

Policeman's Woodworking Shop Boon To Delinquents

Shreveport, La. (U.P.) — Chief Probation Officer Jimmie Valentine is delivering daily body blows at juvenile delinquency with his backyard workshop.

A strong believer in the axiom that the "Devil finds work for idle hands," Valentine two and a half years ago set up in his garage a woodworking shop for boys.

He said he did it "to build something in the minds of the boys besides getting into trouble."

Starting the shop with just a few essential tools, Valentine says the project now has grown until it almost has the proportions of a full-time business.

"You know how it goes," he laughed. "You tell one boy something, he tells two more and those two will tell 10. It started in just my neighborhood and now it is city-wide, including about 75 boys."

The idea is for the boys to come to the shop and build anything they want.

"If a boy wants a wagon, he can make it; if he wants bookshelves, he can make them. A boy always appreciates a thing more if he has made it himself," said Valentine.

With a few tools, Valentine made toys and other salable articles which he'd buy more tools and equipment. Other interested persons contributed tools until now it is almost a complete woodworking shop. The backyard shop also became too small. A friend then contributed the use of a building, and that's where Valentine's project is now.

Results have been quite noticeable. Juvenile delinquency in Shreveport has declined and in Valentine's own particular neighborhood it is non-existent. Valentine does most of the supervising, but other fathers also give their time.

To avoid exposing the boys to the danger of power-driven

machinery, one of the supervisors is on hand to cut out the parts of whatever articles the boys have planned. Then it is up to the youths to put them together and paint them.

The Shreveport Optimists club recently cited Optimist Valentine for his outstanding work as a "Friend of the Boys" and plans are in progress for the club to take over the sponsorship of the workshop. The organization wants to erect a new building, to have the shop nearer the center of the city and thus more accessible to more boys.

BOWLES IN FAVOR MEAT PRICE HIKE

Washington, Feb. 22 — (U.P.) — The senate banking committee was told today that Economic Stabilizer Chester Bowles favors an increase in meat prices to meet higher wages granted packing house workers.

Frank S. Ketcham, assistant OPA general counsel, told the committee that "at this time the economic stabilizer believes the price of meats should be increased to take wage increases."

Packinghouse workers recently received a 16-cent-an-hour wage boost after a walkout and government seizure of the packing plants. A government fact-finding board recommended price increases to cover 11 cents of the 16-cent increase.

The committee by voice vote approved a resolution providing the meat and flour subsidies and continuation of subsidies for Hawaiian and Puerto Rican cane sugar. Also approved was continuation of subsidy payments to the government operated, Texas City tin smelter.

AUTO COURT BUILDING IN FOOTS CREEK AREA

Foots Creek, Feb. 22 — Completion of their seven unit auto court just west of here is expected early in May by Ray Travers and Allen Anderson. The structures are of frame construction. The two men came here last October from Oakland, Calif. Travers was formerly employed at the Mare Island navy yard and Allen was with the board of education in Oakland.

SCHOOL LUNCH BILL WINS HOUSE APPROVAL

Washington, Feb. 22 — (U.P.) — The house today passed and sent to the senate legislation to authorize the federal government to contribute \$50,000,000 a year to state school lunch programs.

LUMBER CEILING PRICE INCREASED THREE PER CENT

Mar. 1 Hike to Affect Prices At Mill Level for Construction Type of Lumber

Washington, Feb. 22 — (U.P.) — The Office of Price Administration announced today that it is increasing ceiling prices at the mill level for construction type of Douglas fir, western hemlock and true fir lumber, effective March 1.

The average increase will be about \$1.10 per 1,000 board feet, or three per cent over present prices.

On Douglas fir, for example, mill ceilings will be about \$40 per 1,000 board feet.

The increases for basic grades of lumber used in residential construction will range from \$2 to \$10 per 1,000 board feet. Premiums for special grade and grain specifications which range from \$1 to \$6 per 1,000 board feet will be eliminated.

Abandonment of the premiums is expected to offset to some extent the price increases granted in the basic construction grades.

Seattle, Wash., Feb. 22 — "The lumber price amendment announced in Washington by the Office of Price Administration is a postwar adjustment to the requirements of home builders for lumber and has not been given as compensation for lumber wage increases," H. V. Simpson, executive vice president of the West Coast Lumbermen's association said here today. The lumber price amendment bears no comparison whatever with recent OPA increases in steel prices, Simpson emphasized.

