

Local News Briefs

May Buy Crusher—Marion county's application for authority to purchase a new portable rock crusher, once rejected, has now been approved by the war production board and the crusher, now at the middle-western factory, will be shipped here this fall, the county court revealed Monday. The crusher, which will cost the county \$14,551, replaces old equipment, sold several months ago. Since the old crusher ceased operation for the county, rock for county roads has been purchased commercially or taken from county quarries and crushed under contract. When new road construction is again possible, it was said Monday, a unit for oiling of the rock as it is crushed will be added to the new machine.

Wanted: an all around beauty operator. Guaranteed \$100 per mo., and 60% commission. Box 61, Statesman.

School Repairs—Leslie junior high is scheduled to have a new ceiling placed in its auditorium soon by the Portland firm which holds the contract for the job. Re-decoration of the auditorium will also take place. The roof of Leslie on the Church street wing is to be replaced under contract. Numerous other jobs including repair work at Highland school, are being taken care of by the district workmen.

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Daughter to Hills—Mr. and Mrs. Thomas P. Hill III (Ruth Melson) are parents of a daughter, Theresa Phyllis, born Monday afternoon at Salem General hospital. Her weight at birth was 6 pounds 12 ounces. The baby is granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy S. Melson, route two, Salem, and Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Hill, jr., Buffalo, Wyo.

bags, at Firestone Store at 395 North Liberty.

Death Causes Told—Of the 59 Marion county deaths reported in May to the state health department, 19 were from heart diseases; eight from apoplexy; six, nephritis; five, cancer and tumors; three tuberculosis; two, pneumonia and two, motor accidents; one each from diabetes and rheumatic disease; ten from other known causes and one from cause ill-defined or unknown.

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Mrs. Champagne Leaves—Melba Hodge Champagne, a deputy in the office of the Marion county clerk for the past two years, has resigned and will leave early next week for Fresno, Calif., to join her husband, Pte. Frederick Champagne. Alice Baillie, now a deputy in the office, will take Mrs. Hodge's place.

Regulations Received—An advance copy of Oregon's new hunting regulations has been received by County Clerk Henry Mattson, who said Monday he had extra copies of the printed synopsis of fishing laws for those interested but only the single first edition of hunting laws.

Tax Levy Filed—Woodburn city tax levy for 1944-45 was filed Monday with the county clerk. Of the \$13,256.20 levy, \$3250 is earmarked for bond principal and interest payments and is outside the 6 per cent limitation. The total budget, filed by George Beach, city recorder, calls for expenditure of \$15,156.20.

Cochran Is Speaker—Clay Cochran, Salem chamber of commerce manager, was speaker Monday night before a group of Lebanon businessmen in Lebanon, discussing with them details of chamber of commerce organization. Carl Hogg, Salem chamber president, accompanied him.

Fractures Elbow—Mrs. Samuel Lipp, 78 N. Liberty, fell at her home about 7 o'clock Monday night, fracturing her left elbow. She was taken to the Salem General hospital.

Escapes At Hospital—William Foster, 51, whose home is listed as Marshfield, escaped from the Oregon State hospital Monday afternoon about 3:30.

Obituary

Stockton
In this city, Holl Stockton, late resident of Sheridan, Ore. Age 65 years. Husband of Gertrude Stockton of Sheridan; father of Mrs. Twyla Zinn of Salem, Mrs. Thelma Mae of Anity, Mrs. Katherine Johnson of Dallas, W. Ray Stockton and B. Fay Stockton of Sheridan; one brother, Roy V. Stockton of Sheridan. Burial will be made to McKinville by W. T. Rigdon company for services and interment.

Balle
George L. Balle, sr., late resident of Jefferson, at a local hospital July 10. Survived by a daughter, Louise Johnson of Jefferson; a son, George L. Balle, jr., of Sebo, and four grandchildren. Services will be held from the Clough-Barrick chapel Wednesday, July 12, at 1:30 p.m., with Rev. Henry Turndike officiating. Interment in Cox cemetery.

CARD OF THANKS
We wish to express our thanks and appreciation for the acts of kindness, messages of sympathy and beautiful floral offerings from our neighbors and many friends, in the loss of our beloved father.

