

High Pay Draws Oregon Teen Age To Industries

PORTLAND, Ore., June 4.—(AP)—Teen aged youngsters, with the rainbow's pot of gold right in their hands, are streaming into the state labor bureau's office at the rate of 300 a day for work permits.

By September 20,000 Oregon boys and girls from 14 to 18 years of age will be drawing industrial paychecks, W. E. Kinsey, deputy labor commissioner, estimated today.

With military services draining hundreds of potential workers from the state and war industries calling for more and more help, the youngsters, who must have state work permits except in agriculture, are moving into the industrial picture with rapidity and eagerness.

Boys, particularly the older ones, are stepping into men's jobs. Younger boys and girls are filling the lighter jobs left vacant by the older boys and by women who have quit their regular employment for higher paying war industry jobs.

The under-18 workers will average from 65 to 70 cents an hour, Kinsey estimated, but many of those between 16 and 18 are drawing the shipyard's hourly minimum of 87½ cents as painters or welders' helpers. Others are finding jobs in planing mills at 82½ cents, furniture factories at 65 cents and canneries at 52½ cents.

If the industrial manpower demand continues, large numbers of the boys and girls will forget about school, in the fall, Kinsey predicted.

Dutch Harbor's Damage From Jap Bombs Small

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Seattle warned the public to recheck air raid instructions and prepare for a possible blackout. In California the Los Angeles county defense council issued an emergency alert, calling for sharp vigilance and readiness for instant action.

Military authorities at Balboa cancelled all leaves and passes of soldiers and sailors in the Panama canal zone. The alert status there was intensified.

Distance Factor Cited
Experts said the Japanese fighters in the first air raid must have come from a carrier, but there was a possibility that the bombers came from a land base. Dutch harbor is about 1,800 miles from the northernmost of the Kurile islands, which stretch northward from Japan proper.

Unalaska island, on which Dutch harbor is situated, is nearly 1,000 miles from the westernmost of the Aleutians, which in turn is some 700 miles from the nearest of the Japanese Kuriles. Pending any official word to the contrary, Washington was inclined to regard the raids as either token reprisals for the recent American bombing of Tokyo and other Japanese cities or as thrusts to test American defenses.

But with the southwestern Pacific battle relatively quiet and the battle of Burma ended, officials familiar with the northern Pacific pointed out that the Japanese have chosen a moment for the Alaska attack which could mean a shift in the direction of the war.

Weather Favors Japs

If the Japanese intend an attempt to establish themselves in the Aleutians, either for a major campaign against the American continent or as a defense against United Nations attack from the north, they have at least another month of good flying weather. Summer fogs settle down on the north Pacific islands in late July and August, and might hamper an allied counter-offensive after the impetus of such an initial Japanese drive was spent.

In striking at Dutch harbor, the Japanese may have thought to find a weak spot, some observers pointed out.

Work on navy installations there, said to include an air and a submarine base, has been in progress only since the fall of 1940. Since 1922 the Japanese had insisted that the Aleutians not be militarized.

Prepared For Attack

Yet during those years the Japanese themselves have pushed their fishing fleets into Aleutian waters despite American protests and were believed to have marked off prospective air bases and landing sites in the volcanic, rocky islands. At the same time Tokyo kept foreign eyes from the Kuriles, which were thought to shelter substantial naval and air stations.

Recent visitors to Dutch harbor have described American forces there as expecting air raids with the coming of good weather.

Rear Admiral C. S. Freeman, commander of the 13th naval district, said at Seattle that "this at-

African Desert Troops Have a Tire Problem, Too



British troops on the Libyan desert front roll in the "tyres" as part of their campaign to salvage war material—both their own and that captured from the enemy. Pep-up ads are on old oil cans.

tack was not a surprise and the station was prepared to meet it."

CIVILIAN DEFENSES OF OREGON READY FOR ACTION

PORTLAND, June 4—(AP)—Oregon's civilian defense workers were keyed to instant action today as yesterday's bombing of Dutch harbor, Alaska, brought nearer home the threat of attack on the Pacific northwest.

At Salem, Jerrold Owen, state co-ordinator of civilian defense, said all forces had been ready for several days and he called on the volunteer workers to be on a 24-hour alert.

In Portland, Edward L. Bont-right, city co-ordinator, said the nearly 67,000 workers had been prepared for an alert since May 28.

Mayor Earl Riley cautioned people to remain calm if a raid should come.

"The people must remember what they have been taught," he said, "and follow the instructions given them by press, radio and other means."

SENATOR QUESTIONS DUTCH HARBOR DEFENSE POWER

SEATTLE, June 4—(AP)—Missing a trip this week to Dutch harbor because of other business Senator Mon C. Wallgren (D-Wash.) urged last night in comment on the Japanese attacks on the Aleutians base that "we should know as soon as possible" if the outpost was insufficiently protected.

