

Labor Disputes Idle Nearly Million

Five 4-H Clubbers to Enter State Contest

Five Union county 4-H club members will leave Sunday for the state exhibits to be held Oct. 1 and 2 in Salem, it was announced today.

Four girls and one boy, all winners in the county-wide 4-H club fair, making the trip are: Shirley Cochran, La Grande, winner in the style review, clothing IV; Rosella Price, La Grande, style review, clothing III; Shirley Hibberd, Imbler, style review, clothing V; all of whom will enter the state style review contest, Arleta Hug, Elgin, and James Reeves, La Grande, both county health winners, who will enter the state contests.

Health Contests

State health contests will be at 10 a.m. Oct. 1, it was announced, with contestants bringing swimming suits or trunks.

Truman Not Told Reds Dissatisfied With Jap Control

WASHINGTON, Sept. 26 (UP)—President Truman said today he has not received any official notice any of the interested allied powers were dissatisfied with the occupation control of Japan under a single supreme commander, Gen. Douglas MacArthur.

He made the statement in response to press conference questions based on the new Russian position voiced at the London meeting of the big five foreign ministers in favor of the allied control commission for Japan.

Truman pointed out all of the interested nations had agreed originally to the central control under MacArthur.

He said emphatically the appointment of MacArthur was concurred in by all the interested powers and he now is functioning as the representative of all of them.

Under repeated questioning Truman said there was ample opportunity for any of the interested nations to discuss with MacArthur any question of occupation policy, either through the joint chiefs of staff or through the American government—and here he pointed out the Russians have their own representative with MacArthur.

Truman Doubts if Compensation Bill Is Actually Dead

WASHINGTON, Sept. 26 (UP)—President Truman today voiced disappointment over house ways and means committee action on the bill to expand unemployment compensation, but questioned whether the committee's action killed the bill.

He was asked at his news conference for his reaction to committee action in postponing indefinitely the unemployment compensation legislation. He replied he did not know the committee has killed it, but he was sorry if such is the case and the house will hear from him later on the subject.

Russian Jumps From 41,984 Feet for Parachute Record

LONDON, Sept. 26 (UP)—Soviet Maj. Vasil Romanyuk established a new sub-stratosphere record in a Moscow suburb today when he parachuted from an airplane at a height of 41,984 feet, the Exchange Telegraph Moscow correspondent reported.

Major opened his parachute when he was 2,500 feet from the ground. He said the thermometer recorded a temperature of 30,000 feet.

MORE WOMEN

AND, Sept. 26 (UP)—Registration yet to be completed college enrollment last term is expected to be 400,000, it was announced today. It is believed that of the student body expected to outnumber

Several winning exhibits from the county 4-H club fair also are going to the state exhibits, it was announced, since the first three places in each division are eligible for state-wide competition. Exhibits to go to Salem are to be in the office of the home demonstration agent by Saturday noon.

Exhibitions

Exhibitions to be shown include: Canning I—Marjorie Lynn Hill, La Grande; Caryl Hug, Elgin; Evelyn Jackum, Elgin; two jars of fruit.

Canning II—Phyllis Fowler, Perry; Mary Barlow, Elgin; Lois Yarrington, Perry; three jars of fruit.

Canning III—Nina Studebaker, Union; Anita Towle, Cove; Gay Conklin; one jar of fruit, three jars of vegetables.

Our Home I—Florence Carn, Jackie Hopkins, Gail Hug, all from Mt. Emily camp.

Clothing IA—Phyllis Buschke, Elgin; Mary Galligan, North Powder; five separate articles.

Clothing IB—Rachel Thompson, Elgin; Joyce Weatherspoon, Elgin; Karrel Stowe, Elgin; five articles.

Clothing III—Ardith Thompson, Elgin; Rosella Price, La Grande; three articles.

Clothing IV—Shirley Cochran, La Grande; Roberta Roberts, Imbler; Mildred Calhoun, Summerville; four articles.

Clothing V—Iris Vogel, Union; Shirley Hibberd, Imbler; Verna Towle, Cove; four articles.

Exhibits in Clothing III, IV, and V are to be accompanied by a poster giving age, weight, height, type, color of hair, color of eyes, and complexion; cost of costume, and picture of the girl in the costume.

Gresham Lad Dies When Hit by Truck

GRESHAM, Sept. 26 (UP)—Larry Rutledge, 7, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred J. Rutledge, Gresham, was killed late yesterday when struck by a truck after alighting from a school bus near his home.