Mrs. Alma E. Shipley
Mrs. Leo J. Kraps
Leonard C. Jewett
Horace H. Jewett
Howard P. Jewett

Campaign Successful—The annual "Learn To Swim" campaign, sponsored by the city playgrounds and the American Red Cross, enjoyed what Director Gurnee Fleisher termed a "highly successful" opening day Monday. Classes were somewhat smaller in size than usual but that proved to be an advantage in that more individual instruction is gained. Fleisher said. The campaign will run until Saturday. Sidney Lambias, the Red Cross field representative, took over classes at Leslie Monday while he will be at Olinger today.

Technocracy Inc. presents, moving picture and lecture, "The American Way to Win This Total War and Peace." Farm Union hall, 343-345 N. Com'l, Thursday, July 13th, 8 p. m.

Garden Club Meets—A meeting of the Salem Men's Garden club has been scheduled for Thursday at 6:45 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Judson, 1000 Judson street. The wives of the club members have been invited to attend. Following a dinner, a program which includes a discussion of the care of ornamental shrubs and trees by Ernest Iufer and a talk on pioneer trees by Mr. Judson, will be conducted.

For home loans—see Salem Federal, 130 South Liberty.

French To Meeting—C. F. French left Salem on Monday night for Salt Lake City to attend the jurisdictional conference of the Methodist church for the 11 western states. In Portland he joined other Oregon and Washington lay and clerical delegates to the meeting to travel on with them.

Mark Twain white shirts, nub spun broadcloth, all sizes, \$2.25. Alex Jones, 121 North High st.

Fund Tabulated—The state school fund of \$21,359.10 is now being apportioned, County Supt. Agnes C. Booth said Monday. The district's share of the fund will not be issued until the district clerk has filed bond with the county superintendent, Mrs. Booth said.

Delivery Truck Missing—A panel delivery truck was believed to have been stolen from the Puxex company Sunday night from the 300 block on Ferry street. The truck is driven by R. E. Gilliard who resides at the Marion hotel.

Green Assigned—Chief Justice J. O. Bailey of the state supreme court Monday assigned Circuit Judge R. J. Green, La Grande, to Pendleton to preside at the trial of a divorce action. Judge G. I. Sweek was disqualified.

Owner in Service—The owner of the Salem Vintage store from which a money bag was said to have been taken last week is Marvin W. Olin, a private first class in the US army, and not H. F. Marsh as was originally reported. Marsh works for Olin.

Jersey Men to Meet—The Marion County Jersey Cattle club will meet next Sunday at the Nash brothers dairy ranch near Four Corners. M. G. Gunderson of Silverton is president of the dairy club. A no host dinner will be served at 1 o'clock.

Health Is Subject—Dr. W. J. Stone, Marion county health officer, will be the speaker this noon at the Kiwanis club luncheon. "How Can We Use Our Health Department?" will be the subject.

Return to Alaska—Mrs. E. L. Hunter and son, Buddy, have returned to their Juneau, Alaska home after a visit with Mrs. Hunter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Kirk.

Car Recovered—A car belonging to Rube Saunders of Chemawa was returned to the owner Monday after it had been reported missing Sunday afternoon. The car, a 1939 Graham sedan, was found downtown.

Board Meets Tonight—Regular business will occupy the efforts of the District No. 24 school board members during the monthly session tonight, Supt. Frank B. Bennett said Monday.

100 in Y Camp—A group of about 100 boys of intermediate age are enjoying a week's outing at the Silver Creek recreational area under the direction of the YMCA.

Sunday Fire—A roof on the Peerless Bakery was damaged by fire Sunday and slight interior damage was done to the Chinese Tea Garden.

Eagles Initiate—Salem Eagles will initiate tonight and conduct their second installation since the new corps of officers took their posts early last month.

Two Escape—Norman Cumm, 26, and Archie Mustard, 50, were reported as missing from the Fairview home Sunday.

Daughter Missing—Mrs. Helen Blarmit, 797 South 35th, has reported to police that her daughter has been missing since July 4.

Car Catches Fire—Firemen were called to 14th and Mill Monday to extinguish a fire in an automobile.

Signal Corps Serves to Bind Army Together

AFHQ, MEDITERRANEAN THEATER—Communications networks, spreading out like a spider web, are the intangible strands that link an army together—and in the center of that "spider web" are the signal corps men who operate, and maintain, and supply the communications network. Storage and issue of signal supply and operation of a communications school is also the work of these signalmen.

At one of the largest supply headquarters in the Mediterranean theater, with its multitude of incoming and outgoing messages, many of them dealing with the movements of vast quantities of material or large numbers of troops, these signal corps soldiers are performing one of the outstanding tasks of the war.

