. They buy all their own records and pay for the live music for their dances.

A splendid example of how 95 per cent of our teen-agers function.

We hear that organized crime is sticking its nose into the professional tennis business. A tennis "racket."

Dropped in to have a chat with Jack Dowd at the Pay-Less Drug t'other day and asked

him if he had a human interest story up his sleeve for the Seen and Heard column. He said "follow me" and took us over to his "yarn" department.

Do you go in for fads? We hear that Frank Stiles, local manager of our theatre chain, does. He collects cuff links. Frank pays for his, but we can see where this fad could be inexpensive for anybody who would get them "on the cuff."

Police Sgt. W. H. Gordon tells about a woman driver who was stopped on a Richland street recently for going through a red light. "I didn't break any traffic law," she explained. "I saw the sign which read 'Stop On Flashing Red Light' but the red light wasn't flashing so I kept going." Now we have heard everything.

We HEAR that former mayor Mrs. Pat Merrill and Mrs. G. R. McKinney are being entered by the Richland Women's Club in the annual contest sponsored by the Richland Business and Professional Women's club to honor the Woman of Achievement for the year. Both fine women have outstanding records for serving the community. The local entry who will be finally selected will then be entered in a similar state competition.

Reading in the newspapers the past week about all the preparations for a man to go out into outer space reminded us that in our youth only preachers were the experts in this business.

We HEAR that plans have been drawn for new apartments to be erected on Goethals Drive opposite the Richland Cemetery grounds. Progressive Richland business men are financing this important project—an indication of their faith in the future growth of our All-America City.

There is a rumor around that a member of the City Council came out in favor of having a pulp mill located in the North Richland area. Why not a refinery or a tanning plant? They are all odoriferous. A big college would smell sweet in comparison.

The residential growth of the city is extending northward. This is not a planned development, just a natural one along the banks of the Columbia river. Take a ride out that way and you will be surprised to see the number of new homes already built and occupied. Following this trend there will be new streets, street lights, and the required utilities.

One Richland man who will feel sorry to see the Tri-Cities Braves baseball team out of the league, if that happens, is Gordon C. Nielson, who helped organize the Braves back in 1950. A few short years ago he also led the movement which raised several thousands of dollars needed to finance the Braves through a rough season. Gordie is a real sportsman. He played softball with the Central Stores team back in 1945-46 and was a hot baseball player with the old Blue Mountain League. Right now he is prominent in bowling team activities and league play. Gordie is manager of the General Electric Co. Stores warehouse. Among his leading admirers are his five attractive daughters.

## Bowling Tourney Scheduled

The Richland 16th annual Invitational Bowling Tournament, which will cover four big weekends, will attract hundreds of bowlers and thousands of fans at the Atomic Bowling Lanes on Feb. 24-25 and March 3-4, 10-11, and 17-18.

The big event is sanctioned by the American Bowling Congress.

Among the big money prizes that will feature the tournament are: \$1,000 first place singles handicap (six games); \$500 first place doubles handicap (three games); \$500 first place team (4 man) handicap (four games); \$500 first place singles scratch (eight games); \$350 first place team scratch (three games). There also will be trophies for each event.

Bowlers and teams which may wish to make applications for entries in the events may contact Gordy Nielson, 1418 Keller, Richland, (or telephone WH 4-2438.) Forms, to be mailed to applicants, contain all information including entrance fees for handicap and scratch contests as well as the tournament rules.

Roll-off of handicap events will follow this schedule:

Saturday, Feb. 24— 9 a.m. doubles; 10 a.m. singles; 12 noon, doubles; 1 p.m. singles; 3 p.m., teams; 5:30 p.m., singles.

Saturdays, March 3, 10 and 17: 9 a.m., doubles; 10 a.m., singles; 12 noon, doubles; 1 p.m., singles; 3 p.m., team; 5:30 p.m., singles; 7:30 p.m., team; 9:30 p.m., doubles; 10:30 p.m., singles.

Sundays, March 4-11, and 18: 7:30 a.m., doubles; 8:30 a.m., singles; 10:30 a.m., team; 11 p.m., doubles; 2 p.m., singles; 4 p.m., doubles; 5 p.m., singles; 7 p.m., team; 9:30 p.m., doubles; and 10:30 p.m., singles.

# Lions' Club Carries Out Active Program

## Police Switch Policy

# Public Spurns Warnings; Will Receive Tickets

The courtesy plan of issuing "warning tickets" to motorists by Richland police officers has been stopped. In the future only citations to appear in court will be received by motorists who have failed to obey traffic regulations or have been found to have defective equipment on their cars.

In the past some 40 or 50 warning tickets have been issued by patrolmen each month. These tickets required the recipients to report to the police station within 48 hours. In situations where proper equipment had been installed to replace that which had been found to be defective the motorist received a clean bill of health. In other cases arrest warrants were issued. Now the court has decided not to issue such warrants in the future. In the past many of the people who had received warning tickets did not report at the police station as required. Now everybody will get "the works."

THIS INFORMATION was officially divulged at the meeting of the Richland Safety Council the past week. Sgt. W. H. Gordon announced that

total motor violations for 1961 amounted to 3310 as compared with 3,510 for the previous year. Twenty accidents were chalked in December, with five persons injured as compared to 31 accidents and three persons injured for the same month a year ago.

Total accidents during 1961 were 201, with 59 persons hurt. These accidents were caused by failure to yield right of way, speeding, following too close, negligent driving and drinking.

Fire Marshal John Ward announced that the Fire Department does not plan to enter national fire safety contests this year but would take part in the state competition. He also said that the usual plans were being made for the annual Spring Clean-Up and the Fire Prevention Week projects.

Jack A. Houston, Rotary representative on the Safety Council, recommended that a stop-and-go light be installed at Swift and Wright where there were frequent accidents and near accidents by motorists who failed to yield the right of way. Members voted to call this situation to the attention of the Richland Police Department traffic division.

MRS. LEO KOCHER of the Richland Junior Women's Club announced that her organization was sponsoring a project to influence motorists to install seat-belts in their cars.

Mrs. Dorothy M. Clark reported that the Richland Business and Professional Club health and safety committee has a project dealing with home safety hazards and first aid.

Fire Marshal Ward called attention to the fact that on several locations in Richland certain householders have allowed their hedges to grow around city fire hydrants so that they have been concealed and not easily found. The cooperation of householders in this problem would be appreciated by members of the fire department, he said.

All Richland organizations and clubs are being requested to devote at least one meeting a year to safety. Speakers could be assigned from the Safety Council on request.

Richland Lions Club, with a wide variety of projects of community value, is an organization that could well be termed a proper recipient for the Villager's unofficial "citation of merit."

The club's field of operations is in areas that, in nearly all cases are not covered by other organizations, and blind aid is probably the outstanding project of the Lions, the prerogative for this important service to humanity coming from the National Lions organization which sponsors the program.

Throughout the United States Lions Clubs aid the blind and near blind, and supply eyeglasses to those who need them. The Richland Lions club has rendered these services to people in the Tri-Cities area. The club has contact with the Tri-Cities Resources Bureau and receives names of people who need eye equipment and materials. Many times this information comes from schools where children are in need of glasses which families cannot afford to buy.

In one case the club furnished a glass eye for a child. Adults and children have benefited from this service. In several cases Braille duplicators, typewriters and slates have been supplied. Recently the Richland club donated a tachistoscope to Richland school.

THE RICHLAND Lions Club also co-sponsored with the Optometric Society an eye clinic for children and screen more than 900 boys and girls with eye tests. Over a third of these youngsters failed to pass these tests and were found to have defective vision. Reports were given to the parents in all cases, so that corrective measures could be taken.

There are many other civic services in which the Richland Lions have devoted their experience, talents and money in the interests of others. One example of this may be seen at Riverside Park on the Columbia River where members of the club spent many man-hours clearing the ground and building two fireplaces. The free use of these has been enjoyed by local people and organizations at parties, dinners and picnics.

A new project which is now under way is the gift from the club of a tall flagpole which is to be erected in the Sunset Memorial Gardens, the new cemetery west of the By-Pass Highway.

THE RICHLAND Lions sponsored a boy to attend the annual American Legion Boys' State, send a crippled child to the annual summer camp project, and have assisted in the Foreign Student Exchange.

Two projects are managed each year to raise money for these activities—(1) sale of electric bulbs and (2) sale of appliances. Members work at these money-raising tasks and they appreciate the support which has been given to them in the past by Richland householders.

This is only a thumb-nail sketch of the job these public-spirited citizens do for their community, and does not cover the other individual efforts of the members who also participate in the many drives which are annually activated here, are involved in their church work, and who make it a practice to vote at all city primaries and elections.

PRESENT OFFICERS of the Richland Lions are: George C. Anderson, president; R. C. Ennis, first vice-president; B. H. Jackson, second vice-president; Richard D. Pearson, third vice-president; Fred E. Suckow, secretary; Albert W. Parker, treasurer; Thomas Skelly, Ray Work, David Acton and D. E. Oslin, directors; Melvin E. Shank, lion tamer; H. W. Denton, tail twister; Robert J. Wilson, greeter; David D. Taylor, chaplain; Harry J. Fettes, assistant secretary; Arnold M. Ostrum, historian.

Following are the main string committees and their chairmen: H. A. Spencer, attendance and membership; R. C. Ennis, finance and budget; Dave L. Acton, blind aid; E. P. Galbraith, sale of bulbs; D. R. Moberg, civic improvements; Robert W. Huckleberry, visitations; B. H. Jackson, Lions information; Hank Rittierdt, apple sale; R. J. Quigley, program; James R. Goode, publicity; Robert P.

Robertson, social affairs; Glenn S. Buckner, boys and girls activities; Ray V. Work, special projects; David D. Taylor, induction of members; William G. Allan, weekly bulletin; David L. Acton, song leader; Thomas

Skelly, benevolences; David C. Morton, Lions representative for the Bi-County Planning Association.

Credits also are in order for the men who organized the local Lions Club, made it a live

outfit, and served as its presidents: 1949-50, Thomas O'Malley (charter president); 1950-51, Ted W. Galbraith; 1951-52, John L. Gadman; 1952-53, Robert Hodhson; 1953-54, Rodney L. Weston; 1954-55, Homer A.

Spencer; 1955-56, Eral P. Galbraith; 1956-57, Donald D. Taylor; 1957-58, Dale R. Moberg; 1958-59, Robert W. Huckleberry; 1959-60, William G. Allan; 1960-61, Robert J. Wilson; 1961-62, George C. Anderson.

## Restaurant Will Open

Richland is to have a new restaurant, cafeteria style, which will open for business around March 31.

A newly-organized corporation also will be in charge of the active management of the new concern.

The new eating place will be located in the Roy Davis Building at Jadwin (formerly Goe-thals) and Knight Street in downtown Richland in the recently-completed addition to the building at the left of the front entrance of the Davis Furniture Company.

The new corporation has received a franchise from the "Hol'n One Do-Nut" company, something new in that particular food line, and the restaurant will be patterned after one at the famous Lloyd's Shopping Center in Portland.

Luncheon specials will be served during the noon hours cafeteria style, so that there will be no waiting for people who do not have much time for their noon-day meals. Much of the cooking and baking operation will be performed in the restaurant windows on the street front. The restaurant will have accommodations for about 40 persons at a time and will be one of the most modern of its kind in the county, the new operators state.

The restaurant will be open from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. on weekdays and until 9 p.m. on Fridays. Special orders for dinners and banquets for organization meetings will be available.

# SEEN and HEARD <sup>Feb 9-1962</sup> BY THE ROVING REPORTER

Those of us who have been here since way back in 1943 can still remember what the then Richland looked like. It was a camp, nothing more.

Remember when the whole Richland area was churned up by bulldozers and those "sandies" when you couldn't see a foot in front of you. Got dust in your eyes.

Something else we shouldn't forget. We came from every state in the union and we brought to this area the best ideas from every section of the country. We put them to work during the intervening years.

We enlivened and built up an area that had become stagnant, so to speak, earned the modern sobriquet of All-America City. A prodigious attainment, if we do modestly admit it.

With all the big ideas we brought along with us it is natural that we sometimes clash on, for instance, such a subject of the best way to get a college located here. The group that has been devoted to future industrial development is nettled by the militant methods of the cultural advocates. Are we getting dust in our eyes again with the verbal wind-storm now blowing. Perhaps there will be a grassy middle ground discovered with less wind, metaphorically speaking.

Mrs. Velma Dudley, who is an authority on flowers, gardens and birds, read our comment about the hundreds of robins that have been in this area during the past winter. It is her opinion that they are Alaskan robins and that they knew what they were doing by migrating to our Banana Belt.

It is a hard fact and we might as well face it that the reason heavy or even light industry do not have their eyes on the Tri-Cities area is because we are not a marketing area. The total population of our three cities is around 52,000. If we had five million population it would be a different story. So get busy and multiply. Being too big for our "britches" isn't going to get us anywhere.

Most Marching Mothers received polite treatment from householders when they called recently during the annual fund drive. One lady reported that at a house where she called and announced "The March of Dimes," the man who answered the door told her "keep marching."

Certain homeowners have been reported as having allowed their hedges to grow around and hide the city fire hydrants. It could happen, if you are a guilty one, that with your house on fire, and a telephone alarm having gone in, there would be a rap at your front door with a smiling fireman apologizing to the owner with "Sorry, we cannot put out the fire because the hydrant which was on the corner has disappeared. We cannot find it."

"Sing Along With Mitch" is quite a relaxation after watching one of those Westerns in which the gunman fires twenty shots from an eight cartridge cylinder and doesn't hit anybody.

A well known General Electric Co., attorney was driving through Big Bend recently, when a heavy boulder came rocketing down from the mountain. He saw it in time to escape

being hit on the side of his car, but he did get the crash on the front. When he took up the damage matter with his insurance company he was told that if he had been hit on the side he could have collected but not on the front. He promptly cancelled the policy with that company.

Our old friend Al Miller, a General Electric Co. office equipment specialist, is the type of employee who keeps company operations above par. He is another one of our stalwarts who has been pulling to keep alive the Braves baseball team. He has had a life-long interest in baseball, softball and basketball. Al played all these games in local leagues including the Blue Mountain baseball league. He had a unique record in softball all star games competition in that he lost two games, yet was picked as the all-star pitcher.

Al Miller served as master-sergeant in the Air Corps during World War II and received his honorable discharge in 1951. He then joined his wife here in Richland where she was teaching school. There are three children in the family, a son who is 18 and attends Pacific Lutheran University and daughters, aged 15 and 9, who attend local schools. Al was born in Abilene, Kansas, and resides at 814 Sanford Ave. He's a good neighbor and a real friend.

We have this RUMOR which we have not been able to thoroughly verify yet. A local group of business and professional men are interested in organizing another Richland bank. A well known attorney is handling the preliminary arrangements.

Bill Jackson, who has been manager of Britton's Men's store, is taking over Ward's Ice Cream establishment in Uptown business district. Extensive remodeling plans will be under way soon for a restaurant with seating capacity twice as large as the present lay-out.

Ernie's restaurant Uptown will have its rear section closed for about two weeks for remodeling. The bar is to be moved to the right-rear section, and the present seating capacity of the rear dining room will be more than doubled. Eats.

A \$200,000 development is announced for sections of the 37-acre tract recently taken over on George Washington Way, between Symons and Van Giesen. At the corner of George Washington and Van Giesen, Richland will build a large, modern gas station and at the corner of Symons and Jadwin, Conoco will put up another large gas station opposite the Newberry store.

Drop in and shake hands with Robert Ohashi, architect, at his office 617 Knight Street, the Roy Davis building. He is now in business for himself, succeeding to the Sears-Ohashi firm.

Among the recent public buildings in Richland in which he has been or is now engaged as architect are the new Richland Medical Clinic, the new Hyatt House hotel and banquet hall at the Marina location, the Roy Davis building, the Einar Chapel addition, the new Woodall Chiropractic clinic building and many private

residences. He also created the architect's plans for the proposed new shopping district on upper George Washington Way.

Ohashi was born in Puyallup and is a graduate of the University of Washington with the degree of Bachelor of Architecture. He worked with a large firm of architects in New York city and originated plans for a luxury hotel in Puerto Rico, also plans for high schools, retail stores, office buildings and school buildings.

Richland is fortunate in having a Bob Ohashi, experienced in his chosen profession, an indefatigable worker and a young man who is playing an important part in the development of our city.

Chief Robert Marshall of the Richland Police department remarked when he was handed the JayCee citation awarded to the Department for its community service records: "Police departments get much criticism but few compliments. We certainly appreciate this."

The Empire Electric Co., of Pasco is putting up its new building on Wellsian Way not far from Lee Boulevard. Glad to welcome this firm to Richland, where the population is.

Have you purchased your tickets to the Policeman's ball?

## Aid Of Richland Clubs Sought For '62 Safety

The Richland Safety Council has an all-embrasive plan in view for 1962 by which it hopes to incorporate active local organizations in its traffic, home and fire safety projects.

In this connection President Fay Jones said yesterday:

every local unit set aside during the year at least one meeting at which there will be a speaker who will deal with a safety subject. We mention this early so that program committees may be prepared to cooperate with us.

"Our Safety Council will help, upon request, by furnishing speakers or by suggestion subjects to be covered. Already the Toastmaster and Toastmistress clubs have offered to be of help.

"THE FACT that we had in Richland last year a total of 3,310 motor violations and arrests indicates that too many of our motorists are not observing safe driving methods, and these are people who are care-

less rather than malicious in their attitudes about public safety. We can probably reach them more effectively through organizational safety meetings, and we will certainly appreciate any support given us by our community leaders."

It is expected that one of the important projects in the coming weeks, sponsored by the Richland Junior Chamber of Commerce, will be a mass effort to have local motorists equip their cars with seat belts. Jaycees have done this in other cities with excellent results.

THE RICHLAND Rotary Club is planning to have a safety speaker at one of its early meetings. The Richland Young Women's Club is now working on a seat belt project, and the Richland Women's Business and Professional Club has a project on home safety hazards. Several of the local Parent-Teacher associations are planning to have safety exhibits at the annual carnivals in which the school children will have an active part.

During the next Fire Prevention Week project held annually in October, Fire Marshal John Ward, representing the Richland Fire Department in the Safety Council, plans to have fire prevention programs presented in as many local club meetings as possible, with speakers and exhibits.

Organization officers who plan to cooperate in these projects may contact President Fay Jones of the Safety Council (Tel. WH 8-4832), Major W. M. MacBrayne, Safety Council director of public relations (WH 7-2804), or Fire Marshal John

# Vets' Groups Given Citations

Cook-Erickson Post 7952, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and Richland Post 71, the American Legion, were honored during the past week by citations received from the Junior Chamber of Commerce in recognition of the outstanding services rendered to the Community of Richland.

The citations read as follows: "These organizations, ever conscious of their obligation to mankind and our nation, faithfully promote our civic and social advancement, and in fulfilling this obligation they become an incalculable force in the promotion of our national welfare."

Both of these local veterans' organizations have top records for community services.

Among projects sponsored by the Richland VFW are: The March of Dimes and Mothers' March; the School Boy patrols and their annual picnic, The VFW Junior Rifle Club (associated with the National Rifle Association); The Pony Baseball League; presentation of 350 50-star American flags for every class room in the Richland schools; the Salvation Army; display of 145 large flags on the streets in the business section on all national and patriotic holidays; the annual VFW marble tournament (a national VFW project); the annual SD Day (Safe Driving); publicity project for the annual Fire Prevention Week; National Clean-Up week; Loyalty Day project; supplying local and VA hospitals with books and maga-

zines; sponsorship of Explorers Boy Scout unit, and many others.

**THE RICHLAND** American Legion Post and auxiliary have been credited with several important projects. Perhaps the most noteworthy, which has been activated during all the years since 1945, is the annual fireworks program at the Columbia High Bowl on July 4.

This big celebration with its pyrotechnic highlight, has been enjoyed by thousands of people old and young in the Tri-Cities area. Usually this program is preceded by a patriotic program with music and speakers. Another project each year has been Boys' State, a nationally sponsored Legion program. Boys in the High School senior class are selected on the basis of their leadership and school activities to attend a week's program on a college campus where they are taught important lessons in leadership and city, state and national government processes. The Legion also has its Junior Baseball program through which boys are taught good sportsmanship.

Last year the Richland Legion team won the state championship.

**FRANK WHITE** of the Veterans Administration will be in Richland again today and will have his office hours from 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Community

House. Interviews will be arranged in the order of the arrival of the applicants. Veterans and widows are asked to call in person rather than try to get White on the telephone as these calls interrupt the personal interviews. Again veterans are asked to have with them all the papers involved in their cases, as this will expedite the situation.

Pension checks may be stopped in cases of recipients who have failed to mail back to the VA office in Seattle the annual income questionnaire which they received in December, and which must be filled out and returned.

White stated that in connection with this income statement money received from the sale of a home will not count as income if the seller invests the income money in another property.

**PAST COMMANDER C. C. Owings** of the Richland VFW Post has announced that the VFW-sponsored Explorer Scout troop is about to enter into another field of activity — "communications." As the plans develop, it is hoped that the Explorer Scout Troop will be able to set up and operate a new "ham" radio station which ultimately may be tied in with the local Civil Defense set-up.

An executive board meeting of Richland Post 71, The American Legion, was held during the past week and plans were discussed for the annual 4th of July program. This coming July observance will be a one-day event instead of the three day weekend, as it will come on a Wednesday.

This means that the attendance will be much larger than in the past. Committees were appointed as follows. Roger Dahling, license, permit, insurance and Bomber Bowl; Carl Stemen, program; George Bauer, kiddies' parade; Mace Watkins and Ray Tillson, purchase of fireworks; Glen Hen-

drickson and Mace Watkins, ground arrangements and tickets; Russell Grob, publicity; Roger Dahling, flag-burning ceremony; Ray Tillson, licensed pyrotechnician for fireworks.

If there is any profit from the event, a portion will be used to help Columbia High School band purchase new uniforms. It was announced that the High School band would participate in the preliminary program at the Bowl preceding the fireworks display.

Question of the week—

Q—Should I get a lawyer to aid me in applying for veterans benefits?

A—No, a lawyer is not necessary. Personnel in any VA office can help you or any service officer in The VFW or American Legion.

# Many 'Moms' March In Drive

Scores of Richland mothers turned out for the Mothers' March this week, calling on Richland households where porch lights were turned on.

Money they collected will go to the National Foundation to be used for research in the cause of birth defects, arthritis and meningitis. The county chapter also will share in the funds for assisting financially all local cases involved.

Mrs. Jake Goodenow was general of this year's march which was under the general sponsorship of the Richland Veterans of Foreign Wars and their auxiliaries.

Marchers' groups were split up by school districts. Following is the list of captains, lieutenants and marchers as they were assigned in the 1962 drive:

**Jason Lea District** — Mrs. R. F. Hultman, captain; Mrs. Everett Green, Mrs. H. A. Yount, Mrs. Glen King, Mrs. James Jones, Mrs. Ralph Stephens, Mrs. Edward Harris, Mrs. Harold Caudill, Mrs. L. J. Battley, Mrs. Wayne Killand, lieutenants; Marching Mothers, Mesdames V. E. Kahle, W. J. Bailey, N. S. Wing, G. F. Jacky, R. E. Slater, L. B. Ghirado, H. C. Eastman, C. F. Taylor, John Pangher, T. W. Jeffs, John Carrigan, Laurence Little, Martin Dullum, Wes Lichty, Leslie Thompkins, L. G. Anderson, R. Richman, Alva Johnson, J. R. Baker, H. S. Rice, W. J. Burnside, J. Ledingham, Clayton Dullum, Hugh Raymond, Gail Christiansen, Charles Sullivan, Walter Jones, B. E. Berst, C. H. Gibson, Jr., K. L. Fowler, G. P. Stein, C. F. Klepper, B. G. Neill, Albert W. Gensvold, Dale E. Sebade, T. Twedt, D. R. King, Curtis Calvin.

**Lewis and Clark District** — Mrs. Louise Bowen, captain; Mrs. Dwight Hendricks, Mrs. H. R. Smith, Mrs. R. L. Simonis, Mrs. M. E. McPeck, Mrs. Rosetta Wilhelm, Mrs. W. J. Forbes, Mrs. L. L. Kendall, Mrs. John Kern, Mrs. W. R. Thorson, Mrs. J. L. Crook, lieutenants; Marching Mothers, Mesdames Jack Goodenow, John Fastabend, G. W. Wells, Jerry W. Myers, Joe Baxter, T. J. McGuire, R. C. Frost, W. R. Mitchell, J. Lorent, Correll, C. H. Sittler, C. Kinzell, Aubrey Clayton, Norman White, Richard Thompson, Howard Fisher, Jessie Swain, Perry Gruver, Lois Cook, Ross Holden, Genex Sullivan, Dean Miller, E. C. Wood, Gus Miller, J. J. Crow, O. B. Godwin, Fred Stuchett, William Brown, Molly McClanahan, M. D. Mausby, Robert Elberg, Paul West, H. A. Moulthrop, Ray Lee, R. L.

Swanson, D. E. Jenne, John Boles, Louise Augier, W. J. Forbes, Miss Suzanne Forbes, H. J. Finch, B. G. Wheeler, Jack Kester, W. W. Porter, W. H. Gabel.

**Marcus Whitman District** — Mrs. Eunice Hetrick, captain; Mrs. Kathleen LaCour, Mrs. Margaret Sweetin, Mrs. B. A. Buroker, Mrs. M. C. Stecher, Mrs. John Tolrud, Mrs. Betty Williams, Mrs. Verna Hooker, Mrs. Jerry Franklin, Mrs. John Jackson, Mrs. Linas M. Mitchell, Mrs. O'Malley, Sr., Mrs. Alfred Stranding, lieutenants; Marching Mothers, Mesdames Joyce Osborne, Joyce Edwards, Helen Freeman, Irene Green, Dee Kullick, Dorothy Gustafson, D. C. Sellman, D. W. Latta, Roy H. Streeze, Roland Harvey, Russel Tolson, Gail Perkins, James Shipman, N. E. Dean, C. A. Finley, W. W. Chamberlain, G. Stitt, David Smelser, Elaine Wagenaar, O. R. Bosso, K. E. Baldrige, James Henderson, Eleanor Funk, Darlene O'Malley, Ruth Hobson, Helen Dumbier, Eileen Smithwick, O'Malley, Sr., Claudette Boyne, Marge Worcester, Vera Drake, Verna Coleman, Standing, D. S. Davis, Carol Baker, Clara Booth, John Hamill, Lynn V. Johnson, Wanda Orr, Roy J. Rehm, M. C. Steeber, Fern Johnson, A. W. Klukas, A. C. Leaf, Franklin Felder, Truel Lattinf, L. Q. Stricker, G. I. Linder, H. C. Schulz, R. S. Miller, Ward Harness, Ted Husky, Eleanor Porter, O. W. Sanford, R. R. Roew, Orr Boness, E. A. Barreth, Dorothy Rinehart, T. J. Deen, E. H. Hess, M. B. Bartram, R. E. Adams, V. S. Fildes, J. V. Walton, Earl Plankers, Edward Bick, A. T. Brown, E. L. Massey, Geneva Helgeson, Myron Hankins, C. L. Vanderberg, M. R. Noble, Joseph Berry, E. H. Gaine, Warren Scott, L. A. Bryan, Dayle Van Gieger and Hooker.

**Jefferson School District** — Mrs. Lillian McDonald, captain; Mrs. P. F. Nichols, Mrs. Roy Thomas, Mrs. J. C. Willi, Mrs. F. R. Stratton, Mrs. C. S. Powers, Mrs. James Mains, Mrs. H. Marve Nelson, Mrs. H. A. Parmar, Mrs. Kenneth Richardson, lieutenants; Marching Mothers, Mesdames John Skarpelos, Sidney Bierman, Florence Coleman, David Barnes, D. S. Parsley, J. L. Byland, Charles Loveless, James Milne, Clint Knox, George Last, Stan Goldsmith, John Burnham, Miss Judith Schaeffer, Mesdames Ken Russell, R. C. Saunders, C. V. Webster, R. H. Hayward, C. P. Neth, Jane Warner, Edith Mayberry, Helen Perl, Pat Bennett, Leah Kinross, Laura Brandt, Honey Cornelson, Rose Edgar, Charlene Goodenow, Pat Lomon.

**Sacajawea School District** — Mrs. Betty Bennett, captain; Mrs. H. A. Burton, Mrs. Oscar Nelson, Mrs. E. W. Hofmeister, Mrs. G. A. Cravens, Mrs. Floyd Parker, Mrs. A. P. Stein, Mrs. V. B. Snow, Mrs. James W. Webber, lieutenants; Marching Mothers, Mesdames Harold Davis, James D. Agar, C. Lange, George Fredericks, Verl Byron, James F. Earp, Edward C. Gentz, W. S. Hartnett, J. Douglass Smith, Thomas F. Turner, H. N. Petty, A. J. Vosmer, Robert Lowe, N. L. Smith, D. R. Fowler, Marvin Farris, R. L. Weherald, O. B. Kroil, C. J. Erlandson, A. C. Allred, R. W. Baalman, Elton Andersen, J. L. Smeck, Mary Ann Rider, E. W. Maki, William Bricker, H. S. Gile, Ken Pachen, A. J. Molnaa, Lawrence Howe, P. P. Knutson, L. F. Atkins, Donald Stenquist, Jack Hellemus, A. R. Snowwhite, James W. Webber.

**Spalding School District** — Mrs. Barbara Stanbaugh, captain; Mrs. R. V. Donovan, Mrs. Helen Huntley, Mrs. A. F. Cramer, Mrs. L. R. Gardiner, Mrs. F. E. Toomire, Mrs. D. E. Fritts, Mrs. Wayne Devlin, Mrs. Phillips Schrotke, lieutenants; Marching Mothers, Mesdames F. Stratton, G. A. Volkman, Glen Pratt, R. Lund, E. Payne, D. E. Freeman, V. Petty, W. L. Bunch, J. R. Bancroft, J. W. Clinehens, A. Linsay, S. P. Branan, K. Nelson, M. H. Meeks, L. M. Berry, R. J. Rokkan, V. Milligan, S. K. Jackson, H. E. Preston, E. Graves, R. Corlett, K. Phiser, George Turner, M. Welch, J. Stetzel, V. Fichter, C. L. Clifford, Kenneth Kulczyk, J. G. Chapman, M. Thorson, C. Thaves, W. Morrell, K. Williams, M. Brown, E. Horn, J. W. Jones, K. D. Staley, W. E. Foust, J. C. McLaughlin, R. F. Moore, James Little.

**West Richland** — Mrs. Capitola Murphy and Mrs. Betty Vincent, captains; Marching Mothers, Mesdames S. J. Trumball, Esther Carter, Mary Petty, Mary Ratcliff, Candy Rodriguez, Robert Carlson, Rona W. banks, Llye Zahn, Jr.

# Civilian Defense Tag Planning Is Under Way

Commander U. Lester Sweetin of the Richland Veterans of Foreign Wars post announced yesterday that copy is in the hands of the printer for 5,000 application forms which will be distributed to all students in Richland elementary schools as the first step in the project to supply all the boys and girls with Civil Defense tags to be worn for identification purposes.

These will be similar to the so-called "dog tags" worn by members of the armed forces. The tags will be supplied free to all the school children, as a project of the National Department of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, carried out at the post levels in cities throughout the United States.

When the forms are completed and processed by the local VFW special committees, they will be sent to the National Department Civil Defense Division and the metal tags will be made by a contractor authorized by the national VFW.

COMMANDER Sweetin said returns will be requested from all parents giving their permission for their children to receive and wear the Civil Defense symbols.

The forms to be filled out by the local students will elicit information as follows—name, address, next of kin, blood type, past medical histories and allergies.

Because of the large amount of clerical work involved in handling this project, only two schools at a time will be handled. The entire expense of the program will be borne by the Richland VFW post. Commander Sweetin reported. The Civil Defense dog tags can be worn around the neck or in bracelet form.

TOMORROW night at 7:30 the annual Past Commanders' dinner will take place at the VFW headquarters, 1369 George Washington Way, the Uptown business district. Honored also at the dinner will be the past presidents of the post auxiliary and charter members of the post.

Among the guests will be Commander and Mrs. Ed Merrill of the American Legion. Mrs. Merrill will be one of the speakers.

Commander Sweetin will give a history of the local post.

The following members of the auxiliary will have charge of the dinner preparations — Mrs. Margaret Sweetin, Mrs. Ed Permer, Mrs. M. M. Mc-

Donald, Mrs. Geneva Helgersen, Mrs. Eunice Hetrick, Mrs. Fern Gross will have charge of the table decorations.

IN ORDER of their chronological service as commanders of the Richland VFW Post, the following men will be honored at tomorrow's dinner program — Robert Leniker, Harold McMann, Leo Cornelison, George Kaas, Michael McDonnell, Norman L. Gross, Kelsy Dunn, Gervais Goodenow, Vernon Leonard, Mannard Dunn, Marvin McDonald, C. C. Owings, Robert Hughes, William L. Owens, and Lawrence O. Hetrick.

Past presidents of the auxiliary are Mrs. Isabelle Cooke, Margaret Dullum, Helen Kaas, Rosemary Goodenow, Margaret Yorgensen, Muriel Taylor, Fern Gross, Lillian McDonald, Thelma Graham, Gertrude Cornelison, Ruby Kendrick, and Rose Edgar.

A JOINT meeting of the Marine Corps League and its auxiliary was held at the IOOF Temple in Richland and State Commandant Edward Roe was the guest. He spoke on methods to increase membership and how to increase attendance at regular meetings of the league. Much of the success of these undertakings depends on the commandant of the league and the president of the auxiliary, he emphasized. A committee composed of Don King, chairman, A. E. Greaves and A. G. Bals will handle the membership drive.

Starting the first week in April, the auxiliary will hold its meetings and social events at the homes of the members. Mrs. Ada Green is chairman of the membership committee. Mrs. W. W. Wingfield will chairmen the committee that will arrange the August annual tag day which will collect funds for the work carried on at the Walla Walla hospital and the hospitalized veterans' Christmas party.

BENEFITS received by veterans or their survivors from the Veterans Administration need not be reported as income for Federal Tax purpose. You need not report such items paid by the VA as pension or compensation for disability or death, VA insurance dividends, or the proceeds of matured government life insurance policies.

Question of the week— Q—For two years I have been receiving pension checks from the VA. How can I find out

## SEEN and HEARD FEB. 16 BY THE ROVING REPORTER

Wonder if we all appreciate the importance of having a Hyatt House operated hotel in Richland. This is one of the biggest names in the business.

We HEARD yesterday that when the big hotel project is completed and ready to operate, there will be a big Hyatt House outdoor advertising sign down on the 410 state highway, showing tourists the way into Richland. This will be an illuminated sign which could steer hundreds of vacancy seeking tourists into the All-America City. Just what we need. The famous Hyatt name will do the trick. We can ultimately become the outstanding attraction for tourists and those seeking summer recreation facilities. Thanks to our local private citizens and investors who motivated this important project.

A local auxiliary recently advertised a can-can night. No, it wasn't shake dance. The ladies brought cans of food for a needy family.

The latest report from the Seattle-First National bank shows that the deposit record has now passed the billion dollar mark—\$1,055,740,737.00. A billion is a lot of bullion.

Blake Miller and Bob Britton, chairman and vice-chairman of the Benton County Red Cross Chapter will be voting delegates at the National Red Cross Convention to be held in Seattle May 13-14. The honor of being one of the host chapters at the convention also goes to Benton County.

Stanley Randolph tells about the motorist who collided with a deer and couldn't collect car damage because of the comprehensive clause in the policy. Now if that had been a sheep the driver could have pulled the wool over the agent's eyes.

Occasionally see the name of Sidney Irving in the newspapers but that isn't like it used to be when he was director of the Meistersingers and provided those marvelous concerts which attracted hundreds of music lovers to Richland. Listening to "Sing-Along-With-Mitch" the other night brought back memories of the fine male choruses developed under the master direction of Sid Irving and their epochal public performances.

The past week was National Electrical Week which may be listed under the heading of "current" events. Watts in a name!

In making a routine inspection of a Richland building that has a sprinkler system as a protection against fires, the new fire marshal, John Ward, made the discovery that during remodeling artisans had painted over all the sprinklers freezing them from use. To make the system available for use in case of fire, new sprinkler heads will have to be installed, at considerable expense.

Inadvertantly we mentioned recently that GESA (General Electrical Supervisors Association) was G. E. Savings Association. It is a savings organization but under the first mentioned name. Apologies.

Rudy Rice tells us that he heard a dime

and a half dollar having an argument the other day. The half dollar called the dime an insignificant little creature. "Well, anyway" chided the dime, "I get in the church collection box oftener than you do."

Congratulations to Bob Watts, who has joined the "hole in one" club. He did it a few days ago on the sixth hole at the Pasco Municipal Golf course. He joins distinguished company.

The old Post Office Building at George Washington Way and Knight will be vacated within a year or so when the new federal building is completed and a move is made to bigger quarters. The present PO is a pretty good-sized building and has one of the best business locations in town. Wonder if anybody has an eye on it with a view of taking it over later on. Worth looking into. Wonder how many thousands of feet have "stamped" into that building.

And by the way, was talking with Postmaster Ed Peddicord yesterday and asked him when he expected the increase in postal rates would go into effect. He said there was no way of predicting the date but if both houses of Congress take favorable action soon, July 1 could be the date. Of course as soon as the situation is settled there will still be the business of printing millions of the new-priced stamps and then supplying the thousands of post offices throughout the country. Perhaps etchings for the new issues are now being made in anticipation—who knows?

Another TV commercial the other night had us guessing. It was for a cold tablet which was advertised as "100 per cent new." Now if the new one is 100 per cent better than the original, what was the original like? It must have been a beaut.

Chief Pat Quane could not have selected a more competent man to be the new fire marshal than John Ward. He has served for several years as assistant to the late Fire Marshal Norm Hayes and is thoroughly experienced in every phase of the important duties involved in the office. Our old friend Norm would be pleased to know that John Ward has taken over his work. They worked closely together on the important inspection jobs relating to fire hazards in homes, schools, public buildings and open areas. They engineered the annual Fire-Prevention Week projects which have helped to cut down local fire losses by making people safety conscious, and have given Richland householders the lowest fire insurance rates in the Tri-Cities area. Our best wishes to Fire Marshal Ward, a dedicated public servant, if there ever was one.

A year ago one of our women neighbors was boasting about how her two-year-old was learning to talk. We met her yesterday on the street and asked her how the child was progressing. With a tired expression on her face she said, "We are now teaching him how to keep quiet".

The Jaycees picked the ideal man to work on their coming seat belt project. His name is Jim Boldt. You see, all seat belts have to be Boldted to the cars.

# Queen Picking Change Sought

If the three Junior Chambers of Commerce of Pasco, Richland and Kennewick carry any weight in the deliberations of the Water Follies Association, there will be a change in the system of selecting queens in the 1962 celebration.

In the past the Water Follies Queen has been named as Miss Tri-Cities, and runner up queen candidates have been given city titles.

Following objections to this system at the recent meeting of the Water Follies Association, President William Watts named a committee of three Jaycees—one from each city—which has been asked to meet and come up with recommendations to be presented and discussed at the next association business session.

What may be suggested as a change will be that a Water Follies Queen be selected out of all the candidates who may compete, and that she be the queen of the Follies only and not Miss Tri-Cities, and that each city be allowed to select its own reigning queen by a pageant or any other means adopted.

In the case of Kennewick, the city queen is selected at the annual Benton-Franklin fair and rodeo and she rules during the year as Miss Kennewick. In this case she is judged on her ability to ride a horse, as many of her appearances are made as an equestrienne, in addition to other tests which she must successfully pass.

There will be a meeting of the Jaycees' three delegates this week and the conclusion reached will be presented at the next Water Follies meeting.

## Rudy Rice Is Selected

The Tri-Cities Furniture Association, composed of furniture dealers in Richland, Pasco, Kennewick, Benton City and West Richland, held its annual election meeting Tuesday morning and the following officers were chosen for the ensuing year: president, Rudy Rice; vice president, John Granvendslund; secretary-treasurer, Lyle Mineer.

The association was organized 12 years ago with F. Joe Carroll of the Bell Furniture Co. as the moving spirit in the project. He served as president during the past year. Carroll, Earl Harris of the Uptown Furniture Co. and the executive board of the association now comprise a special committee which handles Better Business Bureau problems as they concern the furniture business.

Purpose of the association is to give Tri-Cities customers the latest in furniture styles and to promote better service. Members of the firms in the associations attend the annual furniture markets in Chicago, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Dallas and Seattle, to replenish their inventories with the finest lines available.



RUDY RICE

## Bridge, Ferry, Planning Are Topics

# Maintenance Of Tourist Group In City Favored

Seventeen Richland organizations were represented at the monthly meeting of the Tourists and Conventions Committee of the Chamber of Commerce during the past week and many opinions were aired on various subjects on the agenda and projects proposed for the future.

There was complete unanimity on one subject and that was the retention of the Tourists and Conventions Committee as such as a Richland entity, even though a Tri-Cities Committee has been organized. It was stated that Pasco and Kennewick Chambers of Commerce will have their own active committees, serving their individual interests and that Richland should follow the same course. All three committees can feed material, facts, and recommendations to the newly-formed regional committee for the general advantage of all.

Chairman Arthur Haworth made the following statement to the committee:

"THE TIME has arrived when we can have a special role as a liaison group between the public and groups of Richland and the business people of Richland whose organization, the Chamber of Commerce, is always listened to and whose efforts determine the tone of our community.

"We should also consider our surrounding areas, their organizations and people and those neighbors in the field of agri-

culture. We should build closer ties with West Richland, Kiona, Benton City, Roza Project, and the people of the 'Y' as well as the cities of Kennewick and Pasco. We should seek to have a partly state-subsidized ferry again operate in Richland as a link across the Columbia River and should make a start now to have a bridge across the river which would open up motor traffic and freeways from Spokane and the east.

"There is a growing demand for this service among the hundreds of farm families on the

other side of the river. Such a cross-river service would unify the Tri-Cities area into a great loop circle for homes, shopping and marketing.

"WHEN WE tie in more closely with the thousands of people in areas close to us, we will help to make Richland the center of business for these neighbors of ours. They will come here for their trading and shopping, for church attendance, for legal assistance and for medical care. These are the types of efforts which

will make Richland continue to grow, will attract new families to occupy or buy the scores of new homes which are being built here.

"A more direct and warmer invitation to Richland will certainly be one of our goals."

On the topic of a future bridge at Richland the suggestion was made that it should be located nearer the downtown area where access to the city would be favorable for tourist or freight traffic.

A recent letter sent to the Seattle Chamber of Commerce requesting that Richland be considered for handling small conventions or World's Fair tourists that could not be handled in Seattle during the fair months, has received an answer

and The Seattle C of C will cooperate. It was stated that tourists prices in Seattle had gone up to \$25 a night as a result of the demand for reservations, and that the fair prices in vogue here in Richland would remain the same.

R. V. HOGAN of the Benton County Planning Commission outlined the duties and plans of his unit as well as the planning commissions in the three cities. An effort will be made, he said, to have a coordinated program for all the groups, to prevent overlapping and to evaluate present needs as well as long-range planning. An economic survey is to be made which will include an inventory of all types of industries and businesses, future population forecasts, recreation facilities and needs, with the idea of exploring future development of all possible assets.

Other speakers were Manager Wally Bowen of the Desert Inn, the Rev. Cecil Knippers of the Nazarene church, Chief Robert Marshall of the Police Department, Major W. C. MacBrayne of the Richland Safety Council, Mrs. Faith Cooke of the Arts Association, Brian Morgan of the Columbia Basin News, Ken Robinson of the Chamber of Commerce, John Clark of the Benton County Park commission, Roy Webber of the Richland Coliseum Associates, George Bowers of the Richland School Department, Mrs. G. R. McKinney.

## Apartment Work Starts

Work started during the past week in Richland on the new Cooperative Apartments which will be located in the 1300 block on Goethals Drive near the Dr. Woodall Chiropractor Clinic.

There will be two apartment buildings, each containing eight two-bedroom suites, fireplaces, wall-to-wall carpeting, individual patios and carports. Families or individuals will have the privilege of purchasing their units of the building. As owners they may lease or sell later.

Members of the Cooperative will elect their own officers and manage the property.

These new apartment buildings represent an investment of around \$300,000.

Persons who are interested may contact Maury Kirkpatrick, Richland realtor. Uptown Builders, Inc., is the firm handling this investment, with Maury Kirkpatrick, Frank Dunham and Sam Volpentest as the incorporators.

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Have HEARD widespread comment on the results of the Richland primary vote, and perhaps you can spare a moment of your reading time for a second look.

Because all of the incumbent candidates were second choices it might be deducted that the campaign slogan was "Fight City Hall."

Only a sixth of the registered voters turned out, which indicated about a 17 per cent interest in the outcome, not a vainglory or prideful result.

One thing that should be noted is the fact that active campaigning and newspaper advertising paid off, especially in the cases of Dr. DeMerrit and Harry Kramer. You cannot hide under a bushel when you seek public office.

There was not too wide a variance in the votes cast for the four positions on the ballot, any difference being due, no doubt, to the prominence of candidates involved. These were results—Position No. 1, 2,488 votes; Position No. 2, 2,462 votes; Position No. 3, 2,495 votes; Position No. 4, 2,389 votes. Thus Position No. 3 (DeMerrit-Merrill) had the highest vote and Position No. 4 (Bixler-Brackenbush) the lowest.

Tuesday, March 13, is the date of the city election. You people who did not vote at the

primary should remember that you passed up one of our American freedoms.

The most talked about woman in Richland recently was Mrs. Glenn S. Quinley, who was selected by the Richland Junior Women's Club as their "woman of the year." She is president of that civic-minded organization and has served it for many years in its important community projects. She also has given of her time and talents to the Parent-Teachers Associations at the Columbia High and Jefferson school. Public-spirited women like Mrs. Quinley who are builders in our community life deserve our outspoken approbation.

We have an innate feeling that the Tri-Cities Braves baseball team might have escaped its financial troubles of the past several years if its baseball park had been built and operated in the City of Richland, where the big population is, possibly down at the entrance of the city where the planned coliseum is envisioned.

Richland baseball enthusiasts have largely supported the game with their attendance and money, but in recent years this support has dwindled because of the traffic jams which followed the games. Hundreds of Richland fans have stopped going to the ball park

permanently because of this and other reasons.

What's your opinion?

One of the facts brought out by the League of Women Voters in its recent report on the business situation in Richland its future economic needs was the relatively high plant wages paid at the Hanford project which might be classified prohibitive to industries which might consider locating here. Which emphasizes to us the value of our General Electric Company payroll of \$56,000,000 as this money flows through the pockets of our residents and pays taxes. We would be in a still better position if the \$29,000,000 of this payroll money were spent here instead of out of town.

Another food service is coming to Richland—the Arctic Drive-Inn, which is being built on Williams boulevard next to the present gas station and not far from George Washington Way. George A. Grant, Inc., has the building contract.

The name "Wannawish" which has been taken by the group that purchased and is developing the 37-acre tract in the Uptown district means "Rock Dam Fishing Place" and comes from the Wanapum Indian tongue. Some angling is going on for new commercial prospects and there have been quite a few bites.

Caterpillar trucks have been busy on the front section at the Desert Inn removing trees and preparing the grounds for the installation of new cement parking spaces which will face the recently-remodeled glass-fronted hotel rooms. The face lifting has been brightened by a new and extensive lighting system on this front also.

Saw a man walking on the Post Office sidewalk the other day who took pains not to step on any of the cracks. This superstition dates back to cave-man days when our atavistic ancestors evaded the earth cracks for fear of being bitten by snakes.

You have heard the old saying "you can't get blood of a stone." This accepted belief was gainsaid the other day when Citizen Peter Stone donated a pint of blood to the Red Cross bank.

Sorry to read about a local man who slipped on a banana peel the other day and was injured. Pretty certain that this must have been Brazilian fruit, for we only have hypothetical bananas in our own publicized banana belt.

For the record it should be stated that

during all her school days, City Councilman Pat Merrill never received a DeMerrit.

How credulous are our housewives who listen to those TV commercials about these liquid "lotion" soaps which will devour grease and maybe your pans but will still keep your hands soft and lovely. You don't even need to have a brain to see through that one.

We HEAR on good authority that a large and well-known Portland hardware company is negotiating to open a branch in the Uptown business district. It may involve a new building.

Received a telephone call the other day from an unknown person with the information that we had won some free dance lessons. Wonder how many other names were selected from the phone book for this "phony" announcement.

In a recent accident a motorist took quite a "belt" because he wasn't wearing one.

Notice a Spokane TV station has for its slogan "Casting farther from Tower Mountain." Wonder if they will use this one for "Father's Day."

Chatted with Paul Crowder the other day and accosted him with the query "How's the world using you?" "Most people would not admit it," he said "but the world treats you like you treat the world." Isn't that the gospel truth.

Bob Carriger from Florida is in town on a business visit. He was a former heavyweight in the Richland Chamber of Commerce. He has an interest in the area north of City Hall on George Washington Way. Something doing, maybe?

Real progress has been made on the interior of the new Richland Clinic building on Jadwin (formerly Goethals) near Swift Boulevard. All the inside partitions are in place and craftsmen are busy with the electrical, plumbing, heating and other services. Architect Bob Ohashi is well satisfied with the progress of the work. When the new clinic is in operation it will clinch the title of the "Leading Medical Center of Eastern Washington" for Richland. Richland doctors and surgeons will own and operate the new clinic. We look forward to its official dedication.

Willard Parker attended last week's convention of the Northern Hardware Association in Portland, where he was elected one of its directors.

## News Of Interest To Vets

# 'Get Out Vote' Effort Is Boosted By VFW

The Richland Veterans of Foreign Wars Post has a project in mind which may help to "Get Out the Vote" on Tuesday, March 18, city election day.

In this connection, Commander Lester Sweetin said yesterday:

"If you examine the vote cast at the primary election you may have noted that about 17 per cent of the registered voters bothered to go to the polls. This small percentage selected the candidates who will be on the election day ballot.

"Election day is time when voters 'speak.' It is one of the great American freedoms, and for its preservation with other freedoms, thousands of men have died in our wars. For this reason it is a patriotic duty for men and women to prove their worthiness as good citizens by selecting capable candidates to represent them in government.

"When they fail in this duty it is quite probable that they are failing also in other citizen prerequisites. Good government depends on public support. We invite every civic-minded Richland organization to join us in this campaign to 'Get Out the Vote' on March 18."

**AT THE NATIONAL VFW** Home at Eaton Rapids, Mich., where hundreds of the widows and orphans of deceased veterans are housed, each state has built and supports a home where a house mother and several children reside and have a normal home atmosphere. The state of Washington has one and raises money each year for additions, repairs and needed furnishings. Richland VFW Post each year makes a sizable contribution to this state fund.

At its last meeting it was announced that money given this year will go to equipping the

Washington House with fire escapes as required by state laws.

Senior Vice Commander Hap Farmer has been appointed as chairman of the 1962 Loyalty Day committee which will make plans for the annual May 1 observance. This same date was also selected by the American Bar Association as Law Day.

Several years ago American Communists put on May 1 demonstrations. The National VFW Department met the May Day challenge by originating May 1 as Loyalty Day, and did so effectively, finally putting the subversive celebration out of business.

Mayor Joyce Kelley has been asked to put out the usual Loyalty Day proclamation.

**PAST COMMANDER C. C. Owings** has been named as the VFW Post representative on the Blue Mountain Boy Scout Council. Richland Post sponsors an Explorer Scout Post.

At the last meeting of the VFW Post it was arranged to have a meeting in the near future devoted to the subject of safety. The speaker is to be announced.

Past Commander W. L. Owens reported that he has made contacts with additional Richland merchants who will cooperate with the VFW in the display of street flags on all patriotic holiday dates. These flags are put out by local Boy Scouts in all the business districts.

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Commander Sweetin has announced that the VFW Post has reached 90 per cent of its 1962 membership quota.

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Colorful decorations were used and refreshments served.

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## Annual Town Meeting Planned For March 6

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In connection with the coming event, President Moulthrop said yesterday:

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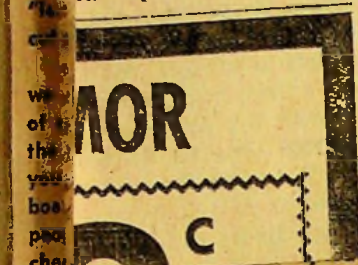
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# News Of Interest To Vets

## Legion's 44th Birthday Will Be Observed Here

The American Legion's 44th Birthday anniversary will be observed at the meeting of Richland Post 71, the Legion, to be held Tuesday night, March 6. Posts throughout the United States will hold similar celebrations. The Auxiliary will participate too, and will serve the lunch.

During the past several years the Richland Post has been one of the most active local organizations in community services and has won several state and national citations. One of its outstanding jobs, in which the post is presently engaged, is Boy's State. It is expected that at least 12 Columbia High school seniors will be sent to this citizenship project this year.

