

STRIKE SET MONDAY

60 Girls to Begin Cadet Nurse Training Here Monday; to Work in Hospitals Here

Two floors of the Sacajawea hotel have been rented for the housing of cadet nurse corps members who will attend the local college for their first training. The rooms are those on the first two floors above the stores on Adams avenue, and the dining room will be set up in what was formerly the hotel coffee shop.

Mrs. Jack Hatmaker will be the house mother for the group which will include 60 or more girls.

The class will start Monday, and the girls will be quartered there for their nine months training. The course includes academic subjects and practice in nursing arts as well as floor work in the two local hospitals.

From here the group will go to hospitals in The Dalles, Pendleton and Baker. The class has representation from Alaska, Canada, the northwestern states, as far south as southern California, and east including Wyoming and Nebraska.

The past three days have been spent in preparing the rooms for the girls, with some of the college equipment and furniture moved into the rooms.

Anita Towle Wins Canning Contest; Miss Hill Next

Winners in the Sears-Roebuck foods for Victory canning contest have been announced as Anita Towle, first; Marjorie Lynn Hill, second; and Phyllis Fowler, third.

Miss Towle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Towle, Cove, received credit for one-half the number of jars canned with her mother, which were 14 quarts of raspberries; one quart of black caps; three quarts of apricots; 10 quarts of blackberries; seven quarts of corn; 10 quarts of beans; eight quarts of tomatoes; eight quarts of dill pickles; and one pint of bread and butter pickles.

Miss Hill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Hill, Rt. 2, La Grande, canned, with her mother, 16 quarts of black berries; 12 quarts of applesauce; 30 quarts of other fruit, eight pints of peas, and 25 quarts of beans.

Miss Fowler, of Perry, in co-operation canning, canned 30 quarts of cherries, 22 quarts of apricots, and 73 quarts of peaches. All three girls were blue ribbon winners at the 4-H club fair. Ribbons for the contest have been sent out, it was announced, and the girls should receive them soon.

More Winners in Fair Announced

Additional winners in the county-wide 4-H club fair have been announced as follows:

Demonstrations, Sewing III—blue, Ardith Thompson and Rachel Thompson, overhand patch. Demonstrations, Our Home I—blue, Leona Carn and Gail Hug, how to iron a shirt.

Style review, sewing II—blue, Joyce Weatherston, Rachel Thompson; red, Anita Towle, Karrel Stowe; white, Barbara Carper.

Sewing III—red, Ardith Thompson, Jacklyn Stares.

Sewing IV—blue, Shirley Cochran; white, Donna Reese.

Sewing V—red, Norma Hunt.

Instructors for Workshop Arrive

Gold Bishop and Miss Doro, who will be in charge of the physical fitness health workshop, arrived today.

The workshop is scheduled for Monday and Tuesday at the high gymnasium. Attendance of teachers is required by school and roll call will be taken morning, at noon, and dismissal.

Elementary teachers and administrators will attend the workshop on Monday, and high school education teachers and administrators will attend Tuesday workshop. The workshop will begin at 9 a. m. on both days.



LIKE A CHICKEN with its head on Rooster goes right on clucking, scratching, crowing—oblivious to his own decapitation almost two weeks ago. Lloyd A. Olson, Salt Lake City, feeds his phenomenal pet through the esophagus with eyedropper, and the bird gains weight.

Lower Grades of Beef, Veal, Lamb, Go Off Rationing

WASHINGTON, Sept. 22 (UP)—Lower grades of beef, veal and lamb will go off the ration list Sept. 30, the office of price administration announced officially last night.

On that date OPA plans to cut ration points to zero on canned, cutlet and utility grades of beef and lower grades of lamb and veal. Rationing will continue on commercial, good and choice grades of beef and on pork and higher grades of lamb.

Mary Gunn, WAC Will Leave Army

T/S Mary Gunn, WAC, has left McCaw hospital, Walla Walla, Wash., for the separation center at Camp Beal, Calif.

