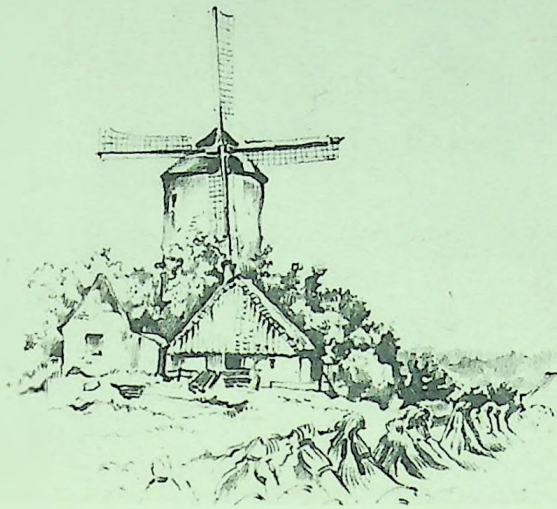
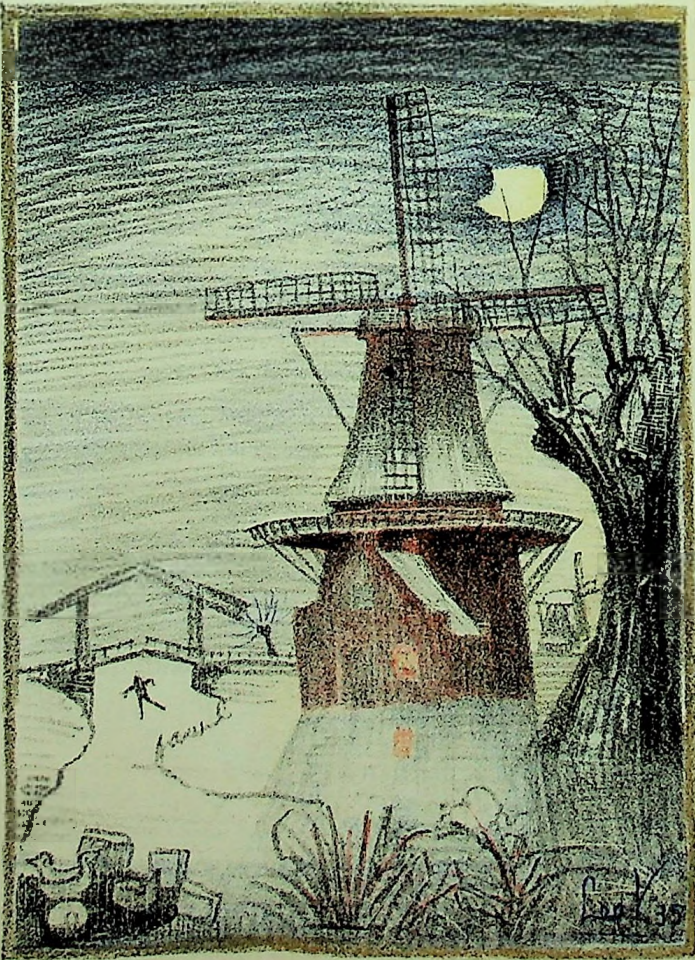
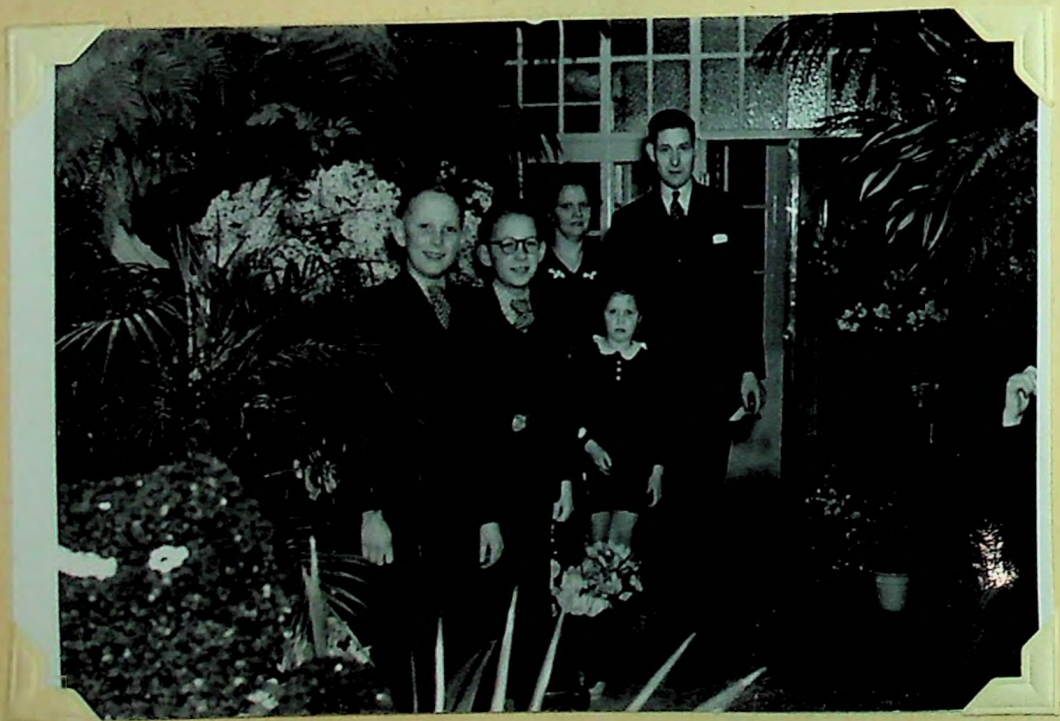


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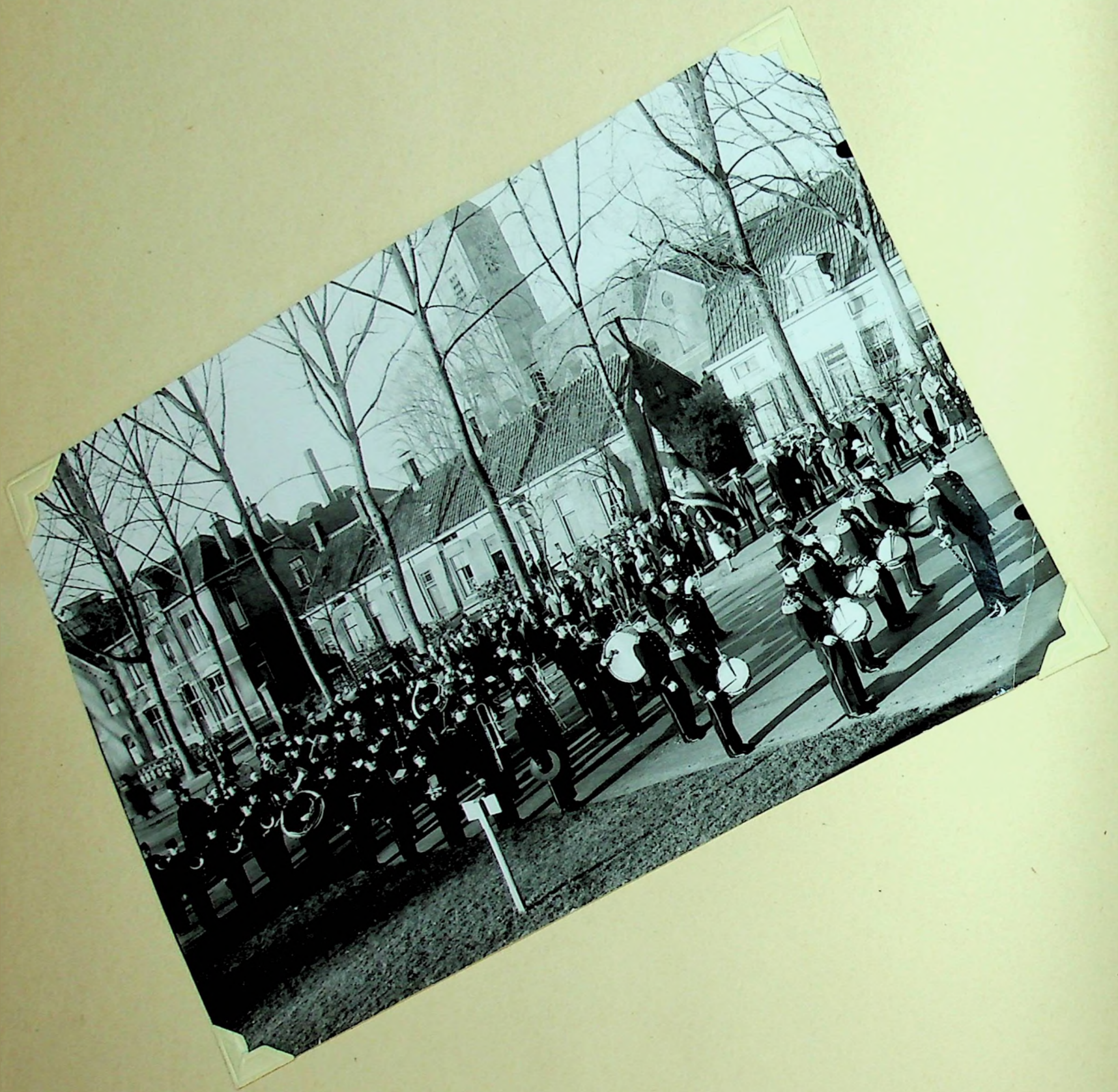
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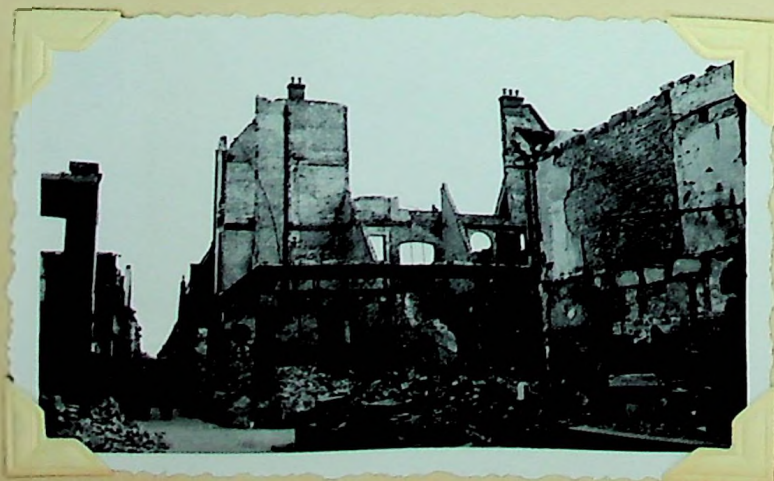


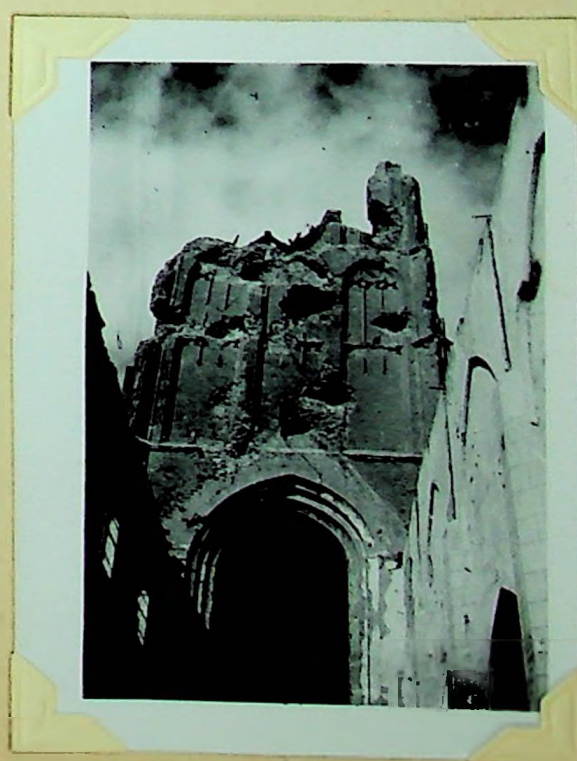










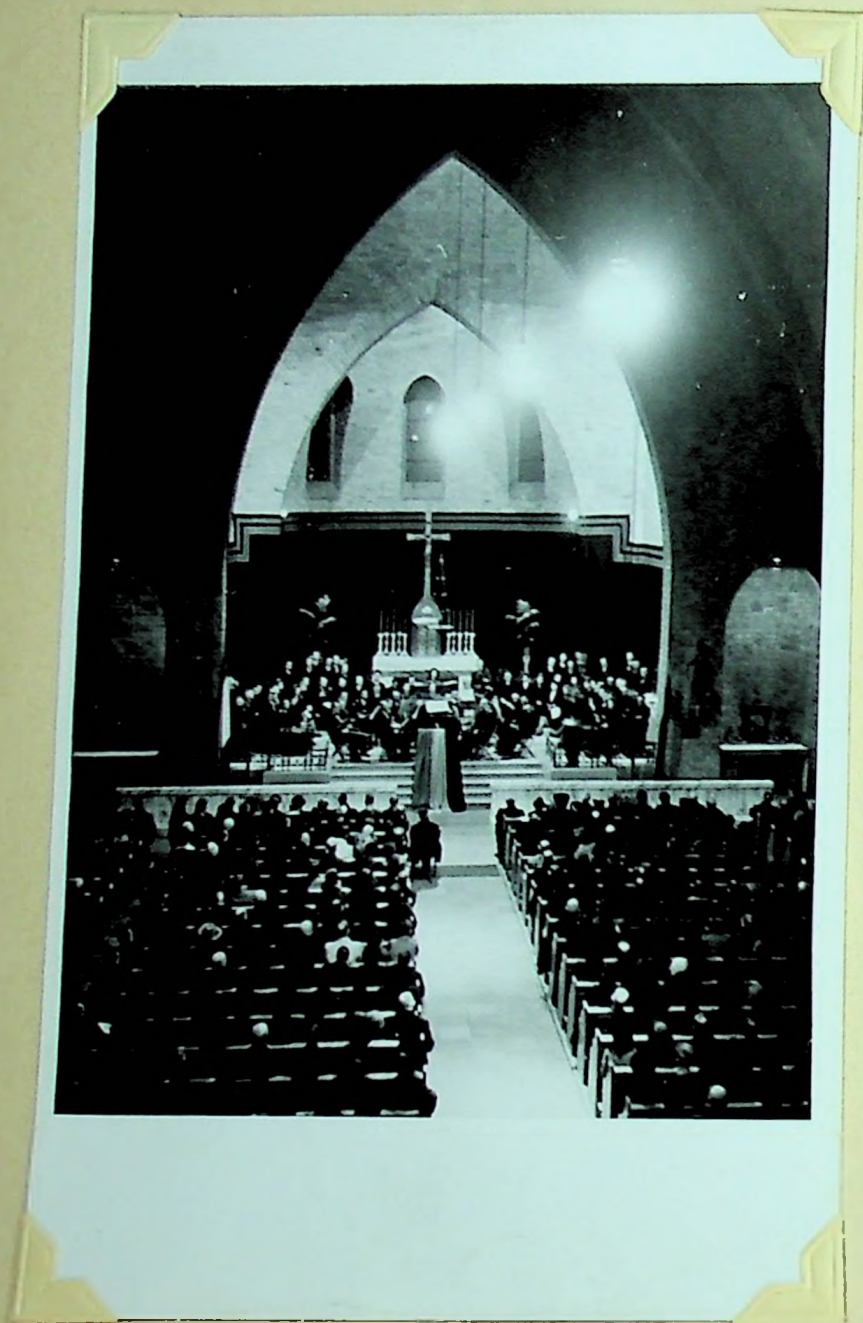


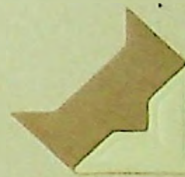




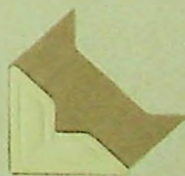


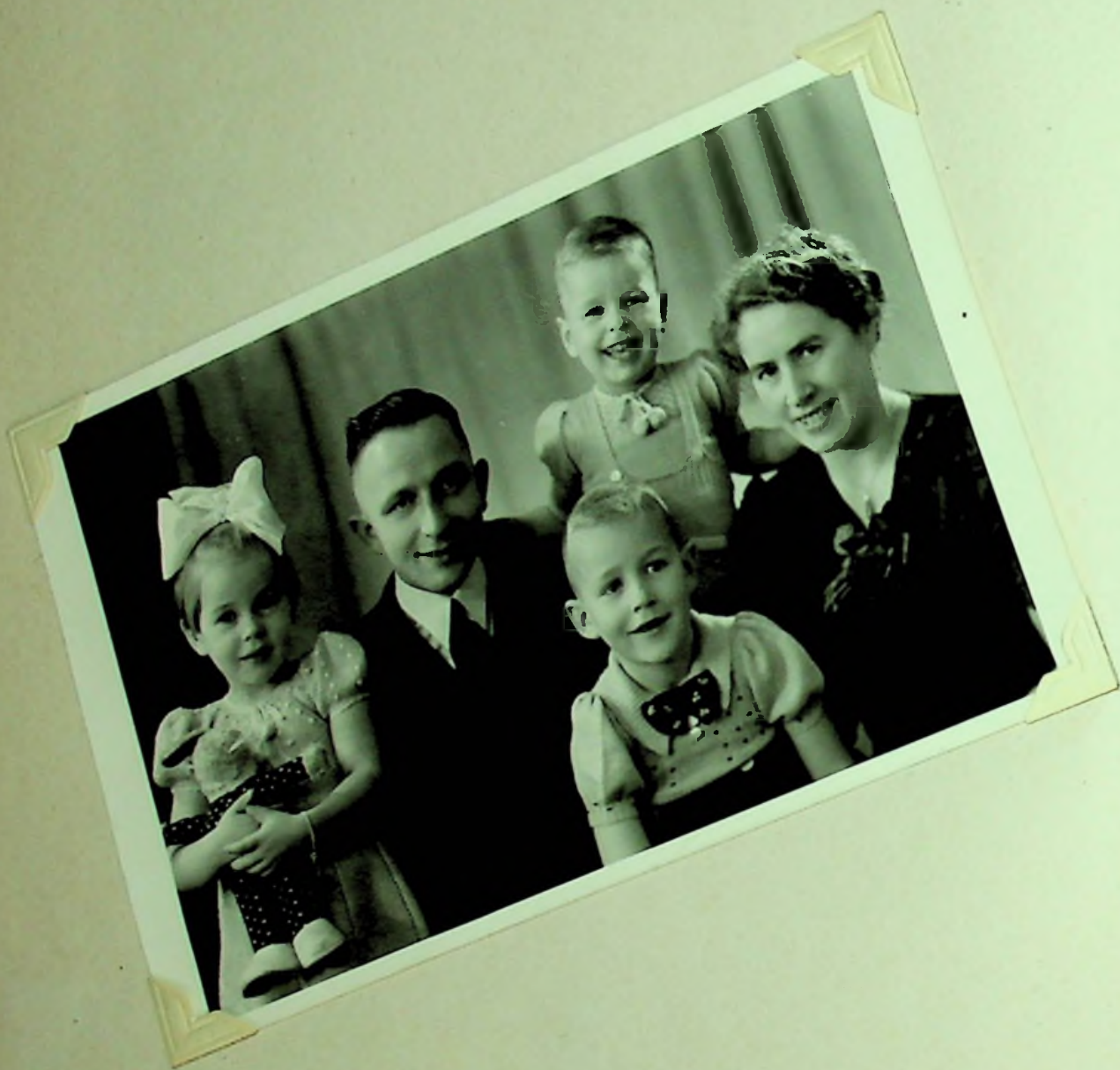






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Playing Bingo at \$5.00 a game at the Washington Alpha Upsilon "County Fair." Left to right, Virginia Davis, Dorothea Rhinehart, Carroll Doriss, Helen Carpenter, Jane Jones (caller), Jean Dunwoody, Ina Dean Fun, Evelyn DuBerry, Shirley Thompson, and Jeannie Miller.

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Today, Aug. 2, is the first birthday of the Stork Club's charter member, Edwin James Quigley, Jr. ("Ed, Jr."). The baby was born at Kadlec Hospital.

"Not Typ"

Last Friday afternoon, a group of teenagers met at the interview with reporter and Hansen and

Pictures were taken while Mr. I group.

Evidently surprised by the slinging statement, they began to search for truth in Richland heads in belief that it just

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it can be seen that the kids' abilities at another section

Hundreds Go to the Circus, Start with Early Unloading

By Jane Jones

Hundreds of villagers attended the big Cole Brothers circus in Kennewick last Sunday, and bright and early in the morning many, with sleepy eyes were seen milling around the Kennewick railroad station, accompanied by their wide-eyed and excited offspring.

It was difficult to determine who enjoyed the unloading of horses, zebra, camels, elephants and other circus animals and equipment the most—the parents or their youngsters.

Following the unloading, the circus paraded through down-town Kennewick on its way to the circus grounds. Many followed them to witness one of the most efficient and well organized industries in the country today. Within an hour after reaching the barren sandy block, large tents appeared, tractors and elephants were everywhere pulling tent poles into position, carrying huge tarpaulins. The entire area was a beehive of activity.

The circus crews paid no notice to spectators, if they were in the way of the huge working elephants or the caterpillar tractors. The workers just pushed the beasts and tractors into the milling crowds, which quickly dispersed in all directions.

By 11 a.m. all the tent buildings had been erected and the activities became less spectacular, the hard-worked elephants were given a rest, and villagers began to disappear from the circus grounds. Most of them travelled back home for lunch before the afternoon or evening performance.

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Miss Louise A. Johnston and her mother Mrs. W. J. Johnston will leave by car this week for their home in Spearfish, South Dakota, where they will spend part of the summer vacation. They will also visit with friends in Omaha during the summer. For the past two years Miss Johnston has been principal of Jefferson Elementary School but has resigned her position here to accept an appointment on the staff at Eastern Washington College of Education for the coming school year. 1946

Dupus Will Keep His Own Name

After receiving scores of letters, telegrams and packages, most of which urged him to remain in Richland and retain his own original name, Dupus Boomer was saved early this week by an announcement by General Electric officials that he is a necessary citizen in the community and may remain as he is, under any name



AT THE REC HALL

Thursday, June 20th



Mathea at Work

the fine selection of books alone makes the Richland Library a contributing factor to the enjoyment its many patrons derive from its presence. It can be traced to the presence of its friendly founder, Mathea, whose personality alone makes a trip to the book nook on George Street a worthwhile visit. She has an inexplorable knack for knowing just what type of book a customer would prefer. Or explain to her what bit of information is wanted and she'll spend an endless amount of time "re-arranging" for you.

Mathea was called to the H.E.W. project early in 1944 to establish a library to fit the needs of soldiers and the variety of work-trips abroad. Being of Norwegian ancestry, she particularly delighted in visiting in that country and in establishing a library. She was the nucleus for the library organization.

The library speaks for itself but anyone who has missed the opportunity to become acquainted with her knowledge of booklore as well as other subjects is under a two-fold obligation to the community. Her personality alone makes a trip to the book nook on George Street a worthwhile visit.

Prior to coming to Hanford and subsequently Richland, Miss Hanford was a teaching fellow in the English department of the University of Oregon for three years. Their loss in that department was Richland's gain, for she has given to the community not only her capable management of the library but her interest in civic activities and her friendliness, a rare combination and one hard to beat, even in Richland.

*Aray
Lone Ranger
Dorm Club*



IT'S NO WONDER the "Lone Ranger" rides around shouting "Ho!" He probably meets these Dorm. Club cow-gals a-riding range. Caught by R. N. Deichtel's camera are from left: Joseph Sommers, Clarene Anderson, Marilyn Buys, and Kathleen Dorm. Clubbers ride together every Saturday at 10:30 a. m. every Tuesday at 7:00 p. m. at the reduced rate of \$.75 per for these special rides. Riding enthusiasts are invited to Dorm. Club members in these morning and evening jaunts.

Army Personnel Gets Atomic Patch



All Army Engineer officers and enlisted men assigned to the Hanford project, as well as all other Army personnel working on the Atomic Bomb, will wear the shoulder patch shown above. A very impressive insignia, the blue field represents the universe, small army service star signifies the command. The question mark indicates the secrecy cloaking the project, and tail of the question mark forms a lightning stroke—splitting the atom.

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Riders Club Enjoys Ranch-Style 'Feed' At Monthly Outing

"I've Got Spurs that Jingle Jangle-Jingle" or "I'm an Old Cowhand" might have been the theme of the group ride and ranch-style "feed" of the Richland Riders Club when over twenty members joined in the most recent monthly club outing.

Newest member admitted to the club is Kermit Lyons, well-known trick rider from Sunnyside. H.E.W. rodeo fans will recall Lyons' performance in the Hofmeister rodeo during the Grape Festival as well as the recent Memorial Day show. Other new members are Wayne Winget, Dick and Bonnie Piddock, and Price Cooley.

Helen Reynolds, Butch Scheffner, Vi Barrett, Louise Cease, John Fleming, and Wayne Winget were appointed at the last board meeting to serve as nominating committee for the coming July election of new officers.

—Submitted by Jane Jones.

