

Calling The Shots For Invasion

HEADQUARTERS, EUROPEAN THEATRE OF OPERATIONS—Firing the United States army's field artillery guns on the enemy is not merely a question of pulling a lanyard and watching the shell burst. A member of the many field artillery units overseas is Pte. John E. Gross, Payette youth.

Highly specialized crews are necessary for observation and fire control, and these crews, with their units, are now undergoing the final "dress rehearsal" phases of training which will send them into action on invasion day.

Guided only by the sound and flash of the enemy guns, these men will direct the fire of their own batteries to silence hostile positions. They also observe the fire of their own guns, so that ranges may be adjusted with deadly accuracy.

Abbott Takes Bomber Training

MAGWELL FIELD, Alabama—Among those now beginning a nine weeks pilot training course on four-engine Liberator bombers here is P/O Jack Leland Abbott, of 504 North 6th street, Payette, Idaho.

P/O Abbott was hand-picked by army air forces experts as having those qualities needed to become a commander of four-engined battle craft, and his training will be as complete and thorough as the AAF can make it. On completion of the course here, he will receive further training within the AAF Training Command.

Captain Writes From China

Captain Fred Van Tassel of the U. S. Infantry, great-grandson of Mrs. M. E. Hulley of this city, writes the following:

"You now know I am not in Bengal as you once thought. I am glad of it, for the Chinese are so far superior to the Indian people it's not even a close race. I like the Chinese very much. God knows, I'll never in my life be treated as royally as I am now. I thank the Lord for the fine relationship between China and America. When

ever something goes wrong they look to us. How they think we can do no wrong. How they respect, admire, and visualize us Americans as their salvation. They are like little children. Sometimes it is so pathetic it brings tears to our throat. It nearly breaks your heart when you find it impossible to carry out something for them. They cannot understand, for they feel, nothing is impossible for the great Americans. Everyday I am barraged with questions such as: "Will you Americans help us after the war?" "Will you help us to make our country like yours?" I only hope my answers are true. It's too bad the people of America can't be made to realize that China is not just another far off country, or just our ally. Rather she is as a stepchild who looks to us for parental guidance. To fall her and betray her trust would be one of America's greatest crimes."

Captain Van Tassel is now officially a captain in the Chinese army. He said he appreciates the honor they have bestowed upon him as very few outsiders are accepted in the Chinese army.

James E. Morgan Given Promotion

From "Somewhere in England" comes the news of the promotion of James E. Morgan from the rank of second lieutenant to that of first lieutenant. The announcement was made by Major General Frederick L. Anderson, commanding general of the Eighth Air Force Bomber Command. Lieut. Morgan is the 22 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Morgan, of Route One, and he is a co-pilot of a Flying Fortress in the European area.

Bonded Debt Being Reduced

During the 1944 fiscal year, which is just closing, the City of Payette retired municipal bonded indebtedness in the amount of \$5,000, leaving a debt balance in the amount of \$62,500. The city treasury has available in the bond interest and sinking fund a balance of \$18,114.21 and the bonded debt accept payment until such time as but bond holders have refused to accept payment until such time as the bonds mature.

DICK FRENCH IN AIRPLANE CRASH

Dick French, Payette youth, who has been in the air service for sometime, last week was in an airplane crash at Greenville, S. C. According to word received by his parents, Dick lost two engines out of his plane which was almost a complete wreck. He escaped uninjured and now is going to Savannah, Georgia for another plane.

U-Boat Prisoners



BLINDFOLDED SURVIVORS, picked up from the sea after their U-boats had been sunk in recent sea battles, are shown in this picture aboard a British destroyer guarded by a bluejacket as they "follow their leader" to go ashore. These are only a few of the many who have been brought in during recent months. During the first half of December alone, British warships and American, Canadian and British aircraft fought three big convoy battles in which at least 13 enemy U-boats were sunk.

