

## 2 Douglas County Girls Fly Solo in U. of O. Training

Two Douglas county girls, Mary Joan Parkinson, of Roseburg, and Marjorie Bates, of Myrtle Creek, recently made solo flights following instruction in connection with the civilian pilots training program at University of Oregon where both are students. Only five girls were enrolled in the class of 50 students, under the 10 per cent limitation of the rules for flight training and the two from Douglas county were among the five. Both are reported to have made excellent progress and are now permitted to fly alone after having made very good solo flights. Miss Parkinson is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Parkinson of Roseburg and Miss Bates is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Bates of Myrtle Creek.

## Strike Taboo Asked of U. S. Labor and Leaders

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raise the money as "severe and unrealistic."

He said the coal was "realistic" but suggested that with a \$2,000,000,000 slash in non-defense outlays, the government might raise \$2,500,000,000 through a flat income tax increase and from excise and sales levies and possibly a small payroll tax. These he declared, would place less burden on taxpayers in the \$2,000 to \$20,000 class than would the treasury's proposed methods.

## LABOR WANTS VOICE IN U. S. AFFAIRS, LEWIS DECLARES

HARRISBURG, Pa., May 1.—(AP)—John L. Lewis says the government cannot expect "too much cooperation" in the defense program until labor is granted a voice in America's affairs.

Addressing a Pennsylvania industrial council convention dinner for Philip Murray, who succeeded him as CIO chief, Lewis last night declared:

"Many persons are fearful of the future because they are losing confidence in the government and the government's policies."

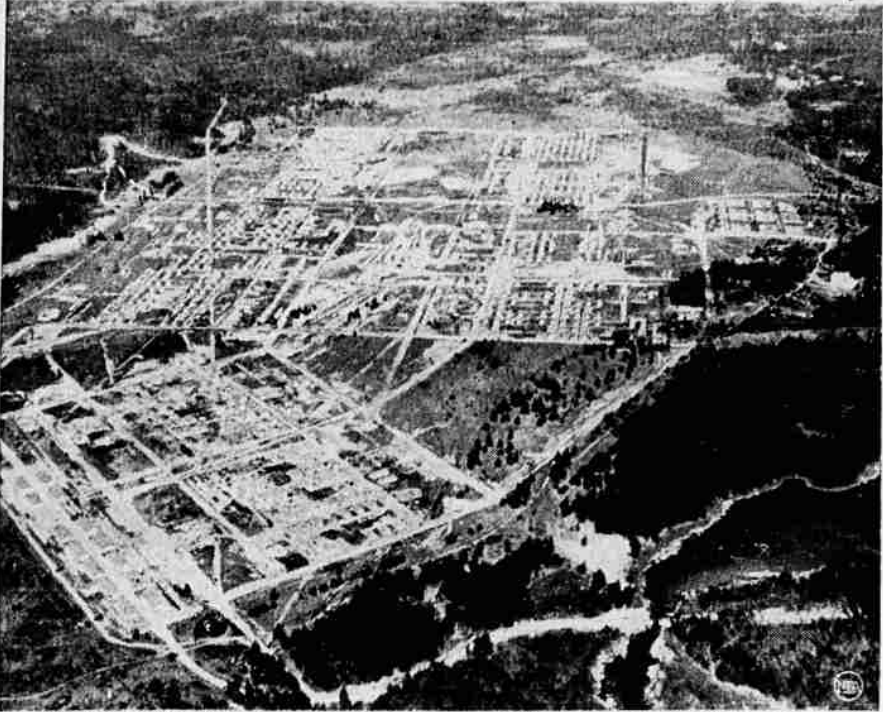
The president of the potent United Mine Workers of America charged "selfish interests have been able to make a profit out of the nation's distress."

He blamed concentration of war orders in the hands of a few manufacturers for "the bottleneck that is restricting America's preparation."

The unions have not been given "adequate" representation in the EPM, the war department "or any other department of government," thundered the labor leader.

