

Pressure Cookers Will Be Tested In Payette From April 18 To 21

Pressure cookers are being received for testing at the Payette Idaho Power company, Wednesday, April 18 to Saturday, April 21.

Home-Economists of the Idaho Power company and the University extension service, who cooperate in this free service, urge all housewives to have their canning equipment in the best possible condition. Due to increased ration values on processed fruits and vegetables more canning than ever will be done this season, and an accurate pressure cooker gage does much to insure against the dangers of spoilage. Only cookers with gages for measuring pressure are subject to accidents and need testing. The weight gages are accurate. Because of the limited number of thermometers in the state, which are used in this testing, this is the only time this service can be offered this year.

All canners should be labeled with

adhesive tape bearing the name and address of both the cooker kettle and lid. If the cooker contains a rack it should be left inside. The cooker should be thoroughly cleaned by the following method before bringing it in.

- (1) Unscrew pet cock and safety valve and soak in vinegar for a short while. A string or narrow strip of cloth should be drawn through the opening.
 - (2) Unscrew and socket type of safety valve and clean with soda or polish, being certain to run a toothpick through the opening.
 - (3) Clean the kettle and the cover thoroughly, being certain to check the edges for hard water scale or dried food. This prevents a tight seal and allows steam to leak.
- It would be appreciated if cookers would be called for promptly Saturday, April 28. Corrections will be mailed later.

FRAZIER TELLS ABOUT GERMANY

Local Man With Third Army In Heart Of Germany

Here's the first letter from a local soldier describing actual scenes in Germany after Gen. Patton's third army broke thru the Siegfried line.

It comes from Pfc. Robert O. Frazier, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Frazier of Washoe. He served 23 months in the South Pacific and after more training here in this country was re-assigned to duty in the European theater. He was born and reared in Payette and attended grade and high school at Fruitland. His letter follows:

Dear Folks:

Seems as though sometime has gone by since I last wrote so will go at it tonight. Solved this writing paper shortage today by finding quite a bit of it in some German house. They have pretty well lifted censorship regulations so will go back to New York and try to tell you where I've been. I sailed from New York on the 9th of Jan. Had a quiet crossing only being bothered by the rough sea. I worked in the galley all the way across so was pretty well fed.

Arrived at LaHavre, France on the 21st of Jan. and traveled all night up the coast to the little town of St. Valarie. We were in camp there until about the 1st of March getting our equipment straightened out. While there I got to go on a trip to Belgium to pick up some trucks and bring them back. Leaving St. Valarie the 1st of Mar. coming across France to Metz, Out-

side of there we stayed one day and moved on up to the front opposite Saarlautern and relieved another division on the 7th of March. Everything was very routine the next few days. We were firing night and day not very fast but very constant until they decided we would have a try at the Siegfried line. We let go a few pretty good sized barrages and started moving forward slow the first two days but the last two pretty damn fast. We've had part of the infantry on our trucks going like Hell trying to catch the Krauts and our forward elements. Every bunch we've caught up with lately have surrendered before we had time to shoot. On this censorship I can't tell you where we are tonight or where we are going tomorrow but we are damn well in Germany some ways.

Supposedly between Mertzig and Saarbrücken is or I should say was one of the most heavily fortified sections of the Siegfried line so it was pretty rough going for the infantry the first couple of days while we merely tried to shoot out as many pill boxes as we possibly could.

We crossed the Saar river at Saarlautern and helped tear up that town and I do mean it's tore up. There might be a couple of out houses standing but that's about all. The German people seem somewhat peaved about the whole thing but they stand on the streets and watch us, when there is any street to stand on, until we run them back into their houses. The soldiers we have run into the last few days are surrendering fast.

One kid was fixing his tire and two came up behind him and said surrender and since his gun was quite away off he had to capture them with his tire pump. We overran a prison camp (German) that was full of Russians and Poles, etc. and they are all out on the roads

Twenty-one Enlisted For Idaho Platoon

A representative from the WAC recruiting station at Boise was in Payette Tuesday and reported that twenty-one women had been enlisted for the Idaho Hospital platoon for the medical corps so far this month; that enlistments for this special platoon will close the last of April but there will still be a need for women for general assignment.

She also reported that a new ruling gives a married overseas WAC to apply for furlough at the same time her husband is granted leave to come home from overseas.

She also had a picture of Loraine Cross, formerly of the G. & M. Cafe here, who recently enlisted in the WACs and said that Miss Cross would be sent to Letterman's General Hospital at San Francisco, Cal., for duty there upon completion of her training at Ft. Oglethorpe, Ga.

going to the rear and I think a lot of Germans are in with them. Two guys were taking twenty of them (German prisoners) through town and when they got through town they had twenty-seven so you can see the Germans are getting hep.