Rehearses (Amid Laughs) for Birthday Party Show

March 21, 1946



into rehearsals of "Richland's Birthday Party" Stunt Show, scheduled for April 26 and 27, or Paul Beardsley (script in hand) giving the typical young couple, Virginia and Sidney Curry, how the "turners" looked who got off the trains in Pasco in 1943. Veteran actor Charlie ready to help with the baggage, and others throw in suggestions and laughs. In the picture (left to right) are Beardsley, Harold Clary, Orville Hovermale, Mrs. Curry and Stuart.

Richland to Go on Daylight Saving Time in 8 Days

P.-I. Columbia Basin Bureau RICHLAND, April 18. — Keying its schedule to nation-wide operations of the atomic energy commission this city will go on daylight saving time Sunday, April 27. As Eastern time zones move clocks ahead one hour the headquarters city for Hanford Engineer Works will become the only place in the Pacific zone on summer schedule it was said. Officials of H. E. W. said the change was being made to keep a normal time difference between their atomic energy production work and other installations of the commission in Oak Ridge, Tenn., and Los Alamos, N. M.

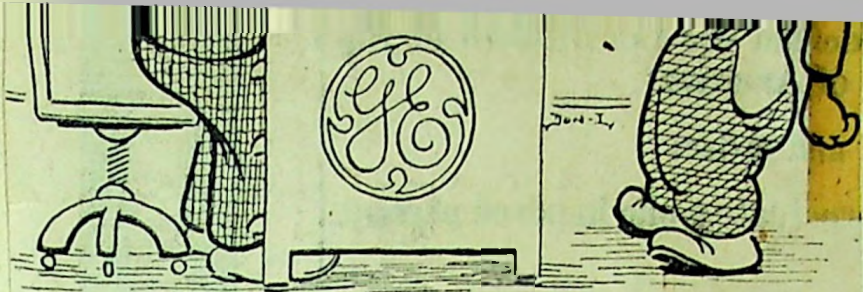
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Girls Bowling Team to Nationals

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WELL DUPUS, — IT LOOKS LIKE WE'RE STUCK WITH EACH OTHER —.

Olson-Britton Vows Told at Lutheran Church

A candlelight ceremony solemnized in the Lutheran church united in marriage Marian L. Olson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Olson of Sergeant Bluff, Iowa, and Robert B. Britton last Thursday evening. The Rev. P. J. Luvaas of Kennebec read the single ring vows.

White carnations and garden flowers graced the altar. Tapers were lighted by Mrs. Jane Jones and Miss Marilyn Buys, in white gowns with corsages of blue carnations.

Mrs. Blake Miller, accompanied by Mrs. George Gilson at the piano, sang "Because" and "Ich Liebe Dich." For the procession, Mrs. Gilson played the Wedding March from Lohengrin.

Mrs. Wendell Pope, gowned in blue blue brocaded taffeta with cap sleeves, bustle effect, long matching gloves, wearing a white lace Dutch cap and carrying a colonial nosegay of white tulips, was matron of honor.

She was followed down the aisle by Miss Peggy Jones, flower girl, dressed in white dotted Swiss.

Given in marriage by E. E. Weyerts, the bride was lovely in white satin with sweetheart neckline, leg o' mutton sleeves and a fitted bodice connected to full skirt folding into a long train. The neckline was trimmed with small seed pearls. Her only ornament was a brooch belonging to her mother. Her fingertip illusion veil was caught to a Mary, queen of Scots cap. The bridal bouquet was a colonial nosegay of red sweetheart roses with baby breath and white satin streamers.

Edward J. O'Black served as best man. Ushers were Clarence C. Hinson and John Brands. Mrs. Edward J. O'Black presided at the guest book.

A reception in the east social room of the recreation hall followed the ceremony. Six sorority sisters of the bride, dressed in summer gowns with corsages of white carnations, served as hostesses. They were the Misses Vailine Everson, Waunita Williams, Donna Roy, Theda Elmore, Virginia Depner, and Eunice Dodd.

A three-tiered wedding cake centered the table flanked by lighted tapers.

The bride came to the project from Sioux City, Iowa, in May, 1944. She is employed by General Electric in the accounting department. She is the president of Beta Sigma Phi sorority and past president of Theta Zeta Epsilon of Sioux City.

Mr. Britton came here from Old Hickory in April 1944. He is em-

Matrimonial Bureau, handled by Mr. Shecaughtim Atlast.

Can you unscramble these items found in prominent kitchens?

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12-14 "On the Ball"

10-13 "Battin' Average"

under 10 "Future Uncertain"



YA KNOW HONEY — SOMETIMES I THINK WE DRINK TOO MUCH COFFEE.

Didn't you too!

*Placed in the
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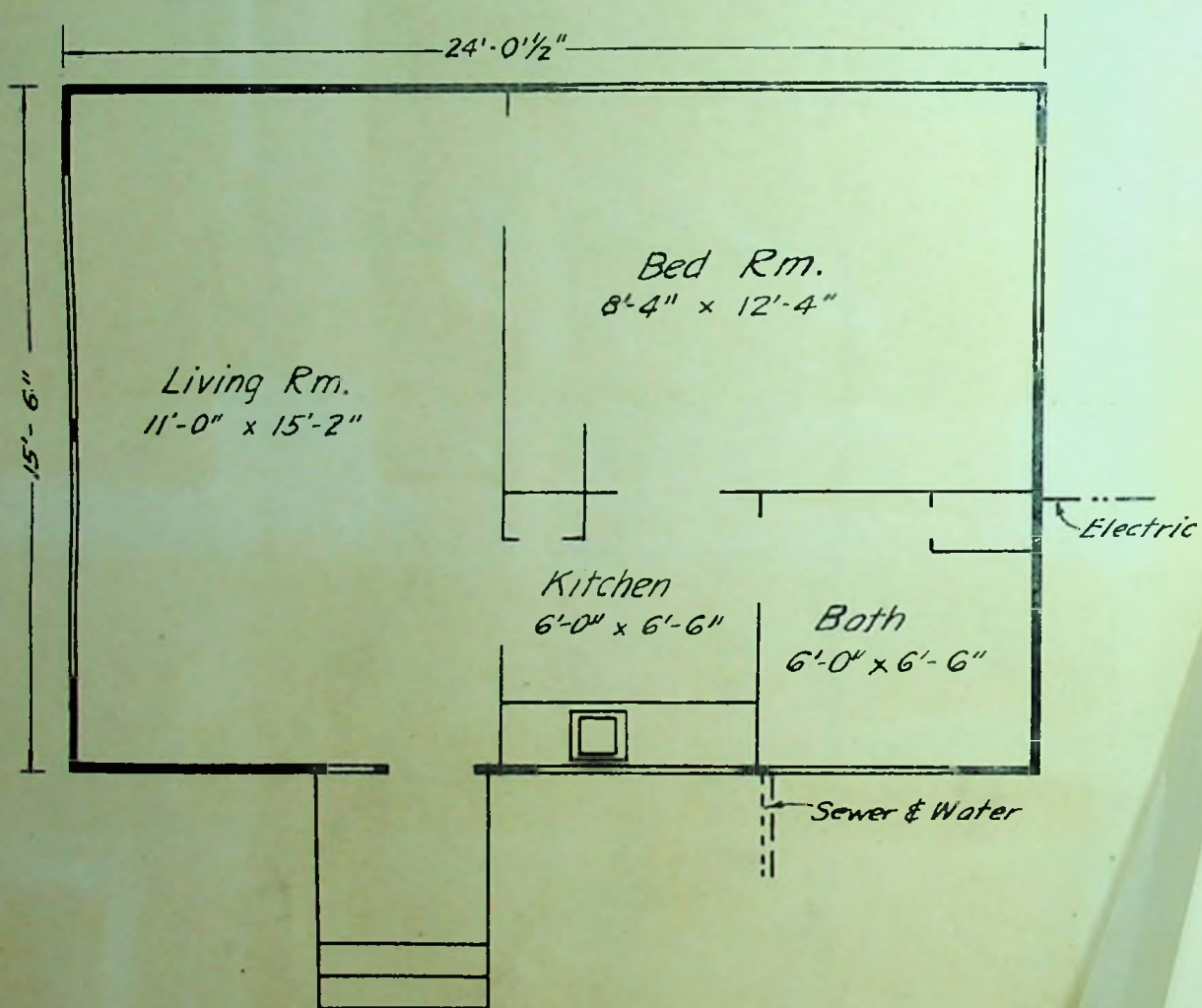
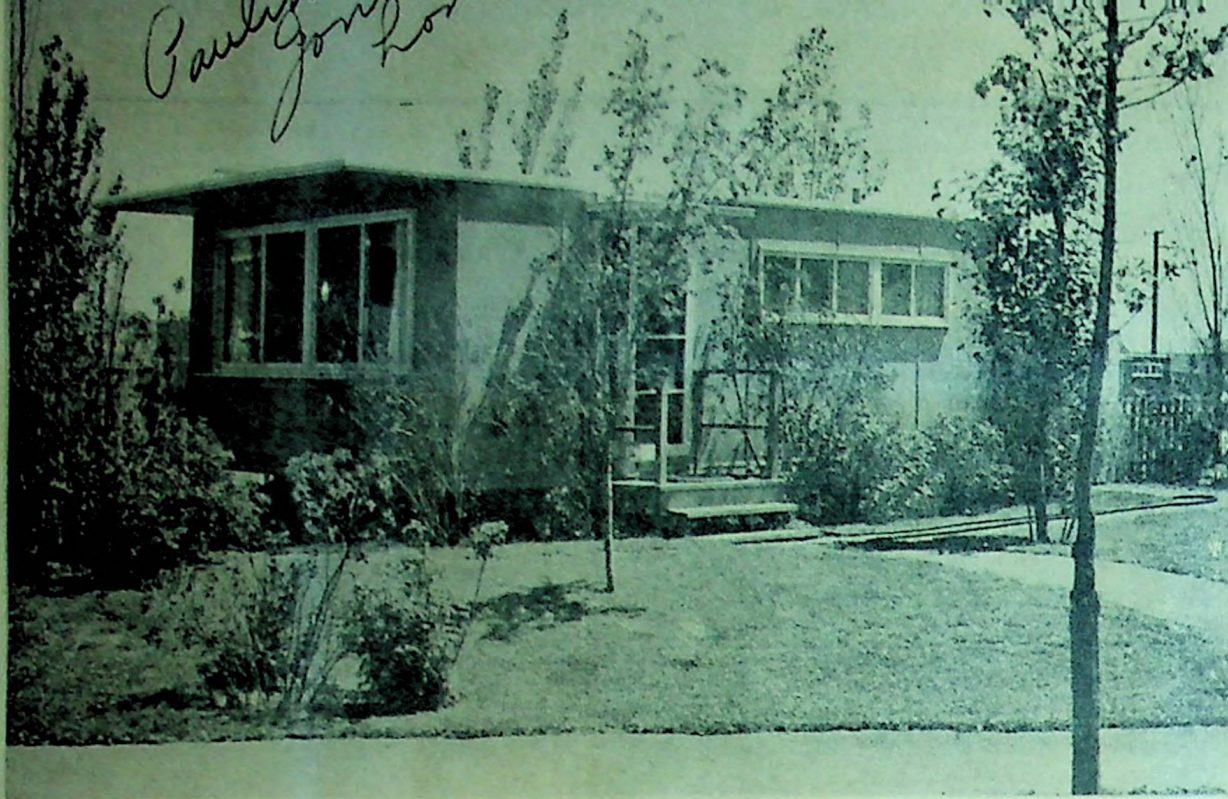


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TVA PREFABRICATED HOUSE TYPE

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TVA PREFABRICATED HOUSE TYPE C-1

(See pictures on Page 5)

Tearing off limbs and ripping out trees by their roots, slicing the roof of one prefab and shaking a score of others, bending an airplane wing at the CAP airport, breaking windows and damaging other property to an extent as yet undetermined, a steady 50-mile an hour gale, which reached a maximum of 65 m.p.m. in gusts, roared through the Yakima valley last Thursday, and struck Richland with a violence exceeding all previous records in the memories of atomic residents. Other communities—notably Pasco and Kennewick—were hit harder. They had more trees to topple on cars and into houses.

But, because desert-born Richland had fewer trees, their losses were harder to take.

"We had bigger dust storms during construction days in Hanford," Sgt. A. E. Barron summed it up, "and we've had plenty of dust here. But old-timers around here tell me that it was the strongest wind in more than 20 years."

The wind seemed to build gradually, then mounted in fury quickly when once started. Villagers, used to dust, closed windows, doors and relaxed, determined to "sweat it out" in hot, stuffy homes. Many were soon out on their lawns, however, making every effort to save their own and neighbors' young trees.

Mail Papers Next Week

Subscribers to The Villager will receive their copies in the mail instead of by carrier beginning next week. The purpose of the change is to improve the service—copies will be dropped at the post office in time to have the last one delivered in Richland before 3 p. m. on Thursdays—and to cut to a minimum the number of readers who do not receive their papers.

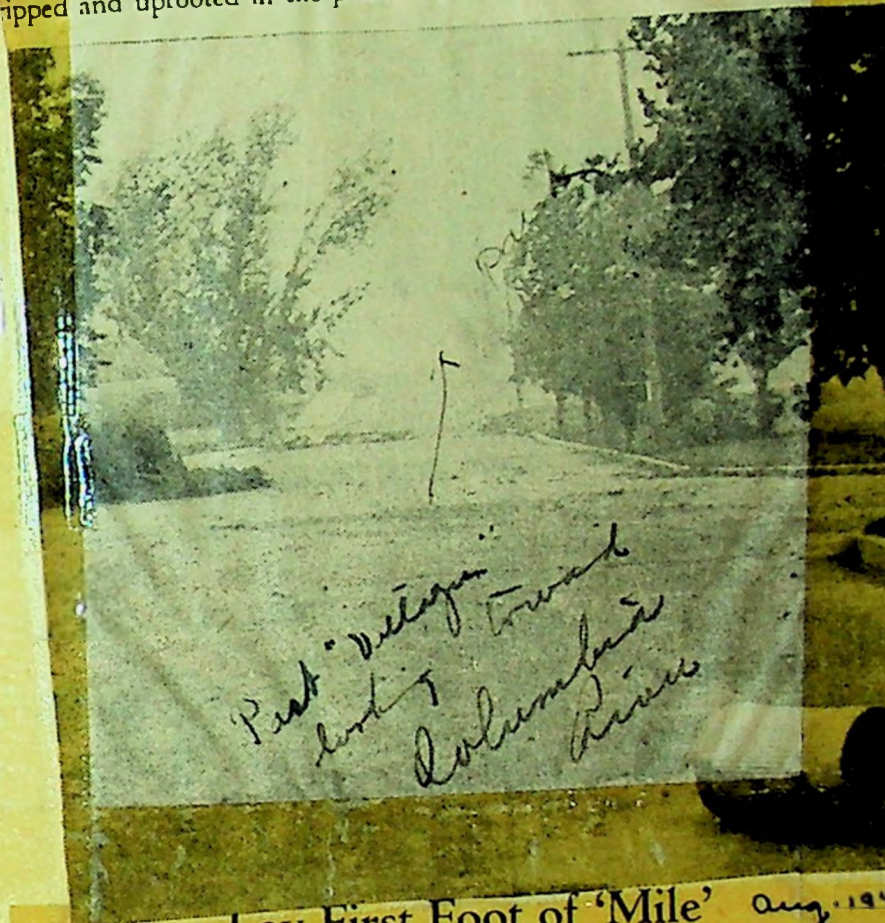
Rural subscribers and those in nearby communities will receive their Villagers earlier too, a whole day in most cases.

The Villager staff and Villagers, Inc., is much appreciative of the fine efforts of the Post Intelligence carrier organization which has been handling the distribution for the past two and one-half years, and regretfully terminates this connection.

'Engineer' Is Dropped From Name of Plant

"Hanford Works" is the new name for the plant, it was announced this week by a spokesman for the A. E. C. The decision to drop the word "Engineer" from the title was reached in order to prevent misconceptions which might arise because "Engineer" is nomenclature used by the Army Engineer Corps and the activity is now entirely under civilian control. *Sept. 1947*

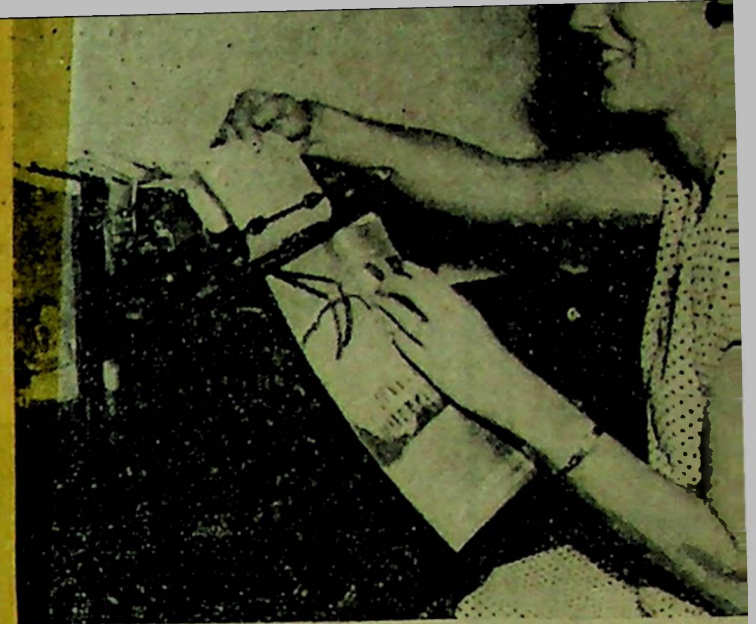
Below is a view of Lee, from near the river front, looking toward The Villager office and George Washington Way. Many precious trees were ripped and uprooted in the park.



Lay First Foot of 'Mile' Aug. 1946



The first foot of Richland's "Mile of Dimes" is placed on the street in front of the bank by Terry Liggett for his aunt, Geraldine Van Loan, former victim of Infantile. Waiting their turns to give to the fund are Mike Godfrey and Sherman Nelson. In back are Paul Beardsley, chairman of the mile, D. H. Lauder, plant manager, and Lt. Col. F. J. Clarke, area engineer. Photo by Tommy Stanfield



By Jet Noland

Some mothers tell their children stories from Mot Grimm's Fairy Tales, but Kay Walton is probably the only who puts her youngsters to sleep with excerpts from "Fires

Raised on a diet of politics, Kay comes from a long line of fervent Democrats, dating back for at least three generations. Her father, Ralph Nicholas, although deeply interested in government, never entered his candidacy for office. Kay, like her father, is a "man (or woman) behind the man." As secretary of the state central committee (Democrat) president of the Richland Women's Democratic club, vice chairman of the Benton county central committee, she has her hands full with coordinating women's activities throughout the county, and calling and attending meetings of the state committee. At home she has two active youngsters, Maryanne, 8, and Jimmy, 5, who must be scrubbed, brushed and fed.

Born in Fort Collins is the eldest of three has a brother, Nick Jeanette. The Nick heard political disc ing, noon, and night her work for the "I pigtailed by distribu handbills.

She attended tl of Kansas at Law years, but left in position of secret Colorado Civil W tration, an organ stemmed from tl later the Federal Relief Administrati In 1933 she met

Dr. and Mrs. J. S. Taylor and their boys, Stefan and David, vacationing on the shore of Iowa Lake in Oregon, with their 10-months-old daughter, Sherry, made her stage appearance in a bathing beauty before the expectant Mothers' class last night, resting up as houseguests of J. R. Cathcart. 1947

Memorial services for Dr. J. Samuel Taylor will be held at the Protestant church on Friday afternoon, July 12, at three o'clock.

In an heroic effort to save another swimmer, Dr. J. Samuel Taylor, 34, prominent physician, gave his life today, drowning in the surf off Long Beach, where he and his family were vacationing.



LOSS OF DR. TAYLOR IS DEEPLY FELT

Dr. J. Samuel Taylor probably wouldn't like this, an embarrassed, for he was about as unostentatious as surprised, perhaps, at the genuine sorrow which quickly out the entire village when untimely death reached here never occur to him that considered themselves his friends. There were few who came "Doc" or "Sam"—patient.

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WASHINGTON, March 17 (AP)—
Highlights from President Tru-
man's foreign policy speech:

There is an increasing threat
to nations which are striving to
maintain a form of government
which grants freedom to its
citizens.

It (the troubled world situa-
tion) is chiefly due to the fact
that one nation has not only
refused to cooperate in the es-
tablishment of a just and honor-
able peace, but—even worse—
has actively sought to prevent
it.

Since the close of hostilities,
the Soviet Union and its agents
have destroyed the independence
and democratic character of a
whole series of nations in East-
ern and Central Europe. It is
this ruthless course of action,
and the clear design to extend it
to the remaining free nations of
Europe, that have brought about
the critical situation in Europe
today.

The free nations of Europe
realize that economic recov-
ery, if it is to succeed, must
be afforded some measure of
protection against internal and
external aggression.

For if we act wisely now, we
shall strengthen the powerful
forces of freedom, justice and
peace which are represented by
the United Nations and the free
nations of the world.

I regard it as my duty, there-
fore, to recommend to the Con-
gress those measures which, in
my judgment, are best calcu-
lated to give support to the
free and democratic nations of
Europe and to improve the
solid foundation of our own
national strength.

Mr. Truman's recommenda-
tions, in brief:

1. Speedy congressional action
on the European recovery pro-
gram.
2. Prompt enactment of uni-
versal military training legisla-
tion.
3. Temporary reenacting of
selective service legislation to
keep our armed forces at their
authorized strength.



CANT DECIDE WHETHER
DINNER SUNDAY OR BUY

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housewife has to do is pick up the phone and call 1300. Tenant Service will send over a repairman immediately. Richlanders who, for some reason, have moved away, write back, wailing: "We don't like being out in the cold, cruel world where we can't get things done simply by calling dear old 1300."

Another advantage is the large, well-equipped hospital where an appendectomy is performed for \$100, and the delivery of a baby for \$75 — possibly an inducement, for Richland has one of the world's highest birth rates: 27 per 1,000 in 1944, as opposed to 20.2 per 1,000 for the whole U. S.

In spite of growing families, there are absolutely no servants in Richland. High school students have organized a baby-sitters' union, with a bow of pink and blue ribbon as a badge, but their work is strictly limited to babies.

The lack of servants, however, has not daunted Richland wives. They have dolled up their kitchens with decalcomanias and they invite their guests in to help prepare dinner. The town's leading hostess, Mrs. Franklin Matthias, wife of Colonel "Fritz," the engineering genius who built the project, has entertained 250 guests in one evening without servants.

Richland housewives cannot do comparative shopping. The Army's planners built the town with a nervous eye to its \$10,000,000 cost. If the atomic bomb was a dud, they might have to account for every dollar to some cold-eyed Congressional committee. So nothing went into Richland that wasn't "necessary." There are several groceries and drugstores but otherwise only one shop of any given type. There is no bakery, no delicatessen, no jewelry store.

What merchants there are, came to Richland reluctantly. The Army's proposition looked like a pig in a poke. What was the reason for the town? How long would it exist? Nobody could tell them. The absence of competition and the privilege of paying rent in proportion to business volume finally persuaded them to come.

Shopping District Is Subdued

LACKING any sharp business rivalry, Richland has taken on a quiet appearance. Its main streets — George Washington Way, Lee Boulevard, Goethals Avenue — which are named after famous engineers, are almost subdued. Signs are not for advertisement, but for information — and little enough of that. The large hotel for visiting scientists and brass hats has one, small, foot-square sign around back to proclaim it as "Transient Accommodations," and nothing more. Other signs are written in the gobbledygook which the military mind apparently prefers to English. One, outside a frame building, announces: "This facility officially known as cafeteria."

Within this framework, the people of Richland go about their jobs. Today some of the pressure is off, but not all of it. And before August 6, of course, when President Truman announced to the world that an atomic bomb had been dropped

on Hiroshima, the burden of The Secret was enormous.

Every man and woman in Richland had been investigated by Army Intelligence until it knew more about them than their families. Workers at the plant were given cards telling them exactly how much they should know, and signs, lectures and movies hammered at them to keep their secrets secret.

Curious wives soon learned not to ask home-coming husbands: "Well, dear, what happened at the office today?" Bridge-table gossip was choked off.

Even the handful of men who knew the secret referred to it among themselves in double-talk. The news that "Mary has a baby; weighs eight and three-quarters pounds," for instance, informed Col. Benjamin Rogers, the Deputy Area Engineer and chief of Production, that another Hanford plant was operating.

Taboo on Key Words

PAUL NISSEN, sprightly editor of the Richland "Villager," also faced the security problem: how to be vocal without saying anything. Army censors tabooed the words "plant," "Army," "Hanford," and, of course, "plutonium," from his paper. Family arrivals and departures were out. So were names of newsworthy guests, or visitors, at any social gathering.

Occasionally, there was a slip. The learned scientific consultants who visited the Hanford plants under aliases sometimes forgot their assumed names. The world-famous Enrico Fermi, masquerading as an insignificant "Mr. Farmer," remarked to a Richland companion, while waiting to see a Pearl Buck movie: "I don't know much about Miss Buck. I've just met her once — when we got the Nobel Prize together."

But over all, Richland's unrelenting precautions paid off. Captain Lyle Johnson, whose deceptive resemblance to a college freshman was not impaired by his ordeal as security officer, has found no evidence of either espionage or sabotage to date. (He admits, however, that a wild duck once played havoc with his plane-detecting radar.)