"It is true that some individuals are connected, but they are representing government against labor. Their business is to chloroform labor so it will be supine

## Huge Home Built for Northwest's National Guard Troops



After spending the winter in tents at Camp Murray, the 41st Division soon moves to this new permanently built cantonment on the nearby Ft. Lewis, Wash., reservation. Air conditioned barracks, theaters, etc., are included in its 1000 buildings. The 41st Division comprises National Guard units from Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana and Wyoming.

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## U. S. MEDIATION ASKED IN COLUMBIA AREA DISPUTE

PORTLAND, Ore., May 1.—(AP)—Deadlocked CIO lumber workers and employers of the Columbia river basin asked federal mediation yesterday.

They appealed to John R. Steelman of the labor department's conciliation service to appoint a chairman for a meeting here. They are trying to settle a disagreement arising from an International Woodworkers of America demand for a 15-cent-an-hour wage increase.

Representatives of the district's 4000 CIO loggers, who have voted strike authority, said they would await arrival of the mediator before meeting with employers again.

Officials of 5000 sawmill workers, who also voted strike authority, opened separate negotiations with employers today.

SILVERTON, May 1.—(AP)—An additional 23 cents bringing total wage increase offer to 73 cents an hour, was offered to industrial employees unionists at the Silver Falls Timber company last night. The IEU had asked a ten-cent increase.

PORTLAND, May 1.—(AP)—The Portland Traction company granted its employees a wage increase of 2 cents an hour retroactive to April 1 in a contract signed yesterday two weeks' vacation with pay was also granted. The contract affects 1018 employees.

## Axis Army Pierces Unit Of Defenses at Tobruk

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quantity. Soviet Makes Gesture Coinciding with this speculation, Soviet Russia issued a May day pronouncement against violation of her frontiers.

Within 24 hours after the Soviet press asserted that German troops were moving north through Finland with tanks and guns, Russia's defense commissar, Timoshenko, declared that

the red army was ready to "offer an annihilating rebuff to any encroachment by imperialists."

## Nazi's Pay Huge Price

Adolf Hitler's blitzkrieg armies suffered "colossal losses in men and machines" in the Greek campaign, it was officially reported today, even as Britons rejoiced over the rescue by sea of 48,000 of the 60,000 B. E. F. troops who fought to defend the little Aegean kingdom.

A communique by the British middle east command indicated that at least some of the 9,000 remaining men were still being removed from the bullet-spattered beaches of the Grecian Peloponnese.

Total B. E. F. casualties were listed at 3,000 killed and wounded.

Australia's acting Prime Minister A. W. Fadden, in Melbourne, announced the "colossal" German casualties. He gave no specific figures.

Simultaneously, a authoritative quarters in London said a second contingent of British troops had been landed at Basra, Iraq, at the head of the Persian gulf—apparently in a move to counter any German threat to Iraq's rich Mosul oil fields.

Other British troops landed there April 17-18. The German air force has followed up the flight of British and Greeks to the island of Crete with a new bombardment of ships in Suda harbor there, seriously damaging three vessels, the Berlin high command announced today.

## Bankers Takes Episcopal Church on \$266,000 Debt

SEATTLE, May 1.—(AP)—The largest Episcopal church on the western slope north of San Francisco—St. Mark's cathedral—was dark today and its congregation made plans to hold services next Sunday on the lawn of Volunteer city park from a portable altar, weather permitting, or in a nearby school.

The stately edifice passed into the hands of St. Louis bankers last night when church officials admitted they could find no means to meet payments on a

## Park-Pool Plan Here Gets WPA Allotment

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port work is finished.

Pool Job Not to Be Rushed City officials, cognizant of the need for immediate development of the airport, in connection with the national defense program, will make no effort to crowd the swimming pool project as long as all available men are assigned to the more important project, Mayor Young said.

