

MULTI-RENTAL CITY BUILDING PROGRAM BOOMING

MUCH JAPANESE PROPERTY STILL AWAITS OWNERS

One of the biggest headaches of the United States marshal's office is the unclaimed contraband of former Japanese residents in this area who did not return, Don Miller, chief deputy United States marshal, said today.

Miller indicated 84 notices sent to Japanese whose homes were in this area and towns outside Seattle which have been returned "address unknown." He has not yet tried to reach owners of unclaimed contraband who lived in Seattle.

All contraband, housed in the basement of the United States Courthouse, has been claimed by owners with the exception of a great collection of Japanese-owned radios, firearms, swords, binoculars and the like. This all belongs to those who have not returned to this section. Those who returned have claimed their contraband.

Miller said he sent notices to the addresses on the tags attached to the articles hoping he would catch some of the owners in that way, but the notices have been returned.

"If anyone knows the whereabouts of Japanese who did not return, I would like to hear about it," Miller said.

Seattle Scout At Jamboree To Start Back

Jack Brondello, 15-year-old Seattle Boy Scout who attended the World Scout Jamboree in France this month, was to board a steamer at Le Havre today for the return voyage to the United States.

Young Brondello, a Franklin High School pupil, is scheduled to arrive in Seattle September 5, according to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Brondello, 6548 Seward Park Ave.

On a letter to his parents, the Seattle Scout described his trip through the Low Countries, France and Northern Germany to Switzerland.

"The trip has been wonderful, but it will be good to be home again," Brondello wrote.

Street's Name Up To Magnolia Club

If the Magnolia Community Club agrees, the name of West Wheeler Street will be changed to Village Street, the Municipal Board of Public Works indicated yesterday.

Business men in the Magnolia shopping section—dubbed the "village" by residents of that section—recently asked that name change for the short street lying north of West McGraw Street, between 31st and 32nd Avenues West.

At today's board meeting, it was agreed to defer action until an expression has been obtained from the community club.

BOOM! BOOM! BOOM!



Left to right—WEBSTER ENGLISH, JOHN MATHEO and ROGER GALLUP

By WALTER MARTIN
SIX-YEAR-OLD Floyd Daloia would rather play drums than marbles and he does. He plays them so well that critics consider his talent exceptional.

Floyd's musical talent cropped out when he was little more than a year old and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cosmo Daloia, 3216 Walnut Ave., discovered he liked to mark time to radio music.

When his parents took him to Park Board band concerts, Floyd would run over to the orchestra platform and stand behind the drummer. Now, at the ripe age of 6, Floyd plays the drums in the Rainier and Green Lake Fieldhouse Junior Orchestras.

"He has begged for drums since he was 3," said Mrs. Daloia. "We tried to talk him out of it—it takes a hardy individual to listen to the boom, booming all day long, you know—but it didn't work."

"Now we endure it in our front room. Sometimes he practices as much as four hours a day."

THE Daloias, deciding Floyd was going to be a drummer regardless of what they did, bought him a \$350 set of drums March 31 so he could learn to be a good one.

Then they had him take lessons—22 of them in 11 weeks.

Floyd explained his goal in life: "I want to play drums."

Neither Mr. nor Mrs. Daloia is musically inclined. Floyd's sister, Marie, 4, however, is learning to play the orchestra bells.

Since the school vacation began, Floyd and 169 other children, ranging up to 15 years

old, have practiced in the junior orchestras under supervision of Edwin C. Knutzen twice a week for ten weeks.

Knutzen, supervisor of elementary school orchestras in the



THEODOSIA SKOWRONEK, 8
She is a member of flute section

Seattle Public Schools, has conducted the orchestras each summer for five years.

THERE are three orchestras in the program, sponsored by the Park Board, the Seattle Public Schools, the Junior Red Cross and the Junior Programs.

Two orchestras, one for beginners and one for advanced youngsters, have made Green Lake Fieldhouse their headquarters. Another beginners' orchestra practices at Rainier Fieldhouse.

Ending this year's rehearsals, the children will hold a special practice session Monday and then will combine to present a concert at 2 o'clock Tuesday in Volunteer Park.

Children who play in the Rainier Fieldhouse orchestra include



FLOYD DALOIA, 6
He likes to make "boom booms"

Floyd, Glenn Ross, Patricia Sherry, Marilyn Roscoe, Felix Skowronek, Theodosia Skowronek, Eleanor Klein, Virginia Anderson, Carrol Ann Hart, Bodil Larsen, Helen Washington, Gwen Culberson, James Brown, Bobby Hoyle, Robert Post, Andres Cabasa, Charles Culberson and John Corr.

LEWIS BARRACKS TO GO ON SALE

Five hundred frame barracks in northeast Fort Lewis will go to the highest bidders September 9 in the biggest sale of surplus war buildings ever held on the West Coast, it was announced today.

J. C. McCaustland, chairman of the Seattle Real Estate Sub-office, North Pacific Engineers Division, said bids will be opened at 10 o'clock, September 9, and the buildings sold to the highest bidder, building by building.

The Engineers estimate that from 2,000,000 to 3,000,000 board feet of "seasoned lumber" might be salvaged for housing or other purposes from the sale. The barracks must be torn down before being removed from the site.

Daily tours leave the office of the post engineer, Fort Lewis, each morning at 9 o'clock to inspect the buildings.