**JUST AS** the famous Liberty Bell proclaimed freedom throughout the land on the signing of the Declaration of Independence, Legion National Commander Charles Bacon has asked that "Bells Across the Nation" should ring forth again on Thursday, April 10, to commemorate the anniversary of Paul Revere's historic ride. He has asked all posts in the United States to arrange to have churches, schools and other institutions which have bells to loudly ring at 10 a.m.

Past Commander William E. James has been appointed by Commander Edwin Merrill to organize this project for Richland. James reported that up to this time the only bell he has located is on a West Richland church. James will ask the schools to cooperate in this ceremony by having all children repeat the "Pledge of Allegiance" at 10 a.m. on April 19 as their participation in the rededication of American ideals.

**THE RICHLAND** Marine Corps League Auxiliary held a meeting at the Community House and voted to send a check to Richland Post 71 American League Auxiliary to pay the expense for a girl for this year's Girls State. They expressed great pride in the epochal orbit flight of Lt. John Glenn, a marine officer.

On Wednesday, a group of eight women from the Marine Corps League Auxiliary visited the Walla Walla VA hospital, doing assigned hospital tasks in the morning, and in the afternoon put on a well-enjoyed session of bingo for the bed-ridden patients.

Mrs. Don King and Mrs. Grace Patty will take a trip to Seattle to attend the Marine Corps staff meeting on March 24.

**MRS. FLORENCE B. Flora** is chairman of the Legion Auxiliary bake sale committee which will display home-cooked pies and cakes at the Stone Supermarket on Saturday, March 17. This is St. Patrick's Day and there

should be plenty of green frostings to attract the eye. All members of the Auxiliary have been asked to plan for this event and contribute samples of their baking prowess. Final plans will be announced at the Auxiliary meeting on March 6.

Mrs. J. R. Smailes, chairman Poppy Day Committee, announced that 9,000 poppies have been purchased for sale on the streets of Richland May 25-26. Members of Richland Post 71, American Legion, will be out in force to assist the ladies.

Yesterday a coffee party was enjoyed from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Lester Fishback, 1302 Symons, in honor of Mrs. Merrill Simmelink, the state president. Mrs. Fishback is chairman of the child welfare committee and has issued a request to members to donate clean, wearable clothing for the "Save The Children" program. These articles will be sent to Indian reservations for needy families.

**COMMANDER-in-Chief** Robert E. Hansen of the National Department, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will visit the State of Washington officially March 15-17. A banquet in his honor will be staged in Spokane on the evening of the 15th and many Post officers and members from the East Side plan to attend. On the 16th Hansen will attend a banquet in Seattle and on the same day will be guest of the 32nd Division at Fort Lewis.

At the Richland VFW meeting on March 12 and 26, nominations will be made for Post officers for the ensuing year. Saturday night, April 7, there will be a special meeting for the installation of new officers. Past Dept. Commander Marvin M. McDonald will be the installing officer and Mrs. Lillian McDonald will perform similar duties for the Auxiliary. Sgt. Neill of Sunnyside will be officer of the day. Commander Les Sweetin said a clam chowder feed will follow the ceremony, and a social hour with dancing is also planned.

**PAST COMMANDER** M. M. McDonald has been appointed chairman of the 17th District annual party scheduled for local VFW headquarters in Richland March 31. This event is expected to be attended by Post members from Pasco, Kennewick, Richland, Prosser, Sunnyside and Grandview.

Commander Sweetin, in connection with the VFW project to "Get Out The Vote" on Tuesday, March 18, remarked: "We fought for your right to vote. Please use it." Anybody wishing transportation to the polls may call WH 6-6637.

A change in the state law which would allow police court judges to suspend the drivers' licenses of motorists convicted of drunken driving was advocated by members of the Richland Safety Council at its recent meeting.

Speakers stressed the fact that under the present law judges could only recommend to the State Motor Vehicle Department that such licenses be suspended.

"Drunken drivers are potential killers. Because of this fact police court judges should have the power of taking them off the highways" was the thought expressed by Capt. E. E. Miller of the Police Department.

What has been happening locally and probably other city courts in these drunk cases, it was brought out, is that many of these drivers, brought into

court on this serious charge, engage lawyers to defend them, and many times the change is reduced to "negligent driving," the accused driver keeps his license and is released to repeat the offense and to be a menace on the highways as a potential killer.

**FAVORABLE ACTION** also was taken at the meeting for more coverage in driver training so that larger numbers of new drivers, especially those of high school age, could be trained in safe driving methods. A proposed law along this line was defeated in the last session of the state legislature. There are not enough instructors available nor sufficient funds to finance a system which would provide the methods and means to improve the present set-up, it was stated.

Vice-President Homer Moulthrop of the Safety Council

gave an outline for the plans for the annual Town Hall Meeting which will take place on March 6 at the Carmichael Junior High School Auditorium. He said that there probably would be twenty or more articles to be discussed and debated at the meeting, and that many of these were being submitted from civic organizations and clubs which are interested primarily in community needs and services. Members of local Toastmasters clubs will be the moderators. Everybody who attends will be allowed to speak during the planned debates.

**A MOTION** was passed to make contact with the Richland School officials and to arrange for monthly reports from all the schools with the records of all accidents in school rooms, on school grounds and at school street crossings so that the hazards which were causes of these

# Change In Suspension Of Licenses Is Advocated

accidents might be studied and removed. As far as is known, no such coordinated report or record has ever been kept.

Capt. Miller announced that the Police Department has just purchased a new film titled "Signal 30," depicting real highway accidents and fatalities. The movie would be available to local organizations at their meetings.

**JAMES BOLDT**, chairman of the Tri-Cities Junior Chamber of Commerce seat belt project, gave a talk on the March 10-11 project in which the Jaycees of Richland, Pasco and Kennewick will take part. In Richland the project is planned for the Uptown business district parking area at George Washington Way and Williams boulevard section. Seat belts which cost \$11.95 regularly will be installed free at a cost of \$7.95.

Fifteen different types of belts were examined by the Jaycees and the one selected was considered the best in every detail. The Jaycees will work in two 8-hour shifts to install the belts on front seats of cars only, without charge.

# Cleaning Up Of Alley Is Promised

A meeting of the Uptown Retailers Association, held at Ernie's Restaurant Tuesday morning, was attended by 35 store owners and managers. Fire Marshal John Ward was a guest speaker and discussed the annual Clean-Up project planned for the week of April 1-7.

He noted that he had inspected the alley which runs the entire length of the Uptown Business district and had seen in spots an accumulation of old lumber and wire which had been there for several months. He asked the merchants to take the leadership in giving the alley a thorough Spring cleaning so that all fire and health hazards might be removed.

President Earl Harris promised that the merchants would get together and take proper action, even getting out themselves with rakes and brooms, if necessary.

**Roland Harvey**, a General Electric engineer who is a ham radio station operator, has volunteered to teach members of the VFW-sponsored Explorer Scout Troop in the new communication class which has been organized as a scout project. He is a U.S. Navy veteran.

**G. J. LANSING** will be the 1962 American Legion Junior Baseball coach and manager, and the team will train and play its games at the Falley Field park.

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Next Tuesday—March 13—is election day.

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One of the things that has aroused much interest among the voters is the initiative which will be on the ballot. A yes vote on this proposition will mean that you favor rezoning the North Richland area so that it will be available for a big college site as well as scientific industrial development. A no vote will mean that you favor the entire North Richland area for heavy industry.

We have a large cultural group in Richland that believes a big college will not only mean jobs of many types, but also that it will help to attract industries, as has been the case in many other cities. Colleges do bring in thousands of students each year and also thousands of visitors, a real boost to the economy.

Since incorporation Richland has seen good commercial development but no industrial development. To big industry we are a prairie area and it will take years of population growth before the community will qualify as a marketing area. It is too bad, but we have have to face the fact and do the next best thing.

We have been informed there will be a new building erected on land owned by the Bali-Hi Motel on George Washington Way opposite Gowen Avenue. We HEARD that the Pancake House chain organization might be the occupant. This big outfit is known all over the country, and has a restaurant in Pasco which is largely patronized.

This would be a wonderful addition to our All-America City, a real eating rendezvous for people who enjoy the type of menu this famous organization has for its specialty.

Several months ago Wright Avenue was given a new top dressing. This job covered all the painted street crossings. Hundreds of school children from the Marcus Whitman and the Spalding elementary schools cross Wright Avenue daily. What's happened to the paint or to the officials who should have done something about this? These cross walks should be repainted as soon as possible to protect the school children.

Notice in the window of a local tavern a sign reading — Income Tax Service. Does this apply to "joint" returns.

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Art Linkletter tabbed himself as an old man in one of his TV shows last week. He introduced a man who was an expert in using a copper rod to locate underground water streams. The Linkletter comment was "I still find it difficult to believe in an ancient Art."

Saw the familiar face of Pat Morris in town yesterday. He managed the Officers Club at North Richland for two years. He came to this project from Denever in 1943 with Dupont. He is now associated with the Niti Romeri Ford plant here. Pat is registered at the Desert Inn.

Why isn't the wife of a lawyer entitled to a BL degree? While husband is pressing suits in court she is pressing suits at home.

In last weeks column we had a paragraph about a woman who called us and said she traded out-of-town because she was insulted in a local store by a clerk. This brought us another telephone call from a woman who works in a local department store who said:

"I always try to be gracious to my customers, but you might mention that we have customers occasionally who are arrogant, impolite and insulting to clerks. We put up with plenty and have to take it with a smile. "This proves that there are always two sides to every story.

A kind word from all of us to those women who did the pavement-tramping work in collecting contributions in recent fund drives. They are a dedicated lot who get little thanks for their efforts. They are entitled to common politeness for this unpaid community service, something they do not always get. If you object to donating to these money-raising events, don't take it out on the ladies.

A Swift Boulevard Den Mother gave a nice party to her scout children including lollypops. She got her "licks" in early.

Ed Larrabee reports that when he took his last physical checkup the doctor told him he had a wonderful "circulation." "I am now in the class with the Richland Villager," commented Ed.

This community owes a lot to Mrs. Roy Hoffman who for the past four years has headed and trained the Benton County First Aid division of the Red Cross. She has been identified with Red Cross activities for the past 15 years. She assisted in selecting and training 33 certified first-aid instructors who operate in Richland and the county. Any local organization can call on Mrs. Hoffman for this type of training, as the youth organizations have done, as well as industrial concerns. Mrs. Hoffman has as a goal the project of "A First Aider in Every Home" for the homes are where thousands of accidents occur and first aid is an essential need.

This fine lady is also active in many other community services and deserves high praise from all of us who appreciate these praiseworthy and volunteer efforts.

This column has opened up a new service for the public. We can predict the type of death you will have if you smoke cigarettes in bed. There will be no charge.

Fellow driving through town recently with a truck load of baled hay got arrested for passing a red light. He was in luck, however, he had his bail (bale) with him on the truck.

A college on the 290 acres at North Richland would increase per capita revenue to the

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city of Richland. It would mean thousands of extra dollars spent here with our merchants and for services. Hundreds of residents would be able to rent rooms to students. Our gas stations would receive additional thousands from students and visitors. Our restaurants would do a land office business with this influx of new thousands of people who like to eat. Money-raising projects by local organizations would

## New Tenants Enter Davis Building

The recent addition to the Roy Davis Furniture building at Jadwin (formerly Goethals) and Knight street has been completed and will have four new tenants, creating a new "corner" shopping center where the former "Mart" was located, in the heart of the Downtown business district.

The Service Center, radio and television service, which has been operated for several years at 239 Symons in the Uptown district has moved downtown and its new location is in the Roy Davis annex building at 711 Jadwin. The firm, headed by Jim Davis, specializes in electronics.

Second tenant at 713 Jadwin will be the Hole-In-One Do-Nut shop which will be a new cafeteria - type eating place with Al Parker, son of Willard W. Parker, as the manager. This is a franchise type of business which has similar outlets all over the Pacific coast. This firm expects to be open for business March 31.

Radio Station KALE will occupy the store at No. 717 and will be ready to operate in a few days. Kenneth Brooks will be in charge. Special Richland events will be broadcast directly from this station.

C. W. Sagvold of 1335 Cottonwood Drive, an investment broker, also will have his new Downtown office at 741 entrance to this office.

Adequate parking facilities have been provided for all the new tenants just south of the Roy Davis building.

## 'Sage Arts' Salesroom Is Open

A compact salesroom located in the Desert Inn Lobby, in quarters formerly occupied by the Chamber of Commerce, was opened during the past week under the direction of Mrs. Oliver Mageehan of 2004 Trippe Street, a long-time Richland resident. "The Sage Arts" is the firm's name.

The new business, as planned by the owner, will be an outlet for local talents developed by Richland and area residents, including paintings, art objects, souvenirs and the like. These objects will be accepted on a consignment basis and sold.

Redecoration of the room was done by Mrs. Mageehan and her two sons, Patrick and Michael Mageehan.

On display at the opening were art goods, polished agates, knitted items, dainty dolls, snacks and candies, and a shelf of needed drug store items for the convenience of hotel guests. During the summer months there will be a supply of women's bathing suits and caps for guests who may want to use the hotel swimming pool. Mrs. Mageehan also plans to add sage wood ear rings and wooden bows, demitass silver spoons as Richland souvenirs. All-America city pennants and hair driers which may be rented by guests.

She said yesterday that she hopes to have on sale miniature pictures of the "Sage And Sand" and "Twilight" photographs which were originally taken by the Robley Johnson studio.

have an increased population on which to draw for financial support. There will be great things ahead if and when we have a big college here.

We HEAR that the assessed valuation of our small-pre-fab homes is as low as \$300. This means that each such domicile pays an average of \$24.00 a year tax, or \$2 a month. Just imagine getting all the services of police, fire and city departments for \$2 a month. Boy!

## Insurance Rates Going Up

**MAR. 9-1962**  
Auto insurance must go up and up, according to the Richland Safety Council analysis. In these years licensed drivers have increased from 66,825,000 to 87,000,000.

Higher premium rates will have to provide the funds to meet the pressures put on by increased highway accidents, repair costs by garages, higher hospital and medical care and higher damages recovered by jury trials in court.

To illustrate what is happening the Safety Council released these figures.

In 1952 there were 52,651,000

motor vehicles in the United States. Now there are 76,007,000.

In these years licensed drivers have increased from 66,825,000 to 87,000,000.

Driving mileage has risen from 513 billion to 733 billion.

**TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS** show an increase to 10,400,000 from 10,075,000.

Motor vehicle deaths remain close to 38,000 each year.

Motor vehicle injuries rose from 2,090,000 to 3,078,000.

Higher medical care costs (BSL index) increased from 117.2 to 162.4. Hospital room costs increased from 139.5 to 233.3. Practitioners costs went from 113.0 to 147.8 (BSL index).

In court cases the average for bodily injuries rose from \$750 to \$890.

In some court cases excessive awards have been made to claim-conscious victims who view an auto accident as a once-in-a-lifetime windfall. Similar illegitimate pressure is exerted on insurance rates by swindling garagemen and by some doctors who overtreat accident cases, the council is informed.

**THUS THE** legitimate but incessant pressure of inflation, unscrupulous operators and careless drivers make insurance more expensive for the careful, honest motorist. The policy rates continue to go up and up.

To meet this situation most insurance companies now have a plan to double, treble and even revoke the policies of motorists who are convicted of drunken driving or who have multiple accidents. This will remove from the highways the potential killers and the careless drivers who help insurance rates to increase every year.

## Poison Hazard Is Stressed

**MAR. 17-1962**  
President Fay Jones of the Richland Safety Council called attention yesterday to the recent proclamation issued by president Kennedy, at the request of Congress, naming the week of March 18-24 as National Poison Prevention Week.

The purpose of the new Safety Week is to encourage the American people to learn the dangers of accidental poisoning and to take such preventive measures as are warranted by the seriousness of the danger.

Many small children die every year because of carelessness of parents who leave pills, medicines and cleaning fluids within reach of youngsters in the home.

The National Health Survey recently announced that there are some 822,000 cases of ingestion of poisonous substances by children each year. These cases involve petroleum products, pesticides, paints, varnishes, cosmetics, plants and thousands of trade-name household products. Although some of these have ingredients listed on the label, many do not, and the ingredients must be known so that proper treatment can be given. The number of these potentially toxic products increase every year.

In all poisoning cases, parents are asked to call the family physician immediately for advice on first aid measures, or should rush the victims to the nearest hospital immediately.

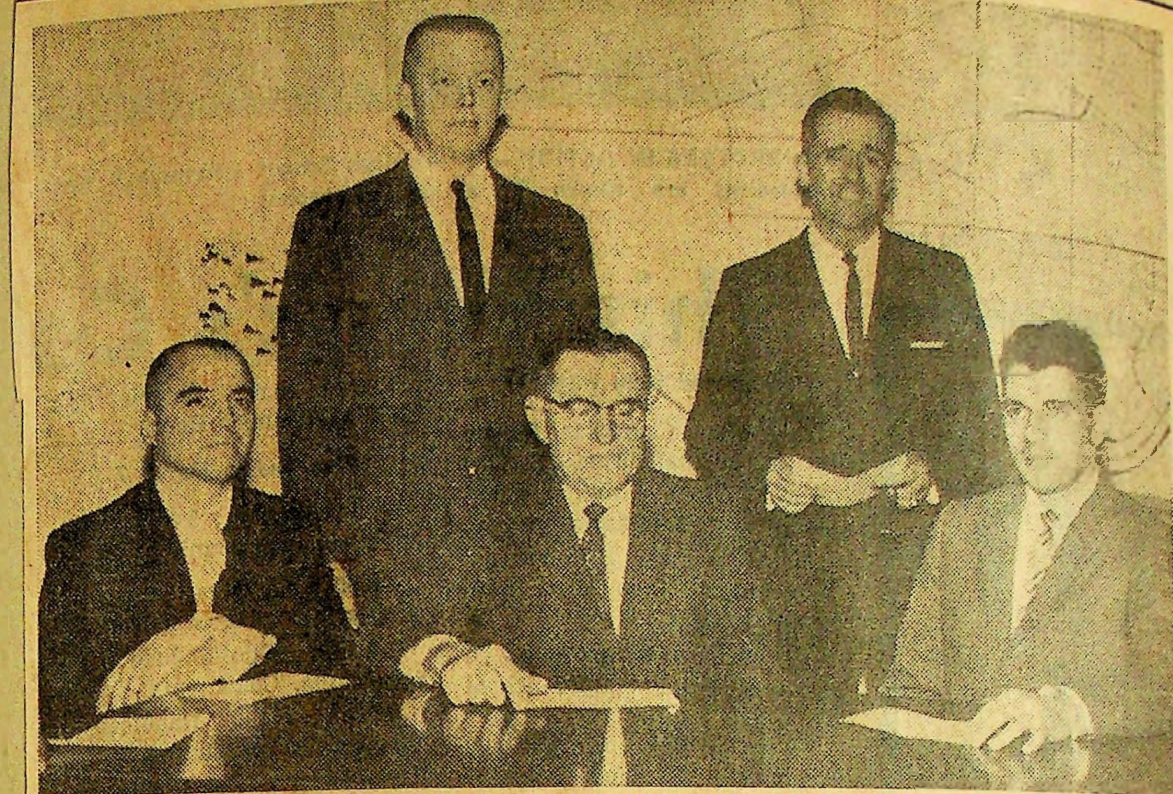
Parents can save their children from poison hazards in the homes by keeping all toxic liquids out of the reach of small children and by having also first aid measures planned in advance, the Safety Council advised.

## Rural Sales Firm Wins Dealer Award

**MAR. 17, 1962**  
The Rural Sales Co. of Richland, which had its Spring opening last week at 2243 Stevens Drive, has been awarded the 1961 plaque from the Turco Co. for having the largest sales among 400 dealers in the states of Washington, Oregon, Montana and Idaho.

Four well-known local residents are associated in the Rural Sales Co., James Dunn, hydraulic engineer, Orville Marcum, Don Richey and Carroll Oberg. All of them were on hand during the grand opening and received many congratulations from friends and visitors on winning the four-state trophy.

This company specializes in the Turco lawn sprinkler system



**LOOKING OVER** a list of controversial subjects that may be debated at the third annual Town Hall Meeting Tuesday at the Carmichael Junior High School auditorium in Richland are Dick Hickman, Ray Cain, Larry Riggs, and Bill Haskins. These representatives of Richland Toastmasters' Clubs will serve as moderators for the meet.

## Instrument Display Will Lure Many May 8 To 11

Every available hotel and motel room reservation in Richland has been made for four days in May—8th to 11th—when the annual Pacific Northwest Instrument Show will be staged in the All-America City.

The actual show dates are May 9-10, but the 100 exhibitors will each have from three to six representatives here to set up, show and dismantle the instrument exhibits. They will flock in the day before to organize their exhibit spaces and will remain on the 11th to repack and return to their home bases.

**THE BIG SHOW** is being sponsored by the Richland Section of the Instrument Society of America, which has a roster of 85 members.

This show will be staged, as previously, in the Community House. Each exhibitor will have a section of approximately 30 square feet as a minimum, and several will need double spaces. From the way plans are shaping up, all three large halls and even the corridors may have to be used to accommodate all of the hundred exhibits.

The Richland Section members of the show committee which

are handling the preliminary plans and will have the management of the big show are: W. A. (Bill) Richards, general show chairman; G. W. Morrow, booth chairman; E. See Day Jr., directory chairman; G. R. Wilde, publicity chairman; G. F. Ehlers, hospitality chairman; and R. C. Theil, facilities chairman.

**MANY OF** the manufacturers of instruments will be represented by their agents in Seattle and Spokane. The actual exhibits will have equipment which comes from manufacturers located all over the United States.

Chairman Bill Richards said yesterday:

"It is our purpose in the presentation of this show to improve technical communication for the obvious benefit of the student, the manufacturer, and the user of instrumentation and control equipment. We are convinced that there is no better means of gaining practical engineering information than the examination of hardware produced by the industry. Here you have a chance to take full advantage of all technical details available through consultation with qualified engineering and sales representatives in attendance."

The show will be open to the public, and will attract hundreds of out-of-town visitors.

At the present time the company has contacts with the Desert Inn, the new Richland Clinic, the Imperial 400 Motel and many private residences in the Tri-Cities area.

Complete nursery and landscaping facilities are also offered by this company which specializes in unusual trees and shrubs. A complete line of fruit trees, firs, roses and other garden varieties are on display, as well as fertilizers, insecticides and garden tools.

# SEEN and HEARD

BY THE  
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What do you know about newspapers?

You buy them. You read them. But do you ever stop to think about the hundreds of thousands invested in this business operation which enables you to have a newspaper on your breakfast table each day of the week, a composite edition which gives you local and world news, the product of expert newspapermen, editors and columnists.

We HEARD a Richland man complaining the other day because he had to pay ten cents for his morning newspaper.

He paid ten cents for an article which costs thousands of dollars to produce. This represents the sense of values some people have.

No investment you can ever make can beat the dime you spend for your morning newspaper.

Your Richland Villager has the largest home circulation in this city and West Richland and people who read it (it reaches every home) patronize the advertisers who use it. Many of our merchants are missing the boat in this respect. Other newspapers which feature out-of-town advertising, are taking patronage away from our local stores. Last year out of our \$56,000,000 payroll some \$29,000,000 of this was spent out of town.

The planned new shopping center for the area on George Washington Way between Symon and Van Giesen shows signs of gradual development. Two large concerns have applied for space there and will shortly submit plans for new buildings which are to be forwarded to the planning commission for study and approval. This will be the procedure as other commercial interests are signed up by the local group of business men who bought the area for half a million dollars, and who predict that in the near future we will have an enlarged shopping center which will attract out-of-town business and give Richland a better tax base.

Pal Anderson was a visitor in town the past week. We say "visitor" because he and his family now live in Honolulu. He recently acquired the Pacific area franchise for "Mr. Softie" and has his ice-cream trucks operating in the Hawaiian Islands and expects soon to do the same thing in the Philippine Islands.

The Cadet Electric Co., has moved into its new building on Wellsian Way, a 30x80 foot structure of concrete blocks. The new plant accommodates both offices and shop. Its location is fairly close to the Lee Boulevard intersection.

Kay-Max Travel Bureau is now in the car rental business. It has six cars available at the Pasco airport and three for rental in Richland

for commercial travelers or other guests of the hotel.

Had a telephone call from a Douglass Avenue woman who said an out-of-town salesman called at her house during the past week and tried to sell her a piano. His truck with business name was parked outside. She wanted to know if he had a license to do this. We cannot answer that. But may we comment on the fact that Richland is a mecca for out-of-town salesmen. We have the population and the ducats. On the other hand did you ever hear of a Richland business man making house-to-house visits in Pasco or Kennewick looking to increase sales. When you do, let us know.

C. C. Anderson Co., is running a Charm School at the Community House with 51 young ladies enrolled. Shirley Ambrose is the teacher. The girls will be instructed in poise, care of the hands and skin, diet, posture, proper exercise and how to dress properly. The six weeks' course will end with a fashion show and the girls will receive diplomas. Watch out, fellows, Charm is on the march.

Many a man has kept out of hot water by having a big family and a small water heater.

Art Lade avers that there is evidence that overeating cuts years off your life. Let a word to the wise be sufficient.

Everybody was gratified to learn that Joe Carroll had been appointed to a six-year term on the Richland Planning Commission. Joe talks Richland, thinks Richland and lives Richland. He will work for both the industrial and the educational growth of the city for which he has always been a number one booster.

Our hats off today to Richlander Charles H. (Chuck) Oppenorth, the dynamic force at the Richland Marina who has devoted every waking hour during the past two years to create in the southside of our city a big recreational development which, when completed, will attract hundreds of summer vacationists to the All-America City. Thanks also to a select number of other Richland men who have cooperated with him and have given their financial backing to the great project. Chuck Oppenorth deserves the commendation as well as the thanks of all of us for what he has accomplished thus far and as we watch a vision develop into a reality.

A well-known member of the local Green Thumb Garden Club who talked at a recent meeting said she had found a new use for her pointed shoes. They are just right for

making holes to plant seeds. Let's hope the manufacturers of these shoes also get the "point".

Next week is National Poison Week. This doesn't mean that you should have designs on your husband.

Heard a local woman apologizing the other day because she had so little education. What she meant was that she had too little schooling.

## Picking Of Boys' State Youths Is Under Way

At least 12 Columbia High School Seniors will make the trip to the annual Boys' State project sponsored by the American Legion, Violet Jones, chairman of the Boys' State committee for Richland Post 71 of the Legion, said.

Two of the candidates have been announced — Robbie Wilson, sponsored by the Richland Lions Club, and Cary LeClair, sponsored by the Richland Kiwanis Club. Other local organizations which will sponsor boys are — Independent Order of Foresters, United Brotherhood of Carpenters Local 2403, International Chemical Workers Union Local 369, Hanford Atomic Metal Trades Council, Hanford Guards Local 21, Richland Rotary Club, Richland Veterans of Foreign Wars, Hanford Kiwanis Club, and the Knights of Columbus.

Reports from additional organizations are expected during the coming week.

WORLD WAR I veterans recall the services the Salvation Army rendered to our American Expeditionary Forces in France. The men and women of the SA Corps served their coffee and doughnuts as close to the front lines as they were allowed to go, and supplied army units with necessities which had been collected in the United States for the troops abroad.

The Richland VFW Post, which three years ago started a new project by adopting the Salvation Army, took note last week of date March 10 which the SA was observing. It was the day many years ago when the British landed its first Salvation Army on American shores. During the past years the organization has grown to more than 250,000 members who serve the needy and unfortunate in all our large cities.

At last week's meeting of Richland Post, the American Legion, Past Commander Glenn

Hendrickson announced that the 1962 membership quota of 285 had been reached.

Past Commander William E. James stated that Elmer Farnham, Veterans Administration contact man, had taken over the Friday office duties of the VA at the Community House succeeding Frank White. The hours will be the same — 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

THE 44TH birthday of the American Legion was observed by the local post, and the auxiliary served a luncheon at the close of the business meeting, with dancing and a social hour following.

Mace Watkins is being mentioned as a draft candidate for the office of Legion Commander. Nomination of new officers the "State" Council will adopt goals. Business meeting will be from 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon, with Miss Nora Cummins of Seattle, state president, in charge.

Persons wishing to make reservations for the luncheon and dinner are asked to call Mrs. Cochrane, Mrs. Dore Tyler or Mrs. E. T. Murphy.



She has a better education than most college graduates. She raised a large family, can drive a truck, helped her husband build and paint their new home, has a show place for flowers and landscaping, spends her spare time making articles for the forgotten men at a VA hospital, is active in community services, is a wonderful friend and neighbor, never misses church services, and always says good things about her friends and acquaintances. How many of you college girls can equal that?

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## Transportation Available For Voters Minus Cars

Cook-Erickson Post 7852, Veterans of Foreign Wars, has its plans all made to "Get-Out-The-Vote" at the Richland city election next Tuesday, March 13, according to Commander U. Lester Sweetin.

"People who can't get transportation to the polls, especially the elder group and women who will not have the use of their own cars, may call WH 6-6637," said Commander Sweetin.

"We will have several cars which have been volunteered by our members during the hours of voting. We suggest that people try to vote in the morning or afternoon, to relieve the usual pressure that goes on at night just before the polls close.

"Our VFW post will have 145 American flags on display throughout the business districts which we hope will be a reminder to those who may forget that it is election day.

"We fought that you might have the right to vote. Please use it."

AT THE MEETING of the Richland VFW Post it was voted to participate in the annual Clean-Up Week, April 1-7. This post has for several years participated in Richland Junior Baseball activities, and one of its projects will be to have members of the teams participate in cleaning up several junior baseball parks throughout the city. These locations are covered with papers and other litter which have blown during the past several weeks. Removing all the debris will be quite a job, and many volunteers are needed to complete the cleaning up. Members of the post will supervise this operation.

Dr. Earle A. Hussell, junior vice commander of the Richland VFW Post, is making arrange-

ments for the annual marble tournament late in March. This is a National VFW Department project, and all posts throughout the United States will take part.

Winner of the local contest will be entered in the district tournament and that winner will be eligible to enter the final state contest. The state winner will go to the national tournament with all expenses paid and may win valuable school scholarships and a trip to Washington, D.C.

The Richland contest will be staged at the Memorial ball park and the games will be played on specially-prepared clay areas, with VFW post members as the served to the participants.

All elementary school boys or girls will be eligible to play.

RICHLAND POST at its meeting voted contributions to the Heart Fund and for a foreign exchange student.

In connection with the annual Poppy sale which takes place just prior to Memorial Day in May, Commander Sweetin announced that he would offer a prize of a United States Savings Bond to the member of the post, Auxiliary or junior group who succeeds in making the most sales.

It was announced that the state of Washington VFW department will have seventh place in the big parade at the next annual Veterans of Foreign Wars awarded because this state has won seventh place in the membership drive campaign.

VFW member H. K. Owings has returned from a two month motor trip covering several states, including stops in Missouri and Colorado where he visited with several relatives. He was able to be present at the 50th wedding anniversary of Mrs. Owings' parents.

ADJUSTANT Ray Tillson of Richland Post 71, the American Legion, has about completed alterations in the basement of his home at 300 Jadwin Ave. (formerly Goethals). A large

room has been set aside for meetings of the Legion executive committee and committees, and the adjutant plans to have framed pictures of all the past commanders of the post hanging on the walls.

Members of the auxiliary to the Military Order of the Coonies, Pokit Gofur No. 20, the honor degree of the VFW, have been very active lately in visiting and spending much time at the Walla Walla VA hospital. They arranged bingo games for the patients in ward 7. Appropriate tray favors made by the sixth grade students of St. Patrick's school in Pasco were distributed.

A special visit was also made to the hospital by Mrs. H. A. Parmer and Mrs. Fred Krier to learn more fully the small needs of the occupational therapy division. Information was also obtained from Chief of Recreation Mary McGahey and Mrs. Rommel, secretary to the deputy chairman of the VAVS advisory committee.

Question of the week —

Q — Is it true that the monthly payments for orphans attending school under the War Orphans Education Assistance Act vary from \$50 to \$110, depending on the amount of death compensation they are receiving?

A — The rates of payment are \$110 a month for full-time attendance, \$80 a month if three quarters time, and \$50 a month if half time. The rates are not determined by receipt of compensation of pension.

### PERSEVERANCE PAYS OFF

Perseverance in seeking a better way at Hanford paid off recently for Ken Yasemsky, a pipe-fitter in General Electric's Chemical Processing Department, when he received a \$285 suggestion award. Two previous suggestions had not been adopted, but his third one turned out to be a money maker for himself and his company (formerly Goethals). A large

## Cleanup Started Early With Fires

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Richland had the appearance of National Bonfire Week a few days ago when heavy smoke arose from all sections of the city. However no fire alarms were turned in and city crews under the direction of Supt. Paul Lydell were engaged in preliminary Clean-Up Week preparations. All the shelter-belt areas of the city were raked up and cleared of the winter collection of prairie tumble-weeds.

Fire Chief Pat Quane reported that the April 1-7 annual Clean-Up project was being well planned by Fire Marshal John Ward, with the co-sponsorship of the Richland Safety Council. City cooperation had been delivered as promised in the parks and open areas of the city, and civic organizations also were lining up for special projects of their own.

THE RICHLAND Veterans of Foreign Wars will have the

junior baseball players out to clean up all the local baseball fields, and the Richland Junior Chamber of Commerce will have a detail assigned to make spotless the Memorial baseball park off George Washington Way.

Directed by George Bowers of the School Department, squads of students will be organized to remove the clutter from school grounds, the Bomber Bowl, and the athletic areas.

The Chamber of Commerce will issue a request to all merchants in the city in its regular bulletin to have all stores and alleys thoroughly inspected and cleared of all fire hazards so that when the inspectors from the fire department make their visits next week, everything will be in ship-shape order.

The Rev. M. M. Finkbeiner has contacted members of the Ministerial Association and has asked all churches to put on a special Clean-Up project so that all church grounds will be in good order and church basements will be examined for any existing fire hazards. Organizations of young people in the churches will be asked to take an active interest in this project.

THE FINE weather over the weekend was taken advantage of by hundreds of householders who were out on their own premises doing the annual clean-up jobs. Fire Marshal Ward has issued a special request to all residents to make thorough inspections of their houses, especially basements, where fire hazards seem to collect during the winter months. The combined efforts of all city residents along these lines will make Richland one of the cleanest cities in the state, Marshal Ward said.

# SEEN and HEARD

BY THE  
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The Central United Protestant Church on Stevens Drive has one of the largest parishes in the Tri-Cities area, and has long since outgrown the old church building which it has occupied since its establishment in Richland.

We heard during the past week that plans have been started for a new and modern church building which will have adequate size and facilities to meet the increased demands of its growing congregation, and its many active church and youth activities.

The new church building will have an overall measurement of 60 by 120 feet, or a total of 7,200 square feet, which probably will make it the largest church edifice of its kind in the All-America City.

The Central United Protestant Church has had an outstanding record for its services to the people of Richland, and is to be congratulated on the timely expansion of its Christian programs.

DR. W. D. (Dag) NORWOOD, a noted hunter in his own right, is planning an exciting hunting trip to Alaska, and we take this opportunity to issue a warning to any mountain sheep up that way that thinks it may live to a ripe old age.

This column gave you the exclusive announcement about the Pancake House locating a new restaurant on George Washington Way, near the Bali-Hi Motel. That was only a couple of weeks ago and if you drive by now you will notice that the building is half up. It is rising like a pancake. This new restaurant is near the Richland Village apartments and the other 64 apartments on George Washington Way at Williams. There are lots of wives in all these places and can you imagine what they will be doing when their husbands go to work. Pancake breakfasts.

Don't know if G.E. has heard about it but there have been complaints about soot being dropped around the neighborhoods from the big chimney in the 700 area. Recent winds carried deposits down as far as Albertson's and the Ford Motor car area.

The big neon sign that has fronted the Desert Inn has gone for good. To take its place two new neon signs will be installed at each end of the building on George Washington Way to catch the eye of visiting tourists.

Frequently you see big trucks transporting loads of dirt or cinders through city streets. The other day a Richland motor patrol happened to be behind one as it rounded a corner too fast and scattered scads of the load on the pavement. The officer followed and witnessed the process repeated at two more street intersections. We HEARD that the officer gave the driver the choice of going to court on a speeding charge or cleaning up the streets at the three intersections. The driver lost an hour with shovel and broom and had the "law" as supervisor.

BILL BLAKELY and family have moved from Moses Lake to Richland. He is the new manager for the cleaning department at Rudy Rice's Carpetland.

The new federal building (cost — \$9 million) will be a seven-story structure, and the local post office will occupy a one-story annex on the Knight Street side of the building. It will have 19,000 square feet of space as compared with its present 6,400 — about three times as large as the old stamping grounds at George Washington Way and Knight. We will soon be living in a post-age.

MRS. GEORGE A. LAST, who has been elected to a two year term of the Richland Branch of the American Association of University Women, has had a distinguished record in the field of education. Before coming to Richland, she was prominent in the Salt Lake branch of the same organization. Before her recent elevation to the high office she now holds, she was recording secretary of the local branch and has had experience in directing its many educational projects.

The Richland Branch makes contributions to fellowships for women who are earning their doctorates in other important fields of education. Whatever she does, this new president is certain to make a Last-ing impression on her contemporaries.

The Roy Davis Furniture Co. has installed a new radio system by which it keeps in constant touch with its delivery trucks at all distances in the Tri-Cities area.

TED PRICE, for 18 years connected with General Electric and AEC in the housing division, and who retired a few months ago, is now associated with the Spencer - Kinney Insurance and Real Estate Co. He will be active

in the real estate section.

He is one of the best-informed men in this section of the state on properties, which means that he can give Price-less advice to prospective investors.

You probably have called a telephone number and over the wire comes the recorded voice of a sweetie who says something like this: "The number you have called has been changed . . . please dial" etc. What you probably do not know is that nine out of ten people who listen to this record will say "thank you" and hang up. People are funny — and inherently polite.

MRS. GLEDA FRAMBACH, who operates the Elite Shoppe in Uptown business district was one of the early investors in the future of Richland. She started business in the Downtown district many years ago and was one of the original members of the Chamber of Commerce, being a regular attendant at the then-weekly meetings. Today she plays a prominent and active part in the Uptown Retailers association.

She has cooperated in most of the local community drives, and services, the Business and Professional Women's Club, the Legion

Auxiliary, and other community organizations.

Our verbal bouquet today goes to this fine woman whom we all admire.

Looks like the recent election wiped all the Democrats from the city council removing the non from the non-partisan.

The season is here when people with green thumbs also will have black and blue knees.

Saw by the paper the other day where a small church had merged with a large one. The little one has now become a holy-owned subsidiary.

Work on the new Arctic Drive-Inn restaurant on Williams Boulevard near George Washington Way has been speeded up. There was a temporary delay when local authorities decreed changes in beam sizes — a requirement in Fire Zone 2. The building will measure 26 by 48 feet and will have enamel wall paneling. Opening day will be May 1.

There are now about 197 This and That National Weeks, and all that is lacking is a National Itching Week. As this is a new idea we will have to start from scratch.

## Follies Parade Might Be Tried In Big Park

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Discussions at the regular meeting of the 1962 Water Follies Association recently gave the prelude to proposed innovations at the July event which may attract thousands of people to Columbia Park.

The biggest change in the plans which have existed for years was to stage the regional parade within the park rather than in Pasco or in Richland or Kennewick. In the past these parades in the city have attracted up to 20,000 spectators, and the public has found it convenient to enjoy them on city streets where there was plenty of parking areas especially for the out-of-towners. Problems which will be new to the parade management can be foreseen in developing a parade route in the park area which has

only one river road available and which could not accommodate any parked cars along said route.

If it were possible to have 10,000 people go to the park to watch the parade, and have them all buy tickets for this privilege, the Follies would receive a boost to its finances which would enable the organization to put on future shows of increased size and attraction, and vie with such other events as the Pendleton Round-Up and county fairs and rodeos, officials indicated.

WHAT THE association is trying to do is to arrange its future programs so that most of them can be carried out in the park area, rather than scattered among the three cities. Of course there will be those who will ob-

ject to this and will want each city to get a share of the attractions.

It was announced that there was a possibility this year of having a brand new feature which would attract 1,500 Sea Scouts to the July 12-15 Water Follies for exhibits, boating events on the Columbia River water front, and contests. These scouts would come from all over the state and nearby states, would transport their own boats here, and probably would also attract a large following of their own. A complete report on this possibility may be heard at the next meeting.

A CHANGE will be made this year in the queen-judging contest. In past years, the coronation ball has been held in one

of the cities during the Follies week of events, keeping a large number of people away from the park. This coming July the ball will be held on Saturday night, prior to the Follies dates. The selection of queen will be made on a new point basis this year, it was announced. There will be 25 points for beauty, 25 points for personality and poise, 25 points for cooperation with the Water Follies Committee.

This last designation relates to the public appearances which will be required of the queen candidates in events to advertise the project.

Clubs and organizations sponsoring queen candidates will be required to sell 10 tickets for each member of the club, or a

## News Of Interest To Veterans

# Parmer Replacement Will Be Discussed Monday

Decision on a replacement for Hap Parmer as new commander of the Cook-Erickson Post 7952, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will be made at the regular meeting of the Post Monday night at the VFW Uptown headquarters.

Parmer was nominated at the organization's meeting during the past week, without opposition. He was injured in an auto accident on Saturday, his birthday, and died Monday morning.

Parmer was one of the originators of the VFW Junior Rifle Club which has been in operation for the past seven years, and supervised its activities during those years. He has been devoted to youth activities sponsored by the VFW.

Nominations, in addition to Parmer's, made at the recent VFW meeting were: senior vice-commander, Dr. Earle Husell; junior vice-commander (open); adjutant and quartermaster, Norman L. Gross; chaplain Gordon Towe; judge advocate, U. Lester Sweetin, three-year trustee, W. L. Owens; two-year house committeeman, John Lagrone, Lawrence Hetrick.

**COMMANDER** U. Lester Sweetin, retires from office next month. One of the important projects he originated, and carried out was the presentation of large 50-star American flags to all the schools in Richland, a total of 360, one for every class room in the high, two junior highs, and seven elementary schools. In addition to his numerous post duties, he has served as chief of staff for the Washington State VFW Department.

National Commander Robert E. Hansen, Veterans of Foreign Wars, of St. Paul, Minn., was the guest of the Washington State VFW in Spokane during the past week as his first stop of a state-wide tour. The following members of the Richland VFW Post attended the banquet in his honor: Commander U. Lester Sweetin, chief of staff; Commander C. C. Owings, 17th District; Past Dept. Commander Marvin M. McDonald, Past Commander Lawrence O. Hetrick, Arthur Hansen and Fred Krier, Pasco Post Commander. The Auxiliary was represented by President Eunice Hetrick, Senior Vice-President Margaret Sweetin, Past President Lillian McDonald, Marguerite Owens, Leah Kinnis, and Georgine Krier of the Pasco auxiliary.

AT THE DINNER Chief of

Staff U. Lester Sweetin gave the address of welcome and introduced Department Commander Boyd Rozen, who in turn presented the national Commander Hansen. In his address, said that whether we like it or not we are the leader of the free and anti-communist groups in the world. He added that the two million members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars are pledged to expose and resist communism at any cost. He mentioned also that the VFW is openly opposed to activities of any communist-tainted groups in the United States and local areas.

Following the lead of the Richland VFW Post, Yakima and Walla VFW posts are organizing Junior Rifle Clubs, and it is reported that competitive

rifle shoots will be arranged with them. District Commander C. C. Owings announced that the 17th District has reached its 1962 membership quota, and has actually passed the 100 per cent mark.

**AT THE MEETING** of the Richland Marine Corps League Auxiliary Wednesday at the Community House, there was a discussion about the Auxiliary state conference which will be held in Richland on Saturday and Sunday, April 7-8, at the Desert Inn. President (Mrs.) A. G. Bals announced that plans are being made for this important event and the entertainment of the visitors. All the state officers are expected to be here.

Mrs. Frances Flora, President Mille Johnson and Mrs.

Blanche Nelson of Richland Post 71, the American Legion Auxiliary, had charge of the cake sale which was held at the Stone Food store. The money raised will be used for one of the many projects which the Auxiliary has planned. The regular Auxiliary meeting was held Monday night at the home of Mrs. Blanche Nelson, and thanks were extended to members who contributed to the cake sale.

Question of the week—  
Q—On what basis are some peacetime veterans eligible for VA hospitalization?

A—They may be eligible if they were discharged, retired or released from active service for disability incurred or aggravated in line of duty, or are receiving compensation for a service-connected disability.

## Apartment Plan To Aid Retirees Needs Sponsor

Plans have been drawn and federal funds are available for the building of double and single apartments for retired people, and this development can come to Richland if a church organization, a veterans' organization or an organized labor union, without cost to themselves, will come forward and agree to be the sponsor.

This situation came up for discussion at the meeting of the Tourists and Conventions Committee of the Richland Chamber of Commerce during the past week. It was announced that two local church groups had been interviewed recently and asked to consider the proposition but because of their own many activities neither one was in a position to take on the responsibility.

The need of such apartments to give residence to the many people who are periodically retiring from the General Electric Co. and who wish to continue living in Richland was emphasized. It was stated that there are scores of retired people in the Tri-Cities area who would gladly come to Richland to live if the proposed facilities were available. The committee members agreed that an effort should be made at once to interest a non-profit organization here to look into this project with a view of assuming the sponsorship.

**ARTHUR HAWORTH** presided as chairman of the Tourists and Conventions Committee, and 30 other men and women were present represent-

ing several local organizations, as well as the city health, fire, police, and school departments. Organizations represented included the Veterans of Foreign Wars, local garden clubs, the Richland Golf and Country club, the Three Rivers Mineralogy Society, square dance clubs, the Inter-Mountain Club, the Beaux and Allied Arts associations, Chamber of Commerce, Retail Merchants association, and churches.

Representatives from all these organizations were called upon for their ideas and all them promised the support of their units in any projects that would attract tourists and conventions to Richland.

**ONE SUBJECT** that was deemed of real importance to the city was the establishment of an Information Bureau which would be supplied with the answers to all the questions being asked by visitors here.

Chairman Haworth called attention to the plan of local riding clubs to create a bridle path along the Yakima River out

as far as its confluence with the Columbia River. He also mentioned that since the last meeting there had been several calls from farmers across the river offering cooperation in the effort to have ferry service reopened on the Columbia River.

Harold Morgan of the Chamber of Commerce spoke about plans of the Sunset Memorial Gardens to have a formal dedication in the near future during which people may view the completed mausoleum, and other developments. Work is starting on another four acres just north of the present cemetery.

**GEORGE BOWERS** talked about the possibility of having a higher institution of learning located in Richland and said that as members of the City Council have stated their approval of such a project, the public now looked to that municipal entity to make good on its promise. Although there has been a disagreement on the location of such a college, all are agreed that it will be important to the cultural growth of the city.

The possibility was mentioned that hotel and motel managements here might combine to have a large neon lighted outdoor advertising sign erected on Route 410 near the Route 3 entrance highway to Richland, to direct tourists here for night lodging, or vacation stops, especially during the summer months when there will be an influx of millions of out of town visitors to the state for the Seattle World's Fair.

## New Manager Of Clinic Is Announced

Robert Pinckney of Oregon has been appointed manager of the new Richland Clinic on Jadwin avenue near Swift boulevard and will assume his new duties next week. He will have a temporary office downtown until the new building is finished.

The new clinic manager has had special training in his line and has performed similar duties in the nearby state.

The Richland Clinic building is fast nearing completion, and during the recent cold months artisans and craftsmen have been busy on inside construction. Work on the outside of the building and later on the grounds will start within a few days.

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We HEAR the important news that a five-year plan for the Kadlec Methodist Hospital contemplates an expenditure close to \$3,000,000 for new buildings and facilities.

No official release has been given about this but we all appreciate the fact that such an expansion has been needed for some time.

The project will probably include a modern hospital building to take the place of the present scattered set of buildings, some of the old war-time buildings will disappear and the new facilities will meet the demands of a growing city. These, with our present privately-owned and operated Medical Arts and Dental buildings, and the new Richland Clinic, now nearing completion, will truly make Richland the largest medical center in Southeastern Washington.

Next week — April 1-7 is the Annual Clean-Up project.

For HEALTH, gather and haul away that accumulation of trash and rubbish from attics, basements and closets.

For SAFETY, a tidy home helps prevent accidents. When you fix-up, you protect your family from falls and injuries.

For BEAUTY get out the spray guns and brushes for the type of work that adds to the value of your home.

For CIVIC PRIDE, have that yard raked, the fences fixed and painted, flower seeds planted, bushes and trees trimmed. Help to improve the block in which you live.

The Pasco Chamber of Commerce is illustrating what an organization can do with a trained manager and a hot board of directors, an unbeatable combination. Getting new industries is a science in itself and has to be handled by men trained for it.

Our All America City is fortunate in the character of the men who make up its police force. They rate higher than the average in our municipalities. Today a man has to have a good educational background to even pass an examination for the police force. When he makes it he is trained in scientific police methods, public relations, criminal law and criminology, psychology and the public statutes. To select a typical example of the modern police officer, meet **Capt. Thomas J. McGuire**, a public servant who is a credit to his chosen line of work, and who in addition is an active participant in community activities, as a citizen. In addition to being a vigorous force in the religious and social life of his church, he is one of the leaders in the projects of the local Toastmasters clubs, serves on the youth committee of the Richland Kiwanis club, and never fails to respond to any calls made upon him in community drives and services. You seldom meet a finer type of citizen than Capt. Tom McGuire.

A local speaker said the other night that you can almost tell the type of person driving a car if you follow him in your own car and watch his methods. He mentioned that a careful driver is a conservative. A fast driver is a man usually irresponsible and unreliable. An erratic driver needs his head examined. We tried this one day and followed a young woman driver and had no trouble classifying her. We noted "RAH" on her license plate and knew right away that she must be a cheer leader.

Down in the Albertson's super-market the other day we noticed a newspaper clipping on the store bulletin board. It related to the subject of store clerks and the courteous treatment of customers, and how such employees can be assets to a business. The article was clipped from a recent SEEN And HEARD column in the Richland villager.

In a recent local boxing exhibition one young fellow won a close decision, then took off the gloves and threw them across the ring. We trust that the coach gave this youngster a side talk on good sportsmanship.

A hundred new homes have been built in Richland and there doesn't seem to be any trouble about finding buyers and occupants for them. Many out-of-town people who formerly lived here are coming back. There appear to be no official incentives behind this development, just natural growth.

"We are on the spot," a member of the City Council said to us a few days ago. "People expect us to bring new industries to Richland and if we fail to do so, we will have to face some real criticism". Truly spoken.

There is a big increase in these telephone solicitations and we have heard many complaints from householders. What can be done about it. Most of them come from out-of-town solicitors who apparently are taking this method of commercial trading rather than pay the local permit fees for house-to-house calls. In several cases where householders have asked for the names and telephone numbers of the solicitors, the callers just shut off without giving the information. This is one of the by-products of the Tri-Cities area telephone courtesy which eliminated the 10-cent toll charge between the cities. Innovations always have their pros and cons.

The Kadlec Methodist Hospital Auxiliary under the presidency of Mrs. J. J. Tagen gives an exemplary example of what dedicated women can do in service to others. These ladies give hours of their time to associated hospital duties and are on call day and night for special services. Mrs. Tagen herself has an enviable record as a civic-

minded leader. For many years she performed as the alert manager of the Chamber of Commerce and has always been one of the communities social leaders. To prove her versatility she is also one of the best women golfers in the Tri-Cities area. Her experience and talents have also been contributed to many important community drives and activities. A Very Important Person in the VIP category.

A Marcus Whitman teacher told us about a pupil the other day who asked her, "Can I be punished for something I did not do?" "Of course not," she replied, not expecting a trap. "Well," said the boy, "I didn't clean my room and mama punished me."

Fire Marshal John Ward completed the annual Fire Prevention Book for the local department and yesterday it was forwarded to the Washington State Firemen's Association to be entered in the annual state competition. Wouldn't he be surprised to see it win another "first" to be added to our large collection.

## Smashup Loss Averages \$380 Each

The police accident and violation record for last month, read and studied at the latest Safety Council meeting and presented by Sgt. W. H. Gordon of the Richland Police Department showed 228 traffic arrests, 24 accidents and eight persons injured. Property damage amounted to \$9,109, an average of \$380 per accident.

Complaints were signed against 22 drivers in 23 of the 24 accidents. Seventeen of the accidents occurred during daylight hours and seven at night. Most of the offenders were between the ages of 16 to 25.

Sgt. Gordon reported that most of the local accidents happen on arterial thoroughfares where speeding drivers are largely apprehended, and very few in neighborhood streets where the majority of drivers observe the stop signs, and watch for children.

The Safety Council is planning its annual bicycle safety program in the elementary schools of the city. Pamphlets with instruction on the care of bikes, traffic rules, and other pertinent information will be distributed among 5,000 boys and girls who attend the local schools.

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You cannot call Richland a city of dives, although we do have several swimming pools here now.