The plan under which the WPA has approved the allotment calls for development of the city-owned property adjoining Deer creek and the Pacific highway, and now occupied by the city garage and street department shops. The city has agreed to donate this land and the building for park purposes. The building will be remodeled to provide dressing and shower rooms, equipment space, etc., and the pool will be built immediately adjoining the structure. The project as outlined calls as well for the landscaping of the entire tract of about two acres in area.

## Ship Round-Up Answering Request of Roosevelt

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best possible moment" to transport the raw materials required by American defense industries and the war supplies needed by nations resisting aggression.

"Vital war materials are piling up at the ports or delayed at the factories," Mr. Roosevelt declared. "We must supply those ships and at once."

## Urgent Need Stressed

The president emphasized the urgent need for increased shipping facilities last night in instructions to Admiral Emory S. Land, chairman of the maritime commission.

Land was directed to "secure the service of at least 2,000,000 tons of merchant shipping" and to plan operations so as to "make their cargo space immediately effective in accomplishing our objective of all-out aid to the democracies."

Admiral Land's task, as outlined by the president:

1. To arrange for foreign ships or ships which are to be transferred to foreign registry (presumably British) to be placed in service along routes to combat zones, including Great Britain.

2. Reallocation of American-flag ships, including those soon to be completed, on routes outside combat zones, in order that every cargo they carry would be directly or indirectly useful in national defense efforts and the "winning by the democracies of the battle now being waged in the Atlantic."

Vessels of all types must be taken from existing or proposed

trade routes, the president declared, to haul vitally needed defense and war supplies across the high seas, and the United States merchant marine must be expanded with increased speed "so that ships and more ships will be available to carry the food and munitions of war to the democracies of the world."

## 3-Way Job Outlined

Admiral Land summed up the job this way—President Roosevelt "wanted everything expedited like hell."

H. Harris Robson, formerly vice-president of the United Fruit company, was immediately placed in charge of the tonnage-finding task, and indications were that the maritime commission expected to round up the necessary shipping in three ways:

1. By diverting some of the 7,000,000 tons of ocean-going vessels now comprising the merchant marine; by transferring some of the 2,500,000 tons of Great Lakes shipping to inter-coastal trade, thus releasing inter-coastal vessels for the "bridge to Britain," and by commissioning army and navy auxiliaries, laid-up world war ships, lake and coastal route vessels.

2. By placing the one-ship-a-week now being built into immediate commission. Under its building program the maritime commission expects to finish 71 ships aggregating 700,000 tons this year; 2,500,000 tons next year; and between 3,500,000 and 4,000,000 tons in 1943.

3. By acquiring some of the approximately 100 foreign-flag ships now in U. S. ports by speeding legislation empowering the president to take them over for the "common good," by purchase, requisition or charter.

## Patrol Extension Likely

The rapidly developing axis threat to Britain's position astride the strategic Suez canal caused speculation today in diplomatic quarters on the likelihood of U. S. navy patrol operations in the Indian ocean along the lanes traveled by shipments of lend-lease supplies that may be bound for Egypt via the Gulf of Aden-Red sea route.

The belief was expressed that such shipments were highly probable in view of the known

British needs in the middle east, particularly after the admitted heavy losses of equipment suffered by the expeditionary force in the battle of Greece.

Since the elimination three weeks ago of the combat zone which closed the Gulf of Aden and the Red sea to American shipping, there has been no official ruling as to whether U. S. merchantmen would be permitted to carry strictly military cargoes over that route.

At the time, however, President Roosevelt indicated that he saw no reason such shipments could not be delivered to Egypt, a technical neutral. He made it plain that the administration would not be over-sensitive on the point if war materials delivered to a neutral port in American bottoms ultimately found their way into the hands of a belligerent.

Lord Halifax, the British ambassador, said then that the removal of the combat area from the Red sea approaches represented a substantial American contribution to the empire's

cause in the Mediterranean theatre of war.

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