Wallace Herd High For December

Twenty-seven herds were tested for the month of December by Unit No. 2 of the Welser, Payette Gem Cow Testing association, according to a report released this week by Ebbie Hylton, tested. The twenty-seven herds consisted of 258 cows milking and 72 dry, a total of 329 cows. Total milk production for the month was 184,354 pounds; total butterfat produced 8,538.3 pounds. Milk averaged 560 pounds per cow and butter fat 25.95 pounds.

Wallace Henry has the high herd of four Guernseys, 41.02 lbs. butterfat. O. J. Neutze has next high herd of eleven grade Jerseys milking, 37.61 lbs. butterfat. Chas. J. Pritzl has third place with his herd of seventeen registered guernseys, 16 milking and 1 dry, 35.90 lbs. butterfat.

Herds producing from 30 to 35 lbs. butterfat are Ed Strohhahn, Joe Pritzl, Harry Snyder, Chas. Hett, J. R. Hett, J. N. Rise, Mrs. A. Mikkelsen.

Cows in herds that produced 50 lbs. butterfat or more: Wallace Henry, 3; O. J. Neutze, 1; Chas.

Pritzl, 4; Joe Pritzl, 1; Harry Snyder, 1; J. N. Rise, 1; Ed Strohhahn, 2; Welser Vocational School, 2; Ray Olson, 2; R. H. Clark, 1; Ed Mess, 1; M. F. Ziegler, a. S. 1; Stack and Jensen, 1; B. W. H. and Tombs, 1.

There were 57 cows in the association that produced more than 40 lbs. of butterfat.

The high cows for the month are two registered Holsteins owned by the Welser Vocational school, "Lark," 95.7 lbs. butterfat and "Echo," 87.3 lbs. butterfat.

Chas. Pritzl has high cow, a registered Guernsey, "Clement," three years old, 69.4 lbs. butterfat.

Harry Snyder, grade Guernsey, "Red," 47 lbs. butterfat.

V. L. WHITZEL RECEIVES COMMISSION

Word was received Saturday that V. L. Whitzel, manager of the Penney store in Caldwell, was commissioned Lt. (j. g.) in the U.S.N. Lt. Whitzel has several times in the past, conducted services in the local Baptist church.

ACTS ON LIVESTOCK FEED

As part of the government program to conserve livestock feed, and make the best use of available supplies in producing the maximum volume of livestock products, WFA has taken the following steps: (1) Elimination of the subsidy the Commodity Credit Corporation has been paying on corn moving from surplus to eastern and southern deficit areas; (2) an increase of 20 cents a bushel in the price of feed wheat on and after December 6; and (3) an offer to buy corn during the remainder of this month at the old ceiling price in approximately 150 counties on the fringe of the corn belt where the new ceiling on corn (effective December 6) represents a reduction in prices. OPA raised the maximum price on corn 9 cents a bushel at Chicago to correct inequities in the previous regulation. At the same time, the prices of oats, barley and sorghum grains were "frozen" at the highest prices of the five-day period, November 29 to December 3, pending issuance within 60 days of a permanent regulation on these feeds.

RATION-FREE SHOES

Sales of certain (chiefly novelty) types of women's shoes, ration-free, at three dollars or less a pair, have been extended an extra week—through February 5, OPA has announced.

TO FIGHT GAS, BLACK MARKET

A plan whereby gasoline ration coupons are made to individual motorists from carefully guarded central issuing stations is now being established by OPA. The plan is expected to eliminate traffic ration coupons, give OPA a check on issuance, and eliminate a great deal from local boards. To further fight black markets, about February 1, OPA will issue a notice urging enforcement of coupons to be inserted in newly issued gasoline ration books.

MORE COFFEE, COCOA IN 1944

Civilians will get more coffee, chocolate and cocoa in 1944 than in 1943, according to the War Food Administration. Four pounds more coffee and one-half pound more of cocoa beans have been allocated for each civilian.

STEEL SPRINGS FOR FURNITURE

In about 60 days, steel springs for upholstered wood furniture will be on the market, according to the War Production Board. Manufacture may use a limited quantity of steel springs under a new WPB ruling.