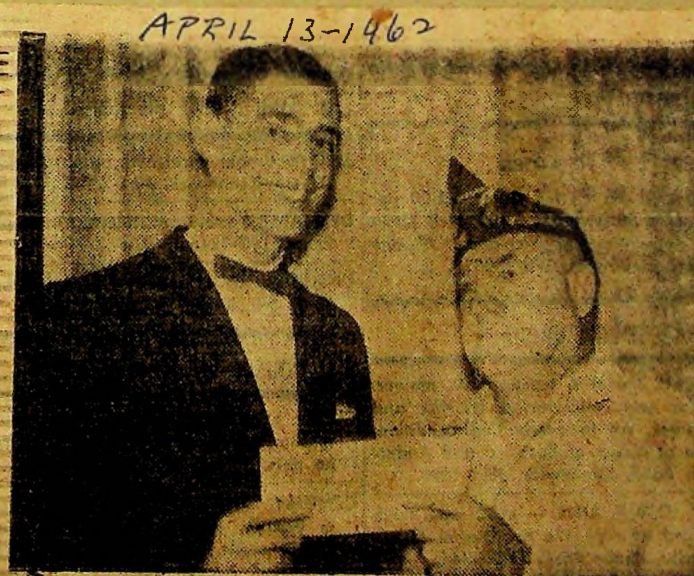
The Hanford Atomic Metal Trades Council which meets at the Richland Labor Temple Association building at 1305 Knight St., is composed of 23 participating unions. They are: Building Service 201, Boilermakers 104, Carpenters & Millwrights 2403, Chemical Workers 369, Hanford Guards 21, Independent Brotherhood Electrical Workers 112, IBEW 77-111, IBEW 77-139, Industrial Firemen 37, Instrument Guild 24546, Ironworkers 14, Machinists 1951, Operating Engineers 280, Painters 427, Plumbers & Steamfitters 598, Sheet Metal Workers 242, Teamsters 839, Technical Engineers 17, Firefighters 1052, Welders 541, and Sign and Pictorial Painters 1777.

The above is in answer to a query from a Blue Avenue resident. We might add that these union groups are among the best in the United States, and they have never had a strike against the Hanford plant.

Richland Women's Club.

Fire Marshal John Ward reported on the annual Clean-up Week project, April 1-7. He

said the real success of the program depends, as always, on the individual property owners and householders of Richland.



**WILL ATTEND** — David George Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hal Smith of 217 Jadwin, has been sponsored by the Richland Veterans of Foreign Wars Post to attend the 1962 Boys State, a project of Richland Post 71, the American Legion. He is handed his credentials by Commander U. Lester Sweetin of the VFW Post.

## Apartment Are Nearly Completed

The new Sunland Apartments at 1309 and 1311 Goethals Drive are nearing completion and probably will be ready for public inspection by June 15, Richland realtor Maury Kirkpatrick announced yesterday.

The two apartment buildings contain 16 apartments practically with the same square footage as the average ranch house. The living rooms measure 13 by 20 feet, have fire place and wood paneling, and most of the rooms will have wall-to-wall carpeting. There will be two large bedrooms, a 10 by 12 dining area, an 8 by 15 covered patio, a 10 by 12 kitchen, wall-to-wall wardrobe closets, garbage disposals, hall space for washing machines and driers in each separate apartment.

Between the two buildings will be a water spray fountain with colored lights, and attractive landscaping. Each apartment will also have its individual carport.

Purpose of the owners is to sell the apartments rather than rent them. Purchasers may select their own colors for the interior decor, and the occupants will have the tax benefits that go with home owners. About 30 inquiries already have been received from prospective buyers. If all the apartments are completely sold, it is planned to erect similar apartment buildings later.

## Sweetin Picked By VFW Again

Commander U. Lester Sweetin was elected to a second term to lead Cook-Erickson Post 7952, Veterans of Foreign Wars, during the 1962-63 years.

Other officers chosen at the Post meeting were: senior vice-commander, Dr. Earle Russell; junior vice-commander, William Kendrick; chaplain, Gordon Towne; judge advocate, Marvin M. McDonald; surgeon, L. C. Simmons. Thomas Murphy and Lawrence O. Hetrick were elected to two-year terms on the house committee, and James LaGrone for a one-year term.

Commander Sweetin announced that the installation of officers would take place on Saturday night, April 7, at the Post headquarters, with Past Department Commander McDonald as the installing officer. Officers of the Auxiliary also will have their installation service the same night.

**AS A FEATURE** of the April 7 meeting, continuous membership awards will be given to the following members: for 15 years, W. H. Adams, Welch Jones, M. F. O'Bannon; for 10 years, W. O. Anderson, G. W. Bailey, M. K. Bayless, W. W. Beall, L. M. Berry, A. Burge-meister, R. G. Burrus, J. E. Calahan, F. S. Clugston, D. W. Corbell, D. Crittenden, E. J. Cunningham, W. E. Dahl, D. W. Damschen, H. W. Denton, J. C. Dunn, K. G. Dunn, H. H. Ehm-sen, J. S. Faust, J. F. Gerdes, J. M. Goff, Jr., R. B. Quinn, R. E. Hale, C. A. Harmon, W. C. Hath-away, S. M. Hindman, D. D. Hinkle, W. J. Kaigler, W. P. Kendrick, R. E. Karns, W. R. Kirby, B. A. Klais, H. J. Klute, A. F. Kurtz, J. J. LaChapelle, H. H. Lane, C. C. Lewis, C. A. McCoy, L. J. McMahon, J. F. Mackland, R. V. Moore, H. G. Morgan, F. L. Murphree, J. R. Perry, A. J. Peterson, E. A. Pfister, J. J. Rooney, D. P. Schively, D. W. Simpson, H. H. Smith, R. J. Smith, D. L. Smith, E. L. Soudahl, H. W. Strock, C. W. Taylor, W. E. Thomas, R. R. Tillson, G. L. Wagenaar, D. W. Walker, D. D. Westover.

At the post meeting during the past week the VFW charter was draped in memory of the late Senior Vice-Commander Hap Parmer, who lost his life in an automobile accident recently.

It was announced that Tom Seaton had been appointed instructor for the VFW Junior Rifle Club.

**PAST COMMANDER** Russell Grob and Ray Tillson of Richland Post 71, the American Legion, attended a birthday observance of the Cornell Legion Post last week and were introduced by District Commander Kay Whitted. At the suggestion of the Richlanders, a resolution was passed recommending Commander Whitted for the office of Department Vice-Com-

mander of the 4th area at the coming state convention of the Legion.

The Walla Walla Legion Post also had a 43d birthday Legion party last week, and Richland was represented by Past Commander and Mrs. James Sker-bitz, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Stemen, and Past Commanders Russell Grob and Ray Tillson.

Next meeting of the 12th district will be hosted by the Walla Walla Post on Saturday, May 12.

**COMMANDER U. Lester Sweetin** extends his thanks and appreciation to those who participated in the military funeral service of the late Senior Vice-Commander Hap Parmer, who lost his life in a recent automobile accident. Burial was at Sunset Memorial Gardens. The firing squad at the grave was provided by the Richland Police Department.

Veterans' Administration hospitals are treating thousands of additional patients without a corresponding increase in beds. The agency's 171 hospitals had 28,000 more patients last year than in the previous 12 months. Ability of hospitals to shorten the period of stay resulted from improved medical staffing, increasing efficiency of hospital programs, and the VA's new program of prehospital and post-hospital care.

**ATTENTION** is called to the possible loss of current pension checks, plus retroactive repayment of pension money received in 1961, to many veterans and widows of deceased veterans who have failed to return their annual income questionnaire.

The law makes it mandatory that completed questionnaires be received from each pension recipient to determine whether annual income exceeds the legal ceilings.

**Question of the week—**  
Q—I am an Air Force reservist. Is it true that if I am recalled to active military duty I do not have the protection of rights under the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act that returning servicemen of other branches have?

A—The Act, passed before creation of the Air Service as an independent branch of the service, did not include air force personnel. However, subsequent legislation blanketed them for full coverage of rights.

## Ouster For Misconduct Is Resolution's Goal

At the recent meeting of Cook-Erickson Post 7952, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Past Department Commander Marvin M. McDonald introduced a resolution which was passed, and copies will be sent to all other posts in the state asking that they also support the proposal with their votes at the next state convention.

This resolution provides for the expulsion from the VFW organization of any veterans who are guilty of misconduct at any state convention involving the destruction of property and any other action which reflects discredit upon the good name of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. These incidents have happened in the past at all types of conventions but no punitive action has ever been authorized by the organization.

**TOMORROW NIGHT** at the VFW headquarters, Commander U. Lester Sweetin and the newly-elected officers of the post will be installed with ceremonies conducted by Past Department Commander M. M. McDonald. At the same time, the newly-elected officers of the auxiliary will be installed. Many visiting VFW officials are expected to attend and to enjoy the social hour which will follow. The membership of the Richland VFW post has passed the 360 mark and is within a few members of reaching the 1962 quota.

The activities of the VFW Junior Rifle Club, which is associated with the National Rifle Association, will be continued under the direction of Tom Seaton, who has given many years to this youth project. He will take over duties performed for the past seven years by the late Hap Parmer.

**EARLY PLANS** are being made by the VFW Post and Auxiliary for the annual Poppy Sale which is planned as the May project just prior to Memorial Day. Committees have been appointed to handle this project, and this year the person who turns in the most money for poppy sales will receive a U.S. Government bond donated by Commander Sweetin. It is expected that junior groups associated with the auxiliary will be on the streets to help in the sales.

The poppies to be sold have been made by the disabled veterans in the VA hospitals and the money raised will be used in the program of rehabilitation of veterans and care of widows and orphans.

Another VFW May project is Loyalty Day which comes each year on May 1. On this day all citizens are asked to rededicate themselves to the service of their country and for the de-

fense of the American freedoms.

**THE APRIL** issue of the American Legion Magazine has an article on the Seattle World's Fair with many illustrations of the diversified attractions and an invitation to veterans all over the United States to plan their vacation trips to the state of Washington. This should help to swell the influx of millions of tourists expected here during the coming summer months.

The Veterans Administration warns Korean veterans who are getting GI training to double-check the terminal date for VA assistance. Many Korean veterans are nearing the deadline for completing their work and may need to take more courses to finish in time. No Korean veteran can get VA educational aid later than eight years from the date of his separation from active duty, and Jan. 31, 1965, is the latest that any can continue training or courses under the Korean GI bill.

**THE VA SEEKS** qualified hospital recreation specialists to work in its hospitals in the U.S. and Puerto Rico. Salaries range from \$4,345 to \$7,560. Those chosen will conduct recreation activities of proven value in the rehabilitation of hospitalized vets. Applicants may qualify on basis of certified training without written exam.

**Question of the week —**  
Q—Since I bought a home with a GI loan my family has increased. I have used my GI loan rights, but is there any way I can get a supplemental loan for remodeling my home to provide additional living quarters?  
A.—You get the loan guaranteed by the VA if the holder of your present mortgage is willing to make the supplemental loan. Eligible veterans may get VA guaranteed supplemental loans for alterations, repairs or improvements needed to maintain their property or to substantially improve the livability of their home.

# SEEN and HEARD <sup>APRIL 6 1962</sup> BY THE ROVING REPORTER

Next week Friday, April 13, may be a lucky day for Richland.

The Interim Committee on Education from the Washington State Legislature will visit our All-America city and will study the situation here with reference to its potentials to qualify as a future college site.

Everybody should be interested in this, especially our city officials, all of whom have gone on record in favor of such an important project. This can become a live issue if all of us cooperate—the City Council, the Chamber of Commerce, other organizations and the sponsoring college group. All should work together.

Senator Mike McCormack, who envisions Richland as a future education and cultural center, will host the visiting interim committee, members of which will look over the North Richland area and the Hanford Laboratories. Keep your fingers crossed.

May we pay our respects today to a talented and versatile lady who since 1943 has contributed ideas and services to the community of Richland.

Mrs. Mina Miller of 515 Jadwin Ave. (Goethals) early in the Hanford days wrote the women's page in the Dupont publication, and her articles are also in the Dupont history of the project. In recent years she has been prominent in musical affairs. She is a charter member of the Richland Light Opera Company and was producer of its recent offering "The King And I". She had singing roles in several other opera presentations. Mrs. Miller is a singing member of the Central United Protestant Church choir under the direction of Sidney Irving. She is a former president and director of the Beta Sigma Phi sorority and has been identified with many other community services and civic projects. There is a little Miss Miller, aged seven, who may blossom out into a singing star like her charming mother. Mrs. Miller is the wife of Blake Miller, the insurance executive.

Bank robbers would have a tough time trying to do a job in Richland. The other day one of the Seattle-First National Bank employees accidentally stepped on a burglar alarm. Within minutes three police cars were at the Knight Street location and Chief Bob Marshall with Capt. E. E. Miller from headquarters, armed with rifles, were at the bank. In all, 10 police officers were on the scene. At the same time police cars sealed off all exits from the city. The police do a thorough job even if it happens to be a false alarm.

An unusual accident was caused here a few days ago when a woman driver steered her car over a sidewalk and through a hedge. What caused it all? There was a bee in her car and it hit her in the eye. After collecting her wits, she made a bee-line for home.

We have heard about some of our modern young people who graduate from college and who do not learn how to spell or write well. Last Thursday we met a man at the Community House where he was attending a meeting and he told us about his son who graduated from a Washington higher institution of learning and who did not know that when you paid a bill by check, the cancelled check came back to you. Unbelievable but true.

A Richland man told us yesterday about his father-in-law who is retired and lives in a Seattle apartment. He has been there three years and paid \$199 a month rental. A few days ago he received notice from his landlord that from now on the rent would be \$18 a day. Does this substantiate the stories we have been hearing about World Fair rent gouging. Seems so.

We went out on the porch yesterday to meet the mail man. As he handed us the letters we could hear symphonic music. As the mailman left the music faded. The transistor must have been in his mail bag.

Uptown Merchants are on the move. When their new project is completed they may have to rename their area the Garden of Eden. If you take a trip for a look-see, you will notice the beginning of a plan to beautify the entire business district. Large cement shrubbery pots measuring 30 by 30 inches containing evergreens have already been installed on the sidewalks in front of Newberry's, Dawson & Richards, National Bank of Commerce, Uptown Furniture, and Uptown Music. They were fabricated by Al Reil. The Uptown Merchants Association expects and hopes that every member will buy one of these innovations so that their district will become a thing of beauty. This is a great idea.

Here is one you won't believe. Cliff Euteneier, the Desert Inn barber had a stranger in his chair the other day. The customer said he just drove up from Oregon. "What brings you to Richland?" asked Cliff. "Came up to buy some cigarettes," was the reply. And there is no sales tax in Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. X of Sanford avenue were planning to have the bath room painted, and were trying to decide on the colors. "Why don't you have it in pink to match the towels?" "Couldn't do that" said Mrs. X. "We would have to paint the walls black to match the towels." Forgot to mention that there are seven kids and 14 pairs of dirty hands in the household.

Stanley Randolph, who writes auto insurance, was seated quietly in his office the other afternoon when he heard a loud crash. Looking out the front office window he saw his parked car heaving over the sidewalk. Rushing out he joined two police cars that had been following the motorist. Strange to relate the car that had crashed his bore an official state license plate. Phew for somebody!

When a boxer is knocked out, instead of using brandy to bring him back, why not try a punch.

Somebody asked us the other day what the difference is between a journalist and a newspaperman. A journalist uses all the fingers of both hands (like a secretary) when he types his copy, and a newspaperman uses only one finger on each hand.

Remember — April 16 is the last day for filing your federal income tax returns. You get an extra day because April 15 falls on a Sunday.

The new owners of the Colonial Apartments on Jadwin Avenue have renamed them the Park Lane Apartments.

We hear that a very important downtown business may leave Richland and locate either in Pasco or Kennewick. We talked with the owner yesterday about this, having heard the rumor. One of the things he mentioned was that it cost him \$2,000 a month for rentals, not counting the other costs of his business, and that the city recently increased his garbage collection charge from \$10 a month to \$25 a month. He said he could cut his initial costs of doing business in half by accepting offers made to him from people in Pasco and Kennewick.

April 18 is Patriot's Day. On the East Coast it is a holiday and people will flock to Concord and Lexington to revisit the scene where the embattled farmers stood and fought the British. Have your flag flying to the breeze as Paul Revere rides again.



TODAY IS Cancer Tag Day, sponsored by Christ the King Alter Society. Chief Pat Quane of the Richland Fire Department had the privilege of receiving the first tag pinned on by Mrs. James D. Ryan, chairman. Her co-chairman is Mrs. John Vache. More than 200 women have volunteered to cover the entire city today for the tag sale to raise funds for the Cancer Society drive. Women captains of the several soliciting teams are Mrs. Harry Brunelle, Mrs. H. A. Zweifel, Mrs. H. A. Carlberg, Mrs. B. E. Clark, Mrs. E. E. Thornton, Mrs. V. B. Schwinberg, Mrs. P. M. Hurley, Mrs. Lloyd Reining, Mrs. H. D. Smyth, Mrs. John O. Saba, Mrs. R. P. Rowe, Mrs. W. D. Keresetter, and Mrs. H. R. DeMeyer.

# Conventions And Other Gatherings Lure Many

Indications are that there is a gradual increase in the number of organizations seeking Richland for their convention locations. The Desert Inn has several signed up already, with other inquiries pending.

The hotel and local motels are filled over this weekend by many of the more than 1,000 Jehovah Witnesses who came to town from distant places and had meetings and circuit assembly at the Chief Joseph Junior High School and Freedom Hall. The keynote address will be given tonight at the school auditorium. The public is invited to attend these gatherings.

On May 8-11 the Instrument Society display is scheduled at the Community House and all local hostels have been reported signed up completely to handle some 300 representatives of instrument manufacturing companies throughout the United States. The headquarters will be at the Desert Inn hotel and attendance is expected from all the nearby cities and towns.

A CONVENTION of the State Farm Insurance Co. agents will be held in Richland April 16-18 at the Desert Inn, and 125 men and women will be here from the State of Washington and nearby states.

Another April convention for the 19-21 dates at the Desert Inn

will be held by dentists of the State Child's Dental Clinic, and 75 delegates and their families are expected to register for this annual event.

Arrangements have been completed for the Eastern Star convention to be held at the Desert Inn on May 5-6, with some 75 delegates attending.

A convention which will bring 2,000 persons to the Tri-Cities on June 1-2 is sponsored by the Shrine Clubs. The Tacoma Fi-Fi club will be at the Desert Inn during this big event.

ON MAY 12-13 The Tri-City TV Service, with 60 delegates in attendance, will be quartered at the Desert Inn for its meetings, dinner, and demonstrations.

Two conventions have been arranged for the months of September—one an engineering session with 150 people involved, on the 12th and 13th, and the Franklin County Credit Bureau get-together with 180 persons estimated to be here on the 21st and 22nd.

Up to now, only small conventions have found adequate facilities in Richland for their meetings, but with the increase in hotel and motel accommodations, including the proposed Hyatt House hotel, the future may see other larger organizations looking toward the All-America City for their gatherings.

## Details Given On New Clinic, Nearing Finish

The new Richland Clinic expects to have its official opening on or about May 7. It is located down town on Jadwin Avenue, formerly Goethals, near Swift Boulevard.

The sponsoring doctors, who will own and operate the new medical center are: Dr. Bjorn Lih, surgeon; Dr. M. R. Petersen, obstetrics and gynecology; Dr. J. O. Baugher, internal medicine; Dr. Ray J. DeMeritt, pediatrics; Dr. P. E. Kendall, internal medicine; and Dr. Edward J. Powers, pediatrics. This number may be increased to 10 in the future, as the new clinic will have accommodations and facilities for that number.

There will be 85 different rooms and halls in the new building, and the sub-contractors on plumbing and heating, air conditioning, electrical installations and fixtures, carpentry, and painting have their work practically completed. All

the floors will have vinyl tiling and the ceilings have acoustical plaster. The colors used on the walls vary in different rooms and are planned to make the patients feel at ease.

LAYOUT OF THE building provides for four medical divisions, (1) surgery, (2) obstetrics and gynecology, (3) pediatrics, and (4) internal medicine. In each division the doctors in charge will have their own offices, nurse quarters, consulting rooms and rooms for examinations. There will also be a modern X-ray section which will be fitted with the latest and most modern equipment for diagnostic X-ray work as well as fluoroscopy, the method used by doctors who can watch what is going on in your system. There will also be the latest design in X-ray developing machines which have automatic operation.

The new clinic will also have its own pharmacy where pre-

scriptions may be filled within minutes after they have been written. This pharmacy will be run under the supervision of Johnson Pharmacy of 1906 Robert Johnson, owner of the George Washington Way.

The building will have gas heat and electric air conditioning which will operate in six different zones. Part of the building has a basement for its heating apparatus and storage.

Also available will be facilities for minor surgery, such as setting bones and dressings, but all major operation cases will be performed at Kadlec Methodist Hospital. Complete laboratory facilities will be available for basic metabolism and cardiograph examinations. Separate lounges for the doctors and the nurses have been provided with attractive furnishings and decorations.

The new clinic business manager, Robert Pincney, has his own office section.

NEXT WEEK work will be started on the outside of the building and when it is completed the Richland Clinic will be one of the most attractive

## Gas Hazard Is Stressed

While this is Clean-Up Week, and many householders seem to be cooperating, Fire Marshal John Ward called attention to the fact that dangerous hazards may be created, especially in the use of gasoline.

A gas explosion on a boat a few days ago is an illustration of this. Several people were seriously burned.

"Gasoline should not be used as a cleaner," the fire marshal warned. "It is a fuel only and as such should be handled with care."

"When using gasoline remember that there are invisible, flammable vapors. A lighted match, cigarette, or electric spark can touch off a dangerous explosion. All refueling should be done out of doors where dangerous gases cannot accumulate. Keep away from all ignition sources and absolutely no smoking."

"With the boating and power lawn mower seasons, these dan-

gers increase. Before starting any motor, wipe up all spilled gasoline. Do not take any chances.

"Gasoline and all flammable materials should be stored in metal cans with tightly-fitting covers, in a well-ventilated, cool place. They should be used in small amounts, out of the house, and out of the reach of children. Never use glass bottles or jugs for gasoline. Service attendants are prohibited from filling glass containers with gasoline."

"Never store gasoline in your house. If you do, you may not have a home."

structures in the expanding Richland Medical Center.

The front will be finished in white tile with the 14 columns of gold anodized aluminum. There will be an extensive glass front area of heat resistant quality, and a broad stair-mounted entrance leading into a wide reception area. A curb around the north side of the building will enclose rocks and the landscaping will include evergreen trees as a background for the lawns. At the north side of the building will be a parking area for 80 cars. At the rear of the building there will be a ramp entrance for non-ambulatory patients.

It has been announced that all the physicians and surgeons connected with the Richland Clinic will continue specialized training in all the fields of medicine in which they have been trained at least once a year, which will mean that they will visit different parts of the country each year to take refresher and advanced courses.

After the new clinic has been in operation about a month, it is expected that invitations will be sent out for a formal opening and inspection.

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A Civic Planning and Promotion Committee, representing the Richland Division of the Civic Improvement Association, was organized during the past week and is circulating a petition which later will be presented to the AEC and the U.S. Corps of Engineers.

The committee is interested in two Camp Hanford buildings — the officers' quarters and the service center warehouse — and will ask that they be left intact for at least one year, therefore permitting their availability (1) when the subject of expanding the existing Graduate Center at Richland is considered by the Washington State Legislature during its 1963 session, (2) for potential use of the warehouse for local industrial promotion in the event it is not used for education, and (3) for possible interim use of the Officers Quarters' lobby during the coming World's Fair season for a community-sponsored atomic exhibit within sight of the PRTR reactor.

People with ideas like these are looking into the future, and it isn't a "far-away" look.

There are many people who have doubts about the truth of one statement in our United States Constitution — the one about all men being born "equal". Our opinion is that such a statement is true if you analyze it fairly. When you are born you have nothing, you are naked, you cannot talk or think, you don't own an automobile or pay for cigars, you don't have to pay taxes. So you are all born equal. The only thing you can do, and do do, is to get a slap on the back and put up a squawk. Later on in life, as a citizen who neglects to vote you are still putting up a squawk for which you don't deserve a pat on the back.

We had a phone call from a man who said he saw a psychiatrist walking down the street with a couch on his head. Probably making a house call.

A car which pulled into a Lee Boulevard gas station had nine teen-agers on the two seats engaged in horseplay. After purchasing two gallons of gas the driver pulled away on screeching tires. There will be a day.

This is the time of the year when many organizations have their annual elections of officers. Not a few of them will choose incompetent presidents, or what have you. What leads up to this is the practice of filling the lower chairs with people who do not want the jobs or who are drafted for them and who do not have the proper qualifications. As they are moved up through the chairs they rarely develop into leadership material, and so incompetent people are put into the top jobs. And then members wonder why so few want to attend their meetings. This is one of the answers.

When kids steal garden sprinklers it is most likely that they have been put up to it by grown-ups. Better put your initials on all your garden equipment so that you can prove ownership when you see it in somebody else's yard. That's what the folks are doing up on Winslow Avenue, where these larcenies have been reported.

We HEAR that Jack Houston now owns title to the former Legion building on George Washington Way. This building mix-up has been in the federal court for several years and may be near settlement in which case bond-holders may get back some 25 per cent on their investment.

If you are a retired gentleman, complain about life in general and feel that you have worked long enough, give thought to former President Herbert Hoover who is around 85 years of age and keeps 20 secretaries busy every working day. His annual birthday photographs show that he still is smiling.

People who reside near him all say that Sam Campbell, Jr., who lives at 1203 Gowen is one of the best neighbors they ever knew. You don't get a compliment like that unless you deserve it. And hundreds of people all over town will agree with this estimate of a fine citizen. Sam had a lot to do with the building program at the Southside United Protestant Church and has taken part in many important community activities over the years. He came here back in 1948 from Oklahoma and has for the past several years been chief in the area Security Patrol. He is an ardent sports fan and has devoted much time in the past to Pony and Little League promotions. He belongs to several police organizations including the Washington State Police Chiefs Association.

A neighbor asked us the other day to recommend somebody who could help him to build a fence around his place. Without thinking we referred him to the Richland Amateur Fencers League.

Big movement in Horse Heaven real estate last week. It came to Richland on the 70-mile wind.

We heard that the planning stage for the new golf course on the Southside recreational area between George Washington Way and the Columbia River has been completed and work will start in the near too distant future. When completed this course will be one of the most popular in this part of the Tri-Cities area. Complaints have been heard recently from golfers who say that all the links are crowded on weekends and that it is sometimes impossible to play there.

One very fine appointment made by President Jim Rightmire of the Chamber of Commerce was Arthur Haworth as chairman of the Community Development Committee. This committee will incorporate the subject of tourists and conventions, and might also give support to the Southside Recreational Plan (Hyatt House, etc.) a future college for Richland, and various local commercial developments backed by private capital but sometimes warranting Chamber support. By the way, this committee will meet next Monday noon at the Desert Inn.

We hear that several organizations planning banquets expect to get cut rates for these affairs from local eating places, on the premise that it is cheaper to feed a large number of people. As a matter of fact it costs more to feed large groups because extra help has to be hired and at union rates. There is also extra time and expense in setting up for big banquets. The planners forget about these items. They have to be paid for and that goes into the price of the dinner.

We had a front door caller the other day who wanted a contribution to help out people in Spain. These portal touches seem to mount week after week. Sometimes you wonder if the money you do contribute actually gets to its destination or sticks to the outstretched paw of an occasional solicitor. We never know, but we can inquire.

## News Of Interest To Vets

### Mrs. Dennis Will Head Marine Auxiliary In '62

The state convention of the Marine Corps League Auxiliary was held in Richland during the past week, with the Richland Auxiliary as the hostess unit. The meetings and the dinner were enjoyed at the Desert Inn hotel by delegates who came here from all sections of the State of Washington.

At the opening morning session a welcome address was given by Mrs. A. G. Bals, president of the Richland Marine Corps Auxiliary, who then turned the gavel over to the department president, Mrs. Frank Ward. Each unit gave a report covering the year's projects, visitations to veterans hospital, and social events. A membership plaque was presented to the Tacoma Auxiliary for reaching the highest quota during the past fiscal year. All attended the no-host noon luncheon.

A memorial service, opened the afternoon session in remembrance of Mrs. B. Henry of Bremerton and Mrs. Edward Becker of Spokane.

ELECTION OF the new department officers for the coming year gave the following results: president, Mrs. O. W. Dennis of Richland; senior vice president, Mrs. Phillip Campbell; junior vice presidents, Mrs. C. W. Patty of Richland and Mrs. Daniel Henderson of Tacoma; judge advocate, Mrs. Frank Ward of East Wenatchee; chaplain, Mrs. William Wingfield of Richland; historian, Mrs. Bernice Johnson of Everett; guard, Mrs. Frank Lieb of Wenatchee; trustees, Mrs. Iva Cranston of Seattle, Mrs. Elvina Schmitt and Mrs. O. Lieb of Tacoma.

Installation of the new officers was conducted by Mrs. D. R. King, past department president. Mrs. Dennis, president, announced appointment of the following officers: captain of the guard, Mrs. A. Scott of Tacoma; secretary, Mrs. C. W. Patty; treasurer, Mrs. R. Gostnell; hospital chairman, Mrs. Stanley Randolph; Americanism chairman, Mrs. T. Miller; child welfare chairman, Mrs. F. Hysong.

President Dennis called a staff meeting after receiving her gavel and discussed state and local

plans for the coming year. A no-host dinner was followed by a meeting of the past presidents. Mrs. D. R. King was elected regent and appointed Mrs. A. E. Greaves as secretary and treasurer.

A TOTAL OF 150 veterans and their wives attending the annual installation of officers of Cook-Erickson Post 7932, Veterans of Foreign Wars, held at the Richland VFW headquarters, and the outstanding feature was the ritual portrayal put on by degree teams from the Sunnyside VFW Post and Auxiliary. Commander U. Lester Sweetin was hon-

ored with a second term as commander, a tribute to the record he made during the past year. Commander Sweetin also served as department chief of staff and as senior vice commander of the VFW 17th district.

Commander Sweetin will be assisted the coming year by the following officers, including his new appointments just announced: senior vice commander, Dr. E. A. Hussell; junior vice commander, William Kendrick; quartermaster and adjutant, Norman L. Gross; chaplain, Gordon Towne; surgeon, L. T. Simmons; judge advocate, M. M. McDonald; officer of the day, Robert S. Hughes; patriotic instructor, William L. Owens; historian, M. M. McDonald; service officer, Steve Jambor; legislative officer, Dion Corbell; trustees, J. M. Flisinger, Arthur Hansen, and W. L. Owen; guard George Stocker; assistant guard, Ernest Bauckland; public relations officer, Major W. C. MacBrayne; mutual benefit association officer, U. L. Sweetin; post photographer, Jack Zinn; fundraising committee chairman, Dr. E. A. Hussell; Boy Scout council, C. C. Owings; junior rifle club chairman, William Kendrick.

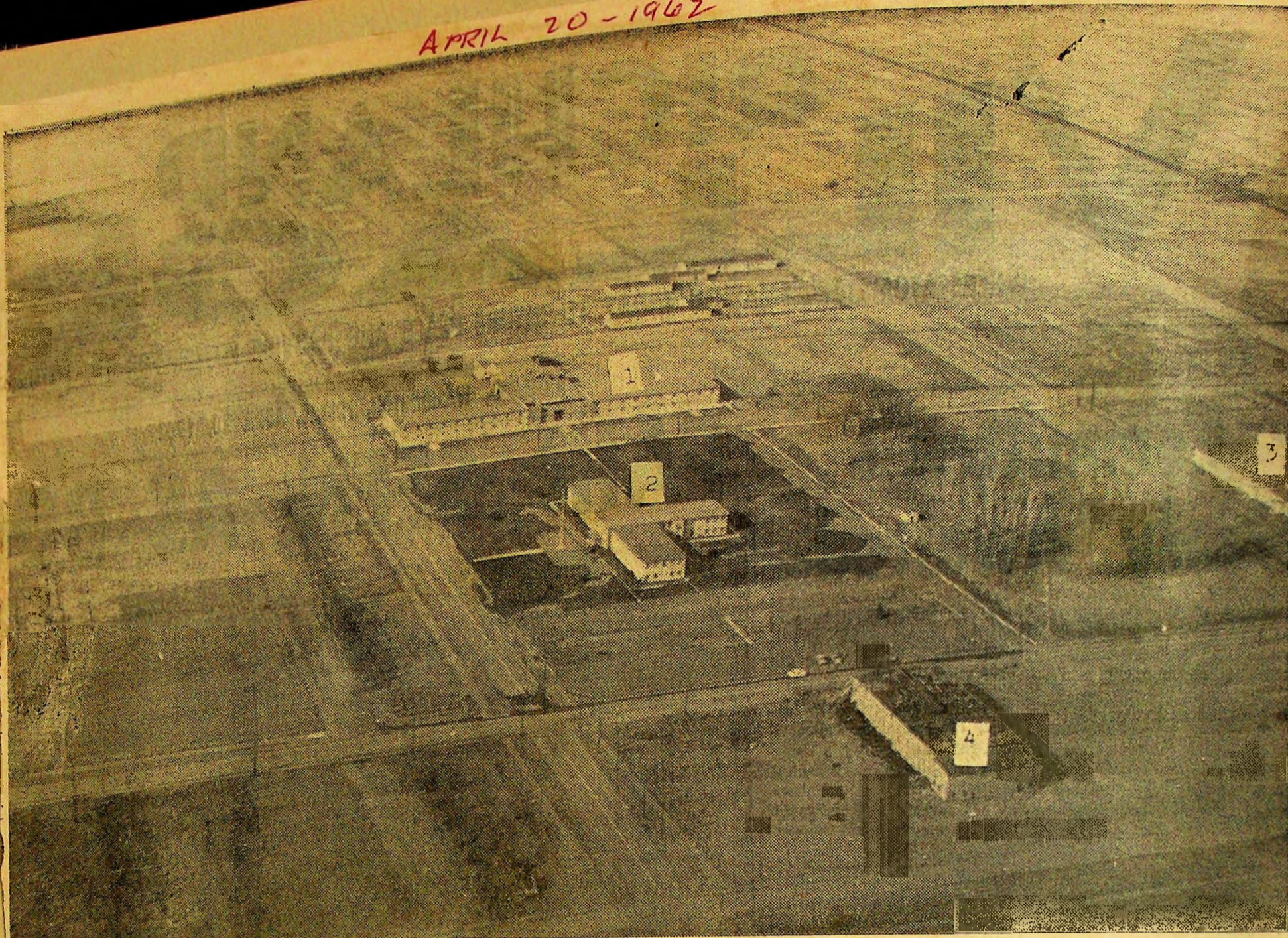
THE RICHLAND Marine Corps League, the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion Posts all owe their successful operation in no small measure to their women's auxiliaries. These women engage in projects of rehabilitation of veterans, the care of widows and

orphans, the sponsorship of youth activities for girls and boys, association with the Gold Star Mothers, the sale of poppies to raise funds for helping hospitalized veterans and their families, supplying hospitals with books, magazines and gifts, providing friendship and comforts for the elder citizens, Christmas parties for the children, sponsoring the March of Dimes and the Mothers March, and many other important community projects.

Question of the week — Q—Following World War II, I filed a claim for disability resulting from a back injury received in the service. The claim was not allowed then because no record could be found to substantiate my claim. Now after 16 years, a record of my hospitalization has been found. Will my claim be paid retroactively from the date I filed it?

A—Yes, if the claim is allowed and the service connection is established. The disability will have to be shown to exist still to prove that it has continued during the 16 years.

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THIS IS A bird's eye view of North Richland buildings which the Richland Planning and Promotion Committee is striving to save from demolition so that they can be used for educational or industrial purposes. No. 1 is former Officers' Club which can be used for college purposes or as a temporary Atomic Museum

during World's Fair year; No. 2 is former U.S. Army headquarters; No. 3 is Warehouse which might be available for industrial use; No. 4 is Theatre building, now being wrecked.

(Robley Johnson Aerial)



GLAMOR AS WELL AS experience are indicated in this photo of the newly-elected officers of the Cook-Erickson Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary, who were installed the past week. In front row (left to right) are: Rosemary Goodenow, secretary; Geneva Helgeson, junior vice-president; Margaret Sweetin, president; Mildred Johnson, senior vice-president; Lillian McDonald,

treasurer. In back row (left to right) are: Peggy Dullum, banner bearer; Mary Backlund, chaplain; Leah Kinnaas, conductress; Margaret Owens, historian; Jessie Hansen, flag bearer; Ruby Kendrick, color bearer; Rose Edgar, color bearer; Dorothy Led- ingham, color bearer; Eunice Hetrick, trustee.

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# SEEN and HEARD APRIL 20 1962 BY THE ROVING REPORTER

This column is privileged to give its readers some occasional exclusives on what is going on in our All-America City.

Two new light industry buildings are being erected on Wellsian Way, near Lee Boulevard intersection. The work has just started.

The Tri-City Tile and Masonry, locating here with Kenneth Thompson as manager, will have a one-story block construction building 30 by 80 feet which will house its offices and shops.

The other new firm is the Richland Auto Rebuild, owned and operated by Joe Lindgren and Glenn Stroud. Its building will measure 50 by 80 feet and will have offices and work shops. The company does auto body repairs and painting.

George A. Grant, Inc., has the contracts for constructing both buildings.

**We HEARD** that a warehouse point for the Bon Marche stores may be established on the Highlands near Richland and that land acreage has been acquired in two lots for \$80,000 and \$50,000. The Boise division will have a warehouse outlet here and not in Seattle.

Carload lots of merchandise for stores in this section of the Northwest will be unloaded here and distributed as store inventories require them. Department store sales are up but profits are down and new ideas and practices are in vogue to meet competition. So our inside informant tells us.

Talked with a Richland salesman who is now doing all of his business by telephone but isn't having too good results. He is losing personal contacts with people. It is easy to say "NO" to a telephone solicitor. Wonder if this guy would get any fun out of kissing his girl by telephone.

Police are investigating a suspect who has been baiting neighborhood dogs with poisoned meat. Folks who love their pets can save them by observing the dog ordinance and keeping the animals on their own premises. If your dog is on the loose you may not see him again.

Detroit's home run hitter Cash got that way by making a "small change" in his stance.

The wide front at Stone's Supermarket has new entrance-exit doors on the Williams Boulevard side of the building. This will relieve customer pressure at the former single entrance.

Frosty Norris, former professional baseball player with the Braves, is now associated with the Stanley Randolph Insurance Agency. During the hot summer the office will have a Frosty agent to cool it off.

Did you hear about a pretty maiden down town who caused an automobile accident? She was not driving a car nor was she in one. She just happened to be working in an office window and her boy friend, driving by, was waving at her and hit another car. Wandering eyes—a glancing blow.

Eddie Shearer (good name for a barber) was telling a hirsute customer the other day about how his father taught him how to cut down trees on the farm when he was a boy. "I used the hatchet and made a circular cut all around the bottom of the tree. When my father came around to inspect it he said 'Looks as though there is a beaver around here'."

Jim Blair, the new Chamber of Commerce manager, last year was the editor of the Junior Chamber of Commerce state newspaper, and he and Mrs. Blair were voted the outstanding JayCee couple in the state. With a fine background he should not have any trouble orienting himself in a new field of operations, the

first class All-American city of Richland. He deserves united cooperation and support.

We talked with the head of a new family which recently moved into a home on Hunt Avenue. He told us that even before the furniture had been taken into the house, three neighbors came in to offer their services, and later others visited his family with home-baked bread and cakes. "It was very heart-warming," he said, "and made us feel at home the very first day".

Add our congratulations to those who have been complimenting Architect Bob Ohashi on the fine new Richland Clinic building which he planned. In another two or three weeks it will be ready to be occupied by the surgeons and doctors who will have their offices there.

Mrs. G. L. Roberts, newly-elected president of the Kadlec-Methodist Hospital Auxiliary, has been devoted to this institution and its needs for many years. We hear that she is especially interested in the promotion of a two-year nursing program and will appoint a special committee to handle the project. Mrs. Roberts has always been interested in many important civic programs throughout the years and has contributed her talents and experience to countless good community causes.

In building new hospitals they are now figured by architects on so much per bed, as houses are to the cost per room. For instance, a 200-bed hospital at \$15,000 per bed would cost \$3,000,000. That price includes all installations. The cost per bed depends, of course, on what kind of a modern hospital you have in mind. Richland needs a new hospital and has a five-year plan in mind. Our spread-out wartime buildings have nearly outlived their usefulness.

W. E. Johnson, general manager for General Electric Co., is an expert in public relations, and his subordinates may well take their cue from his system. Mr. Johnson periodically issues friendly letters which appear in the G.E. NEWS and which are widely read by company employees. They prove his real interest in the relations of the company with the men and women who work with him. He is one official who regards his people as a part of the company and not merely hired help. The General Electric Co., is fortunate in having a man of his type and qualifications.

Jack Zinn tells us that he has developed the habit of turning off his TV or changing stations when he has to listen to some of these young phoney singers who are advertised or introduced as vocalists on different programs. He isn't the only one who does this.

Listened to a program on TV the other night describing how to prepare a certain food dish. The speaker said "You can serve this with pride". On another program we heard "Pride" advertised as a furniture polish. Must have been quite a flavor.

If you read the police court news you will notice that 90 per cent of the cases are for motor traffic violations—going through red lights, not observing "stop" signs, improper parking, speeding, failure to yield right of way, drunken driving, and the like. It's surprising how many people have never learned how to safely operate motor vehicles.

Police investigating a telephone call from a neighbor the other night found a man trying to force entrance into a house by opening a window. It was all right. The bachelor citizen had locked his keys in his car and wanted to go to bed.

The observance of Easter will begin in All Saints' Parish with the ancient time of Holy baptism adhered to, Easter even (Saturday) at 4 p.m.

Four services are planned for Easter Day, as follows:

7:30 a.m., The First Easter celebration of The Holy Communion with a greeting from the Rector.

9 a.m., Holy Communion, with hymns and an address.

during the past week, and Chairman Arthur Haworth outlined a schedule of events and projects for the coming months that covers a wide range of activities. This committee will continue to meet all during the summer months, on the third Mondays, and there will be no hiatus in the continuity of the programming.

In announcing the extended working plans of the committee Chairman Haworth said:

"Our new capacity will be as a liaison committee between the Chamber of Commerce and the community of Richland. We invite all Richland organizations and individuals to submit ideas and proposals to us for discussion and planning. Many of these can reach the Chamber for official handling and sponsorship. Our committee has representatives from many groups and all local clubs and units are invited to attend our regular monthly meetings.

"AMONG A few of the projects suggested for the committee to study and to develop are an Atomic Museum which might attract World Fair tourists during the coming months, housing apartments for retired people in which a local church group is now interested and is willing to sponsor, a plan for our garden clubs to create a coordinated program for city beautification, planned tours here for convention visitors, art displays as part of convention attractions, the establishment of an information bureau, signs on the approaches to Richland directing tourists here for hotel and motel accommodations, provide better facilities at the Wellsian Way pond areas

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for youth groups and active support for the Southside recreational development project."

Manager Jim Blair of the Chamber of Commerce was introduced and said that he had never attended a committee meeting with such an extended and prolific program outlined and that it would be of inestimable benefit to the Chamber operations.

PRESIDENT W. A. Richards of the Richland Branch of the Instrument Society of the United States gave a synopsis of the coming instrument show planned for May 10-12 at the Community House invited the committee to have a booth set up during the show to provide information for the hundreds of visitors expected from other cities.

Other speakers present and representing various Richland organizations were: The Rev. Cecil Knippers, churches; C. I. Anderson, public health; W. H. Banta, HAMTC; D. A. Knapp, General Electric transportation; Major W. C. MacBrayne, Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Richland Safety Council; Mrs. W. F. Mars, Business and Professional Women's Club; Murrey W. Fuller, city manager; Doris Roberts, city library; John A. Clark, superintendent Columbia Park; Margaret Thompson, Lewis and Clark pageant; R. V. Hogan and P. R. Hollick, planning commission; Jack Houston, Chamber of Commerce; President and Mrs. P. A. Latore, West Richland Chamber of Commerce; Mrs. Faith Cooke, Allied Arts; W. G. Brown, Richland gas service stations; J. C. Grover, Columbia Basin Outdoor Advertising Co.; Ernie Curtis, recreational director; June Canaday, Three rivers Mineralogy Society, and Roy Webber, Exchange Club.

# Instrument Show Luring Many Booths

More than one hundred display booths have been signed up for the big Pacific Northwest Instrument Show which is scheduled for the Richland Community House May 9-11 under sponsorship of the Richland Branch of the Instrument Society of America.

This announcement was made by William A. Richards, general chairman of the event.

"There will be 71 vendors and their staffs present with instrument and control equipment representing over 600 manufacturers from all sections of the United States," Chairman Richards said.

Richland has this big show every third year, alternating with Seattle and Spokane. The Richland Section of the society has more members than any of the large cities.

ALL THE large halls and corridors in the Community House will be utilized for the display booths and tables and several thousand visitors are expected from all sections of the Northwest. A special invitation has been extended to all employees of the General Electric Company to enjoy the show programs during the May dates.

The Villager prints below the membership roster of the Richland Section of the Instrument Society of America, many of whom will be active in participating in the big 1962 show:

George Alkire, Donald Arsd, John Ashton, Thomas W. Burns, Thomas Clement, Chester Clementson, Donald Conley, Paul Conrad, Harold Copeland, E.

See Day, Jr., Norman Dixon, Bill Dozer, G. F. Ehlers, Alfred Emmons, John Flickenger, Jack Fogelquist, Wilbur Foote, R. K. Gange, Roy Gilmore, Kenneth Hahn, James W. Green, Wayne D. Hamilton, Richard Hammond, Leo Hannan, D. W. Hayes, Norton Hildreth, N. V. Hobbs, Harold Holsclaw, Charles Huck, Harlan Jantsen, Henry Jaske.

J. KAVECKIS, Gerald Kringler, William Knelle, Foy Leach, Chris Liakos, F. H. Ludwig, Donald Lyman, John Matoe, Albert McCoy, Jr., J. D. McCul-

lough, Donald McKenzie, Robert Merriman, Kenneth Michael, Virgil Leon Miller, Elbert Mitchell, Glenn Morrow, Herbert Muller, Ralph Nedderhood, George H. Nichles, Jr., Herbert Perkins, Carroll L. Pleasance, Michael Pociluyko, Joseph Plara, Thomas H. Richards, William Richards, H. G. Rieck, Jr., Joseph Rissberger, John P. Robinson.

Roger Rohrbacher, Lester Root, Warren Sevier, John A. Schuster, Richard Shanks, C. S. Slenning, Merrill Slind, Paul Sperline, Carl Swanson, David F. Taylor, Harley Tegner, Richard Thiel, Robert L. Tower, Gene Walckoetter, William F. Walker, Robert W. Walters, Hugh Ward, Carl Westlund, Glenn R. Wilde, Harry W. Wrangham, Harold R. Riley.

CHAIRMAN Arthur Haworth of the Chamber of Commerce Community Development committee will have members of

his committee operating an information bureau table during the show days and will supply visitors with printed pamphlets showing people where to get lodging and restaurant service and find shopping districts. Tours of Richland also will be arranged.

## Bike Safety Pamphlets Distributed

The Richland Safety Council has completed plans for its annual bicycle safety education program for the Richland elementary schools. Distribution of 5,000 16-page pamphlets titled "Bikes — And Boys and Girls," has been arranged, and the boys and girls who receive them will be asked to take them home so that parents may study the contents and discuss them with their children who own or use bicycles on the city streets.

Six "Don't's" are emphasized and if followed will help to prevent accidents and injuries.

They are: (1) don't carry another person on your bike; (2) don't cling or hitch onto trucks or cars; (3) don't ride more than two abreast, and single file is preferable; (4) don't ride at night without a white light on the front and a red reflector on the rear; (5) don't ride out of alleys or driveways or dart from behind parked cars without stopping to see if streets are clear; (6) don't weave in and out of traffic or try trick riding on the sidewalk or street.

Instructions also are given on traffic regulations, hand signals, parking bikes, and keeping bikes in good mechanical condition.

A report on this bike project will be given to the members of the Richland Safety Council at its regular meeting next Thursday night at 7:30 at the Richland Police Station Guard room.

## Watch Signs, Chief Says

Police Chief R. C. Marshall this week termed disregard for traffic signs as one of the biggest reasons for traffic accidents in Richland.

Chief Marshall warned motorists that traffic signs, signals and pavement markings must be strictly observed. He called on drivers to accept their responsibility in this matter in order to protect themselves and other motorists and pedestrians in the city.

"Traffic signs are actually Signs of Life," Chief Marshall declared. "Everyone who operates a motor vehicle is responsible for knowing what the 'Signs of Life' mean and for heeding their message."

The Richland Police Chief noted that there are six basic shapes used in traffic signs and each shape carries a different type of message. He pointed out that motorists should learn to recognize the sign shapes so that they can tell at a glance what type of problem confronts them.



MAYOR JOYCE KELLY signs annual proclamation designating May 1 as Loyalty Day, asking all Americans to join in a demonstration that will show the people of the world our undivided devotion to our government and our way of life.

Left to right, seated, are President Margaret Sweetin, VFW Auxiliary, and May Kelly. From left standing are Adjutant Norman L. Gross and Vice Commander (Dr.) Earle Hussell, VFW officers.

## Mace Watkins Picked To Head A-City Legion

Here is a preview of the new officers who will be elected to head Richland Post 71, the American Legion, for the next 12 months:

Commander, Mace Watkins; senior vice-commander, Carl Steman; junior vice-commander, Frank Mourich; adjutant, Ray Tillson; finance officer, Roger Dalings; sergeant-at-arms, Harold Avant; service officer, William E. James.

Past Commander Roger Dalings and his nominating committee reported this slate during the past week, and it indicates there will be no contests for any of the offices.

Past Commander Ray Tillson has served in office for several years and is a charter member of the local post.

Past Commander Bill James likewise has served for many years as service officer, visiting comrades in the hospitals and looking after families in need.

**THE OLD WOODEN** shack located on the former Legion building grounds—now Adrian's restaurant—was torn down during the past week and removed. It had sheltered some of the property of the local

Post, including the safe, all the old slot machines—one armed bandits—and some of this property had been damaged by fire. The gambling machines were all destroyed with sledge hammers and taken to the city dump. It was reported that the building lumber was piled up near the site before being removed, and that in the meantime unknown persons stole a number of the 2by4s.

Past Commander Russ Grob and Ray Tillson made a trip during the past week to Pullman where they attended the annual Tri-State convention of the 40 and 8. Delegates were present from Washington, Oregon and Idaho. There was the annual election of officers, an initiation (wreck) of new members, and a dinner.

### SENIOR VICE-COMMANDER

Earl Russell of Cook-Erickson Post 7952, Veterans of Foreign Wars, announced that the annual VFW-sponsored marbles tournament will be held in Richland on Saturday, May 5, at the Memorial Ball Park. Clay courts will be ready for this tournament and school boys from the seven Richland elementary schools are eligible to enter. Many of these boys have been practicing for this annual event under the direction of the school recreational directors. Prizes will be awarded the winners. (The 17th district marbles tournament will take place in Richland on Saturday, May 12.

Winners from nearby cities and towns will come here and the best boy with the liveliest "migs" will be selected to take part in the state championship at Longview on Saturday, May 26. The state champ will go to the national event with all expenses paid.

**COMMANDER C. C. Owings** of the VFW 17th District announced that all VFW posts in the district have reached the 100 per cent membership quotas and that no other district in the state can make that claim. Commander Chuck Owings has put a lot of work into the membership drive.

Quartermaster Norman R. Hays mentioned yesterday that more than 5,000 applications have been distributed to local elementary school students in connection with the VFW Civil Defense ID (identification tags). They are to be filled out and returned with needed information

which will be incorporated on all tags to be worn by the children in the future.

Regular meeting of the Richland VFW Post is scheduled for next Monday night at 8 o'clock.

**PAST DEPARTMENT** Commander Marvin M. McDonald of the VFW had the duty this year of making the annual Community Service Book which has been sent to Department headquarters in Seattle to be judged in this year's convention competition. Richland has won this first state honor for the past two years and also won the department publicity trophy. The new book shows a total of 3,000 inches in newspaper publicity during the past 12 months. If Richland wins the prize again this year it will mean that permanent ownership of the trophy will go to this city—Richland will have won for a total of three consecutive years. The 1961-1962 book shows that the Richland VFW Post sponsored, co-sponsored or assisted in 50 important community and post projects, under the leadership of Commander U. Lester Sweetin.

**Question of the week—**  
Q—About how many women U.S. veterans of World War II are there as compared with male veterans of that war?  
A—About 319,000 as compared with nearly 15,000,000 men.

## Adjutant Tillson Heads District

An honor to a busy Legionnaire came to Post Adjutant Ray Tillson of Richland Post 71, the American Legion, during the past week when he was elected commander of the 12th District at an election in Walla Walla.

