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## SIX CANDIDATES IN CITY ELECTION

### Incumbents Circulate Petitions To Become Candidates April 24

Payette city voters know now just about whose names will appear on the forthcoming city election scheduled for April 24th. Six of the present incumbents whose terms expire at this time will be candidates to succeed themselves, at least they have had nominating petitions in circulation during the past week. To date no opposition has developed to any of the aspirants.

Petitions have been circulated for Mayor J. A. McMillan, City Clerk Alice Bulmer, City Treasurer Edna Gauer, Councilman W. S. Scott of the first ward; Councilman George Wisner, of the second ward; Councilman Joe Oldham, of the third ward and Councilman Byron Musgrove, of the fourth ward. Musgrove, who is filling out the unexpired term of George Sedlmayer, resigned, will again be a candidate to serve the remaining term of Sedlmayer's term. With the exception of Musgrove, who is a candidate for a two year term, all of the candidates for city council will be elected for four years.

Registrations for the forthcoming city election are being taken at the office of City Clerk Alice Bulmer.

Should other candidates aspire to a city office, petition forms, also may be found at the office of the city clerk.

## Soldier Writes From Philippines

Mrs. Alma Demick is in receipt of a letter from her son, Lt. Eugene Demick who is with the invading forces in the Philippine Islands. Lt. Demick in discussing the curfew law now in effect in this country states that "the people who complain about the twelve o'clock closing order should come on over here as the foxholes are open all hours of the day and night."

## WORK STARTS ON GARAGE SHOP

### McCluer Manser Will Add To Shop Room and Install Equipment

Probably the largest building in the city's business district since the war began, was started this week when the McCluer Manser Motor company commenced work on a 60 x 30 foot addition to its shop at the rear of the used car lot south of the main building, on North Eighth street.

The new addition will be used for needed increased shop room according to Shirley Manser, owner of the concern, and as soon as it is completed, some \$2000 worth of equipment will be added to permit the employment of from three to four mechanics to take care of the concern's steadily growing business.

Gerald DeBord, local contractor, and his crew are doing the work, using unrationed cinder blocks for the construction. They hope to have the addition completed and ready for use in from three to four weeks.

## Record Sale Of License Plates

Mrs. Grace Abbott, county assessor, reports a record sale of auto license plates for March this year over the same period in previous years.

Up to Wednesday Mrs. Abbott and her deputy had sold 1400 passenger car plates; 233 for farm trucks and 100 for private trucks and 300 for trailers.

She reported that she was much pleased with the response so far and said that she believed that practically every auto owner in the county would have their plates by the dead line, March 31.

## Fewer Feed Wheat Sales

The smallest amount of feed wheat was sold by the Commodity Credit Corporation in January than for any month since July, 1942. 1944 sales reached only 53 percent of that of 1943. In 1944 the North Atlantic region purchased about one-fourth of all wheat sold by CCC, while slightly more than one-fifth was consumed in the East North Central region. Commodity Credit Corporation reports.

## Five More Men From County Inducted Into Armed Forces

Five more men from this county left Payette Monday night for Fort Douglas, Utah to be inducted into the armed forces.

In the group were: Lloyd Roy Sewell, Michael Francis O'Leary, Paul Olin McKee, Frederick James Nichols, and Louis Emil Heidelberg.

## Merchants Schedule Saturday Event

In line with their campaign to show people of the trade territory the many services offered here, Payette merchants have scheduled another cooperative event for next Saturday afternoon and evening.

Beginning at 1 o'clock, the cooperating stores, each offer a "hot special" item for patrons.

A similar event was held last Saturday for the evening only, and it proved to be fairly successful according to Weldon Fuge, chairman of the merchant's committee in charge.

He expressed the hope for more response this Saturday, because he said all participating merchants actually are offering some good bargains.

## PETERMAN HOME FROM PACIFIC

### Urges Friends And Relatives To Write To Soldiers

Civilians who have relatives and friends in service overseas, should by all means keep up a steady correspondence with their service men. Mail day is a high light in an otherwise generally monotonous and homesick life, and there is nothing like a good encouraging letter from home as a morale builder.