There isn't a lot more I can say except it seems you can see a sign of relief on the Germans' faces as though they are glad its finally over. Our planes have really ripped up the places in the factory areas. I'm in the Third Army as you have probably guessed and it is one of the first armies to come through what is called the Saar land. I'm doing a two hour shift on the telephone or I probably would not have had time to write this letter. We've gone so much, the last few days it seems like a month long.

I'm writing this letter in a pretty nice German house. Any more when we want a place to stay we just go in and take over some good house and move the Germans over with their neighbors or out in the street. This one here is a Hell of a nice house, with a grandfather's clock sitting here telling me a shift is nearly up so will close for tonight.

Ziegler Graduates From Diesel Course

Pfc. William E. Ziegler of Payette, has just graduated from the special diesel mechanic course at the Ordnance School, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland.

Pfc. Ziegler is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Ziegler, who reside at Payette. He is married to the former Miss Jessie M. Arp, of Cooperhill, Tenn.

He will soon return to his regular station where his address will be Sqdn. A 451 AAF BU SAAB Salinas, Calif.

Church Holds Annual Elections

The Church of the Nazarene of this city held annual elections in its various departments this week. Mrs. Bertha Eason was re-elected church school superintendent. Miss Ruth Fields, re-elected president of the NYPSS; and Mrs. Earl Williams re-elected president of the Women's Foreign Missionary society.

Rev. Earl C. Williams, has two years yet to serve on the three year call he received from the church a year ago. Thus no election for pastor was held this year.

Rev. D. C. VanSlyke of Caldwell was the guest speaker at services at the church last Sunday.

Beckwith Home From California

T. H. Beckwith returned to his home at Fruitland last Saturday after a business trip to Salt Lake City, Los Angeles and Modesto, Cal. Mr. Beckwith is the head of the Beckwith Packing Company with packing houses in Fruitland and Ontario. Mr. Beckwith states that his firm will handle lettuce, onions and apples at Fruitland. He anticipates a volume approximating that of last year when the firm shipped six hundred cars of produce and fruit.

Endeavors To Give "Symbol of Cross"

Junior Christian Endeavors of the Payette Church of Christ will stage their play, "The Symbol of the Cross," at the rally scheduled for Weiser Friday night. Singing at this rally will be led by C. C. Curtis, minister of the Weiser Church of Christ. Message will be presented by Franklin T. Gosser, pastor of the Payette Church of Christ.

Area Meeting. Area meeting of the Children's work was held Monday night at the Church of Christ parsonage. The Payette Children's workers were hosts. There were representatives from Emmett, Nysa, and Weiser. Mrs. Delbert Jones of Nampa, who is head of the Children's work in South Idaho was the leader of the meeting. She was ably assisted by Mrs. Wyatt of Buhl. Plans were discussed concerning special emphasis for Mother's day, Children's day and Vacation Bible school. The one in Payette for the Church of Christ will be held from May 23 to June 8.

CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN
5th St. and 3rd Ave.
C. C. Cripe, (Fruitland) pastor.
The S. S. begins at 10 o'clock
Wm. Sumner, supt.
Public worship at 11 o'clock.
Gospel message by the pastor.
Choir practice at 7:30 o'clock.
Bible study at 8 o'clock. Bring the Bible along.

RICHARDS TELLS ABOUT ISLANDS

Stoners Receive Interesting Letter From Philippines

Here's a most interesting letter describing the Philippines, received recently by Mr. and Mrs. Jay Stoner from Sgt. John Richards of this city who is with the armed forces in that area.

The letter with personal parts deleted follows:

March 4, 1945

Dear Jay and Minnie:

Jay, I know that you would like to spend the day with me. We are in a little spot now, where so much of our history and future has been or will be written. Subic Bay is a small bay no more than 10 miles long and 4 miles wide. The hills which rise from the shore look so much like Southern Idaho that I feel very much at home. The hills are more rugged than at home but they have the same sun-baked texture and are covered with scrub pine and brush. Much like the hills just above Weiser.

On the higher slopes of the hills, where the rain falls, there are tropical trees. In the mouth of the bay is a small island no more than 20 acres. This island guards the entrance to the bay and was taken by amphib forces and thus the bay became ours. The importance of this bay is great. Rising from the eastern shore are the hills which make up Bataan. From where I am now sitting I can see the open sea (China Sea), the peninsula which overlooks this, and the places where Dewey organized and launched the attack which was the turning point of the Spanish American war. I can see the little valley where Teddy Roosevelt and the rough riders started their famous campaign against Manila. In those days there must have been a mere trail to follow, but now it goes by the impressive name of highway No. 7.