Lieutenant Milton Cydell, the Richland PRO, who had been sitting on the story for two years, sat extra hard the last two weeks while he prepared his advance news releases on orders from Washington. And his assistant, Sergeant Hope Sloan, a Wac who won an Atom Town beauty contest, kept the biggest secret a girl ever had pounding in her lovely head.

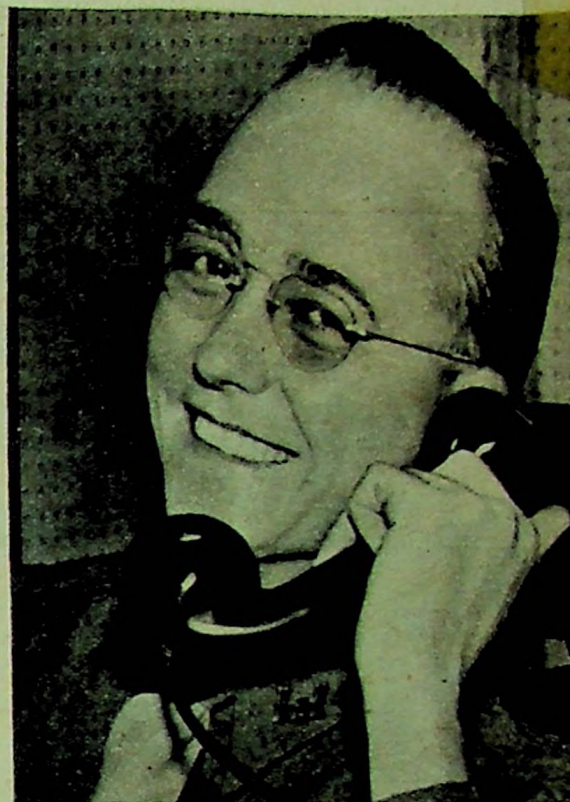
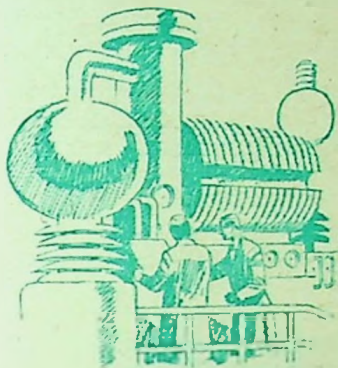
The secret was confined to those who were entitled to know it. Thus, the impact of August 6 was only slightly less numbing to Richland than it was to Hiroshima.

One happy man in Richland that day was Editor Nissen. In a one-page extra, he made up for many newsless newspapers with one blockbuster headline: IT'S ATOMIC BOMBS!

The following week's issue sagged somewhat under the strain of ushering in an Atomic Age. "Boy Scouts," it headlined, "To Collect Waste Paper."

Richland is only human, after all.

The End



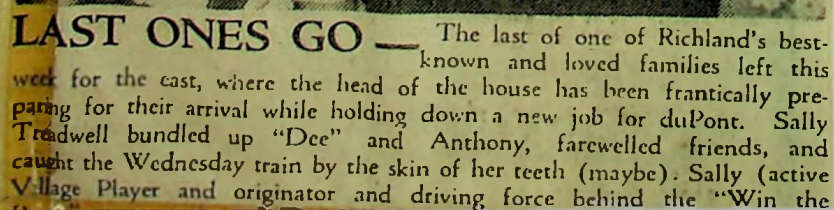
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rebuilding the town. "Ruintrains" have
Compared with other stricken areas



Ellen Smith, former Assistant Editor, and one of the most enthusiastic "pushers" behind the plan, is now visiting her family in Highland, Kansas. Ellen will join her husband, Ivan, at their new home in Wilmington sometime in August. The dynamic influence of both

Town Destroyed As People Flee

Tiel, Holland, is only one of many destroyed towns, but it is the one nearest the thoughts of Richlanders today. The story of its war years, the devastation of its homes, and the evacuation of the town can only be told in the words of eye-witnesses.

Evacuation From Tiel

In a letter received this week from Mr. G. Donkersloot, he writes of the evacuation of Tiel. "The enemy has stolen all the properties of its inhabitants, blown up the strongrooms of the bank, and hardly anything has been left. The inhabitants were driven out of their town and sent in open wagons and on foot in storms and snow to Friesland, one of the northern provinces of the Netherlands.

"On the way all young men were arrested and much of them were sent to Germany as a conscript. Women gave birth to their child in the snow on the border of the road and there was no doctor nor nurse. Old men died from cold.

"In the meantime in all villages, temporary infirmaries were set up with very primitive accommodations. Operations by candlelight were not rare because since months there was no electric light.

"To go into the street was perilous for men, for everywhere the 'gestapo' and 'green police' were on the lookout to catch their victims. And then Tiel was still burning. In that time I lived at Oelen, a little village near Tiel and every night we climbed on the roof of our house and looked at the fire caused by the phosphorus-bombs. During more than four months the English shells fell on our town."

Destruction of Tiel

"During the last months of the war, the whole population of Tiel, 14,000 men had to evacuate, so that the Germans could plunder their hearts' content, while the center of the town became a ruins of the artillery bombardments and phosphorus-bombs," writes the editor of the Tielsche Courant, Mr. Bouwhuis.

Of approximately 3500 buildings in Tiel, 326 were totally destroyed, 182 homes and business buildings were damaged, 1375 of which were damaged almost beyond repair. The gas-works were the most badly damaged industry of the Netherlands, and although they are being worked, certain hours of each day, Tiel is without gas.

Most of the monumental buildings, such as the Watergate (Waterpoort) and all the historic old places are gone—blown up by the Germans.

Mr. Bouwhuis writes, "How thoroughly they (Germans) had stolen everything they could find can be illustrated in that after coming home again, we couldn't find a nail or hammer to repair the doors and windows.

"Now, a year after our liberation, the rubbish is cleared, many houses are repaired and the whole Tiel population is living again in their own town, often two families in one house. The water, gas,

killed while piloting a B-17 over Germany. His mother in Kansas learned through a Seattle contact, the address of a young Dutch girl and wrote to her. She asked if she could locate her son's grave in a nearby cemetery and the young lady answered, acknowledging the location of the plot, and saying that she would put red poppies on Lieut. Bazin's grave Memorial Day.

It was later learned that this same young Holland girl is keeping up not only Lieut. Bazin's grave, but also four others. "It's the least we can do," she says.

Witnesses Destruction Of Holland Emphasizes Need Of Clothing

A letter concerning news of Tiel's adoption recently traveled from Hilversum, Holland, to Mr. J. van Tyen, who is visiting his son in Spokane. Mr. van Tyen, himself a resident of Hilversum, wrote The Villager requesting a confirmation, and upon receiving it, wrote a detailed account of the invasion of Holland.

"South of the river Waal, the allied armies had their forces; but Tiel on the north side was occupied by the Germans," wrote Mr. van Tyen. "For several weeks bombardment took place. After a while the Germans made the citizens leave, allowing them to take only as much as they could carry. Thereafter, the Germans took or destroyed all that was left. In town you could not find a whole window pane. The explosions, even if they did not hit the houses, were sufficient to break the glass and blow off the roof tiles. Living in these open houses became impossible. Cardboard was used to close the window openings. In those pieces of cardboard all kinds of glass was inserted to allow sunlight to get in the room. Glass of picture frames was in big demand. In fact, any glass was welcome."

Mr. van Tyen spoke of the residents moving back to their old homes, even though portions of the house had to be left unprotected against wind and rain. They preferred to live in such very poor quarters over living with strangers or relatives. At the same time, the people began working their gardens and making repairs for protection of their homes.

In speaking of industries, Mr. van Tyen wrote, "Principal production is of cherries, apples, plums, and small fruit. The town itself has different canning factories, even Italian 'Vermouth'."

He wrote further that, "Another bad factor for Tiel is the fact that the Germans planted in all orchards and roads land mines to prevent the landing of parachute troops. Although it is more than a year ago that Holland was liberated, not all the mines have been destroyed. Some are still made useless."

inhabitants and their needs.

What factors contributed to the adoption of Tiel?

What instigated the interest of Villagers to the extent that they devised ingenious schemes to raise funds which have since been turned into clothing for the needy people of that little town in the Netherlands?

The story is a long one, but in order to bring Villagers up to date on what has gone before, a summary has been prepared by Jane Jones of Villagers, Inc.) Ed.

"Village Leaders Plan 'Win the Peace' Movement" headlined the February 7 issue of THE VILLAGER. The accompanying story told of a meeting of over 100 representatives from all clubs, churches, schools and other organizations in the village called together by THE VILLAGER in anticipation of its first birthday. It was voted that following March 7 (THE VILLAGER'S first birthday) the Richland people would turn the searchlight on themselves and ask and try to answer, "What are we, the atomic bomb workers who helped win the war, now doing in an effort to help win the peace?" The program was to extend over a six-week period or until April 28, Richland's third birthday. 1946

Matthias Keynotes Drive

Mrs. Sally Treadwell, former active Richlander and instigator of the idea, introduced Col. F. T. Matthias who keynoted the drive by saying, "I hope that this meeting may be the start of something that could grow and spread throughout the entire world without regard for national boundaries and racial prejudices or any of the things that keep the world's people from feeling like neighbors."

Three Co-Ordinators Elected

The "Win the Peace" program was planned and engineered through the efforts of three co-ordinators.

Mrs. Geraldine Dunwoody, 1405 Putnam, headed the relief committee which collected 12,860 pounds of clothing and 6580 pounds of canned goods, and carefully sorted, packed and shipped it to the war needy. Over fifteen organizations were represented on this committee.

During the six weeks period, W. A. Bearden headed the popular "Speak Your Peace" forums held every Monday evening. These town meetings stimulated the Richland citizens into public discussions and considerations of vital questions affecting world peace.

Ken Wilson acted as co-ordinator for the birthday committee, with nearly 20 organized groups staging various benefits to raise funds for a specific hard hit European town to aid with rehabilitation.

Tiel Is Selected

Through the never-tiring efforts of Sally Treadwell, several relief agencies were contacted regarding a town in war-torn Europe which Richland could adopt and to whom they could send their birthday gift direct. Through HARK (organization similar to Red Cross) in Rotterdam, Holland, it was learned that plans could be worked out whereby any Ameri-

can community might, if it wished, "adopt" a Dutch community, send goods, and exchange correspondence.

Further investigation showed that Tiel, Province of Gelderland, had been in the thick of things and was badly in need of help. The town was virtually destroyed during the war by both enemy and allies, their community lying in the path of the German artillery across the channel to England. Their town was also similar in size and location to Richland, so adoption plans were arranged through Victor Scales, of the American Relief for Holland agency in New York. Tiel was OUR town!

Clubs Raise \$2000

Nearly \$2000 was raised through donations and various benefits staged by the following organizations: Kiwanis, Castle club, Sacajawea school Women's club, Dormitory, club, Coordinate club, Girl Scouts, Junior Chamber of Commerce, Business and Professional Women's club, Sacajawea Rifle and Pistol club, Rainbow Girls, Choral Society, Beta Sigma Phi sorority, Village Players, LDS church, Toastmasters, Women's Episcopal Guild, 1944 Softball league and the Treble Clef.

Following the Treble Clef concert May 3, the Village Birthday Party was held. The candle lighting ceremony and presentation of checks for Tiel was followed by the cutting of the huge blue and white birthday cake.

Money Exchanged for Goods

Early last month, a check for \$1806.72 was mailed to American Relief for Holland agency in New York and through the direction of Mr. Scales, needy articles of clothing were purchased and shipped to Tiel, for distribution among its peoples.

Tiel is working hard to rearrange everything and to build

Richland, U.S.A. May 12, 1946
Editors of the "Richland Post"
Dear Sir:

Yesterday when I came home from the office, I happened to hear on the radio that our little town had been adopted by a village in America.
And indeed, long letters in our today's paper showed that the news was true, so Tiel is the first town adopted by an American one. I can assure you that we are very proud and that's why I resolved to write a letter to you, because I like to tell the Richland people how happy we are that they will help us to rebuild our town and to give all kinds of particulars about our country and town and our life during the German occupation.
I am a girl of 23 years old and secretary of the management of the rebuilding office of our destroyed district.

I suppose you received a great many snaps of the ruins of our town, but as there are perhaps some people in Richland who are interested in snaps, I'm sending you some. I should like to know if there is a possibility of helping you to make the contact between Richland and Tiel a solid one. Maybe you don't want any help; in the latter case I request you to give me the address of a girl or boy whom I can correspond with.
I hope soon to hear something from our American friends.
Your truly,
Miss A. Griffioen
Lingedyk 22
Tiel, Holland

Reads Dutch

In answer to the plea in May 9 issue of The Villager, "Does Anyone Read Dutch?" Mr. W. H. Timmerman of 1345 Haupt, called at our office and simply asked if he could help us.
Mr. Timmerman, a quiet retiring sort of person, was hesitant to talk about himself but we were able to learn through our conversation, that he spent three years in Holland as a missionary.
In January, 1932, the Latter Day Saints Church sent Mr. Timmerman to Holland. Since the name "Timmerman" is of Dutch ancestry meaning "carpenter," it is thought that it was influenced in determining where he was to go. He worked as a missionary throughout the Netherlands and returned to the states in 1934.
A call was also received from Mrs. H. "Sally" Waters, 1327 Jadwin, who offered to help in case letters come written in Dutch. Mrs. Waters is Richland's Belgium bride.
Neither Mrs. Waters or Mr. Timmerman have been called upon as yet. All letters from Tiel have been written in English, however, the newspaper received was in Dutch, and possibly as correspondence increases, we will need their generous assistance.

The burgomaster or mayor of Tiel wrote, "I shall appreciate highly if you would let the inhabitants of your town know how greatly we value the assistance they rendered us. I may add that I specifically value the ties of friendship that will be formed between us."

and G. Donkersloot, 29 years of age, who wrote on May 12th, has appealed for a correspondent in Richland, preferably female! Mr. Donkersloot is quite specific, stating he is desirous of contacting a young woman or man of about 20 to 25 years old, who will "carry on a correspondence with a former member of the late Netherlands Underground Forces of the Interior."

In Mr. Bekker's letter, he expresses the belief that correspondence with some one his age will give him a broader understanding of the English language.
Not only have the young men from Tiel been profuse in their gratitude, but the young women as well, and they too are desirous of establishing a means of transmittal for information relative to our village and to relay pertinent facts concerning the progress which is being made in the rehabilitation of Tiel. These young ladies, Tiny Jurrema and Wilhelmina Valstar have asked that some young people about 20 to 25 years old write them.

One interesting communication received was written by Miss A. Griffioen, who is secretary of the management of the rebuilding office of the destroyed district of Tiel. In addition to the revelation of the fact that Tiel is the first town to be adopted by an American village, Miss Griffioen also requests the establishment of a "solid" contact through correspondence with some Richland girl or boy of about her own age which is 23 years.

The wide publicity given their adoption by radio and newspaper is vividly described in all letters received to date. Indications point to utter unbelief on the part of residents when the news was first broadcast, and it was not until the inhabitants could read printed articles that they believed such good fortune was theirs.

Not only were residents of Tiel prompt in verbally expressing their appreciation. One former resident, Mrs. Marie C. A. Honig of Louendyk, Switzerland, wrote on behalf of her two sisters who are residing in Tiel and who were among the unwilling witnesses of the destruction imposed upon them by the Nazis.

We have listed people to whom interested villagers may write—the burgomaster will be sending us more pertinent information in the very near future which will be published as it is received.

Tiel Shoes Worn Here

There's no need for alarm further investigation of the strange "klomp-klomp" noise you may have been hearing in your neighborhood since Christmas. It is only the sound of wooden shoes from Tiel, Holland, being worn with pride by several Richland youngsters who found them under the Christmas tree (14). In the 1200 Block on Sanford, daughter of Jane W. Jones, 5 year old, from her pair of bright yellow "klompens" daily since Christmas and much prefers the hard wooden hand made Dutch shoes to the new white leather ones she also found under the tree.

Dutch City

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was left in the entire village.
The historic landmarks such as the 300-year-old Watergate was a shattered ruin, and the cathedral and interior of the old St. Martin's church had been blasted to bits. In fact, only five houses remained untouched by the shell bombardments which had racked Tiel's original 3,300 homes. To add to the total destruction, the Germans had stolen from or plundered every house not leveled by the continuous shellings and bombings.
It was an unbearable and discouraging sight!

When news reached Tiel that a city in the United States had adopted them and offered help, the people were overjoyed with new hope and inspiration. They knew they weren't forgotten in their peril!

Family-Adoption Plan

Letters from tired young men just released from German prison camps, from anxious mothers of small children, from sorrowing widows, from the owners of destroyed shops—hundreds of them began pouring into the Richland post office. Each letter expressed a "thanks to the people of Richland."
Thus, Richlanders undertook a new project, that of adopting an individual Tiel family with whom they could correspond and send packages of clothing, needed articles such as sewing thread, pins, yarn, and other items readily available here, but not yet on the market in Holland.

The Richland Kiwanis club was the first organization to adopt the plan 100 per cent. Each member has adopted a family and pledged himself to send a package per month to them. The Toastmaster's club have offered their services for speaking on the subject of "Tiel" in response to such requests by



In the picture above are typical garments sent to Tiel, Holland, by Richlanders who adopted the stricken city, and then proceeded with wholesale adoption of separate Tiel families. In the picture Jane Jones, instigator of the "Adopt a Tiel family" plan, is looking over the assortment. (Additional details page 2).

other village groups.
To date, over 100 Tiel families have been individually adopted by Richland families.

Christmas Plan Afoot

Still another project to aid Tiel was launched this week when some 50 representatives from all clubs, churches, schools, and other organizations in Richland met to form a "Christmas For Tiel" committee. Plans are being formulated for a citywide collection of clothing and toys to be sent to Tiel in time for their Christmas celebration which in Holland is December 5 and 6.

Being the first city in the U. S. to adopt a complete European war-torn town, Richland is justly proud of the work they have done thus far. The purpose behind the entire program of "Win The Peace" and the adoption of Tiel, was summarized in a letter received this week from a teacher in one of the Tiel schools.

He writes, "We are very thankful for your kind gesture towards us and wish to express our feeling of friendship towards you. Friendship between individuals of different nations is the first step towards friendship between nations which will deepen the mutual understanding and finally banish any possibility of waging war as a means to solve international problems."

Mrs. Vincil Woodward, 1207 Sanford, has been busy the past week making over old coats and suits into children's clothing, soon to be sent to Tiel. Richlanders having winter garments suitable for re-making, may call Mrs. Woodward at 879-J.

Orchids should be given this ambitious villager for her time and energy spent in doing sewing for

el. P. S.—She's my mother.

the thought of American interest and generosity. Other cities honored at the reception, were Memphis, Tennessee, which has adopted Enschede, Holland; and Schenectady, New York, which has adopted Deventer, Holland. Nine American and two Canadian organizations, which contributed substantially, are also present.

Holland, May 12, 1946
Vincil of Richland, USA

If you, who write you a boy and I'm twenty. My name is Tommy. I live in Tiel. I read papers your town has. And I read too, you

World-wide attention focused on "the village" of Richland for at least two wholly different reasons. One was the vital part Richlanders contributed to atomic bomb production.

Another, and less publicized, reason for world-wide recognition was the recent adoption by Richland as a whole of an entire city in Holland. That altruistic gesture was followed by a more personal expression of sympathy for a war-torn community, in which separate families in Richland adopted separate families in Holland.

The latter movement was primarily instigated by Jane Jones, a member of The Villager (town newspaper staff). In the attached narrative, written exclusively for Union-Bulletin readers, she reveals the how and why details.

(By Jane Jones)

Tiel, Holland, is a destroyed shell-riddled town in the center of the Netherlands whose surviving people have felt the horrible experiences of a world war.

While the village of Tiel was being burned and plundered by the Axis in September 1944, the workers at Richland, Washington, were preparing for use of an atomic bomb which was to end the war. At the same time our army was encamped across the River Waal, bombing the Germans in the evacuated Tiel.

The atomic bomb was dropped August 6, 1945, the war ended abruptly August 14, 1945, and Tiel was liberated!

Early in February of this year, Richlanders asked themselves this question, "What can we the atomic bomb makers who helped to win the war, do to help win the peace?" In answer, a six week's "Win the Peace" campaign—sponsored by The Villager newspaper—was staged, with many benefit performances, open forum meetings, and an extensive collection for clothing and canned goods. Almost \$2,000 was raised through benefits.

Town Adoption Proposed

Through untiring efforts of numerous people, several relief agencies were contacted regarding some town in war-torn Europe which Richland could adopt, and to whom they could send their birthday gifts direct.

Through HARK, (an organization similar to our Red Cross) in Rotterdam, it was learned that plans could be worked out whereby a Dutch community could be adopted, and to which gifts could be sent.

After much study, Tiel, Holland, was the village in Europe deemed the most needy to receive the funds. Because of the heavy destruction of homes, factories and shops, money meant little to Tiel, so the fund was turned into needy articles of women's and children's clothing, and shipped to Tiel for distribution.

Historic Landmarks Gone

When the evacuated Tiel residents began returning to their historic and once beautiful homes, they saw the rubble of stone and shattered brick in the streets, lined with the bleak and blackened shells of buildings. Not a pane of glass

In a letter received Monday from the United Service to Holland offices in New York, it was learned that two cases of hard candies for the Tiel children left January 16. This candy was purchased with some \$30 left over from the purchase of the toys, and therefore will also be considered as a gift from the Richland youngsters to the youth of Tiel.

CONTRIBUTION

Books, Other Items Needed

Richland's cash contribution to its adopted city of Tiel, Holland, is on its way across the Atlantic in the form of clothing, primarily for women and children, according to a letter dated June 26th from American Relief for Holland, Inc.

At the suggestion of Victor H. Scales, Director of Organizational Relationships, American Relief for Holland, Inc., the money available was changed into goods here since, he explained, "the Dutch find it impossible to buy."

Packed in wooden cases for immediate shipment were a total of 310 items purchased by American Relief for Holland from Miller and Schofield, 796 Broadway, New York. These articles will assist greatly in relieving the urgency of the existing need in the war-devastated town of Tiel, Scales explained, and are in accordance with the high priority needs.

Samples of each garment were sent to The Villager, and were found to be highly satisfactory. These samples are now on display in a window of Anderson's Store.

Appropriate recognition was given to the Girl Scout Council for its cash contribution, raised through the combined efforts of all troops in the presentation of a highly successful carnival on March 30. The Council's generosity was reflected in the purchase of 30 dozen girl's union suits and was so indicated in the shipment.

Together with shipping charges, the purchases totaled \$1,806.72, the sum of Richland's "Gift to Peace."

The goods shipped and the cost of same is as follows:

100 dozen diapers	
@ \$2.10	\$ 210.00
20 dozen one-piece Flannel Sleepers (2, 4, 6 & 8 years) @ \$12.00	240.00
30 dozen Girls' Union Suits (4 to 13 years) @ \$10.00	300.00
50 dozen Children's Basque Shirts (2, 4, 6 & 8 years) @ \$4.50	225.00
10 dozen Baby's Receiving Blankets @ \$3.00	30.00
25 dozen Women's Linerie @ \$5.00	137.50
25 dozen Women's items of lingerie @ \$12.00	300.00
50 dozen Women's Vests large @ \$6.00	300.00
Packing	4.22
Total	\$1,806.72

While the generosity of Richland has gone a long way toward relieving the urgency in Tiel, many items, not always associated with relief, are still needed, Scales said, such as string, pins, paper clips, clothespins, books, dolls and toys. "So thoroughly did the Nazis pilfer and damage the Netherlands that, during their five years of occupation, the little country was quite thoroughly robbed," he explained. Such articles can be sent by individuals at any time and addressed to Burgomaster of Tiel, Tiel Holland, for distribution.

In the event of another drive for baby clothing, food and other things, "our agency will be happy to ship to the Netherlands at no cost to you for overseas transportation and insurance, any gifts you



Several hundred Dutch children wait with unabated delight at the entrance to the building of the "Herstelraad" to receive toys sent to them from Richland youngsters. These smiling, happy faces are a group of 11 year olds, waiting with an air of impatience to grasp their anticipated toy.

Gathered around the poster which reads, "Richland Adopts the Youth of Tiel," are (left to right) Cor van der Linden and Pistor van de Braak of the "Herstelraad," Tommy Bekker, foreign correspondent for The Villager, Miss Bep van der Linden and Miss Reina Walbeek, also of the "Herstelraad," a Dutch relief organization similar to the American Red Cross.

—Photo by Louis Swanenberg



Registering disapproval at being held back from receiving their American toys are these young residents of Tiel.

The policeman (with back to the picture) is attempting to bring "order out of chaos" as the children push forward eagerly to receive the toys sent them from Richland.

A young man at the very end of the line is raising his hand to attract the attention of the officer.

Photo by Louis Swanenberg

Give to the Victory Clothing Collection



d. Braak, secretary of committee in Tiel, photograph album of pictures of

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SANTAS

By N. PAUL NISSEN

Editor, Richland (Wash.) Villager

ONE of the most appealing stories of the season, in my opinion, is that of the mass Christmas gift sent by plutonium producers of the Hanford Engineering Works—where atomic bomb materials originate—to a war-ravaged city in Holland.