The buildings were used during the war as a staging area, where final inspection of troops was made prior to embarking for overseas. Since the war they have been used as a separation center.

Youngster in Grade-School Orchestra Program Wants Only to Play Drums



Front row (left to right)—Eleanor Klein, Virginia Anderson, Carrol Ann Hart, Bodil Larsen, Helen Washington and Gwen Culberson. Rear row (left to right)—James Brown, Bobby Hoyle, Robert Post, Andres Cabasa, Charles Culberson and John Corr.

Violin section of junior orchestra at Rainier Fieldhouse

Strolling Around the Town

We are loath to reopen the seagull question, but it does seem necessary to report that, wherever the gulls went to hatch their young, it was far from the city and its easy pickings.

The little fellows have arrived in considerable numbers off West Seattle beaches, but they're simply not "hep" to city ways. A friend of The Stroller's virtually threw his arm out of its socket the other day, lobbing dry bread to the youngsters, but only succeeded in driving them farther off-shore.

Under similar circumstances, their parents would gather by the hundreds, diving after and fighting over every tidbit.

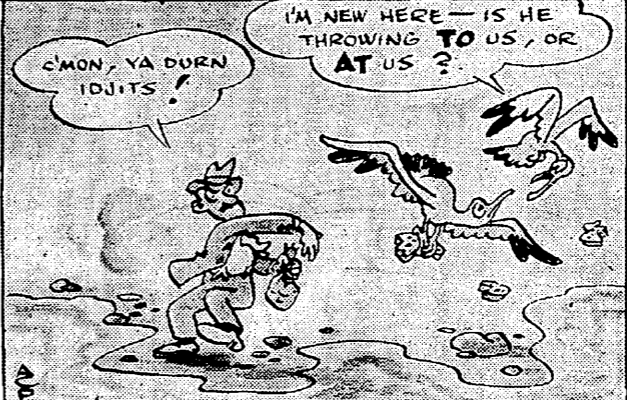
When Thomas J. Chambers of 4533 W. Trenton St., a former British subject, applied for the privilege of inscribing the royal marriage license to be used at the wedding of Princess Elizabeth, he did not write a simple form letter.

No, indeed. The master penman made his application on a sheet of fine vellum paper, requested it in gold and wrote the request in a scholarly script.

Chambers, who came to America in 1909, had learned the art of engraving in England and said he has practiced fine penmanship as a hobby almost all his life.

Still speaking with a slight British accent, Chambers said he formerly was a theatrical manager and now operates an insurance business. He said his penmanship is seen on many school diplomas and on many degrees given by fraternal organizations.

In his application to "His Grace, the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury," Chambers points out that he formerly did engraving for the



late King Edward's hospital fund. The penman mentions in the application he read of the need for an expert penman in an article which appeared in The Seattle Times August 1.

An office worker, used to being awakened for work every morning by a friendly telephone operator, dazedly fumbled for the receiver when the bell rang on a recent morning.

"Okay, okay," the office worker mumbled, "I'm awake," and hung up the receiver.

But as soon as the receiver was on the hook, the bell jangled again. It was a long-distance operator.

"Please do not hang up your receiver," she chanted, "Long distance is on the line. Toronto, Ontario, calling."

Still bemused, but impressed by the distance of the call, the office worker tried to get thoughts collected.

"I'm sorry to call so early. It's 10 o'clock here, but it must be only 6 where you are," the person at the other end of the line remarked.

"Oh, it's all right," the worker answered, "I have to be up anyway."

When the call was over, and senses finally clearer, the worker realized it was Sunday.

SMALL-FAMILY HOUSING KEEPS PAGE WITH 1946

Construction of one- and two-family houses in Western Washington is just about keeping pace with last year. But the multi-unit rental building program is really booming, with \$12,000,000 worth of work scheduled for Seattle alone.

This is the testimony of Federal Housing Administration, whose Seattle office, headed by Clark R. Jackson, today gave out these figures for the district, which includes all Washington counties west of the Columbia River, except Clark County.

New construction applications for one- and two-family units, numbering 1,848, were received during the first seven months of 1947. In the same months of 1946 applications numbered 1,921.

Applications during June and July, this year, however, show substantial increases over the same months of 1946.

In the field of multi-unit rental housing a total of 39 applications covering 1,891 units have been received since the first of the year and 29 of these applications, involving 1,514 units are in Seattle or its immediate suburbs. There was no program of this nature in 1946.

All figures cover applications for guarantee of loans. They include construction underway, other cases in which loans have been granted or are being processed and still others awaiting final decision.

The figures of applications during seven months probably represent just about the construction volume that will be handled under F. H. A. financing during the calendar year.

Small Detached Housing
Multi-unit housing runs heavily to four and one-half room units, costing \$1,800 to \$1,900 a room, F. H. A. officials say.

In the field of detached housing and duplexes, new construction represents only a small portion of the financing being underwritten by F. H. A.

Total applications for F. H. A. loans in the Seattle office area for the seven months of 1947 are 10,322 against 6,624 in the same months of 1946, with re-financing the big factor explaining the difference between construction and total applications.

V.F.W. and Auxiliary Will Picnic Sunday

A picnic sponsored by the E. Raymond Attebery Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and its newly organized auxiliary will be held Sunday afternoon at Edgewater Beach on Mercer Island for members and their families.

Mrs. Jane Kelly has been elected president of the auxiliary.

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