I am glad that you can't see the patients which we now have on the ship. When we took on patients in Lingayen, Gulf we found only 60 men there. One of the other ships had loaded and left the area a day or so before. The 60 men which we picked up were those that were in such bad shape that they were left in order to evacuate those who had a chance to live. Most of these 60 were given up for dead. One of the blessings of this war is the fact that all of the people do not have to see the havoc which it leaves in its wake. If only the crime of war could be stamped out—till selfishness and dishonesty are overcome wars will continue.

The country is rich in history, but a few of those historical things are not common knowledge, or have been forgotten by many of us. It was discovered by Magellan and he later lost his life to the natives of Panay, which is one of the larger islands in this group of over 7000. Of those 7083 only 2,773 are named and only 462 are more than a mile square. If you could lump all of the islands into one land mass it would be only slightly larger than Idaho. It is volcanic in origin, which accounts for it looking so much like southern Idaho. By the way it got its name by being named in honor of King Philip II. That is about all of the history that I can think of now. The thing which interests me is the future. President Roosevelt signed a congressional resolution in June of 1944, providing for Philippine independence as soon as the Japanese are driven from the islands and, orderly, free democratic processes of government can be established. From all that I have seen of the country and towns, these people if independent will be at the mercy of any and all aggressor nations. The islands are a rich prize, but unless we keep them under our wing, they shall be lost not only to us but will be lost to the Philippine people. How can a country of grass

shacks, governed by one city, Manila, which is modern, stand against a mechanized aggressor? Of all of its cities Manila is the only one which is modern at all.

The time is short and I must write to Dorothy so will say good-night again. Keep well and know that I think of you both often, and am always grateful for all of the kindness which you have shown me.

Yours,

Johnny.

The Independent-Enterprise FARM SALES CALENDAR LISTING

Sales listed in the Independent-Enterprise for printing and publicity are advertised without charge in Ontario, Weiser, Cambridge and Vale. When you plan a sale, consult the Independent-Enterprise at once. Our "Sales Calendar" helps protect your date.

FARM SALE

Wednesday, April 25, 4 1/2 miles east of Westfall. Sale starts at 1 p. m. Lunch on grounds. Allen Johnson, owner. Col. Bert Anderson, auctioneer. Household goods, farm machinery, horses, 1 cow, 1 registered bull.

FARM SALE

Tuesday, April 24, 4 miles north of Vale and 1/4 mile east on John Day highway. 46 dairy cattle, 1 team horses. Farm machinery. Roy Martin and Son, owners. Col. Bert Anderson, auctioneer.

WFA SETS BEET WAGES FOR 1945

Minimum Must Be Met By Growers To Get Benefit Payments

This week the War Food Administration announced minimum wage requirements which must be met in full by sugar beet producers who apply for payments under the Sugar Act of 1937. B. F. Talbot, member of the Payette county committee in charge of sugar beets stated this week. These rates follow those determined to be fair and equitable at public hearings held last January throughout the beet-growing area.

Talbot pointed out that these rates are only the minimum requirements, and that if a wage agreement is entered into at a higher level than these minimums, full payment of the wage agreed upon is required of the producer.

Minimum rates determined apply to a particular area and vary somewhat in this state. For Southern and Eastern Idaho the rates are: 50 cents per hour for blocking, thinning and hoeing, and 60 cents per hour for harvesting when the work is done on a time basis. When the work is performed on a piece-rate basis, at least \$11 per acre must be paid for blocking and thinning where whole seed has been planted and \$9 per acre where segmented seed has been used. For first hoeing \$3.50 per acre is the minimum, and for the second and each subsequent hoeing or weeding, \$2.50 per acre is the minimum. When blocking and thinning, hoeing and weeding are performed, as a combined operation, \$17 per acre must be paid for fields planted with whole seed, and \$15 per acre for fields planted with segmented seed. Rates determined for harvesting vary from \$1.89 per ton for 6 or less tons per acre to \$1.32 per ton for yields of 20 or more tons per acre.

As last year, Talbot pointed out that children must be at least 14 years of age before they may be employed in the production of sugar beets, and workers between the ages of 14 and 16 years must not be

employed more than 8 hours per day. Only two-thirds of the applicable hourly rate must be paid to employees of this age group. Also, provision is made whereby only three-fourths of the applicable hourly rate must be paid to inexperienced workers during a reasonable training period when employed on a time basis.

