

AFL REVEALS FEES CHARGED ON ARMY JOB

Representatives of the American Federation of Labor in Klamath Falls and Medford Saturday moved to quiet rumors which they said had been spreading concerning working, wage and union fee conditions on construction of the giant Medford cantonment project.

According to Harold Mackenzie, representative of the Lumber and Sawmill Workers union, it has been reported that union initiation fees have been raised and that only a limited time is given new members to pay both the fee and monthly dues. He said that the stories were unfounded and that others charging that men were fired shortly after payment of the initiation fee were equally untrue.

The AFL through various affiliates represents most workers on the project.

Mackenzie said that no craft is accepting money on applications for membership from men unless they are able to place these men on a job. In most contracts with employers, he said, the employer reserves the right to be the sole judge of the fitness of any man to qualify for any position.

All men, Mackenzie said, are placed on a probationary period varying from one to three months in order to give them the opportunity to prove themselves capable of performing the work required of them and to satisfy the employers that they are capable. These men are required to make a down payment on their application for membership in any craft and are allowed the balance of the period in which to complete payment of their fees, he said.

Mackenzie asserted that local unions affiliated with the AFL Building Trades council have not increased their initiation fee and that most of them have liberalized the method of payment.

He said that 4000 men have been employed on the job to date and that only 200, or five per cent, have either quit or been discharged since construction work started.

Mackenzie quoted from a letter from C. D. Long, cantonment labor relations officer, which said "As far as there being any truth to the statement that this company would lay men off in order that new men could be hired, I will say that there have been no lay-offs except in very few instances when we were out of certain steel, owing to war department priorities."

In illustrating his statement concerning method of initiation fee payment, Mackenzie said that a carpenter's fee of \$25 may be paid by a \$10 initial installment and the balance paid off at the rate of \$1 for every work day. The monthly dues are \$2, he said.

Painters may pay \$10 down on their \$50 initiation fee and pay the balance in 30 days.

GERMANS TRYING TO ESCAPE RUSS TRAP

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by the army newspaper Red Star as the enemy commander.

"Now Dietl has been forced on the defensive and his Austrians (mountain troops) are being steadily pressed," it said.

The surprise landing of a Russian seaborne force on axis-occupied soil of the Murmansk coast, designed both to clear allied supply lines and imperil the invaders from the rear, was announced last night. The operation, however, apparently was initiated some time ago, with red ships and planes in full support.

BERLIN, (From German Broadcasts), March 28 (P)—"Important military objectives in Moscow" were attacked last night in the first bombing of the soviet capital in recent weeks, a German communiqué said today.

Twenty-one Russian planes were said to have been shot down yesterday and 35 tanks put out of action.

Albany Cantonment Named Camp Adair

ALBANY, March 28 (P)—Lt. Col. R. E. M. Des Isles announced yesterday that the Albany-Corvallis area army cantonment would be named Camp Henry R. Adair.

Des Isles, commandant of the cantonment, said Adair, a member of a pioneer Oregon family that moved to Astoria, was the first man killed in Pershing's punitive expedition against Mexico in 1916.

Adair, a West Point graduate and a second lieutenant in the infantry, was famous for his last words, "Go on, Sergeant," after being fatally injured at Carrizal, Mexico.

Norland Operating Own Agency Here

Hans Norland, Klamath insurance man, is now operating his business as his own agency. Norland's office previously was a branch office. Norland has been in the fire, automobile and casualty insurance business for eight years, four of which have been spent in Klamath Falls.

He has changed his headquarters to a more central location at 118 North Seventh street.

GERMANS SAY DARING THRUST UNSUCCESSFUL

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as a submarine base by the Germans and, like St. Nazaire, it was bombed repeatedly and also bombed by cruisers and monitors. This failed to check its use by the U-boats and a large fleet under Keyes attacked Zeebrugge in the fog.

A submarine full of explosive was blown up beneath a viaduct connecting the harbor mole to land, while three old cruisers filled with cement steamed into the harbor and headed for the Zeebrugge canal. Two of them were sunk across the channel.

ATTACKS ON MALTA REPORTED BY ROME

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nazi paratroopers at island bases in the eastern Mediterranean.

CAIRO, Egypt, March 28 (P)—British imperial patrols working by day and night reached into the axis' Libyan positions between Tmimi and El Mechili, general headquarters announced today, giving no details.