He will command Legion posts in Walla Walla, Prosser, Benton City, Richland, Kennewick, Pasco, Watsburg, Dayton, Connell, and Mesa. The new office will require much traveling, as the district commander has to make regular visits to the various posts as well as the district confer-



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ences. However, Commander Tillson recently retired from the General Electric Co. and now has the time as well as the know-how to handle the new office.

**COMMANDER** Tillson also has been selected to head the Benton-Franklin County Voiture No. 34, 40 & 8, which gives him another title of Chef de Gare, another office that requires a lot of time and service.

Adjutant Tillson has served in the post secretarial job for several years. It will be noted also

that he is a licensed pyrotechnician and each year has supervision of the Legion Fourth of July fireworks program at the Bomber Bowl.

At the Walla Walla district meeting the following members of the post and auxiliary were present from Richland: Commander and Mrs. E. T. Merrill, Past Commander and Mrs. Glenn Hendrickson, Past Commander and Mrs. James Sleebill, Post Commander Russ Grob, Past Commander Ray Tillson, Senior Vice Commander and Mrs. Carl Steman, Mrs. Mille Johnson, Mrs. Betty Hall, Mrs. Dorothy Harmson, and James Trujillo. Annual reports from all the posts in the district were submitted.

**AUXILIARIES** of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Legion Posts are completing final arrangements for the sale of poppies on Friday and Saturday preceding Memorial Day.

Mrs. Thomas C. Kinnas is chairman of the VFW Poppy committee and is assisted by President Margaret Sweetin. The committee has 200 easel boards fabricated, decorated with poppies and a cross, which were distributed during the past week for sale.

The Richland VFW women also have entered a contest sponsored by the state department in which they will enter artistic hats decorated with poppy arrangements. These novelties have been made by President Margaret Sweetin and Past Presidents Lillian McDonald and Fern Gross. Judging will be on the basis of number of buddy poppies used, effectiveness of display, beauty and originality.

Members of the post and auxiliary will be on Richland streets May 25-26, selling several thou-

sand poppies, and the money raised by this annual event will be used for rehabilitation of veterans and care of the widows and orphans of deceased veterans.

**MRS. HELEN SMAILES** is chairman of the Richland Post 7, American Legion Auxiliary poppy committee, and reports that the organization will have many members of the post and auxiliary working on the poppy

project this year. Post members always have been especially cooperative in this program.

William E. James and Lester Fishback of the post have fabricated 200 small white crosses, which were painted by J. R. Smailes. These were covered with red poppies and put on sale among store owners during the past week.

The thousands of poppies which will be sold have been made by disabled veterans in the VA hospitals, who receive some remuneration for their work, and as has been mentioned, the money raised on May 25-26 by the different auxiliaries is used for many of the programs put on at the VA hospitals for the bed-ridden patients, classified by many as our forgotten men. The support given to the poppy sales by Richland residents is highly appreciated by the veterans organizations, post officials here said.

**LAST NIGHT** a delegation from the Richland Marine Corps League Auxiliary attended a special awards dinner held at the Walla Walla Veterans Administration hospital, at which citations were presented to Richland and other league members for services rendered during the past year. The work these women have done in many cases is measured in hundreds of hours.

A visit a few days ago was made to the hospital by Mrs. A. G. Bals, Mrs. W. W. Winfield and Mrs. D. R. King, with their guests, Mrs. Cleda Bodie and Mrs. W. H. Hall. They worked in the wards with patients during the afternoon and also performed services in the library, assisting hospital employees. Cigaretts were taken and distributed among the patients.

The Marine Auxiliary is planning a series of monthly coffee meetings, to be held at the homes of members for games and refreshments. The hostesses announced to date are Mrs. A. G. Bals, Mrs. A. E. Graves, and Mrs. O. W. Dennis. Next business meeting of the Auxiliary will be at the Social Room, the Community House, on Wednesday, May 16.

### Question of the week—

Q—I am a nonservice-connected World War II veteran. Can I be admitted to a VA hospital?

A—Yes, if a bed is available and you sign an affidavit that you are unable to pay for hospitalization.

# News Of Interest To Veterans

## Flag Display Is Part Of Loyalty Day Event

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Next Tuesday is Loyalty Day and all citizens as well as veterans are urged to have their flags displayed for the observance.

This May date was set in 1958 at the request of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and was established by proclamation of the President of the United States and its purpose is to combat the infiltration of the Communism in this country.

Commander U. Lester Sweetin of the Richland VFW Post said yesterday:

"This is the time to take stock of ourselves as Americans—to see if we measure up to the standards set by our forefathers. It is a time for reappraisal of our birthrights. America is the nation it is today because of the steadfast loyalty of generations of people of many races and many religions. Our citizens appreciate this opportunity to publicly demonstrate their loyalty for their system of government."

"Our Loyalty Day projects throughout the country have put out of business the former May 1 communistic celebration of our enemies. Let us continue not only to oppose them but to expose them when they show their heads in our communities."

A DELEGATION from the Marine Corps Auxiliary, composed of Mrs. A. G. Bals, Mrs. Cleoda Boddy, Mrs. Walter Hall and Mrs. Ida May Berkshire, visited the Veterans' Administration Hospital at Walla Walla Wednesday afternoon, taking along a car-load of books and magazines for the disabled veterans confined there, and also sponsoring a bingo game for the patients. This auxiliary keeps in constant touch with the Walla Walla hospital and responds to all requests made to it from the hospital.

President Mille Johnson of the Richland Post 71 American Legion Auxiliary has appointed Mrs. W. M. Hall, Mrs. Floyd Thompson, and Mrs. Robert Burrus as a nominating committee to bring in a list of officers to be voted upon at the first meeting in June.

President Johnson and members of her staff will attend next Sunday a dinner at the Yakima Legion Post honoring the national president. If there are other members who would like to accompany her, they may notify her of their plans.

The May 5 spring conference of the 12th District Legion Auxiliary posts will have President Johnson and Mrs. Carl Steman representing Richland. At the last meeting of the Richland auxiliary the members entertained Mrs. Wesley Anderson, president, and Mrs. M. J. Anderson, first vice president.

available—that's the advice given by the Veterans' Administration to veterans and their dependents. These documents are needed to support claims for veterans' benefits. Included among these essential records are military discharge papers, death certificates, divorce decrees, and guardianship of child custody evidence.

Since 1958 it has been possible for vets who hold National Service Life Insurance to add to it low-cost disability insurance.

### Instrument Show

## 2,000 Turnout Possible

The Pacific Northwest Instrument show slated for May 9-10 in Richland is shaping up as the biggest ever in Richland, and possibly the biggest in the history of the show.

G. F. Ehlers, show hospitality chairman, said 105 vendors already have entered exhibits in the two-day show, and this number may still go up some.

"This definitely makes it the biggest show we've ever staged in Richland," he said. "As it stands now, it's close to the one in Seattle last year, and it may be ever bigger but I can't say for certain."

The show is held in Richland ever third year, alternating with Seattle and Portland.

"WITH THE Hanford Labs here, we have more of a drawing attraction than either of the other two sites," Ehlers said, noting the show will probably bring 1,800 to 2,000 persons to the Tri-Cities, as vendors or other interested parties.

In the past, schools, scientific firms and other companies have sent persons from as far away as Montana to see the show. Many, both exhibitors and others, are expected from California.

Vendors in the show hail from California, Idaho, Oregon and all parts of Washington.

Running in conjunction with the Instrument Show will be an Instrument Society of America conference, at the Village Theatre in Richland. This marks the first time the two have been run at the same time, Ehlers said.

J. E. (Joe) Kaveckis is in charge of the conference, where many scientific papers, by local personnel and others, will be presented.

ance. The disability rider pays \$10 a month for each thousand of insurance carried, at any time the insured becomes totally disabled, and continues paying as long as such disability lasts. More than 800,000 vets have bought the rider and 3.7 million have not. This rider can be taken out before age 60 and without medical examination up to age 40.

MORE THAN 10,000 disabled veterans who have known no other home than a VA hospital ward for more than 20 years appreciate the meaning of the Buddy Poppy. Already this year more than 12 million Buddy

poppies have been assembled in veterans' hospitals by these disabled war veterans who are paid a nominal wage for this labor. One cent from every poppy sold by Veterans of Foreign Wars posts goes to the National Home at Eaton Rapids, Mich., to support this child welfare institution, where the orphans of deceased veterans live happy lives under home conditions.

Question of the week.

Q—I am an honorably discharged World War II veteran and need help in finding a job. Does my war service entitle me to any preference on this?

A—Yes. See your local State Employment Office. You also are entitled to preference for U.S. Civil Service employment.

### NEWS EXPECTED

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## Another Bank Planned Here

It seems certain that Richland is to have a third bank, in addition to the Seattle-First National and the National Bank of Commerce now operating here, the Villager has learned.

A group of Richland business men have applied for a state license to do business here. The license has not yet been granted but is assumed that favorable action will be taken on the proposal.

It is known that plans for the new bank building are now being prepared by an out-of-town firm of architects.

The new bank will be located down town on Jadwin Avenue (formerly Goethals) on land located between the Roy Davis Furniture Company store and the Flying A Service Station at the corner of Lee Boulevard. This section includes the parking areas fronting on Jadwin.

Formal announcement of the new project will be made after the license has been received and the names of the men who will be prominent in the corporation will be published at that time.

The new bank location will be close to the site of the proposed \$10 million federal buildings fronting on Jadwin at Knight Street.

AT PRESENT the show itself has about all it can handle, and will take up all the rooms in the Community House, with some exhibits even slated to be put up in the hallways. The last room was taken by mid-week, and any major increase in booths is very unlikely because of a lack of any more room.

The show is expected to draw around 1,000 or more spectators—persons not connected with the show or interested in buying any of the products in the exhibit. Children are always drawn to the show, Ehlers said, as their fathers show them around and

# SEEN and HEARD APRIL 27 1962 BY THE ROVING REPORTER

Dropped in to have a chat with Maury Kirkpatrick at his Uptown office to verify something we HEARD.

Sam Volpentest was there and seated at a desk was Assistant Fire Chief Milt Wright, with pen in hand.

"Hi, Chief," we said. "Hi, Rover," he replied.

"Looks like you are signing up for a unit in the Sunland Apartments," we ventured.

"That's just what he is doing," said Maury and Sam in unison.

"We HEARD," addressing the two realtors, "that when all the cooperatives are signed up, you gentlemen have plans made to build two more eight-apartment units on abutting land you own."

"That is true," replied Maury, with his customary smile. "This city has a great future ahead of it and will continue to grow. We will be in step with this. There will be a real demand for housing of the type we are developing."

Thus we verified what we had HEARD.

Our Richland Fire Department knows how to practice good public relations as illustrated by this true story. The other day a woman living in the north end of town started on a shopping trip. She had gone only one block when smoke enveloped her car. It was on fire. She asked a woman neighbor to call the Fire Department. We do not know that the message was to the fire station, but two pieces of apparatus and an ambulance responded. After the fire was extinguished the woman apologized to one of the firemen for all the trouble she had caused. "Don't mention it, Madam. That's what we are here for. Never take any chances. Call us when you need us." We repeat, good public relations action.

May we introduce to you in this column an important man who came to Richland recently. He is Alfred Lucas, the new manager of the Stone Supermarket. We talked with him yesterday and found him to be a fine personality, pleasant in manner, the friendly, hand-shaking type who likes people. He mentioned that he had been in the provision business practically all of his life, originally with his father. He was transferred here from the Campbell Low Cost supermarket in Yakima and before that was in the same line for many years in Spokane. From what he has seen of Richland, he likes the place.

He has been living temporarily in a mo-

tel but will move his wife and two children here as soon as he decides on a residence. Glad to welcome a high class citizen to the All-America city.

We all make mistakes in the use of words which do not have the meaning we intend, like a young woman we heard the other day who said she likes to eat in an Uptown restaurant because it serves erotic foods.

This "Once On A Mattress" show that is being advertised should attract any wrestlers who may be living in the Tri-Cities area.

The Uptown C&H Market has closed its doors and people who have traded there for years will miss its fine services.

Roy Webber tells us that the ice-skating rink at George Washington Way and the By-Pass will be ready for public use around June 20. Most of the underground piping has been laid and this has been an expensive item in the construction costs.

Hospitals are not run to make money and a large proportion of them probably lose money. Good management has made it possible for our own Kadlec Methodist Hospital to operate in the black.

Two of the important assets of the City of Richland which do not get mentioned too often are the climate and the water. You cannot find better anywhere. Play these up in your next brochures.

We know a man who writes a letter a week to different persons thanking them for something they have done. In many cases he does not know the people to whom he sends these letters. Just think how much it must mean to the people who receive these letters to know that somebody shows appreciation. Reminds us of the lines in a poem we once read "a rose to the living is more than flowery wreaths to the dead."

Smitty's Pancake House on George Washington Way is fast nearing completion and will be ready to do business in no time at all. Rings on the cash register will prove your interest in another attractive eating place for Richland.

Kenneth Brooks of KALE has been around here only a comparatively short time and he is already better known than some of our old residents. He is an expert in public relations, which means having contacts with people. He has a type of enthusiasm which bubbles.

If you are a bleeder or diabetic, never have teeth extracted without first notifying your dentist of these conditions. If you do neglect to let the doctor know you may be letting yourself in for a painful experience for which you alone will be responsible. There have been such cases.

One way to keep these fly-by-night photographers out of Richland is to make them pay the same business tax fee the legitimate photographers pay each year. Let's check up on this not only to protect our own photographers but also the public.

Want to meet fine couple? Shake hands with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Miles of 1923 Howell who are young "old" residents of Richland, having been here since 1944. During the construction days at the plant, Fred was with

the Training and Relations Division at Hanford, which did a tremendous job in dealing with the problems of some 125,000 people hired during the Hanford days. When the war job was completed he came to the Richland area and served in the housing and commercial property divisions. Square dancing has been the hobby of Mr. and Mrs. Miles for several years. They have been identified with local dancing groups and during the past few years have had classes of their own in square and folk dances and ballroom rhythm. In private classes and those held under PTA sponsorship at Chief Joseph Junior High, the Miles duo have had more than 1,200 pupils during the past few years. They have participated in square dance and ballroom dance "camps" in Idaho, Colorado, Montana and Pennsylvania. Very nice people to meet.

One thing to note about a steel strike—it can usually be ironed out.

"Our Shoes Made To Last," said a TV advertisement. The fellow who wrote that one is due for a lacing.

## APRIL 27-1962 VFW Gets Polio Job

The Richland Veterans of Foreign Wars Post voted this week to play a leading role in the Sabin Oral Mass Immunization Clinic being sponsored by the Benton - Franklin Counties Medical Society. The local organized fight against polio is planned to start Friday and Saturday, May 5-6, at the Community House, where doctors and nurses will be prepared to take care of thousands of men, women and children who are expected to take the Sabin vaccine.

The VFW Post has taken over the task of distributing thousands of application blanks to students in Richland schools to be filled out and presented on the dates assigned for the project. The VFW Post also will provide a registered nurse to administer the vaccine.

THE PROGRAM includes three two-day clinics, May 5-6 for Type I, June 2-3 for Type III, and October 6-7 for Type II. The vaccine will be taken orally with the vaccine drops absorbed on sugar cubes.

Cost for the three doses will be \$1 for the series and a minimum of \$5 for a family. For persons who cannot afford to pay, vaccine will be provided free with no embarrassing questions asked.

It has been announced that there are no side reactions or after-effects, and this holds true regardless of age, sex or allergy. The new Sabin type vaccine protects against the most prevalent form of paralytic polio. It is tasteless and

odorless and provides life-time protection.

Persons who have taken the original Salk vaccine are advised to now take the new Sabin type because it also will prevent one from being a polio carrier.

SABIN VACCINE is a live serum and is similar in this respect to small pox vaccine which has proved so effective. This serum has been weakened to the point where it will produce immunity without producing illness.

More than 70 physicians in the Tri-Cities area are cooperating with the medical society in this important project, as are the Benton - Franklin County Health Department, the U. S. Public Health Service, and the Benton-Franklin County Pharmaceutical Association.

All three clinic dates will come on Saturdays and Sundays making it possible for the children in all the schools to attend the clinics.

# Annual School Patrol Picnic Slated For May

For the third successive year, Cook-Erickson Port, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will sponsor the annual picnic of the Richland School Boy Patrols. This is the event looked forward to by the 400 boys enlisted in the seven elementary schools who patrol at the street intersections near the schools to regulate traffic and to protect the lives of the 5,000 boys and girls during the school year, come rain or shine.

As a result of the training the boys have received from the Police Department traffic section and the school directors assigned to this duty, there has never been a traffic fatality at or near any Richland school. Awards will be made at the picnic for the schools which have made the best records in discipline and performance and to the individual boys who have had outstanding records of attention to duty.

**DATE FOR THE PICNIC** will be on the Thursday in May preceding the end of the school term. The big event will take place at Riverside Park where it has been held for several years. Preceding the picnic will be a theatre party at the Uptown Theatre at 10 a.m., after which the patrols will parade to the park through the Downtown business district. During and after the dinner, photographs will be taken of the many events scheduled.

Major W. C. MacBrayne, VFW director of public relations, is chairman of the planning committee.

Patrolman Ted Stout of the Richland Police Department, who has had close contact with

the School Boy patrols during the year, will direct the program at the park. Mrs. Ruth Echelberger, who has managed the dinner arrangements for several years, will be assisted by groups of women from the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars auxiliaries.

**COMMANDER U. Lester Sweetin** of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and his wife, Mrs. Margaret Sweetin, president of the auxiliary, were honored during the past week by awards they received from the National department, signed by National Commander Robert E. Hanson, for outstanding work in connection with the annual membership drives.

At the last meeting of the Richland VFW Post it was voted to honor World Fair dollars at the VFW club.

Adjutant Norman L. Gross announced that the 1962 membership quota of 370 had been reached and passed with the present total of 379. The success of the drive was due in no small measure to the personal work put in by Commander Sweetin and the late Senior Vice-Commander Hap Farmer.

**THE POST VOTED** to hold one meeting a month on the second Monday during June, July and August. Special meetings will be called if needed.

Tomorrow and Sunday at the Community House, post members will assist in the Sabin Oral Mass Immunization Clinic conducted by the Benton-Franklin Counties Medical Society. The Post also will provide one registered nurse. Thousands of Richland men, women and children will congregate to take their polio vaccine during the two day processing. The vaccine will be taken orally, with the drops absorbed on sugar cubes.

It has been announced that the state convention (encampment) of the VFW Department of Washington will be June 20-24. Next 17th District conference is slated for May 20.

**IMPORTANT** May events in which both the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars posts will participate are Poppy days, Friday and Saturday (May.

25-26 and Memorial Day, May 30.

This year the VFW will have charge of the Memorial Day services and will have the co-operation of the Legion post and auxiliary. There will be the usual water service on the Columbia River bank, with wreaths dropped on the water from the air, then the parade march to the Richland cemetery where there will be music, a Memorial Day address, and a firing squad. Committees from both posts will have all graves of deceased veterans decorated with small American flags.

**COMMANDER-in-Chief Robert E. Hansen** of the Veterans of Foreign Wars has endorsed the 10 following goals as his star studded key program for accomplishment during his term of office;

- (1) Establish Veterans Affairs Committee in U.S. Senate;
- (2) United States withdrawal from UN if Red China is admitted
- (3) full support of a Civil Defense program;
- (4) service-disabled compensation increase;
- (5) separate pension program for World War I veterans and liberalize Veterans Pension Act of 1959;
- (6) additional veteran hospital facilities, including provision for long term care;
- (7) maintain the freedom of the people of West Berlin at all costs;
- (8) maintain most powerful balanced armed forces;
- (9) vigorous support of Joint Chief of Staff system; and
- (10) strict enforcement of the Monroe Doctrine.

## QUESTION of the week—

**Q—**What does the VA mean by a "presumptive period" in connection with diseases?

**A—**Generally, a wartime or Korean conflict veteran who develops a chronic disease to a degree of 10 per cent or more disability within one year of release or separation from service may be presumed to be service-connected for VA disability compensation. In the case of tuberculosis, multiple sclerosis or leprosy, the law provides a three-year presumptive period.

## Stricker Heads U.S. Bond Drive

J. C. Stricker, manager of the Richland Branch of the Seattle-First National Bank, has been appointed to head the Benton County Freedom Bond Drive to be staged during the month of May by the United States Treasury Department.

This will be a nationwide sales effort, with supporting advertising, publicity and promotion. Special emphasis will be given to payroll savings and over-the-counter sales at banks, in an effort to concentrate as much person-to-person bond-selling as possible within the drive period.

Figures released yesterday of bond sales by counties show that Benton County stands fourth among the 39 counties in the state, headed only by King, Pierce and Spokane counties. In proportion to its size and population, Richland leads all the cities in the state.

In commenting on the drive and its anticipated results, Stricker said:

"We hope to stimulate the practice of regular bond purchasing in every household and we ask every American to buy an extra bond during the month of May.

"The pace of the Cold War has quickened. Freedom is in danger around the world. Our leaders caution us not to expect miracles or easy formulas to solve our troubles. They warn that the struggle will be long and costly, requiring every ounce of our national courage, patience, and strength. It is a time for every American to work at being a patriotic



JOE STRICKER

citizen, to ask, and to find what he can do for his country.

"The buyer of U.S. Savings bonds, at this critical period in our history, makes two important contributions. He puts his dollars to work building economic strength for the nation, to sustain the heavy burden of the cold war. And he puts himself into the fight for freedom as an active partner of his government.

"All our banks in the Tri-Cities offer their services to our people who may wish to purchase additional savings bonds during May."

## Accidents

### Kill Many

At its meeting during the past week, the Richland Safety Council released figures which indicate that home accidents will kill about 30,000 men, women and children this year.

About 4 million other people will be injured in home accidents. And home accidents will kill more children than all next six causes.

#### What kind of accidents?

Last year 13,400 people died after falls in their homes. About 5,500 died from fire or burns in their homes. Accidental poisonings killed 1,200 children and adults.

"The important fact is that nearly all these deaths and injuries could have been prevented if people had taken more care," Fay Jones, Safety Council president, commented.

Some of the "house traps" which have been the cause of many fatal falls and accidents are slippery floors, scatter rugs, waxed stairs, loose steps or railings, poor lighting, poor housekeeping, scattered toys on floors and stairs, plus many others.

Other house traps can be found in nearly every room in the house many of them the cause of fires. It pays to make frequent inspections in every room in the house to discover and correct these hazards—in fact it is a good idea to assign this task to one of the junior members of the family, although everybody should be in on the house trap hunt, the council president said.

# SEEN and HEARD

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We told you last week about a new bank being organized in Richland, and it will be home owned and not a branch of an out of town institution.

This bank will have a state charter which will enable it to do types of loan business not permitted by banks with national charters, such as the Seattle-First National and the National Bank of Commerce.

The question has been asked, "Can Richland support three banks?"

Well, Pasco with 14,000 population has three banks and Richland has 25,000 residents—so there. However banks are not apportioned on population bases. The number of industries and the commercial interests have weight when charters are granted.

Organizers of the new bank have already visited a large number of local merchants for the sale of stock. Many are in on the ground floor already.

We wonder if people appreciate the time and effort our Citizen Homer Moulthrop has put into the project of getting a college located in Richland, with the advantages it will mean to the sons and daughters of all the people in the Tri-Cities area. No discouragement of any nature, and there have been many, has altered his course and determination. He laid the groundwork and inspired others who followed his lead. A cultured gentleman who some day will receive the credit he deserves.

Sometimes you wonder why busy men find time to devote their energies to public service. The answer is that men who are not busy are seldom called upon to do this. The busy man knows how.

A typical example for today's SEEN AND HEARD file is the popular Ray R. DiLorenzo who has been a well-known figure in Richland since 1947. For several years he was with the instrument division at the 300 area and later with General Electric in the 700 location. In

1953 he opened the Sky-Line open air theatre, which he operated for two years, then became associated with the C.C. Anderson Co. Other activities in which he served his community include a role on the Rotary youth committee, a member of the board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce, education chairman of the Tri-Cities Life Underwriters Association, a Red Cross board of directors member, membership on the United Crusade budgeting committee, and vice president of the Little Baseball league. He also completed a leadership course with the Dale Carnegie Institute. That's how a busy man keeps busy.

If you complain about the dust in your house during these big wind storms you might swap places with people who work in the GE 700 area where there is an immense pile of soft coal. Try having your eyes and teeth full of this black dust and your hair covered with it, every time there is a real blow. And the laundry bills!

A Gratiot Street householder boasts about his "do it yourself" wife. "She can hammer nails like lightning," he avers. We heard that lightning seldom strikes twice in the same place.

A Richland man who visited the Seattle Fair and had dinner on top of the Needle reported that prices are sky high.

We just cannot get used to seeing women smoking cigarets on the street. Noticed one the other day with a fag hanging from her lower lip while she prated with another woman in front of a local market. Women lose all their feminine charm when they look and act like men.

May we give special praise today to Police Chief Bob Marshall, Capt. Eugene E. Miller, Sergeant W. H. Gordon, and Ted Stout of the Richland Police department for their fine co-

operation given to the Richland Safety Council during the past several months. A major share of the credit for the fine traffic safety record established here over the years goes to these dedicated public servants, and to the other members of the department who enforce the traffic laws and ordinances.

Of the 8,500 employees of the General Electric Co., some 3,000 live out of town, especially in Kennewick and Pasco. Many of them want to move back here to save their daily travel time and costs. The home building activity here is helping this movement of families to Richland, recording a gradual increase in our population.

Heard the other day from Jack Houston, who gets missed occasionally by the Richland Villager newsboy. He says that it spoils his whole day and he makes a special trip down town to get his copy. If this happens to you call WH 3-1126 and tell the nice girl about it.

We HEARD about a citizen who has a very good record as a neighbor. He's a good provider, pays his bills, saves his money, hangs up his clothes, mows the grass, et cetera. He has one failing. He occasionally beats his wife.

We are losing a good bet not to have signs on the 410 State Highway directing tourist traffic into Richland for hotel and motel accommodations. These world fair travelers will just pass us by. Right now Pasco and Kennewick motels have "No Vacancy" signs out almost every night. They have the benefit of the through traffic, which we are missing. Do we need to set off a bomb to get some action on this?

Whoever thought we would live to see the day when a Richland man would advertise his

wife for sale? That's the way it looked to us.

Wednesday we were standing in front of the Post Office when this local car drove up. In the window of the car the owner had a big painted sign "FOR SALE". His wife was seated next to the sign.

Down at the Central Fire station the other day we heard one fireman telling a lieutenant that he had a friend he would like to have in the Water Follies Queen contest this summer. Heard she was one of his Old Flames.

Our congratulations to the Richland Business and Professional Women's Club in their selection of Mrs. Guy Neth as the new president. She is a very talented woman and has always been a real asset to this fine organization. She has served as vice president and on many important committees. One of the drives which she will inaugurate this year will be for an increased membership which can enhance the importance of the club and enlarge its potential.

The fire department responded to a call the other day for a small fire in one of the 700 Area buildings. It was caused by a "short", we are told. Good thing it was not in the financial section.

Our thanks goes to Brian Morgan of the Columbia Basin News for his interesting special articles on the Seattle World's Fair. Only a top-notch newspaperman could give such comprehensive coverage to a world event. People who read these preview articles have a reserved seat at the fair. They can concentrate on the important features of the fair, so splendidly depicted by an advance eye—Brian Morgan, a real newspaperman and able commentator.

## Jack Hills Will Head New Bank

Jack R. Hills of 1730 Horn, well-known business man in Richland, is to be the first president of the Richland State Bank, the new financial institution which is being organized here and for which a modern downtown structure is to be built.

The exclusive story about the new bank was given to readers of The Richland Villager in its issue of last Friday.

Hills, a licensed public accountant, is in business at 613 Knight St., the Roy Davis building.

He has been located here for the past 18 years, since 1944, and for many of these years

had a partnership in the Wal-ton-Hill Insurance agency. He has other important duties also, being a commissioner of the Benton Port district and a director of the General Telephone Co. of the Northwest. He is a past president of the Richland Kiwanis Club and is one of the moving spirits in that community service organization.

He has been a member of the Tri-Cities County Club for the past seven years and is a member of the Clover Island Boat Club.

For several years he has been active in the Richland Chamber of Commerce.

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## District's Kiwanians Meet Here

The spring conference of the 16th District, Kiwanis International, was held during the past week at the Desert Inn with Governor Floyd J. Weidon of the University Kiwanis, Seattle, as the honored guest. The business session of the conference was presided over by Lt. Gov. R. J. Pederson of the Richland Kiwanis Club.

Col. Edward Hopkins of the Columbia Kiwanis Club of Kennewick was nominated for the office of lieutenant governor for the year 1963, which is tantamount to his election to that high office.

One of the important projects discussed was the planned trip of the Mad Hatters, Kennewick High School choral group, to the international convention of Kiwanis in Denver, June 10-14, which is being sponsored by the Kiwanis 16th District. It was announced that \$500 from the district funds had been appropriated for this project.

CHAIRMAN Ev Goodwin announced that of the \$3,000 needed to pay for the Mad Hatters transportation expense, food and board, there is about \$2,500 in sight at the present time. He said one of the important money-raising events is the May 15 concert at the Kennewick High School Auditorium, for which 1700 tickets have been issued. The members of the singing group will probably be able to raise at least \$500 by their own efforts. There will be about 14 seats available on the chartered bus for adults who may want to go along at a cost of \$45 round trip.

In addition to the Kiwanis convention appearance, the Mad Hatters will also sing at the District 16 dinner in Denver.

Governor Weldon emphasized the fact that Kiwanis clubs must have not only good fellowship among its members developed at the weekly dinner meetings throughout the year, but also must have a purpose if they are to grow.

"You have your many community service and youth projects to prove this purpose," he said, "and you must have good public relations and publicity to let others know what your purpose is and how you accomplish it. At these conferences we can discuss our problems and how to meet them and the contacts we make here and our discussions are helpful to all of us."

REPORTS WERE given by district chairman on public relations, education and interclub activities, vocational guidance, boys and girls work, special

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## Warehouse Job Slated For Bell

F. Joe Carroll, manager of the Richland Bell Furniture Co. announced yesterday that a contract for a new \$25,000 warehouse for the company had been awarded and that work would start on the structure within a few days.

The building will be on Wellston Way not too far from the By-Pass highway, just north of the Standard Oil Company area.

The new warehouse will have a capacity of 5,000 square feet, will be of prefabricated Inland steel and will be fire-proof construction. It will be located on a railroad spur track with building ramps which will make possible the unloading from freight cars directly to the building.

The Bell Co. owns a 2½-acre tract on which the building will be placed, and if a growing business allows for expansion, additions can be added for a total of 15,000 square feet of warehousing. Because of the prefabricated sections, the building will go up fast and is expected to be ready for occupancy by June 1. Any number of wings can be added, Manager Carroll said. Rental space will be available for other lo-

youth service, support of churches, attendance and membership programs and music, agriculture and conservation, public and business affairs.

The following delegations, representing different Kiwanis clubs attended the conferences:

Columbia Kiwanis Club (Kennewick), E. D. Hopkins, W. T. Winn, W. H. Ames, Jack Barnes; Kennewick Kiwanis Club—Dr. Paul O. Stone, Ron Yates, Glenn Wheeler; Pasco Kiwanis Club—Eldon R. Smith, Bud Brown, Edward Carter; Hanford Kiwanis Club, Jack McMaster, Edward Haag, H. F. Scott; Marcus Whitman (Walla Walla) Kiwanis—Paul Sutton; Walla Walla Kiwanis Club—Willard Crawford, L. E. McHargue, Cliff Dean, Fred Clute; Hermiston Kiwanis—Duane Downing, Don Rosenbaum; Benton City Kiwanis—Francis Gladfellow, Wendall F. Lynch; College Place Kiwanis—Charles Woodworth, Don McRae; Richland Kiwanis—R. J. Pederson, George Sahler, W. C. MacBrayne, Robert Watkins, L. Roy Davis, Mickey McGuire, John Thompson, Everett Goodwin; Kenneth Brooks, David Rietmann, Wally Hunt, Max Walton, William Sagvold, James Rightmire, Harvey Stoller, Jack Heffner, Doug Cameron.

## NEWS OF INTEREST TO VETERANS

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# Memorial Observance Handled By VFW Post

Each year the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion alternate in planning the Memorial Day services and Veterans Day on Nov. 11.

The VFW turn comes this year with all other veterans' organizations cooperating including the Marine Corps League. Mention should be made also that the auxiliaries of all these organizations play an important role in these events.

Commander U. Lester Sweetin of the Richland VFW Post has announced tentative plans for the May 30 observance. The complete program will be ready for release next week.

The Memorial Day parade will organize at 10 a.m. on Hains Ave. near the Columbia River dike, where the water services will be held. The Rev. William Sweeney or Christ The King Catholic Church will give the invocation.

Wreaths will be dropped on the river from the air from planes operated by members of the Civil Air Patrol. This service will be timed at 10:30 a.m.

THE PARADE column will then proceed to the Richland cemetery via Williams Blvd.

At the cemetery the Memorial Day address will be given by the Rev. John R. Reiten of the Richland Lutheran Church. Among the guests of the veterans that day will be the Gold Star Mothers and Arthur D. Worthington, a Spanish-American War veteran.

The firing squad will be furnished by the Naval veterans unit, and buglers from the Boy Scouts will play the Taps.

Just prior to Memorial Day delegations from the veterans organizations and the auxiliaries will visit both local cemeteries and decorate all graves with American flags.

THE ANNUAL VFW marble tournament sponsored by the Richland VFW Post took place at the Memorial Softball Park

and all the elementary schools were represented in the playoffs.

The winners were: 1. James Crittenden of Jefferson School; 2. John Blalock of Spalding School, and 3. Allan Oldright of Lewis and Clark School. Gold, silver and bronze medals were awarded to these three boys.

All the boys were entertained at lunch afterwards. The tournament was run under the direction of Senior Vice-Commander Earle Husell, who was assisted by several of the VFW Post members.

J. Crittenden, as winner of the district tournament, will compete, as well as members of urday at long board, and the winner of that will have an all-expense-paid trip to the national contest, sponsored by the National Department of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

VOLUNTEERS are needed by both the VFW and the Legion for the annual Poppy Sales event scheduled for Friday and Saturday, May 25 and 26.

The VFW volunteers will be able to compete for the \$25 U.S. savings bond which has been offered by Commander U. Lester Sweetin for the one who makes the largest cash sales. Members of the post and auxiliary will be eligible to compete, as well as members of the VFW junior rifle team, the Explorer Scout troop and the Boy Scouts.

Mrs. Margaret Castelli and Mrs. Lowena Tillson of the Legion Auxiliary decorated over 200 crosses with poppies and ribbons, which were sold to Richland merchants during the past week.

THE PONY League Jamboree which took place the past week, opening the Pony League baseball season, was featured by the Richland Veterans of Foreign Wars handling the flag raising ceremony at the ball park. Participated in the ex-

ercise were Past Commander Norman L. Gross, Commander U. Lester Sweetin, Past Commander Robert Hughes, Arthur Hansen and James V. Filsinger.

THERE WILL be a big 17th district party tomorrow night at the Richland VFW headquarters, with members of posts and auxiliaries present from Pasco, Kennewick, Prosser, Grandview and Sunnyside.

Department Commander Boyd Rosen with members of his staff will be here to attend this annual affair. District Commander C. C. Owings and his committee will have charge of the arrangements. A fine program has been arranged, and dancing will follow the social hour.

On Sunday the spring conference of the 17th VFW District will be held here in Richland with representatives from all the posts in the district. The auxiliaries also will be meeting here.

Dept. Commander Rosen will be the principal guest. There will be the election of district officers and also their installation.

Lunch will be served during the noon hour.

THURSDAY, May 31, has been announced as the date for the annual Richland School Boy Patrol picnic at Riverside Park, sponsored by the Richland Veterans of Foreign Wars post. A theatre party at 10 a.m. will be enjoyed by the 450 members of the patrols, and this will be sponsored by the Richland Insurance Agents Association (Max Walton, Dunning Ray, Randall F. Lynch, Stanley N. Randolph, Spencer-Kinney).

Question of the week—

Q—My son was killed in World War II. I have now lost by business and have no income. I did not apply for compensation earlier. Am I entitled to it now?

A—Yes. Contact the VA office.

# SEEN and HEARD

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1962 ROVING REPORTER

May we reawaken our readers to what is happening to the Richland payroll of \$54,000,000—and what we must do about it.

From the publication "Sales Management and Marketing," we quoted several months ago the fact that \$29,000,000 of this \$54,000,000 payroll was being spent out of town. Our merchants were losing this business. We suggested that a survey be made to find out what was happening and why. Nobody officially lifted a finger to find out.

Well here is one explanation—our own—which accounts for some \$20,000,000 of this missing \$29,000,000.

Of the 8,000 General Electric employees there are 3,000 who do not live in Richland. They reside mostly in Pasco and Kennewick.

That means that some \$20,500,000 of payroll money is taken out of Richland and spent in Pasco and Kennewick and elsewhere.

It also means that the 5,000 (conservative figure) G.E. employees who live in Richland earn and spend some \$33,850,000 in and out of their city.

Of the first named \$29,000,000 being taken out of town, we still have \$9,000,000 unaccounted for, and the only explanation we have for that is that this additional business is going out of town from Richland wallets.

So—out of the \$33,850,000 being earned here from payrolls, minus \$9,000,000, we get only \$24,850,000, which is close to the \$23,866,000 figure credited to us by the "Sales Management And Marketing Index."

One unqualified assertion is that we are financing the entire Tri-Cities area. Most of us have known that.

Here is a grand problem for the Richland City Council, the Richland Chamber of Commerce, or that new organization just formed—Greater Richland, Inc., Let's dig the facts and come up with the answer. Your opinions will be welcomed.

Is Richland getting ticket-crazy? That was the expression we heard from a local club member who said he had been hit for \$8 worth of tickets during the past week and \$5 the week before. It seems that among the 250 organizations in town most issue tickets for their money-raising events and expect everybody to buy them. Ticket sellers call on the merchants every day in the week. Tickets, tickets, tickets.

Hear about the local young man who got a job in a cannery and on the third week there got canned.

Congratulations to Manager Jim Rightmire of the National Bank of Commerce for the fine open-house event. The enlarged quarters with their fine facilities will mean a lot to the patrons of this up-to-the-minute institution.

Met and talked with Police Court Judge John Sullivan, who mentioned the fact that more than 90 per cent of the cases he handles are traffic violations. There are many middle-aged men and women who face him on these charges, but he remarked that very few of them are repeaters.

We have knowledge of several Richland people who have been living here for several years and still pay their bills with checks made out on banks in their former states. Is this a lack of loyalty to their community? Some people would say so.

A Texas girl who lives and works here went up to her boss the other day and said: "Will you tell me the way to spell the word 'rat'". So he told her R.A.T. "Oh, ah don't mean an animal—ah mean like when ah say 'rat now'".

Spring is really here. Saw a man on the street yesterday wearing a straw hat.

Here's a good one a local doctor told us the other day. He said he received a call at

2 o'clock in the morning from a woman who said her husband had a heart attack and asked him to rush right over to her home. She was a stranger to this doctor and he asked her if she had a family physician. "Yes, we have one but he doesn't like to be disturbed in the night as he needs his sleep."

Try to beat that one.

Next Sunday, May 13 is Mother's Day.

Look through the entire dictionary and you will not find a sweeter word than MOTHER. It denotes love, devotion and tenderness. Bless the memory of mothers who have gone, and do not fail to show your own love and appreciation for your own mother whose eyes light up every time she sees you.

May God's richest blessings be upon the mothers who reared us, who trained us, and who loved us.

The new Richland bank started off with a lot of Jack when it chose its first president.

Dave Gallant, who spoke at the Tri-Cities Tourists and Conventions, Inc. Desert Inn dinner, stated that we in our lives will not see Richland, Kennewick and Pasco become one city. All three communities have interests which are not compatible with each other. We have claimed this all along.

Heard a good story at the above dinner from a speaker who said that from a cage of monkeys being trained for air-space exploration, one was selected recently and sent up in a rocket. He got back safe and was returned to the monkey cage. The other monkeys asked him a lot of questions about the experience. "Wasn't it awfully dangerous," one of them queried, as he swung from his tail. "Might have been dangerous," was the monk reply, "but not anywhere near as bad as this cancer research business." Thought this was a good monkey tale.

A hand of welcome is extended by this column today to James W. Franklin, a general contractor from Portland, Ore., who has come to live in Richland and is president of the Park Lane Apartments, Inc. at 1600 Jadwin Ave., formerly the Columbia Apartments. He has a background of 27 years in the construction business and will live here until the \$200,000 remodeling job has been completed. He already has joined the Richland Chamber of Commerce. We might suggest that the Kiwanis, Rotary and Lions clubs invite him to their dinner meetings as a guest speaker. He is a fine type of business man, an authority on construction problems, and an asset to the City of Richland. In another column you may read about what has been accomplished at the new Park Lane apartments.

Saw a kid returning from school the other day doing something we all did when we were his age. He was kicking an empty can all the way home. An association of thoughts started in our brain cells and we thought about some of our registered voters who seldom go to the polls and are always kicking about their government and its officials. They accomplish about as much as this boy who was kicking an empty can.

Swindlers, racketeers and sharp business practices are with us all year around, but this is an especially good season for them. During the coming weeks this column will put you wise to some of these snares and gyms, so that you will know how to meet them. You can save headaches as well as money by knowing how to out-think these cheat and device tricksters.

"Once on a Mattress," the light opera that will be on display tonight and tomorrow in Richland, should interest everybody. Why? If you live to be 75 years of age and sleep eight hours a night, you have spent 25 years of your life asleep on a mattress. Life has its bumps—so does a mattress.

## urist Signs p Topics

A meeting of the Chamber of Commerce Development Committee held during the past week was featured by the discussion of many subjects brought up by the representatives of several local organizations who attended.

Chairman Art Haworth outlined new projects which will be presented to the parent Chamber for activating.

One new suggestion was that the Chamber organize a women's auxiliary and give it the job of creating a real information bureau which will be available to local residents as well as the thousands of commercial and other visitors who come to town and put up at the hotel and motels here. It was stated that since the Chamber office was removed from the Desert Inn the hotel guests no longer have a place where they can get quick information as in past years, and that something should be done to correct this. A woman's group could fill the vacuum even if they did it on a volunteer basis, and a sub-office for information purposes could be set up in the hotel lobby.

THE SUGGESTION also was made that in the near future an out-of-state tourist on the way to the Seattle World's Fair be stopped on Highway 410 and be made a 24-hour guest of the city with hotel accommodations, a program of entertainment and a tour of the city, care of the traveling automobile, and other friendly overtures to the visitor. This proposal will be referred to the Chamber for action.

Mrs. L. J. Pearson and Mrs. Paul A. Clark of the Allied Arts reported that the organization is preparing for an art exhibit and sale on Saturday, June 9, on the parking space next to the National Bank of Commerce, where local artists will have their work on display. It is planned also to have other arts and crafts participating in the annual exhibit, such as ceramics, old coins and the like. Persons or clubs wishing to have such displays are invited to contact Mrs. Pearson or Mrs. Clark. JACK HOUSTON of the newly-

organized Greater Richland, Inc., told of plans to have a 47-by-17-foot outdoor advertising sign erected on the Highway 410 route near Richland which would invite tourists to visit the city for hotel and motel accommodations. This project will be under-written by local merchants. Houston also explained that a project had been started to reactivate a ferry system between the city and the Franklin County shore of the Columbia River, giving Columbia Basin Project farmers and residents a shortened commute to the Richland business district. Such a ferry would give a traffic count which will be presented in the future to prove the need of a new bridge across the river for this area.

Mrs. G. R. McKinney said the chamber should plan to supply all city merchants with "Welcome" signs for store windows to be used whenever conventions come to town, with the convention organizations' names on these signs.

L. J. PEARSON gave the committee a run-down on the plans for the Richland Riding Academy on Van Geisen near West Richland. He stated that the academy has fifty saddle horses and that his special interest is riding classes for children, who will be trained how to saddle horses and their handling in different paces.

Chairman Haworth was asked to suggest to the Chamber a more active interest in the proposed Hanford Highway which would give tourists and residents a modern and fast route to and from Richland.

Superintendent John A. Clark of Columbia Park announced that adequate facilities were now ready for the accommodation of trailer tourists with rest room, water and electrical necessities. Several travelers on their way to the World's Fair already have been accommodated.

ATTENTION WAS called to the fact that many of the fir-type trees in the shelter-belt areas are not being adequately watered and will not survive.

Charles H. Opgenorth of the Richland Marina stated that he has at his office the new drawings for the 18-hole golf course which is to be a part of the recreational development in Southside Richland and that plans have been made also for the irrigation system to be installed for its care. He also stated the mortgage negotiations had been completed and signed for the construction of the new river docks, hotel, dining rooms, outdoor swimming pool and other adjuncts of the proposed development. The announcement will be made in a few days concerning the company that will operate the big hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. David Fretwell here introduced as the managers of the new Arctic Circle Drive-In on Williams Boulevard which operated this week.

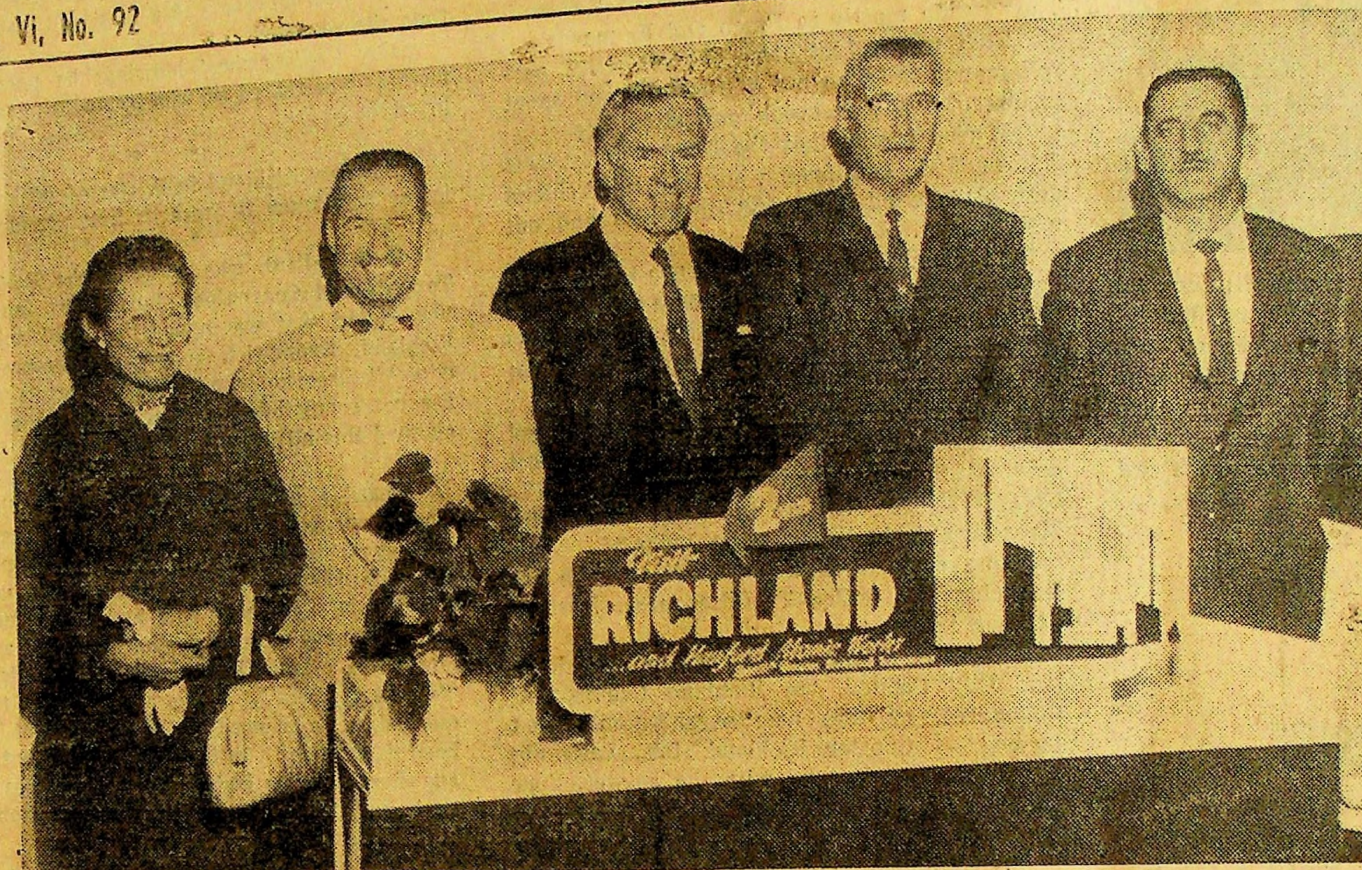
George C. Bowers reported on the plans for the college extension program for Richland which will include third and fourth year and graduate courses.

# Atom City Boosters Organize

## 'Greater Richland' Is Name

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THE GREATER Richland, Inc., a new organization just formed and chartered, plans to assist in, sponsor and develop important projects which will help in the future development of the City of Richland, and aspires to cooperate with the Chamber of Commerce and other organizations to attain these important results. In the photo is shown a miniature of a large outdoor advertising sign

which is to be erected on Highway 410 directing tourists to visit Richland. Newly-elected officers are, left to right: Marjorie Ashwood, secretary-treasurer; Jack Houston, director; the Rev. Cecil Knippers, president; Duane Grinnell, vice-president; Jack Orchard, director.

(Robley Johnson Photo)

entrance to Richland; support of the important Southside recreational project; recommend and work for better facilities and housing for large conventions; work for an atomic museum in the North Richland area while buildings are now available and arrange to have atomic exhibits now being shown at the Seattle World's Fair moved to this city after the fair closes in October; work to attract new residents to Richland, especially General Electric Co. employees who have moved away and would like to relocate here; and any or all promotions or projects from individuals or organizations which have a civic significance or are in line with the growth and development of the interests of the people of Richland or the city itself.

A new organization has been formed in Richland which has been officially incorporated under the laws of the State of Washington.

Greater Richland, Inc., has been patterned after Greater Seattle, Inc., an organization that started several years ago with 20 charter members and now has a membership of more than 18,000 members. This membership is made up largely of citizens who are civic-minded. It also includes businessmen, merchants and professional men and women.

The instigators of Greater Richland, Inc. hope to have its main membership also composed of everyday persons who are motivated by their civic pride and who have never been able to take an active part in city problems and promotions.

FIRST ELECTED officers of Greater Richland, Inc. are: the Rev. Cecil Knippers, president; Duane Grinnell, vice president; Marjorie J. Ashwood, secretary-treasurer. Board of directors made up of these three officers and Russell L. Brown, Jack Orchard and Jack A. Houston. A managing director may be appointed when finances permit.

The new charter provides that annual membership dues for individuals shall be \$10 and for partnerships and corporations not less than \$25.

Initial committees to be set up and announced will be the executive committee, the finance committee and the membership committee. Other promotional and active committees will be named as projects develop.

THERE HAVE been several preliminary meetings of the organizing group at which plans were discussed and needed promotions outlined. At a Desert Inn breakfast meeting during the past week the charter was presented and the incorporation authority and seal examined. These official records were prepared in the office of Attorney Rembert Ryals.

Among the projects and promotions which the newly formed Greater Richland, Inc. have ready examined in their recent meetings were:

Make both the Columbia and Yakima river fronts more attractive; creating a better south-

We hear that the local tennis club has received permission from the Vance Hotel people to build two tennis courts in the rear

Sending mice into space seems to be an

ballot.

This might interest you. You are probably in the same boat.

We quote a letter we received the past week from a Swift Boulevard woman:

"I read in your Seen and Heard column a paragraph about how we are being beset by ticket sellers. We kept a record of the number of calls made at our house for a year by people representing money raising drives, people wanting us to buy tickets for everything, raffles, and donations. The total was 65. If you contributed to all of them you could go broke. What are other people doing about this? It gets worse every week."

A merchant told us last week that he gets at least 200 such calls a year at his store. On the ticket angle he was asked by certain solicitors to buy not one ticket but 10 or 20. He said when he sees somebody enter his store he wonders if it is a customer or a "touch."

Here is a problem which grows and grows. In handling it you can be either soft or "tough."

We are keeping a score sheet and at the end of the year we will give credit to the Richland City Council, the Port of Benton Commission, the Chamber of Commerce and Greater Richland, Inc., for the number of new industries or commercial units each is responsible for bringing to Richland. This will make interesting reading.

## SEEN and HEARD <sup>MAY 15 1962</sup> BY THE ROVING REPORTER

An Abbott St. householder told us yesterday: "I do not subscribe to any newspaper. I get my news on TV. However, I do get *The Richland VILLAGER* and enjoy reading it very much. Surprising the number of residents advertisers can reach only via *The VILLAGER*."

There are two ways a salesman can get into your house. The first is ringing your doorbell and being invited in (if he forces his way in you can have him arrested). The second is by telephone. These salesmen either can be legitimate or they can be racketeers. A good way to uncover the rackets, after listening to the salesman's line of talk, is to ask him to submit his proposition on his company's letterhead. The honest salesman will do this, and you will not hear from the crook. Swindlers talk; they do not write. (They have no letterheads).

