



HELPING HAND—Actress Barbara Britton addresses envelopes for the California Society for Crippled Children's 1950 Easter Seal campaign as Sally Ryan and Edward Jordan, two youngsters being helped by the program, look on in Hollywood. The campaign to raise funds for the care and treatment of handicapped children will be in progress throughout the United States between March 9 and April 9.

New Claims For Out of Work Pay Double In Year

The Medford office of the state employment service received 1,537 new claims for unemployment compensation last month, compared to 629 received during January of 1949, the state unemployment compensation commission reported today. The number of new claims made a total of 8,223 eligible to be compensated while they are out of work. That is nearly double the number of compensable claims recorded in January of last year.

For the state as a whole, the greatest proportional increase in employment service activity over last winter came in interstate claims and payments. During January, \$336,033 was paid to former Oregon workers who had gone to other states, comparing with \$89,190 a year before. While most of that amount went to California and Washington, several hundred checks were mailed to Oklahoma, Arkansas, and elsewhere in the south and mid-west. More than 10,000 persons from other states have filed Oregon claims since the start of the benefit year last July, as compared with 5,000 a year ago.

Former GI's Found to Be Doing Okay In Australia After Switching Ideas

By Phil Curran
United Press Correspondent

Sydney, Australia, Feb. 10.—(U.P.)—Ex-G.I.'s are doing all right "down under" in Australia, but they have had to shift mental gears.

Of more than 2,000,000 American troops who surged through Australia during World War II, an estimated 4,000 to 5,000 have returned to make their homes here.

Sydney P. Pollack of Irvington, N. J., president of the American Australian Ex-Servicemen's club, estimated another 20,000 Ex-G.I.'s want to return here, but are held up by a lack of shipping.

Pollack said about three-fourths of the former American servicemen in Australia either took their discharges here or returned under the Australian government's assisted immigration scheme. Under this, the government pays 40 per cent of tourist-class passage and guarantees a job.

Shortage of housing
The biggest beef among the returned former soldiers is the shortage of housing and high rents in relation to income.

Eddie Olson, 28, of Minneapolis, pays \$13.44 weekly for a three-room furnished apartment. He is studying accounting in a Sydney business college and receives \$125 a month under the G.I. bill of rights. To make ends meet, his Australian wife works in the post office.

"It's not like it was when Uncle Sam was able to pick up all the chits," Olson said. "We're going to have to move in about a month to a flat costing \$5.60 a week and then we'll just get by. The new place is not so hot, but we were lucky to get a cheap one."

On the other hand, George Kessler, 29, of Naples, Tex., a former naval petty officer, said he didn't think the housing set-up was too bad.

Built Own Home
He said he had built a three-bedroom house of tile and brick for \$12,000 before devaluation of the Australian pound. That would be \$9,000 now.

"My aunt back in Texas built one about the same time," he said. "It cost the same amount and isn't any better than mine."

Kessler's pet gripe is the Australian attitude toward work. He operates a refrigeration business.

"Aussies don't work like we

work back home," he said. "You can't get any production out of your staff. They don't get any kick out of working. They want to get as much dough as possible. They're much more interested in a bottle of beer or going to the beach or to the races. The quality of work is good, but it comes slow."

Complain of Duties
He said high import duties made it tough to produce refrigerators to sell cheaply in a mass market.

George Brezwick, 28, of Buck Mountain, Pa., who has just arrived to work for Kessler, also complained of the import duties. "I've got a 1948 DeSoto that I want to bring in so I can have a car, but the Aussies want more for duty than I paid for the car, so I guess I'm going to keep walking," he said.

The Ex-G.I.'s generally complained that their Australian incomes do not permit them to buy many things they took for granted back in the United States—cars, refrigerators, extra radios, electrical kitchen appliances and the like.

None, however, wanted to be labelled a "big noter," or "squawker."

Bill Reiter, 28, of Catskill, N. Y., a researcher for J. Walter Thompson Advertising agency, said most of the chronic "squawkers" already have returned to the states.

Great Opportunities
"You'll find a chronic kicker in any crowd," he said. "I think Australia is a soft touch. There are great opportunities out here. Competition is easy because the Australian doesn't like to work as hard as we do. I think it's easier to make a good stake than it is in the states and to keep it because the taxation isn't so bad despite what you've heard."

"I switched because real estate is a wide open field here," he said. "This is a young country, growing all the time with more demand for housing and office space. Besides, the competition is not too tough."

C. G. Castor, 37, of Spokane, Wash., who is working for an advertising agency, commented that he was "on a good wicket."

Charlie Peterson of San Francisco, who is studying accounting and helping a bookmaker on the side, said he also was "doing all right."