In instances where a special method of planting, cultivating or harvesting reduces the amount of labor required as compared with the method previously used, the piece-rate for the operation may be reduced below the above specifications by an agreement between producer and laborer, provided such reduced rate is determined by the state committee as equivalent to the piece rate set up for such work.

In addition, the producer shall furnish to the laborer, without charge, the perquisites customarily furnished by him, such as a house, garden plot or similar incidentals.

LEARNS OF SON'S DEATH

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on the outside left corner of the task force. When it reached its new position and as the whole convoy was turning, four Japanese planes were sighted overhead on the port side and the ship's guns opened up on them. As the attention of the gunners was on these four planes, another Japanese flyer coming from the starboard side hedge hopped over a destroyer, flew at about the level of the carrier so that gunners on other ships could not shoot at him and as he reached the stern of the Bismarck Sea in a suicidal dive turned and crashed into the fantail where young Ballenger and his 24 other gun crew mates were, with the resulting terrific explosion of the 500 pound bomb that the Jap plane carried. A few seconds later, a second Jap suicide plane came in from the starboard side and crashed a few feet from the first.

Young Schwisow reported that none of Leo's gun crew was saved and that a division of 79 men stationed on a deck below where the planes struck were also killed.

He also said that out of the crew of 1000 men, 339 were lost by being killed instantly by the explosions, of the suicide planes; by being strafed in the water afterward and some later from exposure and injuries.

As Schwisow later swam past the stern of the ship he said that there was nothing but a shell left and that half of the five inch gun barrel had been blown away.

SCHOOL HONORS LATE PRESIDENT

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Pearce as accompanist. Supt. Sorenson gave his address and the exercises were closed by all standing for a minute of silent prayer.

All Stores Close Saturday
In respect to President Roosevelt all stores and other business places in the city were closed all day Saturday and flags at the court house, at the Federal building and at the school were flown at half mast.

Too Late To Classify

FOR SALE—Knoehler davenport and chair; 9x12 wool rug and pad; bedroom suite; Sealey mattress and springs; desk and swivel chair; fluorescent desk lamp; occasional table; chest of drawers, draperies; electric clock; floor lamp; set of Fiesta dishes. Call 565-R1. 6-1t

FOR SALE—5 milk cows, two wheel stock trailer, new tires, two tons dried beet pulp and 100 ft 2" pipe. Phone 571-R1. 6-2t*

FOR SALE—Kurtzman & Co. piano. Good condition. Call 311-M or 1618 First Ave. So. 6-1t*

FOR SALE—I team of horses, also harness and wagon if desired. 1317 N. 6th St. 6-2t*

FOR SALE—McCormick Deering corn planter, almost new. Phone 488-W. 6-1t*

FOR SALE—Several good springer dairy heifers, also several young saddle horses. Phone 300. 6-1t

WANTED—Girl or woman for general housework. Children acceptable. Phone 300. 6-1t

FOR SALE—House at 1410 Center Avenue. Phone 168-M or see Bert Brewster. 6-1t

WANTED—The best light car \$200.00 will buy. Phone 597-J11 or write Box X at Independent-Enterprise. 6-1t

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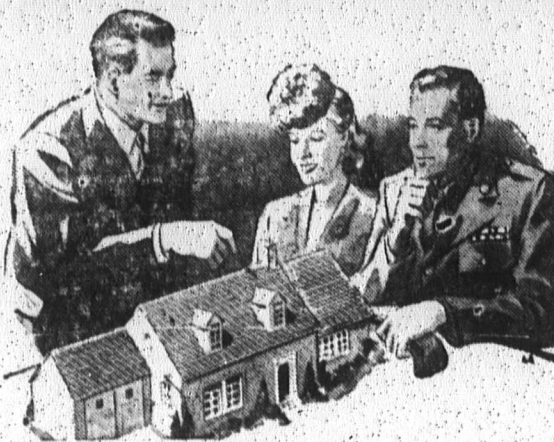
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The County Engineer is now surveying and platting a new subdivision joining the city limits of Payette, known as the De Witt Subdivision.

This sub-division will be platted into small acreage tracts and is close enough to town that a purchaser may walk to his work or children may walk to school.

We have arranged to finance the buildings on easy monthly payments, and the land can be purchased with a reasonable payment down and small monthly payments.

There are only a limited number of small acreage tracts for sale, and these are the only ones we know of that can be purchased with a small down payment and small monthly payments. **DON'T DELAY—SEE US TODAY!**

The City Council has approved the Patch Sub-division and it is now a part of the City, so if you are interested in choice building lots on Payette Heights we can sell these on easy terms.

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