

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 7.—Director McNutt of war manpower board reveals that an additional 18,000,000 workers should be engaged in war productive work by the end of 1943. Of this total he estimates that 11,000,000 must be semi-skilled, which means that they should, in most cases, receive considerable instruction and training before reporting for duty.

This is another of the labor problems which are developing apace. Whether the computation is accurately based upon productive requirements is not doubted, but the assumption comes that something must be done to reach these figures as to number of workers. No one in the federal service seems to be suggesting that out of the 3,400,000 civilian employees now on government payrolls there could be some reduction for the sake of industrial production. At the peak of the first world war total, employment is up approximately 150 percent above the employees needed at that time.

Some people have been so bold as to suggest that at least one million of these federal employees engaged with innumerable new deal deal emergency agencies could be dispensed with and permitted to take work in factories, but this suggestion falls upon deaf ears. On the other hand, women will be impertuned to heed the industrial call to the tune of about 6,000,000. Whether this is a gallant course, according to old standards of chivalry, has not been made the subject of congressional debate.

Farm workers are the most critically needed in all the labor field. Reports are pouring in that perishable crops in many sections of the country were partly lost due to lack of labor for harvesting. One report from the northwest is to the effect that out of a crop of 60 tons of cherries only 20 tons were saved. Some farmers, too old to operate except with the aid of modern machinery and whose boys have been taken by army or navy, frankly states they will be unable to make the farm produce as it should. While processions of farm labor have gone to shipyards and war industry factories, leaving the farms inadequately manned. Farm wages are climbing rapidly and in some cases soaring toward shipyard levels.

After the scholastics and economists and politicians have finished planning and debating it is possible that some hard-headed type of individual will come forward with a rational and effective program for balancing the labor situation. It is, without doubt, one of the big problems of the day and will become more serious each week.

It appears to be only a matter of days until workmen will begin removing the 70 miles of rails of the Shaniko branch of the Union Pacific serving Sherman and Wasco counties, despite the protests of county officials and property owners of that area. The Metals Reserve company has issued a requisition for the rails through war production board. Decision to abandon the road was reached at a hearing in The Dalles before the Interstate Commerce Commission. Despite considerable effort in the national capital by those interested in keeping the road in service their arguments proved futile. Officials insist they have weighed all factors and that rails and other steel from Grass Valley will be removed. The steel from Biggs to Grass Valley will be removed later.

Grain growers and other shipping interests are already worrying about moving the 1943 wheat crop. Sherman county, largely agricultural, has produced more than 2,500,000 bushels annually for the

past 20 years. Whether it will be possible to move this crop to market on trucks in 1943 is a moot question, with no one apparently in position to guarantee that equipment will be available. By 1944 synthetic rubber production should have advanced far enough to ease the rubber crisis.

Music Club Would Sponsor Vespers

Heppner churches may enjoy a series of vesper services throughout the winter months if a proposal submitted this week by the Music Study club is accepted. Some of the churches have fallen in line and it is hoped that others will follow suit.

The club proposes to be responsible for music for the services, which in reality will be community sings to acquaint more people with church music. All members will meet at the home of Mrs. Frank Turner at 5:30 each Sunday evening to rehearse under the leadership of Miss Rose Hoosier with Mrs. J. O. Turner as organist.

At Tuesday evening's meeting at the J. O. Turner home, South American music was discussed and several songs were sung under the leadership of Miss Hoosier. The same type of music will be studied at the next meeting, which will be held Wednesday, Nov. 4 at the home of Miss Leta Humphreys, with Miss Frances Weaver as hostess and Josephine Mahoney, leader.

HERE FOR FUNERAL

Sherman Leffler and Mrs. India Ginger of Mosier, uncle and aunt of Mrs. Nora Perlberg, were in Heppner today to attend the funeral rites of Ervin Perlberg. They are former residents of the Heppner flat district.

GO TO CALIFORNIA

Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Bellenbrock have gone to California on a visit. They accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Ed Gienger, who came from their home at Ukiah, California to attend the funeral of the late John Bellenbrock and remained for a visit of several days.

TO LIVE IN SPOKANE

Mrs. Leitha Rice, who has made her home in Heppner for several years, has gone to Spokane to make her home with her daughter, Mrs. Bert Burnside.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our friends for their many acts of kindness and words of sympathy during our bereavement.

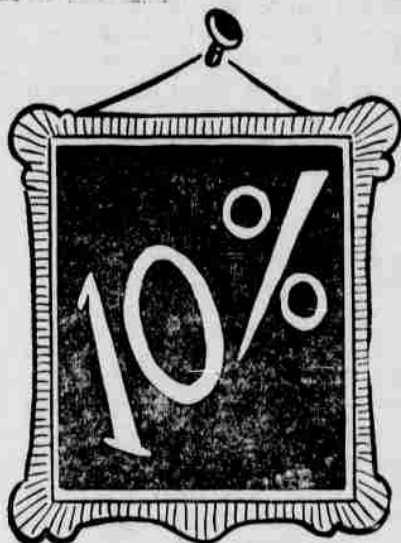
Mrs. Alex Wilson
Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Jones
and brothers and sisters.

Urges Voter to Get Out and Vote

Now, more than ever, it is essential that people go to the polls and cast their votes for candidates whom they think best fitted for the jobs they are seeking. That was the opinion expressed by Mrs. John Y. Richardson of Portland, Judge Richardson, if you please, in discussing the current political campaign with a group of Heppner women Tuesday evening at the Lucas Place.

In company with Mrs. Herman Grossman of Oregon City, Mrs. Richardson is touring the state in the interest of the republican party organization. She is urging women to organize in county and district units for the purpose of getting voters to the polls; to study measures, insisting that no one should vote NO because of indifference toward acquiring information relative to each proposed law and stating indifference toward candidates likewise will in many cases defeat the best man. She pointed to the short time left before election and urged immediate action on organization.

Their itinerary took Mrs. Richardson and Mrs. Grossman to Pendleton Wednesday morning and from there they were to continue east and south, going to Burns and other deep central points.



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HERE ON BUSINESS

Jim Kistner spent a few hours in Heppner Wednesday looking after business matters. The Kistners are now located on lower Butter creek, a few miles beyond the Umatilla county line.

HAS MUMPS

Mrs. Martin Clark is undergoing a siege of mumps this week. She is being cared for by Mrs. Lee Howell at the Howell home. Her husband, Rev. Martin Clark, recently recovered from a siege of the malady.

DRIVE TO PORTLAND

John Parker and Card Greives drove to Portland Friday afternoon to spend the week end. Returning, they were accompanied by Mr. Parker's wife and children, John and Marianne, who are visiting at the F. S. Parker home.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth House were called to Dayton today to attend the funeral of a two-year-old nephew who lost his life in Patit creek, which runs through the heart of the city.

BACK AT WORK

Earl Gilliam is again on the job after an enforced lay-off due to illness.

UP FROM IONE

Bert Mason, Ione merchant and ardent elk hunter, was transacting business at the court house Wednesday.

CARD OF THANKS

We take this means to thank our neighbors and friends for their kind assistance and words of comfort in our hour of sorrow.

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