Wartime Distortion

"The Office of Price Administration is straightening out a wartime distortion of lumber prices," Simpson stated. "It is akin to the cancellation of military lumber orders after V-J day and other measures for lumber trade restoration. For example, a year ago boards were an urgent military need. The government appealed to west coast sawmills to produce boards above all other items, although our mills are not equipped for this product. The OPA increased board prices to offset the additional costs of sawing boards. Prices on unwanted items were not raised, but were generally decreased. These items were mainly 'yard lumber,' the kinds used in everyday building construction.

"Those wartime blocks have continued to shut off any large flow of everyday building lumber in normal trade channels. During the war the average west coast mill could not produce them without risk of serious loss. That risk remained after V-J day — and with enlarging lumber production costs it was no longer a risk but a certainty of loss.

"The new prices for certain

Stork Beats SOS



(Acme Telephone)
Mrs. Beatrice Williams Rivera, 24 formerly of San Francisco, wife of Richard Rivera, Guatemala hotel man, gave birth to a son while traveling on high seas aboard freighter after ship's officers radioed frantically for medical aid. The baby was delivered by another woman passenger, Mrs. Bessie Ellis, of Los Angeles.

essential items of home building lumber will encourage west coast mills to take a normal risk in efforts to supply their old friends and customers in the retail lumber and building construction fields. To sum up, the new prices are an adjustment from a wartime lumber price policy designed to stimulate production on some items and discourage it on others, to a policy of free production and a normal, balanced output of lumber items, and is not involved with wages."

P. T. A. Activities

Prospect P. T. A.

The Prospect Parent-Teacher association is sponsoring another public card party for school hot lunch benefit, Saturday, Feb. 23, beginning at 8 p. m. Both pin-ochle and bridge will be played, and supper served.

Shady Cove P. T. A.

Shady Cove School District No. 89 board members have notices out for a meeting March 6 from 2 to 7 p. m. at the school house to vote on a proposed \$11,500 bond issue for the purpose of building a new addition to the school building. All school patrons are urged to keep the date in mind.

The card party held by the P. T. A., Feb. 15 netted \$14 for the hot lunch fund. High score was held by Mr. Killian and Mrs. Williams and low scores by Walt Mallory and Mrs. Killian.

Another party will be held at the Roguedale cafe March 8 at 8:30 p. m.

Septuplet Story

"All A Mistake"

Paris, Feb. 22 — (U.P.) — Paris reporters overran the Rue Galande from end to end last night in a vain hunt for non-existent septuplets.

Finally, the exchange telegraph called off the search by reporting without explanation that the original report was all a mistake.

Closing time for Classified Ads 8:30 p. m. — Too Late to Classify 12:15 p. m.

KEROSENE, HEATER OIL PRICE JACKED

Price increases of three quarters of a cent a gallon on kerosene and distillate heating oils has been allowed for the west coast and Hawaii according to news dispatches from Washington D. C. The increase will remain in effect through June 30, the dispatch quoted OPA officials as saying. Its purpose is to encourage production of more of these fuels and less gasoline.

The increase applies in Washington, Oregon, Nevada, California, Arizona and Hawaii, the dispatch stated. OPA described the price hike as part of a move to relieve shortages of kerosene and heating oils. It was said that if the Pacific coast increase does not accomplish its purpose "other measures will be taken, including a possible reduction of gasoline prices."

M'ONIGLE CONFESSES MURDER OF NEGRESS

Santa Cruz, Cal., Feb. 22 — (U.P.) — Thomas Henry McMonigle, 31, convicted murder-

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RAISINS—Seedless	4 lb.	49c
SCOT—Toilet tissue	3 rolls	23c
CORN—Mission Cream Style	2 No. 2 cans	29c
PEAS—Libby's Sweet and Tender	2 cans	33c
PEACHES—Del Rogue	No. 2 1/2 can	27c
GREEN BEANS—Sunblest, fancy cut	2 cans	41c
FIGS—Delhi	No. 2 1/2 can	29c
WALNUTS—Local	lb.	35c
SALMON—Pink	can	25c
POW-WOW—Cleaner	2 boxes	15c

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