MEMBERS FROM OREGON
Of the Signal Supply Depot Communications school and headquarters include Pfc. Jesse H. Murphy, son of Mrs. Anne F. Murphy, 467 Mary avenue, Lebanon; and Pfc. Melvin C. Gilchrist, son of Mrs. Elda Gilchrist, 219 Coldridge street, Silverton.

Those men also conduct a Signal Corps school—several thousand miles from New Jersey—that's familiarly known by its students as "Little Fort Monmouth." Not because the palm trees or cactus plants around it are reminiscent of the New Jersey landscape, but because of the job this school is doing in training.

Woodland is scarce in the Mediterranean, but in the middle of this enormous signal supply depot—is a "horizontal forest" of telephone poles, 40,000 or more of them, piled up like so many matchsticks and awaiting the pleasure of the ever-active signal corps.

Real Yankee ingenuity is displayed by the men of this depot. One man had an invention for fighter planes, while another devised and developed an electrically-operated surgical aid, a miniature mine-detector, for locating shrapnel in bodies of wounded men.

Couriers, traveling by motorcycle, jeep, truck and even aircraft, deliver many of the messages on a 24-hour-a-day basis, the same schedule that is followed by all of the vital communications branch. Only those who have seen this part of the world can realize the difficulties that constantly face these drivers.

Private D. A. Burrett is home on a ten day furlough from Camp Crost, South Carolina. He is now enroute to Maryland.

Private Wheeler E. English arrived in Salem Monday morning from Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana on a ten day furlough. He graduated July 3 from advanced finance school and will return to Fort Benjamin Harrison for re-assignment. Before entering the service in September, 1943, he was field auditor for the public utilities commission.

Ben Updegraff, machinist mate 2/c, USN, has written his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Updegraff, route 4, Box 156, that he has landed safely at a south Pacific base.

LAREDO, Texas, July 10—Carl M. Savage, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Savage of 2415 N. Church street, Salem, Ore., held the rating of aerial gunner today, following his graduation from the army air forces flexible gunnery school at the army air field here. He will continue his training as navigator or bombardier at another training post.

Service Men

Where They Are—What They Are Doing

AN EIGHTH AAF BOMBER STATION—England—Second Lt. Francis A. Mignurn, son of Mrs. Albert Mignurn, 292 N. Church street, Salem, Ore., has been decorated with the Air Medal, by order of the commanding general, eighth AAF.

Lt. Mignurn is a bombardier on a B-17 Flying Fortress, and a veteran of many heavy bomber missions over Germany and enemy occupied Europe. The citation which accompanied the presentation of his decoration read: "For exceptionally meritorious achievement while participating in bomber combat missions over Germany and enemy occupied Europe. The courage, skill and coolness displayed by Lt. Mignurn on these occasions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces of the United States."

After graduating from Salem high school, Lt. Mignurn attended University of Oregon, where he majored in sciences.

Before joining the AAF, in 1942, he was employed as an electric welder, at a Portland shipyard.



Lt. Col. H. G. (Fod) Maison, who left his post as deputy superintendent of Oregon state police to enter the army with the national guard, was recently decorated with the silver star as a result of his leadership in the Hollandia operation.

When Lt. Col. H. G. (Fod) Maison of Salem was decorated with the silver star by Maj. Gen. Horace H. Fuller, commander of the 41st division, for exceptional leadership and tactical judgment in the Hollandia operation, the award was accompanied by this citation:

"On April 1, 1944, the commanding general verbally warned the infantry of the impending operation. Shortly thereafter, battalion missions were assigned with the third battalion, commanded by Lt. Col. Maison, directed to land on White Beach 4, Humboldt Bay, and proceed to the regimental objective, Lemok hill. Lt. Col. Maison immediately directed details and thorough planning for the operation. His exceptional knowledge of the needs of the elements in his command resulted in the most effective allotment, and use of personnel, weapons, equipment and the limited transportation available."