Miss Gunn enlisted in the women's army corps in Feb. 1943, receiving her basic training at Fort Des Moines, Ia. She remained in the auxiliary until it was absorbed by the army in September, 1943, at which time she requested a discharge. Reenlisting in the WAC in October, 1944, in the medical department, she received surgical technician training at Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., and was assigned to surgical technician duties at McCaw general hospital, arriving there in May of this year.

On July 14, Corporal Gunn was married to Sgt. Virgil Whaley, a patient at the hospital who has since received a certificate of disability discharge. She is being discharged under the provisions made for wives of discharged veterans.

Following her discharge at Camp Beale, she will join her husband at South 1230 Cour d'Alene, Spokane, Wash. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Gunn of Huntington, are former La Grande residents.

24 Ounce Baby Here

Twenty-four hours after its birth, the one pound, 18-ounce baby, La Grande, is still alive.

Attendants at the hospital say the child is perhaps the smallest ever born there, and the attending physician said it is certainly the smallest child he has ever delivered.

The child is in the incubator at the hospital, and is being fed from an eye-dropper.

The child was born prematurely, at 3:15 a. m. yesterday, but the attending physician assigned no reason for the prematurity. This is the Haugh's second child.

Two More La Grande Men in Wake Island Group Released

Two more La Grande civilian employees on Wake island at the time of its fall to the Japanese in December, 1941. They are Leal Russell and Fred M. King.

Mrs. Effie King, 1012 Y street, has received word from the war department her husband, Fred M. King, has been released from Japanese custody.

His physical condition is "poor" according to the words of the telegram, but Mrs. King was advised she might send a message to her husband and every effort would be made to deliver it before he returns to the United States, which indicates he is at least well enough to travel.

Only three cards and one cablegram had previously been received from King in the years of his imprisonment.

Kenneth Flanery, another La Grande man, has not yet been heard from since being taken at Wake island.

Leal (Pete) Russell, La Grande man taken prisoner at Wake island, has been liberated from a Japanese prison camp, the provost marshal in Washington, D. C., yesterday informed his wife at Salem.

Last evening Mrs. Russell telephoned his mother, Mrs. Ella Russell the news. No word has been received from Russell's cousin, Don Rohan, and it is assumed that they were not in the same prison camp. Both were employed in civilian construction on Wake island.

Wherry Submits 10 Questions to Dean G. Acheson

WASHINGTON, Sept. 22 (UP)—Sen. Kenneth S. Wherry, Neb., submitted 10 written questions to acting secretary of state Dean G. Acheson today and asked for public answers by Monday, when the senate again considers Acheson's nomination as undersecretary of state.

Acheson and General MacArthur are central figures in a hot postwar political dispute over demobilization. Next development will be in senate Monday when administration leaders renew their request for Acheson confirmation.

Sharp discussion is expected of his rebuke this week directed at MacArthur, who announced he will shortly be able to reduce occupation forces in Japan to 200,000 men.

Leroy Bushman Tells of Close Call for Vessel

Leroy V. Bushman, F 1/c and MoMM, aboard the USS Bosque, an APA craft, with the relaxation of censorship has written his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bushman of route 1, interesting letters about his ship.

The USS Bosque was among the first with seaborne landing, Sept. 13, he was at Leyte in the Philippines, and expected to go back to Japan with supplies.

He stated his ship had been lucky, their worst score being at Okinawa when a Jap plane which had been hit and was a fire made a suicide dive at his craft. It over-shot the ship, passing over the bow, and struck a Liberty ship, sinking it immediately.

Bushman said there is a possibility he may be home for Christmas.

Masons Take Steps To Halt Vandalism In Lodge Cemetery

Masonic lodge officials here are taking steps today to try to put a stop to recent vandalism which has caused considerable damage to the Masonic cemetery, it was learned this afternoon.

During the past two or three weeks at least a dozen tombstones have been pushed over and water has been turned on from the faucets in the cemetery from which water is taken to irrigate the grass.

