

Loggers Converge on City For Big Union Session

AFL to Hold Woods Conference Sunday

California, Oregon Timber Workers Will Hear Addresses, Five Forums

Bronzed, burly pine loggers, from fallers to filers, from northern California and southern Oregon, will converge on Klamath Falls next Sunday for a big one-day loggers' convention sponsored by the Lumber and Sawmill Workers union (AFL). The conclave has been called by the LSW to work out a uniform organizational program for the hundreds of woods workers in this area.

Five Forums Stated
Beginning at 10 a. m. Sunday in the Labor temple, 837 Walnut street, assembled loggers will hear addresses by guest speakers and unionists from the AFL Northwest council. The convention will reconvene at 2 p. m. after a lunch hour.

Forums on five major woods problems—wage scales, seasonality legislation, hospitalization, and living conditions—are also scheduled for the day. Among the guest speakers will be C. M. Ryerson, member of the State Industrial Accident commission and loggers from the Puget Sound and Blue Mountain areas.

Mark Strides
Under the leadership of Organizer Joe Boyd, the LSW looks back on marked strides made in the Klamath District council area in the past twelve months, particularly among sawmill workers. Organizational work among woods operations, according to union leaders, has lagged behind mill progress, however. The coming convention, therefore, say the unionists, has been called to bring woods labor standards to a par with those in local mills. Among nearby lumber mills, the AFL in the past year has won National Labor Relations board elections at the Kesterson Lumber company, the Big Lakes Box company and the Algoma Lumber company, three of the largest operations in the Klamath area. The union has also won bargaining agent rights at the Kalpine Plywood company here, the Shaw Lumber company in Tionesta and several smaller Rogue River valley operations, all of which are now in the Klamath District council area.

Editor Devoted
The AFL, has, however, lost the Algoma, Pelican Bay Lumber company and Lamm Lumber company woods crews to the rival CIO International Woodworkers of America. The regular edition of the Union Register, house organ of the AFL's Northwest council, for July 25, has been devoted to the coming conference and

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Mrs. Marvin Wilson, who recently submitted to a leg operation, was able to be brought home. Her baby daughter Mary Lou, fell and broke her arm in two places and occupied the same hospital room with her mother. Mrs. Carl Young, a former resident of Keno, is in Hillside hospital recovering from an operation.

Anastasia Zorosinski is home after a vacation spent with her friend Adolph Baker of Klamath Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Fox, who operate a dairy near Ellingston mill, have sold their milk route to Loyd Howard, owner of the Howard Dairy located on the Worden road. Howard took over the new route Saturday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Baumann returned this week from a vacation spent in California. Dale Bringle is employed on the Jim Randle farm during harvest.

Chief



Joe Boyd, head Lumber and Sawmill Workers union representative in the Klamath district, is the mastermind behind the current AFL push for union leadership in the woods.

Loggers, General Public Invited to AFL Conference

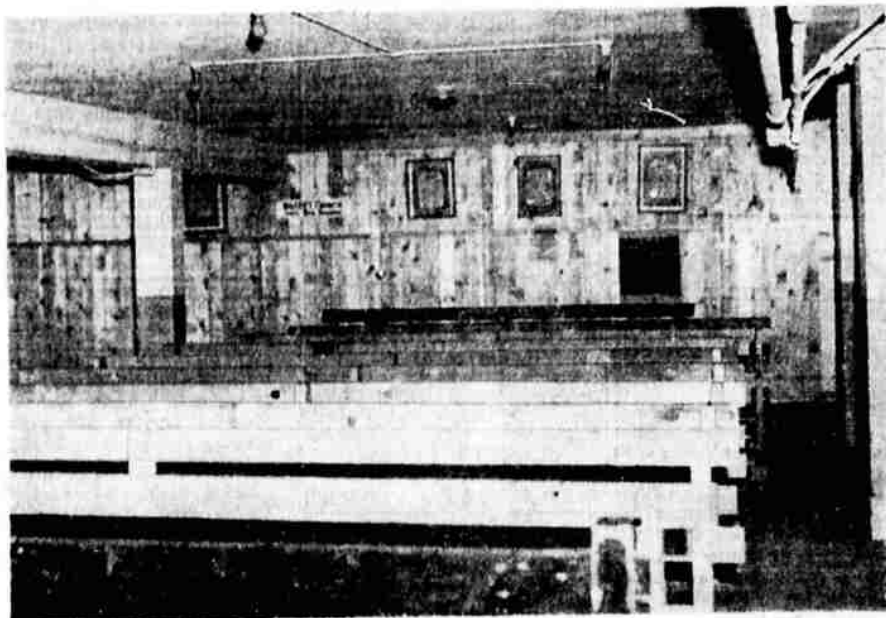
The Lumber and Sawmill Workers union (AFL), invites every one to attend the Loggers convention we are holding in the Labor temple, Sunday, Aug. 3. The morning session begins at 10 a. m. and afternoon session at 2 p. m.

The subjects to be discussed are seasonality feature of the present unemployment law, working conditions, wage scales, hospitalization and log scaling. These subjects are of vital importance to every one working in the lumber industry and will be discussed by able and competent speakers. Nothing will be said that will in any way offend anyone, irrespective of his or her union affiliations.