"From D-day, April 22, until April 30, Lt. Col. Maison outstandingly commanded his battalion in the active operations in the Hollandia area. On D-day the battalion moved from larger craft in LVT's (Buffaloes), landing on White Beach 4 in Humboldt Bay. Lt. Col. Maison carefully planned the tactical use of these vehicles and his employment of them was exceptionally sound. Since the LVT's could not proceed up the steep slopes from Beach 4, troops disembarked and moved boldly and rapidly in the face of possible and expected stiff opposition over the rough terrain onto Lemok hill. With practically no opposition the objective was taken at 1012 hours (10:12 a. m.). During this phase Lt. Col. Maison kept a flow of worthwhile and necessary information to the regiment which resulted in the uninterrupted advance of other elements. Lt. Col. Maison actively led the movement of his battalion and his leadership was greatly responsible for the initial important accomplishment. When the first battalion arrived at Lemok hill the third battalion moved by marching toward Pin. The advance elements arrived at 1628 (4:28 p. m.) in Pin. Lt. Col. Maison ordered that night defenses be established. The entire first day's action had been exceedingly bold, rapid and orderly. Lt. Col. Maison's coolness, personal drive and front-line leadership instilled offensive spirit and confidence in the personnel of his command. The terrain covered was rough and hilly, trails were slippery and muddy, a light rain was a definite hindrance."

"The following three days Lt. Col. Maison moved his battalion from Pin toward the inland dromes, alternating as the advance troops with the first battalion. During this period 118 enemy were accounted for as killed. The battalion casualties were almost negligible. The terrain covered was extremely rough jungle, the battalion repairing the track while on the move so supplies could be moved over passable roadways. Personnel carried jungle packs, rations and hand-carried heavy loads of weapons and ammunition. Regardless of loads and difficult terrain, equipment was properly cared for and movement was very orderly. The outstanding leadership, the confidence and optimism displayed by Lt. Col. Maison reflected throughout the battalion. His spirit regardless of obstacles was commendable."

"On April 28, Lt. Col. Maison moved the battalion from Nefear on Lake Sentani to Cyclops drome. By the middle of the morning the objective had been taken and the battalion was on the southeast end of the drome in position to hold if counter resistance was met. Here again the sound tactical movement directed by Lt. Col. Maison resulted in swift accomplishment of the final battalion mission."

Col. Maison studied at the Jefferson high school, Portland, and at the University of Oregon, where he majored in economics.

In civilian life he served as deputy superintendent of the Oregon state police. He is a member of Kappa Sigma fraternity and his sports include baseball and football.

He entered army service in 1940, achieved his present rank on Sept. 11, 1940, and has been overseas since March 4, 1942. His son, M. C. Maison, is an ensign in the navy, serving on the USS Cowpens, while a brother is also in the navy.

Major Lands 70th Division

CAMP ADAIR, Ore., July 10—The 70th division won't take a back seat to anyone in this war and its training has been "right," in the opinion of Maj. James W. Walters, jr., G-2 of the 70th who has just returned from service in the Italian sector.

Selective service division in Italy "have proven themselves equal to true veterans. . . . The combat spirit of the American infantryman in Italy is higher than that of his German opponent."

He commended the coordination in the major drives he had witnessed and said "nothing would stop the infantryman—mountains, swamps or the enemy."

The major urged continuance of "that never-ending flow of goods, shells, tanks and guns" to shorten the time until victory.

From Orville A. Colyer, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Colyer of route one, Brooks, now stationed on "Island X" in the south Pacific, a recent letter to the alumni association of Oregon College of Education tells something of the life of Seabees in that area:

"The first place I was stationed was developed from a mass of gumbo mud, steaming jungles and coconut plantations into a very important and strategic base. This battalion did a very large part of that work and for its efforts, received a commendation from the commander of that base. I miss the coca-cola, ice cream, the ice made from our own ice making machine, and the conveniences of movies as we had four all-outdoor theatres."

Moving on. . . . "At this place I had all kinds of wee crawley creatures to pester me, varying in description from large ants to rats and land crabs, the latter two being predominant and causing me enough grief, not mentioning the carnivorous ants. . . . "Here, too, I became closely acquainted with my foxhole. . . . Tropical birds, meacaws, cockatoos, and parakeets served as my alarm clock when I didn't hear the bugle. Toads by the quadrillion, having the appearance of "raindrops on Broadway" in an unusually hard downpour, helped us in the way of combating insects. . . ."

SOMEWHERE IN ENGLAND—Thousands of supply soldiers in the air service command share a grim satisfaction with bombardiers these days when explosives whine downward toward the reich. One of such soldiers is Cpl. Ramsom Carpenter, supply clerk, ACS, whose wife, Mildred E. Carpenter, resides at 1095 North 15th street, Salem, Ore.

Cpl. Carpenter is one of that invaluable group which sees that supplies for the eight and ninth air forces are neither too little nor too late.