Sheriff's deputies reported that young Rutledge ran around the bus into the path of a truck driven by Laurier V. Coiteux, Gresham.

The youth was pronounced dead upon arrival of a Gresham physician. It was the boy's first day at school.

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By WALTER G. RUNDLE
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AFL OIL WORKERS PASS THROUGH CIO PICKET LINES—Cries of "strike breakers" and "scab" accompany 300 AFL building trades employees as they pass through CIO picket line at Standard Oil company refinery at Cleveland, O., under watchful eyes of police. AFL construction workers have been barred from working inside plant gates since CIO Oil Workers Union struck for 30-cent raise.

70,000 Nazis Under Arrest

BERLIN, Sept. 26 (UP)—Between 60,000 and 70,000 nazis have been arrested in the American occupation zone of Germany and the total probably will reach 100,000, Lt. Gen. Lucius D. Clay revealed today.

Clay, deputy American commander in Germany, said the nazis—with the exception of those wanted for specific war crimes—merely were being detained for the present.

He added, however, an international tribunal was giving "serious consideration" to indictment of the nazi party as a whole, making all members subject to trial. Clay released a letter sent by Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower to commanders of all American occupation districts directing them to discharge all nazis from government posts regardless of the possibility that local inefficiency might follow.

He also released an order from Eisenhower holding German industry in the American zone responsible for purging all nazis in supervisory or managerial jobs.

Don Rohan Safe; Arrives at Manila

Don Rohan is in Manila and safe.

This was the word received by his mother, Mrs. Edna Rohan, today from his wife, the former Grace Heddon, now in Billings, Mont. She was notified by the war department.

Rohan has been held prisoner by the Japanese since he was taken at the fall of Wake island, where he was employed on civilian construction. He added he will be seeing his family soon, but did not say any particular time. His son, Francis Rohan, also resides in La Grande.

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A fourth member of the Doolittle team, First Lt. Robert J. Meder of Lakewood, O., died in a Nanking prison Dec. 1, 1943 of malnutrition, beri beri and dysentery. The remaining four of the eight Doolittle fliers captured by the Japanese were liberated last month and three already have been flown back to the United States.

Mock Trial
The court martial records revealed all eight fliers originally



GERALD A. SPEEDY—National director of cubbing to speak to cub masters and den mothers here.

Cub Masters, Den Mothers to Hear Gerald A. Speedy

Gerald A. Speedy, national director of cubbing, will meet with cubmasters, den mothers, pack committee members and Boy Scout executives of Mt. Emily district for an afternoon training session at 3 p. m. Sunday in the Presbyterian church.

This will be the last of a series of meetings Speedy has conducted in the Blue Mountain council the last few days for scout officials and leaders. Speedy has been with the Boy Scout movement as a scout and scoutleader since 1922. He was in the Minneapolis area council as cubmaster, assistant scoutmaster, scoutmaster, and camp director.

In Cubbing

He has been in the cubbing program since its inception in 1930, at which time he was cubmaster of an experimental cub pack.

He also for seven years was director of boys' work at Pillsbury Settlement house, Minneapolis, where cubbing and scouting were an important part of the settlement activities. He majored in social work at the University of Minnesota.

Speedy has done considerable writing on boys' work and cubbing subjects. In 1936 he compiled the "How Book of Cubbing" published by the Boy Scouts of America. He is also author of the new Cubmasters' Pack Book.

Edward L. Butcher Receives Discharge

Pfc. Edward Leroy Butcher, 29, son of Mrs. Grace Hallston, 3304 N. Alder street, who served seven months on Leyte and Luzon with the 32nd division, has recently been given a discharge from the army following wounds received in battle.

Butcher was at McCaw hospital in Walla Walla from July 28 to Sept. 21. His wound was a machine gun bullet in his left leg, received on the Villa Verde trail, Luzon.

Before entering the army he was employed by the U. S. forest service, stationed in La Grande with the Umatilla National Forest division.

His ribbons include the Purple Heart, Asiatic-Pacific and Philippines liberation.

Mill, Lumber Men to Meet

Members of local 2850, Lumber and Sawmill workers, (AFL) will meet at the labor union hall here at 7:30 p. m. today to hear discussions of the strike which has shutdown practically every mill and logging operation in the Pacific northwest since Monday.

Ben Davies, president of the local, said he had no announcement to make about the nature of the meeting other than that.

Token picketing is still in progress at Mt. Emily mill here and at other mills in this area.