The water has been left on, however, and caused muddy places in several spots in the cemetery.

Cochran to Speak At Meeting of Veterans Group

George Cochran will speak before the Union county veterans' employment committee meeting at 8 p. m. Monday, Sept. 24 at the city hall, according to Fletcher Milton, secretary. Also of importance is the revitalization of all sub-committees, and all members are urged to be present.

"During the next few months some thousands of service men are going to come back, seeking adjustment to civilian life," Milton said. "This stream has already become a large. Problems will be created for this community, affecting every civic, fraternal, and religious organization. We have tried to have each organization represented in our committee. If you have not been represented, let us see that it is.

If anyone has anything to suggest as to changes in outlined program of sub-committees, speak up at this coming meeting. It is a free show, and each committee member has as much to say about it as another. We will have some facts to lay before you as to the size of the problem, and during the coming months let us all try to solve that problem."

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He denounced persons who worry about what the Japanese and Germans think of Americans, asserting bluntly it is not

Rumanians Worry About Peace Pact

LONDON, Sept. 22 (UP)—Informed Rumanian sources expressed concern today the United States and Britain may refuse to sign a peace treaty with Rumania if Russia persists in her support of the Groza government.

They said Rumanian communists, chief backers of the Groza regime, recognized the possibility and were prepared to stake their country's future on Soviet cooperation alone.

The five-power council of foreign ministers, which was considering the Balkan problems, postponed a meeting scheduled for 11 a. m. today. There was no immediate explanation of the postponement.

Both the United States and Britain have refused to recognize the government of Premier Petre Groza on grounds it is dominated by communists and is not representative of the Rumanian people as a whole.

George Fuller Gets Naval Medal for Saving Fellow Diver

George E. Fuller, motor machinist's mate second class, USNR, a navy diver, whose wife, Thelma, lives at 2014 First street, has been awarded the navy and marine corps medal for the rescue of a fellow diver trapped in some 40 feet of water and 20 feet of shifting mud.

Fuller, who is attached to the Fleet Ships salvage base, Walpole, in the Pacific, freed the trapped diver after another was killed attempting the rescue.



NON-STOP FLIGHT FORCED DOWN FOR GAS—Brig. Gen. Emmett O'Donnell (left), Maj. Gen. Curtis Lemay, and Lt. Gen. Barney Giles, (right), commanders of three Superfortresses attempting a non-stop flight from Sapporo, Japan, to Washington D. C., confer at Chicago Municipal Airport, where the three planes were forced down for refueling.

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State Police Force Sends New Man Here

Addition of Pvt. Robert E. Baker to the state police force has been announced by Sgt. Lewis Johnson.

Baker recently received his discharge from the coast guard, having entered the service in 1941. Previously, he had been with the state police in Arlington for three years.

His wife, now living in Portland, will join him here soon.

West Coast Fights to Hold Industrial Gains

By DOUGLAS LARSEN
LOS ANGELES, Sept. 22 (NEA)—With western optimism, the Pacific coast states are determined to consolidate and improve their wartime industrial gains.

A tour of California, Washington and Oregon reveals robust confidence in the prosperous future of the west, from the common laborer who migrated here to state officials and industrial leaders.

Some eastern circles had feared widespread unemployment in California, especially, when its fabulous airplane plants and shipyards closed. Probably more workers migrated here for war jobs than to any other state. But the unemployment problem so far is not serious.

Thousands of workers laid off when government contracts were cancelled are being gobbled up by man-hungry agriculture, mining, and other peace-time industries. In fact, these employers aren't getting the discharged workers fast enough. Many workers are taking a vacation, living on their savings, looking for an attractive permanent job. Only a trickle is flowing back eastward.

See Shift in Trade
An owner of a drug store in Beverly Hills said: "We've seen the end of domination by the east coast. With Europe in ruins and the Japs licked once and for all, trade will shift to the Pacific. We're prepared to take it."