Staff Sgt. James (im) A. Stewart arrived home Monday after having been in the United States for three weeks following several months service in the south Pacific. Sgt. Stewart was injured when the plane on which he was turret gunner was shot down near New Guinea in February. On 17 missions he had downed four Zeros. Stewart has been convalescing at the McCall army hospital in Walla Walla, Wash., and will return to that station after 10 days furlough in Salem with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Stewart, 883 North Cottage street. He will be hospitalized for about six months.

SCIO—Pfc. Cecil Lefler, son of Mrs. Elsie J. Lefler, route two, Scio, was wounded in action in the Mediterranean area, according to official dispatches Monday night from Washington, DC.



Second Lt. James Hill Lucas (left), 23, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Lucas, 464 South 22nd street, was graduated early this month in one of the largest classes to complete 18 weeks of training at San Marcos army air field, Texas. His brother, Cpl. Herbert Lucas (right), army paratrooper who has been overseas more than a year, was "sitting out" the European invasion. He wrote his parents from England. In London on brief furlough, he visited his father's brothers and sisters and other relatives. He is in service in Sicily and Italy, and in addition to parachute activities is code clerk in communications for his headquarters company.



CLOVERDALE—Leslie Peterson, paratrooper son of Mr. and Mrs. John Peterson, who lived 10 days alone behind the lines in a French village after the invasion, June 6. Another son, Keith Peterson, whose wife lives in Independence, is also overseas.



William Adolph Hager, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Hager, route 6, received his silver wings and second lieutenant's commission from advanced two-engine pilot school at Pease, Texas, army air field on June 26. He has now been assigned for training as a first pilot on a B-17 Flying Fortress at Hobbs, New Mexico. His wife and daughter, Janet, reside in Tacoma.

Livermore, Calif., July 10—Completing his primary flight training as a naval aviation cadet, Robert Kelley McNeil, 19, a graduate of the Salem, Ore., high school, has been transferred to another school for intermediate training. It was announced at the US naval air station here.

McNeil is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. McNeil, now of Portland. His studies and graduation completed at Columbia university June 28, when he was commissioned an ensign, Jack S. Mudd, pictured above, son of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Mudd, 1690 South Winter street, Salem, reports this week to Coronado, Calif., after spending a brief leave at home. He is a graduate of Salem high, 1941, and attended both Oregon State college and Willamette university, the latter as a V-12 trainee. He is one of five to graduate from Columbia last month who were transferred there from Willamette.

LEBANON—Mr. and Mrs. Carl Blatchley have been notified that their son, Dean, who is a paratrooper was injured during the invasion of W-mandy. He received machine gun bullet wounds in the knee and ankle and is now in a hospital in France.

Public Records

CIRCUIT COURT

Goodrich Silverton Stores vs. Olin Winney; defendant ordered to appear in Marion county circuit courtroom at 10 a. m., July 31, to show cause why he should not render his property subject to execution.

Frances Pauline Buchbinder vs. Albert Buchbinder; decree of divorce to plaintiff restoring her maiden name of Frances Pauline Swallow.

Nada Fleming vs. Robert Fleming; county treasurer directed to pay over for plaintiff \$15 and other sums as they are paid to him in cases.

Kate Fox vs. Floyd Query; complaint for \$1365 and \$268.65 in injuries and damages allegedly sustained in automobile accident at intersection of Capitol and Nebraska streets on December 10, 1943.

Lilas Schuchert vs. Ora Schuchert; decree of divorce restores plaintiff's former name of Lilas Anderson, decrees her to be sole owner of household furniture and effects.

Ivy Erickson vs. Charles E. Erickson; decree of divorce to plaintiff.

Ethra May West vs. Marion Ernest West; complaint for divorce charges cruel and inhuman treatment, asks custody of three minor children, sole ownership of household furniture, one-half interest in balance of personal property, \$140 per month for support of children and \$5000 lump sum alimony; married June 14, 1936 at Turner;

defendant entered armed forces five months ago.

The contested divorce suit of Otis E. Boatwright vs. Florence E. Boatwright is scheduled to come to hearing at 9:30 o'clock this morning before Judge George Duncan.

PROBATE COURT
Joan Barnes and Suzanne Barnes guardianship; guardian's first annual account approved.

Flora Clark estate; final decree to Nellie J. Clark, executrix.

Ada S. Hull estate; order discharging A. W. Smith, executor, and declaring estate closed.