Both Davies and union leaders in other areas said they have no idea how soon negotiations will be started, as this will be entirely in the hands of the Northwest council of the union.

Mill operators said they had had no word of any pending meetings or suggested meetings for negotiating. Union members insist the settlement must be industry wide and eliminate all pay differentials in the northwest.

CIO ACTION ON STRIKE EXPECTED SHORTLY

PORTLAND, Sept. 26 (UP)—Complete shutdown of all the lumber production in the Pacific northwest hinged today on a meeting of the international negotiating committee of the International Woodworkers of America (CIO).

The union committee met to act on ballots filed by locals, overwhelmingly authorizing leaders to call a strike if demands for a 25 cent an hour wage increase are not met.

With 60,000 AFL members already on strike, a similar walkout by the CIO would idle another 40,000 sawmill logging and timber workers in Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana and northern California.

Throughout the strike area, home-owners made frantic calls to fuel dealers, hoping to stock up before wood fuel shortages.

All signs pointed to an extension of the lumber crisis to the entire Pacific coast area, as organizations promised sympathy measures to aid AFL lumbermen.

A telegram from Harry Lundberg, secretary-treasurer of the Sailors union of the Pacific, San Francisco, assured strikers AFL sailors will man no ships carrying strike-bound lumber.

More Winners at 4-H Fair Revealed

Additional winners in the county-wide 4-H club fair Sept. 19 and 20 have been announced as follows:

Health contest, girls—first, Arleta Hug, Elgin.

Health contest, boys—first, James Reeves, La Grande.

Home economics judging contest—blue: Mildred Calhoun, Summerville; Verna Towle, Cove; Caryl Hug, Elgin. Red: Anna Louise Hug, Elgin; Roberta Roberts, Imbler; Elaine McDaniel, Elgin; Shirley Hibbard, Summerville; Thelma Hansen, Summerville. White: Norma Hunt, Imbler; Lolita Smith, La Grande; Lydia Smith, La Grande; Lola Ballin, Summerville; Mary Barlow, Elgin; Ardith Thompson; Barbara Carper, Cove; Barbara Tolbert, Elgin; Rachael Thompson, Elgin; Karrel Stowe; Anita Towle, Cove; Edna Belle Barlow, Elgin. Orange: Joyce Weatherspoon, Elgin.

House Group Votes Against Reduction in Excise Taxes

WASHINGTON, Sept. 26 (UP)—The house ways and means committee voted today against reducing wartime excise taxes in its "transition" tax relief bill.

At a preliminary session, the committee also decided not to hold public hearings because of the necessity of meeting a Nov. 1 deadline in enacting a tax bill to be effective by Jan. 1.

No Credit

Most informal discussion of tax relief has been directed along these lines:

1. Repeal of or increased exemptions of the 3 percent normal tax. It now allows an exemption of \$500 for each taxpayer with no credit for dependents.

2. A horizontal cut of 10 or 20 percent in individual income tax rates.

3. Repeat or substantial reductions of the 95 percent wartime excess profits tax.

Normal Tax

Some committee members expect the administration to recommend repeal of the normal tax, which would cost \$2,000,000 in revenue and cut about 10,000,000 persons from the tax rolls.

Rep. A. Willis Robertson, d., Va., ways and means committee

member, has proposed repeal of the normal tax along with the excess profits tax and the \$5 automobile use tax.

Rep. Harold Knutson of Minnesota, ranking republican member, has suggested a flat 20 percent cut in all personal tax rates. Although his proposal has substantial support among republican members, it appears unlikely either the administration or house democrats will support the plan.

Mitchell Counsel For Pearl Harbor Investigation

WASHINGTON, Sept. 26 (UP)—The congressional Pearl Harbor investigating committee today chose William DeWitt Mitchell, 71, New York, former attorney general, chief counsel for its inquiry into the Japanese attack of Dec. 7, 1941.

The selection was made during a closed meeting. Mitchell, republican, who served in the cabinet of President Herbert Hoover, accepted the job without a decision on his fee.

Sen. Alben W. Barkley, d., Ky., said Mitchell's choice was unanimous. He said Mitchell "doesn't want to accept" any fee.

Mitchell, a native of Winona, Minn., has been in private law practice in New York since he was attorney general from 1929 to 1933.

Prior to that he was solicitor general from 1925 to 1929 under President Coolidge.

He said start of public hearings will depend upon how soon all previous evidence, including reports and testimony, have been digested.