ROME, (From Italian Broadcasts), March 28 (P)—The Italian high command reported today several dozen prisoners were taken in a night action between advanced units south-west of Tmimi on the Libyan front.

Radio Day by Day

Pacific War Time

On Saturday night list: The war—7 MBS, 7:45, CBS, 8, NBC, 9 NBC CBS BLU, 9:30, MBS, 9:55, NBC CBS BLU, CBS—7:15 talk, Dr. H. V. Ewart, Australia attorney general.

MBS—8:30 Jos. E. Davies on "Aid to Russia."

Sunday brings: The war—7:30 a. m. MBS, 8, NBC CBS BLU, 8:30, MBS, 9, BLU, 9:30, MBS, 10, NBC, 10:30, CBS, 11:55 CBS, 12:15 p. m. NBC, 2:45 CBS, 3:30 BLU, 4 BLU, 5 CBS, 6 BLU, 7 MBS, 8 NBC CBS BLU, 8:30 MBS, 9 NBC CBS BLU, 9:30 MBS, 9:55, NBC CBS BLU.

Talks—MBS, 8 a. m. Reviewing stand, "Management and Labor"; NBC, 11:30 a. m., roundtable "The American Temper"; BLU 12, wake up forum "Have Americans Gone Soft?" CBS, 4:15, Ambassador Winant, postponed from last week; NBC, 7:30 roundtable on "What Women Must do in 1942 for Victory."

NBC—2, passover program.

Monday expectations: The war—7 a. m. MBS, 7:15 BLU MBS, 8 MBS, 9 CBS MBS, 10 BLU, 10:45 NBC, 11 MBS, 11:30 BLU, 12:15 p. m. CBS, 12:30 BLU, 1 MBS, 1:45 CBS, MBS, 1:55 BLU, 3:15 MBS, 3:25 NBC, 3:45 CBS BLU.

Senate Ponders Probe of Whole Gasoline Set-Up

WASHINGTON, March 28 (P)—The senate investigating committee has uncovered evidence warranting an investigation of the whole wartime aviation gasoline program, Chairman Truman (D-Mo.) disclosed today.

He said the committee was studying testimony that Standard Oil of New Jersey had helped establish gasoline refining plants in pre-war Germany. In addition, Truman said, the committee has received information that while several major companies, including the Standard Oil group, had received government contracts to produce the 100 octane fuel used in American warplanes, independent firms were not sharing in this business.

Correction Made—John T. Cox has been granted a divorce from Mae Cox in Circuit Judge David R. Vandenberg's court. In a previous news note on this case, it was erroneously stated that Mae Cox received the divorce. Mae Cox was the plaintiff, but Cox, the defendant, filed a cross-complaint, was awarded the divorce and property settlement by the court.

BRITISH FLEET REPORTED ON WAY TO ORIENT

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troops and truck concentrations and silenced a Japanese battery. Corregidor's anti-aircraft gunners were credited with shooting down a Japanese heavy bomber as enemy planes bombed "the rock" in the fourth successive day of virtually continuous attacks.

Chinese Attack Allied prospects were brightened momentarily in the battle of Burma by courageous Chinese counterattacks, which wiped out an invading Japanese force on the air field of Toun-goo, eastern base of a defense line before the threshold of India.

The situation on the Teungoo front appears to have improved," said a British communiqué issued at New Delhi.

British withdrawals were implied, however, in the rich Irrawaddy river valley to the west. On the diplomatic front in India, Sir Stafford Cripps said he was "entirely satisfied with talks so far" with Indian leaders on Britain's offer of further autonomy.

Fresh aerial action was reported in the south Pacific.

Allied bombers fired a Japanese vessel in a raid yesterday on shipping at Koepang, capital of Dutch Timor, the second attack there in two days, a Melbourne announcement said.

BUILDING IN STATE CONTINUES TREND

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, March 28 (Special)—Continuing the trend set at the beginning of the year, building permit valuations in 49 Oregon cities showed an increase of 38.6 per cent in February over January, it was revealed Friday by Lloyd M. Faust, research associate in the bureau of business research at the University of Oregon.

