

WASHINGTON, D. C. Aug. 26—

Certain western railroads are planning to employ Mexicans for maintenance crews. The several thousand nationals of the republic south of the border who have been brought into the Pacific northwest to harvest the crops have given the railroads the idea. These alien workers, who are giving a generally satisfactory service in the fruit growing and vegetable districts, are in the United States through negotiations of the state department with the Mexican government on temporary permits and under agreement that they will be returned to their native land when the harvesting has been completed. In no sense were these laborers designed to become permanent residents.

Notwithstanding the agreement under which the aliens were admitted, the railroads are figuring how a sufficient number of these transients can be detained and employed in the maintenance-of-way division. So hopeful are the rail carriers that some plan will be worked out that they are already making preparations for sheltering the Mexicans. A type of housing considered suitable for the foreigners is now being constructed by the railroads, but there are so many war worker dwellings being erected that the buildings financed by the railroads have not attracted special attention.

Handling the greatest volume of business in their history, the western railroads are having difficulty engaging sufficient common labor for maintaining roadbeds in proper condition. This being the case, the roads are of the opinion that if

Mexicans can be imported to gather vegetables and fruit for the American farmer they can also be imported for keeping the tracks in good order for the carriers, arguing that transportation is now a war activity and the movement of war supplies is as essential as the saving of food, if not more so.

With a petroleum company preparing to drive a well in the Coos Bay section of the Oregon coast, there is a report current that something of the sort is in prospect near Bellingham. A study has been made quietly in that area by a geologist covering a period of five years.

The evacuation of Kiska by the Japanese is simplifying the American attack on Japan. There is not the need now that there has been for an aviation base in Siberia (which Joe Stalin has refused to permit) for, with Attu, the most western island of the Aleutians, the northernmost post of Japan is scarcely a three-hour flight and this little Japanese outpost has already been bombed twice. Now that the Aleutians are cleared of Japs the United States has control of the northern route to the heart of the Japanese empire, and this route will play a leading role when the high command is prepared to strike.

Months ago a high American officer predicted that Japan would feel the strength of Uncle Sam before the end of this year, and that may well materialize for some day the citizens of the northwest will hear of a major engagement off the shore of Japan, and that will be the first intimation that the United States has struck.

These boys who are flying fighters and bombers in the sky of the Pacific northwest are not wasting gasoline. They are in the serious business of learning the technique of war, and the war they are being trained for is that in the Pacific—Europe. The many crashes in recent weeks is but evidence of the larger number of planes being assembled along the Pacific coast.

To avoid the last minute rush, it is time now to prepare a new

BOARDMAN NEWS

School Scheduled To Open Sept. 6

By MARGARET THORPE

School will start on Sept. 6. The teachers are all employed but the first and second grade. Those up to date are as follows: 3 and 4, Mrs. Floy Washburn, 5 and 6, Mrs. Zoe Billings, 7 and 8, John Partlow. High school. Roland Black, agriculture, Miss Ellen Etbouer, english and commercial, Mrs. Floyd Bouey, home economics and science, F. W. Harter, social science and mathematics.

Albet Partlow underwent an appendectomy Wednesday night at St. Anthony's hospital in Pendleton but is slowly improving. It will be necessary for him to remain in the hospital longer than usual. He was to report to the army the next day but was advised by his doctors not to wait until after his induction for the operation as the day might prove to be serious.

Crystal Barlow and Dorothy Van Metre were both in The Dalles hospital receiving medical attention this week.

Mrs. Gilbert Pettys and children spent Friday and Saturday visiting at the Nate Macomber home.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Thorpe were in Heppner on business Thursday.

Are Alle came ome from Weatherby Thursday night whre he has been employed. The Allens will lave in about a week for Tacoma whre Mr. Allen will be employed.

E. A. Duelen has been in th Hermiston General hospital for sometime receiving medical aid.

Ted Ekker has been hom this week on furlough from the navy.

Allen Ely is visiting his grandparents in Morgan this week.

