

Fewer Veterans Will Enroll In Colleges This Fall

By VERN HAUGLAND
WASHINGTON — The Veterans Administration (VA) says the number of war veterans in college this fall may drop 10 percent below last winter's peak. "It is logical to expect most of this decline among the junior colleges, teachers colleges and other small colleges and universities," Harold V. Stirling, VA education director, said in an interview. "Many veterans who enrolled in junior colleges are completing the two-year courses offered by these schools. Some may continue into dergraduate study in other colleges."

"Others enrolled in the smaller schools while waiting for openings in the larger institutions of their choice. They will transfer to these larger schools as soon as openings are available. As a result of these transfers, total war veteran enrollments in the larger colleges and universities are expected to hold fairly constant during the next academic year, while marked decreases will be noted in the enrollments of smaller colleges."

Peak enrollment in the veterans educational and job-training program was 2,802,000 last December. Enrollment of veterans in colleges alone reached 1,245,000. Enrollments declined steadily and toward the end of the academic year last May had decreased to 2,703,000 in all programs and 1,141,000 at the college level.

Stirling said the rate of decline among college enrollments probably will be slower than originally expected because of increased subsistence allowances granted by Congress this year. "These increases will enable many veterans — particularly those with dependents — to complete their college courses rather than abandon them for economic reasons," Stirling said. "Nevertheless, college enrollments may decline as much as 10

percent below last December's peak." Stirling said the veterans enrollment peak in schools below the college level has not yet been reached. The number of veterans, particularly in business and vocational schools and high schools, has increased during the past year. Stirling said they can be expected to increase again this fall in spite of the restraining effect of the recent ban on vocational or recreational courses. Higher ceilings on earned income plus subsistence allowance will account for a part of the increase.

First Australian-Made Autos Slated for Sale

MELBOURNE — (AP) — The first Australian-made automobile is scheduled to be on sale this year. The first car, five-seater sedan, will be completed in September. About 2500 are expected to be offered to the public by December.

The manufacturer, General Motors-Holden, Ltd., aim to produce 20,000 of these cars yearly after next July.

Selling price of the new car will be around £100 (\$325) more than small English cars, and £130 (\$422) more than the cheapest American automobile.

Northwest Forests Have Low Fire Season

PORTLAND, Aug. 24 — (AP) — Washington and Oregon forests have had fewer fires this summer season than in any recent year and may set a record.

The North Pacific fire division of the Federal Forest Service reports there were only 263 fires between January 1 and July 31 and acreage burned averaged 324. This compares with an average of 417 fires in the same period for the years 1943 to 1947 and average burn-over of 4,926 acres.

Guy B. Johnson, division fire dispatcher, attributed the drop to an unusually wet season. He said August may show an all-time low since records were started in 1926.

3 Drain Anglers Saved After Their Boat Overturns

Two men and a woman, residents of Drain, narrowly escaped drowning on the Umpqua River bar Thursday, when their small boat overturned while they were fishing. It was reported from Reedsport today.

Not familiar with the danger in that locality at certain stages of the tide, they had followed another boat out to the best fishing grounds, but were having some good luck that they failed to note the change in the tide and the resulting waves.

When their own boat overturned, they were unable to get hold of it to hang onto, but managed to get to another boat close by, and were clinging to it but drifting rapidly seaward.

Mr. and Mrs. Loren Herring of Reedsport, owners of a commercial fishing boat, the "Guard," were coming in through what they call the "north hole" when they noticed a man standing in the small boat and waving his coat to attract attention.

Thinking that the occupants of the boat were unable to get their motor to run, Mr. Herring ran over to their assistance and then saw the three other people in the water, clinging to the side of the boat.

Taking them aboard, a difficult task in such rough water, the Harrings took the unfortunate ashore, brought them to their home here for dry clothes and coffee.

The Coast Guard boat arrived on the scene after the fishermen had been taken aboard the "Guard," and tied onto the overturned boat and took it ashore.