The increase, Faust explained, was due largely to the expansion of permits for new residential construction in Portland, from \$305,400 in January to \$760,750 in February, and also, but to a lesser extent, to the new non-residential construction in Astoria.

Percentage change for seven Oregon cities over 10,000 population was as follows:

City	Per Cent Change
Portland	up 70.0
Salem	up 3.6
Eugene	down 44.8
Astoria	up 536.6
Medford	down 70.2
Bend	down 90.9
Klamath Falls	down 58.5

Editorials on News

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and were waiting for the raiders. As these words are written, the attempt to bottle up the submarines at St. Nazaire doesn't seem to have achieved much success.

It was only a minor checking operation.

ALL this sparring and checking is in preparation for the heavier fighting that will follow as the real strategy of this big war year of 1942 begins to unfold.

Soon we shall know what Hitler plans to do—or try.

Soon Japan must disclose her real objectives.

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Defense Calendar

Karren Duntion will instruct an advanced first aid course, beginning Monday at 7:30 p. m. in the armory. Both men and women may enroll.

All Red Cross first aiders and instructors are asked to meet at 7:30 p. m. Monday in the Fremont school auditorium to organize into first aid squads. Anyone holding a current standard or advanced first aid certificate is eligible to act in the squads, and is urged to attend the meeting.

RADIO CLASS IN LARGER QUARTERS

(See Picture on Back Page)

The national defense radio training school moved into new quarters Friday in the lower floor of the high school gymnasium, allowing room for approximately five new students, according to James Keller, instructor.

Prospective students are asked to register by calling 7595 or coming to the class in the Klamath Union high school any week night. Classes are held five nights each week for six hours from 6 p. m. to midnight.

According to Keller, students are registering with two main purposes: to obtain experience and education which may give them a preferred rating in event of draft or enlistment for either the army or navy, and to train for a defense job in the aircraft factories.

From these classes, says Keller, many new ideas involving electronics in offensive and defensive warfare operations are being promulgated. Recently a student suggested a principle to the air corps which may materially aid in defense of the coast area.

Students in the radio classes usually divide their time on code practice, text reading, and actual practice building and diagramming receivers, transmitters, electric eye transmitters, and repairing radio sets of their own.

In view of the national emergency, said Keller, the aircraft factories are now taking men with as little as 100 hours actual training in the defense schools.

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KLAMATH RED CROSS UNITS SHIP CLOTHES

Klamath women, in addition to turning out by the hundreds for first aid and disaster can-teen courses, nutrition work and ambulance corps, continue to turn out handiwork for the far-flung Red Cross organization.

During March alone, 40 pneumonia jackets have been made here and sent to the Red Cross station hospital at Fort Richardson, Alaska. Sent to the 13th naval district in Seattle for use in Alaska, were 65 sleeveless sweaters, 10 turtle-neck sweaters and 10 navy helmets. Mailed to Vancouver Barracks for army use were 73 sleeveless sweaters, 50 of which were assigned to the military police stationed at Eugene.

Shipped to the Ogden, Utah warehouse where goods are stored until needed, were six bathrobes, three toddler packs, 52 pairs of boys' pants, 20 boys' overalls, 13 girls' woolen skirts and 24 woolen dresses, 3 girls' cotton dresses, 10 woolen shawls, 55 pairs of men's socks, 10 women's medium sweaters, 5 men's large size sweaters, 20 children's sweaters and beanies, 10 pairs of mittens, 17 layettes, 4 bedshirts and 24 girls' flannel nightgowns.

While yarn is not being issued to knit military garments at the present time, according to Miss Elizabeth Baker, local Red Cross executive, there is still some available to be knitted for civilian war sufferers.

War Interferes With Traditional Palm Sunday

Even Palm Sunday, commemorating Christ's triumphant entry into Jerusalem, is shadowed by the war.

Klamath county churches will not distribute the palms tomorrow, Palm Sunday on the church calendar, and several are substituting cedar branches, it was learned here.

Church supply stores on the coast, which provide most of the palms blessed and distributed in Roman Catholic and Episcopal parishes, reported at least 10 carloads of Florida reed palm "heads" had failed to arrive at various destinations because of military priorities on transportation.

Klamath churches, which chose to substitute the cedar, were particularly fortunate in that cedar is plentiful in this area.