Pollack said there are still 150,000 jobs open in Australia. "Any G.I. who wants can get work," he said. "But he'll have to change some of his stateside ideas, slow down the pace a bit, and get to thinking like Aussies if he wants to be happy."

"The war-time glamor and easy dough days are gone and the Yank is no longer a big-time operator on his Australian income. But it's a comfortable life if you make the adjustment."

HEFTY BURGLARY
Minneapolis (U.P.)—A muscular burglar lugged away 30 pounds of pennies from the apartment of Mrs. Marion Husby. She said it amounted to about \$57.

... AROUND HOLLYWOOD

By VIRGINIA MACPHERSON
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Virginia MacPherson

Hollywood, Feb. 11.—(U.P.)—Maxine Gates, who claims she's the "most unusual" glamour girl in town—and gets no argument from anybody—said today the boys who drool over Lana Turner are missing something.

She's got everything Lana has—only more so. Turner's "perfect" figure measures 36-26-36, reading from top to bottom. Maxine ups those to 46-36-46.

"That's perfect, too," she said. "But and hips the same—waist 10 inches smaller. Of course, Lana only weighs about 118. I weigh 250. But who likes small servings?"

If you don't, Maxine's your dish. Pretty and blonde, with a fast line of jolly patter, she's the pet of every producer who needs a hefty honey in his movie, for laughs.

"I sing, I dance, and I act," she said. "I also play lady wrestlers."

But there doesn't seem to be much demand for them right now.

Gobbles Calories
Maxine's the only blonde in town who doesn't go around munching lettuce and rye-krisp.

She has to gobble calories like crazy to keep that 46-36-46. And juggling 250 pounds within those limits isn't easy.

"I know I'm fat," she said. "Always have been. In high school I weighed 210. But I was a school songleader, voted the 'most popular girl twice, and got elected football queen in my senior year."

"My weight is what keeps those jobs rolling in. I capitalize on it. For nightclubs the emcee tells the customers they're gonna meet a cuddly little blonde."

They're Shocked
"Then I walk out. Usually it's pretty quiet. They're so shocked. And I am sort of a surprise. . . . If you're not expecting me. Then I plant my hands on my hips and say: 'Well, whajja expect?'"

Lana Turner?"

That, reports Maxine, gets

'em. Every time. From there she swings into her "growl-shouting" of low-down songs and tops it off with a modified strip-tease and tap dance.

"I wear shorts," she said. "And when I tap all 250 pounds of me they really get their money's worth. Then I go around to the tables and sit on the customers' laps. Believe me, they're never quite the same after that."

Alfalfa Hay Markets Show Steadier Trend

Alfalfa hay markets continued steady in the Pacific northwest during the past week, according to the weekly commercial feed-stuffs and hay review prepared by the Oregon State college extension service from United States department of agriculture data.

The Portland price for U. S. No. 2 green or better alfalfa was slightly stronger at \$36.50 to \$41.50 a ton in carlots. A wider price spread was reported at the Puget Sound area and is the same now as Portland.

There was a firmer tone in the California markets this week. Pasture conditions are reported good in many sections of California, also considerable green feed is now being clipped and sold for feed.

HIS ONLY WORRY
Alliance, Neb. (U.P.)—Thirteen-year-old Glenn Anderson was wheeled from surgery after an emergency appendicitis operation. He opened his eyes and spoke the first words to anxious relatives: "How long before I can play baseball?"

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MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—THREE



K. H. South

MOBSTER BOMBED—Detective K. H. South questions Los Angeles gang leader Mickey Cohen after an unidentified party tossed or planted a bomb at Cohen's house. The bomb blast caused \$50,000 damage, did not injure any one.

Public Works Office Has New Phone Line

For the convenience of the public, a separate telephone line has been placed in the public works office, City Superintendent Vernon Thorpe said Saturday. The number is 2-9631.

All public works department calls have been transferred through the city hall switchboard since the installation of that facility.

Thorpe said that after 5 p. m. or on Sundays and holidays public works' calls should be made to 3-2425 or to 2-8849. If there is no answer residents should telephone the city police 2-2535 to transfer their calls.

Thorpe suggested that these telephone numbers be posted in a prominent place or written into the space provided at the front of telephone directories.

COULDN'T WALK IT
Beatrice, Neb. (U.P.)—Kenny Knowles' dance band had to turn down a good offer for a one-night stand. The offer came from Fairbanks, Alaska, and there was no mention of traveling expenses for the 3,669-mile jaunt.

SHOOTS SELF
Seattle, Feb. 11.—(U.P.)—Bert T. Walling, 62, painter, shot and killed himself Thursday in his divorced wife's home. King County Coroner John P. Brill reported.

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