

Slight Drop in Woods Jobs Seen by February of Next Year

A total of 304 of the larger logging operators in Oregon predict about a three per cent decline in employment between October of this year and February of 1948, according to an analysis prepared by the State Unemployment Compensation Commission and the State Employment Service.

Most of the decrease was forecast by logging operators. These predictions of only a small reduction in employment are subject to change, should weather conditions become too severe to maintain normal operations, it was pointed out.

Over Half
Operators submitting records employed about 42,686 workers in mid-October, between 55 and 60 per cent of the total number of workers employed in this industry during that month.

Employment in these firms has dropped only about one and one-half per cent since mid-August. Employment has decreased about 509 in the Western fir region and 147 in the Eastern pine area.

Weather Helps
Favorable weather conditions during the summer months were largely responsible for the high level of employment. Very few curtailments of operations were forced by low humidity in the woods during the summer season.

The high level of employment has resulted in large stock piles of logs in some areas.

The shortage of box cars, although still apparent, was not as acute in October as in earlier months.

Larger Outfits
The operators submitting the reports were the larger operators in Oregon. Because numerous small outfits closed down or curtailed operations, a larger percentage decrease in total employment than that reported probably exists.

Most operators reported little difficulty in recruiting workers. OSES placed approximately 16.6 per cent of all new workers during October, compared to 13.5 per cent two months previous.

Division Told
The 42,686 employment was divided into the following subgroups: logging camps, 4953 or 12 per cent of the total; sawmills and planing mills, including logging camps combined with sawmills, 28,195 or 66 per cent; millwork plants, 1033 or two per cent; plywood plants, 4740 or 11 per cent; wooden containers, 1543 or four per cent; other miscellaneous

wood products, 2222 or five per cent.

Women constituted about 5.2 per cent of the labor force in the industry. Women laborers in the sawmills have been gradually replaced by men since the end of the war and most women employees in this industry are now clerical.

Girl's Head Injured In Traffic Collision
Sixteen-year-old Betsy Stelle of 1057 Patterson St. was in Sacred Heart Hospital with a head injury Monday, after a traffic collision at Twelfth Ave. and Hilyard St. Sunday evening.

The girl was reportedly thrown from the car onto the pavement when the collision occurred at 6:30 p. m. Miss Stelle was riding in a car driven by Richard P. Hopkins, 18, of 2028 Potter St. He was cited by city police on a charge of failure to yield right-of-way, and was to appear in municipal court Dec. 3.

Miss Stelle was taken home in a private car after the accident, but was taken to the hospital later by ambulance. Physicians were checking the results of head x-rays Monday. Relatives reported she was in fair condition. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Stelle.

Driver of the second car was William R. Davis, 18, 1464 Lincoln Street.

Swissman Man Said In 'Fair' Condition
Orom Lynch, 71, Swissman, was reported in fair condition Monday in Sacred Heart Hospital, recovering from injuries received Saturday afternoon in an auto wreck.

His physician said that he was suffering from rib injuries which appeared to be not serious but extremely painful. Lynch's vehicle went off the road.

Performance Report Filing Speed Urged
Cooperators in the 1947 agriculture conservation program were urged Monday to file reports of performance as soon as possible by Ernest E. Schrenk, chairman of the Lane County committee.

Tarling filing of reports on conservation projects will permit earlier payments, Schrenk advised.

Student Reports Typewriter Stolen
Ralph E. Currin of 1263 Patterson St. has reported to city police the theft of an Underwood portable typewriter from Fenton Hall on the University of Oregon campus.

Currin said the typewriter disappeared sometime between 10 a. m. last Friday and noon Sunday. Valued at \$60, it carries the serial number 1537463.

Bonneville Official Visits Douglas Office
William E. Trommershausen, district manager of the Bonneville Power Administration in Eugene, was in Roseburg Monday on Douglas County Co-op business.

Miss Florence LaMar, of the Portland BPA office, was in Eugene Monday to assume the duties of secretary in the Eugene office until Dec. 10, when Miss Virginia Clark returns from her leave.

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Chicago Papers Cancel Offer
CHICAGO, (U.P.)—Chicago newspaper publishers Monday withdrew their offer to make any wage increase negotiated with striking typesetters retroactive to Oct. 21.