It's a tale not only of the brotherhood of man, but of the personal good will of the makers of man's most awful weapon, or finest service, toward their fellow men.

In the gift were three tons of good, warm clothing; 3,000 assorted toys and games to delight the heart of any child, 500 pounds of canned goods—mostly rice, coffee, tea and cocoa. These were packed up into one big Yuletide present and sent to the people of Tiel, Holland. The givers were the residents of Richland, a wholly government-owned, operated community on the desert bank to the Columbia River, in Southern Washington, wherein live all employees of the atomic-energy-production plant.

ANTA CLAUS' chief helper in this prodigious project was Jane W. Jones, business manager of Villagers, a nonprofit corporation of Richland residents which publishes The Villager, a weekly newspaper, operates a civic center, provides a youth center and finances other recreational activities for the city. Jane, also a member of The Villager staff, has kept Tiel warm in the hearts of Richland people (who call

GIFTS FROM THE PLUTONIUM PRODUCERS MAKE CHRISTMAS REALLY BRIGHT FOR A WAR-RAVAGED DUTCH CITY



themselves villagers) since the community adopted the Dutch town during a city-wide peace drive early in 1945.

It was about a year ago that I figured something should be done by The Villager to commemorate the first anniversary of the newspaper and the third anniversary of the founding of "new" Richland, when the first earth was turned for the construction of some 3,000 homes for employees in the plutonium plant.

Sally Treadwell, part-time editorial assistant and wife of Dave R. Treadwell, a Du Pont chemist, was given the assignment to find a suitable "slant" for a special issue. Sally, a former Life Magazine editor, said, "Why not a Richland Peace Drive to get people thinking about what can be done to make peace lasting?" The answer, obviously, was "Why not, indeed?" And then the fun began.

A TOWN meeting was called, and all village clubs and organizations sent representatives who enthusiastically endorsed the plan. They remembered the words of Col. F. T. Matthias, commanding officer of Hanford Engineering Works during the war, who said, "Only cooperation will save the world. In an atomic age we may never have another chance."

His solution, cooperation based on unselfishness, true knowledge and familiarity, understanding and tolerance between countries, was the foundation of the drive.

The event was divided into three parts: Relief, for immediate help; Rehabilitation, to assist some city to come back, and peace forums, to get people thinking about the answers to permanent peace. Three coordinators were picked, F. Ken Wilson, operator of an electrical shop; Mrs. W. F. Dunwoody, a village housewife, and W. A. Bearden, plant employee.

The theme of the drive was, "What Are We, the Atomic Bomb Workers Who Helped Win the War, Doing to Help Build Permanent Peace?"

1946
BETWEEN March 7, The Villager's birthday, and April 28, anniversary of Richland, two tons of clothing aid more than 75 cases of canned food were sent to European relief; \$2,000 was raised for the purchase of needed materials for Tiel, which had been adopted as the community for rehabilitation,

parties—every civic event and most semi-private affairs during the period—were for peace and Tiel. There was even, of all things, a chicken-shoot for peace.

Town-hall forums, based on "Speak Your Peace," were held once a week in the high school auditorium. Some of the subjects were, "What Price Peace," "United Nations—Is This the Answer?" and "Is World Peace Possible Without Religion?" The forums were supplemented with talks before clubs and street polls.

THE climax came when the money for Tiel was turned over to Jane Jones at a big birthday party, following a benefit concert for the fund by the Treble Clef, women's choral group. A huge cake, with three candles for Richland's three years, was wheeled in, and as representatives came up on the stage and turned in their checks, each lit another candle until the whole cake seemed ablaze with lights.

With the \$2,000 raised, 100 dozen diapers, 20 dozen flannel sleepers, 30 dozen girls' union suits, 50 dozen Basque shirts, 10 dozen babies' receiving blankets and 100 dozen sets of women's underclothing, all badly needed in Tiel, were pur-

Most villagers would have been willing to heave a sigh of relief and forget the whole thing at that point, but they couldn't. For Jane Jones had received some letters from the Dutch by that time, and decided that rehabilitation meant just what it said—and it must be continued until Tiel no longer needed help.

"You don't adopt someone and, after giving a party, forget all about him," she said. "Tiel is our town, and we're going to keep faith with it or I'll break my neck trying."

AND soon hundreds of letters started pouring in, some in English, but mostly in Dutch, from families in Tiel who wanted to thank Richland people for what they had done and to correspond with someone here. Jane soon had every waking minute filled, and then some, with letters piling up on her desk.

A family-adoption plan she sponsored began to take hold, and soon hundreds of families were writing and sending individual packages to Holland.

A little item in the paper, "Anybody Read Dutch?" brought in William H. Timmerman, a villager of Dutch descent who had lived in Holland for a couple of years. Ever since, Timmerman has been deluged with hundreds of letters to translate. He and his wife, Alta, spend their early-morning and late-evening hours putting Dutch letters into English and English letters into Dutch for village correspondents.

JANE kept interest hot by running a column in the paper and sent for lists of Dutch people willing to correspond. She was able to furnish pertinent, personal information on size of families, ages of children and occupations of fathers to villagers who wished to adopt a family similar to their own so clothes could be exchanged.

"Christmas for Tiel" all began along in October at the suggestion of E. S. Bell, Jr., then president of Villagers, Inc. Jane took the idea, formed committees, organized house-to-house pickups of food and clothing, and coin collections in the schools for money to buy toys.

Yes, it's a nice story, because if the world knew what was in the hearts of atom-bomb makers, as evidenced by their all-out effort to help their Dutch friends, they wouldn't worry so much about what atomic energy will do to the world.

It will be used only for good, if the people who make it have anything to say about it!



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...Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Farabee, 1427 Stevens. Mr. Baldwin is the son of
...Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Baldwin, 1902 Williams.

November 27, 1947

All Alone! He's So All Alone!

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R. L. Meekins Is Last DuPont Man Here

Among villagers best qualified to say "I remember when—" is R. L. Meekins, last and only DuPont employee still associated with Hanford Works, who arrived here on



R. L. "Red" Meekins



TELEPHONE TECHNIQUE is Georgia Tyner's job. She's the voice of Tenant Service, and when we went looking for someone to exemplify the twenty rules in the accompanying story, everyone said, "Get Georgia Tyner. She's always friendly; no matter how mad you are when you call her, she manages to calm you down." She's efficient, too. Keeping track of all those calls—from "my garbage wasn't picked up" to "where do I get Kem-tone?"—and putting them in their proper classification for handling is no small job. Everything on her desk is at her finger tips. Notice the wrapping on the telephone cord to keep it from twisting. 1947

Patrol Picks John C. Fleming As Safe Driver of This Week

Patrol introduces this Thursday as "Safe Driver of the Week," John C. Fleming, Atomic Energy Commission employee in the intelli-

for the past 22 years, and has never had an accident.

"I sincerely believe that all motorists should give the pedestrian the right of way," Fleming pointed out when asked how he would advise others in order to reduce accidents.

"Drivers should be especially cautious in passing school zones and crosswalks near schools," he added.

Fleming also suggests caution on narrow streets, even if it means traveling below the stated speed limits. He also believes that the speed limits in Richland and on the outskirts are about the correct speeds for a community of this size and present traffic conditions.

Fleming resides at 1430 Marshall with his sister.



JOHN C. FLEMING

gence and security division. Fleming has operated a vehicle

well, he got home from Seattle.
Man of the Year 1947

Choice of Tom

The choice of Tom Purton by "Year" is particularly apt. Person of the most engaging personality young man who devotes considerable time to proving the lot of his fellow Richland members of the fine Richland Jaycees. This is the first time the Jaycees



Peggy Karnit & I spent one day - Saturday - Sept. 27, 1947

Central Washington FAIR IN YAKIMA

Don't Miss One Single Minute

It's the biggest show in Eastern Washington! There's something doing every minute! There's fun for everyone — thousands of things to see and do!

Superintendent Resigns

News of the resignation of R. H. Fergin as superintendent of schools in Richland will be received with regret in many sources this week. He has served the village well—too well, perhaps, for in his day-and-night, never-ceasing efforts on behalf of Richland education, he has done his health considerable damage. While he controlled the reins, Richland school enrollment increased from just 250 students in a lone grade school and small high school, to 3,700 students in four grade schools and huge high school, with more on the way. The increase—all of the way—was under adverse conditions, with construction people coming in and out with various-sized families, then leaving altogether and operations workers coming in. During this period, and even now, the change-over, not only of students, but of teachers (who during war years were, for the most part, wives of employees) was frightening to contemplate.

The chances are that, being of sound mind and good sense, if Fergin could have taken a look in the future and seen what was in store for the Richland school system, he would have refused to take the job on. However, he did take the job on, and did it well in our opinion. He handled the schools in a firm, capable manner in the face of problems faced by few, if any, other superintendents anywhere. And, perhaps, harried by a highly vocal population originally from densely populated Eastern region where, with everything long-settled and secure, "they did things differently." From what we saw, his phone was kept hot with calls from "people who knew people," and wanted something done about little Johnny having to double-shift or go across the city to school because of the over-crowded situation.

The survey of the school system made by Washington State college, reported adversely on many phases of the work. Of course it did. In the first place, a survey of that type is meant to criticize and find defects. It doesn't look for a system's strong points, even though there are many. Quite probably, just as many faults might be found in any other school system in the state—and we must remember that no other system anywhere had the problems ours has had for the past four years.

Yes, we believe that Superintendent Fergin has done a fine job here—and, being on the school board for three years, we have had an opportunity to view his work closely—and will be sorry to see him go. *One man's opinion*

Superintendent



R. H. Fergin, Richland superintendent of schools, moved last week into new offices in the Marcus Whitman grade school.

F. A. Leach Nominated for School Board

one and door neighbor

I got to thinking about it last night—years since V-J Day. And I couldn't sleep. Beyond our town I seemed to see the world.

And as I watched, they were going on. I saw the glowing foundries grow cool, the wheels stop in the factories, and the plow.

I saw neighbor turn on neighbor, and of arms at night.

I saw the printing presses smashed, taken and shot.

I saw the rise of the dictators.

I saw their lines of puppet men jerking, bands played and banners waved.

Yet—the disciplined state had come.

"Turn on your radio, comrade. The one coming through. . . ."

"Turn over your children to us. We will for the state. . . ."

I want to thank God today that I . . .

That I can still speak my own mind, work as I please and vote as I please. . . of me is still wide open.

Now I know how easily these prices were lost.

For there is no place that a man can trading away his liberties. Step by step.

There is nothing but misery and war road when the people of a nation splitting groups and classes.

And that has been the law of mankind of time.

No, I don't think it's going to happen. But make no mistake about it. The

We have been challenged to prove it of—to prove that the way we live and any system in the world.

And there's only one way to prove the goods . . . before it is too late.

We've got to bury our little squab together.

We've got to set our wheels in a them rolling.

We've got to quit looking back to building a many-times-greater America.

We've got to plant more wheat and more coal and more steel. Build more.

It's got to be done—not only to beat Europe, but because it is our only salvation—because it is the American way.

ability to bring better living to mankind—because only by being productive.

And only by being strong can we

'Freedom Train' Locomotive By GE and American International FREEDOM TRAIN

During coming months the "Freedom Train" stops at 300 cities in the 48 states most significant documents of the country.

Sponsored by the Attorney General, the program of "Rededication" is actually being carried through the American Heritage Foundation, a non-profit entirely voluntary organization whose job is everybody's Job."

Although an attempt was made to include in the "Freedom Train" the latest in time and technical difficulties, and the town nearest here is stop is Walla Walla.

At such time as information the scheduled stop at Walla Walla

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principal of
has been pre-
Tuesday, Sep-
opening day.

me in Richland's short history, villagers turned out in town style to witness the events of the most exciting festivities to date. Beginning with the kickoff ceremony's Bowl Sunday evening, large crowds attended every day.

night program was highlighted by the coronation of a young woman as Queen of Richland Day, and announcing of her attendants, Pat Doctor, Pat Snyder, Sadelle Smith and the queen with her court reigned throughout all the day, Queen Frances turning up with a black eye at the evening in the

result of the she and her in shortly after day ceremonies. were slightly treated at Kad- their smiles were

GE President Pays Tribute To Richland

resident of the General Electric company, in his keynote address delivered at the Richland Day ceremonies in the village square Monday, September 1, paid tribute to the work done at the Hanford Engineer Works, and after briefly reviewing a few of the accomplishments of the company which he heads, added "Like you, the rest of us are here to stay and to back you up."

In his commendation of HEW, Mr. Wilson said, "... I want to pay our tribute to the high skill and modern genius of the planners, the scientists, the engineers, the technicians, and the managers of the duPont company and of the United States Army Corps of Engineers who conceived and developed this truly amazing project. ... I am well aware, through the reports of our own people who have come out here, of just how painstaking and how proficient our predecessors on this ground were, in going about their initial task, and I believe that we have already given you substantial evidence that we intend to follow the same lines in developing Hanford and Richland as a permanent and productive enterprise."

In recognizing the tremendous accomplishments of G.E., here at Hanford and at their other plants, Mr. Wilson said anything the company has done or will do is a result of thousands of men and women working together, of which the workers at the plant here have played an important part.

"I cannot," he said, "remember a time, in my own long association with this organization, when it was not considered a fact too obvious to mention that the company's principal asset consisted of human beings."

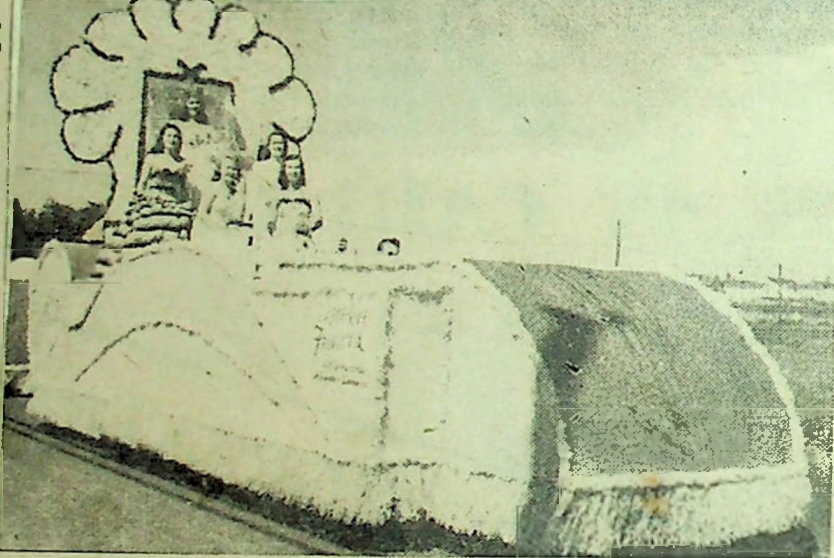
Coming back to the theme of Richland Day, "We're Here to Stay," Mr. Wilson said that he could say very little about the future of atomic energy, that he himself was vitally interested in David C. Lillenthal's speech here last week. Yet, he stressed Mr. Lillenthal's point that the development of economically competitive atomic power is a long-term project, one that G.E. is prepared to investigate over a long period of time.

present on the Richland Day representing the mission, D. F. sea manager, J. Cornellius and General Electric body, vice president of the southwest district, vice president of the San Francisco-Garrison, head of publicity department, Pacific coast plant manager, W. T. Over, E. L. Richmond, J. J. Perler, on commercial facilities, presenting non-ies, and Queen court.

amateur-built United Protestant Church second prize to



AIR BOURNE QUEEN Frances Nordman arrived via helicopter to ascend her float as a signal for the parade to start on Richland Day. Pilot Bradley hands Frances her scepter as Richland Day Chairman Blake Miller helps her out of the helicopter.



Miss Frances Nordman, queen of Richland Day, 1947, and her four attendants grace the junior chamber of commerce float, first prize winner among the professionally-built entries. From left to right are Sadelle Smith, Queen Frances, Pat Doctor, Pat Snyder and Marilyn Buys.

Janet Monson, 22, candidate entered by Union "76" has been in Richland since September, 1944. A graduate of Colorado State college, where she was active in campus life,, she is secretary to the superintendent of Power. She is a member of the Richland Choral Society and PEO. She lives here with friends at 1327 Kimball.



Marilyn Buys, 23, is sponsored by two Toastmasters clubs and the Toastmistress club. Originally from Canton, N. Y., Marilyn, who has been in the Waves, is now a field worker for the Campfire Girls of Pasco, Kennewick and Richland. She makes her home in Dorm W-6.

Winner of the 1947 Mercury convertible was Mrs. M. G. Swain who received the car during intermission at the street dance.

United Protestant Church Wins First Prize



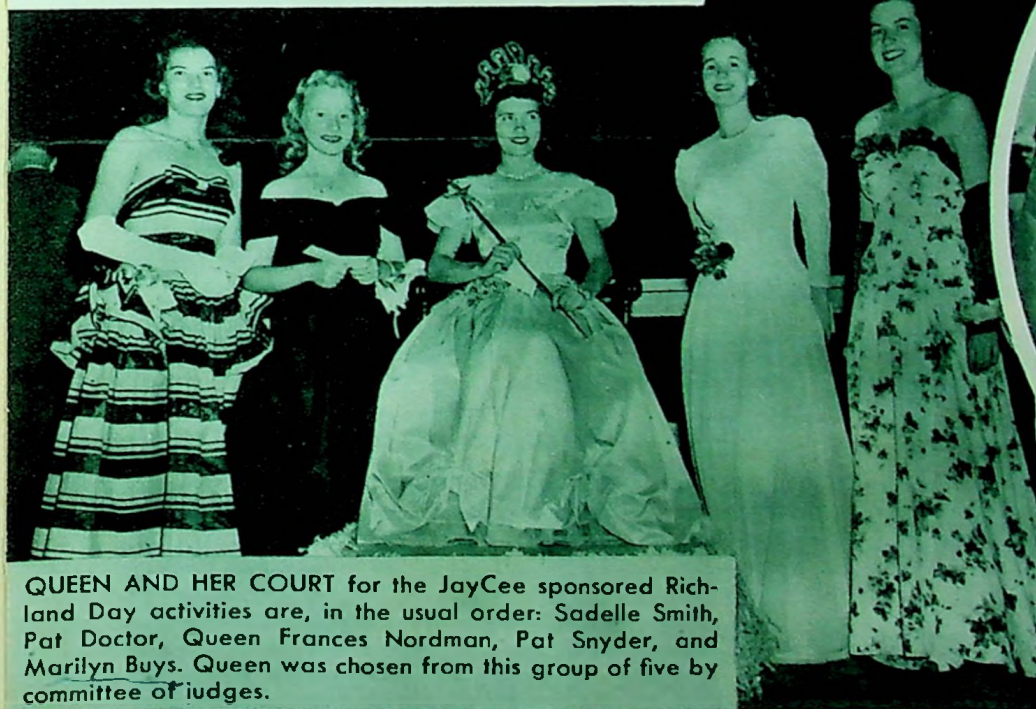


RICHLAND DAY AT HANFORD WORKS

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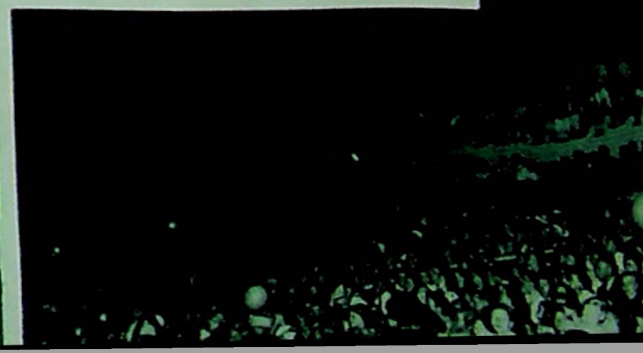
THE first anniversary of the date General Electric assumed responsibility for atomic energy research and development at Hanford Engineer Works was marked by celebration held recently at Richland, Washington. A feature of "Richland Day" was address by Charles E. Wilson, president of General Electric, above. Other highlights of the Day included parade, coronation of queen, air show, exhibits, boat regatta, trap shoot, ping-pong, golf, tennis and horseshoe tournaments, water sports program and dance. The observance was sponsored by Richland Junior Chamber of Commerce.



QUEEN AND HER COURT for the JayCee sponsored Richland Day activities are, in the usual order: Sadelle Smith, Pat Doctor, Queen Frances Nordman, Pat Snyder, and Marilyn Buys. Queen was chosen from this group of five by committee of judges.



WORKS MANAGER D. H. Lauder was interviewed on the Hanford Works expansion program by means of wire recorder.





D G.E. OFFICIALS paid a visit to Hanford Works re-
a tour of the Plant, and conferences with Management.
they are: Dr. Zay Jeffries, in charge of G. E.'s Chemical
a member of the Company's Nucleonics Committee; Vice-
L. A. Winne, in charge of G. E. Engineering policy and
of the Nucleonics Committee; C. L. Wilson, General
the A. E. C.; Carleton Shugg, Manager of Hanford direc-
tions for the A. E. C., D. F. Shaw, Mr. Shugg's assistant,
G. Suits, G. E. Vice-President, and Director of the Com-
search Laboratory, also a member of the G. E. Nucleonics



A.E.C. COMMISSION MEMBERS
are shown above just after their
arrival at H.E.W. for their inspec-
tion tour. From left they are: D.
E. Lilienthal, chairman of the
Commission, and S. T. Pike, R. F.
Bacher, and W. H. Waymack.

The industrial future of Hanford Engineer Works is "very permanent
indeed," according to a statement made by David C. Lilienthal, head of
the atomic energy commission, at a press conference in Richland Saturday.

"You had a story some weeks ago about the progress for the increase
in the size of the community, etc. All this is directing toward a definite
and continuous operation as far as the commission is concerned," Mr.
Lilienthal said.

However, Mr. Lilienthal pointedly emphasized that the Atomic Energy
Commission is not connected with a supersonic research in this region.
"Just say flatly that the Atomic Energy Commission has no connection
with any supersonic program. We have troubles of our own!"

When asked about the possible
future of the Hanford plant in
view of the nation's return to a
peacetime role, Mr. Lilienthal said
it is not possible to describe Han-
ford plant as producing material
for military purposes only.

"This plant is for producing plu-
tonium. The same process and
same materials may be used with
certain adaptations near the end
of the process for peacetime use.

"This plant has a dual possibility.
There are research processes in it
which I cannot describe. It is true
that there is a great deal of re-
search work going on, both in the
direction of improving the process
and knowing more about the fun-
damental operation of the material.

"The production of the radio-act-
ive isotope for use in medical, bi-
ological and metallurgical work is
carried on at the Oak Ridge plant.
However, it is not possible to de-
scribe the Hanford plant as pro-
ducing material for military pur-
poses only."

However, the consensus of the
commission, according to its
chairman, is that the principal
purpose is to provide bombs, al-
though research is being con-
ducted along the lines of power
generation.

"We had an announcement out
of Washington some time ago in
respect to future power develop-
ment. There is some research in
this plant that will be carried for-
ward; that is, research in relation
to Hanford and its future."



HERE'S MY PASS Dr. Zay Jeff-
ries, left, and H. A. Winne seem
to say upon their arrival at H.E.W.
to Wren Ellison, receptionist at
the Administration Building. Mr.
Jeffries, a member of the G. E.
Nucleonics Committee, and Mr.
Winne, chairman of the G. E. Nu-
cleonics Committee, both arrived
for the visit of the A.E.C.

President Visits



G.E. PRESIDENT Charles E.
Wilson is scheduled to address
Richland Day audiences immedi-
ately following the parade on Mon-
day September 1, 1947

AEC Manager Shugg Says Observe Nucleonics Day By Working Extra Hard

Next Tuesday is the most significant date in Atomic
history. Five years ago, December 2, at Chicago, man
first controlled atomic energy.

Last year Richlanders celebrated this anniversary
date in grand fashion with a banquet and a Nucleonics
program. Unfortunately, this year, due to existing
crowded conditions of facilities, a like celebration would
be limited to such an extent as to not do justice to the
occasion. It has been, therefore, decided to forego a ban-
quet until another year.

There are ways, however, to commemorate the day
other than by knives and forks — at Hanford we can
"carry on" to perpetuate this day to a far greater de-
gree by increased activity with picks and shovels, pen-
cils and paper, and by work and efforts in our present
program.

Let's this year, consider our expansion program as
our Nucleonics Day program and let everyone dig an-

Construction of 450 units will get under way almost simultaneously with this initial group of 500. These latter houses probably will be of the pre-cut type, but they definitely will be permanent units. We are not prepared to say exactly what the total requirements will be for housing, but in an industrial plant located as Hanford is, there is no alternative but to provide workers with adequate and conveniently located housing. The surrounding area just does not offer any possible relief on housing.

As previously mentioned, the commercial facilities in Richland were kept to a minimum that would supply residents only the essentials. It is now necessary to expand the commercial facilities so that the economy of the Village can be brought up to that which one would normally expect in a community the size of Richland. To do this will require the construction of facility buildings to house, department stores, small shops, bowling alleys and many other businesses found in a city such as Walla Walla, for instance



"PINCH ME, I'M DREAMING!" Frances Nordman, H.E.W. NEWS model, can hardly believe her eyes as she inspects miniature models of the new houses destined to help solve Richland's housing shortage, and checks air viewphoto to see where they'll be located.

A number of architect-engineer firms and a consulting engineer firm are now busily engaged in the design work for these facilities. We have with us today architect's sketches of some of the buildings to house facilities contemplated. Some of you may be interested in examining some of these sketches in more detail following adjournment of this meeting.