The senator, a member of the Truman committee studying national defense, told interviewers: "The fact that the Japanese attacked Dutch harbor is not surprising. But just what defense strength do we have there that they could return six hours after dropping their first bombs?"

"In Washington, we have been pounding away for months on the necessity for protection of the west coast. We have thousands of planes scattered all over the country and if an investigation should disclose that we have insufficient protection for the strategic points along the coast, we should know it as soon as possible."

RAF Pounds German War Plants in Bremen

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time center.

Black-faced commandos, escorted by navy warships and protected in their withdrawal by RAF fighters, stabbed across Dover strait after midnight on a reconnaissance raid officially declared to have produced "valuable information."

It was the second commando thrust against the Boulogne-Le Touquet area, scouted before on April 22. Boulogne lies 25 miles south of Dover and Le Touquet is 15 miles farther south. Between them is a coast of dunes and marshes.

The force was described as a small contingent; casualties were officially declared to have been slight.

"The German high command said that its forces had repulsed 'an attempted British landing' on the occupied French coast and that German troops had captured 'some prisoners and arms.'"

Chief Confers in America.

There have been reports from the Russian front recently that the Germans were forced to divert some forces from this area of France, particularly armored divisions which have been the backbone of the German defenses in France.

The operation took on implications of added importance in the absence of the commando leader, Vice Admiral Lord Louis Mountbatten. He was in Washington with Field Marshal Sir John G. Dill, member of the combined chiefs of staff group set up last February "to insure complete coordination of the war effort" of the United States and Britain.

Also reported participating in the Washington talks were General George C. Marshall, United States army chief of staff, and Lieut. Gen. Henry H. Arnold,

Softballers Turn Out for Practice

Approximately 20 prospective softball players turned out at Finlay field last night for the first practice session of the season. Another light workout is to be held at 7 o'clock tonight. Arrangements are being made for a four-team league which will play twilight games, eliminating use of the lights as in previous seasons. All men interested in joining the league are urged to participate.

Due to the absence of many of the younger players who have taken part in the game during former seasons, a number of older men are expected to participate this year. Leaders of the program are inviting attendance of older men, pointing out that this year, particularly, for recreation and entertainment for players and spectators. It is quite probable, it is stated, that no admission will be charged for games.

U. S. Defense Bill to Pass 200 Billion Mark

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or killed while carrying out their duties.

Senator Taft (R., Ohio) asserted the terms of the bill were too broad, and said he proposed to offer a substitute.

Among other things, Taft said he was opposed to "providing lifelong compensation for an air raid warden who might happen to fall downstairs in a blackout."

Pepper took the stand that the war involves all the citizens of the nation and that the relief of the injured and of the survivors of the dead was a national responsibility.

The size of benefits under the Pepper bill would be determined by the earning power of the victim.

Jehovah Draft Dodger Draws Four-Year Term

PORTLAND, Ore., June 4—(AP)—Ralph E. Rogers, 23, was sentenced today by Federal Judge Fee to four years in federal prison for failure to report at Eugene for entrainment to a conscientious objectors' camp.

Rogers, convicted in federal court yesterday, had pleaded exemption on the grounds that he was a minister in the Jehovah's witnesses sect.

The government offered testimony that Rogers' name was not on a list of ministers given the Lane county draft board by the sect.

Days Creek

DAYS CREEK, June 4—Mr. and Mrs. Roy Matthews and their daughter, Miss Lois Ellen, were among those going to Roseburg Saturday to attend the Douglas fire patrol picnic and school of instruction.

Mrs. Fritz Snyder was attending to business matters in Roseburg Friday. When she returned here she was accompanied by her mother-in-law, Mrs. Maggie Snyder, who for the past several weeks has been staying at the Brust nursing home while convalescing from a paralytic stroke.

Mrs. Alice Morrison of Grants Pass, who is a sister-in-law of Mrs. Snyder, senior, is spending this week with her.

Mrs. Ivan Welch has been confined to her home several days recently by illness.

John Amacher of Winchester was calling on friends here Monday.

Mrs. Roy Duncan took her small niece, Lola Moore, to Myrtle Creek Wednesday afternoon to have the cast taken from her leg which was broken a number of weeks ago.

Larry Kierstein, the elder son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Kierstein, and a pupil in the fifth

E. A. Lewis, Prominent Oregon Lumberman, Dies

EUGENE, Ore., June 4—(AP)—E. A. Lewis, 72, for more than a quarter of a century connected with the lumber industry in Oregon, died here today.

He was founder of the Lewis Lumber company at Dexter, and at the time of his death was president of the Willamette Valley Lumber Operators association and a trustee of the West Coast Lumbermen's association.