RETURNED WAR DOGS "REPROCESSED"

When the war dog comes home, he will return in his pre-war state of docility with an honorable discharge certificate and service record, the War Department has announced. Dogs are "reprocessed" to assure their welcome return to the community, and are taught to be friendly with all rather than

the few to whom they were originally allotted for war duties. Dogs are given a thorough physical examination before being sent home, and first are returned at government expense.

FACE DOWN ON SOME PEAS

Retail prices of whole dry peas should be about one and one-half cents a pound less, and split dry peas about two cents a pound less, under a recent OPA regulation, effective January 26.

EASE RESTRICTIONS ON PLUMBING

Consumers who wish to buy plumbing, cooking, and heating equipment in most cases no longer need authorization from WPB. Some of the items which need no priority rating are—bathrooms, lavatories, toilets, laundry trays, sinks, showers, shower stalls, condensation pumps, chemical toilets, drinking fountains, septic tanks, grease interceptors, flush tanks, scullery sinks and wash fountains. Unrationed cooking and heating stoves also may be purchased without WPB authorization.

Good Reminder

A bulletin board placed on the kitchen wall and used for inter-family reminders and messages is helpful in many households.



PUBLIC FARM SALE!

I will sell the following property on the ranch, 2 miles south of Fruitland, Idaho, 5 miles west and 1/2 mile north of New Plymouth, 1/2 mile north of the Fruitland, Nyssa, New Plymouth Junction.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28

SALE STARTS AT 12:30 P. M.

Lunch served on the grounds by the Methodist Ladies 2—HORSES—2

- 1—Strawberry roan Horse, 5 yrs., 1630 pounds
- 1—Black Horse, smooth mouth, 1540 pounds

6—CATTLE—6

- 1—Guernsey Cow, 6 yrs. old, 5 gal.
- 1—Jersey Cow, 5 yrs. old, 4 gal.
- 1—Jersey Cow, 6 yrs. old, springer
- 1—Jersey Cow, 6 yrs. old, 5 gal.
- 1—Jersey Cow, 4 yrs. old, springer
- 1—Jersey Cow, 7 yrs. old, 6 gal.

FARM MACHINERY

- 1—4 Wheel Trailer, good rubber with standard grain box, like new.
- 1—Wide Tired Wagon with Rack
- 1—6 ft. International Mower, good
- 1—12 ft. International Hay Rake
- 1—New Century Riding Cultivator
- 1—18 ft. Harrow
- 1—10 inch Walking plow
- 1—Slip Scraper
- 1—Wide tread Lister
- 1—Stanchion for 12 calves
- 2—Feed Bunks
- 1—Heavy Block and Tackle
- 1—Lawn Mower
- 1—Bench Vice—1 Mail Box
- 1—Basement Hand Pump
- Several Barrels, Forks, Shovels and many other small tools.

- 1—Good building 10 by 12, equipped with chimney
- Some Fence Post and Lumber

CHICKENTS

- 57—Buff Minorca Pullets

GRAIN

- 18 Bushels Wheat
- Some ground Barley and Oats mixed
- 1—Good Set Harness
- Several Collars

HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT

- 1—300 pound Safe
- 1—Singer Sewing Machine
- 1—Large Heatrola
- 1—Oil Stove (3 burners)
- 1—Davo' Bed
- 1—Library Table
- 2—Tables
- 4—Rocking Chairs
- 8—Chairs
- 1—Occasional Chair
- 3—Dressers
- 1—Steel Cabinet
- 1—Writing Desk
- 2—Beds with springs and mattress
- 1—Feather Bed
- 1—Floor Lamp, 1—Hassock
- 1—Hall Tree
- 1—Piano Bench
- Double Laundry Tubs
- Several Boilers and Tubs
- Several Good Linoleum Rugs
- Cooking Utensils
- Other Miscellaneous Items

TERMS:—CASH

ALFRED O. OLSON, OWNER

Col. Bert Anderson, Auctioneer — L. H. Fritts, Clerk
For Farm Sale Dates Call Col. Bert Anderson,
556-W Ontario or write Box 401

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