So in effect observed Cpl. Donald E. Peterman, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Peterman, who arrived home Friday on a rotation furlough after spending more than three years in the Southwest Pacific war area.

Following the visit here Cpl. Peterman will report to Santa Barbara, Cal., April 9 for re-assignment.

He left Payette in Sept., 1940 with other members of the National Guard Artillery unit. The outfit trained in the States for about a year, and at that time he with others were sent overseas and they were about a week out of Pearl Harbor at the time of the attack there. They then went to Australia and during the past three years have taken part in campaigns in the East Indies, Bismark Archipelago, New Guinea and the Philippines. His own work is in the communications department.

He said just before he left he saw and talked with the following Payette county men: S/Sgt. Earl Secrest; S/Sgt. Plo Pinecortero; Sgt. Horace Brown; S/Sgt. Norman Polley; T/5 Jesse Smith; Pvt. Bob Paul; Pvt. Paul Calkins; S/Sgt. Leo Jeffrey; and Sgt. Chas. Fitzsimmons.

All of the men he said were most anxious to come home and he believes that most of them will get furloughs before many more months.

When he received notice that he would get his rotation furlough, his buddies said he had hit the jackpot. He arrived in the United States March 9, after a 32-day trip from his station.

He notes many changes in Payette since he left: particularly how large some of the small youngsters he used to know, now are, and the extremely few young men of his age still here.

## CHURCHES UNITE FOR HOLY WEEK

### Services Will Be Held Monday Thru Friday Evenings

The churches of the Payette Ministerial Association announce that, as in previous years they will unite for Holy Week services. These meetings will be held every night next week except Saturday, and, in addition, there will be the usual Easter sunrise service at 5:45 Easter Sunday morning. The meetings will all be held in the Methodist church, and will be presided over by the Rev. Paul Felthouse, president of the association.

Speakers for the various services will be as follows: Monday, Rev. Gosser; Tuesday, Rev. Harold Jakes; Wednesday, Rev. C. C. Cripe; Thursday, Rev. Cecil G. Hannan (Com-munion service); Friday, Rev. Earl Williams. The only offering of the week will be taken Friday evening, to meet the expenses of the series of services.

Rev. Hannan, secretary of the association, reports that all people of whatever church affiliation, are cordially invited to these pre-Easter meetings.

## Five More Men From County Inducted Into Armed Forces

Upon arrival at Fort Douglas, according to George Hawkins, clerk of the local selective service board, the men were formally inducted into the armed forces and then assigned to various branches.

With the seven men sent to Fort Douglas last week, this makes a total of twelve inducted from Payette county for the month of March.

## O.P.A. FREEZES RETAIL PRICE

### Merchants Meeting With OPA Officials Set For March 28th

Merchants handling dry goods, furniture, hardware and house furnishings were advised on Tuesday of this week that all price ceilings had been frozen as of Monday of this week. This action was announced by Price Administrator Chester Bowles as a part of a plan to cut clothing costs six to seven per cent and return greater quantities of lower priced goods to the civilian market.

C. H. Atherton, OPA investigator, was in Payette on Tuesday of this week giving final instructions to the local board for the handling of the new order. While here Atherton announced a merchants meeting for the evening of March 28 at eight o'clock at the Bancroft Tunnel, at which time the new rule will be explained and instruction given for the completion of the price change. Miss Ellen Schopper, liaison officer and District Compliance Officer Hensen will be here for the occasion. All local retailers engaged in the sale of apparel, hardware, dry goods, shoes, furniture, bedding, lamps and floor coverings are urged to be present at this meeting and important information will be given in regard to the new order.

## Hartung Given Instructor's Job

Pvt. A. J. Hartung, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hartung was one of 18 selected from his school to be an instructor. Jack graduated from radio school in Madison, Wis., March 13. He will have four weeks of instructors' schooling before starting. He has been in the service for 14 months and has not yet had a furlough. Before entering school at Madison, Wis., Jack was stationed at Santa Ana, Calif.

