

KINKS IRONED OUT OF WAR PRODUCTION

WASHINGTON, July 16 (P)—With the observation that some war plants are not running at full capacity, Chairman Truman (D-Mo.) of the senate war investigating committee said today that the nation's military production problem appears to be "nearly solved."

Conceding that there are many kinks yet to be straightened out in the production lines, Truman told an interviewer that his committee soon will focus its critical searchlight on the transportation situation which he described as "serious."

"I think the production problem is nearly solved," he said. He added that the nation's capacity for turning out war machines and materials is reaching the point where it might be considered overbuilt, at least in some fields. That accounts, in part, for the fact that all plants are not operating at capacity, he said.

"I have no complaint on that score," the Missouri senator said. "It certainly is much better to be overbuilt than to be underbuilt."

Picture of Klamath Man's Sister on Magazine Cover

On this week's cover of Look magazine, the lovely face of Beverly Loyd of the movies smiles for the reader. Miss Loyd, 22, is the sister of Virgil Gross of this city, sports correspondent for The Herald and News.

Miss Loyd, under the name of Beverly Gross, reached the screen via beauty contests. One of her conquests was the winning of the title of Miss Oregon. She is a former Portland girl and has stopped here, in fact she is expected in Klamath Falls within the next week or two to visit her brother Virgil.

Statehouse Cannon Scrapped for War

SALEM, July 16 (P)—The five-inch Spanish-American war cannon on the Statehouse grounds went back to war today, to be scrapped to make new munitions.

In a brief ceremony at which the Trail Blazer Division band from Camp Adair played, the cannon was given to Col. E. I. Foster, Camp Adair salvage officer. Governor Earl Snell addressed the crowd, consisting mostly of state employees. The board of control, which voted to turn the gun in for scrap, hopes to get a World War II gun to take its place.

Lumber Company Head to Visit Here

Ralph L. Smith of Kansas City, Mo., president of the Ralph L. Smith Lumber company of Klamath Falls, is expected here on business Friday night. He has been in Coquille, and will also visit plants at Canby and Alturas.

Smith will be accompanied by three officials of the Unit Venetian Blind Supply corporation of New York. This is Smith's first visit here since early spring.

MEN AND WOMEN IN SERVICE



AT ACADEMY—Donald B. Wells, gunners mate 2/c in the U. S. coast guard was home on leave in May. He was on his way to New London, Conn., where he will attend the coast guard academy for four months. After graduating he will be an ensign.

He has been in the coast guard for two years and attended gunners mate school in Baltimore, Md., last June. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Wells of 1005 Ward street, Klamath Falls.

MERCED, Calif.—Aviation Cadet Martin W. Biehn, 24, son of Charles Biehn of 2708 Kane street, Klamath Falls, has just completed his basic training at the Merced army flying school.

Cadet Biehn was employed by H. L. Pritchard company before his acceptance as an aviation cadet.

Cadet Biehn will go to Stockton field, Stockton, Calif., for his advanced instruction. At the completion of his course there he will receive his wings.

MERRILL—Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Kilpatrick received word this week that their son, Corporal Vernon E. Kilpatrick, has been transferred from Casper to Laramie, Wyo., where he will take three or four months training in an extension course in physics before entering some university for one year's study. At the end of the year he will be eligible for officers' training.

Corporal Kilpatrick visited here recently for the first time since enlisting a year ago. Prior to leaving Merrill he was affiliated with the Merrill branch of the First National Bank of Portland.

KEARNS, Utah—John M. Jackson of Klamath Agency, Ore., is now stationed at this army air forces basic training center.

The son of Mrs. Carrie H. Jackson of Klamath Agency, Private Jackson has been in the army air forces since June, 1943.

CAMP STEWART, Ga.—Post headquarters recently announced the promotion of Pfc William A. Lamm of Klamath Falls to the grade of technician fifth class. He was advanced to his new rank on the recommendation of

Kidnaping Charge Against Actress Dismissed by Court

LOS ANGELES, July 16 (P)—The municipal court has dropped kidnaping charges which accused June West, 24, actress, and Lawrence Carroll, 38, a hairdresser, of taking her daughter, Tamara, 3, from the Colorado Springs, Colo., home of her former husband.

The district attorney's office requested the dismissal yesterday after Irvin B. Bruce, Colorado Springs police chief, telegraphed word that kidnaping charges were being dropped there because the juvenile court here had awarded custody to the mother. The father, Lt. Willis West of the army air forces, claimed he had been awarded custody of the child in Oregon divorce proceedings and charged Tamara was taken from his home June 25.

Layton to Plead Rape-Slaying Charge

DALLAS, July 16 (P)—Richard Henry Layton, 36, Independence, will plead at 10 a. m. tomorrow to the first degree murder charge in connection with the rape-slaying of Ruth Hildebrand, 17, Dallas, whose body was found in the Willamette river a month ago.

Circuit Judge E. M. Page, Salem, will accept the plea. The grand jury indictment accuses Layton of raping the girl and then knocking her into the river.

Layton, who is under six months' jail sentence for assaulting a girl in Washington county, is being held in the Polk county jail.

his battery commander. His promotion was based on his attention to duty and his soldierly qualities.

He is a member of an anti-aircraft unit here.

If you want to sell it—phone The Herald and News "want-ads," 3124.

'Ike' Greeted Canadians in Sicily



General (Ike) Dwight Eisenhower, commander of Allied forces in North Africa, is shown greeting Canadian officers in Sicily. Eisenhower conveyed compliments to Canadian command through Captain J. E. Moore (third from right). Official U. S. Army Signal Corps Radio-Telephoto.

Klamath to Participate in Oregon Trail Celebration

Plans for participation by Klamath county in the state-wide Old Oregon Trail centennial celebration, to be held the week of August 15, are getting underway here.

A part of the celebration will be historical displays in various downtown store windows. The help of local oldtimers who are willing to dust off memories and mementos to add to the collection will be greatly appreciated, according to Mrs. L. H. Stone, county chairman of the observation of the Oregon Trail centennial.

Taking an active part in the observances will be the DAR and Boy Scout organizations and the grade and high schools. Two closely-linked events in American history are to be commemorated in 1943. This year marks the 100th anniversary of the founding of the first American civil government west of the Rockies, and it marked the coming of a wagon train of 1000 men, women and children to the west to re-enforce the new government and to give assurance that the American flag would continue to fly on the shores of the Pacific.

Alcan Highway Link Backed by Mrs. FDR

SEATTLE, July 16 (P)—Proponents of a direct north-and-south British Columbia link with the Alaska highway are proceeding with their campaign today with the informal back-

RUNWAY EXTENSION WORK BEGUN FRIDAY

Work on the \$200,000 airport construction contract started at 5:30 a. m. Friday with two "cats" and a crew of laborers clearing the section and getting ready for grading which C. A. Dunn, contractor, said would be under way before night.

Dunn is working two shifts on the grading project and said another "cat" would be working Saturday. Rock crusher erection is going ahead as rapidly as possible and the contractor said drilling operations would start Monday. Contract calls for extension of one runway and a new taxi-way.

Flying Fortress Wings Over Town

A Flying Fortress, B-17 to the boys who know their aircraft, made a thunderous noise shortly before 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon as it winged over the business district, circled, and then went on to an unannounced air field.

The Fort brought a number of office folks out to crane their necks at the sky. The plane did not stop here, airport officials stated.

ing of Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt. The president's wife sat in as an observer yesterday at a meeting of the Northwest Trade association, recently founded with promotion of the direct route north from the Pacific northwest as its primary aim.

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