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Robert L. McCoy, 18, fireman, first class, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. McCoy, of Cottage Grove, Oregon, is serving aboard the attack cargo ship USS Merrick, part of Task Force 68, the Navy's Antarctic Expedition. On the trip to the South Polar Region, he was initiated into the Ancient Royal Order of the Deep as the ship crossed the equator. The "polywogs", or men who had not crossed the equator before, were initiated into the organization in a two day ceremony.

Recommendations Made by Social Security Board

The payment of benefits to insured workers during the periods of permanent total disability through the expansion of the present federal government program of old-age and survivors insurance is one of the recommendations of the Social Security Board in its eleventh and last annual report, Carl D. Monroe, manager of the Eugene office of the Social Security administration said today. In July of 1946 the Board was abolished, its functions transferred to the Federal Security agency, and its organization designated as the Social Security Administration. The current report, required of the Board under the Social Security Act, is for the fiscal year 1945-46.

In making its recommendation for the inclusion of disability insurance, the Board said that the wage loss suffered by permanently disabled workers and their families runs from \$1,500,000,000 to \$2,000,000,000 a year.

Another recommendation of the board calls for the extension of coverage under old-age and survivors insurance to all gainfully employed workers. Persons not at present able to earn protection under the program include those employed in agriculture, domestic service, non-profit organizations and Government service, and those who are self-employed.

Monroe pointed out that this recommendation was based upon ten years of administrative experience, which had demonstrated the feasibility of extension of coverage to the groups now without the protection of the program.

In addition to protecting the groups now not covered, the extension of the program would reduce the number of persons who lost their rights to benefits by shifting in and out of covered employment, he added.

A third major recommendation calls for changes in the method by which old-age and survivors insurance benefits are figured to increase the amount of the benefits, particularly for low-paid workers. The general level of benefits should be raised, the report states, largely because of increased living costs.

Other recommendations of the board call for increasing from \$3,000 to \$3,600 a year the wages that may be credited to the account of any worker, thus expanding the basis for determination of benefits, and an increase in the amount of earnings a beneficiary may receive in covered employment without having benefits suspended.

The Board also recommended reduction of the qualifying age for all women beneficiaries from 65 to 60 years.

SPRING CONFERENCE

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, (Special) — The date set for the spring conference of the Oregon Retail Distributors' Institute has been set for Sunday night and all day Monday, May 25-26 on the University of Oregon campus, it was announced by Dr. N. R. Cornish, professor of business administration in the university and secretary of the Institute.

The date was established by the board of directors at a meeting in the Portland hotel, Portland, February 25, at which time the board approved topics to be covered at the convention.

Damon Scott of Cottage Grove is a district adviser for the Institute.

OUR DEMOCRACY — by Mat

SELECTED SEED

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Washington Letter

By Harris Ellsworth, Rep. in Congress from Oregon

The actual shortage of existing freight cars in the United States is much more serious than most people realize. Colonel J. Monroe Johnson of the ODT, together with members of the Interstate Commerce Commission, were recently before our committee and presented some startling facts regarding the freight car situation. The actual need right now is 300,000 new freight cars. With only 1,700,000 cars in operation, which figure is one-half million below previous high points, we are already seriously short of requirements, without taking into consideration the fact that cars are going out of service at the rate of 7,000 per month. A high percentage of the cars in service are nearly 26 years old, the estimated retirement age of freight cars.

Production of freight cars in 1946 averaged around 3,500 per month, or a total of about 40,000 for the year. Recent conferences indicated that production this year would be stepped up to 10,000 cars per month by the first of July. Production of 15,000 to 18,000 cars per month will be necessary to supply requirements during the next several years. At the present time, it is estimated there is equipment enough to move only 75% of the total freight volume.

Now, if you want to tear your hair a little, consider this: Fifty thousand new freight cars were shipped abroad last year. Even now, a number of cars for shipment overseas are being constructed.

The City of Washington, D. C. has for the last ten days, "enjoyed" the foulest weather I have ever seen. Eight inches of snow fell, and most of it is still here. The thermometer has kept generally below freezing. Streets are piled with dirty heaps of snow and ice, and a miserable cold wind blows continually. If you are planning a trip to Washington, wait until May. This week I sent one of the attractive folders, prepared by the Oregon State Highway Commission, to each member of the House of Representatives. With the fold-

er, I sent a letter inviting the members to visit Oregon this Fall when Congress is not in session. Many members have commented to me favorably regarding the folders, and I have received several letters thanking me. I feel that it is not only a service to members to place such information about Oregon in their hands, but I am sure the State and the Congress will benefit if a number of the members of the House make a visit to Oregon this year. Persons interested in unpatented mining claims will want to remember that the wartime moratorium on assessment work expires June 30, 1947 since hostilities were declared ended in the Executive Proclamation of December 31, 1946. The moratorium was for the duration plus six months.

Accordingly, parties having such claims should plan to undertake and complete the required annual assessment work some time during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1947. Also, it is important that the annual statement, claiming the benefit of the assessment requirement, be filed before the above date.

GARDEN PROGRAM

OVER KOAC

CORVALLIS (Special) — With spring planting time at hand, Arnold Ebert, KOAC agricultural director, announces the resumption of an annual series of programs on the Farm Garden. R. Ralph Clark, extension horticulturist at Oregon State College, presented the first in the new 1947 series of farm garden discussions on Wednesday noon, March 5, at 12:45 p. m. Specialists in farm garden problems will be presented on the KOAC Noon Farm Hour each Wednesday throughout the spring and summer months.

VICTORY DINNER AT BAPTIST CHURCH

About fifty people enjoyed a potluck Victory dinner at the Baptist church, last Friday evening. The Dorcas Circle took excellent care of the arrangements. The Crusade Committee and callers, the Parsonage Committee, and the Junior Advisory Board were recognized. Mrs. W. C. Martin directed some very active games which were especially enjoyed by the young people.

Careful Use Will Stretch Nitrogen Supply in Oregon

A critical shortage of commercial nitrogen fertilizer for spring planting in Oregon can be allayed somewhat by holding spring applications to a minimum and adding side dressings or top dressings later in the season, says Art King, extension soils specialist at O.S.C. Additional supplies are expected by May with production about equaling demand by June.

The early spring weather has brought an unprecedented demand beyond the record used in 1946 which is impossible for suppliers to meet at this time, King reports. If the demand is spread over the next four months it should be possible to complete 1947 without serious difficulties with shortages.

Limited supplies now come from the Columbia Metals corporation plant at Salem and are distributed throughout the Pacific northwest. It is the responsibility of the Oregon extension service to see that this material is supplied to dealers and users in Oregon, said King.

The shortage is prevalent in all parts of the United States. The plant at Salem however, puts the Pacific northwest in a relatively better position than other sections. So far this year less than 1000 tons per month have been available. During the last quarter of 1946, over 15,000 tons of nitrogen fertilizer in the form of ammonium sulfate were distributed by the O. S. C. extension service from the plant at Salem.

This quantity, according to King, was largely stored by dealers and users for use this spring and was in addition to normal commercial supplies. This material has been used and there is a current demand for another 15,000 tons in addition to commercial supplies now in existence.

Nitrogen fertilizer is used extensively throughout Oregon. This year the demand for it in the sugar beet sections is especially heavy.

MISS KERR APPOINTED

The Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs has appointed Miss Francis Irene Kerr, Portland, former member of the Waves, as service officer, Director George E. Sandy announced today. She will devote her time chiefly to counseling and assisting nearly 4000 women veterans of Oregon.

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