## CHURCH INSTALLS ITS NEW MINISTER

### Special Services Are Held Last Sunday Morning

Franklin T. Gosser, the new minister of the Church of Christ, was formally installed as pastor at special services at the church Sunday. Ruben Loquist, chairman of the official board, presided, Mrs. Gene Olson was the pianist, and opened the service with "Prelude in C" by Sturgis. The Call to Worship was given and there was a response by the choir, "Let the Words of My Mouth." The congregation was then led in singing "I Am Thine, O Lord" which was preparatory to the Prayer of Consecration given by Elder Clyde Dale.

The Scripture lesson was then read responsively by the leader, the congregation and the ministers. This was a challenge to our tasks to follow God's Word and Way of Life. The choir sang the anthem "In the Shadow of Thy Wing" which was followed by an address by Paul DeP. Mortimore, state secretary and evangelist for the Christian churches of South Idaho, on "Forgetting and Pressing On."

After the message came the Consecration Service, and after the challenge of the church was presented to the new minister and the loyalty of the members pledged to true Service to Christ and His church, Mr. Gosser gave the response and acceptance of the charge.

Immediately following the morning services there was a fellowship dinner to commemorate the service. The Women's Council was in charge of this dinner and they did an admirable job.

## Vincent Parker Joins Navy

Vincent Neil Parker, son of James C. Parker of Route 1, Payette, was enlisted in the Naval Reserve Saturday. This 17-year-old boy was placed on inactive duty and will report to San Diego for his recruit training in the near future, according to Neil Fitch (C. Sp. R.) head recruiter at the Boise station.

## SCHMIDT LOSES FOOT IN GERMANY

### Payette Soldier Now In Hospital In England

Pfc. Walter Schmidt of this city was wounded in Germany March 2, and on March 6, it was found necessary to amputate his left foot in a hospital in England, according to war department telegrams received Monday by his wife, Mrs. Velma Schmidt.

Monday was a fateful day for the family here. In the morning they

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## Jury Case To Be Tried Monday

Payette county district court's only jury case scheduled so far for the March term will be tried next Monday at the court house here.

Title of the case is Marguerite Henningsen vs. Bertha Gerlach and is an action for damages growing out of an auto accident some time ago.

The venire of jurors called includes:

A. H. Cosner, C. H. Drinkwine, Anson B. Davis, Ray Duell, Jack N. Dyer, W. D. Farnham, Wm. H. Farson, Wm. H. Fisher, Henry A. Frogley, Clifford Hansen, L. G. Hawley, Floyd E. Holloway, Walter L. Johnston, E. Kinnaman, Howard Lattig, Peter McCabe, L. H. Pope, Emil Schmid, Ralph A. Tibbets, Edward M. Randell, Frank M. Livingston, C. W. McKinney, H. W. Weidner, Jr., Bert J. Wetzel, O. F. Wilkin and Clarence E. York.

## LOREN ARMENT LISTED MISSING

### Local Man Was Tail Gunner On A B-17 Bomber

J. L. Arment, received a telegram Monday from the war department stating that his son, S/Sgt. Loren Arment, a tail gunner on a B-17 had been missing in action in the European theater since Mar. 3.

According to Mr. Arment, his son had been stationed in England for sometime and had been flying over Germany. In his last letter home dated Mar. 1, Sgt. Arment mentioned the fact that something was coming up and he was keeping his fingers crossed.

Young Arment was graduated from the Payette high school with the class of 1942 and enlisted in the air corps in November of that year.

## Plans Complete For Greek Celebration

Plans are complete for the celebration of Greek Independence day by Greek people living in the area between Mountain Home, Idaho and Baker, Ore., here next Sunday, according to George (Old Joe) Morris, who is state president of the Greek church.