DRUNKS SENTENCED

Two persons pleaded guilty to drunkenness and one to vagrancy before Municipal Judge Ira B. Riddle yesterday. Barton Guy Herriek, 320 W. Cass St., charged with drunkenness on a public street, paid a \$30 fine. He also paid \$10 for a similar previous offense. Raymond Preston McFarland, 20, was committed to the city jail for 15 days in lieu of payment of a \$30 fine imposed on a like charge. Crawford Whiteaker, transient, was ordered "floated" from the city on a charge of vagrancy.

Annual Reunion Dated For Applegate Clan

The annual meeting of the Applegate clan will be held in the Drain city park Sept. 19 with L. C. Applegate, Mrs. Maud Deever and Mrs. Sally Farley in charge of arrangements. Meeting will be held at 10 o'clock, followed by a potluck dinner at noon. The regular business session will be held at one o'clock.

BLUBBER FOR BEAUTY

MELBOURNE — (AP) — Cosmetics made from sea elephants soon may be an exclusive beauty aid for Australian women. The same elephants also may turn up in the margarine and shortening bought by housewives for cooking.

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Takes Only Two Swipes To 'Clean' Auto Window

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A car window that obscures vision carries a \$3 fine in Kansas City.

"If I clean that window within two minutes will you leave that ticket on your pad?" the driver asked, McGarvey agreed.

The motorist grabbed a crank and with two quick blows knocked the glass out of the window, then drove away.

Gunmen Get \$23,000 At Radio Executive's Home

CHICAGO, Aug. 23 — (AP) — Five armed gunmen invaded the home of Radio Executive Gene T. Dyer last night, holding Dyer and two others captive for 45 minutes before escaping with \$23,000 loot.

Dyer, owner of radio station WAIT, in Chicago; his wife, Evelyn, and E. J. Bullwinkel, a friend, were trussed with neckties and stockings by the gang.

The five robbers came into the luxurious nine-room Dyer home near suburban Mundelein as Dyer and Bullwinkel were talking in the den.

Reactivation Of Benchwarmers Club Is Planned

Plans are being made to reactivate the Roseburg Benchwarmers Club, idle during the summer months, according to President Bus Travis.

Travis said the civic organization would hold its first meeting of the school year shortly after the school season opens next month to elect new officers and plan the annual membership drive.

The Benchwarmers are a group of about 800 local persons interested in providing athletic equipment and facilities for Roseburg youngsters of grade school age.

In the past, the club has presented each grade school in the city with 15 basketball suits, two basketballs, and either an inside or outdoor backboard. And each grade school has been given two volleyballs with nets and balls and bats for softball competition.

Besides awarding a foul shot trophy to the Junior High School, the organization sponsored a city grade school track meet with a trophy awarded the winner.

However, their past activities have not been confined to the city alone. The Benchwarmers last year sponsored a foul shot contest among the county grade schools. The winner was given a backboard with hoop and a new basketball. Balls were also given to the second and third place winners. The club also staged a county-wide grade school track meet with ribbons and cups going to the winners.

The club's athletic projects are designed primarily for youngsters who do not make the school teams, thus giving more of an opportunity to develop athletic prowess. The club puts on one of the least expensive campaigns of any civic organization. Each year a membership enrollment drive is staged and a dollar is collected from each interested person. With the membership funds, the Benchwarmers buy equipment for the schools and sponsor the various athletic events.

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Flower and Hobby Show Slated At Sutherlin Sept. 11

SUTHERLIN — The Associated Business Women's Club of Sutherlin will sponsor a flower and hobby show Saturday, Sept. 11. It will be held either in the Community Hall or Scout Building on Central Avenue. Entries will be received from 8 a. m. to 10:30 p. m.

Rules and regulations will be as follows:

No. 1 Annuals —

a. Asters.

b. Petunias.

c. Marigolds.

d. Zinnias.

e. Snagdrages.

f. Any variety not listed elsewhere.

No. 2 Perennials —

a. Chrysanthemums.

b. Carnations.

c. Phlox.

d. Hydrangeas.

e. Snagdrages.

f. Any variety not listed elsewhere.