EXPANSION PROGRAM INCLUDES NEW SCHOOLS

As is usually the result of growth in any community, one of the most critical situations faced by a city's planners is the providing of sufficient educational facilities. Richland is no exception. If anything, our situation is more critical, because of what appears to be a unique condition with regard to the average ages of our school age population. Next year's first grade class, for instance, will be the largest in our Village's history, numbering some 600 or so youngsters. You no doubt recall, from recent publicity given Richland, that the birth rate there is one of the nation's highest.

In an attempt to cope with the problem faced regarding our school system, we have a group of architects right now busily engaged in designing new school buildings. We are adding to Columbia High School, enlarging Jefferson Grade School, building a new Junior High School, and planning for changes to existing grade schools, together with the building of one or two additional grade schools. Now this program is large, and will not be accomplished overnight. Design work has progressed to a point where architectural drawings have been made of some of the buildings. I wish to call your attention to the architect's sketch of the new Junior High School. We feel that this building will be an outstanding contribution to the total educational facilities of Washington State. It is our expectation that facilities will catch up with requirements by the opening of the 1948-49 school term. We recognized the impossibility of fully coping with the situation during the 1947-48 term. The planning of Richland must continue to include means of providing the maximum of educational opportunities for all residents.

RECREATION CONSIDERED IN VILLAGE EXPANSION PROGRAM

Any carefully planned community must include a full consideration of the needs of its residents for recreation. This program is not being neglected in Richland. We are proceeding with the installation of a lighted softball park. We expect, in due time, to provide a youth recreational center, a swimming pool, and many other requisites of a balanced parks and playgrounds program. We do not expect to provide anything more for the residents of Richland than they could expect to find in any other community of comparable size, but we do expect to bring Richland up

theme will be well received and supported by Richland, I believe, as it reflects so well the change which has taken place in the attitude of people employed in Hanford Engineer Works, and who live in Richland, since it has become increasingly obvious to all that the plant is being operated on more of a permanent basis, and not apt to close on very short notice, as was the current impression up until General Electric took over.

We are expecting several outstanding men to help us celebrate this year's Richland Day, including Charles E. Wilson, president of General Electric Company. I wish to take this opportunity to tell you that, although we will, of course, be celebrating something that has special significance to us on September 1, you are all cordially invited to be with us on that day.

CONSTRUCTION CAMP EXPECTED TO CONTAIN 16,000 PERSONS

Now that we have discussed various aspects of the tremendous expansion program about to begin both at Hanford Engineer Works, and in the Village of Richland, itself, there is one other question which many of you probably would like answered. I can tell you that it will, quite naturally, be necessary for us to have another construction camp, and that this camp is already on the drawing board, and the site decided upon. It will not be as large as the old Hanford camp was, in its booming days, but it will contain both barracks and trailer camp space sufficient to house the some 10,000 or more construction workers, and their families. Including families, population of the camp will probably reach around 16,000.

The camp will contain its own business district, although it will, of course, not have to be as large as Hanford's since Richland's merchants can handle a part of the task of supplying essential goods and services.

I would certainly be remiss if I did not very briefly outline to you the status of Hanford Engineer Works personnel within the General Electric family, a family that numbers some 162,000 men and women, employed in over 90 Works and branch plants located throughout the United States. Hanford Engineer Works men and women share equally with all other G-E people in the various employee benefit plans of the Company, and in the benefits made available to employees through all of the various operating policies of the Company. Such employee benefit plans as group life insurance, group disability insurance, the G.E. Pension Plan, and the G.E. Suggestion System have been placed in effect at Hanford, and the Company's two-week vacation with pay, and other operating policies apply to H.E.W. men and women. We feel that the employee benefit program as offered by General Electric Company, is one of the best, if not the best, available in the United States. The high quality of the personnel assembled at Hanford is a credit to du Pont Company, and we were extremely pleased that approximately 98 percent of them elected to remain and become employees of General Electric when the Company took over operation of the plant on September 1, 1946.

REPORTS PROGRESS ON EDUCATION PROGRAM

Another item of interest to many of you who may not have yet heard about it is the advanced education program which General Electric is conducting for Hanford Engineer Works

is a very natural move, when one considers that the facilities at the disposal of most universities. Men interested in pursuing studies of radioactive materials would be handicapped in their advanced educational desires, such an arrangement were not made available. There are still many problems to be solved in this educational program but I can assure you now that the major steps have been accomplished, and some real good will come of the present efforts on advanced education. We consider Dean Johnson's accomplishments to date as one of the outstanding features since General Electric assumed responsibility for the Hanford operation. The progress made to date, however, would not have been possible without the splendid cooperation we have received from the various educational institutions here in the Northwest.

ATOMIC POWER STILL DECADES AWAY

So far, we have discussed the past and present program at Hanford, and at Richland. We have, however, commented very little on the general atomic energy program.

So much that is said and written on that subject is pure speculation that I hesitate to go much further into this field than to correct several of what I consider to be false impressions that may exist on the possibilities of atomic energy's widespread, and immediate, application to peacetime uses. We must all admit that the success achieved at Hanford, and at other locations, is a milestone in man's progress in dealing with the highly perplexing atom. This preliminary success has, in many cases, lead to speculation and false hopes, as to the possible uses of atomic energy to produce power. The heavy shielding required on such plant precludes its use where extremely light weight is desirable. The shield would crush an automobile or truck. Atomic power on inhabited aircraft is extremely improbable. If it is ever applied to habitable planes, it will be in the very far, distant future.

Ultimately, it may prove feasible to design an atomic power plant for a locomotive, but even this does not seem feasible at the present time. Atomic plants for large naval and commercial ocean going vessels look definitely possible, and attractive in that they would reduce the frequency with which ships would have to be refueled. This may well be the first real commercial application. Atomic power plants for land use are technically feasible, and, in time will probably be applicable where fuel is not in plentiful supply and, therefore, high in price. Atomic energy is not yet being converted into commercially usable power. We are certain that such production is technically possible. It is probable that one or more experimental or demonstrative plants will be in operation within the next two to four years. The development of economically competitive atomic power is, in our estimation, a long term project, possibly requiring decades. Its advent will be gradual. We feel that atomic power will supplement, but not supplant present power sources. What may be termed the by-products of atomic energy--radioactive isotopes, radiation chemistry, metallurgy, fission products--may well prove of more importance to society than atomic power, itself, and we should probably realize many of these benefits more quickly.

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BETTER BALANCED ECONOMY in Richland is the Company's aim in proposing construction of new commercial facility

Personnel have expressed interest in the address by Manager D.H. Lauder at the official board meeting of the Washington State Junior Chamber of Commerce held in Walla Walla, Wash. on Saturday, Aug. 9. H.E.W. NEWS is in reprint of the text of his speech as a supplement to this week's issue. - Ed.

old that this audience includes representatives of more than 51 communities in the State of Washington. I am sure that you will all agree that the Washington State Junior Chamber of Commerce. Frankly, gentlemen, I have no more suitable group before whom I could discuss the details of the expansion that is in store for the Village of Richland, Washington. Richland is the home of the men and women employed in Hanford Engineer Works, the Atomic Energy Commission Area Manager's office, and of those employed by Richland's community facilities operators.

On January 1, 1947, to pick a recent date from which to begin this discussion, Richland was, in reality the village originally designed and constructed. There was no change that the casual visitor would note as a change from the original concepts of the early planners of the village. The inhabitants had for some time averaged around 15,000. All commercial facilities, as originally built, are still in operation, and are today, for that matter, the same. The number of facilities, and their range of services, was increased to only those which could supply just the essential needs of the people living in a temporary community would. With the exception of grocery and drug stores, the facilities provided in each of the other facilities provided is in line with today. There have, of course, been changes with the facilities, either as to physical alterations, buildings, or fixtures, but these are not apparent to the visitor.

Coming from an operation destined to end along with the operation on a permanent basis necessitated an overhaul for Village operation and maintenance it was obvious from an early date that almost all of the Village would require expansion, if it were to furnish its people with even a reasonable number of services one normally expects to find in a community of the size of Richland.

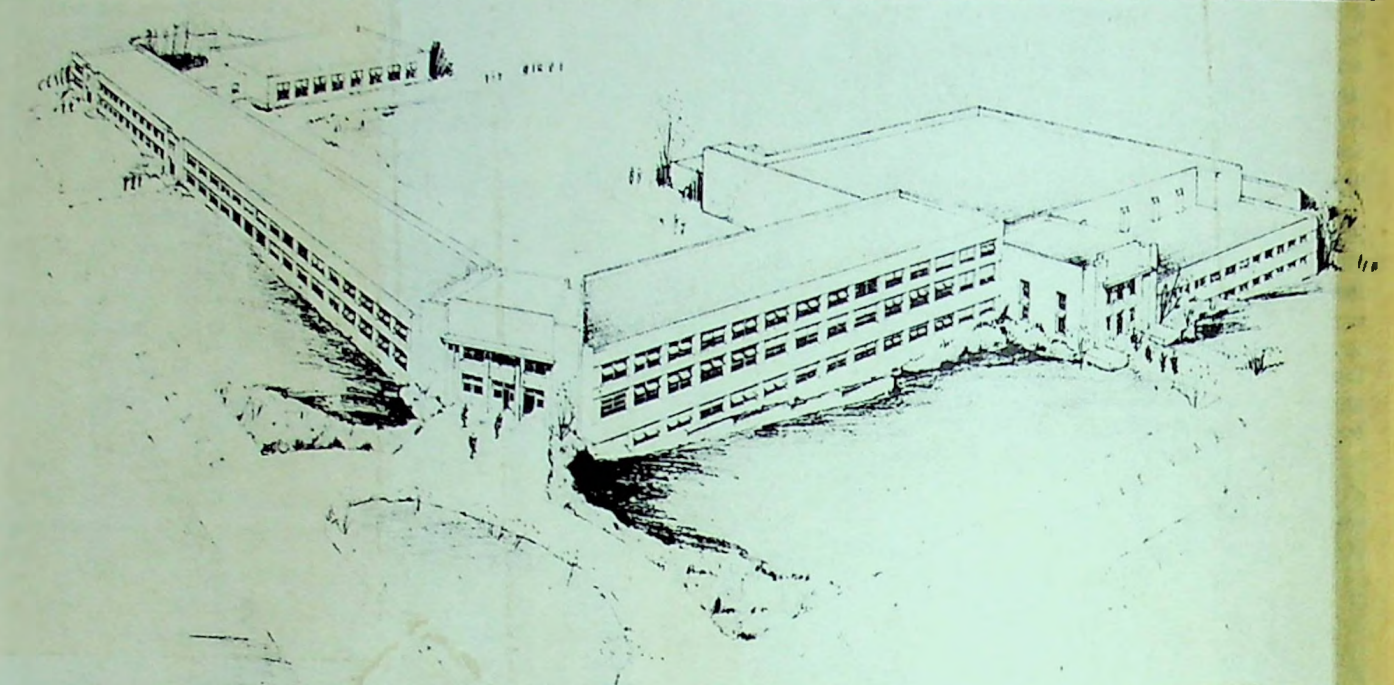
POPULATION OF RICHLAND NEAR 25,000

As previously stated, Richland's present population is around 15,000. Any increase in number of employees, however, increases Richland's population, as it is certainly a type of operation which attracts families. This may be accounted for by the fact that Hanford runs 24 hours a day, and assures its employees of continuous employment, with none of the layoffs suffered by many manufacturing industries. Many other sources of employment. Upon completion of the present planned expansion of the plant, we expect the population of Richland will more than double to 25,000.

Buildings in Richland are the property of the United States Government, and are operated by the Atomic Energy Commission, through General Electric Company as contractor. The resulting Village set-up in Richland is one of the unique in the world. The operating contractor is responsible not only for the plant and plant operating but also for the entire Village. Responsibilities within the Village include the rental and maintenance of houses and commercial buildings, the supply of water and fire protection services, street and high-voltage power, the operation of water and power distribution systems, and the medical and dental facilities,



Manager of the Washington State Junior Chamber of Commerce, D.H. Lauder, left, for the part of his organization's official board luncheon Aug. 9. Jaycee State President, ...



INCREASING EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES to meet needs of Village's growing population requires construction of a new Junior High School

including the hospital operation. In addition, the designing and furnishing of school buildings and facilities to the school board and state school system is the contractor's responsibility.

It was this arrangement, peculiar to the operation of Hanford Engineer Works, when compared with the operation of even the other AEC activities, that all details concerned in planning for operation of Richland on a permanent, peacetime basis fell to the General Electric Company.

Some intermediate steps in the conversion were, of course, begun almost immediately following September 1 of last year, when G.E. took over. Dust and pollen control measures, such as grass planting, tree planting, and other standard methods of attacking these problems have been under way since early spring. As a matter of fact, several thousand trees which had been included in a small nursery in the Village have been transplanted throughout various sections of Richland. The tree planting program will be resumed as soon as weather conditions permit this Fall.

What amounts to a major maintenance program has been undertaken, one of the main features of which is the painting of both the interiors and exteriors of all residences. At the inception of the painting program, which involves pre-planning of color combinations for the exteriors of houses in a given section, or group, we encountered the usual objections to color combinations. I am certain, however, that you will now find practically all of the residents in accord with the results that are being obtained in this program, especially since it creates a more neighborly atmosphere.

CORRECTS POPULAR MIS- CONCEPTIONS ABOUT HEW

Since Richland depends almost entirely upon Hanford Engineer Works for its industrial support, it would be well, I believe, to establish a few fundamental points concerning this plant, which is fast becoming one of Washington State's largest industries.

Hanford Engineer Works is not, and never has been an atomic bomb plant, although newspaper writers almost invariably refer to Richland as the home of atomic bomb makers.

No bombs have ever been built in Hanford, and no one employed there knows anything at all about how to make an atomic bomb.

Hanford Engineer Works is not an atomic power plant. No electricity is produced there through the conversion of atomic energy.

The operation of Hanford does not raise the temperature of the Columbia River, as it has been reported from time to time. Such reports have stated that the resulting rise in temperature is harmful to fish life. The actual fact is that the change in temperature of the river is so minor that it cannot be detected.

Hanford Engineer Works was built during the war for one purpose only, and that was to produce Plutonium. That purpose was accomplished. Many factors, including an abundance of pure, cool water; an abundance of available power; a wide expanse over which to build the plant's various units, thus affording maximum security; and the necessity of inconveniencing the smallest possible number of people made its present location the one best location in the entire United States for Hanford Engineer Works.

We are proud of the fact that Hanford is one of the safest industrial plants in the entire United States in which to work. There has not been a single injury to date that has been, or can be, charged to radioactivity. The industrial injury frequency rate achieved by HEW men and

out the State of Washington. Credit for this commendable record, of course, goes to the du Pont Company for its foresight in installing an adequate safety education and injury prevention program from the date operation of the plant was begun. Continuation of that program, and continuously revising and improving upon it wherever possible, has produced our present enviable industrial safety record. Our operating motto at Hanford is: Find a safe method of accomplishing the result desired, and then follow that method in securing the result.

The expansion of Hanford Engineer Works, itself, as already announced by the Atomic Energy Commission, includes the installation of technical processing plants, and facilities for research and improvement to existing production units. This plant, as is the case with any industrial plant, will probably be continuously remodelled to offset obsolescence. Remodelling of any plant is an expensive and difficult program to execute, and the program being entered upon at Hanford is no exception. Neither security regulations, nor good judgment permits our talking in detail in regard to the plant expansion. We can, however, examine in much greater detail the planned expansion for the Village of Richland.

G.E. EMPLOYMENT HERE TO REACH 7000

To establish a background for discussing Richland's expansion, it should be understood that we have on our waiting list for housing in excess of 450 applicants who are now working at the plant, but for whose families there are no housing accommodations either in Richland, or in the immediate vicinity. Our Personnel Division has open requisitions on hand for an additional 1700 employees. And these 1700 employees, required within the next six months, are not in any way connected with our construction program. They are, in fact, employees which we expect to maintain continuously on our rolls. At the moment, we have some 5300 employed at the plant, and as may be drawn from the above statement of our requirements, we expect to reach a normal operating force of about 7000.

To give you some idea of the variety of skills required among this group of 1700, I can tell you that we need chemists, doctors, dentists, biochemists, physicists, metallurgists, zoologists, water engineers, spectrochemists, metallographers, stenographers, clerks, typists, and men from all of the building crafts. This is by no means a complete tabulation, but it does give you some idea of the scope of our requirements.

A major expansion of housing accommodations in Richland is the only feasible solution to the situation which faces us. We have, at the present time, approximately 3900 housing units in the village taking care of a population of approximately 15,000. It is expected that when the plant personnel reaches the 7000 total, the normal population of the Village will be, as I have already mentioned, approximately 25,000. Simple arithmetic indicates that to increase 75 percent in population, a similar increase in housing units will be required.

INITIAL CONSTRUCTION TO INCLUDE 500 HOMES

A start has been made on the housing program. Approval has been secured from the Atomic Energy Commission for the construction of 500 units. These houses will be concrete block, stucco-type construction, as shown in the architect's sketches displayed here. The houses will be of two-, three-, and four-bedroom designs. The contract for the construction of these units has been awarded to a co-adventure combination of Guy Atkinson Company, and the



Scheduled for 100% occupancy by the end of the month are these multiple housing units pictured in the foreground above. According to C. W. Weeks, division supervisor for housing, approximately 32 of the 64 man-and-wife apartments are already occupied (those shown in white

in the background). Each apartment has a living room, bedroom, kitchen, bath and an extra roll away bed in the living room. The units are located on George Washington Way north of the Transient Quarters.

Aerial View of New Housing Addition



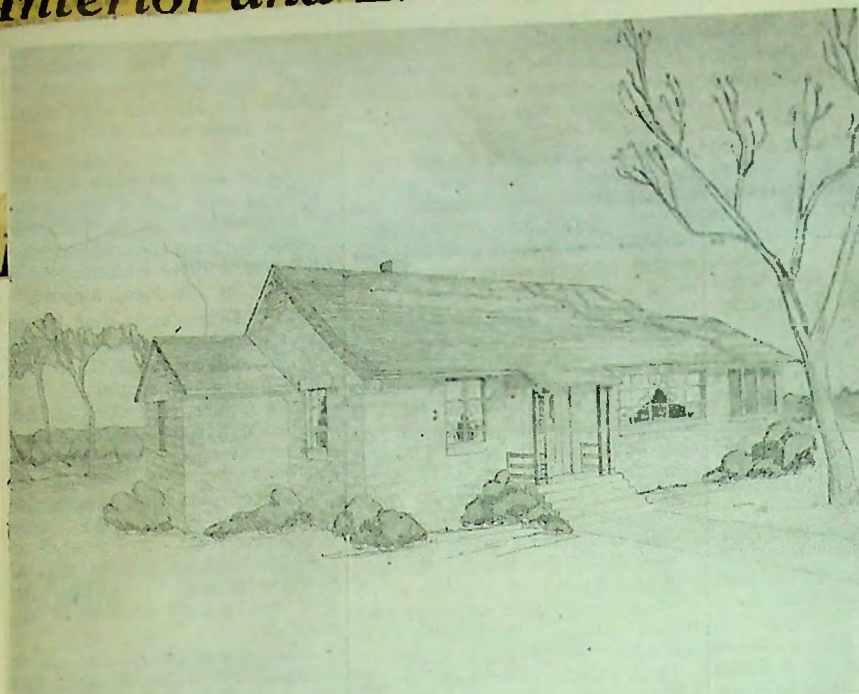
Among the more ideal locations for the new houses now under construction in the village is this area along the Columbia off north George Washington Way. Various types of block and frame houses are being erected in this area. A few have been completely finished. Others are

finished on the outside, and are being finished inside. Some villagers on the long list, drive past every day, to see the construction progress and counting the units. The next will be at the top of the hill, Johnson.

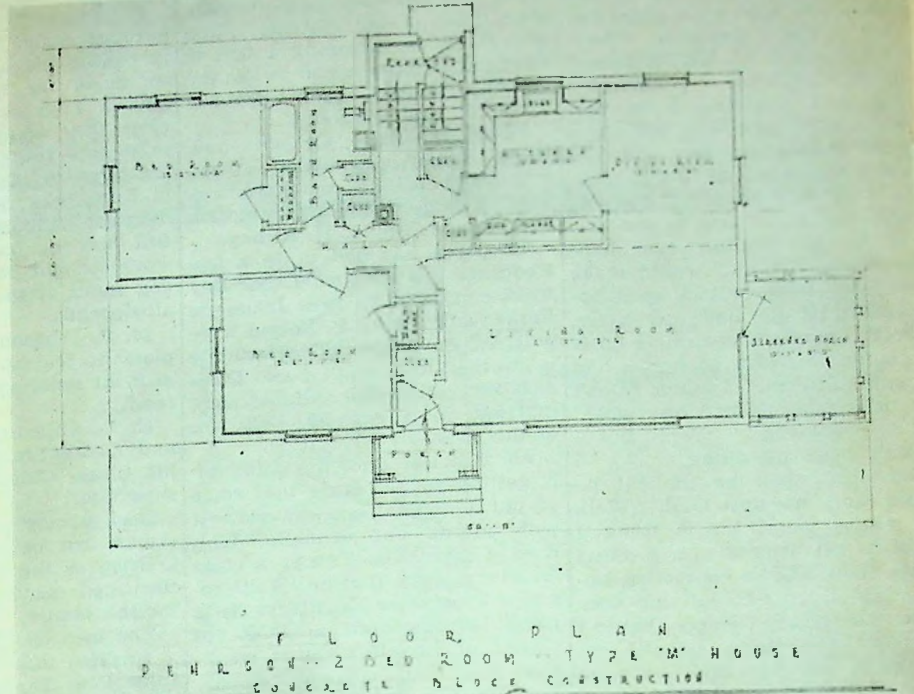
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Interior and Exterior of New Hanford Works Homes . . .

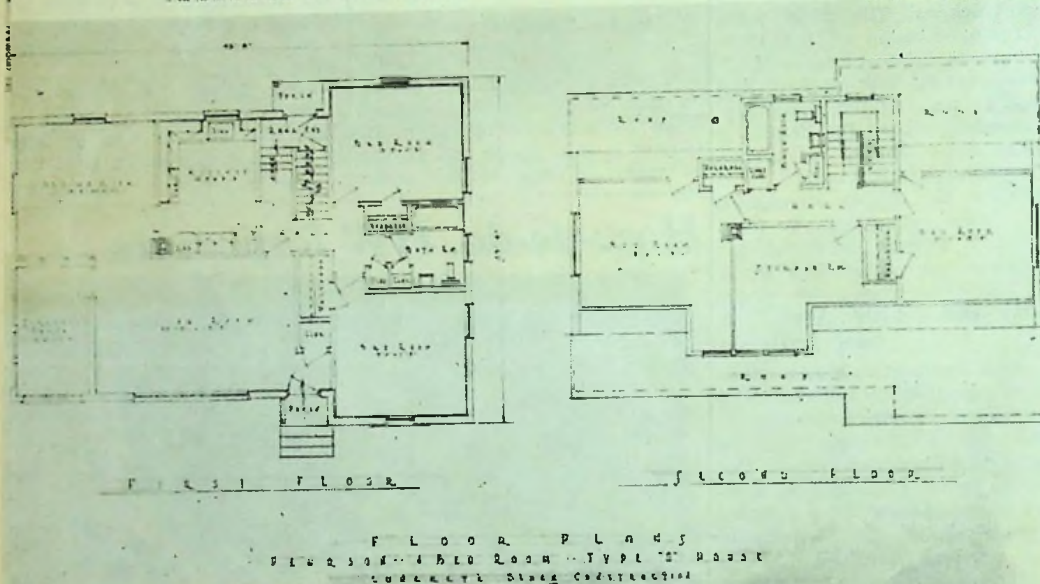
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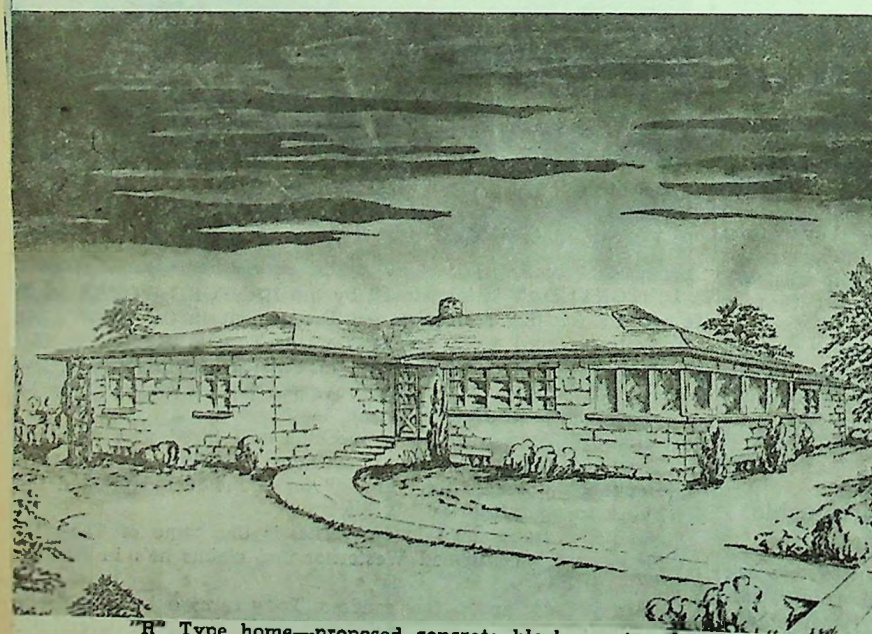
"M" Type home floor plan—two bedroom size . . .