The celebration is to be held at Old Joe's Bancroft club here and entertainment will include a floor show with musical and dancing numbers and refreshments. The general public is invited, and all night clubs in the area are asked to cooperate as all proceeds will be turned over to the Red Cross.

For addresses, Old Joe hopes to have the state chairman of the Red Cross and other prominent men including Gus Davis of this city. He also has arranged to have dances by the Staley Sisters, and piano numbers by Mrs. Hilda Anderson who are donating their services to the cause. Mayor J. A. McMillan will extend a greeting to those present.

## Jeffries Is Member Of Famous 101st

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Jeffries brought the news to this office Monday that their son, Pvt. Donald Jeffries was a member of the famous 101st airborne division which recently received a presidential citation for its "extraordinary heroism and gallantry" in its epic defense of Bastogne, last December at the time of the Belgian battle.

General Eisenhower who presented the citation said, "never before has a full division been cited by the War Department in the name of the president for gallantry in action."

Young Jeffries was reported missing in action in December and his parents have received no word from or of him since. After having graduated from the Cambridge high school, Pvt. Jeffries resided in Payette, a short time before entering the service in September, 1943.

## Albert McKimmy Wins His Wings

MOORE FIELD, Texas—Aviation Cadet Albert E. McKimmy of Class 45-A received his wings this week after graduation ceremonies at this Central Flying Training Command Advanced Pilot school and has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the Army Air Forces. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence E. McKimmy of Portland, Oregon. Before entering the service, he resided at Payette and he is the son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Neil Fitch.

## I.O.O.F. Lodge Initiates Candidates

Payette Lodge No. 22, I.O.O.F. is showing considerable growth and on Wednesday of this week a class of four will take degrees of the order. Those in this class will be Walter Cole, Walter Wood, Roy Holbrook and Ben Bright. Quite a number of Odd Fellows and their wives enjoyed the ladies night entertainment provided by the Weiser lodge last Thursday evening. Chris Penske is noble grand of the Payette lodge.

## HOUSEWIVES TO HELP OPA CHECK

### Fourth Group Appointed For This County

A new group of housewives in Payette county is being asked by the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce, Washington, D. C., to supply data for the Office of Price Administration on the amounts and kinds of food purchased for their families. Ivon R. Robbette local census representative, announced today.

The housewives are the fifth group of volunteers being selected in this and 67 other areas in 42 states to participate for about a four-month period in the Wartime Food Diary conducted by the Census Bureau for OPA.

The survey is designed to provide OPA with accurate up-to-the-minute facts on food consumption by typical American families. This information is used by OPA, with reports of processors and wholesalers, as a basis for calculating the food consumption of the entire nation and for maintaining the fairest possible distribution of available food.

The fourth group of housewives, now being replaced after four months of patriotic cooperation, soon will receive from the Census Bureau "War Service Awards" in the form of certificates bearing the seal of the United States. The new group also will receive this recognition.

## Farmers Share Of Food Dollar

Out of every dollar the American consumer spent for food last year, 53 cents went to the farmer, according to the USDA. This brought the farmer's share to a record high, exceeding that of 1943 by 2 cents and that of 1918 by 3 cents. Forty cents comprised the farmer's portion during the period of 1935-1939, while only 32 cents reached him during the depression year of 1932, records reveal.

## HYATT HELD ON ROBBERY COUNT

### Several Time Offender Now Held On More Serious Charge

Eugene Hyatt, who through his many recent appearances in the probate court, has become rather a familiar character around Payette county's court house. This time Hyatt is held on a charge of robbery. He was arrested last Friday by Sheriff Gurnsey and bond was placed at \$1250 by Probate Judge Stephenson. Hyatt furnished cash for the bond.

The case is the outgrowth of an incident on February 3rd when the complaint alleges Hyatt "feloniously and forcibly took from the person of . . . lawful money in the amount of about \$300."

Hyatt is now held under a \$25 bond to appear for hearing on a drunk charge and also a \$250 bond, which is an appeal from the sentence in the probate court on a battery charge. This matter will come up in the district court for final disposition.

