

# Drain Dedicates Their Memorial

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began to make themselves felt, and those who had the means were unstinting.

One contributing factor to success was a rule that the committee made mandatory in all its efforts:

"Proceed in the very best way we know how, getting help and advice from the best possible sources, but when each separate job is completed, regardless of how large or small or by whom it was done, permit no criticism to cause strife."

Progress on the memorial became more than a plan. It became an obsession, until an edifice of such proportions and outstanding utility was erected that it has been heralded as without parallel.

Writers and photographers for the slicks began to query about this Drain story.

Shucks, national publicity was nothing new.

Drain claims the "King of the Woods," in gruff, but fabulous Ernie Whipple who was described in a national magazine two years ago as "a flesh-and-blood Bunyan... fast becoming as much of a legend as the mighty but mythical axeman."

"At the age of 62, Ernie is a 230-pound colossus of the timber country, a man with a voice like Gabriel's horn and the general impact of a falling house. Ernie, who

is convinced nothing can kill him, is the leading and beloved first citizen of Drain, Ore. (pop. 597), where he does more with his one arm and scarred body than most men half his age. It also happens that Ernie owns the world's No. 1 piling operation, which by itself is enough to earn him the admiration and respect of tough men in a notably tough business.

"He greets potential customers by whamming the powerful stump of his arm into their ribs and roaring, 'Ha, ha! How's that for a short left?'"

"Ernie has shipped out some 1,000,000 poles in his lifetime, more than any one man in the world. He can glance at a section of fir butt and tell you the tree's age, commercial value, probable length, and where it was cut. He judges men the same uncanny way, and has dipped into his pocket and his heart for investments in human nature that few bankers would risk..."

Ernest Whipple isn't the only lumberman in Drain who can count his bank roll in seven figures. Youthful Jim Whipple, his son, and several other of the Drain younger set, carried a generous approach to the North Douglas project.

"We did not think we were doing the unusual," said genial Jim Whipple, president of the memorial association, "nor did we think we were doing the 'impossible.' We merely set ourselves a goal and didn't permit anything to divert us from reaching it. It was not a downhill roll by any means, but it was fun. It was a sort of Ernie Haycox barraging—only on a larger scale."

"We didn't realize that our efforts would come into the national limelight until writers came for information on how we did the 'impossible' and heralded our project as an inspiration for America to follow."

That's the why and how Drain, a hamlet of a few hundred, is dedicating a memorial costing \$100,000 in materials alone, this Sunday. Hundreds of man-hours in labor went into the job and every moment was donated.

Donated too was all the money. There was no asking Uncle Sam to pitch in; no funds from the Oregon State coffers; or the county; no bond issues were floated. It stands today a living memorial to the heroes of World War II—bought and paid for.

Lon Applegate, descendant of Jesse Applegate, who cut a chapter in northwest history with his "Applegate Trail," paused in chopping wood at his Drain home to explain the memorial in simple, but epic words. He waved toward the forested hills embracing Drain and said, "It's the trees that did it, Son. It's the trees."

## Anti-Western Riots Reported

NICOSIA, Cyprus—(AP)—Travelers reported Saturday that Egyptian mobs staged a three-day reign of terror against Westerners in Cairo last weekend, killing at least two and mauling others in demonstrations protesting the Palestine truce.

Scores of attacks were made against Americans, British, French and Italians. Panic spread through the entire city as mobs roamed the streets, stopping cars in their search for victims.

Order Restored

Order was not restored until Tuesday, when police called out mounted and helmeted reserves. The Egyptian capital still is a seething volcano of hate these reports said, but police are taking the strongest measures to prevent new outbreaks.

Egyptian censorship prohibited any report on the attacks. Cairo newspapers did not print a single word about any disturbances. Correspondents were forbidden upon pain of expulsion to reveal details.