In the bird kingdom (aves) which we note and study on the home grounds, we discover that the robin is really a social climber. How he worms his way into the garden area!

We attended a dinner the other night in Richland which had the usual cocktail hour preceding it. Most of the people there attend local churches, and all of them were lined up for the so-called social drink. Drinks usually make people un-social and sometimes anti-social. Not so many years ago it would have been a scandal to see church folks having their booze. Times have changed, also the morals of our people — and the moral fibre of the nation.

We have a fine new citizen who has come to Richland with his wife and four children. He is J. William Malley, who is the new owner of Ray's Pharmacy, 708 Symons St. Glad to welcome these nice people.

Bill Malley originally came from Boston, Mass., but he has lived in the state of Washington since 1947. He graduated from the Washington State University School of Pharmacy in Pullman in 1951. Since that time he has had several years' experience in drug store management. The new pharmacy owner takes over an establishment which was one of the original drug stores in Richland.

Mr. Malley said to us yesterday: "While the modern drug store has many departments, we are particularly interested in our prescription business and the health of our customers."

If you are a carless driver, losing your head precedes losing your life.

Sam Volpentest tells us that nine of the 16 Sunland Cooperative Apartments have been sold, with 20 additional prospects — several of whom went to see the project completed before making up their minds.

Bill Brown mentioned the other day that already he has out-of-town tourists who have stopped at his gas station and asked for material about the Seattle World's Fair. "All Richland people should send and get fact sheets from the Fair officials," he advises, "so that they will be able to assist these travelers."

It isn't very pleasant to hear that work on our new \$10 million post office building will not start until 1963 because no congressional appropriation has been voted for the job. Who neglected to do what, in this case?

In one of his recent TV shows Art Linkletter asked four 8-year-olds what age they would like to be if they had a choice. One boy said he would like to be 65 so he could retire on a pension.

We hear that the local tennis club has received premission from the Vance Hotel people to build two tennis courts in the rear of the Desert Inn opposite the north end of

the swimming pool. It will cost about \$9,000 for the project, and no such money is in sight. Can tennis "net" a sum like that?

Heard about two grave diggers who got into a fight at the cemetery the other day. The boss came along and made them bury the hatchet.

A local service club has a hatchet man who goes around at the noon luncheon meetings and collects fines from its members. The other day one member voluntarily contributed a dollar because he said, "My mother-in-law isn't going to visit us this summer."

Don Miller, who owns a drug store in Benton City, has been associated with the Johnson Pharmacy at 1906 George Washington Way for the past six years and has now taken over this business as Mr. Johnson goes to the new Richland Clinic pharmacy which has started operations.

Mr. Miller graduated from the Washington State University School of Pharmacy at Pullman, and his customers here will have the benefit of his many years of experience in drug store management. The Millers have two children. Don is an active member of the recently organized Benton City Kiwanis Club.

Made a call a few days ago at the home of Mrs. Velma Dudley on Valley View Road on the Yakima River. She has a large sized work room on the lower floor of her house, and there were nine women gathered there—all busy knitting sweaters and bedroom slippers, which are to be sent to Walla Walla VA Hospital for the hospitalized veterans there. This is a Legion Auxiliary project and these ladies devote 250 hours a year to this "service to our forgotten men." Wonderful!

Secretary - Treasurer Marjorie J. Ashwood of the newly organized Greater Richland, Inc., has devoted a great deal of her time to public service. She has been prominent in the activities of the Richland Business and Professional Women's Club, including important committee assignments. She works as a secretary out in the Hanford area. How she finds time to engage in these extra civic matters is a mystery to everybody except those who are aware of her dynamic type of energy.

The Water Follies brand of entertainment might even divert the Columbia River, something California has been working for for years.

When Dr. T. J. Albertowicz runs for corner the next time we suggest this as a good slogan: "Be Dead Right" when you mark your ballot.

Sending mice into space seems to be an expensive way to get rid of them.

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## Drive-In Opens Here

The Arctic Circle, a new drive-in eating spot for Richland, located at 235 Williams Blvd., a short block from George Washington Way, opened its doors yesterday. The operators of this spick and span restaurant are Mr. and Mrs. David Fretwell, who have taken residence here on Newcomer Street.

The building is 48 by 24 feet in dimension, with complete and modern equipment for the preparation and serving of foods. There will be a specialty which goes with this franchised operation, and it is known as the Tacos Mexican sandwich. All other types of drive-in foods will be served also, as well as soft creams and drinks. The construction is of prefab and steel, and the front of the restaurant is equipped with serving counters. Good-sized parking areas surround the building. The George Grant Co. was the contractor.

# Ferry At New Site Is Eyed By GR Group

Richland may again have ferry service if the efforts of Greater Richland, Inc., are successful. This is the new organization recently chartered here to boost Richland and to promote its future.

When the news was published in The Villager that the Richland Tug and Ferry Company was pulling out of Richland and relocating on the Snake River at Burbank, officials of the Greater Richland, Inc., immediately arranged a meeting with D. V. Boylan and discussed with him the possibility of re-establishing ferry service here.

As a result of that meeting, Boylan stated that he would be interested in setting up a new ferry service about a mile north of his present location where the barge docks on the Franklin County side of the Columbia River would be located at a point where the entrance and exit road would be on more level terrain. The old site has a steep road which was dangerous for motor travel, and reportedly was never kept in proper condition by Franklin County officials.

Boylan told the Greater Richland, Inc., officials that to have a ferry relocated so that the route was aimed into Downtown Richland would be a mistake. He said it would not be used by farmers on the other side of the river, who could go a few short miles and cross by the Pasco-Kennewick bridge. If located up the river at the suggested point, the ferry would bring to Richland the farmer trade as well as the rerouting of tourists and trucks from the Spokane highway.

To make a new Richland ferry a permanent thing, it has been suggested that efforts be made to have it partly subsidized by the state, as is being done with other ferries over the Columbia River.

# RICHLAND LOSING TUG, FERRY FIRM

The Richland Tug and Ferry Co., with its fleet of tugs and river barges, is moving out of Richland and will relocate on the Snake River on a five-acre tract at Burbank.

Its new name will be the Boylan Navigation Co., Inc. and will have a \$40,000 installation at its new location.

The new move was prompted by two circumstances, according to Darrall Boylan, owner and manager.

One was the fact that the Walla Walla Port District officials extended a cordial invitation to move to the Wallula section of the river and offered its cooperation in every possible way. The other was that no such cordial attitude was shown by certain officials here to move to another location at North Richland.

So Richland loses its barge business and its chance to have ferry operation in the near future.

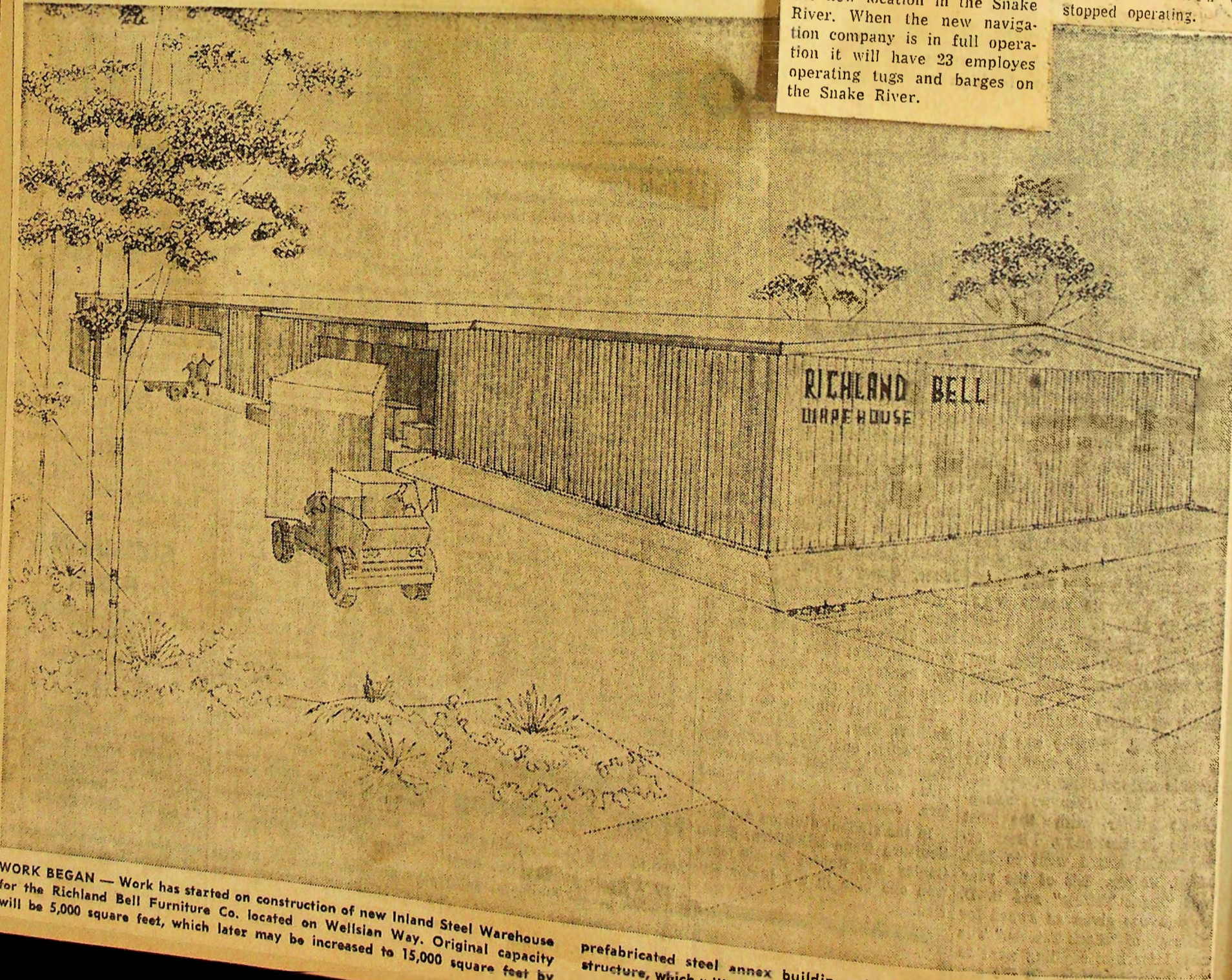
A hospital building and a dormitory have been purchased from the operators who took over the former army buildings at North Richland, and they are to be moved by river barges to the new location in the Snake River. When the new navigation company is in full operation it will have 23 employees operating tugs and barges on the Snake River.

MANAGER BOYLAN still has his yearly contract with the General Electric Co. for work on the Columbia River within the plant areas. He will also have his tugs and barges operating all the way down the Columbia River on work contracts with other port commissions.

The Richland Tug and Ferry Co. operated its ferry here for several years and routed thousands of tourists vehicles through Richland from the Franklin County side of the river.

Farmers from across the river used the ferry to transport their produce by trucks to this and other areas. They also came here with their families to trade.

This business was diverted to other points when the ferry stopped operating.



WORK BEGAN — Work has started on construction of new Inland Steel Warehouse for the Richland Bell Furniture Co. located on Wellsian Way. Original capacity will be 5,000 square feet, which later may be increased to 15,000 square feet by

prefabricated steel annex buildings. Picture is architect's drawing of the initial structure, which will cost \$25,000.

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# State Meeting Set For June

The 42nd annual convention of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Department of Washington, is planned for June 20-23 at Walla Walla, which will give Richland VFW Post an opportunity to have a large delegation at the four-day program and to participate in the annual state parade.

There will be registration for early arrivals at the Marcus Whitman Hotel from 5 to 7 p.m. on Tuesday, June 19. The convention will open next day at the Washington National Guard armory at 9 a.m. and will include reports of all state officers and committees. The annual memorial services will be held that evening at the armory.

On Thursday, June 21, there will be a joint session with the auxiliaries, with distinguished guests to be introduced and presentation of national colors to the mayor. Guest speaker will be Louis Bruno, State Superintendent of Public Instruction. At 12 noon there will be a beef barbecue at the VFW Post home, a session of the veterans planned for 2 to 4 p.m., drill captains will meet at 4 p.m. and social hour will be at 6 p.m. at the Marcus Whitman, followed by the annual convention banquet. The annual ball will take place at the hotel at 9 p.m.

**FRIDAY'S SESSION** will include inspection of drill teams, school of instruction for post officers, annual convention parade at 3:30 p.m., annual pageant of drums and drill team show at the stadium at 7 p.m., and dancing and entertainment from 9 p.m. to 2:30 a.m. at the VFW Club.

Closing session on Saturday will include presentation of annual awards and the election of Department officers for 1962-63. It is hoped that announcement will be made that the annual Veterans of Foreign Wars national convention will be held in Seattle in 1963.

The Marine Corps League Auxiliary is showing a lively interest in community affairs and has announced a good program for the coming months. At the last meeting, it was voted to donate \$10 to the Columbia High School band new uniforms fund.

The annual Tag Day is set for Aug. 3 in Richland. Several old clocks were donated by a member and were sent to the Walla Walla Hospital to be repaired by hospitalized veterans in the therapy program. The Auxiliary also is planning to hold a picnic at the Walla Walla VA Hospital, with a program of entertainment for the patients.

**THE AUXILIARY** also is planning for a concession table

at the coming West Richland Days event, and Mrs. O. W. Dennis has been appointed as chairman for this activity. A sunshine fund has been started by the members who will all contribute. The money will be used for child welfare cases.

Mrs. Fred Meeks and Mrs. W. W. Wingfield have received citations from the Walla Walla VA Hospital for the completion of 100 hours spent at the hospital in visitations to the bedsides of men in this hospital and in library work and other assigned tasks.

An orientation course at the WWVA hospital during the past week was attended by Mrs. A. G. Bals, Mrs. D. R. King, Mrs. W. W. Wingfield, Mrs. A. E. Graves and Mrs. O. W. Dennis. Students of Marcus Whitman School donated to the Auxiliary several jugs which are to be sent to the hospital for use in the kitchen.

Mrs. C. W. Patti has been appointed chairman in charge of child welfare cases. The auxiliary plans a cake sale and will continue its series of coffee parties, at the homes of members.

In the Memorial Day parade next Wednesday morning, the Marine Corps League will have its color guard and colors, and the Military expects to have a decorated car in the parade column. The ladies also will have a wreath to place on the graves at the Richland cemetery service.

**RETIRING** District Commander C. C. Owings of the 17th VFW District was congratulated during the past week by Department Commander Boyd Rosen on his accomplishment of having all the posts in district reach the 100 per cent membership quota, and being the only one in the state to make such a record.

At the Richland VFW Post meeting a donation was voted for the cancer fund. A vote of thanks was given to D. L. Smith who was successful in raising the money needed for the annual School Boy Patrol picnic slated for Thursday, May 31, at Riverside Park. Commander U. Lester Sweetin appointed W. L. Owens as chairman, and L. O. Hetrick as co-chairman to cooperate with Manager John Weller of the local Sears-Roebuck Office in arranging a sale of new 50-star American flags. There will be a display at the Sears store in Uptown Richland and it is hoped that hundreds of flags will be sold to Richland householders for displays on their

## SEEN and HEARD

BY THE  
ROVING REPORTER

We will have to tell you this one under our breath.

It isn't supposed to be publicized yet. We HEAR that three new apartment houses are planned for early development on land adjacent to the Dr. Wood-Goethals Avenue block.

Our tip had the information that there will be two apartment buildings with 10 units each and a third with 12 units. They will be of one, two and three-bedroom sizes and will be for rentals and not cooperative sales.

This is a new project with financing by outside capital and is in no way connected with the present Sunland Apartments additions.

With 300 new homes built here since the city was incorporated, and these several apartments being completed, people are wondering where folks are coming from to fill them as permanent residents.

The fact is that Richland now has a population around 26,000, and there has been a continuing growth since the last national census. The sale of the Bauer Heights homes brought approximately 300 new families here, and the new homes are being bought and occupied as quickly as they are ready.

We mentioned recently that 3,000 employees of the General Electric Co. live out of town, mostly in Pasco and Kennewick, and many of them are returning here as residents to save hundreds of hours and thousands of miles of travel expense. They know that Richland is one of the finest residential cities in the State of Washington. We welcome them.

Today's racket exposure is known as the "Bait and Switch." You women should read this and remember it. It has been worked here at least twice.

A crew of about four men arrives, hires a temporary office and telephone, puts an ad in the newspapers or on TV, offering to sell a rebuilt vacuum cleaner for \$14.25. "Call this telephone number and an agent will call at your home," invites the ad.

The man brings to your house a poor specimen of a cleaner, advises you not to buy it, then produces a new machine from his car which he says is valued at \$85, and he will sell it to you for \$52.95. He has baited you with the low price and switched you to his sales article which is not worth what he is charging you. Never do business with "bait and switch" artists and never sign anything for them. You will get trimmed if you do.

The old Richland Bakery at Goethals and Taylor, gutted by fire many months ago, and an eyesore to a residential community, is going to be torn down and removed. Applause from the neighbors.

Meet Wesley D. Stordahl, an enterprising Richland young man, who is the new owner of the Wells Radio and TV Co. at 708 George Washington Way.

Wes Stordahl graduated from Columbia High School in 1947 and then finished a two year course in radio and television technical training at a Spokane school. He has had an additional six years as a TV technician and operated the Tri-Cities Electronics at 1908 B George Washington Way. Assuming ownership of the Wells company store will give him a wider field of operation in his chosen line of work.

He lives at 1519 Jadwin Ave., with his wife and six children. He has success written all over him.

Did somebody goof in surveying the lines for the new High School classroom building? A little bird told us that the other day when a re-survey was made, it was found that a 14-foot section of the girls' gymnasium will have to be removed to make room for the new building. What do you know?

Did you know that there are 34 transporta-

tion companies operating in the Tri-Cities area, employing 1,128 persons, and having a payroll of \$6,344,000 per year? A sizable contribution to our economy.

The recently organized "Greater Richland, Inc.," which is to specialize in boosting Richland, plans to have a representative at all meetings of the City Council, The School Board, the Chamber of Commerce and other civic meetings, keeping tabs.

Officials of local veterans' organizations and their auxiliaries are incensed over the fact that men wearing Seattle vets' caps set up at the local banks last Friday and sold poppies. They did a land office business because local people thought it was the annual poppy sales day of the Richland veterans' units. The men claimed they had a permit from City Hall to operate. Nobody knows whether these men actually represented a veteran's organization.

In any case, no local permits should be issued to any but Richland veterans organizations, which use the poppy sales money to take care of veterans at VA hospitals, as well as widows and orphans of veterans.

You all know Art Lade. He is a big hunter man. He told us this one the other day. He was out in the forest when a big grizzly bear started to chase him. Dropping his rifle, he ran for his life. He could feel the hot breath of the bear on the back of his neck. Turning suddenly and taking the brute by surprise, he shoved his arm down the bear's throat, grabbed him by the tail on the inside, yanked, turned the bear inside out and he started to run the other way. Art must have told the truth. He still has his arm.

Forgetting about Democrats and Republicans who are sore about not being invited to the recent Snake River Dam dedication—what about Harry (Fishhook) Jim, an old Indian who had fishing rights there for the past 60 years, first given to him by a letter from President McKinley. Old Harry didn't get an invitation. To relinquish his fishing rights, Old Harry was short-changed by the government with a paltry payment of \$1,600, to get him off the Fishhook.

A local woman purchased a packaged soup at the market the other day, put it on to boil, and when she went to serve it found it had disappeared from the pan. The soup had been full of "leeks".

This happened recently in the biology class of a nearby high school. We hope nobody is hurt by the story. The high-rated teacher was handling and describing a hamster to the class when the animal sunk his teeth into his arm. He let out a yell and said, "The blankety blank bit me." A parent heard about the incident from his son and reported to the School Board that the teacher had used profane language in front of the class. We do not know the result of the investigation which followed, but hope nothing was done about it. Any member of the board would have let out the same epithet if he had been bitten.

Ed Sullivan, who put in a number of years at the Hanford Works from 1943, and later removed to Carolina, is visiting here with his two sons, Edward Sullivan, Jr., and Judge John Sullivan, and is renewing old acquaintances. He worked in Central Stores and at North Richland and also was sent back East for a year as an expeditor. During his years in Richland he was a sponsor of junior baseball and was active in other youth services. Ed was one of the finest men you would ever want to meet. Nice to see him again.

What's happened to the UP-UPtown shopping center? It had a lot of promise but is still a vacant 37 acres.

## VFW Will Take Part In Annual Fire Parade

Cook-Erickson Post 7952, Veterans of Foreign Wars, has accepted the invitation of Chief Pat Quane and Fire Marshal John Ward of the Richland Fire Department to participate in the annual Fire Prevention Week project which is scheduled to take place in Richland Oct. 7-13. The week selected each year contains the date Oct. 9 which was the day the Great Chicago Fire started.

The VFW Post will have as its major job the annual Fire Prevention Parade which will be seen on Saturday afternoon, Oct. 6. Commander U. Lester Sweetin will be chief marshal of the parade which will be planned, organized and supervised by a parade committee of VFW Post members to be announced.

**THE PARADE** will be organized on George Washington Way between Williams Boulevard and Symons Street, as in past years. Columbia High school band will be invited to lead the parade column which will include the massed colors of veterans' organizations, 100 members of the Columbia High school Girls baton unit, the School Boy Patrols, 1,000 school boys and girls from the seven elementary schools in a bicycle division, with fire prevention slogans, a division of fire fighting apparatus from the Richland Fire Department, and units from AEC and GE fire departments.

Silver dollar prizes will be awarded to the best features and slogans, and later a party will be given to all the winners at the Central Fire Station.

Fire Marshal Ward has announced that a general city committee will be appointed to handle all the many projects planned for the Fire Prevention Week and this committee will receive its program at a kick-off dessert lunch at the Desert Inn hotel early in August.

**RICHLAND POST 71**, the American Legion is helping sponsor the Town Hall meeting which will take place tomorrow night at the Kennewick High school Auditorium. Past Commander James Skerbitz is directing the project. This meeting will have "Americanism" as its theme, and speakers will expose the methods and practices of Communism as they are being triggered in the United States by subversive elements. All veterans as well as the general public are invited to attend this meeting.

Past President Marcella Hendrickson of the Legion Auxiliary is confined to the Kadlec Methodist Hospital after surgery. She is the wife of Past Commander Glenn Hendrickson.

Adjutant Ray Tillson met during the past week with Greenlee Fireworks Co. of Tacoma and made a selection of fireworks for the annual 4th of

July night show in Richland next month. There will be a diversified program of aerial bombs and ground sets. A meeting of the Legion Post executive committee Monday night approved the selection and the budget. The Fourth program at the Bomber Bowl will be the 14th consecutive project of this kind sponsored by the Legion Post.

**POST-scripts**—Commander and Mrs. U. Lester Sweetin attended commencement exercises at Washington State University at Pullman and were proud to see their son, Lester R. Sweetin, receive his master's degree in mechanical engineering. Newly-elected commander of Richland Post 71, the American Legion, is Nace Watkins who has been active in the local post for several years—The VFW Post Auxiliary under the leadership of President Margaret Sweetin completed a project last week in which several thousand letters were mailed to solicit contributions toward the proposed building of the Salk Institute, a big research laboratory in San Diego, Calif.

At the coffee party hosted by Mrs. Margaret Wingfield at her home, the Marine Corps League Auxiliary had as guests

Mrs. Mary McGahey, chief of recreation at the Walla Walla VA Hospital and her assistant, Joseph Stemmer.

Next meeting of the Auxiliary is planned for Wednesday, Sept. 20, at the Community House. Mrs. O. W. Dennis will report on plans to have an Auxiliary booth at the annual West Richland Days event.

Question of the week—

Q— As a war veteran's widow I have been told that I may be eligible for a pension. How is the eligibility determined?

A— A widow must have lived continuously with the veteran from the time of marriage until the veteran's death, except where there was a separation, because of misconduct of or procured by the veteran without fault on the part of the wife.

## Safe Boating Week Stated

President Fay Jones of the Richland Safety Council yesterday called attention to the fact that Safe Boating Week will be observed during the month of July and that all boats plying Columbia, Snake and Yakima rivers will be subject to inspections from the United States Coast Guard members, with special emphasis on fire hazards.

In this connection, Fire Marshal John Ward, a member of the Safety Council, made these suggestions for preventing fires while preparing boats for the water:

"Good housekeeping is the first line of fire defense here as anywhere. Do not let oily rags accumulate, and remove sawdust and wood shavings promptly.

"For getting off the old paint, scraping, hand and machine sanding and the use of non-flammable removers are safest. If flammable liquids must be used, work should be done in the open air.

"While painting boat interiors or working in an enclosed area, provide good ventilation. Do not operate any spark-producing equipment or allow any open flame, and observe strict 'no smoking' rule.

"Get professional help for all welding, brazing, soldering or cutting operations and insist on the highest professional standards for safety during such work.

"Keep an extinguisher or garden hose handy for prompt use in case a fire should start."



THIS IS THE latest photo of the "new face" of the Desert Inn Hotel, the final phase of the \$200,000 remodeling contract now being completed. These costs were, reported as follows: new cabanas on south side of hotel, \$80,000; remodeling of dining rooms, \$30,000; rebuilding front section with terraces and new room entrances, etc., \$80,000; lobby redecorations, \$7,000; two

new air conditioners for dining rooms, \$2,800; new landscaping, \$2,500. The Villager congratulates Manager Wally Bowen on the New Desert Inn which is now ready to cater to the hundreds of tourists expected to stop over in Richland on their way to the World's Fair in Seattle.

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## Richland Club Is Federated

# B&PW Is World's Largest Group For Career Women

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(See picture, Page 1)

The Richland Business and Professional Women's Club is a member of state and national federated clubs, and as such belongs to the largest organization in the world devoted entirely to the interests of employed women.

Founded in 1919, this organization is one of 25 members of the International Federation of Business and Professional Women. It is also the only organization having a research center of international scope devoted exclusively to the interests of business and professional women as provided by the Business and Professional Women's Foundation.

The local group of experienced community leaders devote their time and talents in the promotion of their common interests and the elevation of the standards for women in business and the professions.

The national program covers five major fields — career advancement, health and safety, international relations, national security, and public affairs. Such a program provides individual members for leadership in community, state and national affairs and enables them to make contributions to the common good.

AMONG THE accomplishments supported or brought about by the National Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs over the years are these examples:

Increased prestige of employed women and greater ac-

with their total value equal to that of one large prize.

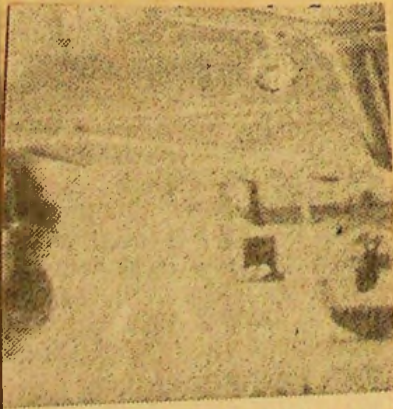
ceptance of them in business and in the professions; jury service for women and equal pay for them in many states; legislation which made women's branches component parts of the armed services; equal status for women in the medical services of the armed forces; merit system in government; equal opportunities of education and training for men and women in professional, commercial and industrial careers; defeat of legislation discriminating against married women workers; and the law giving married women citizenship independent of their husbands.

The group also endorsed and actively supported qualified women for policy making posts at local, state and national levels.

The Richland Business and Professional Women's Club was organized in October 1945 and during the past 17 years has had an outstanding record of accomplishment. Its business meetings are held on the second Tuesdays of each month, and its dinner meetings on the fourth Tuesday.

THE LIST OF past presidents of the local club includes Ruby Madison, 1945-46; Georgia Reager, 1946-47; Frances Tracy, 1947-48; Marie Sherbring, 1948-49; Kay Walton, 1949-50; Elsa Nordine, 1950-51; Margaret Howard, 1951-52; Dorothy Pugh, 1952-54; Dorothy Clark, 1954-55; Helen Miksch (resigned) 1955; Dorothy Bacon, 1955-56; Marjorie Ashwood, 1956-57; Mary Aldrich, 1957-59; Effa Combs, 1959-60; Edna Stevens, 1960-61.

The club officers for 1961-62 include President Grace Larson, First Vice-President Trelma Temple, Second Vice-President, Ada Neth; Recording Secretary Juanita Barnett, Treas-



Members of the State Legislature convene.

## SEEN and HEARD

BY THE ROVING REPORTER

JUNE 15, 1962

Here is another exclusive for you. We HEAR that Richland is to have a new Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Clinic in a building that will be erected near the Kadlec - Methodist Hospital.

This will mean that the entire area on Swift Boulevard from Jadwin (formerly Goethals) to Stevens Drive, four tenths of a mile in length, will comprise our developing Medical Center, and this gives promise of the fulfillment of a prediction we have frequently made that Richland will have one of the finest and most modern Centers in the state of Washington.

It is well known that many Richland and other Tri-Cities patients in the past have gone to Seattle, Ellensburg and other cities which had the clinics they sought. This trend will be reversed and Richland will attract thousands of new patients from other cities.

Our present set-up includes the Kadlec-Methodist Hospital with its many buildings, the Medical Arts building, the Dental Clinic, and the recently opened Richland Medical Clinic, to which will be added the Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Clinic, and expected expansion of the main hospital under its proposed five-year plan.

Our congratulations to the individual doctors, surgeons and specialists who are investing thousands of dollars in the service of the people of Richland. They deserve our complete support.

The coming Sunday is Father's Day. We can thank the fathers for Mother's Day. If it weren't for the fathers there would be no mothers. Father's Day would be meaningless if mother wasn't there to supervise the occasion. We might add that fathers could not be fathers if it were not for mothers. This is getting complicated. Give the Old Boy a good time. Sunday is the Day.

We note the daily newspapers mentioned that 1,000 persons attended the Columbia High School commencement exercises at the Bomber Bowl. Our informant reports that the attendance was 1,001,000. For your information the discrepancy is accounted for by the fact that a million mosquitoes were present. The slapping you saw was not applause. Our SOS to the Mosquito Control.

Also lately we have seen in the society columns the reports on an unusual number of hostlers being married. Hostlers, as you may not know are grooms and work around horses. You may have read that "the bride and groom left on their honeymoon trip to, etc." Could it be possible that these society reporters really mean the bridegroom, who isn't expected to horse around.

We welcome Mr. and Mrs. David Fretwell of Newcomer Street who are new arrivals here and who operate the recently opened Arctic Circle Drive-In restaurant at 255 Williams Blvd. just south of the Uptown Business District. They are very fine people and have been impressed by what they have seen in Richland since they moved here. Mr. and Mrs. Fretwell recently were introduced at a meeting of the Chamber of Commerce Community Development Committee and expressed their appreciation of the courtesies which have been shown them since their arrival. Glad to have you in Richland.

Here is a hot one. At a local club noon dinner meeting the other day a member arose and contributed a dollar to the hatchet man with these words, "My daughter has been married five years and my son-in-law is going to support her."

Joe Carroll has received a letter from George Gillette who was recently transferred to Phoenix, Ariz., from his Richland General Electric Co. job. George relates that the temperatures reached 100 degrees six times in May but the neighbors thought it was too cold to use the swimming pools. The Gillette address is 7234 N. 11th Ave., Phoenix 21, Ariz.

Dave Rietmann, the shoe merchant, is noted for his repartee. People get a boot out of listening to him.

When the government sold houses to residents, nobody was told about the condition of the roofs. Today hundreds of Richland roofs need attention. High winds have blown shingles away and unless attention is given to this, more serious damage may follow. Of course, repairing your roof will increase your overhead expenses.

What Richland really needs is a restaurant in which the help has been trained not to bang the dishes around. This idea was given to us by a crash customer.

Curley Ross, manager of the Albertson Super-Market, earns today's citation based on the fine customer-relations situation established in this trading center. All employees appear to have been subjected to a course in courtesy and public relations. Friendly greetings and smiling faces are the rule here. This isn't an accident. It doesn't just happen. Such an atmosphere attracts and retains customers. Cannot help giving credit where it is due.

We attended a recent wedding ceremony and saw the bridegroom pass out. When the preacher said "Wilt thou," the poor lad wilted.

Work has started on a new Conoco gas station at Jadwin and Symons opposite the Newberry store. This is the first new installation on the 37-acre tract north of the Uptown Business District, recently purchased for development by a local group.

Here is an interesting analysis of facts which might well be studied by members of the Richland Chamber of Commerce. Pasco C of C has 52 meetings a year and Kennewick C of C also has 52 meetings a year. This is a total of 104 meetings a year these two Chambers have to talk and do business for their communities. Richland C of C holds only 12 meetings a year (once a month). That's the difference of 92 meetings a year the other two Chambers have over Richland which is the difference between done about this.

activity and inactivity. Something should be

We received complaints this week from GE employees who work in the Stores building out on Stevens Drive. There is a bog district near the Saint Road area and on windy days thousands of mosquitoes are blown in on the workers at Stores. The winds are biting and so are the pests.

Here is a sad item. The other day we talked with a man who recently lost his wife. "You know," he said "one of the things she used to do was to read the newspaper first and mix the pages all up. It used to irritate me. Now my newspaper is in order when I read it and I wish she were here with me to mix the pages up."

"Why is it," a Bernard Avenue lady writes us, "that dignified men act like fools when they are away on conventions?" The only answer we can think of at the moment is that men who act like gentlemen are gentlemen and people who act like fools are fools.

We cite this as the limit of TV advertising. The other night we heard a soap claim (one of the liquids) which was featuring the article as a grease cutter and was "milder than the leading baby soap". Isn't that a beaut. Can't something be done to take the lye out of those soap ads.

Just couldn't close today's column without mention of the name of O. M. (Pete) Peterson of 1206 Benham, who rated the entire front page of last week's G.E. News as the 1,000th retired employee of the company. He was highly praised for his efficient services to the project during the past many years of his employment. In his own neighborhood he gets top rating also as an esteemed citizen and a real asset to the community.

## New Homes Take Shape

One of the newest residential developments for Richland featuring exclusive type homes is taking shape out on North George Washington Way, continuing the expansion growth of the city toward the North Richland line. This indicates the trend of new residential extension north and west of the present city areas.

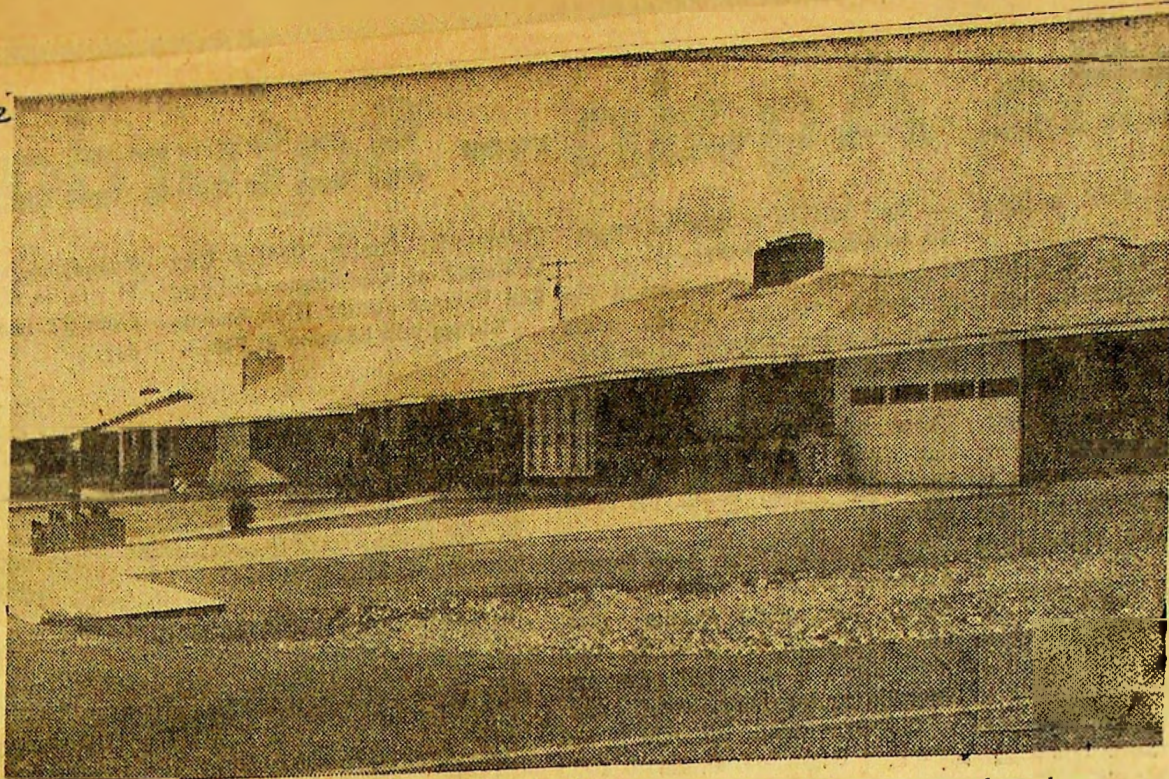
In this new development in which the sizes of homes are entirely controlled, the 43-acre tract will have costly homes of brick, masonry and stone with large lots assuring the owners of spacious living with adequate room for patios, swimming pools and fine landscaping.

A short time ago this section was sagebrush and jackrabbits.

It is bounded by Snyder on the north, George Washington Way on the West, Davison on the east and Saint Street on the South. New streets in this residential area are Sierra, Shaw and Scott.

Six units already have been completed on Sierra Street and others will be constructed in the coming months. Everett E. Green, the first licensed realtor in the city of Richland, represents the property owners and the construction is being handled by V. K. Powell & Co.

Richland rated fourth in volume of dwelling permits among the cities in the State of Washington during 1961, Seattle, Ta-



**MORE NEW HOMES** — New residential promotion north of Richland is developing a controlled

type of housing. See accompanying story.  
(Robley Johnson Photo)

### News Of Interest To Vets

## New Law Might Kill Display Of Fireworks

Richland may not have any more fireworks exhibitions on the Fourth of July.

A new Washington State law covering the manufacture and sale of fireworks is the reason.

This problem is now on the hands of Adjutant Ray Tillson of Richland Post 71, The American Legion, who is a licensed pyrotechnician and has charge each year of the Legion fireworks show at the Bomber Bowl.

Under the new law, any fireworks manufacturer who does business in this state must pay a tax of \$1,500. Because of this, no manufacturer wants to come here or sell fireworks in this state. If the Legion purchased fireworks from a company outside the state it would have to pay an import tax of \$100. There are several other taxes involved in the transaction. In addition to that the Legion has to pay \$50 for use of the Bomber Bowl and a high premium on a large accident policy which is required.

**THE LEGION** has sponsored these Fourth of July programs since 1949 which have been in the nature of official celebrations although the city has never borne any of the expense.

"We are studying the situation and will have a meeting with officials from the office of the state fire marshal and with Fire Marshal John Ward of the Richland Fire Department—we will do our best to save the situation," Adjutant Ray Tillson stated yesterday.

Past Commander William E. James was hospitalized during the past week after suffering from a slight stroke. James is the present service officer of the Richland Legion Post. He retired several months ago from the General Electric Co. general stores section. Since then he has been over-active in his official veterans affairs duties. His friends have advised him to "slow down" but dynamos cannot do that. Everybody is pulling for this Legion official who was one of the organizers of the local post back in 1945 and who has been a

lead-off man ever since. Address your "get well" cards to

220 Cullum Ave.

**COMMANDER U. Lester Sweetin** of the Richland Veterans of Foreign Wars Post is being loaded down with honors. He's been elected to the office of district commander of the VFW 17th district, succeeding Commander C. C. Owings, also of Richland. In addition to these two command jobs, Sweetin is also chief of staff for the department commander, Boyd Rosen, and serves on several department committees.

Elected to serve with Commander Sweetin in the 17th District were: senior vice-commander, Fred Krier of Pasco; junior vice-commander, Roy Culver of Sunnyside; chaplain, Lawrence O. Hetrick of Richland; quartermaster, Robert Hughes of Richland; judge advocate, C. C. Owings of Richland; three-year trustee, Clarence Welch of Pasco; one-year trustee, Reid Linden of Kennewick.

**DEPARTMENT** Commander Boyd Rosen attended the conference and election of the 17th District held in Richland, and complimented Commander C. C. Owings on the feat of having every post in his district reach 100 per cent of membership quota for 1962.

Out of his own pocket, Commander Owings awarded prizes of \$10 to the Richland and Kennewick posts and \$5 each to Prosser, Sunnyside, and Grandview posts for reaching membership totals he bet they could not do.

Department Commander Rosen announced that he had appointed Commander Owings as a member of the Department Council of administration, as well as to the resolutions and finance committees.

Commander Sweetin has been appointed by the national commander to the national Life Time Membership Committee.

Question of the week—

Q—I would like to sell my GI loan house. How do I get clear of liability for the loan?

A—If the purchaser takes over your loan, ask the VA regional office that has your loan records for a release from liability. If the purchaser refinances the loan and pays you, you would have to pay off the loan to be clear of liability.

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# 'Learn To Swim' Plan Boosted By Safety Chief

President Fay Jones of the Richland Safety Council issued a statement yesterday urging parents to take part in the 1962 "Learn to Swim" project by having the members of their families enroll in swim courses now being planned at the Richland Municipal Pool and by the Red Cross, the Y.M.C.A. and the Y. W. C. A.

"A recent Gallup Poll of sports participation of United States adults put swimming first on the list," she said. No less than 100 million Americans use aquatic facilities annually. The number of swimming pools in this country has increased from 10,800 in 1948 to more than a third of a million at the beginning of 1962.

"We still have about 6,500 Americans who drown every year, the fourth leading type of fatal accident. We know that drownings can be prevented. Look at the record.

"In 1900 there was one drowning for each 8,500 persons. In 1962, if one person in each 8,500 drowned, the number would be about 21,500. Instead it will be close to 6,500. This is a saving of about 15,000 lives each and every year.

"Credit for this splendid record should go to these organizations that organize and sponsor these 'Learn to Swim' projects.

"Here are some drowning accident records that are not well known to many people. It is known that 65 per cent of people who have drowned were wearing clothes at the time, 86 per cent of them were male, the

most accidents occurred in June and July, 70 per cent of those who drowned were poor swimmers or non-swimmers, and 85 per cent had had no swimming instruction. Causes of these accidents, among other things, were falling into the water, unsafe diving practices, cramps, epilepsy, heart attacks, drinking, muddy waters, floating on inner tubes, stepping into deep water, being thrown from speeding boats, being caught in fast currents, and many others."

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## Obey Signs, Chief Says

A big percentage of automobile accidents which occur in the summer each year are the result of driver failure to heed the the message given in traffic signs, Richland's police chief, Robert Marshall, said.

"Some people either don't look for traffic signs," Chief Marshall said, "or they don't obey them when they do see them." He said traffic accidents in the city would be cut in half if drivers would recognize and obey all traffic signs, signals and pavement markings.

Chief Marshall noted that there are six basic sign shapes and each shape carries a different type of message. He said motorists should learn to recognize the shapes so they can tell at a glance what type of problem they are about to be confronted with.

# SEEN and HEARD

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You probably do not know about this. On deposit in the two local banks is the sum of \$15,000 which has been drawing 3½ per cent interest for the past three years.

When the local Community Chest went out of business and combined with the United Crusade, this \$15,000 was in the treasury. By vote of the Community Chest officials, this money was placed in escrow and earmarked as a building fund. It can be used for no other purpose.

At the time there were several local organizations or agencies which were supported by the Chest which did not have permanent meeting places. The plan was to erect a building that could be used for such purposes.

One embryonic plan is to cooperate with the Red Cross, repair and enlarge its building at 513 Barth, and make space available for any agencies which need it.

We HEAR that certain people would like to get their hands on this dormant \$15,000 and transfer it to the United Crusade.

Standing in their way are two or three vigilantes of the old Community Chest who use the Verdun slogan, "They shall not pass".

We will keep you up-to-date on this.

"Your name has been recommended to our advertising department" was the opening statement in a letter which was addressed to a Richland man under date of May 22. It was a sales letter from a company which has an office in Richland. The only thing wrong about this is that the man to whom the letter was addressed has been dead more than a year. The inference we draw is that nobody recommended this name and it was probably taken from a telephone book, a stunt often used by people who call you and announce, "You have been lucky. You have won, etc".

The racket we bring to your attention today can be titled 'unauthorized merchandise'. Several professional promotional companies engage in this. They line up and use the name of a charity and seldom pay the borrowed charity more than 20 per cent of the money collected in its name.

You receive by mail a plea for a donation, with a cheap fountain pen or some other cheap article enclosed. Because you did not order the merchandise you do not have to pay for it or return it. You can keep it or throw it away. If any dunning letter follows asking you to return the merchandise answer it by saying that you will be glad to do it on the payment of \$1 a day for storage. That will be the last you will hear from the unethical promoter.

We will expose a different racket for you each week.

Two Richland women attended the Seattle World's Fair last week intent on visiting a French restaurant famous for its soup. After getting places at a table, they inspected the menu and found that a small bowl of the famous soup cost \$2. They left in a hurry, really souped up.

Met former City Councilman Paul Beardsley on the street yesterday and had a chat. He told us that he is now doing work around his house and yard which he planned to do several years ago but never could get around to it because of his civic duties and meetings. That was the payoff for being an ubiquitous civil servant.

A local secretary was calling up the members of her club a few days ago reminding them of a meeting date. From one of the women she

received this reply: "Have to look at my book. I will come down if I have nothing on."

At a meeting of the Greater Richland, Inc., the other night, one member suggested that the Rose Bowl buildings should be painted a grass green color so that they could chameleonate (our word) with the surrounding vegetation. The present Rose color fixes attention and doesn't make the picture any sweeter.

Among newcomers to Richland who set an example to many of our citizens in the field of public service, are Mr. and Mrs. Duane Grinnell of the Imperial 400 Motel on George Washington Way. They operate Richland's newest hostelry and have an apartment there. Formerly residents of Cedar Falls in Iowa, they made an inspection visit here and were well impressed with what they found, especially our fine school system. Mrs. Grinnell commented, Proof of his public and community spirit are evidenced by the activities of Mr. Grinnell, after only six months' residence. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, is vice president of the Greater Richland, Inc., is active in Richland Kiwanis club, belongs to our two golf clubs, is a member of the Elks, and is a Legionnaire. He has met a lot of fine people here and they think a lot of him. A better Richland is made by people such as the Grinnells.

How Long is a Chinaman. This is not a question. "How Long" is his name.

The man who dreams a lot, thinks a lot, plots a lot is usually a real estate dealer. He sells a lot.

We will all miss the kindly and gracious Mrs. Alta Tivey who has been hostess for many years at the Desert Inn dining rooms. She is leaving Richland and her future home will be in California with her son. Just before she left she received a vase of American Beauty roses from officials of the General Electric Co. as a token of their affection for her. Mrs. Tivey was one of our Gold Star Mothers.

A local business firm gave free samples of peanuts in the shell to its customers all last week. The people who ate them in the store threw all the shells on the floor which was a peanutty thing to do, seems like.

Our churches would be crowded with people if they spent one hour there for every ten hours they watch television.

In one of the General Electric offices in the 700 area one of the employees attached this bright quip to the bulletin board last week: "Mistakes in office routine are equal to the sum of the squares employed."

Nowadays when you see a father and son together the chances are that the one with the beard is the son.

The Desert Inn lobby is now getting the works—new carpeting, new tiling, new drapes, new overhead lights and an overall paint job. It already has something that came with the years, an atmosphere all its own. Wally Bowen had a lot to do with this.

Ernie Curtis avers that the people who are getting the most out of middle age are the grandchildren.

During the recent city campaign you heard members of the City Council stoutly assert that they were in favor of having a college located here, but they sat and watched the plan fail which could have saved several of the former army buildings for future use. You do not win games by sitting on the bench.

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# VFW Post Tops State; Sweetin Wins Trip East

Cook-Erickson Post 7952 has been selected as No. 1 Post of the Year in the Department of Washington and as a result of its record, Commander U. Lester Sweetin will have an all-expense-paid trip to Washington D.C. where he will join other state winners of similar honors and compete for the national title.

This unusual honor was based on the overall record established during the past 12 months in several categories, including community service, youth activities,

prompt filing of all required monthly reports with the department office, and being one of the first posts in the state to reach its membership quota. Although Commander Sweetin gets the credit for all these accomplishments of his post, he deserves the honor because the record could not have been made without superior leadership, the type he has given to the Richland organization, several officials here pointed out.

Among noteworthy VFW projects during the past 12 months have been: presentation of large

50-star American flags for each classroom in all Richland schools; sponsorship of the March of Dimes and Mothers' March; display of large American flags on the business streets of the city on all public and patriotic holidays; sponsorship of the VFW Junior Rifle team which has trained more than 600 Richland boys and girls for state hunters' licenses; the annual marble tournament, a national VFW project; sponsorship of an Explorer Scout troop and a Pony League team; the annual School Boy

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Patrol picnic; the annual Fire Prevention Week parade and its publicity; Get-Out-The Vote project; and many others.

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A LETTER has been sent to the Washington Department of the Veterans of Foreign Wars by Commander U. Les Sweetin asking that an investigation be made in Seattle concerning four men who visited Richland on Friday, May 18, set up tables at both of the local banks and sold poppies. These visitors alleged that they represented The Purple Heart Order in Seattle and that they were authorized to come to Richland.

Local veterans expressed the doubt that they had any such backing and that they were here on their own. The poppies they sold were not of the type made in the veterans' hospital by disabled vets.

This project was pulled just a week ahead of the regular date set for the VFW and the Legion to have their annual poppy day sales. It is alleged that the visitors picked up \$400 to \$500 before they left.

The facts have been sent to the Department office for study and investigation and a report may be expected back in the near future.

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**RICHLAND WILL** have its annual fireworks on the night of July Fourth.

Adjutant Ray Tillson of Richland Legion, met with the state fire marshal and Fire Marshal John Ward of the Richland Fire department and application has been made to the city for the permit for the big show.

Tillson made a trip to Yakima and consulted with the representative of a fireworks company which does business in the state and made preliminary arrangements for the purchase of ground displays and aerial bombs. For a while it was doubtful if there would be a show this year because of changes in the state law. The expense involved will be increased this year but the public can help meet the large bill by throwing halves and quarters into the hat on the night of the Fourth when members of the post will be around to make the collection.

**COMMANDER Sweetin** of the VFW thanks members of the VFW and Legion auxiliaries for the work they did at the annual School Boys Patrol Picnic, and also the members of the Richland Police department who assisted in the arrangements before and during the event. A total of 443 boys attended the picnic dinner and the presentation of awards.

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The state convention of the Veterans of Foreign Wars is less than two weeks away, beginning on June 19 and ending on June 23 at Walla Walla. Richland Post 7952 will have a large delegation this year because of the nearness of the convention city. Friday, June 22 will be the big day, with the annual parade at 3:30 p.m., the pageant of Drums and Drill Team Show at 7 p.m. at the stadium, and the 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. dance and entertainment at night.

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The 1962 state convention of the American Legion Department of Washington will take place in Bellingham Aug. 8-11. Richland Post 71 will be well represented this year and the delegates plan to hold caucus meetings at the convention with other posts.

Question of the week—

Q—What is the patient turnover in all Veterans' Administration hospitals for one year.

A—The last year's figures show that a total of 537,022 veterans were admitted to the VA's 170 hospitals, and 540,068 were discharged during the same period.

## Activating Ferry Service Studied By GR Group

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At a meeting of Greater Richland, Inc., during the past week, with vice President Duane Grinnell presiding, the principal topic under discussion was reactivating ferry service from Richland to the other side of the Columbia River to enable hundreds of farmer families to do business with Richland merchants.

D. V. Boylan, who operated the ferry for several years here, was an invited guest and answered many questions which the members of Greater Richland, Inc., asked during the hour devoted to this particular subject.

**HE STATED** that during the five years the ferry operated here it lost some \$50,000, which was the reason the service had to be discontinued. He stated that it would not be possible to re-open the ferry service unless an assisting subsidy could be obtained from the state. He mentioned that \$3,000 a month from December to April, during the big loss season, would be a sufficient subsidy and that during the other months of the year the ferry would be on a paying basis. It was brought out that the state is now paying as subsidies the sum of \$14,000 to the Anacortes fer-

ry and \$47,000 to the Cathlamet ferry operation.

What might make it impossible for the state to consider a subsidy for Richland is the fact that the operation would not be on or connect state highways.

**THOSE PRESENT** voted to contact Councilman Harry Kramer of Richland and State Senator Mike McCormack to see if they would pinpoint moves to get the proper authorities behind the ferry re-activation plan.

Jack Houston reported that headway is being made in the organization's plan to install a 47x17 feet highway sign on Route 410 in the Richland Y district and that several merchants had already agreed to monthly assessments, which would pay for its installation and lighting.

**THIS SIGN** will point the way into Richland for the thousands of World's Fair tourists who may use the route and who will be looking for vacancy hotel and motel accommodations for the night. It is understood that Imperial 400 motel management is already looking for locations for six highway signs to re-route tourists into Richland.

