

TB Cases Total 21 In Jackson County During 10 Months

A total of 21 new cases of tuberculosis have been discovered during the past 10 months in Jackson county, according to Dr. A. Erin Merkel, county health officer.

This is seven more than all of last year and reflects a statewide trend. The number reported in Oregon is considerably over that of a year ago.

Of the 20 new cases 17 are men while four are women. Dr. Merkel pointed out that the age average for men with tuberculosis is much higher than in women and there are about twice as many men as women contracting the disease. This ratio is also shown in other chest diseases. This is why the man past 45 years and who is a heavy smoker is urged to have a yearly chest x-ray, it was explained.

"When we consider an average of four or five other people have been infected by the time tuberculosis has been found and each costing an estimated \$15,000 in tax money, the 21 new cases represent a sizeable figure to the taxpayers of the county, Dr. Merkel stated.

He urged all adults to obtain chest x-rays from their private physicians or at the clinic operated for this purpose at the Sacred Heart hospital each Thursday afternoon, except Thanksgiving, from 2 to 5 p.m. Money for the x-ray machines has been provided by Christmas seals sales. Volunteer help is supplied by the Providence guild of the hospital.

Atlanta Police Probe 'Hit' Parade Accident

Atlanta—Police today investigated a hit-hit-hit—and run accident.

A tractor trailer hit a utility pole, the pole hit a house. Before officers reached the scene, the driver and his undamaged rig hit the road.

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MEETING IN WASHINGTON, Adlai Stevenson (right) and Secretary of State Dulles hold preliminary conference on Stevenson's role as foreign policy adviser. (International)

Russia, Egypt Hail Talks 'Successful'

By MURRAY BROWN United Press Correspondent

Russia and Egypt hailed today the "successful" results of talks in Moscow between Egyptian War Minister Abdel Hakim Amer and top Soviet leaders.

But Western diplomats said despite Egypt's claim that "no strings" were attached the Soviet economic loan offer could give the Russians a stranglehold on the Egyptian economy.

Amer returned to Cairo from his mission to Moscow Wednesday. He brought with him a Soviet offer of 700 million rubles (178 million dollars at the arbitrary exchange rate set by Moscow) to help Egypt "develop her economy."

It was almost double what the Soviets promised Syria and far outstripped the estimated \$40 million in U.S. economic aid which was cut off after Egypt nationalized the Suez Canal.

United Press Correspondent Wilbur G. Landrey said in a dispatch from Cairo that there were indications that much of the aid would come in the form of machinery, mining and technical equipment and factories.

Western diplomats saw considerable danger in such a deal for Egypt. They said the Russians could get a grip on the Egyptian economy since they alone could supply the spare parts and replacements which would be needed.

President Gamal Abdel Nasser already has mortgaged Egypt's cotton crop to the Communists under his arms deal with the Soviet bloc.

Landrey also reported that the Soviet economic offer would strengthen Russia's position in the Middle East while at the same time restoring much of Nasser's prestige in the area. Diplomats in Cairo were said to feel the agreement, coming on

the heels of the Syrian-Soviet deal, would have considerable impact on other Arab nations and single out Russia as a potential major source of aid.

Some of the details of the Soviet offer were disclosed today by a member of the Egyptian mission, Mohamed Hassanein Heikal, editor of the newspaper Al Ahran and a close friend of Nasser.

Heikal reported the loan was intended to help Egypt carry out its five-year industrialization program and break "the economic blockade the West has attempted to impose" since the Suez crisis.

He said repayment would be from twelve to fifteen years and interest would not be more than two and one-half per cent. The first payment would be due in five years.

Heikal emphasized that Egypt insisted there is no strings attached to the offer and that Russia agreed.

Red Romania News Stand To Sell Western Papers

Vienna—The first newspaper stand to sell western newspapers in Communist Romania will be opened shortly in Bucharest, it was reported today.

The Romanian Daily Scinteia said the "special stand" will sell papers and magazines "from France, Austria and other western countries."

THE WEATHER? WELL!