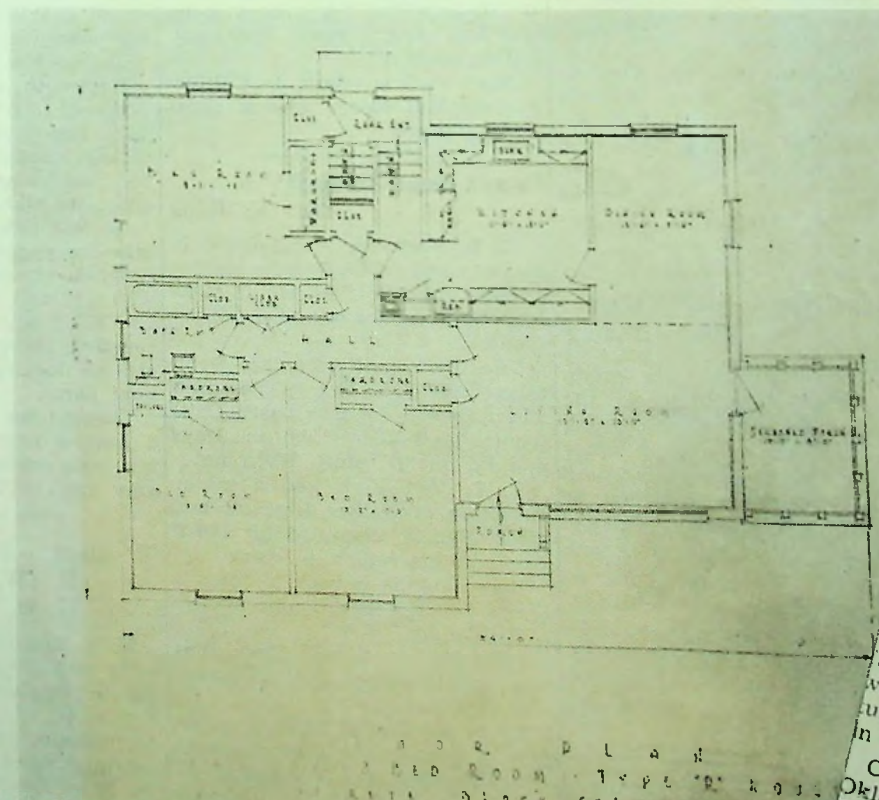
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"S" Type home—proposed concrete block construction . . .



"R" Type home—proposed concrete block construction . . .

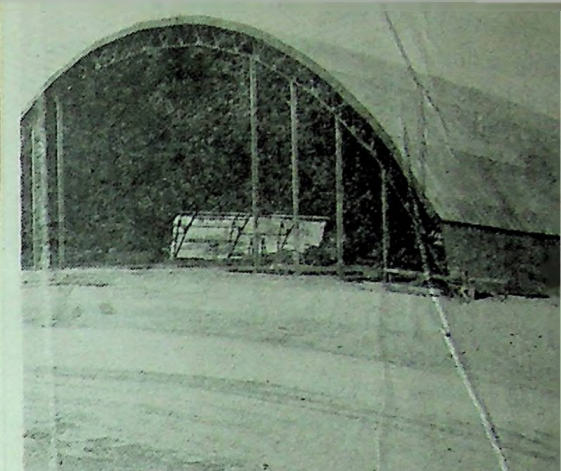


"R" Type home floor plan—three bedroom size . . .



"V" Type home—permanent

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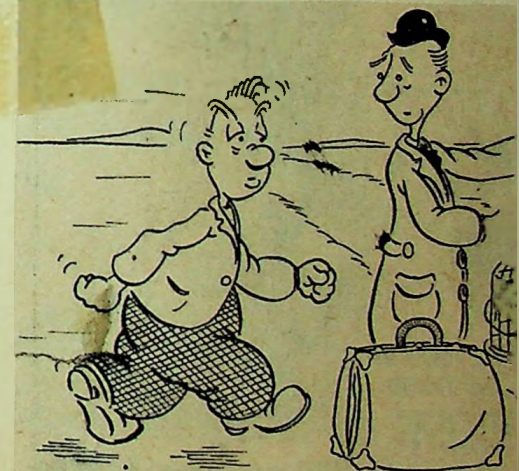


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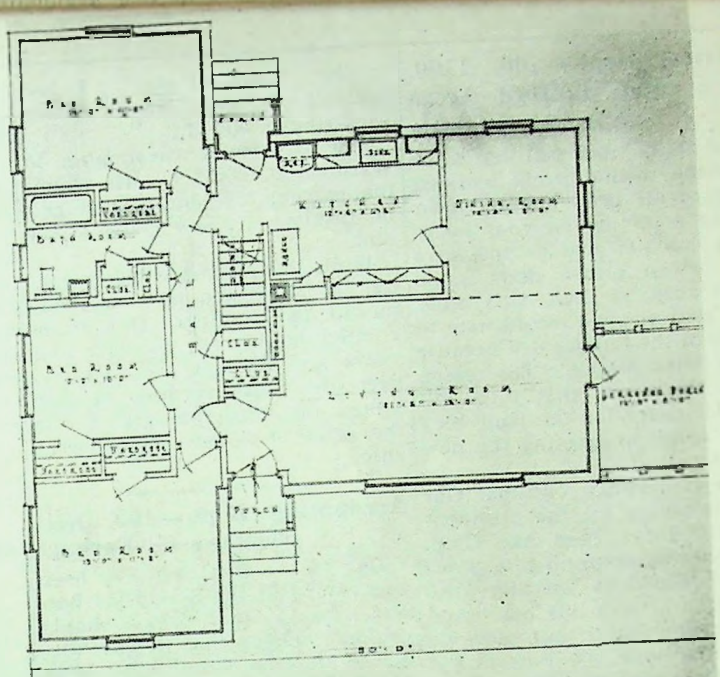


CAN I CATCH A BARRAC TO NORTH RICHLAND

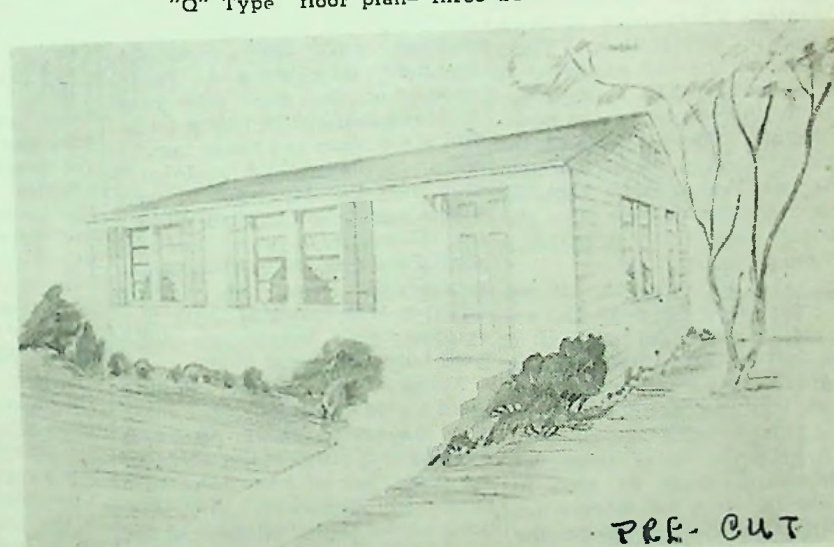
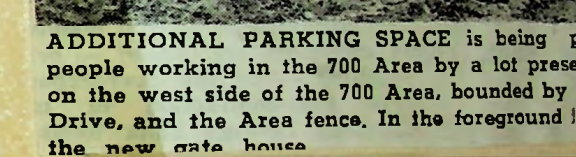


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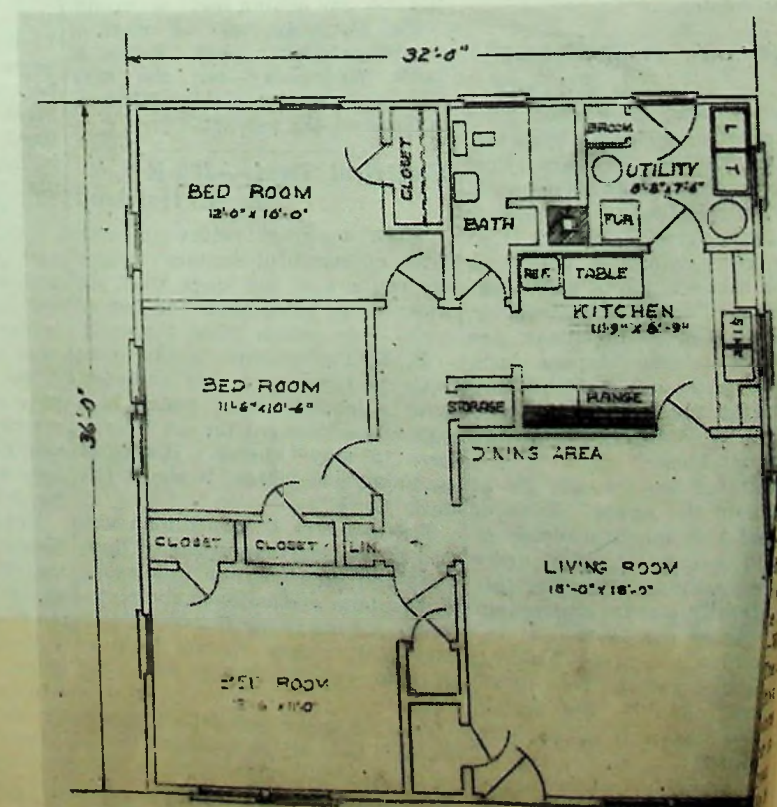
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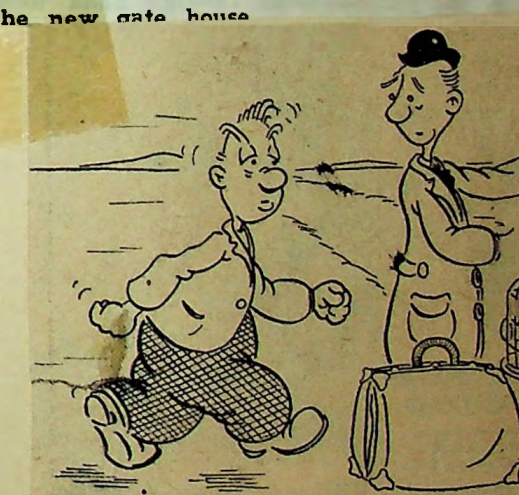
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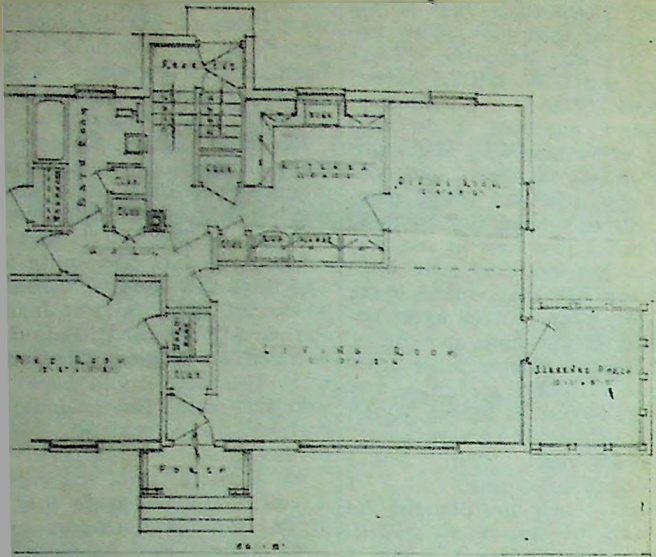
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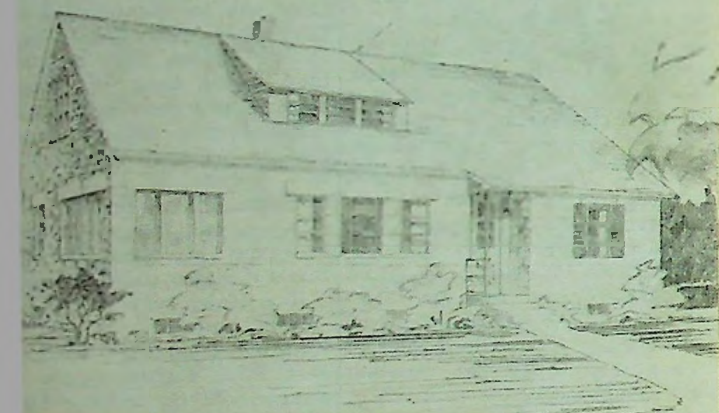
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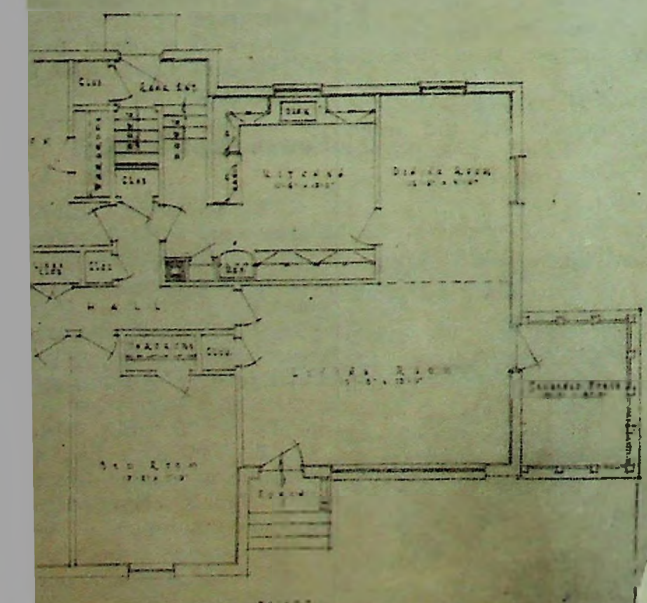


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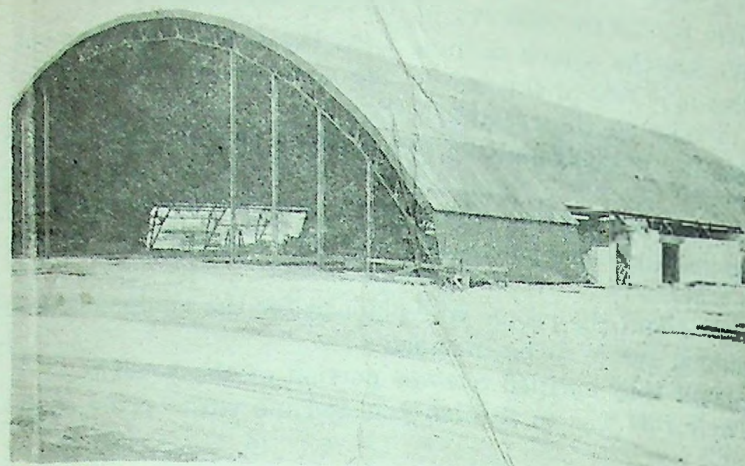


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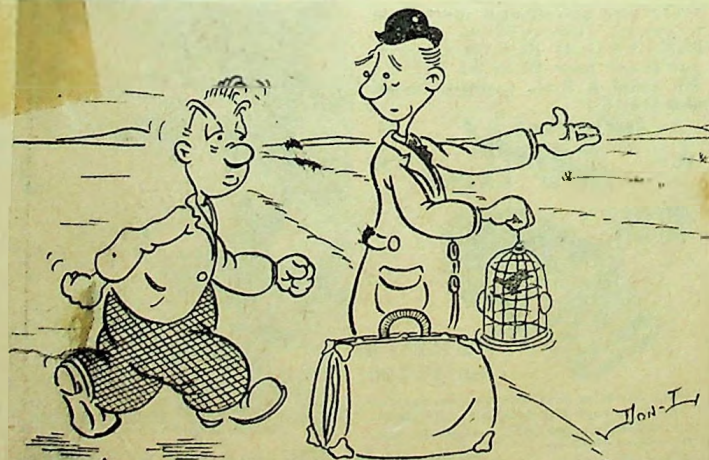


IN ADVANCED CONSTRUCTION STAGES, the building above, when completed, will house the combined Maintenance Dept. shops, and supervisory offices in the 700-1100 Area. The new building is a surplus army hangar, and plans provide for it to be completed about the first of the year.

"It's a hangar. See all the wires hanging down?" 1947
More Room . . .



ADDITIONAL PARKING SPACE is being provided for those people working in the 700 Area by a lot presently being prepared on the west side of the 700 Area, bounded by Swift Blvd., Stevens Drive, and the Area fence. In the foreground is the foundation for the new gate house.

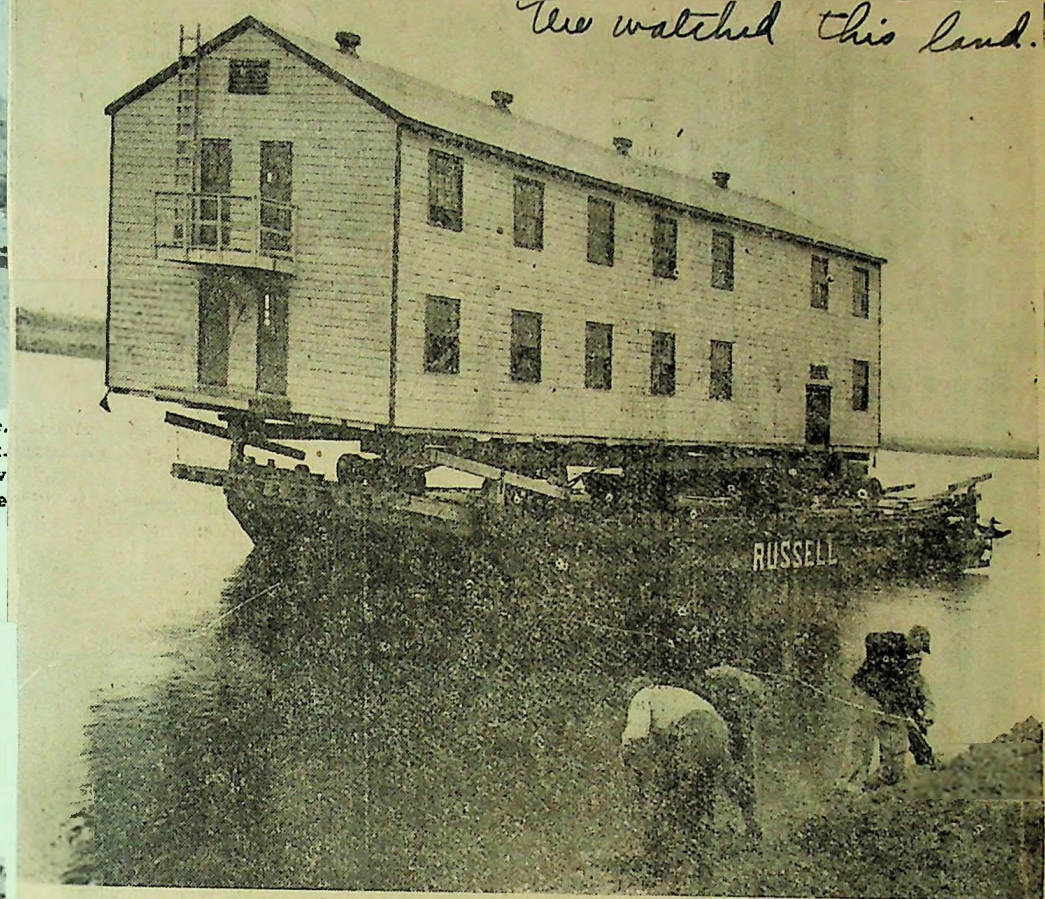


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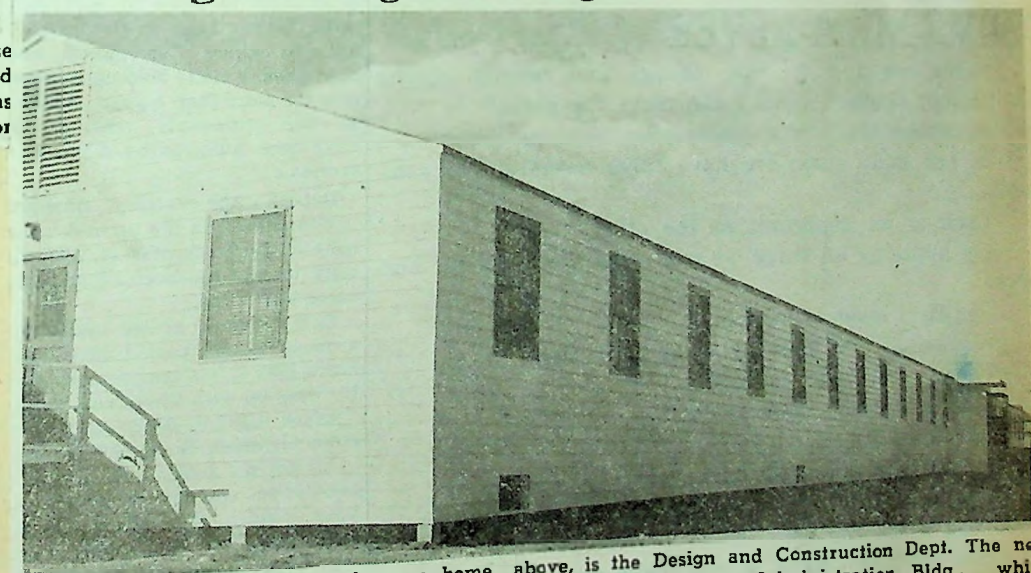
Barracks Cross River

You watched this land.



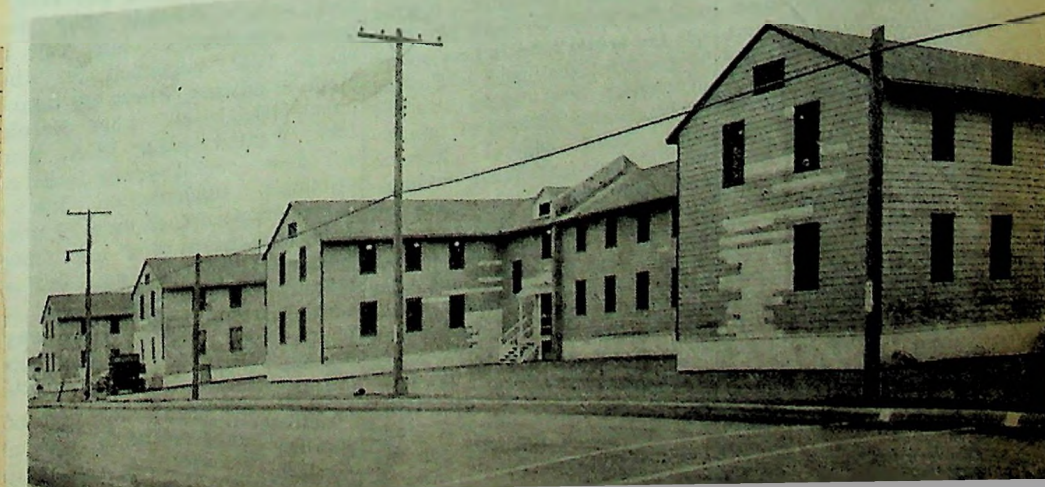
First of the 46 two-story barracks to arrive from the Pasco Naval Air Station arrives on the Richland side of the Columbia. The unit, which is 30 feet high, 30 feet wide and 80 feet long, is completely equipped as it stands, including washrooms. Together with the trailer which moved it, it requires 38 foot clearance, which necessitated raising all electric wires between the Pasco Air Station and North Richland.

New Engineering Building . . .



OPEN FOR BUSINESS in their new home, above, is the Design and Construction Dept. The new Engineering Bldg. was constructed from sections of the old Hanford Administration Bldg., which were moved into Richland.

Converted From War To Peacetime Use



ENTERED IN ANY POST BOX AS THIRD TRASH MATTER

COLONEL CLARKE TO RETURN TO ARMY LIFE



Picture of the Colonel when he landed at Miami Beach during the war.

IT IS "FAREWELL TO CHARMS" WITH DEPARTURE OF ISABEL CLARKE



The Colonel's Lady, Richland's first military lady, or whatever one wishes to call her, remains a lady in every true sense of the word. Beautiful, charming, and gracious Isabel

Clarke is one of those rare people who finds no fault in anyone and in whom no one else finds fault. She typifies American motherhood, Miss American Beauty and American hospitality at its best.

Richland has an abundance of fine attributes -- swell people, good weather, happy children, social advantages -- but it would never have enough of Isabel Clarkes.

Best wishes go to Isabel from all of her Richland friends -- and Richland is not happy over scratching her name from the list of village attractions.

GENERAL "IKE" DEMANDS RETURN TO ARMY RAN OF HANFORD AREA HEAD

Lt. Colonel Frederick J. Clarke's tons are marked "U.S.".....that stood us we guessed, but his orders indicate belongs to Uncle Sam.