If the present highway sign project is successful, plans will

call later for two others—one at Kiona at the road which leads into the Richland Bypass highway and another on the Spokane highway.

On the subject of Richland Museum, it was suggested that a movement be started with reference to the General Electric exhibits now being shown at the World's Fair so that at the close of the fair in October many of these show pieces could be moved to Richland for permanent location in a museum.

## Underwriters Will Dine And Install

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The Tri-City Life Underwriters Association, Inc., will hold its annual dinner and installation of officers tonight at the Desert Inn. Insurance men from all sections of Benton and Franklin Counties will attend.

The local association also will observe its 10th anniversary. It was organized for the purpose of giving to the public the best the residents of both counties.

The 1962-1963 officers of the association are: president, Wayne S. Prosper of Kennewick, California Western Life Insurance Co.; vice president, Verl Beecher of Kennewick, Prudential Life Insurance Co.; and secretary-treasurer, Joe M. Pitzner of Kennewick, Occidental Life Insurance Co.

Past presidents of the association are: Art Haworth, 1952; Andy Keller, 1953; Delbert Driskell, 1954; D. Keith Barber, 1955; William Compton, 1956; Robert Brown, 1957; F. M. Mullins, 1958; Jack Ingram, 1959; Ralph Oswald, 1960; Jack Williams, 1961.

Members of the Tri-City Life Underwriters are D. Keith Barber, Verl Beecher, Robert E. Brown, Dennis Drummond, Adrian Burd, Fred Claggett, Harold Clark, James A. Clark, William Compton, James Custer, Ray DiLorenzo, M. A. Ellis, George Frick, D. D. Hanson, Gilbert Hartman, Arthur E. Haworth, Edward Hendler, Edward Hopkins, John R. Ingram, John R. Jesberger, Andy Keller, Jess Mast, Blake E. Miller, F. M. Mullins, Robert Nelson, Ralph E. Oswald, J. T. Petersen, Wiley Pierce, Joseph M. Pitzer, Wayne C. Proper, Frank O. Requist, Jack Roach, George Simmons, John Wagster, Adrian Walker, and Jack Williams.

## Richland Wins Safety Recognition

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Richland city officials were notified this week the Atomic City had received an award of merit from the National Safety Council for outstanding accomplishments in traffic safety as reported in the annual traffic inventory for 1961.

The award was announced by the Chicago office of the council, and Richland City Manager Murray Fuller was notified by telegram of the award, which is the second highest in the inventory program. It was made for Richland's over-all traffic safety program.

THE ATOMIC City also received two certificates of achievement from the National Council. One was in special recognition for its perfect record of no traffic deaths during the year and its progressive program of accident prevention activities.

The other was for its maintenance of accident records, necessary for any balanced program of accident prevention.

Eight other Washington municipalities and the state also were cited by the council. They were among 238 cities and 30 states to receive citations.

Other cities honored were Walla Walla, Yakima, Ephrata, Moses Lake, Everett, Seattle, Spokane and Tacoma.

RICHLAND Police Chief Boh Marshall said this was the fourth straight year that Richland had won the award from the council, and added that the city was anticipating further safety awards from other national groups.

The city received five national awards last year, the three from the National Safety Council they won this year, plus awards from the Pedestrian Safety Contest and the Walker award. The city also has won the International Association of City Police award the last three years.

Marshall noted the award was a high honor to the city's traffic safety program.

## SEEN and HEARD

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Richland is in process of seeing an influx of around 100 new employees for the General Electric Co. This may mean panying families.

Seventy-five professional people are being engaged for Hanford jobs, many of them college professors who will have summer jobs for specialized lines.

In addition to these, GE also has hired a number of college graduates for technical training here. Many of these may have permanent jobs here if they so elect. Others will be trained here and can be transferred to other General Electric divisions.

Prior to these hirings, 75 brochures were sent to these people from the local Park Lane Apartments, describing the facilities at the Jadwin Avenue housing project, which recently was renovated at a cost of \$200,000.

Many of these recruits already have moved into these furnished apartments.

Our population gets another substantial boost.

Let's welcome these newcomers and make them feel at home.

Dorothy Clark informs us that the Business and Professional Women's Club is planning to have the state conference in Richland September 29 and that more than 100 delegates will be in our city, many of them for the first time. Greater Richland, Inc., the new booster organization, will arrange tours for these Class A visitors.

Here is a shot for any delinquents who may read this column: This local boy has just passed 18 and did not graduate from high school. He has not been able to get a job around here. The reason — he was arrested when he was 17 for stealing and wrecking an automobile. "Why should they hold that against me?" is his bright comment. Nowadays you must fill out an application whenever you apply for work. You must answer the question, "Have you ever been arrested," giving the dates and charges or convictions. So this boy will have this act of delinquency hit him in the face every time he looks for a job. The fact that he asks, "Why should they hold that against me?" shows his present mental attitude.

Received a letter from a Newcomer Street woman who wants us to settle a bet. Her question is: "In how many states can a person get a divorce in this country?" The answer to this one is very simple. In only one state, madame — the state of matrimony.

There still are people here who think Big Mike's is a broadcasting station.

Councilman Harry Kramer is deeply interested in getting a ferry operating in Richland again. Let us hope he will get some support from the other members of the Council.

We believe there are Indians lurking around our place. Yesterday there blew on our lawn a bill from the BB&M Uptown store, for a "bow and arrow."

The other night at a Safety Council meeting one of the members had a ball point pen which was full of ink but would not write. President Fay Jones, a teacher at the Spalding school, took it, held a lighted match under the point and then the pen worked. Gee, these teachers know everything.

There is a certain Richland mother who has a young son who delivers newspapers early in the morning. He cannot wake up at 4 a.m. when the clock alarm goes off. The other morning she did get him on his feet and out the door, but half an hour later when she looked out, there he was sound asleep on the

front stoop. Mother put son back to bed and delivered the papers herself.

WE HEAR that a group of local investors planned to buy a wing of the old Officers' Club building at North Richland, move it to Stevens Drive near the Columbia Oil Co. No. 3 Service station, remodel it into offices which could be used for contractors doing business for AEC. These contracting firms have difficulty in getting office space in Richland, and this would have been a good deal for them. Our understanding is that the construction of the building to be moved did not meet the building code requirements in Richland and therefore the project is off.

The advertiser who keeps going after the business gets the business. The Richland Vilager is a great help.

A nifty bunch of local girls who took part in their club car washing project downtown recently had this sign displayed: "Grime Doesn't Pay." Their customers drove clean home.

There was a time when the only thing that annoyed a person on television was bad reception. Now it is the deodorant advertising. They bring the bath room into the living room, these smelly writers.

Another racket that is getting on the nerves of most people are these telephone salesmen from nearby cities who announce that if you can answer a simple question you will win a prize. A sample question is "Who wrote Webster's Dictionary?" You answer the question and a short time later a person appears to deliver you the prize. This is just a trick to get him into your home where he pulls the sales pitch, whatever it is. The next time this one is pulled on you and you are asked "Who is buried in Grant's tomb?" tell 'em "Buffalo Bill." This will save you time and money.

Former Mayor Pat Merrill is out of office but she seems to be busier than ever. Many organizations are making demands on her time as a speaker or project worker, and she rarely turns them down. It is hard to figure how she can do all these diversified tasks and keep her poise. Our City Council never had a better informed member.

Maury Kirkpatrick tells us that today and tomorrow at the Sunland Apartments a special apartment will be ready for open house inspection. The decoration and furnishing has been done by the Uptown Furniture Co. Here's an eye-opener.

This column enjoys complimenting civic-minded people who do unusual types of service for others. Our selection today is Mrs. Ruth Echelberger of 1415 Mahan Ave. We watched her mother 450 School Boy Patrolers at the annual VFW-sponsored picnic at Riverside Park the other day. For the past 10 years Mrs. Echelberger has been a leading spirit in this commendable youth activity and nobody has been found who can do the job more efficiently. She buys all the food used at the picnic dinner, furnishes all the pots and pans necessary for the cooking chores, organizes and directs the group which assists her in the serving, and has warm greetings for the hundreds of boys who surround her with their thanks after their appetites are satisfied. A wonderful job by a woman who has a big heart.

We HEAR that Dr. W. D. Heaston has purchased the business block at 706-708 George Washington Way which has as its occupancy The Binyon Optometrists and the Wells TV store.

People who plan to spend their vacation at the Seattle World's Fair will spend all right.

# Booster Group To Try Getting Fair Exhibits

Greater Richland, Inc., has decided it will try to get some of the Seattle World's Fair scientific and other exhibits for a permanent museum in the Atomic City when the fair ends Oct. 21.

Directors have instructed Clyde Knippers, Greater Richland, Inc., president, to send letters to World's Fair officials broaching the subject.

It was also suggested that officials of the Atomic Energy Commission and General Electric Co. might help in this enterprise. In other actions the Richland group:

1. Urged a renewed campaign to persuade Congress to provide funds this year for the

proposed \$10 million federal building;

2. Cautioned members not to lose interest in the proposal to attract a four-year college to the Atomic City;

3. Proposed publication of a brochure to explain the aims and purposes of Greater Richland, Inc., which could be used to help local organizations and merchants to support the local booster group.

It was pointed out that Greater Seattle, Inc., when organized several years ago, had a membership of only 20. Today the Seattle group has 18,000 members and plays a major role in the affairs of the Queen City relating to conventions and tourists; and

4. Asked all Tri-Cities to take an active interest in the Visitors Center now open in the Richland Community House and to write to relatives and friends inviting them to the Atomic City to see the scientific displays in the center.

Discussing the proposed federal building, Jack Houston, local real estate promoter, said:

"This important project has been taken for granted by people who should have kept the pressure on.

"As a result, we are having delays that will affect the future development of our city."

A motion was approved to send letters backing the project to Sens. Warren G. Magnuson and Henry M. Jackson, and Rep. Catherine May. Members also urged all citizens to write to their Congressmen supporting the plan for locating the federal building in Richland and asking that funds for a construction start this year be approved.

IT WAS POINTED out that

location of a federal building in Richland would:

1. Encourage approval of other construction in Richland. (Bankers testified during an AEC committee meeting in Richland last week that investors are loath to finance new construction until a new structure is built to replace the war-built AEC headquarters;

2. Be the means of attracting to Richland hundreds of persons who do business with the federal courts; and

3. Be the location of 20 or more federal agencies that would be moved here from other nearby cities.

The letter sent to the Congressional delegation:

"Last week an AEC committee devoted four days to survey, meet with various organizations and people in order to determine in what way the City of Richland could become less dependent on the Hanford Atomic Works to maintain its economy.

"Outside investment capital is waiting in various business fields on the outcome of the proposed Federal Office Building. This building, in their long range investment projections, must become a reality before they will consider Richland anything but a temporary city tied 100 per cent to the annual AEC appropriations.

"In a statement at the Ice Harbor Dam dedication by Senator Magnuson, as quoted in local newspapers, it was indicated that funds could be appropriated during this congressional session and construction could begin in the fall of 1962. Also, at a joint meeting of Greater Richland Inc., and the AEC committee, it was stated by members of that committee the progress of this project rests with the efforts put forth by (the Senators).

"Greater Richland Inc., has gone on record urging you to do everything possible through your office to make this project one of your top priority efforts this session. The city needs a firm foundation now in order to build a broad economic base on which to eliminate as soon as possible the subsidy we receive each year in the approximate amount of \$350,000 to operate our city government.

"You may be assured that the citizens, businessmen and civic organizations will be very appreciative of the work and progress put forth by you and your staff in your report at

the end of this session.

"Sincerely yours,

(s) Cecil C. Knippers,  
President

Greater Richland Inc."

It was also brought out that the idea of locating a four year college here has been accepted by a vast majority of Richland-

## NEWS OF INTEREST TO VETERANS

# Richland American Legion Post 71 Entertains Hospitalized Veterans

Members of Richland Post 71, American Legion, gave their annual party and entertainment to the disabled veterans at the Walla Walla Veterans Administration Hospital on Wednesday afternoon. The program included bingo with refreshments and the hospital authorities expressed their thanks to the Richland visitors for a very fine program.

Among those who visited the hospital and had a part in the event were Mrs. Ruth Echelberger, Commander Edwin Merrill, Post Adjutant and Mrs. Ray Tillson, Past Commander and Mrs. Dom Castelli, Senior Vice-Commander and Mrs. Carl Steiman, Mrs. William Smailes, Mrs. Frances Flora, Robert Johnson, Mrs. Alma Pasch and William Pickett.

MEMBERS OF the Richland Marine Corps League Auxiliary had an enjoyable social gathering the past week at the home of Mrs. A. G. Bals, 1028 Winslow, in honor of Mrs. Alice Dickinson, sister of Mrs. W. W. Wingfield, who is visiting here from Henderson, Nevada. Among those present were Mrs. Raymond Gostnell, Mrs. A. E. Graves, Mrs. W. C. MacBrayne, Mrs. Ruth Echelberger, Mrs. Charles Patty and Mrs. W. W. Wingfield.

LETTERS FROM Lily Peterson, principal of Jason Lee School, and from Spalding School, signed by Clair Karlson, supervisor. Steve Potter, captain, David Smith, lieutenant, and

Todd Hansob, lieutenant, expressed thanks to Richland VFW Post and assisting merchants for fine dinner and picnic program enjoyed by the School Boy Patrols at the recent annual event.

A WIDOW'S income has no bearing on her eligibility for dependency and indemnity payments if her veteran husband died of a condition attributable to service.

Dependency and indemnity compensation may be paid to the widow of a veteran whose death was the result of his service. However, income limitations do apply to VA death pension.

This is an entirely different benefit which may be paid to the widow of a wartime veteran who died of a condition not attributable to service.

ANOTHER EFFORT will be made to have Congress pass a bill by which WW2 and Korean veterans will get needed cost-of-living increases in their life insurance compensation.

Last year the House refused to come to grips with the insurance question, and the same situation has risen this year. A campaign of letters to members of Congress to hold hearings on HR-11268 has been started.

DON WHITE, member of both the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars, is a patient at the Walla Walla hospital, said to be in serious condition.

For several years he operated the gas station on Goethals Drive at Symons Street. He is a life member of the Richland VFW Post.

DR. EARLE Hussell, senior vice-commander of Cook-Erickson Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, handed in his resignation the past week, due to pressure of business.

RICHLAND VFW Post has un-

der consideration the sponsorship of a baseball team in the semi-professional Tri-County League which is being organized.

The matter was discussed at the last meeting and will be taken up again at the meeting on Monday, July 9, after an investigation has been made. The league would be composed of players above the 18-year-old bracket. One of the facets to be discussed is the expense involved in travel, also where these games will be played.

THE TRI-CITIES Drum and Bugle Corps will make its appearance this afternoon in the annual parade at Walla Walla in connection with the annual VFW convention.

Also expected to have delegations in the parade column are the Pasco, Kennewick and Richland posts and their auxiliaries. Many people from the Tri-Cities are expected to see this parade and also attend the Pageant of Drums and drill team at the Walla Walla stadium.

The annual election of department officers takes place tomorrow at the morning business session of the convention and the annual presentation of awards will be made. The joint installation of officers is scheduled for the 2 p.m. session.

ers and that preliminary work done by the idea's devotees should be followed up through every available channel, with the help of state officials, political leaders and business and university officials.

## SEEN and HEARD

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A number of new insurance companies have sprung up throughout the United States, especially in the accident and health fields.

We have reports that Richland and the Tri-Cities area have been flooded by mail from certain companies which apparently are not represented by licensed agents here.

For your own protection we advise you to do all your insurance business—life, health, accident, fire and other coverages—with local and reputable insurance agents whom you know personally and with whom you can make personal contacts in emergencies and when adjustments are required.

Mail order insurance companies may be all right, some of them, but generally speaking they do not give you the personal services which you value.

We have in front of us one of these mailed insurance circulars which has in small type the words "policies renewable at the option of

the company only." This must mean that if you put in a claim (by mail, of course) the company may refuse to renew your policy.

So the best "policy" for you is to do business with your local insurance company representative, the men you know personally and who will protect your interests.

A HOUSE IN NORTH Richland has been set on fire six times in an attempt to burn it down. The last fire the other day did the job. This looks like a matter for the police to investigate, doesn't it? Or the arson detail!

Well, nothing is being done about it. As a matter of fact these fires were set by members of the fire department.

The old house was used by the fire department in its school for training new appointees to the department, as well as refresher tactics for other members of the department. Six hot fires extinguished by modern fire fighting equipment and the only case on record where a first class fire department "went to blazes."

LOCAL GREEN THUMB artists have learned that if you give dandelions an inch they will take a yard.

JUDGE JOHN SULLIVAN had a broad grin on his face on Flag Day as he walked down the Uptown business district. He would occasionally stop an acquaintance and ask "Do you know why all these street flags are out?" The inevitable answer was "It's Flag Day." "No," the judge would reply. "It's my birthday."

WE NOTED AN ITEM in the paper the other day which read "A little baby was born to Mr. and Mrs. Blank." What were they expecting, a grown-up child?

THE RICHLAND KIWANIS Club recently ran an evening outdoor dance to raise money for the Columbia High School band new uniforms project. The net profit of \$318 has been turned over to the fund.

ED LARRABEE OF 1204 Sanford Ave., was seated in a comfortable chair in the family room the other afternoon when there was a knock at the door.

He called out: "Who is it?" "I am a blind salesman," came the answer.

The poor fellow, thought Ed, I will go to the door and see what he wants.

He discovered that the salesman was selling blinds.

RUDY RICE OF CARPETLAND has his own way of handling an employee who breaks the rules. He just calls him on the carpet.

RECEIVED A TELEPHONE call from a Kimball Ave. householder, and you ladies who read this column, please pay attention to this. She stepped to her front door just in time to see a man entering without invitation. She pushed him back, closed and locked the screen door on him.

"What do you want?" she asked sharply. "I want something to eat," he said boldly.

"This isn't a restaurant and we don't allow strangers to walk into our home!" For that she received a dirty look and the man left.

She went to the phone and warned her neighbors.

In the old days we called this type of itinerant a "tramp." Please, ladies, keep those screen doors locked all the time. Don't take chances. Please.

RUSS BROWN, WHO IS interested in the 18-hole golf course planned forth a southside recreational project, was commenting on the stock market situation the other night. He mentioned the fact that the billions of losses taken by investors hit a class that usually can travel and spend money.

He wondered if this will have any effect on thousands of these people who had planned to attend the World's Fair. Could be.

ED MERRILL APTLY REMARKS that people who used to say "money isn't everything" now say it's hardly anything.

JACK HOUSTON REPORTS that the big highway sign just outside Richland will be installed in the near future, and that 10 local merchants have already signed contracts for supporting monthly payments to subsidize the project. This sign will be 47x17 feet in measurements and will be brightly lighted at night for tourists seeking vacancies. This will be a feather in the cap of the recently organized Greater Richland, Inc., a booster unit which believes in the old adage: "Actions speak louder than words."

TALKED WITH DR. (DAG) Norwood the other day and he said he was making progress for a mountain goat hunting expedition in Alaska in September. Hunting wild goats takes a lot of patients.

WE MET AND TALKED with George C. Hockmeyer of Cleveland, who checked into the Desert Inn the past week. He told us that he was driving into town on George Washington Way over the speed limit and was stopped by a Richland police motor vehicle officer.

"Instead of getting a traffic ticket, as I deserved," he said, "the courteous police officer welcomed me to Richland and hoped I would enjoy my stay here. He gently reminded me that there were traffic signs along the highway."

We could have told him that all our police officers are well trained in courtesy and public relations.

A newspaper item said the other day that the Richland Mosquito Control would get to work when the mosquitoes get thicker. Why not get them before they are born.

Looks though officials may be in a fog rather than the mosquitoes. We hear people making biting remarks about these fully developed pests.

## Safety Council President June 24 - 1962 Urges Civic Interest

In order to broaden the community effort in traffic, home and other aspects of safety, President Fay Jones of the Richland Safety Council has issued a recommendation to all city organizations that they cooperate in this important program.

"Richland recently received a national citation for its outstanding accomplishments in traffic safety," comments Jones. "The National Safety Council also issued two certificates of achievement to the City of Richland for its perfect record of no traffic deaths and its progressive program of accident prevention activities."

"Credit for these fine records goes to the Richland Po-

lice Department and to the Richland Safety Council. Other local organizations which have had their own safety projects also should be given a share in these results.

"What we would like to see now is the participation of all local organizations in this city-wide safety program.

"We would like to suggest that every PTA group, every club, every veterans organization and all the women's groups appoint safety chairmen. They should plan safety projects and cooperate with the safety council by attending safety council meetings, where assistance can be given in planning these events.

"THE SAFETY council also will appreciate financial support

from organizations that can afford it and who want to aid in the citywide program.

"Your safety council conducts safety education projects in the schools, participates in the annual Fire Prevention Week program, and in its news releases covers every aspect of the safety theme, including safe boating, swimming, household accidents, enforcement of traffic safety rules, installation of seat belts in motor vehicles, pedestrian safety, and many more.

"These activities are for the general public, but they cannot be arranged on a proper scale without the expenditure of funds.

"Everybody in Richland should have a deep interest in this important program which in the past has resulted in the saving of many lives."

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# A-City Post Walks Off With Honors

At the annual convention of the Department of Washington, Veterans of Foreign Wars, held in Walla Walla, the Richland Cook-Erickson Post 7952, VFW, walked off with several high honors and awards.

For the third successive year Richland won the MacBrayne Publicity trophy, and it now becomes the A-City post's permanent possession. This trophy was presented to the Department of Washington in 1952 by Major W. C. MacBrayne of Richland, to be competed for each year by the 200 Washington state posts and to be awarded to the one having the most and best publicity.

Richland won it five times during this period, and its 1960, 1961 and 1962 victories have won permanent ownership.

Commander U. Lester Sweetin

of the Richland VFW Post was presented with a trophy from the department for being the outstanding commander in the state during his 1961-1962 administration. He was also the recipient of a diamond ring, presented by Dept. Commander Boyd Rosen.

**QUARTERMASTER** Norman L. Gross was announced as winning the honor of being the outstanding quartermaster in the department for his work during the past year. He received a gold ring with a ruby stone.

Gross is a past commander of the Richland post and also a past commander of the 17th VFW district, composed of Kennewick, Richland, Pasco, Sunnyside, Prosser and Grandview.

Richland also received a citation for its community service and youth activities projects during the 1961-62 period.

During the last convention session Commander Sweetin was installed as the new commander of the 17th VFW District.

Attending the convention from the Richland Post and Auxiliary were Commander and Mrs. Lester Sweetin, Past Dept. Commander and Mrs. Marvin M. McDonald, Past Commander and Mrs. C. C. Owings, Daniel Mur-

phy, Clyde Taylor, Mrs. Mildred Johnson, Mrs. Gevena Helgeson and Leah Kinnas.

**IN THE ANNUAL** parade held at the close of the convention, the 17th District had second position and was led by its color team, which received a citation.

Commander Sweetin reported that the penny can which is passed around at post meetings was opened at the convention and contained \$35 which, added to similar cans from other posts, made a total of \$400, which will be sent to the National Home at Eaton Rapids, Mich.

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**NEXT WEDNESDAY** is the annual Fourth of July celebration, and Richland Post 71, American Legion, has plans set for the kiddies parade in the morning and the fireworks exhibition at night. All events are free and the people of Eastern Washington are invited to come to Richland and enjoy the programs.

The kiddies parade will organize at Jadwin and Harding at 9:15 a.m. and will parade to the Village Common, where silver dollars will be awarded for the best costumes and features. Refreshments will be served to the participants.

At 12 noon the Sand & Sage Car Club will stage an auto cross on the southeast corner of the Uptown Parking area near Williams Blvd. There will be 35 cars entered in the competition.

The Columbia High School band will give a concert at Bomber Bowl at 7:30 p.m., with the Atomic Twirlers also appearing in a feature. Other exercises will precede the fireworks show at about 9:30 p.m.

Post Adjutant Ray Tillson, a licensed pyrotechnician, will direct the aerial display.

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**TODAY AND** tomorrow the state convention of the Marine Corps League and its auxiliary will take place at Wenatchee. Several Richland members of the two organizations will attend, led by Past Commander Don King.

Headquarters will be at the Columbia Hotel, with registration on both days. The opening session starts at 12 noon tomorrow, with the annual election of officers scheduled for the 3:30 p.m. session and the banquet at night at 7:30.

The Academy Award-winning movie "Force in Readiness" will

be shown through the courtesy of the U. S. Marine Corps.

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**THE RICHLAND** Marine Corps League Auxiliary has received a letter from A. B. Halliday, M.D., acting director at the Walla Walla VA hospital, thanking the recent visiting delegation which contributed many books and magazines for the hospital library, and also the visits made to Wards 7 and 8 with the entertainment program provided and the distribution of cigarettes made.

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**Question of the week:**

Q—Of the loans guaranteed or insured by VA to date, how many have been repaid in full?

A—There have been 5,547,300 such loans made and of this number 2,048,040 have been paid in full.

## \$200,000 Face-Lifting Completed

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The Park Lane Apartments, with 220 units involved, located on Jadwin Ave. at Van Giesen, have had a face lifting which has cost \$200,000.

The transformation has involved remodeling, structural changes, and redecorating.

These were the former Columbia Apartments built originally by a construction company, later foreclosed on mortgage proceedings by the U.S. government. The government offered the apartments for sale on a two-bid figure—one to remodel, and the other to wreck and remove.

A western company was the successful bidder. James W. Franklin was made president of the Park Lane Apartments, Inc., and has supervised the reconstruction project.

**THE CHANGES** made have altered run-down premises into deluxe apartments of one, two, three and four bedrooms. Co-

operating with the local fire department, all hallways throughout the 22 units have been fire-proofed.

New flooring and tiling have been laid, all apartments have been repainted and redecorated, and many of the two-bedroom units have been changed to one bedroom size by removal of partitions. Closet room has been increased in many cases, especially in the kitchen areas.

Twenty-eight of the apartments have been set up with new furniture, as there has been quite a demand for this.

In all, 88 of these will be equipped with modern furniture. There will be extra rentals for these apartments.

The management has made arrangements to supply all apartments with air conditioning at a cost of \$50 a year.

**IN MANY OF** the apartment buildings new letter boxes have been installed, and each tenant will have his own key. The postman will have a master key for these.

The downstairs apartments have patio additions, and all of them have utility rooms for the storage of goods. The furnished apartments have 8x10-foot rugs over rubber foam under mats.

Rents have not been increased. They range from \$70 a month for the one and two bedroom apartments, \$75 for the three-bedroom units and \$80 for the four-bedroom suites.

Of the 19 acres of land owned by the corporation, 10 acres are grassed area. All lawns have been fertilized and new sprinkler systems installed and will be cared for by the management.

Out-door landscaping is now under way and the public ap-

pearance of the entire apartment area will add to the beautification of that section of Richland. New residents may move in at once or apartments can be reserved by a small down payment with rent starting when the family has taken possession.

# VFW Meet Set At Bellingham

The American Legion, Department of Washington, annual state convention will take place this year in Bellingham, Aug. 8-11, with headquarters at the Bellingham hotel.

Richland Post 71 has elected the following: delegates, Commander Nace Watkins, Past Commander Edwin Merrill, Past Commander Russell I Grob and Past Commander Ray Tillson; alternates: Senior Vice-Commander Carl Stemen, Past Commander Glenn Hendrickson, Past Commander Dominic Castelli and Chaplain William Pickett.

Richland Auxiliary will be represented by several delegates at convention meetings at Mt. Baker Theater.

The big annual parade will be seen on Friday afternoon at 2:30, and the drum and bugle corps competition will be at the new Civic Field.

MANY OF THE Washington State Legionnaires who attend the convention are also planning to take in the World's Fair in Seattle.

A joint installation of the officers of Richland, Pasco and Kennewick posts is being scheduled for a July date which is to be announced.

The newly-elected commander, Nace Watkins, will not take office until the next state convention. Watkins served three years with the United States Army in the South Pacific during World War II. He is employed with General Electric Co. He has been active in Legion affairs for several years.

The Legion has been holding its regular meetings for the past two years at the VFW headquarters in the Uptown business district but a committee is now looking for another meeting place due to the fact that a lunch room is being installed in the room used by the auxiliaries and it will no longer be available.

Commander Ed Merrill extends the thanks of the Legion Post members to all who worked on the 4th of July project, the morning parade and the Bomber Bowl exercises and fireworks. Special thanks are given to city officials, the police and fire departments, for their advice and assistance in all events.

A LATE REPORT received a few moments ago has the information that the Legion will make contact with the Richland Junior Chamber of Commerce to see if arrangements can be made for future Legion and Auxiliary meetings to be held in the JayCee building.

Past President Mrs. Nelson Dickey who lived in Richland for several years and now is a resident in Iowa state, was the guest of the Legion Auxiliary at a tea given at the home of Mrs. Walter H. Hall, 1302 Cottonwood Drive. Among the guests were

Department President Ruth Simmelink and District President Ruth Anderson. Among those present were Mrs. Robert Johnson, Mrs. Richard Hoover, Mrs. Ruth McFarland, Mrs. Florence Echelberger, Mrs. Erline English, Mrs. Robert Burrus, Mrs. Gladys Thompson, Mrs. Tom Cartmell, Mrs. John T. Day, Mrs. C. G. Nielson, Mrs. Ray Tillson, Mrs. Carl Steman, Mrs. Alma Gardiner, and Mrs. Marion Strange-ways.

MRS. LILLIAN McDONALD, wife of Past Dept. Commander Marvin M. McDonald of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, was elected department chaplain of the Auxiliary at the recent convention held in Walla Walla. Last year she served as conductress for the department. She is a past president of the 17th VFW District Auxiliary and also served as president of the Richland VFW Auxiliary.

Post-Scripts — H. S. McNanus of Richland Post 71 is a patient at the Walla Walla VA hospital

Royal Bray, who has been hospitalized for several months, was a visitor in Richland last week — VFW Commander Les Sweetin has been on a sea fishing trip and caught a fifty pound tarpon — Mrs. Mary Lester, the newly elected president of the American Legion Auxiliary, has three daughters who are receiving college educations under the War Orphan program of the Veterans' Administration

Robert Johnson and George Bauer have been elected to the American Legion executive board — The annual Tag Day for the Marine Corps Auxiliary is slated for Friday, Aug. 3, and arrangements for this event will be discussed at the next auxiliary meeting Wednesday, July 18, at the Community House.

## Question of the week—

Q. I have a G.I. Loan. Can I get an amortization table from the VA so I can keep track of my interest, balance, etc., to facilitate my financial planning?

A. The VA does not have these tables. You might consult your lender.

## Speeding Boaters May Face Trouble

Observing "Safe Boating Week" on the Columbia River is the duty of every owner of water craft plying in the vicinity of Richland, police officials state. Several operators of fast boats have already been reported as having failed to observe water safety regulations and rules of courtesy.

The Richland Police department patrol boat with specially trained officers who are looking for water hazards and dangerous operators will have regular surveillance runs along the river front with a special eye out for numbered boats that have been reported.

A recent inspection made at landing places on the water front indicated that there have been boat owners who have appeared to have too many passengers aboard and in several cases it was noted that the precaution of wearing life belts had not been observed.

Speeding on the water and making too sharp turns also are listed as among water hazards that might lead to accidents and the loss of lives.

The Richland Safety Council released figures during the past week to show that 27 per cent of water accidents happen on Sundays and 20 per cent on Saturdays, so that the weekend toll of such accidents corresponds to the figures noted for weekend automobile accidents. In these water accidents, 69 per cent of those drowned were 15 years of age or older and 86 per cent were male.

The Rev. Leland C. Lawrence told a good Fathers' Day story the other day. A farmer's son was driving a heavy load of hay when the wagon tipped over, dumping the bales. The boy rushed to a nearby neighbor for help.

The neighbor told him he would assist him but the family was just having dinner, an they urged the son to sit down with them. "But my father—" stammered the boy. "He won't mind," said the neighbor. So they had dinner.

On the way to the accident, the neighbor said, "You seemed to be worried about your father." "Yes, I am," said the boy. "You see, he is still under the load of hay."

Local merchants occasionally have sales brochures delivered by boys to houses in the residential sections of the city. Do they ever check to see if the job is being done properly. The other day we SAW on one street where the booklets had been thrown on lawns close to the sidewalk (and not in the mail boxes) where they were blowing around and littering the neighborhood.

Cliff Euteneier told us the other day that if you go frog hunting (frog's legs for dinner) you should have a fisherman's license. "This will give you the jump on the fish and game warden."

The Allied Arts, when it puts on its annual show and exhibition has one advantage that no other organization can boast, in getting a big attendance. It can always have one of its

The Rev. Cecil C. Knippers, president of Greater Richland, Inc., relates that when he had a parsonate in Honolulu he worked with others to create a college there. It took 10 years to accomplish the project, but such a college is now functioning.

He says that the same thing can be accomplished in Richland if the spirit for it is "never say die."

The Atomic Energy Commission and the General Electric Co. deserve real praise for the fine Visitors' Center at the Community House. All Tri-City residents, including the school children, should see this exhibition. If interest and attendance indicate public support, a permanent museum for Richland may be possible in the future.

Our suggestion is that when you go on your vacation this summer you leave the shades up so that the house will appear to be occupied. Also notify the police so that they can make daily inspections.

Good idea also is to have your close neighbors informed of the time you will be away. They will keep an eye on the place for you.

Mrs. C. C. Free of Greater Richland, Inc., is working on a project for the printing of thousands of colored postal cards of Richland scenes, including the famous Hanford reactor, which can be put on sale at local stores. There seems to be quite a demand for this type of souvenir card. Local photographers will be asked to cooperate and to furnish samples from their own photo files.

Richland front yards if you can scan them and drive your car at the same time, but many of the finest of these displays are not visible to the public because they are located in back yard areas, where families gather for their outdoor living.

We have seen many of these and they are magnificent with shrubs, fountains, and flowers and planned landscaping, fine examples of beautification.

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# Kadlec Hospital Officials Seek Matching Funds

A major plan for a new Kadlec Methodist Hospital has been adopted and its success will depend, in large measure, on whether or not additional funds may be obtained from the federal government to match the available hospital building fund.

Kadlec Hospital has been officially rated as a replacement facility because of a temporary frame construction and its widespread floor plan which does not permit efficient operation.

A total sum of \$3,000,000 is envisioned under a five year plan to make possible the construction of a new hospital building, with modern surgery facilities and other hospital units.

**ADMINISTRATOR** Richard Lubben wrote a letter of inquiry on this subject early in May to Richard J. Cole, supervising hospital planning engineer of the hospital and nursing home section of the Wash-

ington Department of Health, and he received the following reply:

"At the present time there are no funds remaining available in the hospital category of the Hill - Burton allocation from the United States government to Washington State. Availability of funds in this category must await action by the House and Senate currently in session.

"If and when such funds are appropriated, the allocation of funds to applicants will be made on the basis of community priority as contained in the 1963 revision of the Washington State Hospital and Medical facilities plan soon to be published. The priority for Richland, which is in the Tri-Cities area, is 'F' in a scale ranging from 'A' through 'F'. Communities with this rating have 100 per cent of their bed needs met as projected to the year 1967.

**"KADLEC HOSPITAL** is rated as a replaceable facility because it is of a temporary frame construction and its widespread floor plan does not permit efficient operation. Hospitals so classified are eligible for consideration for funds for the replacement of the facility even though the area has 100 per cent of its bed needs met. However, the priority rating of the area is so low that there is little possibility of receiving funds because of the many applicants in areas of higher priorities. In the event you are interested in applying for funds, I have enclosed application instructions. Applications must be submitted by July 1 to receive consideration for this year's allocation."

**THE APPLICATION** papers mentioned in the above letter were completed locally and mailed before the July 1 date.

These future hospital plans have been discussed at several recent meetings of the Kadlec Methodist Hospital board of directors. Although the hope of getting federal matching funds is not too bright at the moment, the picture may change if and when the present Congress makes its appropriation to the Hill - Burton hospital category plan.

## Accidents Take Big Toll Of Tots

Each year in the United States 10,000 children, between the ages of one and 14 years, meet their deaths from accidents.

These figures were released yesterday by President Fay Jones of the Richland Safety Council.

"All grown-ups should give heed to these figures because 90 per cent of these accidents could have been prevented by removing their causes and by common sense rules," she said.

"In addition to this death toll, more than a million children are severely injured and over two million require doctors' care.

"Accidents kill more children than the seven deadliest child diseases combined.

**"A STUDY OF** the death figures shows that 35.8 per cent were caused by motor car drivers, 28.2 per cent by fire (mostly in homes), 11.3 per cent by drowning, 5.1 per cent by poisoning, 4.6 per cent by falls, 4.2 per cent by choking, and 10.8 by other factors.

"Many home fires are started by children who are left alone by one of the parents, sometimes 'just for a moment'.

"Here are a few rules to follow to protect your homes and families from the perils of fire hazards:

"(1) **AT NIGHT** make a fire check before you go to bed—heater, stove, ash trays, and electric appliances. In case of fire know what to do. Does your family have an escape plan with alternate routes, from every room? (2) Keep children away from stove (hot or cold). (3) Keep toddlers in play pen or out of kitchen while cooking. (4) Watch out for dangling electric cords. (5) Protect from wall plugs, frayed cords and light sockets. (6) Keep matches and lighters out of sight and reach. (7) Keep hot pans on back of stove. (8) If children's clothes catch fire, smother flame by rolling child up in rug, coat or blanket (beware of easy-to-catch-fire clothes). Open fires catch a child's eyes, so have a secure fireplace with screens, candles in storage, cook-out and rubbish fires well supervised.

"Remember — today's No. 1 killers are accidents."

## 2-Year Delay Of Airport Sale Unlikely

The proposed sale of the Civil Air Patrol and the effort of Greater Richland, Inc., to delay this sale for at least two years pending other plans were discussed at the last meeting of the recently-formed booster organization in the Social Room of the Community House.

A letter with the request for delay had been sent to the AEC and the following reply from Norman G. Fuller, real estate officer, was read:

"Your letter to the Washington Committee on Industrial Development contained a recommendation that the CAP airport not be sold by the government for at least two years, pending other developments in that general vicinity.

**"MR. SLATON**, chairman of the committee, discussed the subject with us. The question of whether the tract can be used for a gravel pit will depend on the zoning of the area by the City of Richland. We understand that the City Planning Commission presently is studying the problem of gravel pits in general and ultimately will make recommendations to the City Council which may affect the airport land.

"Since the community disposal law requires the Commission to dispose of real estate expeditiously, we cannot well justify a two-year delay in selling the CAP property. We do not plan to ask HHFA to offer the tract, however, until the subject of gravel operations has been resolved by the Planning Commission and the City Council."

**IN THE DISCUSSION** which followed about gravel pits, the hope was expressed that all of them, wherever located and by whomsoever operated and excavated, should be put back in uniform condition at grade level so that in the future development of the city they would be available for industrial or other purposes. It was deemed advisable not to take a position in the matter until present or future zoning ordinances are studied.

There was a discussion of a future permanent Richland Museum which might succeed the present Visitors Center at the Community House, and one member stated that he understood that the AEC might be interested in erecting a special building for such a museum if the present Center shows a wide public interest in such a project. The Rev. Cecil Knippers, president of Greater Richland, Inc., had charge of the meeting.

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## Vets' Convention Will Be Sought For Atom City

A bid for a convention in Richland will be made tomorrow in Tacoma at a meeting of the Council of Administration of the Washington Department, Veterans of Foreign Wars, involving some 400 delegates from the 200 VFW posts in the state.

It will be the mid-winter conference for two days in January held annually by the Washington State Department, attended by all the state officers and staffs, all district officers and delegates from both the VFW posts and their auxiliaries. Last January this conference was held in Moses Lake and was attended by 500 delegates.

At tomorrow's meeting the Richland Post will be represented by Past Department Commander Marvin M. McDonald and Commander U. Lester Sweetin. To assist them in pre-

sending the bid for Richland they will have letters from the Chamber of Commerce, the Art Haworth Convention Committee of the C of C, and the managers of the Desert Inn, the Imperial 400 and the Bali-Hi Motels, Mayor Joyce Kelley, and the Tri-Cities Tourist and Convention committee.

There will be other cities competing for this event, but the Richland delegation will put up a good front and hope for success.

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## Pony Leagues

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Romeri Ford used a brother act in the form of the Manolopoulos family Wednesday to defeat VFW in a Richland Pony League game 6-4. Harry Manolopoulos, aided by Jim VanWyck, pitched a four-hitter for the victory. He also got two singles. Chris Manolopoulos got a double and single for the winners. VanWyck two singles, Ken Deery a double.

For the losers, John Clement had a triple, Chuck Sams a double.

It will be Einan's Chapel, who have clinched the title with a 13-0 record vs. Richland Moose Lodge in tonight's game.

# SEEN and HEARD

BY THE  
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A Richland patrolman told us the other day that complaints are being telephoned in nights from neighborhood districts about teen-age motor vehicle drivers who are staging drag races on certain public streets. They move around so that it is hard for the police to catch them in the act.

In many cases, it is reported, these traffic violators do not have drivers licenses and frequently are found not to have insurance on their cars.

Possibly in some cases they are using cars owned by their parents, in which cases the parents can certainly be held accountable.

One recent case was reported where two racing cars were abreast on the street and traveling 60 miles an hour. What chance would a child have had if he had run into the street from behind a parked car?

Kids or punks caught in these dangerous and show-off stunts may have their licenses revoked (if they have them) and may not be able to get insurance for their cars in the future.

A much-beloved citizen, Paul O'Brien, is retiring as president of his local union group after many years of devoted service. We think of him as one of our finest community leaders, a man who has won the respect of all the people of Richland, a man of high integrity and honor, a good neighbor and friend. We could use more men of this mould.

Past President Les Tinker of Richland Junior Chamber of Commerce has set up his insurance office in the Stanley Randolph building, 713 George Washington Way. These Jaycees have a way of making a success out of their lives.

Dr. Theodore Albertowicz has served efficiently as Benton County coroner for several years and will be a candidate again this fall. The coroner investigates unnatural deaths. Included in this category were persons killed in automobile accidents up to this year, but the law was changed so that now persons killed in accidents are classified as "natural" deaths. That's something you probably didn't know about. There are exceptions to this rule. For instance if you arrange to have your wife or mother-in-law driven over a cliff and murder is suspected, the coroner and his jury will step in and make the investigation and findings. It's nice to be alive when you meet a coroner or a mortician.

Meet Edward R. Hilty, the personable new manager of the Park Lane Apartments, who has taken up residence here with his family. With his wife and two sons, he will live in one of the Park Lane suites. His 19-year-old son is serving in the Navy and his nine-year-old lad is prominent in Boy Scout activities. Ed has had hotel and motel experience in Oregon, Idaho and Nevada. He managed the Horse-Shoe Motel and Club in Nevada and also had managerial service at the Portland Multnomah Hotel. He has relatives living here in Richland. Glad to welcome a new citizen asset to our community.

Have an inquiry from an Abbott street humorist who wants to know the meaning of "poly-unsaturated" fats which some of these TV advertisers are pulling on an unsuspecting public. We consulted a horse doctor on this and he claims it means you have a disrupted clavicle and should use the high-priced spread.

May we introduce another new Richland citizen who has an important job here. She is Mrs. Gordon Sund, first manager of the new Dolphin Apartments on Van Giesen Street at George Washington Way. She and her husband come here from California, where she has had a broad experience in motel management. Mrs.

Sund also served four years as deputy clerk of courts, and was assistant manager of the furniture section of a large store. You will enjoy meeting this very gracious person.

Big Mike's Drive-In has closed its doors and the Wild Bill Food Stores also has discontinued business here.

Alice Peterson has purchased and is operating the Lovely Lady Beauty Salon in the Roy Davis building. In this same trading center the Zig Co. has started operations, specializing in the repair of electrical appliances.

If you cannot afford a trip to the seashore, take a ride out to the disposal dump off Van Giesen near West Richland. At least 200 gulls are out there all the time on scavenger business. You have to see it to believe it.

We HEAR that a great majority of the people of Richland are disappointed in the recent report of a committee which supposedly had been appointed to investigate the matter of supporting a four-year college for Richland.

The committee did the investigating and then recommended Kennewick as the college site.

This mystified many people and dumfounded many more, who believed that home interest, civic pride and community development dictated that Richland should be the place for this cultural advancement, in spite of every possible obstacle or objection.

The local college group should keep working for its objective in spite of what has happened.

Sorry to hear that Kenneth Brooks of Radio Station KALE is leaving Richland. He is being transferred to Walla Walla. Ken has been active in the Richland Kiwanis club and no talkfest will be the same without him.

Dr. Bjorn Lih, newly-installed president of the Richland Rotary Club, besides being a prominent and successful surgeon, is actively engaged in many public services and community activities. He is one of the owners and operators of the recently opened Richland Medical Clinic on Jadwin Avenue, near Swift Boulevard, an important adjunct to our growing Medical Center. Dr. Lih is active in the All Saints' Episcopal church and provides a gifted tenor voice in the choir. One of his hobbies is mountain skiing. Today's citation should go to this talented and versatile Richland citizen, who has the admiration and respect of all who are privileged to know him or to work with him.

We notice that cars are being parked all day on Jadwin Avenue, an arterial highway, adjacent to the Southside United Protestant church. The owners of these cars live out of town, drive in early to get buses to work in the areas and they should use nearby parking places instead of the public highways for their all-day stop-overs. This practice invites accidents.

We have quite a number of West Richland men and women who are taking part in Richland activities, the Latars, the Cookes and the Rands, to mention a few. Coming up is the three-day celebration in West Richland, Aug. 10-12, titled West Richland Days, with a fine program including motorcycle races, a dinner, sky-divers, carnival and a parade. We should all motor over there and help make this annual event a big success. Let's do it. Our neighborly cooperation will be appreciated.

You know why drive-in banks were established, don't you? So the cars could see their real owners.

## Dolphin Apartments, With 39 Units, Are Finished

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The new Dolphin Apartments which have come on Van Giesen Street at George Washington Way have been completed and ready for occupancy. There are 39 separate apartments in the U-shaped building, and the cost of construction was \$600,000.

There are four different types of apartments and all have full-length mirrors, electric heat, air conditioning, built-in ovens, fully-automatic electric ranges and storage rooms. The decor includes blonde mahogany walls, with bath rooms in rose beige colors. Yellow, pink and green units are used in the bed rooms.

Certain types have walk-in closets. There are several bachelor apartment types. The kitchens have all the latest conveniences for modern housekeeping. Remco, Inc., with local capital interested, owns the Dolphin II, and Mrs. Gordon Sund, Apartment 203, has been installed as building manager.

It is understood that if the apartments rent rapidly another building of the same size may be constructed adjacent to the present one. The corporation owns all the land as far as George Washington Way and also in the rear of the Van Giesen location. There are tentative plans to develop this rear portion into a recreation center for the tenants of the Dolphin Apartments, including tennis courts, a driving range, and a playground.

BECAUSE THE Dolphin swimming pool will be unattended, no apartments will be rented to families having children or pets. Here is a new housing project that many expect may attract back to Richland as residents, General Electric Co. employees who were forced to move out of town because they could not purchase homes here after the city was incorporated. The Dolphin II is close to the Uptown business district and is in the fast-developing residential center north of the city.

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# Marine Auxiliary Slates Tag Day Friday, Aug. 3

One of the active veterans' auxiliary units in Richland is the Marine Corps League Auxiliary, composed of the wives, mothers and sisters of Richland men who served their country during the World wars in the most famous fighting force in the United States.

These women are dedicated to serving the veterans and their families who may need their help and next Friday, Aug. 3, they will take part in their annual Tag Day, an event which raises funds used in their broad program of rehabilitation. These ladies will be on Richland streets that day and the people are urged to support them in this important undertaking.

Mrs. W. W. Wingfield will be general chairman of the tag day effort, assisted by Mrs. A. D. Bals and Mrs. D. R. King as division chairmen. It has been announced also that members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion auxiliaries have volunteered to come out and assist the Marine Corps auxiliary unit.

SEVERAL RICHLAND members of Richland Post 71, The American Legion have been honored by the Washington Department Commander by appointments to important committees and will serve during the 1962-1963 year's program.

Post Adjutant Ray Tillson will be a member of the Trophies and Awards committee which annually selects the winning posts for their activities in community services, youth activities, Americanism and other categories.

Past Commander Russel Grob has again been selected to chairman the important legislative committee which keeps contact with legislative committees to steering favorable action on many matters of veteran interest which crop up each year.

Commander Nace Watkins

has been named on the Department Community Service and Youth Activities which outlines and coordinates several programs along these lines which the various state posts are expected to carry out.

Association, with these committees require that these Richland legionnaires will be expected to attend the meetings of the various state districts as well as committee meetings at the department headquarters in Seattle.

AT THE RECENT lawn supper meeting of the Richland Post 71 American Legion Auxiliary held at the home of Mrs. Frances Flora, plans were made for a rummage sale to raise funds for the Auxiliary activities which include several visits to the VA Hospital at Walla Walla in the interest of the disabled veterans there.

Among those present at this meeting were Mrs. Alzena Dickey, Mrs. Voda O'Bannon, Mrs. Gladys Thompson, Mrs. Helen Smailes, Mrs. Norma Stevens, Mrs. I. Burrus, Mrs. Emma Burrus, Mrs. Bonnie Brown, Mrs. Velma Dudley, Mrs. Ruth Echelberger, Mrs. Peg MacBrayne, Mrs. Fay Fishback, Mrs. Ruth McFarland, Mrs. Alma Pasch, Mrs. Ruth Simmelink, Mrs. Ruth Anderson, Mrs. L. Dowdal, Mrs. Frances Flora, Mrs. Erlene English, Mrs. Betty Hall, Mrs. Mille Johnson, Mrs. Lorena Tilson, Mrs. Ruth Balshwin of Galesburg, Ill., and Mrs. Ray Drake.

THE VFW NATIONAL Department has just announced a new group insurance plan for its members throughout the United States. It has been formulated with the approval of the Council of Administration after a thorough investigation of insurance merits offered by numerous companies. The group insurance plan meets all VFW demands and provides accidental death and dismemberment coverage with exclusive provisions available only to members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. The minimum death benefit is \$1,000 and only costs the indi-

vidual VFW member \$1.25 a year if an entire post enrolls in the group plan. Veterans interested should contact their post service officer.

POSTSCRIPTS — Past Commander George Mathews of the Richland Legion Post, who left Richland several years ago, was a visitor in town last weekend and was registered at the Desert Inn — A recent letter from Capt. Dorothy Koplin, formerly nurse supervisor at the Kadlec Methodist Hospital, had the information that she is working as a nurse at an exclusive girls camp at Winter, Wisc. — The regular meetings of the Richland VFW Post, on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month, will resume in September.

Question of the week—

Q—Are veterans now returning to or entering the service given an opportunity to take out GI life insurance.

A—No. GI insurance policies are no longer being issued.

## Hints Given To Campers

Many families in Richland and other parts of the Tri-Cities area are spending their vacations by motoring to camping sites on Washington state lakes. A few have reported accidents on these trips, and this week the Richland Safety Council, as a result of these reports, issues the following suggestions which may be of help to inexperienced campers on their summer vacation trips.

Council President Fay Jones said:

"Campers should avoid: (a) poison ivy; (b) tall isolated trees in a lightning storm; (c) diving into streams or lakes until they know the depth of the water; (d) traveling alone in rough mountainous country; (e) feeding bears under any circumstances; (f) drinking water from sources not known to be safe.

"Family campers usually maintain high standards as campers and they should be equally good examples as motorists. Camping involves changes in routine driving habits, extra loads and distances, luggage racks, hauling trailers and carrying boats. Seat belts save lives in back seats as well as front.

"As most forest fires are started by people these extra fire precautions would be taken: build fires down wind from camp area; never leave a fire unattended, even a small one; never build fires near tree trunks, under overhanging tree limbs, or close to tent or tarpaulin; put out a camp fire by drenching with water; teach children respect for fire and its dangers; keep fire small especially for cooking; build fires only on rock, sand or gravel; watch for flying sparks from soft wood.

"The Richland Safety Council would be appreciative of reports which local campers make of their trips and experiences."

# Sweetin Will Attend VFW National Confab

Commander Les Sweetin of the Richland Veterans of Foreign Wars Post is planning to attend the National VFW convention in Minneapolis, Minn., Aug. 10 - 17. Having been selected as the outstanding post commander in the State of Washington, he will be pitted against similar winning selections from the other states and will vie for the national honors.

Past Department Commander Marvin MacDonald and Commander Sweetin leave today for Tacoma where they will attend the Department Council of Administration tomorrow and Sunday. Commander Sweetin, new commander of the VFW 17th District, qualifies as a member of this council for that reason, and Commander MacDonald is a member because he serves on the department finance committee. This council will discuss and pass on the department budget for the coming year, and also will make its general plans for the state program on youth and community activities, the hospital program, and committee plans.

**MEMBERS OF** the VFW Post who wish to obtain the registration program, souvenir badge and a copy of the official program of the coming national convention in Minneapolis may send their check for \$2.50 to the VFW National Convention Corp., National Headquarters, Leamington Hotel, Minneapolis, Minn., and the above mentioned articles will be mailed to them on request.

