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not forthcoming, and that after the petition was presented to Mr. Epling, that they were discharged this morning.

Mr. Baxter, as NRA consumer committee chairman and also president of the Central Labor council, said today that the NRA would be concerned only if some code violation was shown. It also was reported that the meat cutters have made representations to union headquarters and elsewhere in connection with the case.

The payroll of the Grande Ronde Meat Co., according to Mr. Epling, is \$1700 a month.

## The Weather

**WEATHER FORECAST**  
Oregon: Unsettled, local showers tonight or Saturday; continued cool; moderate to fresh southwest and west winds offshore.

**LOCAL WEATHER**  
Thursday: maximum 56 above. Rain .68 of inch. Cloudy.  
Today: minimum 42, 7 a. m. — 30 above. Cloudy.

## Eagles Making Plans For Big District Meet

Committee chairman to direct the activities of the district convention of the Eagles lodge were appointed last night and will choose their personnel in the near future in preparation for the meeting on Oct. 1, J. H. Proffitt is chairman of the feed, Arthur Bromer, entertainment; and Ray Patten, reception. Pendleton, Baker, Ontario, Nyssa, Burns and La Grande will be represented.

Relief of the unemployed also was discussed last night at the meeting and it was decided that a relief program will be conducted along lines similar to last year. A chairman and committee will be appointed within the next two weeks.

## ORCHARDISTS EXPECT BIG APPLE YIELD

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at the Elgin shipping point will exceed substantially the usual 90 to 100 cars moving to markets from that city.

## RETAIL CODE TO GO BEFORE GEN. JOHNSON

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to afford protection both to the consumer and the small merchant, was to go today to Hugh S. Johnson, NRA administrator, for his analysis before submission to President Roosevelt.

Johnson, who has had a tentative version of the code on his desk several days, said he believed it would be a week before the agreement could be sent to the White House.

This code establishes ten per cent above wholesale cost as the minimum price at which a retailer may sell goods, and also has a 21 per cent discount limit on trade marked drugs and toilet articles whose retail price is fixed by the manufacturer.

An idea under consideration at the NRA today was that a non-governmental board of impartial, prominent citizens be appointed to observe operations of the price control provisions and determine whether the experiment is in the public interest. As now drawn, however, the code contains no provision for limiting operation of price control to a trial. As seen by some officials, the

# TODAY IN BRIEF, IN AND AROUND OREGON

AS CHRONICLED BY THE DAILY LEASED WIRE OF THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## TO TRANSFER VETS TO NEW HOME

ROSEBURG, Ore., Sept. 15 (AP) — Transfer of veterans from the present facilities of the Northwest National Soldiers Home to the new \$1,250,000 unit is set for Monday, September 18, Colonel E. P. Tandy, manager announced this morning. Instructions were received from the veterans administration a week ago to occupy the new unit "at the earliest date possible." And as a result crews were immediately put to work giving the new buildings their final cleaning, installing beds, mattresses and furniture, and giving all equipment a thorough testing.

## MEIER SUPPORTS BONNEVILLE

SALEM, Sept. 15 (AP) — In a telegram to President Roosevelt, Governor Julius L. Meier declared that construction of the Bonneville power dam across the Columbia river would do more to alleviate unemployment in Oregon than any public undertaking that the federal government could inaugurate.

The people of Oregon are solidly behind the project and all power from the project would be sold, Meier stated.

## JORDAN ARGUMENTS HEARD

SALEM, Sept. 15 (AP) — An audience of more than 30 men and women wearing red ribbons in their lapels listened to arguments before the Oregon supreme court today for the life of Theodore Jordan, negro, sentenced to hang for the murder of a dining car steward at Klamath Falls.

The spectators, it was declared, represented the international labor defense league which has been flooded

## FISHERMEN ON STRIKE

ASTORIA, Ore., Sept. 15 (AP) — Several thousand fishermen remained off the Columbia river today as they continued their demands for 5 cents a pound for chinook and steelhead salmon and 4 cents for silverides. Several hundred cannery workers were expected to join the strikers' ranks tonight.

## PENDLETON MAY VOTE

PENDLETON, Ore., Sept. 15 (AP) — Residents of the Pendleton school district may be asked to vote upon the matter of obtaining a federal public works loan to construct a central school and a junior high school and to replace some of the present equipment in the district.

The matter was discussed last night at an informal meeting of school officials.

## JUSTICE OF PEACE HURT

SILVERTON, Sept. 15 (AP) — Frank Alfred, 31, justice of the peace of the Silverton district and a lieutenant with Co. 1, 10th Infantry, was critically ill today at a local hospital from injuries in a car smashup about midnight last night.

## HUNTING SEASON SAFE

SALEM, Sept. 15 (AP) — Postponement of the hunting season because of a fire hazard is not possible under any Oregon statutes, State Forester Lynn Cronmiller said today.

Cronmiller said the state supreme court two years ago found that part of the hunting season law unconstitutional.