The War Department has directed Clarke to report to New Mexico for ment to the Special Weapons Branch ed by General Leslie R. Groves.

This handsome young officer s equally handsome wife and childre leave Richland on September 2nd f ing Richland Day. The Junior Chamk other Richlanders are peeved at Clarkes for not following the town of "We Are Here To Stay" and adopt of their own of "We Are Here To St:

Col. Clarke has been especially in this community for having an e ly attractive wife and a garage.

The Clarkes departure will lea a void space in project and co affairs that a program is being in to bring to Richland 10,000 more to fill the gap.

To honor Col. Clarke and his the project will be on a holiday ule on September 1st, and on th the Richland villagers will st community celebration which will a parade, sports events and an street dance. It just so happ that day is also Labor Day and Day.

Chat



Charles E. Wilson, president of al Electric company, chats with F. J. Clarke following the nd Day ceremonies in the vil- square when Mr. Wilson de- the keynote address, and Col. made his last formal appear- before people of Richland prior ving for his new assignment.

1. Clarke

Leave on

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landers and project "person- ll be keenly disappointed to that Lt. Col. Frederick J. area manager, has received transferring him to another ment.

Clarke, who was assigned atomic program nearly two ago and shortly thereafter ed Col. F. T. Matthias as- engineer and commanding of- of the Hanford Engineer s, will leave Richland on Sep- r 2 reporting for a new army- ment with the Special Weap- project near Alburquerque, Mexico. Although details of new assignment have not been ed by Col. Clarke, it is his- standing that he will become tive officer at the Sandia

in charge of New York harbor work, has been named manager of the Hanford directed operations of the United States Atomic Energy Commission with offices here in Richland, it was announced by AEC chairman David E. Lilienthal at a press conference Saturday.

His appointment, Mr. Lilienthal said, "is a continuation of the Commission's policy of finding a man with industrial experience and point of view as manager of atomic installations."

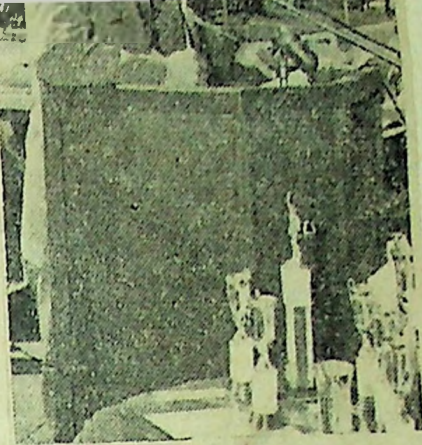
Mr. Shugg will be the senior AEC official at the hugh Hanford Engineer Works and will supervise all operations of the plant.

Past experience has provided Mr. Shugg with firsthand knowledge of the job he will undertake about September 1. A native of Boston, Mr. Shugg graduated from the Naval Academy in 1920. His naval service included a year and a half as Engineer Officer aboard a destroyer, a year at the Naval Academy post graduate school, two years study of naval architectural engineering at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and six years in submarine repair, conversion and salvage work. As technical representative in the Bureau of Construction and Repair, he assisted in the development of submarine rescue and salvage techniques, including the Momsen lung, the diving bell, pontooning and other safety features.

Mr. Lilienthal stressed that Mr. Shugg comes to the Hanford Engineer Works as an industrial leader rather than as a Naval officer, as he resigned from the Navy in 1929. A short time later he joined Sprague Electric company in Massachusetts, serving as factory manager and production manager in a new plant which grew to 200 employees and was later converted to the manufacture of civilian gas masks.

In 1940 Mr. Shugg became associated with Cramp Shipbuilding company, and supervised construction of the new Philadelphia yard, then directed production until 1943 when he went to Todd Shipyards corporation in New York. Early this year he was made general manager of the Hoboken and Brooklyn Divisions of the company.

Upon his arrival here September 1, Mr. Shugg will be responsible for the recently announced construction program of HEW which includes enlargement of Richland itself besides extensive additions to the manufacturing areas.



Carleton Shugg, newly-appointed manager of the Hanford directed operations of the Atomic Energy Commission, who takes over the post handled so ably by Col. Clarke during the past year, greeted villagers at the Richland Day ceremonies in the square. Shugg, former general manager of the Todds Shipyard corporation in charge of New York harbor work, comes to Hanford with highest recommendations of David E. Lilienthal and the AEC members.



Bell Telephone President Is Visitor; Takes Tour of Area



Expansion of Hanford Work is indicated on a chart by Carleton Shugg, manager for Atomic Energy Commission, O. E. Buckley, president of Bell Telephone Laboratories, New York, Richland visitor for a week. The telephone executive is a member of the commission's industrial advisory group and reactor consultant for AEC.

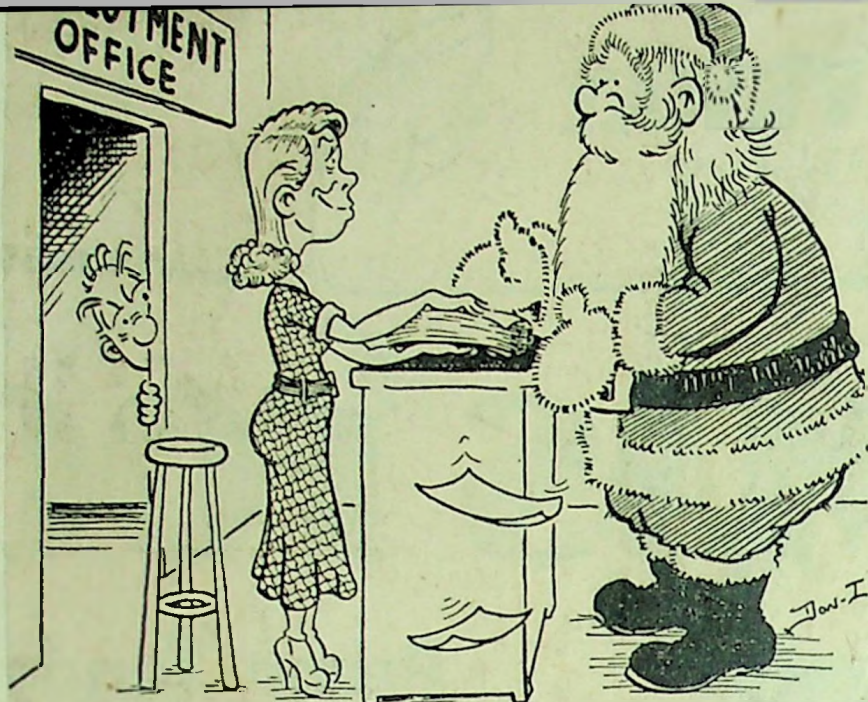
General Manager Visits Here

January 1944





MAS GREETINGS are being prepared for the Division of the Municipal Building by Otto Koch of the Division. The display depicts Santa Claus arriving with a message of Merry Christmas to all.



BUT GIRLIE - DO I GOTTA FILL OUT ALL THOSE FORMS - HAVE MY PICTURE TOOK - BE FINGERPRINTED - TAKE A PHYSICAL AND STUFF? I AINT GONNA BE WORKIN' HERE LONG Y'KNOW.

1947 President Wilson's Christmas Message

EMPLOYEES OF GENERAL ELECTRIC CO. are certain things to which we hold fast, no alarming or how discouraging the course of seem. Most of us have within us a deep essential goodness in others, and to the extent recognize and count on these traits in fellow-beings, we have to possess and exercise of them ourselves. Some bold spirits can even occasionally who will say a good word publicly love. Whatever may be our individual Christmas—whether it be thankful, joyful, we should especially welcome it as that year when men and women speak from their spirits of others.

As we must admit that the world is not as we would like to have it, or as we only a little time ago that it would be today. We had expected that by now it might be further road towards stability, understanding, and it is hard to avoid the conclusion that the domestic policies of every nation would be a healthy dose of the Golden Rule. But not the fear and starvation that is abroad, and blind selfishness in far too great a measure, some strength and encouragement this holiday the fact that we are setting in motion, here in times that must in the long run counteract and these evils. They are forces that will be effective make them effective, with our goods and our talent for productivity, with our enthusiasm and common sense, and with our reverence. These are the things which will conquer love on the international scale. In this Christmas, we can produce more, eat less. The multiplication millionfold of and extremely practical gifts from us as a step far towards easing the pain of the world.

For all of you know that nothing gives me more pleasure than to wish you and your family the happiest, and most satisfying Christmas, successful New Year, that you have ever enjoyed.

CHARLES E. WILSON, President
General Electric Co.

1947 Work on Christmas Program



Hard at work on a community-wide Christmas program are these three villagers. Left to right, as they look over preliminary plans are Don Berst, who is in charge of the Yule dance, J. P. Pierard, general chairman, and Jane Jones, who will coordinate caroling. First program will be held in the high school stadium on December 22.—Rob Johnson photo.

rowed from Holland where a postal clerk handling thousands of Christmas letters and packages during the holiday season in 1903, hit on the idea of each piece of mail carrying an additional penny stamp and using the money to build a children's hospital.

In 1904, promoted by King Christian of Holland, the first Christmas seal went on sale, and Einar Holboell, its originator, lived to see his idea travel around the world.

The idea was adopted in the United States in 1907, when a public health worker in Wilmington, Emily Bissell, was told that a tuberculosis sanatorium where she was employed was being forced to close for lack of funds.

Remembered Seal

The institution needed but \$300 to continue operating, but Miss Bissell could find no one interested in donating funds toward what they considered a lost cause. It was then Miss Bissell remembered an article she had read concerning the



Christmas seals in Holland. Immediately she sketched a design for the first seals to be sold in the United States, and sales assured the future of the sanatorium, and began America's concentrated against TB.

Last year TB seal sales amounted to 17 million dollars, enough money to care for each of the estimated 500,000 cases of TB now in the United States for one week.

Tuberculosis seal sale funds are used not only to care for TB patients, but also for case-finding, rehabilitation, health education and medical research.

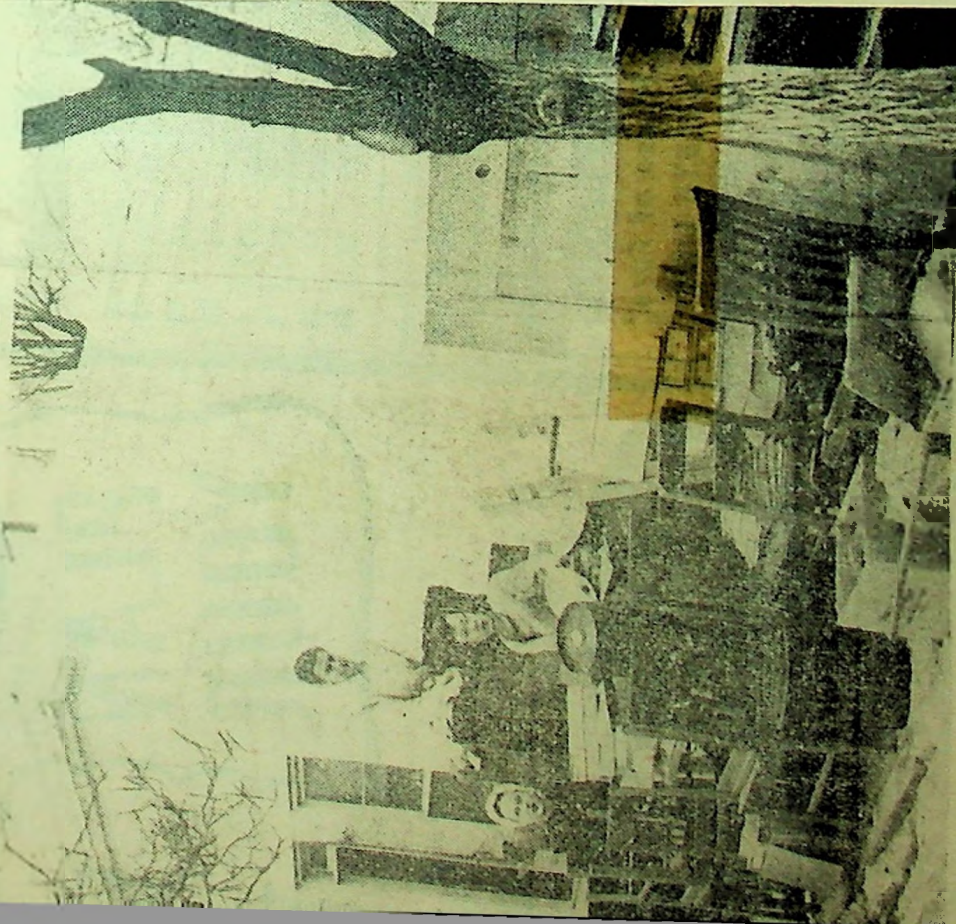
Christmas Crowds Jam Post Office



Dress Village for Christmas 1947



Not Big Construction Jobs and Library Just Swapped



vidence of the housing shortage in the village of The Villager and his staff, home- Saturday while waiting to move into their George Washington Way where the library library on Lee, reestablishing the books librarian Mathia Hanson was rapidly ac- d time to talk over details concerning the Rex Vaught, chairman of the library com- tal in putting the Villagers, Inc., library Sevedge, committee member.—Rob John-



Strong Arm Men Evict Paper Staff

What looked like one of the biggest construction jobs on the project last Saturday proved to be, after all the dust and debris were cleared away, merely a swap of locations between the village library on George Washington Way next door to Binyon's, and The Villager office, on Lee near the park.

A crew of strong arm men, headed by Jack Plerard, president of the board of Villagers, Inc., and Rex Vaught, chairman of the library committee, poured into the old Villager office at 8 in the morning, executed a quick plier movement and within a few minutes had evicted the editor and his staff, stacking all their equipment on the sidewalk outside the old library building.

Despite the cold, not being able to find typewriters, notes or blue pencils, and ignoring commands

Overcrowded classrooms at the Lewis and Clark grade school will be a thing of the past with the opening of the autumn semester, when new classrooms will be ready for use. An entire

new wing is now being added to the building, and the hutments now on the grounds will be removed as soon as classrooms are ready.—Rob Johnson photo.

to drop in and look over the new library and browse through the books.

The new library has space for tables so patrons can stay there and read. The building has been repainted inside, but Miss Hanson promises this is but the first of more changes to come.

A certified librarian, Miss Hanson has held the little library together for the past two years, hoping for the time when the library could expand. This was made possible February 1, when Villagers, Inc., declared it a free village library.

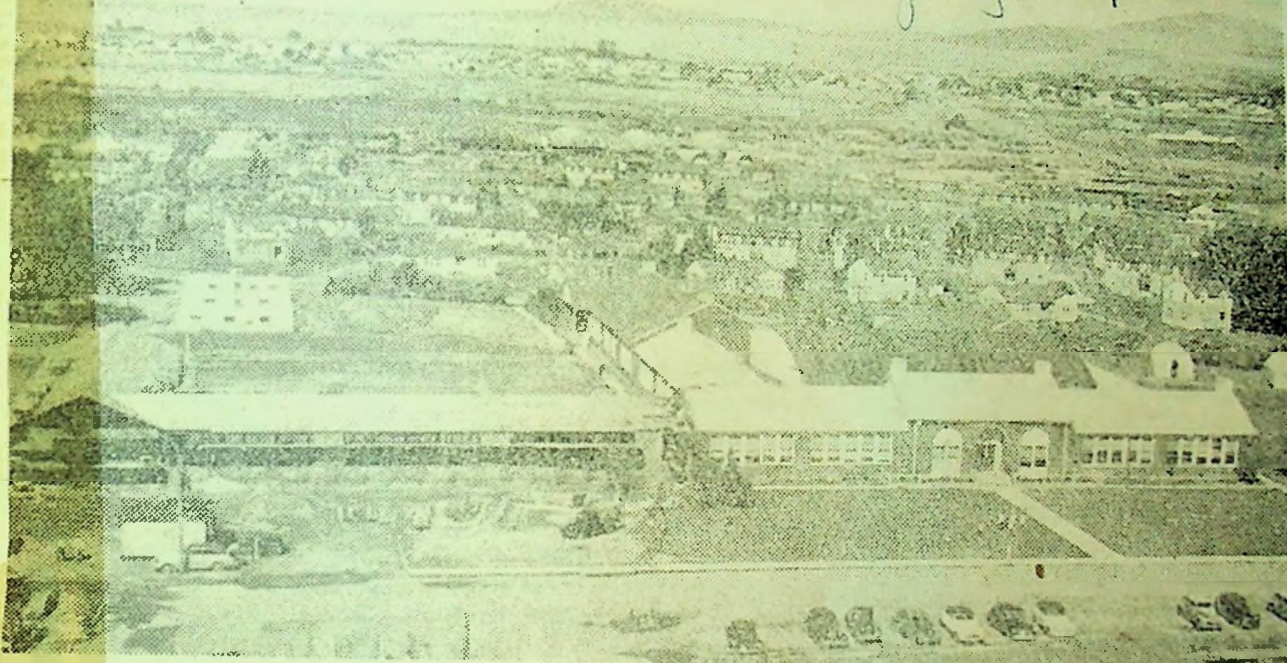
The library was closed Monday while Miss Hanson finished getting things settled, but is now open at regular hours, 3 to 7 p. m. five days week.

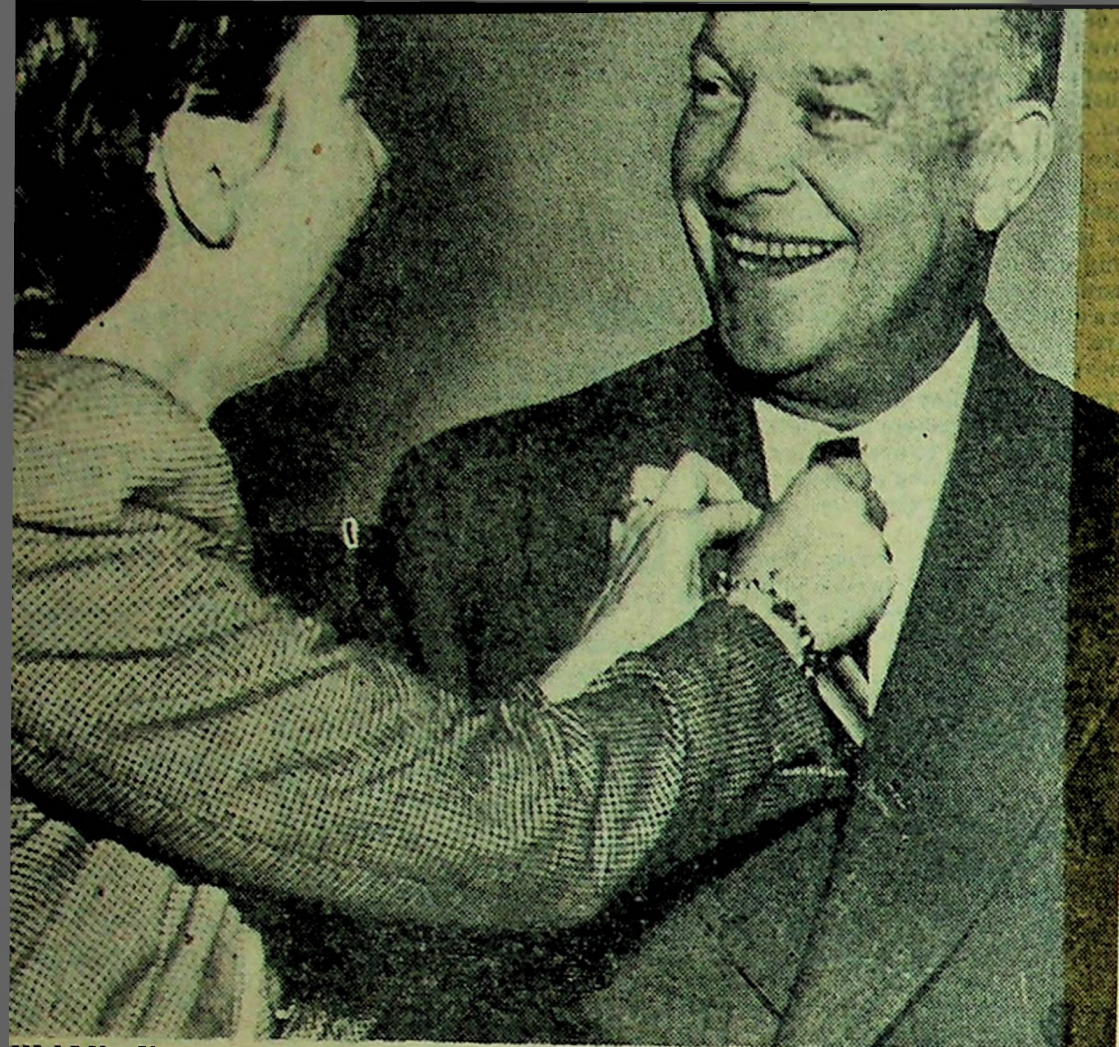
The Villager staff went right to work the minute they were moved

Lewis and Clark School's New Wing To Be Ready in Fall

*Robert gets this
announcement in early
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July 1949





VILIAN—Yesterday Dwight D. Eisenhower, who guided the armed forces of all history to victory in 1945, donned a gray striped suit, white shirt and striped tie, then posed for first

pictures as a civilian. Mr. Dwight D. Eisenhower is pictured with Mrs. Eisenhower at their Fort Myer, Va., quarters. Note the broad smile by the retired general of the United States armies and ex-chief of staff. —(Associated Press Wirephoto.)



at Grandmother

a. Eleanor Roosevelt, wife of late President, hugs Nicholas Delano Seagraves, 5 months, in Portland, child for first time. The boy is son of Mr. and Mrs. Roosevelt Dahl of Portland.



Mrs. Mamie Eisenhower

"Mrs. Ike" Is Charming Person Who Avoids Discussing Politics

By Douglas Larsen

Washington—The other day a close friend of Mrs. Mamie Eisenhower asked her what she thought it would be like to live in the White House. The reply, with a hearty laugh:

"That subject isn't discussed in this house."

Mrs. Eisenhower, who has a politician's memory for names and faces and a personal aversion to politics and gossip, is the last person who'd be likely to give you the answer to the Ike-for-President dilemma. She keeps strictly to the sidelines.

To her very close friends, mostly army wives, she is the gal to whom they tell their troubles, knowing nothing will be repeated.

At her house, gossip is absolutely forbidden. But when a tidbit of good news or a funny story is floating around, the first question that is asked is, "Have you told Mamie yet?" She's the unofficial leader of her "gang," and it's not because her husband was their husbands' boss.

Plain black and white photos

of Mrs. Ike don't begin to do justice to her looks and personality. She has a rosy, smooth complexion which requires a minimum of make-up; sparkling gray-blue eyes, long lashes, and reddish brown hair.

Her 51 years don't show. During the war, when she worked hard for the Red Cross, waiting on tables in canteens and doing similar jobs, an attack of pneumonia almost proved fatal. Her weight dropped to a scant 108 pounds. After Ike came home she admitted to friends that she gained 18 pounds and is in perfect health. She never has to diet.

Her taste in clothes runs mostly to tailored suits. A friend reports she has 10 or 12 of them in the closet. Hats don't interest her particularly, but she loves shoes. She likes the longer dresses of the "new look," but hopes "they don't get too close to the ankles."

Politics, economics and heavy subjects hold little interest for the General's wife. She does a lot

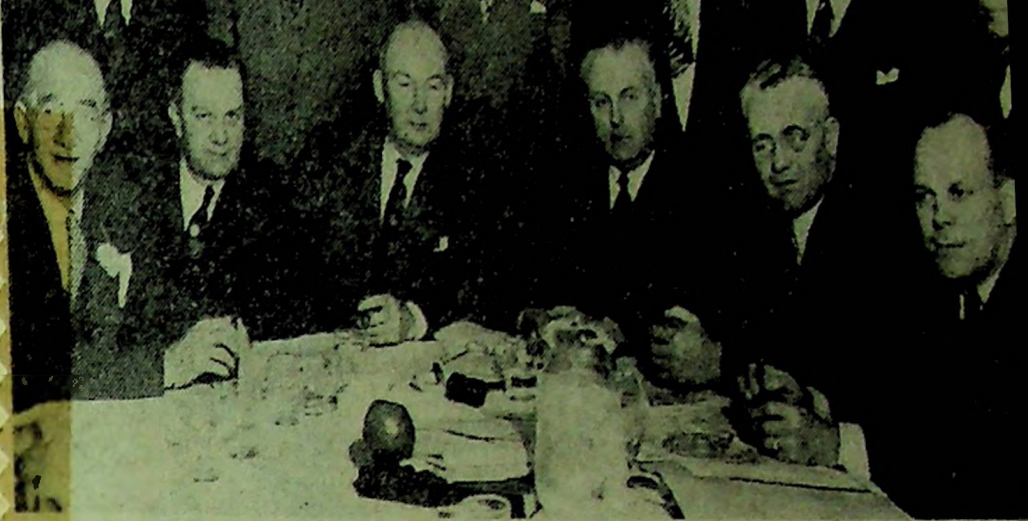
a perfect example of the man of action—Dwight D. Eisenhower. I was asked to photograph him one day while his four brothers were visiting him in New York City, at the time when he was President of Columbia University and not of the United States of America.