Identified



The tall smiling youth, pictured in a recent photograph of American troops in Australia "getting haircuts during their voyage down under," was identified as Private Marvin Edwards, 18, son of E. S. Edwards, 2450 Orchard way. The father brought a snapshot of his son to The Herald and News office Saturday morning to compare the two pictures. Young Edwards enlisted in the United States marine corps on June 1, 1941, in Portland. He is a former Jefferson high school student. He left San Diego in August and his father last heard from him in late November, the letter postmarked from the Arizona, Pearl Harbor. Edwards is employed as fireman on the South-eastern Pacific.

EXPLOSION WRECKS ARMS PLANT UNIT

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black. My girl friend was pinned under a plank, and the fellow who was talking to me was pinned under too.

"The fellow was still under the plank. I tried to drag my girl friend but she was too heavy. The whole ceiling caved in, and seemed as though the buildings crashed down. One of the fellows tried to climb up a conveyor. Then I saw a fellow climbing toward some light and I followed him."

TWO CONTESTS ON BALLOT AS CLOSING NEAR

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lieved Mack has hesitated for that reason.

Congressman Pierce has been having it easy sailing in recent years in the primary campaigns, with no democratic opposition coming out against him. Unless Mack runs, the situation apparently will again be repeated. It was remembered by local political observers Saturday that Mack in 1934 came out on the last filing day against another democratic veteran, Assessor W. T. Lee, defeated him in the primary, and with his prestige thus established went on to final victory in the fall.

Flock Candidate

Fred Flock threw his gray felt chapeau into the political ring Friday, filing at 5 p. m. for the republican nomination for assessor. He will run against Allen Sloan, veteran tax collector. Flock came here 16 years ago after graduating from Penn State, has had considerable experience in property management and appraisal, is master of the Masonic lodge and is active in athletic affairs.

Jack Benner pulled no surprise when he came out at last for re-nomination to the office of county commissioner. He circulated petitions weeks ago but for some reason failed to file until Saturday. Benner is a former tire dealer who is finishing a term as county commissioner. It looks as if there may still be a republican candidate for county commissioner. Jess Johnson, for a long time a farmer in the Henley district, now living in the suburbs, is thinking about taking the plunge. He may file on Monday.

Condition General Frank Howard, veteran county engineer and surveyor, made his filing for republican renomination Friday.

In nearby counties, political conditions are about the same as Klamath. In Jackson county, William McAllister, incumbent, has announced he will run again for the republican nomination to the state legislature and that if elected he will be a candidate for speaker of the house. McAllister sought the speaker ship two years ago but was edged out in a tight race by Bob

Farrell, Portland, now running for the republican nomination for secretary of state.

In this county, there has been quite a bit of republican legislative talk but it has been nothing but talk, apparently. Fred Heilbrunner, mentioned prominently for a while, is out of it for personal business reasons. Lawrence Slater and Robert A. Thompson, both of whom were urged to run by many friends, have shied modestly away from temptation. Paul Landry, who ran two years ago, might still file but hasn't given any indication of such intentions. If this situation continued, the two republican nominations will go begging and republicans may have a little write-in fun with the democratic candidates, or even republican write-in candidates, at the primary.

It will take more than that, however, to get out the vote. The only real political interest in this county is in the republican governorship contest, where Charley Sprague and Earl Snell are the opponents.

A lot of people — including many democrats — don't know yet who is running for the democratic nomination for governor.

Pioneer Klamath Belle Dies at Aumsville, Ore.

Word of the passing of an early day Klamath belle, Ada Shook Rueck, was received here this week by a niece, Mrs. George Chastain.

Mrs. Rueck died at the age of 80 years in Aumsville, Ore., where she had made her home for the past 12 years. She is survived by her husband, Jacob Rueck, and two sons, Ward of Aumsville, and Carl of Portland.

Mrs. Rueck crossed the plains with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Amos Shook, in 1864. The family came to Klamath county in 1870, settling in Alkali valley, later known as Yonka valley, where they prospered in the cattle raising business. Miss Shook grew up in that section of the county, attended the early day schools of Linkville and Jacksonville, and later was married to Jacob Rueck. The family resided in the Bonanza district until 12 years ago when they moved to Aumsville. Mrs. Rueck was the sister of John and Billy Shook who were prominent in the early history of the county.

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