

Electrical Workers Sought By Army

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The war department has issued a call for skilled electrical workers to volunteer for at least 90 days' service on two vital war construction jobs—the Hanford Engineer works at Pasco, Wash., and the Clinton Engineer works at Knoxville, Tenn.

The call was made by Undersecretary of War Robert P. Patterson after conferences with Edward J. Brown, president of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers; Lawrence W. Davis, general manager of the National Electric Contractors' association, and war department representatives.

Under the plan, electrical workers now employed by construction contractors, utility companies, and electric shops of all types will be asked to take a leave of absence for work on the projects. After 90 days of satisfactory work, volunteers will be issued a special certificate to acknowledge their service and their regular employers will receive letters of recognition.

Volunteers at the Hanford Engineer works will receive the regular rate of \$1.68 per hour, with earnings of \$100.65 for the standard 54-hour week. At the Clinton Engineer works the rate is \$1.50 per hour, with earnings of \$105 per week for the standard 60-hour week.

Housing and dining facilities are available at both projects at reasonable rates. Transportation for volunteers will be handled by locals of the electrical unions.

New Ship to Carry 1000 Men and Equipment

WASHINGTON—(UP)—A potent new weapon for the allied transport capable of landing 1,000 men with a full complement of tanks and heavy guns — is now under construction in American shipyards, it was learned here.

Vice Adm. William L. Vickerey, vice chairman of the maritime commission, declined to answer questions about the new craft but indicated they are destined to play an important role in the Pacific war.

Fire Chief Says State Losses Kept Down

PORTLAND, Ore. —(UP)—Oregon firemen, despite wartime handicaps, have kept fire losses down, Edward Grenfell, Portland fire chief, told members of the Oregon Association of Fire Chiefs and the State Fire Fighters association here.

"There is a shortage of apparatus, it is difficult to keep it in good condition, hose is difficult to obtain and we do not have enough firemen," Grenfell pointed out.

Rev. F. D. Lepzig, of Eugene, association chaplain, was on the program, along with Seth B. Thompson, state fire marshal, and H. S. Rogers, state forester, both of Salem.

Delegates witnessed motion pictures of new fire-fighting methods and attended an exhibition at the Portland fire drill tower.

Windshield Stickers Will Be Used Again

SALEM—(AP)—Oregon motor vehicle owners will use windshield stickers again next year along with their 1942 license plates, the state department said.

It will be the third straight year that stickers will have been used. Harry Schenk, deputy secretary of state, said plans to use plastic plates have been abandoned because of the high cost. He said enough stock could be obtained for one plate for each vehicle, but that delivery on the plates could not be obtained in time.

Old Northwest Unit Likes 'Butcher' Name

TACOMA —(AP)—The "Forty-first Division Butchers" is the name pinned on the old Pacific northwest-based division, according to Col. Fred Roecker of Walla Walla, who added that "the men are proud of it because it shows that the enemy recognizes their ability as fighting men."

The 41st infantry division originally was composed of Pacific northwest national guardsmen and has participated in some of the bitterest fighting in the Pacific theater.

Roecker, former Walla Walla Union-Bulletin circulation manager just back from more than two years in the southwest Pacific, said he felt that the 41st deserved the greatest credit for the final conquest of New Guinea.

Nazis Execute 100 In Recaptured Town

PORT BOU, Spain. —(AP)—German troops who blasted their way back into the guerrilla-held French village of Ussel climaxed their victory by hanging 100 Frenchmen in the town square, a Paris dispatch reported.

A Spanish correspondent of the Barcelona newspaper Vanguardia, writing under German censorship, said that after "liquidation of 100 responsible partisans" calm was "again imposed" in the town, located at the foot of the Plateau de Millevache, a stronghold of the French Maquis.

OUR CITIZENS IN SERVICE



Technical Sergeant Charlotte L. Plummer, top, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Plummer, 671 Sixteenth Avenue east, is serving as bandmaster of the marine corps women's reserve band at Camp Lejeune, N. C. Corporal Shirley Baldwin, below, is a clarinetist in the band.

Women Marines Are Members of Band

Technical Sergeant Charlotte L. Plummer and Corporal Shirley Baldwin, two Eugene musicians, are members of the marine corps women's reserve band at Camp Lejeune, N. C. The band plays for all occasions of the Women's Reserve . . . at reviews, ceremonies, and parades. It also maintains a concert schedule and contributes an orchestra for post dances and social functions.

Sergeant Plummer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Plummer of 671 Sixteenth Avenue east, is now serving as bandmaster of the marine women's band. She has 44 girl musicians in her charge. She is a graduate of Eugene high school and attended University of Oregon. She was first chair cornetist and soloist for the university band, and formerly was employed by the Portland school system as director of music.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy V. Baldwin, Corporal Baldwin also is a graduate of Eugene high school and a former student of University of Oregon. Having won several state and national awards as a clarinetist, she played in high school and university bands and orchestras, and was a member of Eugene municipal band.

The Eugene women enlisted in the marine corps in September. Upon completion of their "boot training" at Camp Lejeune they were selected for assignment to the band.

HAREM IS GUNNER

Aviation Cadet Fred E. Harem, son of J. G. Harem, 862 Pearl street, Eugene, was graduated last week from the army air forces flexible gunnery school, Laredo army air field, Laredo, Texas, a member of the AAF training command. He was sent there upon completion of his preflight training and now that he has received the rating of Aerial Gunner, he will continue his training as navigator or bombardier in another training post.

CADET AT YALE

Aviation Cadet Elgeon L. Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Johnson, 1240 Monroe street, has begun training at the army air forces training command school at Yale university. This training is intended to prepare him for the duties of a technical officer in communications.

McQUIN IN ENGLAND

Cpl. Farel L. McQuin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Farel F. McQuin, route 2, Springfield, now is stationed somewhere in England with the aircraft section of the air service command depot there.

Before entering the army, he was employed by the Boeing aircraft company of Seattle as an aircraft experimental mechanic.

MISS ROBSON ON DUTY

On duty with the navy department in Washington, D. C., is Lucy Marie Robson, seaman 2-c, daughter of Mrs. Frances Louise Robson, 1562 Thirteenth Avenue east. She enlisted in the WAVES in May, 1944, and took recruit training at Hunter College, New York.

CRAMER GETS WINGS

Second Lt. John F. Cramer, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Cramer, 1915 Hilyard, has just received his combat aerial navigator's wings at the Hondo army air forces navigation school, Texas.

Medford Will Vote On Swim Pool Tax

MEDFORD—(AP)—A special election to vote on a \$62,500 tax levy to construct a municipal swimming

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