Wahpeton, N. D.—With refreshing candor, the Junior Chamber of Commerce described how it plans to go about extolling North Dakota's "beautiful" weather. On nice days, they'll praise it. When a blizzard hits, "we'll shut up until it blows over," an official said.

National Guard News

(Editor's note: The following is the first in a series of columns about the activities of Medford's two National Guard companies. It will appear weekly in the Mail Tribune. The writer is the wife of a National Guardsman.)

By MARGARET BEHNKE Headquarters Company, and Company A, of the 1st Battalion, are the two National Guard Companies which drill and train in Medford's new National Guard Armory.

Both companies belong to the 186th Infantry, 41st Division, and have their summer encampment at Ft. Lewis, Wash., the last two weeks in June, each year. Company A has at present a strength of 98 enlisted men and 6 officers. Headquarters Company has 84 enlisted men and 11 officers. Headquarters Company drills each Monday, and Company A Tuesday, from 8 to 10 p.m.

Since returning from camp, Headquarters Company has had five enlistments and 15 discharges. One of the men discharged enlisted in the Air Force, and one joined the inactive National Guard. One man transferred to Portland.

In August, First Lt. Oran C. Chastain was assigned to Headquarters Company as operation and training assistant on the battalion staff. He took the place of Second Lt. Paul Blair, who transferred to Company A.

Other developments in this company include five promotions. Pvt. James S. Martin returned from six months active duty training at Ft. Ord, and has been promoted to specialist 3rd class, and assigned as company clerk. Sp3 Arthur A. Guehes Jr. has been assigned as Corporal in the communications section. Pfc. Donald J. Grey has been promoted to Corporal, and Pfc. Raymond G. Hilton has received the patches of a specialist 3rd class. Second Lt. James L. Revis has left for Ft. Benning, Ga., to attend basic infantry officers school, and has taken his family with him. Pvt. Robert G. Christian left for six months active duty at Ft. Ord.

Headquarters Company has also welcomed back Sgt. James G. Metternich who transferred to Portland before camp.

During the last five months Company A has had 1 enlistment and 22 discharges. These include two men discharged for who enlisted into the Marine Corps, one into the Regular Army, six left to join the Navy, and four transferred to other National Guard units. On Sept. 10, First Lt. Donald Ivie took command of Company A. Lieutenant Ivie had formerly been the company's executive officer, and took the place of Capt. Bert Riebe, who is in Ft. Benning attending an associate infantry officers advanced course. Mrs. Riebe and the couple's daughter, who is attending a Medford School, did not accompany Captain Riebe. They are at their home on Reddy ave. while waiting his return after the first of the year.

Second Lt. Paul Blair who has been assigned as supply officer in Company A, is leaving shortly to attend the same school. On Oct. 10 Sfc. Benjamin Spence was promoted to master sergeant in Company A, and two of the company's officers have also been promoted. Second Lieutenants Jack C. Phillips and Russel F. Torbeck to first lieutenants.

Tuesday evening, Nov. 19, Company A had an attendance of 67 enlisted men and 3 officers. The men attended classes on chemical, biological and radiological warfare, instructed by Lieutenant Phillips, assisted by M-Sgt. Jack Burns; squad patrolling, taught by Sgt. Adrain Van Horn and Sfc. Joseph Nolan; drill and ceremony under M-Sgt. Bill Matjeka, assisted by M-Sgt. Clifford Cooper; and adjustment of medium artillery and heavy mortar fire, instructed by Sgt. Leo Behnke, assisted by Cpl. Robert Meadows.

Before first formation, Second and Third platoons competed in the 22 rifle match now in progress, with Second Platoon edging out Third Platoon. Next week Third Platoon will compete with Weapons Platoon. A non-commissioned officers meeting was held after drill, which gave the N.C.O.'s an opportunity to discuss methods of instructing classes and military discipline with their company commander.

Recently Lieutenant Phillips passed out cigars at a drill to celebrate the birth of his son Nov. 1. He has been named Darrell Clyde. The couple have two other children, Dennis James, 7, and Glen Alton, 3.

