

Government Report On Month's Employment

All of the major mills in this area have resumed operation with two of them adding extra shifts. In addition, one mill which has not operated since October 1944, resumed operation employing 75 men, and all operations report sufficient logs in storage to operate at present capacity for from three to five months. Logging is practically at a standstill because of bad weather conditions and the fact that many of the mills have no more storage space for cut logs. Two large operations still continue and others of major importance are resuming logging about January 1st.

Unemployment has continued at about the peak with some slight decrease in total volume since the reopening of strike-bound saw mills. The claims load is made up principally of unemployable older people, women, and loggers laid off temporarily as indicated above.

Immigration continues but is light, most people coming from larger industrial centers and some previous residents returning from shut-down war industries.

Little reconversion is expected in this area because of the nature of the manufacturing, principally lumber on which civilian production will be primarily the same as that of war production. Food processing will require no reconversion since it is largely butter, cheese, and fish packing, which will not be affected either as to packaging or processing.

Employment Outlook

At the present time job openings continue at the low point of several years, most orders being filled immediately upon receipt by claimants for unemployment compensation. A few skilled, technical and office jobs with comparatively high wage range are still available, primary shortages being felt among women office workers. The next 30 to 60 days will see some increase in demand for women in fish and crab packing.

The mills which have started operation at first reported plenty of available help but are finding that they hired some cull labor and are now in a period of replacement and we are expecting all operators in lumber manufacture to raise their orders for men with two mills already planning for additional night shifts.

The volume of returning veterans is increasing daily. Each succeeding month shows increased registrations of veterans. This trend is expected to continue for the next six months

and is based on the report from Selective Service. It is estimated that 550 veterans are unemployed in this area today.

Civilian labor force is slightly on the increase due primarily to immigration of displaced war workers and returning servicemen. The closing of summer logging shows has slightly increased the number on unemployment compensation. No immediate prospect of construction can be counted on to absorb the surplus if any until present construction plans of State and Federal projects is started. Based on previous estimates taken prior to the inception of the lumber strike, this area will be short approximately 1500 people unless immigration increases. This number will be reduced by the number of service men who return between now and completion of lumber production expansion.

Six larger sawmill operations in the area have indicated that they would expand to the extent of at least one more shift per day. As soon as the lumber is available local contractors anticipate a heavy expansion in building trades.

Local Labor Market Problems

Housing of workers continues to be the most serious hindrance to all production problems in the area.

At the present time the number of unemployed veterans is increasing due to the increased number returning and work shortage in lumber. A few have been placed on apprentice training programs and in sales and service. Local planning continues with a definite desire for the take-off on jobs.

Employment Trends

Total Employment	2 mos. ago	Cur. rent	Antic. Dec.
Mining	85	85	85
Construction	0	0	0
Manufacturing	2897	1069	3447
Food Processing	114	128	75
Lumber	2783	941	3372
Other	0	0	0

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Pub. Util.	112	93	194
Wholesale Retail	201	206	225
Finance	32	32	33
Service	102	121	182
Female Employment	769	341	320

Local Office Activities

Total applications for jobs	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.
	225	510	605

Total referrals

WW II Vets applications	46	108	284
WW II Vets referrals	46	73	33

Nonseasonal Job Openings—Hand at End of Month

The total openings in all industries, including construction, trade and service, logging, lumbering and others, only amounted to 15 in the trade and service, of which five were for skilled labor with a wage range of 75c to \$1.00, and ten were of unskilled, with wage range of 50¢ to \$1.00.

Joint Meeting Held For Grange

Joint installation of Grange officers from Myrtle, Coquille, Broadbent and Bandon Granges was held in Myrtle Point Thursday evening, Dec. 27, with Myrtle Grange acting as hosts.

The work was impressive, with State Deputy Henry Gustafson of North Bend installing officer; Rudy Roehk, Norway, marshal; Mrs. Mich Myers, Myrtle Point, regalia bearer, and Mrs. Doris Caudie Coquille, emblem bearer.

Many people were unable to attend due to illness and unusual weather.

Three Master, two Overseers, one Secretary, three Lecturers, one Steward, two Assistant Stewards, two Chaplains, one Treasurer, three Gatekeepers, three Ceres, three Pomona, two Floras, two Lady Assistant Stewards, four executive committee members and three musicians were installed, some of these also being Pomona officers.

Ten Past Masters were present. Members attending from Coquille were Mr. and Mrs. Ed Detlefsen, Miss Ida Oerding, Mrs. Millie Waters, Mrs. Edna Rakestraw, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Klentz, Mr. and Mrs. John Martih, Mrs. Elsie Wheaton, Mrs. Alma Halter, Mrs. Cora Mackey and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Laird. There were sixty members present.

Weekly Letter

By Congressman Ellsworth

In last week's letter, I mentioned the efforts being made to secure additional supplies of protein meal for Oregon agriculture, and the hope that meal processors might respond without the necessity of regulatory measures. I have been advised by the Department of Agriculture that the processors have formed a pool and have agreed to ship to Oregon 2,000 additional tons of soy and linseed meal during December.