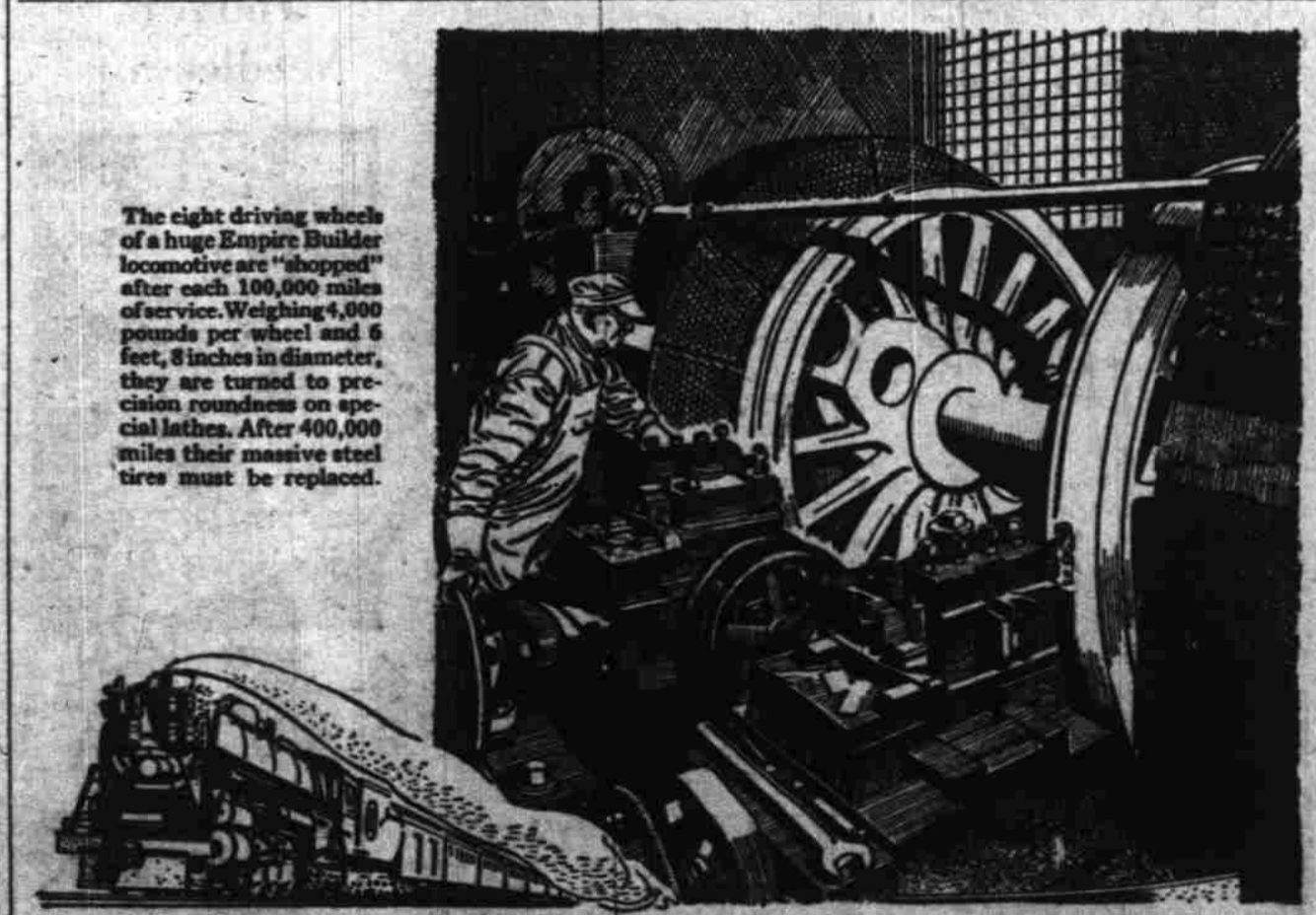
JUSTICE COURT
Chole E. Hopp; violation of basic rule; \$25 bail.

James Oliver Budlong; violation of basic rule; \$10 and costs.

LeRoy Edgar Beymer; no 1944 motor vehicle license; \$5 and costs.

Raymond Mitchell; excessive height load and no 1944 vehicle license; fines totaling \$15 and costs on two charges.

Harold Lawrence Anderson; defective muffler; \$1 and costs.



SHOEING A WAR HORSE

The wheels must be kept true on the three-quarter million pound locomotives that pull the Empire Builder on its daily run between the Pacific Northwest and Chicago. Their constant servicing is but one of the many exacting tasks performed by Great Northern shompen to enable us to meet the rising demands of wartime transportation.

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