Cora Louise Eckelberry of Hermiston is visiting at the Elvin Ely home for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Ely. Wallace Mathews, Earleen Morgan and Burly Akers Jr. visited at the Ely home Sunday.

A large number of people attended the circus in Hermiston Monday night. Some of those attending were: Mr. and Mrs. Dan Ransier, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Marlow and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Thorpe and children, Mr. da Mrs. John Fisher and Elaine, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Harter and children, Mrs. Kenneth Nolt, Bernadine Emerson, Pauline Smith, Mrs. Gillesie and children, Buddy Ball, Leland Mc Clouth, Mary Ann and Nancy Rends.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Mallory and son of Tacoma spent several days visiting friends and relative on the project and at Hardman thi week. Mr. Mallory who is in the naval reserve was called to active duty and is to be in Chicago by Sept. 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Eakin of Sherman county spent the week-end visiting her daughter, Mrs. Gertrude Van Metre and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Roseland and Norma returned Friday from San

income tax report., which must be filed by the September 15 deadline. These returns must be made on an estimated gross income for 1943, or actual income of 1942, if it exceeds \$3500, for a married person, or \$2700 for a single individual. The fact that the withholding tax of 20 percent is being taken from wages now does not absolve a person from making out another income tax statement.

One of the leading matters for attention when congress returns to work from its vacation will be a brand new tax bill. The ways and means committee has been thinking up new ideas along this line while other members of congress were back among their constituents and, like all tax proposals, there is no unanimity of opinion on how much revenue should be raised nor the method of having the taxes paid. The pay-as-you-go program, now in effect is an experiment and is subject to change when the new tax bill is finally formulated.

Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Root spent Sunday at Athena visiting. Mr. and Mrs. Zeitman went as far as Pendleton with them.

Mr. ad nMrs. Ray Gronquist left Tuesday for Esko, Minn. to visit.

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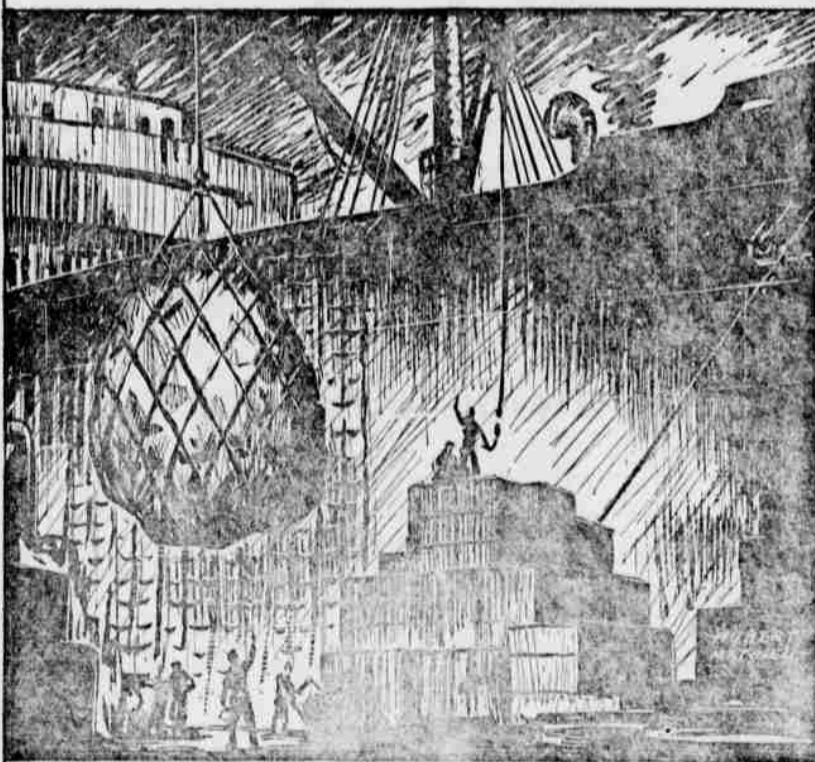
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