No. 3 Roses —

a. Gladioli.

b. Dahlias.

c. Decorative arrangement —

a. Table arrangement.

b. Miniature arrangement.

c. Flowering plants.

d. Delays plants.

e. Cacti.

f. Bonsais.

Glut flowers must be exhibited in glass fruit jars — quart jars for tall flowers and pints for smaller ones — at least three stems but not more than five for the larger flowers. Exhibitors must bring their own containers. Decorative arrangements must be artistically arranged by exhibitors and placed on individual card tables to be furnished by exhibitors. Any figurines used will be at the owners' risk as the club will not be responsible for breakage. There will be prizes given — one for the best flower in each classification listed and also a second prize for the same classification. Classifications for the hobby show will be as follows:

Divisions

1 China hobby.

2 Animal hobby.

3 Antique hobby.

4 High school students hobby.

5 Grade school students hobby.

6 Rock and metal hobby.

7 Miscellaneous hobbies.

Two prizes will be awarded each division and there will be much more room for the display of hobbies this year.

Anyone with questions regarding the hobby display may contact any member of the hobby committee — Mrs. Martha Coenenberg, Mrs. Jennie Amorde or Donna Dean Blakeley.

'Little Miss America' Spurns Filmmood Glamour

HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 24 — (AP) — Five-year-old, pigtailed Kathleen Cecile Flynn of Spokane gave Hollywood glamour the gate as soon as she was adjudged "Little Miss America" of 1948.

However, it was Mama who decided Kathleen should go home. Mrs. Howard A. Flynn said Kathleen should be with her sister and four brothers, instead of appearing on two radio shows, a television broadcast and preparing for a film role. "Our place is with our family," said Mrs. Flynn, as they started home.

Kathleen was the winner of over 30 other finalists at Hollywood Bowl Sunday in the 12th contest conducted by the Screen Children's Guild.

Michael Louis Perich, 12, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter J. Perich, Sacramento, Calif., a lad with a grin and a crew haircut, was named "All-American Boy." Mike and his mother, however, are staying here for the glamour events.

Blind Author Opens Course at Oregon School

PORTLAND, Aug. 24 — (AP) — Mrs. Elena Zelayeta, San Francisco, blind author and lecturer, opened a two-week "Let's Live" course at the Oregon Blind Trades School yesterday.

Blind people from throughout Oregon will study cooking, crafts, folk dancing and mechanics during the course.

"A blind person isn't really different from anybody else, just that he has to do things a little differently," said Mrs. Zelayeta, a Mexican-born woman who has been decorated by the Mexican government for her work with the blind.

"There is no reason why a blind person should sit back and not do anything. I have proved that myself."

TOO SHARP ON DRAW

BILLINGS, Mont. — (AP) — Gen. Ferris, 82, drew a six-month jail sentence when he made too good a "draw" in a poker game. Fellow players complained that Ferris drew a loaded pistol and played the rest of the evening with his cards in one hand and the pistol in the other. Ferris said he had gone broke the previous night. Other players told the court Ferris showed "phenomenal skill and luck" and won about \$100 after drawing the pistol.

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Longshore Strike Held Certainty

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 23 (AP) — Harry Bridges' West Coast CIO Longshore Union decided Saturday to boycott a National Labor Relations board ballot and said the action meant that a maritime strike on Sept. 2 was "a certainty."

The Union Headquarters said a "coastwide caucus" of longshoremen and ship clerks had voted unanimously to recommend a boycott of the proposed ballot on a wage offer by employers.

"The boycott is expected to be 100 per cent successful," the Union statement said.

Bridges, president of the union, was quoted as having told the caucus that "boycott of the NLRB ballot would be a demonstration of solidarity."

The Union has been called to appear before an NLRB trial examiner here Sept. 1 to answer an NLRB complaint charging violation of the Taft-Hartley act.

MONEY IN 'HOPPERS

CHEYENE, Wyo. — (AP) — Wyoming ranchers are looking at grasshoppers with a slightly — very slightly — less jaundiced eye. The State Agriculture Department related to them an order from a Michigan fishing bait firm for six to 12 tons of them. The company said it would pay 25 cents a pound for the 'hoppers.

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