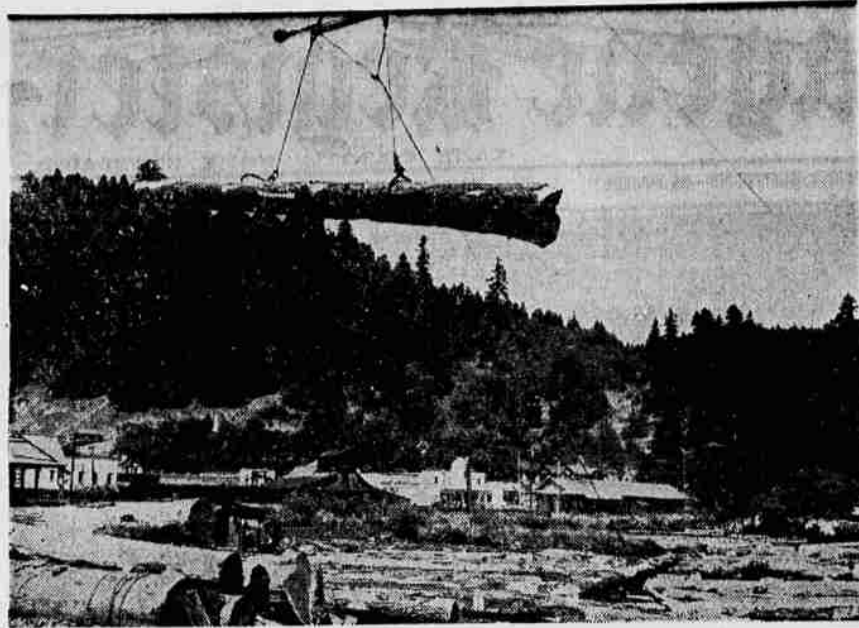
## Manufacturers Get High Price Warning

LOS ANGELES—(AP)—Charles Luckman, president of Lever Bros., Saturday said the high cost of living probably won't go any higher.

The former head of the federal government's food conservation program said large manufacturers must make superhuman efforts to keep prices down. Otherwise they'll price themselves right out of the mass market.

## GM BOOSTS PRICES

DETROIT—(AP)—General Motors Corp., last of the big auto firms to hold out against a higher 1948 price level, gave in Saturday and tagged passenger cars with an eight per cent increase.



LUMBERING BUILT DRAIN and enabled this hamlet of less than 1000 to dedicate a memorial costing more than \$100,000 today. Sections of Drain's main street may be seen across below and above. The log below is being cabled toward a cold deck.

## Marie Wins First Test

PARIS—(AP)—Andre Marie became premier Saturday night with a vote of confidence from the National Assembly.

He will form a government uniting all parties except the Communists and the extreme right wing followers of Gen. Charles de Gaulle.

"My government will be a stable government which will restore the confidence of the people of France in their institutions," Marie told the assembly. He is a moderate conservative of the Radical Socialist party, a right-wing party.

Marie won the support of 352 of the 620 deputies, an official count showed. There were 190

## Examiner Finds Boeing Refused to Bargain

WASHINGTON—(AP)—A National Labor Relations Board examiner Saturday recommended that the Boeing Airplane Company, Seattle, be required to bargain with a striking machinists union and that immediate reinstatement be offered striking workers.

Some 14,500 employees of the company have been involved in a strike which began April 22, 1948.

The examiner, William E. Spencie, recommended that Boeing "cease and desist from refusing to bargain collectively with Aeronautical Industrial District Lodge No. 751, of the International Association of Machinists, an independent union."

## CORRECTION

The concert of sacred music to be presented at 7:30 p.m. Sunday by the Musical Hurdles of Yakima will be at the Evangelical United Brethren rather than at the location announced Saturday.

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**Exam Reminders Sent to Parents**

Reminder cards have been mailed to parents of children who will enter Eugene schools this fall but as yet have not taken required physical examinations and mailed the cards reminding par-  
innoculations.

Dr. Madeline Marr, public school physician, reported Saturday that health chairmen of the various P-T-A organizations have mailed the cards reminding parents that the health checks must be made before their youngsters can enter either kindergarten or first grade classes in September.

Appointments must be made with family physicians, the parents have been reminded and if inoculations or corrective treatments are necessary additional

time will be required before completed medical forms can be forwarded to school health authorities.

Dr. Marr noted that completed forms may have been entered by some children whose parents are compiling mailing lists for a chance that the communications could have been in the mail at the same time.

In such cases, Dr. Marr advised parents should call the school offices to be sure that the forms have been properly recorded. Parents who have not received the medical check-up blanks for their children should contact the office to obtain the proper forms.

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