Hyatt is a several time offender previous to his coming to Payette as FBI records indicate that he had been arrested numerous times on minor charges and in addition had served twelve years on more serious counts in Montana and Missouri.

He is about thirty-five years of age and came to Payette county over a year ago and of late has been operating a club at Fruitland.

## Sugar Beet Practices Same As In 1944

Soil-building practices which must be carried out by sugar beet producers in order to qualify sugar beet acreage for government benefit payments provided for in the Sugar Act of 1937 remains the same as last year, B. F. Talbot, member of the Payette county AAA committee in charge of sugar beets stated today. A producer must carry out on the farm where the beets are grown at least one-half acre of soil-conserving practices for each acre of sugar beets planted for the extraction of sugar.

## DFC PILOT HERE VISITING FOLKS

### Lt. Chas. Paynter Also Wears Air Medal With 11 Oak Leaf Clusters

Lt. Chas. Paynter, who wears the DFC and Air Medal with eleven Oak Leaf clusters, arrived in Payette Friday to spend a 21 day delay en route leave with Mrs. Paynter and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Paynter.

The lieutenant, a P-38 fighter pilot, arrived recently in the United

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## Jive Orchestra At Kiwanis Club

Payette Kiwanians were entertained on Tuesday of this week by some real jive music furnished by a high school orchestra composed of Shirley Harper, Howard Jones, Betty Jenkins, Carol Fitch, Jack Daniels, Herman Stewart, Lyle Schubert, Sterling Swanson, Betty Jenkins, Lois Beauguard, Irene Brewster, David Maule and Joan Mangun.

Payette high school representatives who were present were Dick Moss, Dick Meehan and Joe Stone-man.

It was reported at Tuesday's meeting that Fred Stanton, bulletin editor, had been ordered to remain at his home for the next month due to illness.

## PROSPECTS GOOD FOR BASEBALL

### Many Mainstays Back In Line-up At Payette High

Prospects are bright for another good baseball nine at the Payette high school this year.

Coach Norman Esson, has been holding practice sessions on the evenings that the weather permitted since Tuesday of last week and reported that most of the mainstays of both the last year high school and Junior Legion teams are turning out again and he looks for a good season.

In the group of old players are: Orville Keifer and John Robinson, pitchers; Gene Rose, catcher; Don Dibble first base; Dick Hanigan, second base; C. Masingill, short-stop; Tobe Masingill, third base and Dick Meehan, center field.

Among the others who are working out and showing promise are: Ray Ashworth and Jim Bishop, pitchers, and Rennie Barrie, Bill Rose, Richard Stingley, Duane Kirk, Wm. Ferrell, Chas. Michael, Bill Van Verth and David Maule who are turning out for various other positions on the team.

The first conference game is scheduled against the Bulldogs at Nampa April 6. Coach Esson, however, hopes to have several practice games before that time.

## Hawkins Resigns From SS Board

George Hawkins announced last week that he has resigned as clerk of the Payette county selective service board effective April 1.

No successor has as yet been named by state selective service headquarters nor has Mr. Hawkins announced future plans.

He has served the board as secretary continuously since the selective service act became operative in Oct. 1940, and in his official position has been in touch with the hundreds of men who have been classified and inducted into the armed forces from this county. He therefore has gained a wide acquaintance with a large number of citizens in the area.

## CITY ANNEXES NEW ADDITION

### Five Blocks On Payette Heights Now Part Of This City

The Patch first sub-division, containing practically five blocks, on Payette Heights is now a part of the city of Payette.

The ordinance annexing the addition was read for the third time and passed at the city council meeting Monday night.

Besides the annexation ordinance, the mayor and council discussed many other matters but took no definite action on any of the latter.

## Hospital News For This Week

Jack Modrell and Lila Fuller received medical care at the Payette General hospital this week.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Davis, March 16, and a son to Mr. and Mrs. James Rauer, March 19.