Next Monday night is the time for the annual installation of officers of Richland Post 71, The American Legion. Commander Kenneth Whitted of Connell, who heads the 12th District, will be here to install the recently-elected officers, and a social program has been arranged to follow the formal ceremony. The

event will take place at the VFW headquarters, 1369 George Washington Way, the Uptown business district.

**THE FOLLOWING** officers will be installed: commander, Nace Watkins; senior vice-commander, Carl Steman; junior vice-commander, Frank Mourich; finance officer, Roger Daling; service officer, William E. James; chaplain, Spencer Compton; sergeant-at-arms, Harold Avant; historian, Floyd Thompson; color bearers, James Trujillo and Udell Brown; executive committeemen, George Bauer and Robert Johnson.

National Convention of the American Legion will be held at Las Vegas Oct. 9-13.

Post Adjutant Ray Tillson stated yesterday that the attendance at Bomber Bowl the 4th of July for the fireworks show was the largest in the records for that annual event. This big show cost the Legion approximately \$1,100, including cost of fireworks, insurance, special fireworks taxes, rent of Bomber Bowl, and incidentals.

The day after this program, Fire Marshal John Ward, assisted by several junior fire marshals from the elementary schools, cleaned up and burned quite an amount of fall-out material found on or near the section of the bowl where the fireworks were ignited.

**THE LEGION** Auxiliary Sewing Circle held its last session of the season during the past week at the home of Mrs. Ruth Echelberger. This served the double purpose of a farewell party to Mrs. Frank Pasch who starts on a six-month motor trip to Texas with her husband, and a reception to Mrs. Nelson Diekey, a past president of the Auxiliary, who is visiting in Richland. Among those attending were Mrs. Paul Dudley, Mrs. Ray Tillson, Mrs. W. C. MacBrayne, Mrs. Edward Larrabee, Mrs. Floyd Thompson, Mrs. Don Castelli, Mrs. James Smailes, and Mrs. Buel Ninemire. Luncheon was served.

This fine group of women has held weekly sewing sessions during the past several months making articles and garments for the disabled veterans of the Walla Walla VA hospital, including corduroy jackets, flannel shirts, embroidered pillow-cases, knitted bed slippers, bed pads, towels and other requested articles. They also collected and distributed more than 300 books, radios, watches and other needed accessories. Thanks of Legion members go to these women who have spent unnumbered hours on this important project.

**POSTSCRIPTS** — Past Department Commander and Mrs. Marvin M. McDonald will leave on Aug. 17 for a two-week motor trip to San Antonio, Texas, where they will visit relatives of Mrs. McDonald — The VFW Club has been closed for several days during alterations at headquarters for the new lunch room, which will be open for business soon — It was announced that the Legion and Auxiliary will continue to hold their future meetings at the VFW rooms — By actual count 117 kiddies participated in the 4th of July morning parade sponsored by the Legion under the direction of Past Presidents Katherine Larrabee and Ruth Echelberger — Appreciation is expressed to Tom Cartmell who furnished his truck and Hi-Fi music for the parade and for the exercises at the Bomber Bowl.

## QUESTION of the week—

Q — I am a widow of a World War II veteran who had six months overseas service. Will I get a pension under the new pension law which went into effect last July 1?

A — Yes you may be eligible but you will not receive one unless you make application at your nearest VA office.

# SEEN and HEARD

BY THE ROVING REPORTER

This column goes out of its way to give praise and credit to people or organizations, who or which, are playing important roles in the development of Richland, an All-America City.

A real encomium deservedly goes to the Park Hill Corp., for its million and a half dollar investment in the finest residential development the city has ever witnessed, and which, because of its gradual expanding, has escaped the notice of many of our people.

This tract is on George Washington Way north of the city between Newcomer and Saint streets and extending east in the direction of Davison Street. It now contains four new traverse streets named Franklin, Hudson, Fuller and Hamilton, wide avenues with macadam paving, modern sewer systems and adequate lighting.

This development was originally plotted for 117 home building lots. Forty-eight fine residences have been completed and sold, and eight others are in process of building. The price range is from \$20,000 to \$30,000. The new homes are so attractive and fitted with every modern facility and convenience that they are sold as soon as completed. Each new home has its own architectural design and landscaping plan. The Park Hill Corp. has plans for 50 more new residences. It has a force of some 40 craftsmen working all the time, a sizable payroll.

You ask, "Where are the people coming from who are buying these new homes and settling here?"

George M. Sharp, president of the Park Hill Corp. tells us: "Many of them have come from the East and have been transferred here from other General Electric plants. Others are people who work here and had to move to Pasco and Kennewick and are now returning to live here. There also are a few local residents who have bought these new homes and are selling the ones they lived in."

As we have predicted in the past, this marks the trend of a population movement back to Richland, than which there is no better place on earth to live.

On a recent call the ambulance had an accident victim who had been hit and injured by a truck. On the way to the hospital the ambulance attendant solicitously asked the young man how he felt. "I feel run down," was the smiling reply.

Read in the papers about a strike situation existing between the local laundries and their workers. One thing is certain when they sit down to talk things over they both can come clean.

Art Haworth has returned from Sun Valley where he was a guest of the Western Life Insurance Co. as one of the "Top Ten" underwriters in that organization.

The newspapers the other day had reports from the Washington State seashore and lake resorts that business had dropped off 50 per cent and that the World's Fair was responsible. People who go to the fair have no money left for vacations. Richland has suffered also. Many families which have been coming here for several years to enjoy dry and sunny rest periods are not showing up. We are not getting the tourists' trade. One reason we are not getting it is that we do not go after it.

Manager Wally Bowen of the Desert Inn mentioned yesterday that an official photographer from the National Geographic Magazine was registered here for a week taking pictures in Richland and the rest of the Tri-Cities area.

A new class room is being added to the building used for handicapped children classes, near the School Administration Building on Snow Avenue.

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A Cullum Avenue woman told her husband the other night: "I'll be glad when you get high enough at the office to be cranky there."

At a meeting of a Richland women's club recently the president called on the treasurer to read her annual report. The lady arose and said: "Before reading the financial report I want to remind you that I didn't ask to be treasurer."

There have been large crowds lately at our Riverside Park, one of the most attractive recreation areas. These included large church groups, small families and even twosomes. This park is always kept immaculately clean by city employees, it has police protection and Columbia Park mosquitoes do not invade. There are barbecue facilities, tennis courts, and play areas for the children. You are close to downtown stores if you need more food supplies, and close to home if there are emergencies. There are no safety hazards at the park and no traffic problems. Great place for all-day picnics.

Dr. Robert Franco has announced the removal of his offices for the private practice of general, thoracic and vascular surgery to Suite 8, the Medical Arts Building, Swift Boulevard. His specialties are bronchoscopy, bronchography, and esophagoscopy. One of the busiest men in his profession, Dr. Franco still finds time to engage in many important community activities.

The Richland Veterans of Foreign Wars post is only doing the conventional thing when it takes high department awards at conventions.

The only attraction awarded to Richland by the Water Follies Association was the coronation and ball to honor the successful queen candidate. The Richland Chamber of Commerce promptly transferred this big event to the Pasco Elks building. Now why not transfer the proposed federal building to Kiona? Why do Richland officials do these things?

Had a telephone call from a Columbia High School senior who wanted us to settle a bet about "what is the longest word in the dictionary?" Without looking it up we should say that the word "smiles" is the longest—"s" with miles after it.

We HEAR that the former C of C office in the Desert Inn is vacant again and that a beauty parlor is negotiating to move in. This might be a "permanent."

A psychiatrist has to "couch" his language carefully when he draws his patient out. (Don't ask "Out of what.")

We heard from police sources that there is a man in town who has two drunken driving cases pending against him and he is still driving his car.

May we greet our readers in San Antonio, Texas and inform them that a talented Richland woman is a visitor in their city today and tomorrow attending the International Toastmistress Convention. She is Mrs. Bruce Johnson, who is president of Council 4 District (Walla Walla, Pendleton, Hermiston, Pasco, Kennewick and Richland) and who has served three terms as president of the Richland Toastmistress Club. She is an expert in the field of parliamentary procedure and has been a speech contest winner. She directs the choir at the West Richland Bethany United Protestant church and is a talented soloist. Today's citation goes to this versatile and charming lady who certainly deserves the many honors she has won.

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# Richland Celebration Plan Gains Local Backing

News Of Interest To Vets JULY 20  
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## Officials Will Seek Boost In Rehabilitation Fund

Past Department Commander Marvin M. McDonald and Commander U. Lester Sweetin with Junior Vice Commander Blaine Cooke attended the VFW Council of Administration at Tacoma and reported that the 1963 national convention of the Veterans of Foreign Wars will be held in Seattle, with the use of several of the buildings now located in the World's Fair grounds. Several thousand delegates from every state in the Union will be visitors in Washington, many will bring their families.

The council voted to have next year's mid-winter conference in Longview. A larger budget for youth activities was favored, and it was voted to broaden the Voice of Democracy contest next year. There will be a meeting of post commanders and adjutants soon to contact state legislators to increase funds for the work of the Veterans' Rehabilitation Council.

**ATTENTION OF** all veterans is called to the fact that on each Friday in Richland at the Social Room in the Community House, a representative from the Veterans' Administration holds office hours from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. to discuss veterans' problems and to assist in any paper work involved.

Questions about pensions, insurance, compensation, hospitalization, GI loans, educational benefits for orphans of deceased veterans and all other subjects of interest to veterans who qualify for benefits in many lines will be discussed with each individual.

At the meeting of the Richland Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, held during the past week, William Kendrick was elected senior vice-commander succeeding Dr. Earle Hussell who had resigned because of pressure of business. Kendrick was moved up from the position

of junior vice-commander in charge of youth activities. In his new position he will head the House Committee.

Extensive alterations are being made in the VFW headquarters which will add dining facilities for the new "Supper Club" feature. The cost of the alteration will be in the vicinity of \$3,000.

**OUTSIDE THE** building a new neon VFW sign has been erected.

At the VFW meeting during the past week Blaine Cooke was elected as the new junior vice-commander. He is a young businessman.

Mrs. Eunice Hetrick, past president of the VFW Auxiliary, was called into the meeting and was presented a \$25 U.S. Savings bond — the award she won by selling the most poppies at the annual sale on the streets of Richland. The prize was donated by Commander U. Lester Sweetin of the VFW Post.

A letter was read from the Benton County Medical Society expressing thanks and appreciation for the work done by members of the post and auxiliary during the recent mass polio immunization project.

There was a discussion about making a bid to have the next state Department bowling tournament staged in Richland. This event attracts scores of bowling teams from every section of the state and would mean a big influx of visitors to Richland. In order to qualify for making such a bid, it will be necessary for the Richland VFW post to organize its own team, and plans for doing this were also discussed.

**PLANS WERE** announced for the VFW Post to organize and sponsor the annual Fire Prevention Week parade on Oct. 6. Commander U. Lester Sweetin will be the chief marshal of the parade, which will be formed in the Uptown district and will disband down-

town at Riverside Park. The parade column will be led by the Columbia High School band and all members of the School Boy Patrols of the elementary schools.

There was a meeting of the Marine Corps Auxiliary at the Community House on Wednesday and plans were made for the annual Tag Day to be held on Saturday, Aug. 3. Members of the VFW and Legion auxiliaries are expected to supply volunteers to help the Marine Corps ladies in this annual event. The money raised is used in connection with services by the women at the Walla Walla Vets' hospital, including gifts to the patients, entertain-

## More Talks Set On Organizing

An annual "Richland Day" was tentatively planned at the monthly meeting of the Community Development Committee of the Chamber of Commerce during the past week.

It was stated that all regional events now run in the Tri-Cities area take people and money out of Richland, and no similar attraction is being staged here to crowd the city with visitors. In the early days of Richland local organizations did unite and activate annual Richland Days which later developed into the big Atomic Frontier Days but these passed out of the picture.

**CHAIRMAN** Arthur Haworth espoused a City Beautification plan in which the several garden clubs and citizens generally could take part, with awards to those who won honors in several categories in the beautification of their premises.

He suggested that this could be tied in with the annual Hanford

Kiwanis breakfast, and that a big parade could be organized as another attraction and with other features be the nucleus of a Richland Day celebration. This event should be sponsored by one or several local organizations and should be self-liquidating as it would not be financed by the Chamber of Commerce, it was noted. The month of May, before the closing of the schools, was mentioned as a good time for Richland Day.

Chairman Haworth said he believed the local merchants would be interested in supporting the venture and could include big sales attractions.

**NEXT MEETING** of the committee will be held in September and Chairman Haworth recommended that those present report the suggestions to their various groups and help to create a concrete plan for a successful Richland Day event, which would incorporate the city beautification ideas that have been expressed.

Those attending this meeting and the organizations they represented were: Arthur Haworth, Chamber of Commerce and Richland Kiwanis Club; Ernie Curtis, Richland Recreation Department; Hugh Purcell, Pasco Garden Club and Chiawana Zoo; W. C. MacBrayne, Richland Safety Council and Veterans of Foreign Wars; Mrs. C. T. Bromley, Richland Iris Society; Mrs. Roy I. Peterson, Richland Gardenaires; Mrs. Joseph E. Millard and Mrs. R. C. Ennis, Richland Women's Garden Club; Leslie C. Gray, Richland Coliseum Corp; E. C. Peddicord, postmaster; J. V. McMaster, Hanford Kiwanis Club; Duane Grinnell and Jack Houston, Greater Richland, Inc.; Dr. W. D. Norwood, Richland Rose Society; Mrs. R. B. Leslie and Mrs. D. A. Flora, Flower Fiddlers; Mrs. C. C. Free, Southside Improvement Association; Doris Roberts, Richland Library; Fred Clagett, City Council; C. Bentley, Richland Planning Commission; D. A. Knapp, transportation; Mrs. G. R. McKinney, women's clubs; Mrs. G. D. Rand, Mrs. Harold Barrot, Mrs. Phil Cooke, and Mrs. Rudolph Latore, West Richland; Chief Robert Marshall, Richland Police Dept.; Donald E. Young, Columbia Basin News.

ment programs, and the annual Christmas party.

**Question of the Week—**

**Q —** What was the average number of patients treated in VA hospitals during the past 12 months?

**A —** The Veterans' Administration treated an average of 111,351 patients daily during this period.

### Vegetable Brush

Keep a vegetable brush on hand at your kitchen sink for scrubbing green beans, radishes and celery stalks. Use the brush for potatoes, too, when you are boiling or baking them in their skins.

# SEEN and HEARD <sup>JULY 20 1962</sup> BY THE ROVING REPORTER

Outside capital continues to flow into Richland to augment our unprecedented growth in the residential areas.

Two new five-apartment buildings are rising on George Washington Way between Newcomer and McMurray streets, and behind them on what will be Hoxie Street extension nine new ranch-type houses have taken shape and will be completed soon. Large crews of workers have been engaged, with bulldozers raising clouds of dust, the entire job apparently tagged with a "rush" order.

The apartment houses have a pre-cut ensemble, with a big derrick lifting into place the inside partitions with speed and precision.

Recent figures published indicate that Richland leads in Tri-Cities new housing as the population "move back" to the All American City continues. The tax base grows with these developments.

Dropped into the Benton Port District office the other day and talked with Manager Dean Albee. Looking over the maps on the office wall noticed that West Richland was included in the area claimed by the Port of Kennewick. How come? This grab apparently happened before the Benton Port District

was formed and at a time when there was nobody to object to Kennewick having a long arm. However, this should be corrected. West Richland certainly belongs to our own port district. Perhaps the quickest way to get it is to start a move to annex West Richland. West Richland abuts Richland and is 15 miles from Kennewick. No argument there.

When we were younger it was the custom for a young woman, when she looked for a beau or a husband to value love, affection, good looks, and security, among other things. Now, according to some of these TV commercials, she grabs a man who uses the best smelling after-shaving lotion. That's a new idea about the face-value of a husband.

Here is another racket which has hooked widows and pensioners who need to make a little extra money. An ad appears in the newspapers promising to teach re-weaving and offering to supply plenty of work for the person who would buy the \$15 weaving kit. The booklet furnished with the kit does not teach weaving but only how to stick on a patch. The company does not send the sucker any work to do and \$15 or more, as the case may be, is taken

away from people who cannot afford the loss. Don't bite.

We were checking on parking patterns of shoppers in the Uptown business district the other day, during a lull in our Roving. One of the strange things that developed (perhaps not so strange) was the habit many shoppers have of parking in front of one store and shopping there and then instead of walking half a block to another store, they first move their cars these short distances. We saw one shopper make four such car moves. People will just not walk any more. No wonder we are getting soft.

A Pullen Street householder had his family on the carpet the other day. He charged that some member of the family had been fishing his pocket for small change. All pleaded not guilty. Finally the wife solved the case. She noted that she had found two stray dimes on the floor and asked to examine this money pocket. He found a big hole there. Noting the hurt faces on his four children, he gave them each a dollar as compensatory damages.

We HEAR that first plans have been drawn for the proposed Eye, Ear and Nose Clinic to be located at the corner of Swift Boulevard and Stevens Drive, a new medical development exclusively reported in this column in our June 15 issue.

Anybody who does not know Homer Moulthrop personally and who reads his fine Cracker-Barrel Comments in The Villager can easily visualize him as an erudite personality. He has real insight when it comes to diagnosing the needs of Richland and its development pattern, and his method of expression is scholarly and effective.

To date Congresswoman Catherine May has no political opposition. Perhaps it is because other candidates refuse to run against an August person.

Congratulations to Bill Watts, president of the Tri-Cities Water Follies Association, who, with able assistants and committees, guided this year's big regional project to a real success. Ideal weather conditions assisted materially also in making all the various features of the follies available to large and appreciative crowds. Bill Watts is a versatile character whose experience in big event management has put him in the major league class. He produces volts as well as Watts.

We HEARD of a tourist who registered at a motel after he read the sign "Free Television". He walked off with the one in his room.

Took a stance the other day at a local inter-

section to watch reaction of pedestrians on the light changes. Saw several women start across on the green light, not looking to right or left, with the apparent attitude of "I have the right of way, so why look?" There might be a fast driver, or a drunken driver, or a careless driver who would go through a red light. Soooo! It pays to glance left and right even when you have the "GO." Always watch the other fellow. Many people have been killed at intersections.

Locating the Follies parade in Columbia Park was more or less of an experiment. We believe parades should be run for the public and where people are — in a city where the crowds can be four times as large and all can see everything without inconvenience. The motor traffic jam at the park was certainly an inconvenience to the 6000 people who attended. More than 20,000 could have seen it better in Pasco, Kennewick or Richland. Of course the main reason for holding it at the park was to attract people there who would patronize the midway and the concessions. There will be arguments on both sides.

When there is a slack business how can it be good. Looks like a paradox. Well a Richland merchant solved this situation last week when he ran a big sale on slacks. His slack business was good.

Saw a wedding announcement in the papers the other day which was headed — Holden-Hands. They probably were.

More of you community-minded women who have time on your hands should join the Kadlec Methodist Hospital Auxiliary, an organization that is set up in so many ways to coordinate the various activities and to cooperate with the directors, the administrative staff and the nurses. These women are giving hundreds of hours each year to important duties and services which are also a direct benefit to the hundreds of patients. It is noticeable also that these fine women in the Hospital Auxiliary are also very active in many other community organizations, proving a dedicated interest in the welfare and well-being of others. Today's citation goes to this group who contribute their experience and talents for a solemn purpose.

Wouldn't you know it. A local resident with a growing family recently moved into a larger new home. In the process of getting settled Dad called the family together in the living room to assign the different rooms to members. After all the allotments were decided upon it was discovered that Mother hadn't been given a room which she could call her own. Only the kitchen was left and she drew that. Wouldn't you know it.

# Queen Judy Will

Miss Judy Fellman, Richland beauty queen for 1960 and 1961, will start a new career on Aug. 10 when she leaves for Hawaii, the 50th state in the Union, to begin a two year's nursing course at the Honolulu Queen's Hospital School of Nursing.

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Miss Fellman was from the Columbia High School with honors in the Class of 1960. She participated in many of the leading school activities, as a song leader, as drill master for the Bomberettes drill team, and as social manager for the school body.

She also was a member of the student council. She has talents which also qualify her for success in the field of music.

She attends the Redeemer Lutheran Church.



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## Warehouse Contract Awarded

Roy Davis Furniture Co., has awarded a building contract for the erection of a new warehouse on Wellsian Way.

The building will be constructed by Inland Steel and will have a warehousing area of 2,880 square feet. It will measure 36 by 80 feet and will rise on property adjacent to the new Bell Furniture warehouse now nearing completion.

The new building will be served by a spur track railroad facility with adjacent dock entrances. Preliminary work on the building site has involved the moving of thousands of cu-

bic yards of earth for the foundation needs.

The warehouse will be one-story but will have a mezzanine gallery for the storage of light furniture.

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Put on your hearing aids and listen to this.

Here is the inside story about a contemplated \$8 million residential development which, when completed, will give Richland 300 new, fine, modern homes and provide another important tax base for our growing economy.

West View Properties, Inc., is engineering the big deal and the entire development comprises 128 acres of choice building sites bounded by Van Giesen St. where it bisects the By-Pass on its way to West Richland, and extending west as far as the Wright Ave. extension.

The well-known local men involved in this enterprise are: Jim Parcell, president; Mark Benson, vice president; Don Brown, secretary, and Parker Hanson, treasurer. Charter was granted two and a half years ago. Preliminary steps in acquiring the needed acreage consumed some time but building operations speeded up after that and the big deal is on schedule.

WEST VIEW ACRES No. 1, the first step, with 32 lots, has 24 fine, modern units already completed and 12 already occupied. Birch and Butternut streets have been extended into this area. Work has already started in extending Alder Street in West View Acres No. 2 which will have 54 lots. These new extended streets will not intersect at the By-Pass but will circle into each other. The two first West View properties will have a total of 86 new homes. New developments will follow westerly.

The new homes will have values from \$20,000 to \$30,000, and several of them are to have three to five bedrooms and three bathrooms. They will have built-in fireplaces, built-in garbage disposal units, and the latest in electric kitchen facilities. A few are of split-level design. The new streets are wide with macadam paving, sewers and street lighting.

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# Delegation Will Attend Meeting At Bellingham

A delegation from Richland Post 71 of The American Legion, composed of Commander Nace Watkins and Past Commanders Edwin Merrill, Russell Grob and Ray Tillson will attend the annual state Legion convention in Bellingham next weekend.

They will attend not only the regular business sessions but will also take part in many commander political campaigns held at various hotel quarters and the other sessions of committees on which they were recently appointed.

This year there is a real fight on for commander, with two prominent candidates. One is Chester Chastek of Tacoma, a retired naval commander of World War I, who has been head of the Washington State Selective Service since it was started. The other is Vern Hill of Puyallup, who is a mortician and was recently awarded a first trophy for his Kiwanis Club record at that organization's national convention. The contest has developed into one of the hottest campaigns in years, something Legionnaires like to have a part in.

Past Department Vice Commander Russ Grob of Richland, chairman of the legislative committee, announced that his committee will have to check on many resolutions that have been submitted and to pass on their worth and validity before they go to the convention resolutions committee.

**ONE RESOLUTION** which he thinks will pass this year is to raise the department's per capita tax from \$2.75 to \$3. The new revenue will be divided equally among Department committees for junior baseball, Boys State, Boy Scouts, drum and bugle corps and child welfare, all of which report that they are short of the financing needed for these important youth activities.

Another resolution will change the present set-up of four Department vice commanders to the former system of only two such offices. Under the proposed system the money saved will be allotted to the commander and vice commander for needed travel expenses, as they visit the many posts throughout the state as well as district conferences.

The local Legion delegation will appear with the 12th district unit in the big annual parade in Bellingham.

It has been announced by Commander Nace Watkins of Richland Post 71 that he has several recommendations for important projects in the coming year and that following the state convention there will be a meeting of the post executive committee, at which he will present his plans for discussion and acceptance.

**MENTION WAS** made in this column last week of a new national VFW Department accident and dismemberment insurance policy which has been arranged for members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars posts throughout the United States which will cost each individual member \$1.25 a year for a \$1,000 coverage. It might be added that the bonus feature of this policy is that for each 12-month coverage kept in force by your post, and if you maintain membership continuity, the protection is increased \$250 each year to an additional maximum coverage of \$1,000.

This means that after four years of continuous coverage, with the double indemnity feature, you could have as much as \$4,000 insurance benefit all for the annual payment of \$1.25. Aside from monetary benefits, this policy should aid in recruiting new VFW members. Quite a deal!

**POSTSCRIPTS** — Next meet-

ing of the Richland Post 71, American Legion, will be held at the VFW headquarters on Tuesday, Aug. 21. Complete reports on the state convention activities will be given by the delegates who attended. . . This is a reminder that today is the Annual Tag Day of the Marine Corps League Auxiliary and these fine ladies will be on the streets all day to accept your contributions. How about a dollar from your wallet to help these dedicated workers? . . . Past Commander Ed Merrill served on the department convention Trophies and Awards Committee this year. . . Next meeting of Cook-Erickson Post 7952, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will be held Monday night at the headquarters. . . VFW Past Commander William and Mrs. Owens enjoyed a three-week motor trip to Louisiana, where they visited relatives.

**Question of the week—**

**Q—**Can a veteran be advised as to his general non-medical benefits while he is a patient at a VA hospital?

**A—**Yes. Each VA hospital has a contact representative as a full-time member of the hospital staff to serve veterans in just such a capacity.

## SEEN and HEARD

Here is a second "caution" to our readers who may be prospects for life insurance policies.

We first mentioned this in our June 22 column and since that time have been contacted by several local members of the Life Insurance Underwriters Association with additional facts which you should know.

Did you know that some 1,000 new insurance companies have been started in this country since the last war?

Some of these have been backed by "fast buck" individuals, and a few by underworld promoters, and to make quick sales "gimmicks" have been used.

What has happened is that these private enterprises have discovered that a policy that is perfectly legal can be called a "charter" policy and can be presented as something that lets the purchaser in on the ground floor. To take a chance on the new company he is to be cut in on the profits forever, and only a few of these policies are to be sold. What the insured finds out is that what he has is just a participating policy at double the usual premium and that the profits to which he will be entitled are only those earned by the "charter" policies.

State insurance commissioners in several states are investigating this situation and in Missouri agents are losing their licenses for saying what they were taught to say.

We reiterate — Do your insurance business with local licensed insurance agents who represent long-established and reputable companies and who do not use questionable "gimmicks" to get your business.

The Rev. Cecil Knippers of the Richland Church of the Nazarene is also president of "Greater Richland, Inc." a booster organization recently chartered here to publicize our All America City as a recreational center. He believes that acts speak louder than words. So where do you suppose he and Mrs. Knippers spent their vacation? They registered at the Desert Inn Hotel. "We wanted to prove to ourselves that this is a fine place to find relaxation and rest," he said. The experiment was successful and both enjoyed the unusual experience. To escape long motor trips that are usually enervating, why don't you try this change?

At a local club meeting the other noon a well-known surgeon made a short speech on a motion before the house, and another member accused him of making "cutting" remarks.

Now that the local Democratic committee has picked a candidate to run against Congresswoman Catherine May, it can be predicted that she will put up a Gallant fight. She always did.

Out in our neighborhood there is a carpenter who is building his new home on a corner lot. His motto is "Get Up and Go." He starts hammering nails at 5:30 each morning and the neighbors "Get Up and Go-Nuts."

We received an invitation by letter to open a charge account with a large Spokane store the other day. Thanks pal, but we trade with Richland merchants.

The second floor of the Joseph Building at 1393 George Washington Way and Symons (over the J. C. Penney store) is lined with officers. It had a tragedy (?) the other day. There was a shout in the corridor "I will kill myself" and then a sound like a rifle shot.

One office secretary rushed to the street scared to death, and asked for protection. A police car speeded in and officers rushed to the scene of the crime. The exploded remains of a large firecracker were found in the corridor, but the prankster has not been uncovered.

If you are personally acquainted with Attorney Dave Williams of the law firm of Critchlow, Williams and Skidmore, 1329 George Washington Way, you probably share in our high estimate of him as a stalwart citizen devoted to the diversified interests of his fellow-men and his community. In addition to his fine law practice he has for many years represented all the organized labor groups identified with the Hanford Atomic Metal Trades Council and has been the prominent leader and advocate for these organizations in their periodical meetings with the General Electric Co. and discussions of labor problems. He has never let his clients down because he is not that type of man. Nobody moves Dave Williams from his course when he knows he is right. Our citation today to a strong character who has the respect of his contemporaries.

You may have read in the newspapers during the past week about two houses burglaries where entrances were made by unlocked rear doors. We have warned about this several times but there are careless householders who are like careless drivers. They neither heed nor listen.

We can record these business changes for you.

Al Phillips Cleaners moved yesterday from its 1352 address on Jadwin Avenue, Uptown, to 1317 George Washington Way, next to the Mode O'Day store. Moving into the vacant Phillips store is Wesley D. Stordahl, who recently purchased the Wells Radio & TV store at 708 George Washington Way. He needed more room and a longer lease. The Careful Cleaners store at Lee and Parkway has been purchased by Johnny Lovejoy, who reports a pressing business.

Residents of several streets received notices from the public works department that barricades would be put up during seal coating operations. Ah! Ha! Trying to cover up something.

We will have a big SCOOP for you next week.

Hundreds of fine deciduous trees in Richland have been losing their green leaves out of season. The aphids have taken over in billion groups. There is only one way to put a stop to this. Call the pest spraying man, quickly. He is being rushed, so hurry.

**HEARD** about the man who was jilted by his girl and went into the woods to shoot his brains out. The newspaper that reported the incident said "the target was so small, he missed."

Superintendent John Clark at the recent meeting of the Hawthorn Community Development Committee reported that very few trailer or camping tourists are stopping overnight at Columbia Park. He wondered why. Perhaps one reason why is that there is no right sign at the park entrance inviting these tourists for overnight parking. Richland has been making the same mistake for years with no signs on State Highway 410 indicating vacancies at our hotel and motels. Tourists are not mind readers.

# Goodwill Is Boosted By Kiwanis

The Hanford Kiwanis Club is planning a new project which will bring Richland people into closer contact with Goodwill Industries, the organization which, creating new jobs and new hope for handicapped persons and whose "sheltered workshop" idea has prepared many of these people for employment in the competitive labor market.

The Kiwanis committee handling the project plans to open a pick-up station in the Uptown business district near the Mayfair Market where Richland householders may leave articles of furniture, clothing and appliances which will be trucked later to the Goodwill Workshop in Pasco for repair and sale.

Goodwill started in 1895 in the basement of a Boston parsonage during the depression. Now there are 129 Goodwill Workshops in the United States and seven in foreign countries.

**GOODWILL IS A** non-profit, self-supporting industry operated under sheltered workshop certificates issued by the state of Washington and the federal government. The government defines "sheltered workshop" as "a place for employment of handicapped people, having work-oriented objectives to develop workers maximum potential for employment in the competitive labor market, or, if need be in a sheltered environment".

At Goodwill there are three main objectives; (1) employment of handicapped people; (2) wholesome work training for them; and (3) rehabilitation

These objectives are achieved through the medium of discarded articles, donated by public-spirited citizens, picked up by Goodwill trucks, unloaded, sorted

for the various workshop departments, repaired, dry-cleaned, laundered, fumigated and priced. They are then offered for sale in the Goodwill shopping center, also staffed by handicapped workers. The funds received from these sales, go in large part, to these workers as wages, the smaller percentage for necessary overhead expenses.

**NUMBER OF WORKERS** is dependent upon the money received through the sales department, and the sales department is dependent on the output of the workshop.

The Tri-Cities Goodwill started on March 4, 1961 with 10

handicapped workers. At the present time 30 are employed. Fourteen people have been channeled back to the regular labor market. Since the starting date, \$59,103.00 in wages have been siphoned back into the areas' economy.

Quoting Merle Attridge, superintendent of the Goodwill Industries:

"We are extremely grateful for the whole-hearted way in which the people of the Tri-Cities area and neighboring communities have taken a personal interest in our program. We could not have done it alone. We have been backed by business, civic and religious

leaders who have given unstintingly of their time and efforts. We are very grateful to all of them."

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### Safety Record Praised

(The following contributed editorial is printed on behalf of the community's safety program).

Richland, receiving another national citation for its traffic safety record, should be especially proud of the fact because the latest official national traffic death record for the first six months of 1962 shows an all-time high for the period, and preliminary reports indicate that accidental deaths in all other categories — at work, at home, and in public places — also will show increases in the first half of the year.

The local record is due in no small measure to the all-year safety education programs of the Richland Safety Council, the Richland Police Department and Richland Fire Department, as other organizations which put on safety projects of their own and which have active safety committees and programs.

The nation's motor vehicle death toll for the first half of 1962 was 18,120 which includes passengers in cars as well as pedestrians, a 7 per cent increase. If the present trend continues, traffic deaths for the year could top 40,000, the first times this figure has been reached in the country's total, President Fay Jones of the Richland Safety Council indicates. Historically traffic deaths are higher in the second half of the year than the first.

President Jones adds: "This tragic waste of life can be reduced if everyone will remember that every activity, be it at work or at play, can just as easily and enjoyably be performed safely as dangerously."

### Seat Belt Drive Wins Citation

Richland Junior Chamber of Commerce has received the Citation of the Month from the Richland Safety Council, for the important Safety Belt Project which was successfully staged by JayCee members recently.

In a letter signed by President Fay Jones of the Safety Council, announcing the citation, she added:

"It has been reported to us that 521 safety belts were installed in motor cars owned by Richland men and women, that this service was given free of charge on four different days on which the project was operated in the Uptown Parking area, and that many man hours were contributed by your members.

"The publicity which was given to this project was extremely successful in making drivers safety conscious, and what you did will undoubtedly save the lives of people who had the safety belts installed if they are involved in future accidents. We hope that all the people who did have these safety belts installed in their cars will make the practice of using them especially on their vacation or long trips away from home.

"We congratulate your organization on the unqualified success of your major project, and hope that other local organizations may emulate your example and originate similar safety education projects during the coming months."

### News Of Interest To Vets

## VFW Club Facilities Will Open Next Week

Attendance at the Visitors' Richland Veterans of Foreign Wars Post will see a public opening of new facilities at the 1369 headquarters on George Washington Way, in the Uptown business district, during the coming week. The Post has spent approximately \$3,000 in making building alterations, increasing the facilities of the club and starting a new food business.

A modern kitchen has been installed in the rear section of the headquarters and another large room will be used for supper club services, with Jack Hargrove, formerly of the Pasco Legion

Club, as host. The added attraction has been engineered under the direction of Senior Vice Commander William Kendrick, who is also chairman of the House Committee. The grand opening date will be announced in a few days. Patrons may get a first-hand view of the new facilities tonight and tomorrow night. Music will be provided by the Star Dust Trio.

**ALL THE LOCAL** Legion "brass" left Richland last Wednesday to attend the annual state convention at Bellingham. (Continued on Page 12)

The important features of the conclave are slated for today and tomorrow, including election of state officers.

Department, Adjutant Fred Feucker, who had handled the paper work of the state organization for many years, may announce his retirement. When and if he does, there will be a big scrap to select the man to succeed him. There are two candidates for the post, Past Department Commander Elmer Stodd of Seattle and Bill Dunn of Walla Walla. Stodd was elected two years ago to the \$6,500 post of Legion public relations officer, but a year ago this office was abolished after objections were raised from the post level. Bill Dunn has worked in the state Legion office for several years as an assistant of Adjutant Feucker and has strong backing for the promotion. This is only one of several political fights which will enliven the convention this weekend.

This column will have a detailed report on the activities of the Richland delegates at the convention in next Friday's issue.

**ALTHOUGH THE** 87th congress is now in its home stretch, there has been no new veterans' legislation enacted to date, despite the fact that several important bills have been given committee hearings. The finance

committee in the Senate has made no official announcement as to when it will consider 21 bills that have been approved by the House. These bills cover such subjects as compensation, hospital and medical care, housing, education and insurance.

Opening today in Minneapolis, Minn., is the national convention of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. The sessions will continue through Aug. 17. Department officers from the state of Washington will attend, as well as several post commanders who have signed up for the trip.

Commander U. Lester Sweetin of Richland Post 7952 will be in competition with other commanders throughout the United States who were selected for their outstanding records during the past

# SEEN and HEARD <sup>Aug 10</sup> BY THE <sup>1962</sup> ROVING REPORTER

Many people here do not know that north of the city there is a 90-acre "Buffer Zone", the southern line of which marks the limit for residential development north, and the northern line of which sets the limit of industrial growth south.

This zone was set off by the government as a bit of master planning and is under the authority of the Atomic Energy Commission.

We HEAR, on good authority, that the AEC could be willing to cede this 90-acre Buffer Zone to the City of Richland under certain stipulations.

If the city will take it over and develop it as a fine golf course, or as a park, a deal can be made.

The residential growth north has been rapid and there are now several elaborate homes adjacent to the buffer area. In no time at all this will be a neighborhood of fine homes and gardens, with the type of people who would have no objections at all to living close to an 18-hole golf course. A golf club building could be erected for the accommodation of hundreds of residents who would be glad to be its patrons.

The buffer zone extends to the Columbia River where docks could be built for the accommodation of golfers or visitors who might like to reach the course by boats.

Here is a mere outline of the possibilities and potentials of a big project, which only needs militant leadership to reach attainment.

Many Richland folks would deny driving too fast, but why do they slow down when they see a policeman?

Uptown will have two new gas stations. At the corner of Jadwin and Symons, opposite the Newberry store, work is progressing on the new Conoco station which will have all the modern facilities available which can be examined at the public opening. At George Washington Way and Van Giesen the big corner lot has been graded to street level and here will arise a new Richfield station located near a large residential section. Another long-established gas station on Lee Boulevard recently went out of business.

A local automobile insurance agent told us the other day about a motorist who came to his office and signed up for a policy on his new car.

He made a part payment by check and then said to the agent, "By the way, my boy hit a baseball through the windshield last week, and you probably will not object to paying for that, will you?" In other words he wanted the agent to pay for damages incurred before the car was insured.

The check bounced and the car is still not insured.

We wonder if there is a post office in the United States that has a more competent or faithful postmaster than our own Ed Peddicord. We doubt it. How he stands in the minds of Richland people may be illustrated by the story of something that happened here when the Republicans took over the presidency. Postmaster Peddicord had been appointed by a Democratic President. After the change in Washington a Richland Republican was ambitious to take over the local P.O. job. He went around with a petition to get names of prominent Republicans to be sent to Washington in his behalf. He found himself up against a stone wall. We talked with one Republican who had been approached who told us: "Sign a petition the purpose of which was to oust Ed Peddicord? Not me," he said. We know of no better evidence of what people think of Postmaster Ed Peddicord, than this related incident. Our hand-shake to a fine citizen and highly respected public official.

We HEARD recently of a case of a G.E. employe who was fired because he engaged in horse-play on the job, and is still out of work. Recommend that he try getting employment at the riding school where they allow horsing around without restrictions.

Dropped in and had a talk with Harold Morgan at the Uptown music store a day ago. He was playing a late-type organ which had just been put on the floor. Harold is interested in having at least 40 of the Uptown stores go in on the new project of displaying large flower urns, several of which have already been set up on the streets with shrubs and flowers. He told us he has another suggestion for the Christmas season which he will take up with the Uptown retail merchants organization at the next meeting, a system of giant candy canes along the street curbs which could be lighted at night

creating an unusual attraction during the holidays.

In the last issue of the G.E. News there were photographs of seven employes who are retiring. These men and women, like others who have preceded them, have created a pattern of living to which they have become attuned both physically and mentally. To break that pattern suddenly may be damaging in many cases. There are many work years left for the physically fit, even after the 65-year-age bracket. Getting a job on the side, or pushing your hobby, may add years to a life which is still worth living.

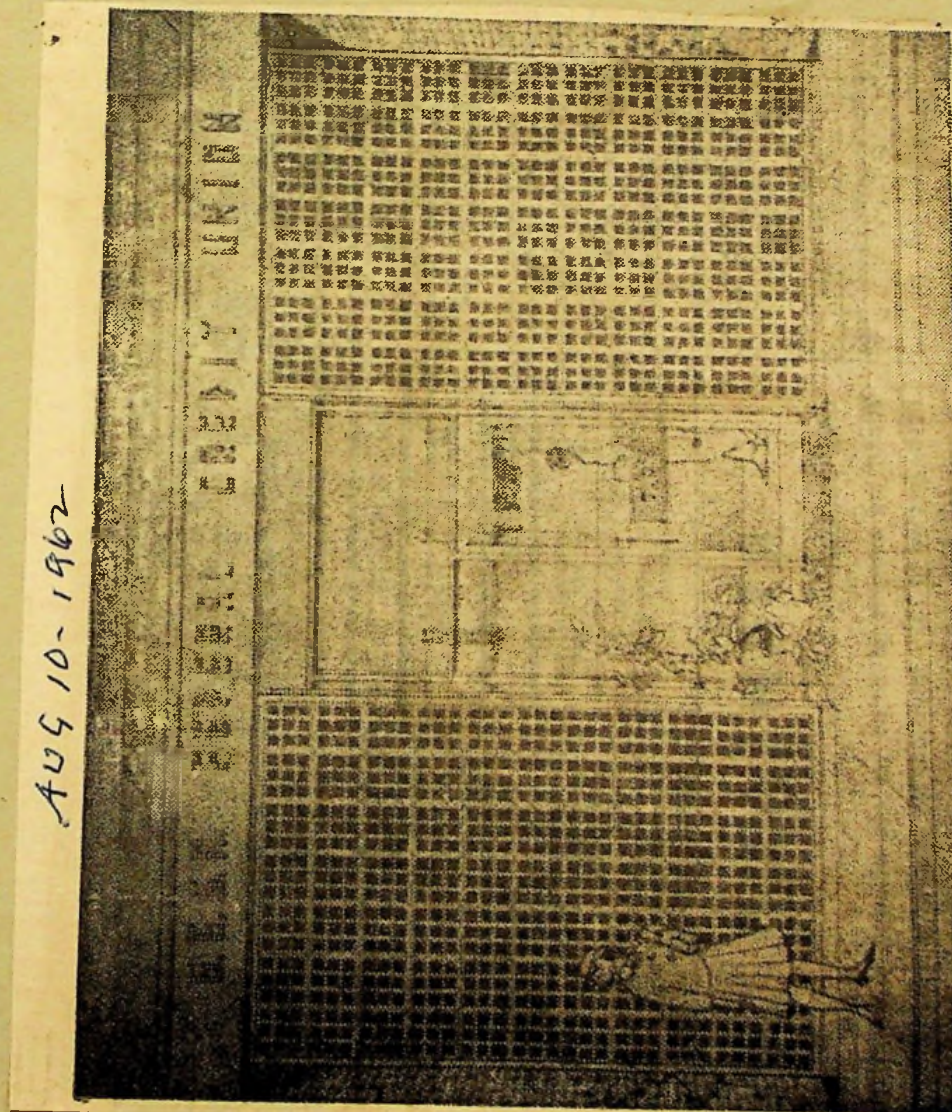
Mrs. Joseph E. Millard of the Richland Women's Garden Club recently stated that months ago, the garden clubs offered to the City Council their interest in beautifying the entrance to the city, but that the offer was ignored.

Talked with a local realty official yesterday who said that five recently-completed new homes had been sold—three to Kennewick families and two to people living in Pasco. Our investigation shows that all are General Electric employes who have moved back to town to be near their jobs. Keep coming, friends. You can save time and travel.

Fran Rish says the trouble with golf is that by the time you can afford to lose a ball, you can't hit it that far.

In the garden tool section of an Uptown store you can read this original sign, "Take me to your weeder."

Tomorrow — SATURDAY — Aug. 11 is the registration deadline for all those who wish to vote at the primary election on Tuesday, Sept. 11. You can register at all the fire stations.



NEW GESA BUILDING — This is the artist's drawing of the all-glass front of the new \$50,000 GESA (General Electric Supervisors' Association) Federal Credit Union Building which will start taking shape during the coming week at 710½ the Parkway in Downtown Richland. It will be located next to the Stanley Randolph building and will extend from the Parkway to George Washington Way. The new building, measuring 76 by 25 feet, will be fire-proof in construction with structural brick walls, steel joists and a concrete roof. The Parkway glass front will be of ceramic solar screen type. Inside will be birch paneling and cabinet features with terrazzo floors of ground stone and cement. There will be acoustical ceilings. The GESA

section of the building will have an office for Manager William L. Oakes, a general office with waiting room, a machine room, vault, employe's lounge, and toilets and storage rooms in the basement. The Washington avenue side of the building will have another office for rental, measuring 16 by 24 feet, with basement storage. All exempt employes of General Electric Co. are entitled to belong to the GESA Federal Credit Union, a cooperative savings and loan organization, chartered by the United States government, owned and operated by its membership through a board of directors. Its present location is 715½ the Parkway. Ross and Pence of Pasco are the architects and the Poland Construction Co. is the contractor.

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**Bridge May Be Pushed**

## Southsiders Will Study Ambitious Project Listing

Boosting for a Columbia River Bridge north of Richland to supplement the proposed new Hanford Highway will be one of the items to be included for discussion as part of a suggested five-year program of the Southside Improvement Association.

The draft for preliminary discussion and study prior to the Sept. 6 quarterly meeting of the Association has been released by the group. Some of the city-wide items listed in the proposed projects would be limited to coopera-

tion with other Richland organizations.

A tentative date set for launching of bridge promotion is 1963.

**FOLLOWING ARE** other proposed items and suggested times for work on the projects—

Richland Marina Hotel project, complete during 1962

Year-around ice skating rink by the Coliseum Corp. at the By-Pass and George Washington Way (open without buildings in 1962 and complete during 1963)

18-hole PGA golf course east of George Washington Way from Davenport to Yakima River, 1963-65

Construction of the Coliseum by the Coliseum Corp., west of the ice-skating rink and south of Abbot, 1963-66

Zoning of the former CAP Airport for commercial recreation to insure its compatibility with the surrounding area. Excavation is not recommended but if permitted should be restricted solely to ultimately compatible uses, such as a stadium for future college — tackle in 1962 prior to its sale

**SELECTION OF** a recommendable college campus site in the Richland area as an alternate for the Camp Hanford site, 1962-64

Odor elimination at the sewage disposal plant, complete by spring 1963

Acquisition by the city of selected excess buildings for future general purpose use by the community (1962, central wing of former Officers' Club; 1965, Camp Hanford Administration building. Both could be used on site)

Bridge path network around city and along selected boulevards, 1963-67

Richland-Hanford Barricade Greenway consisting of a series of beautifications extending from Yakima River Bridge to the Hanford Laboratories along By-Pass Highway and Stevens Drive, commence 1963 as a continuing project

Maintenance of signs on Highway 410 featuring Richland, the atomic exhibit and other features, 1962

Columbia River Bridge north of Richland, to supplement the new Hanford Highway as projected, 1963 until it is built

Concrete sidewalks and curbs, 40 per cent of Southside through LIDs by 1967

Extension of Wellspan Shelter Belt plantings from Elliott St. to Gillespie, 1963-65

Beautification of the Harding-Gillespie buffer strip by volunteer projects including flower plantings, 1964-66

Additional swimming facilities in Richland, 1965-67

## Morgan Named '62 Chairman Of Fire Week

Harold G. Morgan, Richland businessman and a past president of the Chamber of Commerce, has been appointed chairman of the 1962 Fire Prevention Week general committee and at the first breakfast meeting held Wednesday morning at the Desert Inn, preliminary plans were charted for the big October project.

The event will be sponsored by the Richland Chamber of Commerce, with assists from the Richland Safety Council, the Richland Fire and Police departments, the Junior Chamber of Commerce and many other local organizations and clubs.

Biggest part of the program, the committee announced, will be the annual parade which will be sponsored and directed by the Richland Veterans of Foreign Wars Post with Commander U. Lester Sweetin as chief marshal.

**THIS FEATURE** is planned for Saturday afternoon, Oct. 6, and precedes the annual Fire Prevention Week scheduled for

features, and other ideas.

Chief Pat Quane announced that he was attending a workshop convention in California on fire prevention and that he would swap ideas with scores of other fire department officials he would meet there.

**FIRE MARSHAL** John Ward hoped that in this year's Fire Prevention Week program an important event would be the city-wide evacuation of homes under simulated fire conditions on the evening of Oct. 6 when Richland firemen in apparatus with sirens sounding would cover all neighborhoods at 6:30 o'clock and that all householders will be asked to participate and have fire drills executed from their homes.

Ward, stated also that Richland has received many letters from cities in the United States and Canada asking for information about the Richland Fire Prevention Week programs and that many of the ideas transmitted to the cities have been copied and used.

During the October week, special demonstrations will be given at all Richland schools by the Fire Department in which the use of fire-fighting methods will be shown and there also will be fire drills executed by the school principals. A diversified program in the school classrooms and assembly halls will be planned under the direction of William G. Allan of the school administration staff. This will include poster and slogan contests, skits and essays.

**UNDER THE** sponsorship of the local Toastmaster and Toastmistress clubs, speakers will be furnished all local organizations and clubs to appear at their Oct. 7-13 meetings and talk about home fire hazards.

Inspection reports will be distributed to all the children in the elementary schools who will complete them after making inspections of their individual homes and discovering all safety and fire hazards there.

A rotating trophy is awarded each year to the local merchant who creates the best Fire Prevention window display and it

is planned to have a local organization work up this feature this year so that a large number may compete.

**CHAIRMAN MORGAN** announced that the names of the Richland general committee would be announced within a few days and that he expected to have most large organizations represented on it, as well as safety and fire department officials from AEC and General Electric Co. divisions. This committee will have its first general meeting in the near future at the guest dessert and coffee supper gathering.

At this meeting, assignments will be made in which other organizations can plan important parts in the main project, or arrange to have their own corollary projects during the specified week.

Manager Jim Blair of the Chamber of Commerce announced that his organization had ordered several thousand Fire Prevention Week posters, fliers, and booklets from the National Fire Prevention Association which would be distributed in the schools, business places and the homes. This work will be done by members of the Fire Department.

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## Accident Facts Given

Here are a collection of accident facts which are generally not known to the average citizen, and which the Richland Safety Council released at its last meeting. President Fay Jones hopes that all motorists and pedestrians will study them so that they may have an awareness of the hazards that are causing accidents at home and on the traffic lanes.

Accidents cost the nation an estimated \$14 billion last year.

Accidents of all kinds took 91,500 lives in 1961, with an additional 45 million persons injured.

Home accidents last year caused a total of 26,500 deaths.

**THREE-FOURTHS** of the motor vehicle deaths were in rural areas. In urban areas nearly half the victims of traffic accidents were pedestrians.

Statistics show that there is an average of 104 motor vehicle deaths each day in the year.

Improper driving is the contributing factor in most motor vehicle accidents.

Death rates are sharply higher in night-time accidents.

The pedestrian death toll last year was 7,650, and the number of male pedestrians killed was nearly three times as high as females killed.

**THE SAFETY** Council cites figures to show that if safety belts were installed in every motor vehicle, 5,000 lives a year would be saved.

Off the job, workers suffer more accidental deaths and injuries than they do on the job.

Two thirds of the deaths in recreational boating accidents involved a fault of the operator. Half of these involved recklessness, improper loading and unseaworthy craft.

A total of 6,550 persons drowned last year. Of the 500 drownings in homes, 170 occurred in bathtubs and 75 in swimming pools.

Nationally, nearly half of the 26,500 home accident deaths resulted from falls, with fires and burns next on the list.



PAT QUANE

Oct. 7-13. Many new features were discussed about the parade including inviting fire departments from nearby cities and towns with special cooperation from West Richland and Benton City, choosing a prince and princess from elementary school ranks, supplying all juvenile parade entrants with junior fire marshal badges and fire helmets, increasing entrants from neighborhood districts in which parents will assist their children in planning original

# Tillson Heads Legion District

Delegates from Richland Post 71, The American Legion, attending the annual state convention in Bellingham, have returned with enthusiastic reports on the proceedings, and in addition to that were successful in securing the election of their 12th District Commander Kenneth Whitted of Connell to the office of department vice-commander for the Fourth Area. The 12th District includes Richland, Pasco and Kennewick.

On the last day of the convention Post Adjutant Ray Tillson of Richland Post was installed as the new commander of the 12th District. At the convention Tillson served as chairman of the trophies and awards committee, which selected the winners in the various categories of community service, youth activities and others.

**THE NEW DEPARTMENTS** commander elected was Chester Chastek of Tacoma, a retired naval commander of World War I who has been the head of the Washington Selective Service since it was started. The contest was close and was not decided until the last post delegation had voted.

It has been announced that Dept. Adjutant Fred Feucker would resign his post which he has held for many years, but he failed to do this.

Past Commander Russell Grob reported that several resolutions were passed by the delegates, many of which will be forwarded to the national convention resolutions committee for action. The convention went on record as opposing the State Department's position on disarmament or any reduction of the United States armed forces. The vote also was against giving any foreign aid to governments unless they were friendly to the United States and not controlled by the communists.

**THE CONVENTION** favored strengthening the McCarran Act and opposed any move to abolish the loyalty oath for persons accepting government positions.

