

ELKS OPEN DRIVE TO RELIEVE LACK HOSPITAL NURSES

Co-operating with the national Elks' war commission's concentrated campaign to help relieve the alarming national shortage of nurses in the country's 94 veterans' hospitals, C. C. Leonard, exalted ruler of Medford Elks lodge, has announced the appointment of a three-man committee to study the requirements necessary to be met by applicant nurses and to canvass the women of this community during the next few weeks to impress upon those among them who are registered nurses, the urgent work of mercy which they can perform at the bedside of the men who have returned wounded from the battle areas.

An appeal will also be made to the many women who have not been following their nursing career, and will include those nurses who, because they are over age or have slight physical defects, are ineligible for service with the army or navy.

Committees similar to that organized in Medford lodges are functioning in the other 1,400 Elk lodges in every state of the union.

Complete details of the requirements for service with the veterans' administration hospitals, together with information on salary, promotion opportunities, etc., may be obtained immediately by contacting Mr. Frank Rogers in the city hall, Medford, or the secretary of the local Elks' lodge.

PUERTO RICO PLEA

San Juan, Puerto Rico, Dec. 11—(U.P.)—Puerto Ricans awaited today for reaction in Washington to their plea for complete independence from the United States.



Seventy-seven at a crack!

Today and every day, in oil-belt California, we have 77 rigs drilling 77 oil and gas wells. Simultaneously! All at once!

Among today's 77 is the deepest oil well in the world. It's past the three-mile level—which is a long way down—and still going strong.

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True, not every well is in a class with KCL-20-13—the champ. Yet each requires the skill and experience of geologists and engineers and field men—of many trades and professions. Each one is tops in company teamwork.

Together, 77 wells a-drilling mean a program that draws all the know-how and related resources we've built up in the decades since our first producing well came in at 600 feet and onlookers threw their hats almost as high as the little wooden derrick.

It's because a one-well company could grow from Pico No. 4 to KCL-20-13—now probing near Taft for the deepest oil horizons ever reached—that we can perform the military task of keeping 77 rigs constantly at work.

For this drilling is a military operation. An oil well is a "long Tom." Its "barrel" may be 600 feet—or three miles. Yet, across both oceans, it hurls bad news upon the enemy. Such "long Toms" we're turning out by completing better than one well a day.



STANDARD OF CALIFORNIA

Win 4-H State Honors

SUPERIOR records of achievement in 4-H activities have won 1944 State championship honors for three Oregon club members. The winners, and brief outlines of their records, follow:

Lois Gottwald (right), 16, of Molalla, receives an all-expense trip to the National 4-H Club Congress, Chicago, Dec. 3-6, as a reward from Montgomery Ward for her "all around" achievements in the National 4-H Girls' Record Program. During 6 years as a 4-H'er, the girl planned, prepared and served 111 meals, and 409 special dishes serving a total of 1,780 people, baked 186 batches of bread and pastries, made or remodeled 24 garments and 48 articles, canned 874 jars of foods, and made 38 home improvement articles, as well as completed 36 projects. She raised 512 fowl, 754 flower plants and put in 6,582 square feet of garden. Lois won many placements on exhibits and in judging contests and demonstrations, including \$187.63 in cash prizes, which brought her total income from all projects to \$1,626.48. She served her club as leader and assistant leader one year each, and as president and secretary four years each.

Bill Lane (right), 17, of Boring, is named state entrant to be considered for sectional-national honors in the Sears-Roebuck Foundation 4-H Victory Garden Activity, which include a trip to the National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago, Dec. 3-6, and a \$100 War Bond. Bill raised 434 acres of garden and 348 fowl, canned 1,288 quarts of food, baked 84 doz. rolls and 104 loaves of bread, and prepared 26 meals. He won \$94.95 in cash prizes on exhibits, which brought his total income from all projects to \$2,543.37. Seven state co-winners who also each receive a \$25 War Bond are: Dolores Densmore, Seio; Marjorie Zeller, Brockway; Nola Caverhill, Vale; Wayne C. Berry, LaGrande; Bobbie Bower, Eugene; Morris Notz, Clackamas, and Donald Hedeen, of Astoria.