16 at Leaders Project School

Sixteen Union county project leaders were present yesterday for the all-day school conducted by Miss Lucy Lane, extension specialist in clothing, and Miss Doris McWhorter, Union county home demonstration agent.

Miss Lane brought her kit for the demonstration "Conserve with the scrap bag," and the women brought scissors, needles, and embroidery floss for the making of lapel pins. Miss Lane furnished material for the coverings, and Miss McWhorter furnished cotton for the stuffings.

Present at the meeting, besides Miss Lane and Miss McWhorter, were: Laura E. Bates, Eunice Burns, Ruth Hagey, Zella Mitchell, Edith Thompson, Connie Weatherspoon, Leona Bingham, Mrs. J. L. Roberts, Mrs. H. A. Hick, Mrs. W. J. Standley, chairman; Mrs. Joseph C. Lay, Mrs. Guild Lay, Mrs. Margaret Hixson, Mrs. Willard V. Hill, Mrs. Paul Wilson, and Mrs. Lynn E. Hill.

Maj. Knox Parker Home After 4 Years

Maj. Knox Parker, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Parker of 305 Spring street, who for the past four years has served in the AAF, will revert to inactive status Nov. 29, it was announced today by Lt. Col. Harvey D. Taylor, commanding the separation center at Fort Lewis.

Major and Mrs. Parker, with their small son, are spending two weeks in La Grande with his parents.

Parker and his family will go to Los Angeles soon, where he will be associated with the Aetna Insurance company.

Registration at College Rising Freshmen Students Also Show Increase

The number of students registering at Eastern Oregon college today, first day of registration, indicates an increase over the number who attended the fall term last year, Dr. Robert J. Maaske, president of the college stated today.

Though registrations could not be tabulated at press time today, Registrar Lyle Johnson was "swamped" with registration of students.

The "Melting Pot," the first social activity of the season will be an event of this evening, in the

Oil Plant Seizures Expected

By United Press

Oil workers and New York building service employees made new strike threats today as the number of workers idled by labor disputes climbed toward a million throughout the nation.

In Chicago, O. A. Knight, international president of the Oil Workers union (CIO), denied he had issued orders for an immediate nationwide strike of 250,000 oil workers.

Knight said a report a strike had been ordered was due to a misinterpretation by the union's relations officer of a statement issued by the union executive board.

Meet Today

"There has been no strike called, and there will be none as long as the present negotiations are in progress," Knight said.

Knight and other union officers met again today with oil company representatives and federal conciliators in an effort to halt the oil strike which has sharply reduced the nation's gasoline supply.

About 20,000 oil workers already are on strike in six states. Others are maintaining normal operations in areas unaffected by the walkouts.

Can Seize Them

While union, company and government conferees attempted to settle the strike in the Chicago meetings, an official source at Washington revealed the federal government may exercise its seizure powers to get the closed refineries operating again.

In New York the regional war labor board intervened in an effort to halt a union threat of a general strike of all building service employees and elevator operators in four of five New York boroughs. The board ordered both sides to attend a meeting tomorrow to explain why the strike of elevator operators and other building service workers should not be ended.

About 15,000 operators and other building workers were on strike in some of the city's largest skyscrapers.

General

At New York, David Sullivan, president of local 32B of the Building Service Employees international union (AFL), said a meeting would be held tonight to make preparations "for carrying out what we consider will be a general strike involving all building service locals in Manhattan, the Bronx, Brooklyn, and Queens.

Throughout the nation, 669,000 workers either are on strike or made idle by strikes. This does not include the uncounted thousands in addition to the garment workers who were kept from their jobs by the New York elevator strike.

Other major disputes include the Kelsey-Hayes wheel company strike at Detroit, which has forced the Ford Motor company to suspend operations; the United Automobile Workers' demands for 30 percent wage increases from the Chrysler and General Motors companies, and the strike of coal miners in Pennsylvania and West Virginia.

One work stoppage ended when 700 members of the Foremen's Association of America called off their 22-day strike against the B. F. Goodrich company at Akron and 15,000 idle production workers began returning to their jobs.

Chinese to Send Army Into Japan

CHUNGKING, Sept. 26 (UP)—China will send an army of occupation to Japan, a government spokesman announced today. He said the size of the army will depend upon future needs.

The spokesman at the same time denied a communist charge the central government ordered Japanese and their Chinese puppets to attack the communists in North China.

He said Gen. Ho Ying Chin ordered the Japanese to maintain peace and order until central government troops arrived and added the communists "must have attacked the Japanese."