When I arrived, I was shown an old snapshot of the five brothers standing in a row in order according to age, as they had posed long ago for the family album. Ike asked me whether I could repeat the pose now, almost 50 years later, and I did so. But this picture of five men in a self-conscious line made me feel like an amateur. It is the kind of stiff, lifeless picture which the experienced photographer avoids.

I asked the brothers to group themselves in a relaxed and informal way around Ike, still keeping them in order of age. To get some action and expression into the picture I asked the General to tell a joke. Without a moment's hesitation he launched into a story. I was taking my pictures with multiple flash, and just at the crucial moment, when all the brothers burst into loud laughter, my wife and my assistant were busy changing bulbs. I had missed my chance for a picture.

"General," I said, "I hope you have another story as good as that one. I'll have to try again."

He immediately began another yarn



Members of the board of the Association of Washington Cities who conferred here yesterday on municipal matters and the association's convention to be held here in May are, left to right, front row: Al Rochester, councilman, Seattle; Harry J. Ahlers, commissioner of finance, Wenatchee; Mayor Arthur Meehan of Spokane; Mayor C. V. Fawcett of Tacoma, and

Mayor Morris Callaway of Sumner. Rear row: Mayor Louis Vimont of Chehalis; Don Hester, bureau of government research and services, University of Washington; Mayor Ebner of Pullman, Mayor C. M. McC Moses Lake, and Joshua H. Vogel, planning public works consultant, bureau of government research and services, U. of W.

...FROM GROUPS...

*Louis Vimont is my cousin
hard to live in Richby,*



Washington State Mother
Mrs. Floyd L. Perry, Pasco



COMMUNITY LEADER DIES—Funeral services for Walt Sommers, executive secretary of the Benton County Red Cross and former manager of the Richland Chamber of Commerce, were held Saturday in Prosser. Mr. Sommers was stricken with a heart attack Thursday and died a short time later in Kadlec hospital.

Our Good Neighbor.

and Ina Dean Funk. The subject was "The Enjoyment Obtained in Knowing Various Ages and Types of People."

The following officers will be installed at the Founders day banquet the last of April.

Ina D. Funk is the newly elected president who, as vice president and rush captain this past year, gave the chapter national recognition by winning third place in the national rush contest. Jane Jones, newly elected vice president, also added laurels to the chapter in the publicity contest. This past year as publicity chairman she has created more enthusiasm and interest in the program than has been done in the past. Penny Everton was elected recording secretary for the coming year, her original ideas have helped the social committee

on which she has worked hard the past two years. Harriet Gerdes is the new corresponding secretary. She has been chairman of the monthly party committee. Jean Miller, newly elected treasurer, has aided the social committee during the year.

MISS INA DEANE FUNK SETS JUNE 6 AS WEDDING DATE: Miss Ina Deane Funk, whose engagement to Mr. Norman Dam was announced not long ago and who has since been the honored guest at a number of showers and a few small gatherings besides, has now set her wedding day. The wedding will take place June 6 at the United Protestant church.

Not all of Miss Funk's friends are aware that her bridegroom-to-be is a native son of Richland, but such is the case. He was born in what is still the family home, the residence of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Dam of 1113 Lee Boulevard. Miss Funk, herself, came here in 1943 from Colorado. Young Mr. Dam is now a student at Washington State college, Pullman, and Miss Funk is employed in the accounting department of Kadlec hospital.

National Editor Feted by BSP

A surprise visit by Marian Thompson of Kansas City, assistant editor of the monthly publication, "Torch," put out by Beta Sigma Phi and circulated among members of that sorority throughout the United States, was the occasion of a number of social events gotten up in a hurry but nonetheless charming because of haste in their preparation.

The first was a dinner Monday evening at rec hall, given by Alta Upsilon chapter. Following it, a reception attended by about 20 at the home of Mrs. Hugh Huff, 1308 Torbett and on Tuesday the officers of all three Richland chapters, Beta Iota, Beta Kappa and Alpha Upsilon united in holding a noonday luncheon at rec hall.

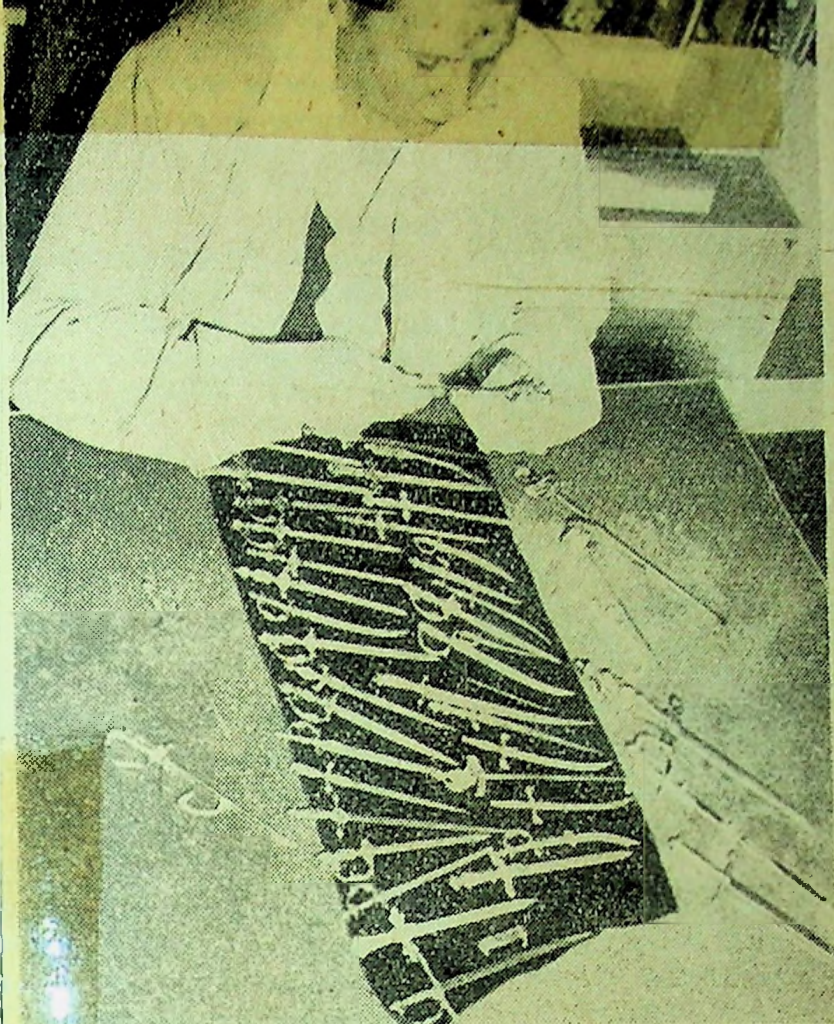
Mrs. Marion Burton, president of Alpha Upsilon and also city council president, met the visitor at the railroad depot Monday afternoon, and conducted her to the dinner which had been set for 6:30 p. m., also seeing her to Mrs. Huff's for the reception. Mrs. Huff entertained her overnight and took her to the Tuesday luncheon.

None of the women belonging to Richland's three chapters had ever met Mrs. Thomson, who came from Seattle where she had been attending the founders' day banquet

and other festivities of which the banquet was the outstanding one.

She stopped over in Richland en route to Kansas City which is international headquarters for the

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Mathea Hanson, librarian at the Village library, holds a miniature sword paper cutter that is an exact duplicate of Anne of Britany's official sword. The unique collection contains many replicas of famous swords in history.

Mathea Hanson Travels World In Quest of Unusual Swords

By VELMA CLYDE

An ancient sword that hung in the family home during the childhood days of Mathea Hanson, English instructor and librarian at the Village library, cut through the filament of time and carried her in imagination to the lands of

the crusades and the later battle-grounds of renaissance kings.

This close association with history's most colorful figures have held a life-long fascination for Miss Hanson and led to her unique collection of miniature swords (actually paper cutters) that are exact duplicates of rapiers, sabers, daggers and swords used by famous historical persons.

A replica of George Washington's dress sword started the collection, which to Miss Hanson's knowledge is the only one of its kind in the country. The tiny sterling silver sword paper cutter is the exact duplicate of George Washington's sword that is one of the prized treasures of Mt. Vernon.

It was about this same time, while living in Cambridge, Mass., that Miss Hanson found another interesting letter opener of the same type—a miniature of the sword of the first governor of Massachusetts, William Bradford. The original of this is in the State House in Boston, Mass.

"You see, two of anything starts a collection, and that was the beginning," she said.

MUCH TRAVELED

A short time later Miss Hanson visited the lands wherein she had dwelt in imagination during her girlhood . . . France, England, Italy, Germany, Belgium, Holland, Switzerland, Austria, Norway and Sweden. These places, rich in his-

Hanson has several miniatures of these, fashioned carefully in gold and revealing the simple beauty of medieval art.

BISHOP'S SWORD

More intricate in design, but in the same general outline is the miniature sword of the Bishop of Chartre Cathedral, located approximately 60 miles south of Paris. The original of this sword represented the power and authority of the bishop's office and was approximately six feet in height. Like the original, the miniature paper cutter bears the bishop's coat of arms.

Most novel in the collection is a duplicate of Napoleon's sabre, with an added feature. In a tiny glass-covered cylinder approximately one eighth of an inch in diameter, at the base of the handle, are four pictures of Napoleon, representing phases in his career. These pictures are plainly visible when the tiny cylinder is held to the light. The covering glass is actually a strong magnifying glass.

Miss Hanson's collection reveals the history of swords and their uses by the fashioning of the handles. The early symbolic swords were without handles, but gradually handles appeared until they became the hand-guards for dueling, such as those on the Heidelberg dueling swords, duplicates of which are in Miss Hanson's collection.

ANNE'S SWORD

One of the most cherished by the collector is a replica in miniature of the sword of Anne of Britany, which was a symbol of her office and royal position. The original was six to eight feet long and shows the marked trend in design that eventually developed into the Fleur de Lis of France. It was undoubtedly fashioned by one of the famous silversmiths of this period of the renaissance.

The exquisite miniature is a faithful reproduction of the Royal sword and bears Anne of Britany's coat of arms and the symbol of her house—an ermine.

There is also a replica of the sword of King Louis of the ninth

lays of the project. The knife is of famous old Damascus steel (Miss Hanson says you can tell it by the 'sworls') with a handle of rare cloudy jade, set with precious stones. According to Miss Hanson, it is obviously an Oriental piece and is probably about 200 years old. A protective end piece which fits over the case is of pure white jade, studded with emeralds, rubies and amethysts. The stones, hand set in the jade, are bedded in fine, pure gold wire.

25 YEARS' WORK

She attaches only intrinsic value to her collection which represents efforts of approximately 25 years, and its historical significance lies in with her interest in metallurgy and jewelry.

Miss Hanson was impressed with a miniature replica of a Japanese Hari-Kari ceremonial sword, which she has in her collection, until she discovered it had

been made in Germany. "It's so ridiculous that it should have been made in Germany," she said.

During the time she has lived in Richland the collector has given many talks and entertained a

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large number of persons with her little swords. She gives religious talks, historical talks and rousing, blood-thirsty narratives of the battles which the interesting weapons represent.

Mrs. C. R. Larrabee Is Favorite of Veterans

The heartfelt thanks of the more than 400 veterans at the hospital in Walla Walla have many times been extended to the Richland American Legion Post and Auxiliary for their work at the hospital. Chiefly

responsible for the projects conducted on behalf of the veterans by the Auxiliary, and always willing to lend the feminine touch to any undertaking by the post is Mrs. C. R. Larrabee, chairman of the Auxiliary's rehabilitation and welfare committee.

Mrs. Larrabee is a favorite among the fellows at the hospital, probably because she feels that the personal interest shown in the welfare of the patients there means far more to them even than the things the American Legion has presented them.

During the Christmas season, the auxiliary was especially active in helping the boys at the hospital select and wrap gifts for their families.

Mrs. Larrabee made several trips to the hospital, taking time from her own busy household schedule to help the veterans send home gifts.

The hospital operates a gift shop, where the men can purchase all types of gifts, including many articles made for them by Auxiliary members. The local group meets once a week to sew for the hospital. Recently the auxiliary purchased a sewing machine for the Legion hall, so members can now sew there rather than at individual homes.

Shortly before Christmas, Major W. C. MacBrayne, commander of the Richland Post, and Mrs. MacBrayne, delivered to the hospital 64 purple heart boxes which were distributed to veterans wounded in the war. This annual project sponsored by the Legion Post also had Mrs. Larrabee's touch, as she arranged for the packing and personally checked each box before it left here.

Since Christmas, the Auxiliary has purchased a chrome card table and chairs for the convenience of the fellows. Each month the group sends the hospital \$7 which is spent to enlarge their collection of records.

Their next project is a St. Patrick's day dance, to be held in March, from which profits will go to purchase a leatheravenport and chair for the hospital lounge.

Edith Larrabee has set the date for her wedding to Everett H. DeMeyer of Superior, Wisconsin, and is wondering how in the world she can ever get ready by that date.

According to Mrs. Larrabee, the patients receive adequate care, and all necessities are supplied, but the Legion adds a bit of homey comfort through their efforts.

Mrs. Larrabee has long been active in Legion affairs, serving as entertainment chairman of the group in Aurora, Ill., where she and her family lived before her husband was transferred out here.

But the rehabilitation work interests her far more. The Larrabee's had two sons in service during the war, Frank and Ted. Ted is still in the Army, with eight years service behind him. The couple has four other children, Pat, Edith, Charles, and Mrs. Marjorie Nelson. Marjorie and her husband, Joseph, have recently arrived here from Illinois, making quite a houseful in the Larrabee prefab at 1205 Sanford.

Mrs. Larrabee's activities are not limited to her family and the Legion, however, as she also finds time to sing with the Lutheran church choir, attending weekly rehearsals, and to work with the flowers in her yard. Already lilacs are budding, a sure sign of early spring, she says.

One of the first things the Larrabee's did, following their arrival here in the spring of 1944, was to seed a lawn around the prefab, way back then in the days of dust. The tremendous change and improvement in the village amazes Mrs. Larrabee in much the same way as her own energy amazes her friends.

the King in Richland Saturday morning, July 10 at 9:00 a. m. a pre-nuptial mass preceded the ceremony which was performed by Rev. William J. Sweeney. The altar was beautified by a profusion of gladiolas.

The bride, bright-eyed and charming—wore a white silk gown of the French period with chantilly lace at the neck-line, with illusion veil and gloves to match. She carried gardenias and white roses.

Miss Betty Clark was the bridesmaid. She wore a white satin gown with half-hat and gloves to match and carried a bouquet of carnations centered with a single red rose. Mr. Daniel O' Leary was best man.

During the ceremony Mr. William Haskins sang Schuman's "Ave Maria" and "Oh Lord I am Not Worthy," Miss Shirley Weehle presiding at the organ.

The bride's mother wore a pale green gown with white accessories and Mrs. Koehler, mother of the bridegroom was gowned in light blue with black accessories.

Immediately following the church ceremony there was a reception on the spacious lawn at the Larrabee home on Sanford. Under the shade trees and amid the bloom of shasta daisies, carnations, gladiolas and petunias the young couple received a hundred guests. They were assisted by their parents and by Mrs. Leeds Bayless and Mrs. James Smith. Miss Virginia Smith had charge of the guest book.

After a short honeymoon Mr. and Mrs. Koehler will reside in Richland until their new home is built across the Columbia River where they own a fine ranch.

The bride who is well known in the younger social set graduated from Columbia high school and her husband is a graduate of Pasco high school and served during the war in the air corps as a bombardier.

Things increase in value with age: "Cheese, whisky and Richland homes."

Although the FHA's general counsel said that, in his opinion, such things as the morale of the workers and the one-industry nature of the town couldn't be taken into account in setting the prices, the joint committee unanimously passed a resolution telling the FHA to take them into consideration and to readjust

that the disposal bill called for a minimum disruption of personnel at the atomic plants.

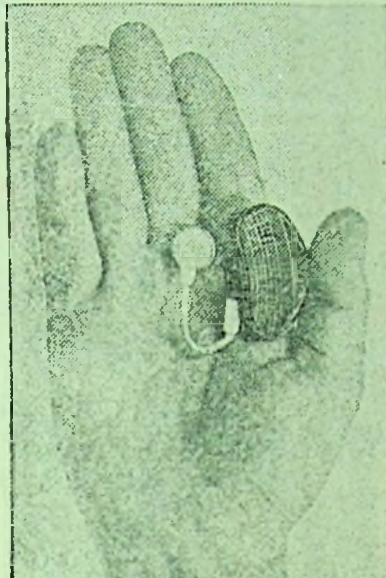
Further legal opinions were being sought by FHA officials in Washington recently on the proposed readjustments.

The sale program in Richland in the interim was stalled, awaiting the Washington action.

These are Richland duplexes built in 1951-52. Residents have made improvements, kept lawns.



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Pre-fab constructed in 1944 is typical of cheaper housing in the Atomic City.



PRESENT occupants of Richland homes will have first priority in buying them, and will get discounts of 15 to 25 per cent. The commercial property, including all the land and part of the business buildings—many of the buildings already are owned by private individuals and firms—also will be sold.

Richland residents already have voted in favor of operation of the community's Kadlec hospital by the Methodist church, and a ceremony marking the change-over is slated for the fall.

The telephone system is to be turned over to a private company, and most of the community services

which now are maintained by General Electric company, prime contractor at Hanford for the AEC, will be shifted to the city of Richland gradually after incorporation which is set for the middle of 1957.

Actually, a transition toward normal city routine has been underway in Richland for several years. Services to residents have been curtailed, cut out completely or put on a paying basis. The city at one time was what one councilman termed "a utopia of services." Such things as kindling wood and lawn mower-sharpening were provided and it's reported that some residents sent youngsters on all-day rides on the

free city bus—baby sitters.

Services have attracted skilled desert communities and other States.

They still are as any community in the States, but not as good as previous ones.

Residents want the government water and sewer system and other if they take next four years aside \$2,215,000 other improvements a good start.

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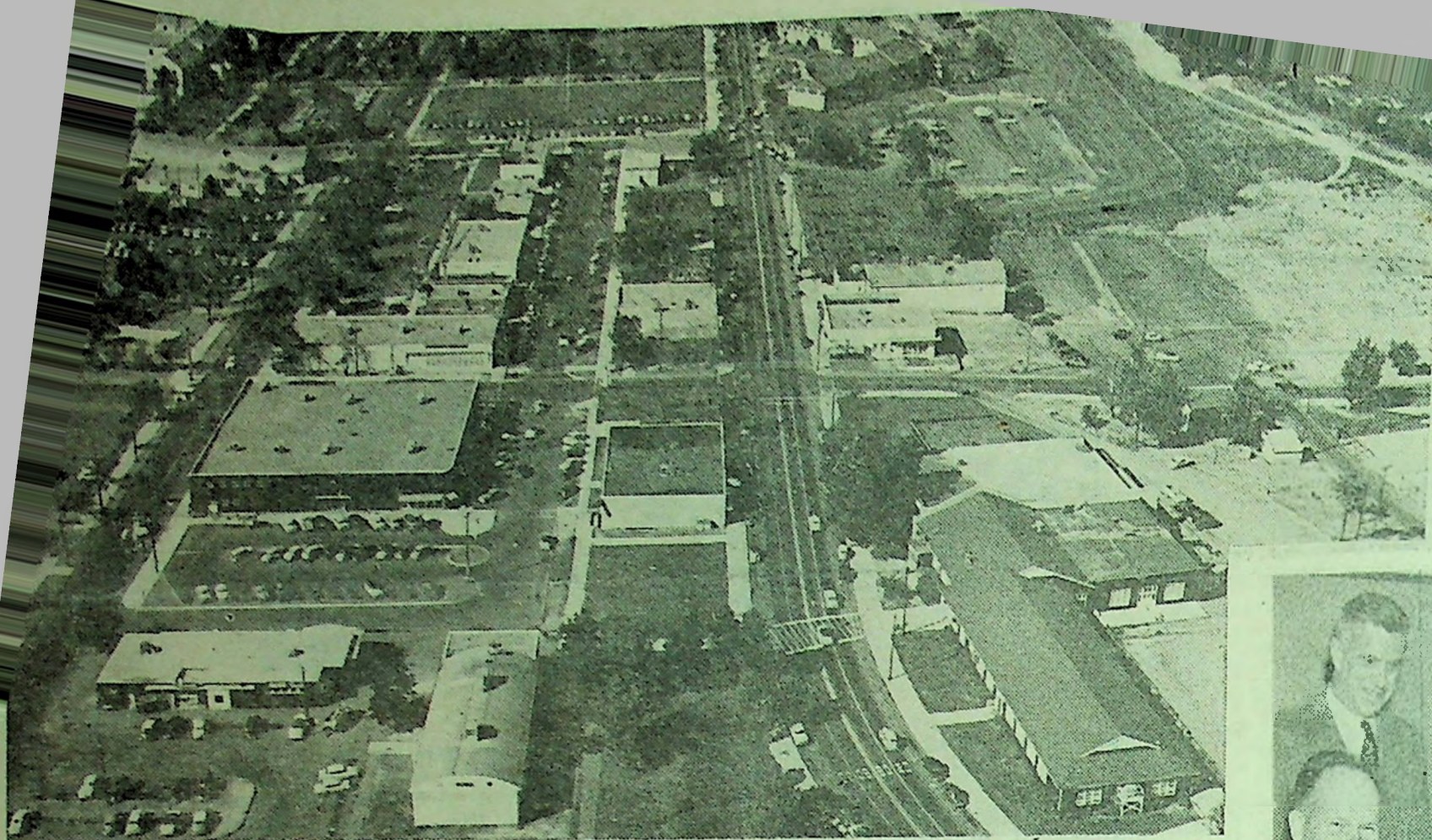
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Government-owned business buildings in Richland, like this Downtown district, are among properties to be sold.

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By Ted Van Arsdol

Snarls Into Snags and Postponements as the Community Aims at Best Deal



Councilmen working on thorny price problem for Richland are: Ex-Mayor Harold Monson, seated; Ex-Mayor Fred Claggett, standing, and Mrs. E. T. Merrill, the disposal chairman.

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The disposal bill passed by congress last year gave Richlanders five years from August 1, 1955, to take over the town's facilities and government. United States subsidies of an unspecified total will be provided for at least 10 years to keep up the level of community services so that the recruitment of more atomic workers won't be hampered.

RICHLAND since World war II has been a town owned and governed by the United States government. Residents rented from Uncle Sam, and were provided with a high level of fire and police protection and other services.

But a clamor for home ownership and self-government was stepped up by many residents, and officials in Washington also decided they could be setting a bad precedent by permitting the federal government to continue to dictate policies to a large American community on the local level, in exchange for providing residents there with good services.

Despite balloting of about 3 to 1 by Richland residents against home ownership and a vote by a narrower margin against self-government, congress passed the bill providing for the disposal of Richland and Oak Ridge, the atomic community.

of the atomic energy program, including peace-time uses and the related research," Claggett said.

Differences between Oak Ridge and Richland became apparent when the housing and home finance agency, which is to conduct the Richland and Oak Ridge sales, announced the FHA appraisal prices late in May.

Richlanders earlier had been protesting repeated delays in the price-posting. Business men said their trade had slumped badly because of the uncertainty.

BUT these complaints were minor compared with the storm of protest that arose when the prices finally were released. Mass demonstrations attended by as many as 2000 persons were staged, and nearly 7900 signed petitions saying that they would move from Richland before they would buy at the announced prices.

In Oak Ridge meantime the appraisal-posting had caused little commotion, only a few protests.

One major reason for this seemed to be obvious later when the atomic energy commission reported that the FHA appraisals on Richland residential property totaled \$41,500,000, as compared with \$36,500,000 in a 1952 appraisal, while the Oak Ridge appraisal had dropped from \$29,500,000 in 1952 to \$21,800,000 this year.

Stephen Barker, who had headed the FHA crew of appraisers in Richland, contended that the 1952 appraisal was "more of a horseback opinion." But

land figures. Some allowances were made for wartime construction of homes, but none was given for the one-industry angle.

Senator Warren Magnuson (D-Wash.), along with other congressmen, was deluged with letters and telegrams opposing the FHA prices. He said the appraisals stirred the biggest volley of protest he ever had seen.

WHEN several weeks passed without any apparent decision in Washington Richlanders contributed enough money to send a 14-member delegation chairmanned by ex-Mayor Harold Monson and including Mayor R. W. (Boh) McKee and Mrs. E. T. (Pat) Merrill, chairman of the city council's disposal committee.

Members of the joint committee on atomic energy proved favorably inclined toward Richland's request for price cuts, but the HHFA and FHA were more stubborn. When Lee Andrews, head of the HHFA sales program at Richland and Oak Ridge, was asked if he thought the delegation's protest was "representative" of Richland, he replied:

"I think it is representative of the attitude of the people in Richland. I think they will go along to get cheaper prices, no matter how satisfied they are. They go along for the free ride, if there is one, and they will participate in the activity."

When this testimony, given at closed hearing, was released, Andrews' popularity hit low ebb in Atomic City, where some newspaper writers on July 4 compared Amer-



THE CITIZENS Butch Scheffner (right) has little danger of being "thrown" by his work-bench horse in the stable of the Richland Riders' club. Scheffner and three other club members, from left, Ben Cox, Lloyd Baldwin and Ray Moller, were busy out from cleaning equipment in preparation for the club's big western horse show in arena May 9. Many entries in the 11-event show are expected from the Yakima valley and eastern Washington.

Johnson dated