Don Guerber (right), 16, of Hillsboro, is the state's entrant for sectional-national honors in the William G. Mennen 4-H Farm Safety Activity. The boy's achievements in safety work include rolling up loose barbed wire and moving it to shed, fixing places in shop and tractor shed to hang dangerous tools, assembling First Aid Kit which was checked regularly, and painting "No Smoking" signs on gasoline drums. He also put fine meshed screens around tractor exhaust because of danger of spark from exhaust, painted "For Fire Only" on two pails, moved an unused 100 gallon tank to one side of barn, and checked it and two stock tanks twice daily to keep full of water, labeled poisons and put a pin in cork, so no one can make a mistake in the dark, made a holder to hang ladder on storage building, and repaired basement stairs. Three state co-winners who also each receive a \$25 War Bond are: Chester T. Hughson, Albany; Walter Evans, Beaver Creek, and Henry C. Jaeger, of Condon.



CITIZENS URGED TO EXCEED BOND QUOTA THIS WEEK

Washington, Dec. 11—(U.P.)—Secretary of State Edward R. Stettinius, Jr., today set the keynote for the final week of the sixth war loan drive with a plea to individual Americans to surpass their scheduled \$5,000,000,000 quota in the interests of peace.

Oversubscription of the individual goal will do more than speed victory, Stettinius said. "It will provide another demonstration of the unflinching determination of the whole American people to place the winning of the war and the winning of the peace above all else."

"The purchase of extra war bonds," he said, "is little enough to ask of us in comparison with the supreme sacrifices that the fighting men of the United Nations are daily paying on land, on sea and in the skies."

Latest treasury reports placed individual sales at \$3,187,000,000—nearly \$2,000,000,000 short of the \$5,000,000,000 quota which officials have asked citizens to outdo because of intensified defenses on all fronts.

For the drive in general, total sales have reached \$14,464,000,000, or better than the overall goal of \$14,000,000,000. The total, however, includes \$11,277,000,000 in corporate investments.

Like Son Like Father



(Acme Telephoto) Father and son will sail together from San Francisco when Ludwig Jersid (below) found he couldn't resist call of the sea when his 17-year-old son, Raymond, joined the Maritime Service. They're assigned to the same merchant vessel as ordinary seamen after serving in same training station.

Use Mail Tribune Want Ads.

LOCAL BOARDS TO GET NEW RULES ON 26-37 DEFERMENT

Washington, Dec. 11—(U.P.)—Maj. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey today ordered local draft boards to apply deferment yardsticks "in the light of the immediate urgencies" for men on fighting and production fronts and to reclassify for immediate military service men with occupational deferments who leave their jobs without draft board permission.

Acting swiftly to implement the "work or fight" mandate of James F. Byrnes, director of war mobilization and reconversion, Hershey telegraphed local boards that amended memoranda would be sent them within a few days.

"There is continuing urgent need for combat replacements in the European and Pacific theaters of war and a most critical shortage of workers in war activities," the telegram said.

It said it was therefore "increasingly necessary" for all persons, but "particularly registrants 18 through 37" to give their fullest support to the war effort either in uniform or in essential war or civilian activities.

Deferment standards have been applied very strictly on men 18 through 25 and the order was therefore aimed primarily at the 26-37 age group whose deferments have been granted more liberally.

AVERT MEAT STRIKE
New York, Dec. 11—(U.P.)—Mayor F. H. LaGuardia asked butchers and OPA today to "straighten out" meat marketing difficulties that prompted a strike threat yesterday by 3,500 butchers.