Sgt. Denny Burns was married Nov. 14 to Miss Joyce Hobbs. The couple were married in the First Baptist church in Medford, and went to Sacramento for their honeymoon. Sergeant and Mrs. Burns are now at home on Haven Street, and Mrs. Burns is completing her schooling at Crater High school.

Headquarters Company had an attendance of 55 enlisted men

Teamsters Union Organizers Meet to Discuss Problem

By MARTIN HEERWALD United Press Correspondent

Seattle—Top organizers of the Teamsters Union met here today in a session called by outgoing President Dave Beck to "discuss the unemployment situation which is increasing all across the nation."

The organizers met amid charges and denials Beck is trying to recapture the top job in the union. Beck said there was "absolutely no truth" to the reports.

Beck said he intended to stay in office as president only until court action involving the legality of James R. Hoffa's election at the recent Miami convention is cleared up.

"I am still behind Hoffa," said Beck.

Asked by newsmen about comments of two unidentified organizers quoted by the New York World Telegram and Sun, Beck said: "I give no more attention to undisclosed organizers than I do to letters that aren't signed. But there's absolutely no truth to it."

The New York newspaper quoted one organizer as saying "It is my opinion that Mr. Beck is trying to get a new grip on the union." Another organizer commented in reference to today's meeting: "It looks like Mr. Beck is acting like the president again."

Beck said the meeting was another in a series and that the first meeting concerning the country's economic condition was called three months ago.

"I consider running this union is the same as running a big business," Beck explained. "We are in the business of selling labor for the best price we can get. We don't have anything else to sell. And when something like this unemployment situation develops, it's necessary for us to get together and see if there are any changes we should make in our organizing activities."

The teamsters boss said there was a chance he may have to miss part of today's meeting of organizers. He expects to be called as a witness today in the grand larceny trial of his son, who is accused of pocketing the money from the sale of two teamsters-owned Cadillacs.

Albany Firms Get \$4 Million Contract

Albany, Ore.—A four million dollar contract to deliver Albany-made zirconium ingots to Westinghouse Electric Corporation during the next 12 months was announced today by Stephen Shelton, general manager of the Oregon Metallurgical Corporation.

The zirconium will go into atomic reactors, manufactured by Westinghouse under its contract with the Atomic Energy Commission.

Oregon Metallurgical and the zirconium division of Wah Chang Corporation, also located in Albany, will work together in filling the order.

and 3 officers Monday night. Classes taught were CBR training; technique of fire; wire splicing; radio security; and explosives and demolition. Master Sergeant Potter, the Army's advisor to the Medford National Guard companies, attended the drill.

A series of 22 rifle matches between the platoons in Headquarters Company is to be started soon, with the date and time of the elimination matches to be announced later.

Roy Sarver Retires From Power Company

Long-time employe of California-Oregon Power company, Roy A. Sarver, recently retired after more than 30 years with the company.

Sarver joined the company in 1927, working his way up from patrolman, electrician, lineman, powerhouse operator, and chief operator, to assistant production superintendent.

He was transferred to the North Umpqua project during its early stages of construction where he supervised installation of electrical wiring in the Tokete powerhouse and when the plant went into operation, became its first chief operator.

Upon completion of other plants Sarver was made powerhouse foreman and upon completion of the seventh of the eight power plants of the project, became assistant production superintendent which made him responsible for production and maintenance of the project.

A going away party was given Sarver and his wife by employes at Tokete. They now live in a newly constructed home at 316 Linders st. in Medford.

Mrs. Gregory Dies In Portland Hospital

Portland — Mrs. Kate Dallah Gregory, wife of L. H. Gregory, sports editor of the Oregonian, died in a local hospital Wednesday of a heart ailment.

Mrs. Gregory was born in Spokane and was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dallah. Her father was a pioneer newspaperman in eastern Washington.

She attended Cheney normal school and was a graduate of the University of Washington. Other survivors include one daughter, Alice K., Portland, and two brothers, Frank M. Dal-

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