This quantity, along with tonnage already shipped during December, will compare more than favorably with the total quantities received by Oregon last year.

The 79th Congress will be in recess between sessions until January 14th. By working long hours, most of the pending legislation which was ready for action on the Floor, was disposed of before adjournment. In January, several outstanding important and highly controversial pieces of legislation will doubtless come out of com-

mittee and reach the Floor. These include peacetime military training, the unification of the armed forces, and quite likely, some labor legislation.

Christmas one year ago was the darkest and most gloomy Christmas in our recent history. The German Army was making its final and tragically successful drive against us in Europe, and the war in the Pacific was at its highest peak. We felt confident of ultimate victory, but victory then seemed to be a long way off.

By contrast, and in spite of the fact that we are suffering from many of the pains incident to readjustment to peacetime economy, this is the happiest Christmas season for many years.

Here in Washington there is optimism, because, when the holidays are over and the new year begins, most of us feel that the problems of today, insurmountable as they seem to be, can and will be solved. Having just emerged victorious from such a stupendous world-wide conflict, during which our armed forces and our machinery of production amazed the

world with their achievements, the people of our country are not going to fail to win out in the effort to restore a happy and prosperous country.

So in this, my last letter of the eventful year of 1945, I wish you the best of all New Years.

To provide jobs, we must look first and foremost to private enterprise—to industry, agriculture and labor. Government must inspire enterprise with confidence.—President Truman.

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January 31

THE LAST DAY

FOR MEN NOW IN THE ARMY TO RETAIN THEIR PRESENT GRADES BY REENLISTING...

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE NEW ENLISTMENT PROGRAM

- Enlistments for 1½, 2 or 3 years. (1-year enlistments permitted for men now in Army with 6 months' service.)
- Enlistment age from 17 to 34 years inclusive, except for men now in Army, who may reenlist at any age.
- Men reenlisting retain present grades, if they reenlist within 30 days after discharge and before February 1, 1946.
- The best pay scale, medical care, food, quarters and clothing in Army history.
- An increase in the reenlistment bonus to \$50 for each year of active service since such bonus was last paid, or since last entry into service.
- Up to 90 days' paid furlough, depending on length of service, with furlough travel paid to home and return, for men now in Army who enlist.
- A 30-day furlough every year at full pay.
- Mustering-out pay (based upon length of service) for all men who are discharged to reenlist.
- Option to retire at half pay for life after 20 years' service—increasing to three-quarters pay after 30 years' service. All previous active federal military service counts toward retirement.
- Benefits under the GI Bill of Rights.
- Family allowances for the term of enlistment for dependents of men who enlist before July 1, 1946.
- Opportunity to learn one or more of 200 skills and trades.
- Choice of branch of service and overseas theater in the Air, Ground or Service Forces on 3-year enlistments.

PAY PER MONTH—ENLISTED MEN

Rank	Monthly Pay	Monthly Retirement Income After 20 Years' Service	Monthly Retirement Income After 30 Years' Service
Master Sergeant	\$138.00	\$89.70	\$155.25
Technical Sergeant	114.00	74.10	128.25
Staff Sergeant	96.00	62.40	108.00
Sergeant	78.00	50.70	87.75
Corporal	66.00	42.90	74.25
Private First Class	54.00	35.10	60.75
Private	42.00	27.30	50.25

(a)—Plus 20% Increase for Service Overseas. (b)—Plus 50% if Member of Flying Crews, Parachutist, etc. (c)—Plus 5% Increase in Pay for Each 3 Years of Service.

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Apricots	Petite Halves	No. 2½	23c
Pears	Silver Galle	No. 2½	25c
Peaches	Castle Crest No. 2½	2-lb. pkg.	23c
Potatoes	Osage	No. 2½	15c
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Tomatoes	Gardenside No. 2½	14c	

Tomato Juice	Sunny Down, 4oz. can	No. 2	10c
Tomato Juice	Libby Fancy	No. 2	11c
Lemon Juice, M.C.P.		8 oz.	9c
Fruit Juice	Vita Pak Blended	46-oz. can	41c
Orange Juice	Libby Fancy	No. 2	20c
Green Beans	Santimon Cut	No. 2	17c
Peas	Exquisite brand	No. 2	15c
Dry Beans	Idaho Red & Great Northern	2-lb. pkg.	20c
Split Peas	Green and Yellow	2-lb. pkg.	20c
Rice	Blue Rose	2-lb. pkg.	19c

Soup	Heinz Tomato	11-oz. can	10c
Soup Mix	Lipton's Noodle	3 pkts.	25c
Stereo Cubes	Bouillon Cubes		9c

Tobacco	Sir Walter Raleigh	lb. can	77c
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Fresh Oysters		Pin	65c
TURKEYS	Grade A N.Y. Dressed		
DUCKS	eviscerated		56c
GEESE	eviscerated		54c
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