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South Pacific Highway—Medford

FIVE AMERICANS, DANE RECIPIENTS OF NOBEL PRIZES

New York, Dec. 11—(U.P.)—Nobel prize awards were presented five Americans and a Dane last night in a ceremony in which King Gustaf V of Sweden and President Roosevelt joined in honoring the recipients.

The ceremony marked the first time the prize has been presented outside Stockholm. Since 1901, when the awards began, the winners have traveled to Sweden to receive their awards from the king of Sweden. Swedish Minister to the United States, Wollmar F. Bostroem, acted as the king's representative in the Grand ballroom of the Waldorf Astoria hotel.

The gathering was presided over by Henry Goddard Leach, president of the foundation. Dr. Harold Willis Dodds, president of Princeton University, was principal speaker.

Those honored were: Dr. Joseph Erlanger and Dr. Herbert S. Gasser, who were awarded the 1944 prize for physiology and medicine, for "discoveries concerning the highly differentiated functions of single nerve fibres." Dr. Erlanger is professor-emeritus of physiology at Washington University at St. Louis, and Dr. Gasser is director of the Rockefeller Institute for medical research.

Dr. Isidor I. Babl, professor of physics at Columbia University, who was awarded the 1944 prize for physics, for his "resonance method of recording the

magnetic properties of the atomic nuclei."

Reese Creek

Reese Creek, Dec. 11 (Special)—There will be a meeting of the Reese Creek Home and School circle, to be held at the Reese Creek church at 2:30 p. m., December 12, to discuss what is to be done with the funds that were left in the treasury. All members are urged to attend.

Reese Creek Home Extension unit met at the home of Mrs. Dunlap December 5. Mrs. Gardner and Mrs. Johnson were the project leaders. Presents were exchanged and all enjoyed a nice time. Home Extension unit will meet again January 2 at Mrs. Wilson's.

The Reese Creek church is having a mid-week service on Wednesday evenings. Reverend Campbell has taken Reverend Cox's place as pastor.

Thayer Sherran was home on furlough recently. He will be stationed in Nebraska.

Mr. and Mrs. Stults' son-in-law, Mr. Phillips is home on two weeks furlough.

