

CALIFORNIA EYES AFTER EFFECT OF WAR WORK SPURT

Industry Boom Under Way
With Nearly Two Million
Non-Farm Tasks.

San Francisco, Aug. 27.—(AP)—Industrialization of California has gone into high gear under pressure of defense production. It was doing all right even before the defense program came along but now it is blazing down a highway with government funds.

Sober-minded observers are beginning to give thought to what sort of problems this growth of factories will raise after the boom is over. Some voices have already been raised, demanding long-range planning.

Latest official estimates of California's non-agricultural employment brought the industrialization trend into focus today. M. I. Gershenson, chief statistician of the state division of labor statistics estimated there were 1,965,000 employees in non-agricultural jobs in July.

That was an increase of 230,000 from the 1,735,000 industrial workers a year ago. Another increase this month, such as normally takes place in August, and the total may hit the 2,000,000 mark.

The increase in this army of workers this year had been more than triple the 1940 advance over 1939.

While far from a new trend, the speed of the state's factory growth has increased to a point where it is changing the industrial complexion once more, just as in the gold rush, grain era and the periods of oil and diversified farming.

Through the last decade, California industry pushed ahead as establishment of branch factories brought a quicker recovery from depression depths than in the country as a whole. By 1940, California factory employment had gone about 42 per cent ahead of 1925 figures. In the same 15 years, United States factory employment gained a shade under 8 per cent.

Over those years, while United States manufacturing wages increased some 4 per cent, California wages rose more than 45 per cent in total amount.

FEWER PARTS ON BICYCLES LOOM

Washington, Aug. 7.—(AP)—The dream of every small boy—a bicycle decked with all kinds of gleaming gadgets—is to become just a mail order catalogue dream.

The office of production management disclosed today that 12 leading bicycle manufacturers had agreed at a meeting with parts suppliers, retailers and defense officials to cut the weight of bicycles about 10 per cent, make fewer models, and eliminate unnecessary metal decorations in order to save vital materials for defense production.

Juvenile and racing models probably will be cut out entirely it was decided, and each manufacturer will produce only 10 models instead of the 20 to 40 offered. Thus machine tools, skilled workmen and materials will be freed for more urgent work.

A saving of about 20 per cent in the rubber used by the industry is contemplated by the elimination of white sidewall tires, which automobile manufacturers already have agreed to discontinue.

NO NAZI GROUPS FLOCK TO DAKAR

Dakar, French West Africa, Aug. 27.—(AP)—The government general of French West Africa today issued an official denial that there was any German infiltration into Senegal territory.

This denial preceded an official assertion in Vichy that "there is not a single German in all French West Africa, not even an armistice commission."

Senegal is one of the eight governmental divisions of French West Africa, of which another is Dakar and dependencies.

Coast Survey Asked

Washington, Aug. 27.—(AP)—A survey of the gasoline situation on the Pacific coast was asked yesterday by Senator McNary (R-Ore.)

Boston, Aug. 27.—(AP)—U. S. Dept. Agr.—Business was rather slow on the Boston wool market today

Prime Minister Churchill Visits Iceland



Accompanied by a U. S. marines officer (left), British Prime Minister Winston Churchill (knee-length coat) and Ensign Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr. (center) salute the United States flag as they inspected U. S. marines during a recent visit to Iceland on Churchill's return trip to England from his meeting with President Roosevelt.

WHITE SHIRTS UP 25C IN GOTHAM

New York, Aug. 27.—(AP)—

Haberdashery shops around New York today were preparing new price tags on white shirts, the result of a jump of 25 cents on staple garments announced by the Manhattan Shirt Co., a leading manufacturer.

A spokesman for the Manhattan company said its advance in price which will apply in the retail market, was based on increased manufacturing costs and higher raw material charges.

POYER COW WINS MEDAL FOR YIELD

The purebred Jersey cow, Sybil Della, in the herd owned by E. B. Poyer, of Ashland, has qualified for the gold medal award of the American Jersey Cattle club with her exceptional butterfat yield.

In her recently completed official test, the medal winner produced 725.64 pounds of butterfat, 11,858 pounds of milk in 365 days, milked twice daily. She

was 5 years and 3 months old when started on test. The production record is authenticated in a certificate issued by the club, national organization of Jersey cattle breeders.

Rep. Angell To Talk

Salem, Aug. 28.—(AP)—Rep. Homer D. Angell (R-Ore.) will speak on the Townsend club day program at the state fair September 2, state fair officials said today.

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To Thrills.

Centralia, Wash., Aug. 27.—(AP)—With the west coast's greatest war maneuvers over, an epic of a "lost battalion" bid today for the No. 1 dramatic niche in the accounting of the week-long action through the timberland of western Washington.

The most foot-sore and weary unit among the nearly 100,000 troops probably was the 2d battalion of the 183rd infantry, 40th division.

Cold, drenched, hungry and exhausted, they came out of the timber of Southern Pacific country yesterday after harrowing experiences that included, a member of the marching detachment said, eating of wild berries and an occasional crawfish from a meandering gully stream.

At 40th division headquarters, officers available last night said the battalion never was lost but only overtook after running blind and then retracing its course to get out of the wilds.

The member of the party who told of the gruelling hike, close to 72 hours in all with only food rations for 48, declined to give his name, but he told the story with drooping eyelids to a group of listeners here.

The unit had been sent out on a flanking movement up the Deep river against a force of the mythical Pacific coast invader. It never found the enemy and that was what some of the soldiers griped about as they found their way to food and warming fires after two nights

and a day in intermittent, but always drenching, rain.

The "survivors" said there were between 500 and 700 men in the detachment and "they made a mighty long line through the woods."

He related that apparently faulty maps caused complications, while compasses were of slight value because of the rough country. There were myriad branches of old abandoned logging railroad tracks, many leading to blind ends or rickety trestles over steep-sloped ravines. On a compass course, the column would have to turn back or aside repeatedly because of the rough terrain.

The men, bearing machine gun and mortar burdens, struggled up and down slopes and across the trestles, even where tires were missing and they had to brave the dizzy height of the longitudinal beams.

After sandwiches ran out, the men turned to berries and anything else that seemed edible. They got drinking water at times by scooping out a drinking pool in a hillside rivulet.

Before the trek's end, a cigar was a rare treat—broken in half—for self and a comrade's pleasure.

CHINESE MISSION WORKER TO TALK

Rev. H. A. Wiese, district superintendent of the Chinese work, representing the Church of the Nazarene in China, will speak in the Medford Church of the Nazarene, Holly at First street, Thursday evening, August 28, at 7:45. Rev. Wiese will be accompanied by his wife and four of their five children, all of whom were born in China.

Rev. and Mrs. Wiese were college associates of the local pastor, Rev. Fred M. Weatherford. They have spent 17 years of ministry in China. They were 11 years in China before being furloughed the last time, in 1940.

Rev. Wiese, in addition to speaking to the audience, will show pictures, revealing the large crowds that gather. He will show the picture of a Bible girl who memorized the entire New Testament. He will show some of the active war experiences with both loaded and exploded shells. He will also show pictures depicting native Chinese life.

Rev. Wiese was the only one of the staff who remained at the mission quarters when the Chinese-Japanese war prevailed in that area. The other missionaries had all gone to the coast for protection.

Do Good Deed

Salt Lake City, Utah.—(UP)—Lloyd Poore, 13, of Salt Lake City was walking with his collie along the Jordan river near here when he saw a second dog, in the water, floundering. Lloyd and his own dog dived in and pulled the other canine to shore—and found it had been beaten and a weight tied on its neck.

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