Also any of the business men of Klamath Falls or any one else of the general public that is interested in the work that is being done by the Lumber and Sawmill Workers union (AFL) in this district are cordially invited to attend. You will be very welcome.

W. YEOMAN,
Lumber and Sawmill Workers Union (AFL). Affiliated with The United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America.

Meeting Place



Here's the new hall in the basement of the Labor temple where northern California and southern Oregon loggers will assemble Sunday for the AFL woods conference.

Thumbnail Histories of AFL Organizational Heads

JOE BOYD
Joe Boyd, chief district representative for the Lumber and Sawmill Workers union in the Klamath District council, is a man of varied interests and activities covering a packed career in the ministry and labor.

Born in California in 1895, Boyd graduated from the University of Oregon with a masters degree in economics. For 20 years he was a pastor of the Christ church with parishes in Portland, Coffeyville, Kan., and Tacoma, Wash. For four years of that score, the unionist was religious education director for the states of Texas, Louisiana and Arkansas with 700 churches under his direction.

During his midwestern years, Boyd closely followed the labor movement, acting as conciliator and arbitrator in lead, zinc and coal mine disputes in Kansas and Oklahoma and in the mid-continent oil fields.

From his pastorate in Tacoma, the biggest per capita union town in the United States, Boyd entered the lumber labor movement as an organizer for the AFL some four years ago.

In 1939 he was sent to the Klamath basin to launch an AFL organizational drive which has carried the federation to an enviable position in local labor circles.

Boyd is married and the father of three children.

WILBUR YEOMAN
Wilbur "Jack" Yeoman, logger and ex-fisherman and now representative and organizer for the AFL Lumber and Sawmill Workers union, is a native Oklahoman of 50 years. He is a product of the Klamath basin labor movement since the advent of the AFL in the area. Yeoman has worked actively as a logger in this district for the past 10 years. Before that he was a fisherman in the Alaskan salmon industry. The veteran logger has a long background of interest in labor legislation. Yeoman is married and the father of two sons.

HAROLD MCKENZIE
Harold McKenzie, ex-logger, fisherman and school teacher, was born in Morgan, Ore., in 1906. A black-shocked, keg-chested

Peters of Clackamas have been recent guests at Summit lodge. Mrs. J. Spurgeon underwent an operation for appendicitis in the St. Vincents hospital in Portland.

Among Eugene visitors last week were Mr. and Mrs. John Foland, Mrs. Hannigan, Mrs. Dick Foland and Mrs. R. L. Porter. Mrs. Porter went from Eugene to Canby where she attended the wedding of her niece, Margaret Martin to Bert Drew of Terrebonne.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Lavoy spent the weekend at Oakridge and McCredie Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Hansen of Hollywood and Mrs. Luella Jackson of Middletown, N. Y., visited at the home of Capt. and Mrs. Carmen. They left Monday for Hollywood via the coast highway. They will visit at Crescent City, San Francisco and other coastal cities en route. Mrs. Hansen is a sister of Mrs. Carmen and Mrs. Jackson is a sister-in-law.

Reports of success in the aluminum campaigns indicate we are having a lot of pot luck.

McKenzie is married and the father of one son.

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LSW REPORTED PROGRESSING

By W. YEOMAN
Organizer for the Lumber and Sawmill Workers Union (AFL). The growth of the Lumber and Sawmill Workers union (AFL) is steadily gaining momentum. Thousands of workers in the lumber industry are realizing that the L. and S. W. is based on, and practicing, Americanism in the lumber industry. Men are learning that the leaders of the L. and S. W. were not red baiting or witch hunting.

The American people and the leaders of industry are fast learning that the wearer of an AFL button is pretty sure to be

an American, who believes in Americanism, and who practices Americanism.

The Lumber and Sawmill Workers union is based on a firm foundation. We believe that any American is entitled to his own political rights just as long as those rights are not exercised to destroy the government which protects him. We believe that a local union must be run in the interest of its membership and that the officers must serve their membership.

We believe that a contract is a sacred document and must not be violated. We refuse to compromise with saboteurs of the government during this all important defense program. We believe in the American way of living. We support the president of the United States and his respect for American-made laws which do not fit in with the philosophy of the dictator

We believe in the policy of protecting the funds of union members, and refuse to use money to encourage unauthorized, illegal strikes and other disruptive un-American methods.

It is by practicing these principles, and insisting that our membership practice them, that we have gained the confidence of the public. Our leaders are men of the highest type. They were all taken from the lumber industry. They know the problems of the men and women in the mills and they know how to fight for them and they do when necessary.

Back of the Lumber and Sawmill Workers union is the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America, the oldest and richest union in the United States. The first carpenter union was organized in the colonies in 1724, the Boston tea party was planned in a carpenter

hall. The convention in which the American Federation was born was called by the carpenters.

The brotherhood has steadily kept up with the changing conditions, from a craft union it has kept up with the times until today it is a woodworkers union. There are 16 different unions now affiliated with the brotherhood—shipbuilders, furniture workers, upholsterers, etc. It is economically sound. It has steadily helped to better the conditions of workers from its inception.

The Lumber and Sawmill Workers union is affiliated with the carpenters. It is an industrial union and has been held so by the national labor relations board. We have autonomy (self rule) and our jurisdiction covers every operation in the mill and the woods which in any way is connected with the manufacture of lumber.

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