In 1944 California led all states of the nation in cash farm income. With the advances in air cargo transportation which are

Lumber, Mill Men to Go Out As Talks Fail

Entire lumber industry of Eastern Oregon will be tied up and inoperative if the 60,000 workers in northwest lumber camps and sawmills go on strike at 12:01 p. m. Monday, as the AFL union leaders in Portland gave notice they plan to do.

Involved here are only American Federation of Labor unions as they are the only ones which have contract with mills and logging companies in this area.

More than 3,000 men in eastern Oregon will be out on strike if the strike actually comes to pass, which is indicated will happen since the collapse of negotiation efforts by a special three man commission appointed by Lewis B. Schwellenbach, secretary of labor.

Included will be the Mt. Emily Lumber company of La Grande; Edward Hines Lumber company at Hines; Oregon Lumber company at Baker; Ponderosa Pine at Elgin; Collins company at Telocast; Oregon Trail at Union; Kinzua company at Kinzua; Alexander Yawkey lumber company at Prineville; Craig Mountain Lumber company at Winchester, Ida.; H. F. Reed Lumber company at Elgin.

Not only all the mills in the county but also the logging contractors as well as those who log their own timber will be affected.

Affecting fir and pine operators in Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana, the strike threat embraced all sawmill workers, loggers and factory workers in the lumber industry. A walkout would curtail 85 percent of the west's sawmill production.

Meanwhile, 30,000 members of the International Woodworkers of America, (CIO), were voting overwhelmingly to authorize a similar strike in case their demands are not met.

In both labor disputes the men have asked for pay increases, the AFL for a minimum of \$1.10 an hour and the CIO for a wage boost of 25 cents an hour for each employee.

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New Tidings Doubt Death in Japan of Captain Shoemaker

Relatives of Capt. Andy Shoemaker, reported to have died in January, 1944 in a Japanese prisoner of war camp near Tokyo, have received varying reports since, according to a sister, Mrs. Helen Webber, who lives here.

Mrs. Webber stated a sister, Mrs. Leo Dougherty of Baker, had talked to a Baker boy (whose name Mrs. Webber did not know) who said he had talked to Captain Shoemaker in a prison camp in the Philippines shortly before our invasion of the Philippine islands in the spring. He was reported to have said that the prisoners held a reunion of Baker boys shortly before the transfer of some of them to other camps.

That was after the time Captain Shoemaker was reported to have died. He stated that at that time Shoemaker believed he was being sent to Manchuria.

Shoemaker, the son of Albert and the late Mrs. Shoemaker of La Grande, entered the army a year before the war started. Other relatives are his wife who resides in Wilsonville, four brothers, James, USN, Bob, U.S. army, Oscar of La Grande and Ernest of Portland, and four sisters, Mrs. Dougherty of Baker, Mrs. Ora Cundiff of Baker, Mrs. Webber of La Grande, and Mrs. Madge Naser of Anacortes, Wash.

Pvt. James E. Bright, Cpl. James V. Sarrett, S/Sgt. George H. McCoy, of Wallawa; and Sgt. Mayo C. Walker of Elgin.

Sealing of Cans Service Renewed

Tin can sealing service has been resumed, it was announced today by Miss Doris McWhorter, Union county home demonstration agent.

The service had been discontinued for a while because no cans were available. However, since a shipment of cans, sizes two and two and one-half, were received today, sealing for overseas mailing has been resumed.

Lumber in the Pacific northwest is still the big thing. All the lumber industry needs here to set production records is manpower. Never before in history has the nation needed wood more than it does right now. Industrial demands for business and home construction for the next 20 years are expected to keep the lumber industry operating at peak.

Pacific ports are thinking in terms of expanded trade with the far east and Russia.

Mining is expected to expand. Mining of war minerals such as chromite, copper, iron, lead, manganese, quicksilver and tungsten may slump but experts believe this will be more than offset by an increase in normal mining and new uses for these "war babies" in alloys or other metal products.