Allied Sub Destroys Three Japanese Ships

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broadcast that one of the submarines had been raised in Sydney harbor and found to be "obviously of the same type as that used in the attack on Pearl harbor."

Previously it had been reported that only three midget submarines had been sunk in Sydney harbor, one by gunfire and two by depth charges. The only Australian loss in the Japanese foray was a vessel used as a naval depot ship.

The prime minister also told the parliament that the Coral Sea battle was a "signal success" which had averted an immediate threat to Australia.

U. S. GENERALS CONFER WITH CHINESE LEADER

CHUNGKING, June 4—(AP)—Lieut. Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell, American commander of Chinese

forces which fought the Japanese in Burma, and Maj. Gen. Lewis H. Brereton, commander of United States army air forces in India, arrived by plane today for conferences with Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek.

Stillwell escaped into India in a hazardous overland journey when his headquarters was cut off by the Japanese, and declared bluntly that "we took a hell of a beating."

Brereton is in charge of the United States bomber forces which pounded the Japanese during the last week of their Burma campaign and now are battering at the bases from which the invaders menace India.

Brig. Gen. Claire L. Chennault, commander of the American volunteer group (the Flying Tigers), came to Chungking with Stilwell, having boarded the plane last night at Kunming.

May Attack Siberia

Meanwhile, a Chinese spokesman said he had heard new reports of Japanese concentrations in Manchukuo, but he could not give their size. The reports increased speculation in Chinese circles over Japanese failure thus far to attempt invasion of Australia or India.

There was increasing belief among the Chinese that soviet Siberia might be the next big Japanese target.

Chuhshien, rail line center of west Chekiang province and at present the immediate goal of the Japanese offensive in Chekiang, was being pressed today from the north, east and south-east by 40,000 Japanese troops

constantly augmented by a reserve of perhaps an equal number.

Chuhshien Under Attack

Benefitted by incessant relay bombing which destroyed Chinese defenses, the enemy column striking from the north reached a point only three miles from Chuhshien. The town was under fire from heavy field guns.

About 1,000 Japanese plain-

clothesmen were intercepted and destroyed south of Chuhshien, it was reported.

The Chekiang offensive, according to the Japanese themselves, is aimed at destruction of sites from which allied air attacks could be launched against Japan. But a military spokesman said today: "Even if the Japanese occupy some of our air bases there are many cities where others could be built."

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SUGAR FOR CANNING

1. Does the U. S. Government want home canning of fresh fruit this summer?

A. Yes, our Government is now acting to encourage home canning. U. S. housewives are asked to put up summer fruits for three reasons:

- (a) to conserve fruit that might otherwise be wasted;
- (b) to improve family nutrition when fresh fruits are scarce;
- (c) to supplement commercially canned fruits, thus easing transportation.

2. Canning takes sugar. Will sugar be available for this purpose?

A. Yes. Extra sugar for canning will be available to you, in addition to the present basic sugar ration. The Government's new, liberalized allotment of sugar for canning permits you to buy:

- 1 pound of sugar for every 4 quarts of canned fruits you agree to put up
- plus 1 more pound for each member of your family, to make jams, jellies, preserves and fruit butters

3. Is the sugar allotment enough for canning?

A. Home economists say that 1 pound of sugar per 4 quarts of fruit is reasonable for home canning. Fruit canned this way will have fine keeping quality and a good degree of sweetness. Perhaps you have used more sugar in your fruit canning in past years—but this is wartime.

4. Why does the Government distinguish between (a) fruit canning and (b) making jams, jellies, preserves?

A. Canning represents the more economical and efficient use of sugar—it requires less sugar per unit of fruit than does preserving. Therefore the sugar allotment for canning was made larger than for jams, jellies, etc.

5. In view of war conditions, how is it possible to allot sugar for canning?

A. It's true that sugar is precious. We have lost our Philippine supply and we now receive less sugar from other Pacific areas. Sugar must be shared with our allies. Sugar is being used to make ammunition for our fighting men.

But there's a bright side to our sugar picture. Here in western America we have a home-grown source of sugar no enemy can touch. This home-grown sugar—beet sugar—is one of the big reasons why our Government can allot sugar for home canning.

6. What sugar shall I get for home fruit canning?

A. Any brand of pure granulated sugar at your grocer's will give good results in canning. The U. S. Department of Agriculture states, in a discussion of fruit canning, "Cane sugar and beet sugar are equally good." (Farmers' Bulletin No. 1762, page 23.) Spreckels Honey Dew Sugar, for instance, is excellent for canning.

7. How do I start my home fruit canning?

A. Decide what fruits you want to put up, and how many jars of each. When the fruits come to market, go to your local ration board and make application for the special allotment of canning sugar. Your grocer is cooperating with the Government to promote home canning this summer. His store is your headquarters for all canning supplies—including the good beet sugar of the West.

The top-quality
sugar home-grown
in the West