Commander Ray Tillson of the 12th district was elected as a delegate to attend the national Legion convention to be held in Las Vegas in October.

Attending the convention from Richland were Commander Mace Watkins, Past Commander Edwin Merrill, Russell Grob and Ray Tillson.

Grob reported that all the Richland delegates attended all sessions of the convention as well as meetings of committees to which they were assigned. In the annual parade the local delegates marched with the 12th district contingent and escorted the massed colors.

Richland Post 71 received honorable mention for its blood bank activities, a project which it has promoted for the past 15 years.

**MRS. RUTH** Echelberger of Richland Post 71 Legion Auxiliary is chairman of an active committee appointed to raise funds for the Auxiliary rehabilitation program and she has announced that a rummage sale is being arranged for Thursday and Friday, Aug. 23-24, at 10 Ave. C in Kennewick. Persons who may wish to contribute articles of clothing or give other donations may call Mrs. Echelberger or Mrs. Blanche Nelson, who is the co-chairman.

Others on the committee who will act as salespeople are Mrs. Norma Steman, Mrs. Bonnie Brown, Mrs. Kay Fishback, Mrs. Bette Hall, Mrs. Ann Rogers, Mrs. Lorena Tillson, Miss Linda Lester, Miss Rebecca Lester, Mrs. Frances Flora.

**THE NEW STATE** commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars is Wiljo Pollari and the 1963 membership drive will be named the Pollari Missile. Commander U. Lester Sweetin stated yesterday: "We predict our new commander will kindle new fires of patriotism in the overseas veterans in the state. Commander Pollari will inspire in them a burning desire to be leaders in our communities on every front where freedom's fires must glow to instill love of country in our boys and girls. That's VFW's first duty. Communism is centering its attack there."

**POSTSCRIPTS** — Past Commander Dom Castelli of Richland Post 71 is a patient at the Veterans Hospital in Walla Walla and last reports indicate he is all right.—The VFW Junior Vice Commander is getting ready to launch the 8th year for the Junior Rifle team.—Representing the Richland Legion Auxiliary at the department convention were Mrs. Bette Hall, Mrs. Mille Johnson, Mrs. Norma Stemen and Mrs. Gladys Thompson.—Post Service Officer William E. James is making plans to attend the Legion National Convention to be held in Las Vegas in October.—Frank White, VA contact officer, has been in Richland on Fridays at the Community House, handling veterans affairs.—Mrs. Ruth Gassaway of Florida, a former member of the Richland Legion Auxiliary, has been a visitor here.—President Mary Lester of the Legion Auxiliary with her daughters, Rebecca and Linda, enjoyed a motor trip to Washington, D.C.

## SEEN and HEARD

BY THE ROVING REPORTER

Beverly Heights, another growing residential development for Richland, will add some \$2,225,000 in tax-based property valuations, when completed.

This tract is located on high ground on Thayer Drive at the By-Pass end of that thoroughfare and is bounded by Wright Avenue and Cottonwood Drive extension.

It contains 37 acres divided into 119 building lots, of which 37 have been developed and sold, and 34 more are in process. Only 48 of the remaining lots remain to be plotted.

New streets in this development are Agnes, Ada, Arbor and Alice, and Cottonwood will be further extended to Thayer Drive in the near future.

The new homes range in price from \$15,500 to \$21,500. They are all of different architectural designs, and average three bedrooms, with one and two bath rooms. Seventy-five per cent of them have basements. All have electric kitchens and other modern conveniences. The paved streets have sewer and water piping and concrete gutters. Open houses may be visited during the week for prospective buyers.

**RITA, Inc.** is the local chartered group which owns the area and engineers the development. The officers are Albert Lux of the Lux Construction Co., John Garrison and Charles Hooper, all with wide experience in the construction crafts, and these men also compose an Architectural Control Board which will regulate the type of homes for this sightly residential growth.

Recent purchasers of homes in Beverly Heights have come to Richland from Michigan, Idaho, Oregon and Washington, several from Spokane, Yakima, Pasco and Kennewick.

During this dissension over the control of sand and gravel operations, concrete batching and asphalt mixing plants, it should be kept in mind that if we legislate these industries out-of-town we will also hamper all building operations and developments. So let us use good sense and reason.

The proposed ordinance now under study can protect the health and safety of the community, and involves the noise, vibration and dust problems, but it should not put these industries out of business. Why cut off our nose to spite our face? Don't force our builders to go out of town for building necessities, and double their expenses. If we drive our present facilities out-of-town, how can we expect to attract new industries?

The best asset which the Desert Inn has had during the past 14 years has been Manager Wally Bowen.

Among other things he has made this hostelry the social center of the community, where most big events have taken place, along with weddings, receptions and social events. The Desert Inn has been the dinner center, too, for the leading Richland organizations and clubs. Because of his own personality, Bowen established a type of public relations that few hotels are able to create. During the 14 years he has managed the Desert Inn all his time and experience have been applied to his important tasks, with long hours and expanding duties. He always took a personal interest in all of the 60 employees of the hotel, who in turn gave him their loyalty and respect. With Wally Bowen missing, his smile and cordial greeting, the place will not be the same.

Got a kick out of reading a paragraph in the latest Richland JayCee-ettes bulletin about the Friendship Night at the Kennewick Columbia Park which had this admonition: "Bring a sweater and insect spray or repellent." You don't have to battle mosquitoes in Richland parks. A million Columbia Park mosquitoes missed a good feed.

New out-of-town architects have been hired to make drawings and sketches for proposed buildings on the tract bounded by George Washington Way, Symons, Jadwin and Van Giesen and are expected to come up soon with important developments. This is the 37 acre tract purchased by local investors for future development of a new shopping center.

Many Richland homes have been visited by people who stop off here on their way to the Seattle Fair, but we think the record goes to Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Pulsipher of 1413 Kimball who during the month of July, entertained 29 relatives at their home. There never was a dull moment for the hospitable Pulsiphers, who entertained aunts, uncles, cousins, grown-ups and children, several of whom made two stops on their way to and from the Fair. The large Pulsipher food freezer met all challenges.

We HEAR that a large furniture company which has stores in Yakima, Pasco and Kennewick is negotiating for a location in the Uptown Richland business district.

We would like to introduce to our readers today two very fine young people who recently moved to Richland and are living in the Park Lane Apartments. They are John and Louise Kemper and they recently took over the drive-in dining room at Gillespie and Duane, formerly known as Big Mike's. The new name is J & L. Our new friends came here from Yakima where Mr. Kemper has had some 12 years in the food catering business. We dropped in and talked with both of these nice people yesterday and suggest that you do the same. Pizza and other popular dishes are being featured. Let's give these new arrivals a good hand.

Our best wishes go with Judy Fellman, recent beauty queen, who leaves Sunday on her trip to Hawaii to take up a course in nursing at Honolulu's Queen's Hospital School of Nursing. Wait till the doctors get an eyeful of beauty, grace and charm from Richland.

The new \$25,000 Bell Furniture warehouse on Wellsian Way has been completed and is being stored with newly arrived furniture, according to Manager Joe Carroll. It is of Inland steel construction and additional wings may be added as needed.

Heard a debate down town the other day over the question of who had the more hazardous job, a policeman or a fireman. Checked with a fire underwriter about this and he showed us a chart which had the information that the job of a policeman is 29 per cent more hazardous than that of a white collar worker, and that a fireman's job was 76 per cent more hazardous. That should settle that.

The Farmers Insurance office at 707 The Parkway has an attractive window display in the interest of traffic safety. Large posters warn that "A Traffic Outlaw Refuses to Yield Right of Way," "Don't Drink Yourself To Death," "Speed Kills, Slow Down and Live." Good idea if other insurance offices followed this lead.

"No quorum" has stopped many summer meetings of Richland organizations. The heat isn't always the reason. People do not like to attend meetings that are purposeless, that are poorly handled by officers, and that are not made interesting. Presiding officers should be something more than figureheads.

This happened at a noon-day club lunch meeting, where some of the time is devoted to kidding and fun. One member mentioned the United Protestant church and another yiped "Never heard of it. Where is it?" First wag replied: "In the big parking lot opposite Christ the King church."

The Benton-Franklin County fair and rodeo queen was late in making her appearance at a local club meeting. "I had a flat tire," she explained. Now if it had been a lost horse-shoe . . .

Kathy Wilson, the Richland girl who spent last year in Sweden as an International Christian Youth Exchange Student, also thumbed her way through Scotland and Ireland. While in Dublin she wanted an Irish souvenir and so she bought an ash tray. Examining it later she found printed in small type on the bottom the words "Made in Japan."

Saw this sign in a local super-market: "Home Grown Sweet Corn." How did the plants ever get up through the floors?

Another new business for Richland is a dairy-mart, which will be located Uptown in rear of the new Arctic Circle Drive-In. The cement foundation is in and construction is under way.

# VILL RICHLAND LAGER

WHERE ATOMS ARE SMASHED TODAY TO INSURE PEACE AND PROVIDE POWER FOR THE FUTURE

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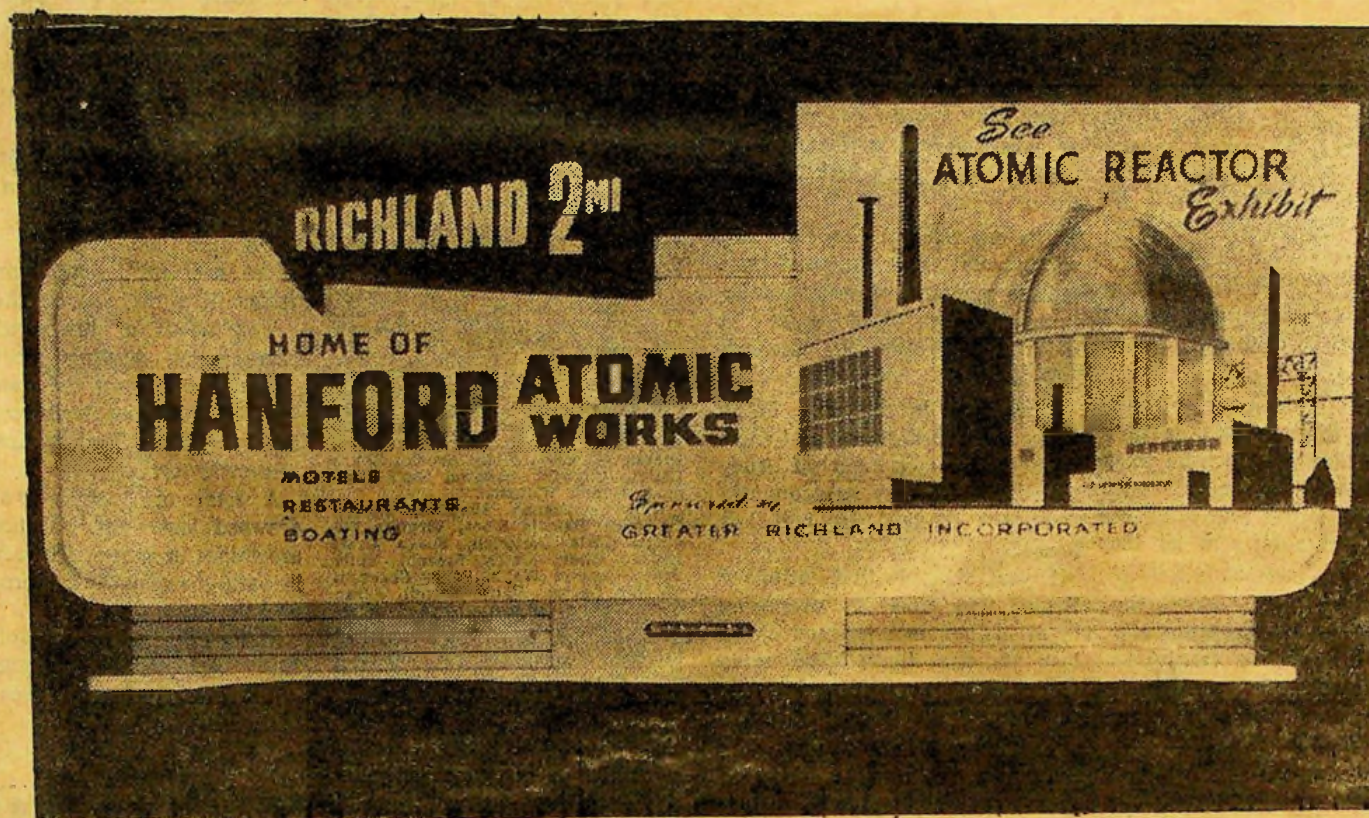
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RICHLAND, WASHINGTON, FRIDAY, AUGUST 17, 1962

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**PROPOSED BILLBOARD** — The new Richland booster organization, "Greater Richland, Inc." has come up with a new idea for a 47-by-17 foot outdoor advertising sign to be placed on Route 410 and which will be an aid in steering travelers and tourists into Richland to view the atomic exhibit now being shown at the Community House and which is on the way to reaching the 20,000 mark for visitors. At present there is nothing on the state highway to apprise

tourists of the attraction. Arrangements have been made with the Columbia Basin Outdoor Advertising Co. to erect and light the sign, which will cost \$150 a month to operate and will need 15 local business men at \$10 a month to complete the contract. Motels and restaurants of Richland also will get a boost. Jack Houston of Greater Richland, Inc., is piloting the publicity project.

#### GADGET

**TOKYO** — Hitachi, Ltd., one of Japan's largest electric appliance makers, says it will put on the domestic market this month a multipurpose mixer selling for 14,500 yen—\$30—that can be converted into a juicer, slicer or coffee grinder.

## Sign Proposed For Main Road

Announcement of a proposal for a billboard on Highway 410 to advertise Richland generally and the popular Hanford Visitors' Center was the major development this week in the program of advertising the community's main resource — atomic energy.

Photograph of a model of the proposed billboard is shown at left.

The Visitors' Center continued to lure hundreds during the week, at about the same rate as in the past—approximately 9,000 per month. Officials would like to get a comparison of attendance here with that at the Museum of Atomic Energy at Oak Ridge, Tenn., and statistics in that respect may be available soon.

**EARLIER THIS** week, Governor Rosellini proposed that business, labor and government throughout the state unite in a "superpowered" organization for a sustained tourist-promotion effort after the World's Fair.

Rosellini said it should be a nonprofit organization to be

known as Greater Washington "or call it what you may."

Among the specific items which Rosellini proposed were the financing and construction of a 35,000-to-50,000 seat sports stadium in Seattle, and creation of a winter carnival, probably in Spokane. He termed the stadium "urgent."

"A STADIUM is one step which must be taken before we can acquire major-league professional football, baseball or both in this state," Rosellini said. "And until we have this, I feel we operate with one economic hand tied behind our back."

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# SEEN and HEARD

BY THE  
ROVING REPORTER

The project of getting a bridge across the Columbia River at Uptown Richland is in the talking stage in two local organizations, the Chamber of Commerce and Greater Richland, Inc.

The "talking stage" means that nothing practical is being done about it.

Since we lost the Richland Ferry, we lost most of the business from the farmer families across the river.

This hit the merchants "hard" and they should do something about it. There is no present evidence that they have made such a move.

If the City Council, the Chamber of Commerce, Greater Richland, Inc., and the Benton Port District combined their efforts for a new bridge, and had an assist from our legislators, Richland could, in time, get a Columbia River Bridge.

Such a bridge would open up new business from across the river, new tourist travel from the Spokane 395 state highway, new private and business motor traffic from Yakima to Spokane, and possibly new population growths.

So let's graduate from the "talking stage" and get some early action. The organization that takes the lead in this will gain in stature and public support.

Have you trained your family on how to escape from your home if it happens to be on fire? The folks who do this probably will be able to save their loved ones in such an emergency. Those who think or say "this would not happen to us" will probably pay the piper. Organized fire drills in the home could prevent panic because all members of the family would know what to do when fire strikes, especially in the night. Remember this — when fire strikes in the home it is usually the children who lose their lives.

Congratulations to Frank Stiles for his 16 years of service as manager of the Richland theaters. He recently received commendations from his superiors for conscientious and dedicated service. Frank has the type of personality that fits ideally into his job, which has a lot of public relations involved. His contacts with Richland people number in the thousands, pos-

sibly more than any other person in the city. He has done a lot of favors for local organizations in past years and both he and Mrs. Stiles have been active in community services. Nice knowing you, Frank.

Looks as though the Port of Benton officials plan to raise wheat at the local airport.

The lady's husband died and was cremated. The mortician asked what her wishes were about disposal of the ashes. She said: "Send them to the Internal Revenue. They got most of everything else."

Bill Van Winkle tells this story about his boss, Harold Morgan. Harold collects antiques and needed a grandfather's clock to complete a room. He found one and started to carry it home, walking behind it. At a street intersection an inebriate collided with him, knocking him down with the big clock on top of him. Looking at him dazedly, the fellow blurted: "Why don't you wear a wrist watch like everybody else?" Time!

Watching "Day In Court" on TV the other day suggested that Richland also has a Day in Court — Judge John Day. This community-minded citizen was appointed to this important judicial office by Gov. Rosellini, who selected him from a list that was submitted to him by the Bar Association. Since taking office the Richland attorney has exemplified the necessary judicial temperament and has been a credit to the legal profession. Judge Day served in the Washington State legislature, and during World War II served as an enlisted man and pilot officer in the United States Air Force. He was wounded in action. He is a native of the Northwest and was educated in Washington to practice law. Although judges are supposed to have two months of vacation during the summer, Judge Day has been on the job continuously.

A local woman was seen being chased out of a down-town eating place last week. The owner did not tell her she had forgotten her change. What he did do was to take from her

hands a valuable coffee table which she had lifted from the restaurant lobby.

On an Uptown street lives a man named Foote. He has a neighbor named Rod. There is a yard between them.

Harvey Stoller, who owns the Richland Laundry, completed 18 years in this Richland business the past week. No other business man here can claim this longevity record. During these years Stoller has been a working member of the Chamber of Commerce, the Richland Kiwanis Club, and several other community service organizations. We suspect that he gets his initiative and energy from good living.

The women of West Richland gave coffee parties last week to one of the candidates for the state legislature. According to reports, a Jolly good time was had by all.

You've been reading about two Pasco boys who have been making an attempt to break the world record for teetering. This experience may help them to face the ups and downs in the world of work, when they get jobs.

In the approaching campaign it would be wonderful if we could keep politics out of politics.

Art Lade told us the other day he bought a suit that was advertised to hold a crease. "It

sure lived up to the ad," he said. "It holds hundreds of creases."

Duane Avenue is getting to be quite a raceway for some of these smart-alec drivers, who think nothing of speeding at 50 miles an hour through marked 25MPH zones. Reminds us of a sign we saw in one town we passed through recently which read, "Drive slowly and see our town; drive fast and see our jail."

Jack Orchard deserves special thanks for the service he is giving in his school set-up for retarded and handicapped children. People take for granted what he and his staff are doing in this important public service. It requires training, deep interest and understanding on the part of those who do this in such a specialized field. Here is an Orchard that bears good fruit.

You see interesting things if you keep your eyes open. The other day on Jadwin Avenue at Gillespie there was a group of GE workers waiting for the bus to take them to work in the area for the swing shift. One of the men was seated on the grass. He had opened his lunch box and was eating a massive sandwich his wife must have prepared for the night snack. She must be a good cook and he couldn't wait.

Pardon us for stopping here. The power lawn mower is waiting and the grass needs a permanent. The body as well as the mind needs exercise.



MARJORIE J. ASHWOOD of 1200 Wilson was elected recently as secretary-treasurer of Greater Richland, Inc., the new booster organization dedicated to support major projects needed in Richland. She has served in a secretarial capacity in the DuPont and General Electric Companies since the inception of the Hanford project. She also has been active in other community endeavors, having served as treasurer of the Business and Professional Women's Club, as treasurer of the GenTrics, and one year as treasurer of the YWCA. Most of her spare time has been devoted to worthy causes and to organizations that serve others.

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# Fire Prevention Plans Reported

Commander U. Lester Sweetin of the Richland Veterans of Foreign Wars Post has announced plans for the annual parade which is a feature of

the Oct. 7-13 Fire Prevention Week project.

In the past few years approximately 1,000 elementary school boys and girls have taken part annually in the junior division of the parade, largely on an individual basis. They enter their decorated bikes, wagons and other contraptions, serious, grotesque or comic, and display original signs and cards bearing fire prevention slogans. The winners in different categories are rewarded with silver dollar prizes and a few days after the parade are entertained at an ice cream party by the Richland Fire Department.

ment at the local Central Fire Station.

**COMMANDER SWEETIN** is working up interest this year to have neighborhood and street entries in the parade in which many children can take part. Cottonwood Drive illustrated this idea in last year's parade in which 20 of the street's boys and girls were featured. Sweetin is asking husbands and wives in the neighborhoods to get together for meetings to discuss this plan and to enter original neighborhood groups, with safety and fire prevention themes. There is an open field for ideas along these lines, and they will help to make the big parade on Saturday afternoon, Oct. 6, much more interesting to the thousands of people who will be on the streets to view it.

Commander Sweetin invites people to telephone him about this, and he and the members of his parade staff will cooperate in every possible way with all who plan to take part in this important civic event.

**USUALLY** the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Camp Fire Girls, and other junior organizations have their own features in the parade, and it is suggested that the officials directing these groups start their planning early. It is a good way to get publicity for their boys and girls and what they represent in the community life of Richland.

At the last meeting of the Richland VFW Post, an invitation was presented and discussed, from a proposed new organization known as the Central Washington United Veterans organization. The promoters of this group have asked both the VFW and the Legion to join it. Purpose of the organization would be to coordinate the efforts of all veterans' groups to lobby during the state legislative sessions in the interest of veterans' legislation.

Because this system has been tried in the past with poor success, the idea did not meet with the approval of speakers at the Post meeting. It was argued that both the VFW and the Legion now have legislative commissions which are thoroughly experienced in their work, and have worked together in the past in support of proper legislation and veterans affairs. No post action was taken on the invitation.

**JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER** Blaine Cooks of the VFW has recommended that the organization sponsor a junior bowling league in Richland this coming season, recruited from students in the two junior high schools and the high school. He was authorized to draw up a plan and present it at the next post meeting.

Cooke also said that a bigger effort would be exerted this year to make "The Voice of Democracy" project participated in by a larger number of Columbia High students. Those who enter this contest prepare scripts and present them on TV. The taped records are submitted to a committee of judges and valuable prizes are awarded. Winners also can enter a state contest and finally a national competition.

**PRESIDENT MARGARET** Sweetin of the Cook - Erickson Post Auxiliary has appointed

Past President Ruby Kendrick as chairman of a committee which will plan a luncheon for the Gold Star Mothers of Richland. This event will be held on Sunday afternoon, Sept. 30, at the VFW headquarters.

Manager Steve Jambor of the VFW Club had planned an informal opening of the food facilities at the club for last Friday night but because some of the equipment had not arrived it did not take place. Tonight, however, the supper club section will be open for business and perhaps next week there will be a grand opening. Letters will be sent to the 380 members of the post inviting them down with their guests.

**POST - SCRIPTS** — Art and Mrs. Hanson of the VFW Post and Auxiliary have motored to Nebraska cities to visit relatives — Bill James recently visited Wade Bristol at his home in Naches — A letter has been received from Clyde Ganzell of Long Beach, Calif., which stated that he is in good shape after his recent illness — Blondy Masterson, former Legion Club manager, is confined at the Walla Walla Vets' Hospital — Report comes in that the Yakima Legion Post has closed down its bar — Past Commander Dom Castelli shows improvement at the Walla Walla hospital — Frank White was in town the past week — The Ma-

rine Corps League has announced that it will have its colors and color guard in the annual Fire Prevention Week parade on Oct. 6 — Wayne Calas is out after a brief stay at the Kadlec - Methodist hospital

— Lester Frambach of the Legion Post is convalescing at his home, 6316 Yellowstone St., Kennewick Highlands, and can receive visitors — Regular meetings of the Richland VFW Post will be resumed in September on the second and fourth Mondays.

## City-Wide Evacuation Scheduled For Oct. 6

Chief Pat Quane of the Richland Fire Department is asking all Richland householders to cooperate with the Richland Fire Prevention Week committee this year to make the city-wide home evacuation family fire drill on Saturday night, Oct. 6, a complete success.

"This will be one of the preliminary events of the Oct. 7-13 project and will be on the evening of the big Fire Prevention Week parade date," Quane said.

"Purpose of this city-wide project is to have families know what to do when fire suddenly breaks out in their own homes. They will not know how to act if things are left to chance. What we hope they will do is to have their own family fire drills so that all members of the family, including the young children, will have the proper training.

**"SCHOOLS HOLD** fire drills and theatres and other public places have clearly-marked exit arrangements.

We suggest to mothers and families and all adults that they plan life-saving escapes now. Hold family fire drills frequently so that all members of the household will know how to act quickly in an emergency. Panic comes to those who are not trained how to function in such cases.

"In your homes, where fires killed over 6,000 persons last year, too many families are completely unprepared for fire emergencies.

**"HERE ARE** a few suggestions to help you in these plans: (1) carefully figure out at least two routes to the outside from every room in the house, especially bedrooms, and allow for fire blocking stairway or hall; (2) remember that closed bedroom doors will hold back flame and smoke, allow extra time for escape; (3) for upper floor escape, use any available porch, and garage roofs, ladders or trees as ways down to safety

"Be sure exit windows and screens work easily. Examine yours today. Pick an outside assembly point where the family will meet and be sure everybody understands the rule 'once out—stay out'."

Chief Quane stated that on the evening of Oct. 6 fire apparatus will cover neighborhoods with sirens sounding. At this signal, all families should practice their fire drills on a city-wide basis.

Remember these figures—in the past 10 years 115,200 persons have been burned to death in fires—Quane said.

## Princess And Prince Will Aid Fire Fight

Richland Junior Chamber of Commerce has decided to take on a project for the Annual Fire Prevention Week (Oct. 7-13). This will be a contest to select a prince and a princess from the elementary schools who will ride in state with the Richland Queen in the big parade.

The two winners will have the title of Fire Prevention Prince and Princess and they may have an opportunity to appear at other Fire Prevention Week events during the week of Oct. 7-13. The JayCees probably will plan to have a contest in each of the seven elementary schools, and from these winners the judges will select the two who qualify for the final honors. This is a new idea and has never before been tried in Richland.

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**LEADERS IN THE** annual Fire Prevention Week Project, Oct. 7-13, plan the Richland event at a breakfast meeting. A big parade on Oct. 6 will be a preliminary to the annual program in which numerous local organizations will take part. Another major event will be a city-wide house evacuation fire drill. A general committee of 40 will be appointed to handle project details. Left

to right above are: Arthur Haworth, Insurance Underwriters; Chairman Harold Morgan, Chamber of Commerce; William Lindblom, Jaycoes; Mayor W. C. MacBrayna, Richland Safety Council and WFW; James Blair, Chamber of Commerce manager; Chief Pat Quane, Richland Fire Department. Photo is by John Ward of the Richland Fire Department.

## Bike Riders Cautioned On Safety

Now that the opening of Richland schools is approaching, and the streets will be increasingly filled with children on bicycles, going to and from schools every day, motorists as well as bike riders are warned of the increasing hazards involved.

"During the last few years," President Fay Jones of the Richland Safety Council commented, "more and more people—boys and girls and grown-ups — have become interested in bicycles. In 1931, only 200,000 bicycles were manufactured. Now there are at least 18,000,000 bicycles used on streets and highways. There has been a big increase in accidents involving bikes and cars.

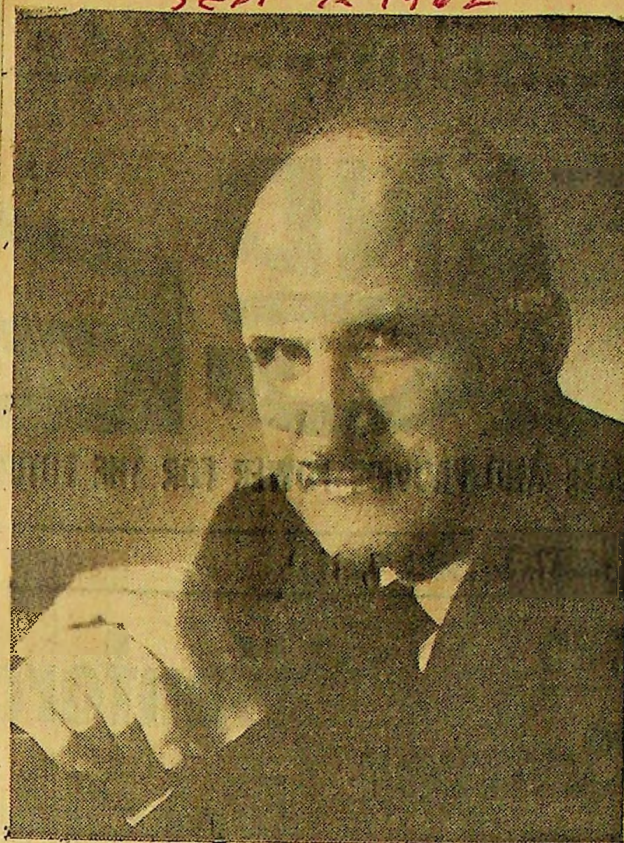
"In many cities the chances of reducing accidents has been accomplished by the formation of junior bicycle clubs which teach and train bike beginners, making sure that all members know the rules for safe riding and by setting an example for

all riders. They work with city officials and safety councils. These clubs can be started in the schools, churches and Boy Scout troops. This idea has never been tried in Richland, but sponsors of youth groups might give it some thought.

"Youths trained to be careful bike riders will be careful motor drivers in other age brackets, too. That is why the Richland Safety Council and the Richland Police Department

each year sponsor safety education programs in the Richland schools. This plan will be continued and enlarged during the coming school year, with the assistance of the school administration staff, school principals and their teaching staffs.

"Parents also will be invited to take part in this program, the purpose of which is to save their boys and girls from accidents and injuries on the streets of the city."



CHAIRMAN ROBLEY JOHNSON

## Photograph Salon Show Slated At Desert Inn

An unusual Photographic Salon show is scheduled to take place in Richland in the Desert Inn Lobby on Saturday and Sunday of next week, Sept. 15 and 16, which may be seen by the general public and will be especially inviting to the hundreds of amateur photographers in the Tri-Cities Area.

It is being sponsored by the Tri-Cities Chapter of National Photographers Association with Robley Johnson of Richland as exhibit chairman and co-ordinator. The local photographers participating will be Kennell-Ellis studio, Jack Zinn Studio and Robley Johnson Studio of Richland, Dale Schreck Studio of Pasco and Ken Dobbins Studio of Kennewick.

All of these artists will have on display outstanding photo-

graphs of people, men, women and children, with studies in composition, dress and tones, illustrating harmonizing backgrounds with the subjects as well as lighting techniques, also the different types of papers in styled photographs. There will be present each day professional people who will explain the exhibits and will answer questions about the photographic arts.

An important section of the exhibit will be the Traveling Loan Exhibit from the National Photographers Assn., which will be a selection of 50 photos selected chosen from the best works of the countries winning photographers. These will be in direct colors, sepia, oils and others. Booklets will be distributed which will demonstrate the latest ideas in the use of portraits in home decoration.

This show will be the first of its kind in many years and is expected to draw large crowds from Benton and Franklin counties.

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### POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT BOX RENT DUE

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## News Of Interest To Vets

# Legion Hopes For Building; Court Case

The immediate future will not see this important project a reality, but unofficially the members of Richland Post 71, The American Legion, are thinking and planning for a future which they hope will have a modest new building as the center of their community service activities and veteran services. This matter has come up recently at a meeting of the Legion executive board.

The tentative location of such a building has been selected although its site cannot be divulged right now. A past commander of the post has made this possible by offering two lots free to his organization.

**THE LEGION** met for several years in the old Richland High School on Cullum Avenue but was forced to leave that location because the building was condemned as dangerous for large gatherings. The new Legion building was built on George Washington Way with money raised by the sale of bonds. Mismanagement of the club facilities was the alleged cause of the Legion losing its building and its shirt, and bankruptcy proceedings followed in the U.S. Federal Court. This court has had the case for the past five years.

It has been expected that a settlement would result in the bond holders getting back a percentage of their investments. This hope has not been realized to date.

**THE LEGION** has no money right now for a new building but it has plans. A modest structure is contemplated without club facilities and the post expects that some day it will be able to operate on a real Post

basis so that all its efforts may be directed in projects of Americanism, youth activities and community services. The present active membership is dedicated to that end, according to statements of the Post officers.

**COMMANDER** Ray Tillson of the American Legion 12th district will be a delegate to the National Convention, Oct. 9-12, at Las Vegas and will represent the Washington Department, as well as his own district.

One of the important actions which will face the national convention, says Commander Tillson, is the proposal to increase the national per-capita dues. New revenue is needed by national—otherwise it will have to eliminate several of its nation-wide projects, which will mean a period of decline and inactivity. It is reported that during the first six months of 1962 The American Legion lost 63,000 members by death and that the fact must be faced that during the next 10 years this loss will be 600,000 members, mostly in the upper age brackets, or a total reduction in annual per-capita dues of \$900,000 a year. To offset this, new memberships must be written and the national per-capita dues of \$900,000 a year. To offset this, new memberships must be written and the national per-capita dues increased.

In epitome, this means that dues to the department and posts must also be raised.

**RICHLAND POST** American Legion executive committee at its last meeting voted to recommend an expenditure of \$100 for the purchase of jackets for all the members of this year's State Champion Junior American Legion baseball team. The local nine has won this distinction for two years in succession.

Legion Junior Vice-Commander Frank Mowrich has been appointed by Commander Nace Watkins as chairman of the annual Christmas Childrens party. Tickets are sold during the three months prior to this event, and there is merchandise worth \$75 which goes to the winner, or that amount of cash, if the winner prefers. This projects raises several hundred dollars to cover not only the expense of the Christmas party but also to be used in other Legion community and youth projects.

Past Department Vice-Commander Russ Grob has been appointed the new post adjutant for the Richland Post 71, American Legion. Senior-Vice-Commander Carl Stemen will be chairman of the new membership drive, and Hal Smith will again head the Junior Baseball activity.

**POST-SCRIPTS** — Past Commander Bill James has plans made to attend the National Department convention at Las Vegas, Nev., Oct. 9-13 — Past Commander Dom Castelli is still confined at the Walla Walla hospital and has been visited by several Richland friends — Bert Sharp of the D.A.V. is a patient

at the VA hospital — Commander Nace Watkins will announce his list of committee chairman for the 1962-1963 in a few days — Parents who are interested in having their teen-agers join the VFW Junior Club should contact WH 4-1160 — Department officers will attend the 17th District VFW Conference at Prosser, Friday night, Sept. 21 — District Commander Ray Tillson, assisted

by a team from Richland Post 71, installed newly-elected officers of the Kennewick Legion post last night—The Legion will give a dinner to the members of the State Champion Junior Legion Baseball Team, date to be announced—The new VFW Super Club feature has started and will operate from p.m. to 1 a.m. daily and to 12 on Saturday nights.

## Fire Group

First meeting of the Richland Fire Prevention Week General Committee is planned for 7:30 p.m. Monday in the Desert Inn's Coral Room, Committee Chairman Harold Morgan said yesterday.

At that time the plans will be discussed and the representatives of all the organizations will be asked to take part in the general program for the Fire Prevention Week, Oct. 7-13, and also to suggest projects which they might sponsor in their own units.

It is planned to serve a guest dessert lunch at 9 p.m.

All persons who have been invited to be on the committee are asked to attend this important planning session, or in cases where they cannot attend to have another representative from their organization. A group picture will be taken.

**THESE ARE** the members of the 1962 Richland General Committee:

Harold Morgan, chairman, Chamber of Commerce; Chief Pat Quane, Fire Marshal John Ward and Assistant Fire Marshal Jack Plows, Richland Fire Department; Chief Robert Marshall, Richland Police Department; President William Lindblom, Junior Chamber of Commerce; Major W. C. MacBrayne, Richland Safety Council; Larry Riggs, General Electric Safety; Gordon A. Hirst, G.E. Fire Department; Don Keigher, AEC Fire and Safety; Mickey McGuire, Richland Kiwanis club; Commander U. Lester Sweetin, Veterans of Foreign Wars; Nace Watkins, The American Legion; Russell I. Grob, The American

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Legion; Mrs. Ruth Echelberger, Legion Auxiliary; Mrs. Margaret Sweetin, VFW Auxiliary; James Blair, Chamber of Commerce; Arthur Haworth, Life Underwriters; Blake Miller, American Red Cross; W. G. Allan, Richland School Administration; Homer Moulthrop, Southside Improvement Assn.; Jack Houston, Greater Richland, Inc.; the Rev. John Reitan, Ministerial Association.

**MRS. SELMA** Larson, Business and Professional Women's Club; Mrs. J. P. Cooke, West Richland Improvement Assn.; W. H. Banta, Jr., HAMTC; Spencer H. Bush, Boy Scouts of America; Mrs. A. T. Gifford, Girl Scouts; J. V. McMaster, Hanford Kiwanis Club; Thomas J. McGuire, Toastmaster clubs; George Ganna, Richland Active Club; Loren Holden, Richland Exchange Club; Robert Parnell, KALE Radio; Andy Prior, AEC Fire Department; Larry Rice, GE Safety; George Anderson, Richland Lions Club; Russell L. Brown, Richland Rotary Club; Mrs. Virgil Harrison, Toastmistress Club; Mrs. G. S. Quinley, Richland Junior Women's Club; Mrs. G. C. Oberg, Richland Women's club; Mrs. Cliff Euteneier, JayCee-ettes; Charles Talbot, Camp Fire Girls; Mrs. A. G. Bals, Marine Corps League Auxiliary; James Hanon, Cascade Gas Co.

Fire Prevention Week this year will be ushered in by the big parade on Saturday, Oct. 6 at 2 p.m. This pageant will be organized in the Uptown Business district on George Washington Way between Williams and Symons. Commander Lester Sweetin of the VFW Post will be chief marshal. Two important features of the parade will be 1,000 school children with fire prevention signs, and a division of modern Fire Department apparatus.



HAROLD MORGAN

# Vet Groups Plan Member Drives

Plans for the 1962-1963 membership drives in all the local veterans' posts are under way, and these always follow closely the completion of the state conventions.

Commander Nace Watkins of Richland Post 71, the American Legion, announced yesterday that the state department has allotted a quota of 260 members for the coming drive and that an early start will be made by his organization to attain this goal. He said that the fall conference of the 12th District will be held at Prosser on Sept. 21, at which time the Department commander and members of his staff will be present and the state plans for a membership contest will be discussed. Each post is expected to come up with old and new ideas for increasing the membership, and the Richland Post will have several representatives at this meeting with a well-directed plan of its own.

**COMMANDER U. LESTER** Sweetin of Cook-Erickson Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, also will sound the tocsin at the Monday night, Sept. 10 meeting of his post. The membership drive will be spearheaded by Senior Vice Commander William Kendrick. Special citations and awards will be set up by the state department for members who sign up new members or renewals.

The Marine Corps League will have a special membership drive this year with the hope of doubling its memberships.

Similar drives are being planned by the VFW, Legion and Marine Corps auxiliaries which will have special committees appointed for action.

All veterans living in Richland or Greater Richland are eligible to join these veterans' organizations and are advised to do so. Each of these units has service officers who are qualified to protect the interests of veterans. These deal with compensation, pensions, insurance, hospitalization, as well as benefits to the widows and orphans of veterans. Also on each Friday at the Social Room in the Community House, a representative from the Veterans Administration is in town to meet veterans personally and discuss their problems. He is available for conferences from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

**LAST WEDNESDAY** members of the Marine Corps Auxiliary paid a visit to the Walla Walla Hospital and put on a fine outdoor program for all the ambulatory patients. Taking part in this project were Mrs. W. W. Wingfield, Mrs. Lawrence Chapman, Mrs. A. E. Greaves, Mrs. D. R. King, Mrs. Raymond Gostnell, Mrs. A. G. Bals and Miss Karma King.

An entertainment program including a baton twirling act by Miss Karen Cox, and musical numbers by the Sage Hens — Mrs. Harold Maxfield, Mrs. Andrew Terry, and Mrs. Ace Davis. The bingo games were especially enjoyed by the hospitalized veterans.

Special praise goes to Mr. and Mrs. Don King and Miss Karma King who journey to the Walla Walla hospital on the third Friday of each month and spend day of each month working in the entire day working in the library. Their work

consists in repairing, cataloging and shelving bound books, and also operating the library carts through the various wards delivering books to bed-ridden patients.

**THE RICHLAND VFW** post is again planning this year to continue its project of "Get Out the Vote," at the coming primary and election and later telephone numbers will be listed which may be called by persons, especially the elderly, who may wish to be given transportation to and from the voting places. People who do call should give the most convenient time they desire this public service.

Commander Les Sweetin of the Richland VFW Post announced yesterday that on Sunday, Sept. 9, the "Flying Squadron" from the National Department, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will be at the Ridpath Hotel in Spokane and will feature a meeting which will be attended by all district and post commanders in the state. This is a professional crew of trained staff members who will conduct a two-hour class in which there will be instruction and discussion of all subjects relating to the organization and management of veterans posts, and how their membership drives and community projects should be planned and executed. All post members who may be interested are also invited to attend, especially subordinate post officers.

On the same date at Olympia there will be a similar meeting of district and post auxiliary presidents who will meet trained personnel who will cover all the subjects relating to work and projects of the auxiliaries.

**A SUCCESSFUL** rummage sale was held a few days ago by members of Richland Post 71 Legion Auxiliary and funds were raised which will be used on the rehabilitation project sponsored by this unit.

The women who did the work were: Chairman Ruth Echeberger; co-chairman Blanche Nelson; Mrs. Frances Flora, Mrs. Helen Smailes, Mrs. Bessie Ninemire, Mrs. Norma Stemen, Mrs. Ann Rogers, Mrs. Bill Graham, Mrs. Margaret Castelli, Mrs. Laura Greene, Mrs. Lorena Tillson, Mrs. F. Mayhue, Mrs. Isabel Melatt, Mrs. Kathryn Larrabee, Mrs. Bette Hall.

There was a meeting of the 8 and 40 at the home of Erlene English the past week to make arrangements for the dinner and initiation of the newly elected officers. The event will be held in Richland at the Desert Inn Hotel.

## SEEN and HEARD <sup>109-51</sup> <sup>1962</sup> BY THE ROVING REPORTER

In this column we like to give credit to people or organizations with important roles in the growth and development of Richland.

Today we single out Sherwood & Roberts, Inc., 1303 George Washington Way. This firm handles financing, real estate, mortgage loans, insurance and investments. Its operations are far-flung and diversified.

One of its important contributions to our All-America City is the residential development known as North View Heights between Thayer Drive and Stevens Drive and adjacent to the new Mormon church on Thayer Drive.

This residential tract comprises 30 acres which has been divided into 100 lots. When it is completed it will have added some \$2,000,000 in new taxable property. McPherson and Marshall avenues have been extended into the area and a new street — Sunset — has been added.

Thus far 21 new, modern homes have been completed and sold, and 15 others have been started. The price range is \$17,500 to \$22,800. No two homes are architecturally alike although all have basements, one to two bathrooms, fireplaces, built-in ovens and ranges, several with brick trimmings.

Most of the people moving into these new homes are from Richland and attend the Mormon church. Others have moved here from Pasco and Kennewick, marking the return of former Richland families who were forced to move out because they did not have priorities when the government owned houses were sold.

Sales are being handled by Sherwood & Roberts, Inc.

Be sure and have your flags displayed next Monday, Sept. 3.

That's Labor Day, and locally we can pay our respects to all the organized labor groups which are represented in the Hanford Atomic Metal Trades Council.

These labor leaders and the men they represent have a record second to none in the United States. There has never been a strike on this important government facility, since its initial operation.

The men and women who work here are fine people, patriotic citizens and are the bone and sinew of a proud community. They are church-going and God-fearing. They support our institutions, our schools and our merchants. Where would we be without them? Let's not forget that.

Here's one for the record. There were just two burglaries in Richland during 12 months time, and within a few hours in both cases the crooks were in jail. Ring that one up on your IBM. As Chief Robert Marshall mentioned at the recent awards dinner, Richland is being served by police officers, not "cops".

At any of its recent Chamber of Commerce board meetings has anybody brought up for discussion the fact that two of the large automobile dealers in Richland have gone out of business and we now have only one here—the Romeri Ford agency? Do these things slip out of town without a whisper? Remember those last market sales figures which showed that while \$1,000,000 was spent in Richland for automobiles, the record in Kennewick was \$7,000,000 for the same period. Bet the bulk of that last figure was from Richland wallets.

Pal Anderson is now in the ice-cream business over in Honolulu. We always thought that this Hawaiian paradise was a melting pot.

Here is a short, true story about a Richland family that should go in the book. The mother and father left their two young teenagers with Grandma in the country while they went to the Seattle Fair. The first day, after a hearty breakfast, Grandma said to the kids;

"I have some work to do in the field. Will you two do up the dishes?" Four hours later she returned and found the sink still full of dirty dishes. The children explained: "Sorry, Grandma, but we looked everywhere and couldn't find the dish washer."

A local man cracked his false teeth the past week. When he called his dentist, he relates that the office girl said he could not have an appointment for two months. He had a choice to make, either skip his steaks or go out-of-town for the service. We went out of town. Is this the general situation around here? If so, we better get busy and attract several new professionals to open up offices here. People have to chew even in an All American City.

There are all kinds of nice people, thoughtful people in our town. Recently a group of women got together and organized the Young At Heart Club (YAH) and elected Mrs. Fae Ellwanger as president. We now have some 305 organizations here, most of them dedicated to helping other people. This particular group had been meeting in each other's homes for social purposes and decided finally that they should have a purpose. Understand that Mrs. Ed Larrabee was the one who made the suggestion. The first project of these lovely ladies will be to bring cheer and companionship to elder citizens who live in Tri-Cities nursing homes. Even in the twilight years, people deserve some happiness.

No late news about the new federal building for Richland and hope the project isn't gathering dust. We do know that there is a group which wants to erect a big office building on that section of the Village Common which faces the proposed Post Office site, and will get into action as soon as the P.O. gets started. This important development also will attract other capital to Richland, which is now awaiting the outcome of the Federal Building project.

**Capt. Eugene Miller** of the Richland Police Department deserves a lot of credit for the awards which were given to Richland on its safety traffic records. These honors would not have come to us if certain records, documents and papers had not been compiled and coordinated and sent to proper officials to be examined and judged. Captain Miller was the man who executed these important details. He is experienced in this phase of the work and has handled it for many years. An unassuming man who never expects or seeks praise or recognition.

Here is a typical example of what happened among the farm families across the river when we lost the ferry service. One family we know used the ferry to do all its shopping in Richland. The family even had a bank account here, and family physician. With no ferry, they would have to drive 10 miles down on the Franklin County side, cross the bridge and drive up 10 miles to Richland, 20 miles a trip. So now their bank account, their family physician and their shopping are located in Pasco. Multiply this by 100 families and figure the loss of business.

Among our doctors, the pediatricist finds it easier to "foot" his bills.

We HEAR that Uptown has a big sales promotion coming up.

We HEAR that Wally Hunt is to leave Richland in the near future. He has been prominent in many organizations and one of our community-minded citizens. His going away will mean a real loss to this community and to the General Electric Co.

If you are away over Labor Day, don't drive yourself to death.

... people had bought a lot



# SEEN and HEARD

BY THE  
ROVING REPORTER

We have still another residential development project to tell you about today, making the sixth in the series.

We did a little figuring for you with the estimates given to us by the builders and promoters of the six separate projects and came up with this figure—\$15,558,000. This represents the cash values of new residences built or planned for the near future, to be added to the present tax base in the City of Richland.

Today's story is about Columbia Vista, the home building development on Newcomer Street north of Richland Village, and abutting it.

This project has 34 acres which are divided into 100 lots. Forty-two new homes have been built thus far and sold. Cascade and Fuller streets are involved—in addition to Newcomer—and a new street, Crestview, will soon be added.

Prices for these homes range from \$14,000 to \$20,000. They are of varying design, with three bedrooms and several of the split-level design. The streets are paved, with sidewalks and gutters, sewer and water pipes, and well-lighted. Open houses may be visited by prospective buyers. The contractor is Modern Home Builders of Seattle.

Purchasers of the 42 homes already sold are largely Richland people, and about 25 per cent are from out-of-town—Pasco, Kennewick, Yakima, Seattle, Pullman, Albuquerque, N.M., Boston, Mass., and Oklahoma City, Okla. New people from everywhere are flocking to Richland.

Sherwood & Roberts are the sales agents for this development.

Next Tuesday, Sept. 11, is primary election day. All good citizens will go to the polls and vote. Remember the day.

Read in the newspapers how most of the candidates running for office visited the recent county rodeo and fair in Kennewick. Wasn't this taking a big chance over in the cattle division with all those pols "shooting the bull?"

For an example of real courage may we cite the statement made by Attorney Richard Quigley, candidate for prosecuting attorney in Benton County, advocating moving the county seat from Prosser to Richland or Kennewick where most of the county residents live. This must have made the old-timers in Prosser skip some heart-beats. Personally we think this is a good idea and it should have been done before. Richland with its 26,000 population would be the best bet for the county seat, located between Prosser and Kennewick.

Had a telephone call the other day from a local dentist (and a good one) who took umbrage at a paragraph which appeared in last week's SEEN And HEARD column about a resident who had to go out of town for an emergency repair of his falsies (teeth, of course). This man had called his regular dentist and the girl who answered the phone said he could not have an appointment for two months. That's just what happened. This is not the true situation in Richland, we are informed. Emergency cases are handled immediately by all dentists, who cooperate with each other always. High school girls have been used temporarily in several dentists' offices to answer the telephones during the summer months, and one of them may have been responsible for not properly processing the emergency case cited.

So you believe that money does not grow on trees?

Take a good look in our nearby orchards and see the crops of apples, peaches, pears, cherries and apricots—money growing on trees.

See by the papers that the new House building in Washington, D.C., for members of Congress will have a big swimming pool. Formerly when a congressman took a dive he was criticized for it. The new pool should also be to the lame ducks.

The large area on Williams Boulevard opposite the Richland cemetery is being raised to

street level by filler loads from the Columbia High School excavation. It will be grassed to extend the play area at the Sacajawea elementary school.

A couple were married recently in an airplane. If the bride is a nervous type she will now get "up in the air" over the least little thing.

Like to say "Good Luck" to Joe Mensinger who has associated himself with the Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance office in the Joseph Building, Uptown. For the past 12 years Joe has been the affable manager of the provision department at the Karl Dietrich neighborhood super-market at Wright and Duportail. fact is he was the first one hired when that store opened back in 1949, right after he graduated from the Kennewick High School. He has been prominent in the business of the Richland Moose Lodge 1716 and Mooseheart, and is proud to have the organization's second and third degrees, the Legion of Moose and the Fellowship order. Joe isn't an amateur at writing insurance. He has been doing it for the past three years in his spare time. A fine young man with lots of friends.

Here is a business item. The Burgerville Drive-In on Stevens Drives, formerly Skip's, has been taken over by Gordon's TV Service, already moved in, and Wright's Appliance Service now at 706 The Parkway. The latter will move in next week. Both are up and coming business services and were in need of larger quarters. Bon Voyage!

Careless drivers who were killed in motor accidents during the holiday weekend are now statistics.

Wally Howell of 1100 Gribble is a General Electric Co., engineer. He is also versatile. Some time ago he decided that he would like to build a sailboat to use on the Columbia River. He would have been in a quandry if he had used the basement of his home for he couldn't get it out after it was built. He mentioned this to another good citizen, Russ Squair of 2203 Duportail, and Russ offered his back yard as the ship building site. The new vessel is well under way, with the hull of plywood and pontoon completed and a 25-foot laminated mast for the sail. The finished job will weigh around 500 pounds. The strange thing is that Howell never built a boat before, but how should that stop a GE engineer? We will soon witness an unsinkable, Richland-built sailboat scooting before the breeze on the wide Columbia river.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Bals of 1028 Winslow believe that beautifying Richland begins at home. They have one of the finest landscaped yards in the city, with rare varieties of shrubs, trees and flowering plants, and they did all the planning and work themselves. Mr. Bals served with the United States Marines during World War I and he still looks the part.

Our old friend John H. Grigg, Jr., candidate for county treasurer, is a former mayor of Richland, having served in that capacity back in 1952. He was associated for 18 years with DuPont and General Electric at the Hanford Works, taking volunteer retirement a year ago. He is a four-year member of the Columbia Kiwanis Club, belongs to the Masonic lodges and the Eastern Star, is a member of the Teamsters' Union, is completing a six-year term on the Kennewick Port Commission, is a member of the McNary Pool Port Assn., has been active for many years in the Kennewick Grange, and attends the Methodist Church.

A Stevens Drive householder told us about a freezer he bought from a discount house in another city. He was told that a five-year warranty went with it. After a few months' use it went bad on him and when he tried to get repairs under the alleged warranty, he found that the five-year warranty had expired although he had owned the freezer for one year only. Apparently the discount people had bought a lot

