

Vets Administration Orders Reclassification Of Certain Groups

Reclassification of social workers, dieticians, and librarians in Veterans Administration Facilities from sub-professional to professional status, with resulting increases of salary, has been ordered by Brig. Gen. Frank T. Hines, Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, effective July 1, 1945, General Hines announced today.

This order, which affects 537 employes, will aid in filling 174 vacancies in these categories, he said.

Dieticians, formerly classified sub-professionals, with salaries ranging from \$1,800 to \$2,600, will receive entrance salaries of \$2,000, with salaries ranging to \$3,800.

Social workers, vitally needed in all types of hospitals, were not attracted to the Veterans Administration Service by the former sub-professional ratings which carried entrance salaries ranging from \$2,000 to 2,300. The new entrance salary will be \$2,600, and will range to \$3,800, depending on the assignment.

Librarians have been reclassified from grades P-1 to P-3, depending on assignment and duties performed. Entrance salary is now \$2,000, ranging to \$3,200. Prior salaries ranged from \$1,800 to \$2,000.

It is felt that by reclassifying these positions to professional status, more qualified personnel will be attracted to positions in Veterans Administration Facilities that have not been filled.

Incumbents of all these positions benefit to automatic raises at stipulated intervals.

Meat 'Black Market' Discovered, Prosecuted

Launching an offensive against so-called black market operators in meat the Portland district OPA enforcement division announced Saturday that formal charges have been placed against Daniel K. Warren, farmer and dairyman of Warrenton, for allegedly slaughtering and selling ungraded beef illegally to restaurants in Astoria at above ceiling prices.

This is the first indictment for meat black market operations in this immediate area, according to Franz E. Wagner, district OPA enforcement attorney.

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R. Patterson submitted the case to the Federal Grand Jury in Portland and Warren was indicted on Wednesday.

The case first came to light when two members of the U. S. Navy Shore Patrol on duty in Astoria, around midnight on Saturday, May 19, saw a large car drive up in front of an Astoria cafe, open a cellar door in the sidewalk, dump something in, and return to the car. Seeing a pool of blood on the sidewalk, they called the city police who opened the trap door and found that a hind quarter and a front quarter of beef had been dumped at the foot of the stairs leading from the sidewalk to the cellar.

OPA investigators who were in Astoria to check on suspected meat violations, subsequently inspected the meat at the Columbia River Packers Association where Astoria city police had taken it pending instructions as to disposition.

It had not been grade marked, nor did it have an inspection stamp. It had been roughly thrown unwrapped down the stairs on to a very unsanitary floor.

Operator of the cafe where the meat was dumped at first denied having a knowledge of the meat but later called the Astoria police and asked where she might obtain it stating she was willing to pay the money and necessary ration points.

The OPA claimed thaat Warren had asked 25c a pound for the meat on which the legal ceiling price would have been 14c a pound if other necessary requirements had been met.

The city police advised her that they were holding the meat ending investigation by the Office of Price Administration.

The OPA investigation also revealed violations of Oregon state laws controlling slaughtering operations Wagner pointed out, and this information will be submitted to the proper state authorities for action.

Wagner said that investigations currently being made in other parts of the Portland OPA district may result in charges against other meat black operators if reports to the OPA prove to be founded.

Community Singers Announce Schedule

Beginning tonight and continuing on every Wednesday through the summer months, community singing will be featured at Bagley Downs Community Center under the direction of Mrs. Josephine Hasbrook of the recreation association staff, Bill Williams, recreation worker at the center, announced this week.

All adults are invited to participate.

Dancing to the music of Joe Crane and his orchestra is scheduled every Monday from 9 to 12 p. m. at the center.

Each Friday from 8 to 9 p. m., a free juke box dance will be held for teen-agers in the social room. A coke and snack bar is in operation. All teen-agers of the Vancouver area are welcome to attend, Williams said.

A SWIFT GAME OF PING PONG



TWO youngsters have great fun at the Ping Pong tables in the new recreation center presented as a gift to Negro youngsters in the Harlem community by Pepsi-Cola Company, through its President, Walter S. Mack, Jr. The Club, located at 121 Lenox Avenue, New York, is run on a system of self-government by the teen-age youngsters themselves; an adult Director and Neighborhood Committee of adults give guidance. The Center, which operates late afternoons and evenings, was presented by the Company so that Harlem's youngsters could have a place of their own, with games, dancing, refreshments, and activities they would enjoy in wholesome surroundings.

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COMMUNITY PICNIC FOR JULY FOURTH

A community family picnic is planned for the Fourth of July at Leverich Park by the Bagley Downs Recreation Center. The complete park has been reserved to accommodate those wishing to celebrate a safe, sane holiday.

Programs to be presented throughout the day include a baseball game, softball game, foot races, family games, a variety musical program, and a boxing show. There will be no charge to any event.

Supervisors will be present to direct children's games in the park playground.

Tables and cooking stoves will be available for those wishing to prepare lunches, although previously prepared lunch baskets are recommended.

Transportation to and from the park will be provided for, leaving from the Recreation Center in the morning" afternoon, and evening.

The entire community of greater Vancouver is invited.

Willis Williams,
Recreation Director.

Vanport Plans Big July 4th Celebration

A parade, baseball game, Carnival and a dance are part of the huge celebration planned by Vanport residents under the direction of the Recreation Department for the 4th of July holiday. The big day will start with a parade in the morning beginning at Recreation Center No. 1 on Force Street then North on Victory to Lake and south on Cottonwood Street to the Baseball Field and Fair Grounds.

The parade will be followed

by a game between the Lucky Sevens of Vanport and the Grant Corporals of Portland. This is to be followed by a grand carnival including sports of all kinds. There will be Sack Races, Potato Races, Three-Legged Races, according to Mr. Norton of the Recreation Bureau who is directing the activities. He promises a bigger time than last year's day of fun. All these activities are free and any one who wants to enter the contests are invited to participate.

The closing affair will be a Dance at the Recreation Center on Force Street. "Corky" Harris and his orchestra will play for the dance and there will be an admission charge of Seventy-four cents. The Dance is due to get under way about 9 p. m. There will also be all kinds of refreshments on sale, including real Pit Barbecue.

The Fair Grounds and Baseball Diamond are located on Cottonwood Street, near the entrance to Vanport, coming from Portland.

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the faith of one, the race of one.
And strive to do them harm
The good book of old has stoutly told
to love me is to love my own.
Yet down thru the ages this condition
still rages—
This suffering from race hatred and
scorn.
Yes they laughed when we prayed from
the cotton field to the grave.
Claimed our minds knew of nothing
higher to do.
Yet these same folk now call your name
Why? I know God so do you.
'Tis God's war they say and He's with
us the way in everything we do.
Now God I've never questioned Your
word since the birth of my day—
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