Marjory Pentrod and Harold Bassford underwent surgical operations. Mrs. Ruby Dillon was dismissed, Mar. 18.

## Payette's Own Matt Gillman Appears In Picture Coming To Ritz Theatre

Friends here will be interested to know that Matt Gillman, who recently opened the Apple Blossom Soda fountain, here, appears in the picture "This Man's Navy," starring Wallace Beery which is scheduled for showing at the Ritz Theatre next Sunday, Monday and Tuesday. Gillman, long time double for Beery, makes three parachute jumps for Beery in the picture; also takes the part of a naval officer and is shown in many scenes with the famous star.

## R. CROSS DRIVE SHOWS PROGRESS

### Brainard Urges Final Accountings By Solicitors Immediately

Payette county's War Fund Drive is progressing satisfactorily, according to a statement made by L. W. Brainard, Payette county chairman, to a representative of the Independent-Enterprise on Tuesday of this week. However, it is imperative that members of the Payette County Victory Crew, who are doing the soliciting, make their reports immediately inasmuch as Red Cross headquarters at San Francisco, have asked for a figure on collections by March 24th.

Brainard stated that approximately eighty percent of the people in the county have been solicited for their contribution to this most worthy cause and it is hoped that everyone will be given an opportunity to make a contribution by this week end.

Prospects are that when the solicitation has been completed that Payette county will again go over the top in another wartime activity and maintain that enviable reputation which has been sustained throughout the past war years. Most Payette county people are informed on the important functions of the Red Cross in their aid to the fighting men and solicitors report little difficulty in making their collections.

## Divorce Action Filed This Week

Ruby Turner is seeking a divorce from Corbet Turner in a divorce action filed in the district court in this city on Friday of this week. Decision is given as the basis of the action. The couple were married at Reed Springs, Mo., on January 1, 1932 and are the parents of a minor child. Herman Welker is representing the plaintiff in this matter.

## WESLEY WHITE IS GIVEN SENTENCE

### Member Of Trio Who Robbed Jack Mead Sentenced In Court

Following the entry of a plea of guilty to a charge of robbery in the district court on Monday, Wesley White was sentenced to one to fourteen years in the Idaho state prison. The prison sentence was commuted by District Judge A. O. Sutton to eight months in the Payette county jail.

The case is the outgrowth of the robbery of Jack Mead of Baker, Ore., of \$50 on February 17th, by White and Harold Kelly and Theron Blackburn. Since the arrest of the three men Kelly has enlisted in the United States Navy and Blackburn paid a fine on the charge in the probate court of this city.

White is about twenty-five years of age and is a former resident of Baker, Oregon.

## LT. WHEALDON VISITS PARENTS

Lt. Gilbert A. Whealdon of Camp Swift, Texas arrived Tuesday for a two day visit here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Whealdon, and then went on to Enumclaw, Wash., to visit his wife and son.

## SeenAbout Town

A St. Patrick's dance without Tolle Masingill and Bill Meehan last night. Mr. and Mrs. Jess Pederson joined with the Irish in celebrating St. Patrick's day—the occasion being both of their birthdays.

A. L. Penie chasing his hat across the street last Tuesday morning. Here's best wishes for a prompt recovery to Fred Stanton who has been ordered to bed for several weeks. Herman Welker washing dishes at the Apple Blossom and claiming it to be a matter of giving helpful assistance—just another way of earning a meal we surmise. Uncle Sam has his finger pointed at Dave Lightfoot, "Spud" Wells and Dave Davies, and all of them will be taking their physical exams in a short time. Among those who will be a year older this week as a result of birthdays are W. C. Sorenson, Mrs. Raymond Peterson and Mrs. H. S. Harper. We doubt if any of them will tell just how many they have had in the past.

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Gillman, his wife and two daughters and Mrs. Gillman's mother, Mrs. Rose Bushby moved to Payette some time ago in order to get away from the bedlam of a large metropolis.

They re-opened the Apple Blossom which had been closed for some time Monday morning and report that the response on the part of patrons has been excellent.