John F. O'Keefe, secretary of the Chicago Newspaper Publishers Assn., said the offer was withdrawn because of the strike called by Local 16, the Chicago-area unit of the International Typographical union.

O'Keefe said notice of the withdrawal was given in a letter to Woodruff Randolph, International ITU president, and John J. Pilch, president of Local 16.

Strike Called
"The several offers we have heretofore made to you presupposed the continuation of production in our composing rooms until an agreement was reached," O'Keefe's letter said.

"Unfortunately you saw fit to call a strike on Nov. 24. This strike is part of the ITU campaign to avoid contractual responsibility in order to enforce conditions prohibited by law.

Offers Cancelled
"In consequence of the strike, our previous offers for a form of contract and for retroactivity must be regarded as having terminated on Nov. 24 (the day the strike was called)."

O'Keefe said the publishers had agreed during the early stages of negotiations with the printers that any wage increase negotiated before Dec. 21 would be retroactive to Oct. 21 when the old contract expired.

He said the publishers made that agreement in the expectation that such an arrangement would give them ample time in which to negotiate a new contract peacefully, with full production continuing in accordance with traditional practice.

Still Publish
Strikers include all typesetters and linotype operators. They went on strike against the six members of the association—the Chicago Sun, Journal of Commerce, Tribune, Daily News, Times and Herald-American—a week ago Monday.

All six newspaper publishers continued to publish full sized editions using photo engraving instead of the normal printing procedure. All three Sunday newspapers—the Tribune, Sun and Times, and Herald-American—appeared Sunday with their usual features, comics and photo sections in addition to the news.

Editors said the new process of publishing was being improved as experience was gained, but that it still took longer to get news items into the paper and onto the street.

Police Hold Man On Vagrancy Count
Elsie V. Bailey, 20, Oakland, was being held by city police on a vagrancy charge here Monday, while officers questioned him in connection with an alleged attempted burglary at the M. and K. Market Sunday night.

Bailey was arrested in the vicinity of the market at 3:30 a. m. Monday.

Bridge Replacement Only Forest Building
Replacement of bridges was the only construction work underway in the Willamette National Forest this week, according to H. G. White, forest engineer.

Crews were proceeding with work on Humbug Bridge on Breitenbush Road in the Detroit ranger district, and in the Oakridge district a small crew was on the job replacing six small bridges between North Fort Crossing and High Prairie.

Grading work on the Hoodoo Ski Bowl road up the Santiam was stopped two weeks ago when snow was 30 inches deep. A small amount of grading remains to be done in the spring, White said, and he expressed hope that money would be available for surfacing the road next summer.

5 Escapees Back in Jail
VANCOUVER, B. C., (U.P.)—Five of 14 youthful prisoners who stole a bus for a reckless joyride after escaping from the Okalla prison farm were back in custody Monday.

The prisoners, ranging in age from 15 to 20, sawed through the bars of a cell window Saturday evening, dropped to the ground, and fled into a heavy fog. Some of them stole a bus and rode around nearby New Westminster for an hour, sideswiping several autos. They finally smashed the bus into the concrete front of a downtown market.

A widespread search still was underway for the other missing nine youths.

City Firemen Quell Three Minor Blazes
City firemen were called to several minor blazes Sunday and early Monday, with no damage reported in the affected restaurant, home and transportation firm.

Grease on the range at Snappy Service Cafe, 455 Willamette St., required the assistance of firemen at 2:45 a. m. Sunday. They were called back for the same reason at 4:47 p. m. Sunday.

Other fires included a flue fire at the home of Ray C. Hendrickson at 2007 Moss St. Sunday evening.

An overheated oil pump was cared for at Consolidated Ways Co. at 6:08 a. m. Monday.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY
NEWAYGO, Mich., (U.P.)—Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wick were celebrating an ideal 31st wedding anniversary present. They spent the day watching a newly-drafted couple come in on their farm.

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Over a period of several weeks, these 50c extra expenditures can run into quite a sizeable figure. And over a year's time it could easily amount to enough to buy a new suit or a new coat, or both!

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