## CHURCH NOTICE

Central Church of Christ (Pennysylvania Avenue)  
The pastor, Rev. Paul De P. Mortimore will preach at both morning and evening services at the Church of Christ Sunday. The morning sermon topic will be "Let's Go Hunting." The choir will sing a special anthem at this service.

At 7:30 p. m. the popular Christian Church orchestra will play a short concert, to which the public is cordially invited. The pastor will preach using the subject, "Pay Day," a special series of subjects to be used in Sunday evening services, and calculated to attract wide interest, is being announced by Mr. Mortimore.

At 6:30 the young people who return from the Baker Christian Endeavor convention will give reports at the Christian Endeavor meeting and the young people who are interested in C. E. are invited to attend. Bible school meets at 9:45 a. m. and has classes for all ages. The public is invited to all these services.

# FEDERAL MONEY IS PROVIDED FOR FOREST BUILDINGS

BAKER, Ore., (Special) — Construction of several forest service buildings with funds provided through the C. C. C. and public works program has been started by the Whitman forest service, forest officials announced today.

A three-room log cabin will be erected at Anthony lakes to be used as summer quarters for the North Fowler ranger. The logs are being sized on three slides from dry log pole timber at a small portable mill located near Anthony lakes. The interior of the building will be finished with lumber purchased in Baker. The purpose of erecting a log building is so that it will fit into the surroundings better than an ordinary frame house. The Anthony lakes section is one of the most popular recreational areas on the Whitman forest and has been developed extensively by the forest service. Last year one-fourth mile of pipe line was laid to supply running water for the camps. Running water will also be piped into the log house.

The forest service is constructing the following buildings under the public works program: A 14 by 14 foot house on a 20-foot tower on Huckleberry mountain, a similar house on Flatstaff near Medical Springs, and a two-room firemen's cabin at the Antlers ranger station near Whitney.

At the Blue Mountain ranger station, formerly known as the Bates ranger station, construction has been started on a ranger's office and firemen's quarters and a bunk house, which will include a kitchen, shower bath space and sleeping quarters. These structures will be built by C. C. C. labor, assisted by local carpenters.

At Unity the forest service recently secured a lease on a parcel of ground for a ranger's headquarters, store room and firemen's sleeping quarters. The buildings will be constructed through the use of C. C. C. and public works money.

Within the next 10 days the forest

service expects to start construction of approximately 15 miles of range division fences. It also expects to do considerable water development work and erect telephone lines, trails and pasture fences. The work is expected to employ approximately 50 men during the next two months. It will be in charge of rangers in their respective districts.

At the present time forest officials are unable to estimate how much money or how many men will be employed in construction of the buildings.

A state soft ball tournament for Oklahoma teams, first held this year, is planned as an annual event.

Manhattan, Kan., has three organized amateur baseball leagues.

# DISTRIBUTION ON SATURDAY

Due to an inability on the part of some of the committee to assist today, distribution of Red Cross clothing will be made tomorrow from the Red Cross rooms. Only children's clothing is being issued at present, it is reported.

# LA GRANDERS GET LICENSE

Warren Claude Laird and Reba Adelaide Gray, both of La Grande, were issued a marriage license at the county auditor's office Wednesday afternoon in Walla Walla.

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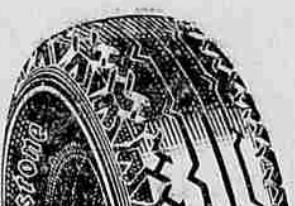
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## WAGE DISPUTE CLOSES DOWN PACKING PLANT

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pay twice a month, the payroll always promptly paid, said Epling.

This morning, Mr. Epling explained, he told the men as they came in that he could not make the change of give salary increase, that they got their things and walked out. "Boys, I'm sorry you take this attitude," he said he told them.

In explaining the wage situation, Mr. Epling said that all salaries were in conformance with the NRA code, that he was paying \$26 to most cutters for a five-day week and their demand was for \$30. Other employees were divided into several classifications, with all working according to the code as to hours and receiving mostly pay in excess of the code provisions, he said. Mr. Epling said he was paying \$12 a week to the one apprentice, but that other wages generally were graduated from \$5 a day down.

Mr. Epling also stated that he had carried three men on the payroll during the depression who he could have got along without, and also hired two more under the NRA code. He also said that he could have operated during the depression without creating during the slaughter house and packing plant, but continued them in order to keep his organization intact for better times.

Oscar Utley, in company with other employees, told an Observer reporter that Mr. Epling promised them last fall, at the time of the wage reduction, to return their former pay schedules and pay them each Saturday night this spring. "He said we would not have to ask him for it—he would give it to us if he was still in business—and he's still in business," Mr. Utley said. He added: "When we came to work this morning he had other men in our places." The employees said he discharged part of them and wanted to keep part of them, but that they all left as a body.

Employees, according to presentations to R. Z. Baxter, local NRA committee chairman here, said they had been promised a return to old wages this spring, and that it was

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