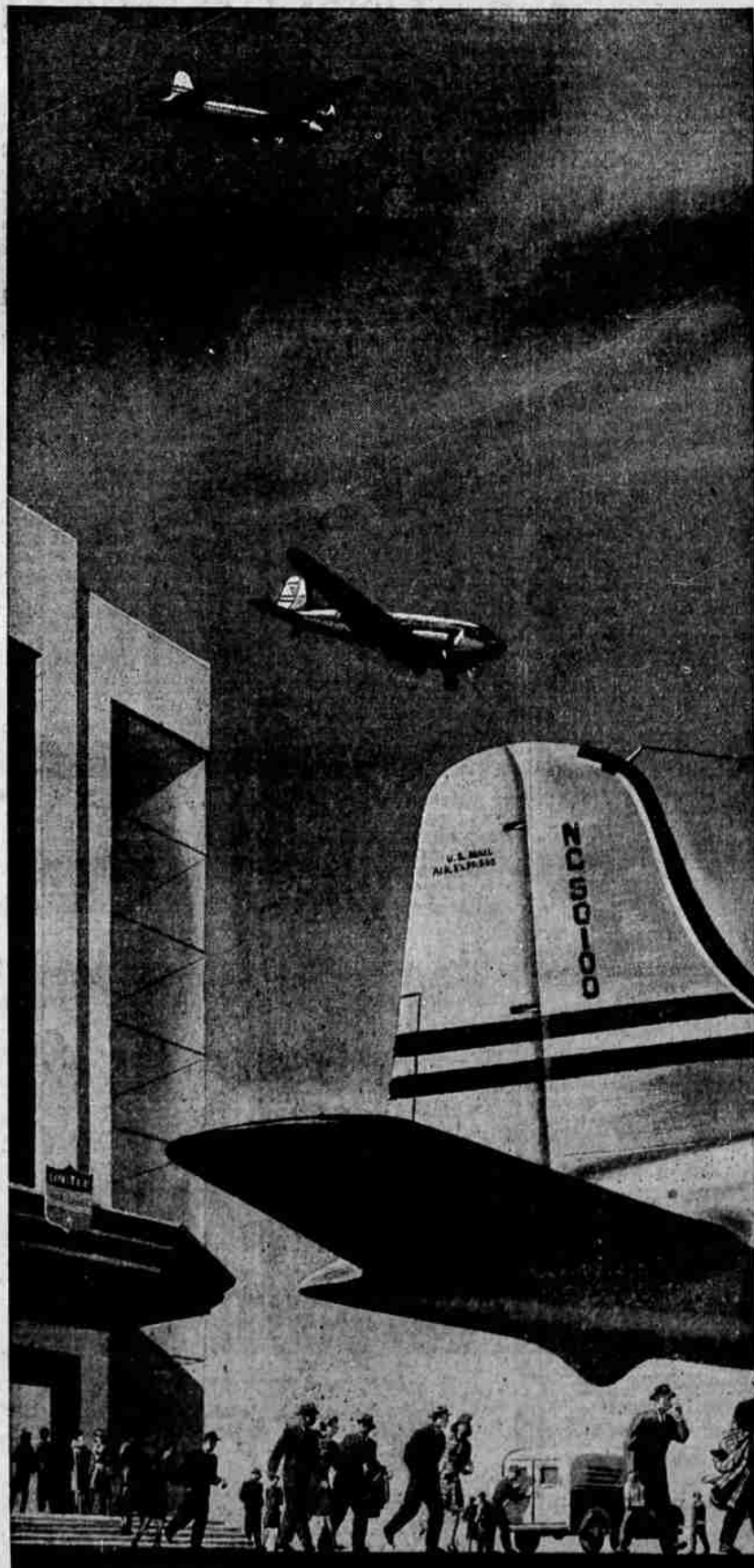
The Stults family have sold their ranch here and will be moving to Medford in January.

Mr. and Mrs. Orval Smith have sold their place and plan on making their home in Eagle Point.

"ARMY BRAT" A PRIVATE
Camp Crowder, Mo.—(U.P.)—The "Army Brat" is now a private. Tommy D. Wadleton, Jr., author of the best-seller bearing that title, recently became Pvt. Wadleton and is in basic training at Camp Crowder.

To help keep down the threat of dangerous foreign insect pests arriving in packages from servicemen overseas, Better Homes & Gardens magazine suggests burning the wrappings and packing as soon as the packages are opened.

United is prepared for the future with the Pacific Coast



THROUGHOUT 18 years United Air Lines has constantly pioneered and improved aviation in the West. The air transport requirements of California, Oregon, Washington and British Columbia have not only been fully met, but United's policy has always been to more than anticipate these needs.

Now, busy as we are with meeting heavy wartime traffic demands, United is also ready with an immediate postwar as well as a long-range program for the many Pacific Coast cities it serves. And if United's application is granted, 20 new coast cities which we fly over today or which lie adjacent to our routes will enjoy the facilities of trunk line Mainliner Service.

To keep ahead of the travel requirements of the West in the Age of Flight, United has signed contracts for a \$25,000,000 fleet of great 4-engine Mainliners. Supplementing these sky giants will be a large fleet of 21-passenger, twin-engine Mainliners, similar to United's present fleet, to provide frequent inter-city services, with arrivals and departures coordinated at division points with United's coast-to-coast transports. This co-ordination of twin-engine planes with four-engine planes at major division points will benefit not only cities now served by United, but cities which United proposes to add to its system.

As soon as war conditions permit their construction, you'll cruise in huge 4-engine planes with luxurious accommodations for 44 to 50 passengers... at speeds up to 300 miles an hour. They're coming... Mainliners destined to revolutionize air transportation on the Pacific Coast!

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