

EMPLOYMENT GROUP GIVES ANNUAL REPORT

SALEM, Jan. 10 (AP)—With a fund of \$61,000,000 on hand, the state unemployment commission faces a post-war period prepared to meet an important factor in the reconversion of Oregon war thousands and those migrating from other sections, the commission said today in its annual report.

Employment taxes, which levied on employers, totaled \$585,000, a drop of \$300,000 from the record 1943 total. The tax was down because of low rates.

The commission paid only \$40 in jobless benefits, less than all time, leaving a net gain to the commission of \$17,111, to be placed in the trust fund.

Payrolls of all firms covered by the commission totaled \$585,000 in the first nine months of 1944, a six per cent gain over the same period of 1943. The commission said there are no war contracts to keep payrolls at the 1944 level. Payroll payrolls, which hit a peak in the second quarter of 1943, dropped off 2.6 per cent in 1944, while wood workers' payrolls increased more than 3 per cent.

Payroll payrolls totaled \$69,000 in the third quarter of 1944, compared with the total of \$62,279,321 in same period.

Payrolls for service establishments showed a 16 per cent gain over the same period of 1943, the greatest in any classification, while food industries were up 14 per cent. Industries of 9 to 99 per cent were down by wholesale and retail trade, finance, transportation and utilities groups.

Books Sent U. S. From Europe

SALEM, N. Y., Jan. 10 (AP)—Six ration books which were sent to Germany in a case of canned tomatoes have been turned to Mrs. Lee Court.

Mrs. C. H. Riley, who identified himself as a mess sergeant in an infantry unit in Germany, turned the food coupons with the books.

Mrs. Court lost the ration books last August while working at Haxton Canning company at Haxton.

Car Robbed of 10 Cases of Beer

SALEM, Jan. 10 (AP)—A northern Pacific box car was derailed at Oregon City over the weekend of 700 cases of beer, police said today.

The theft was discovered in the car arrived here. The beer was consigned to Albany.

LESSONS IN SPANISH



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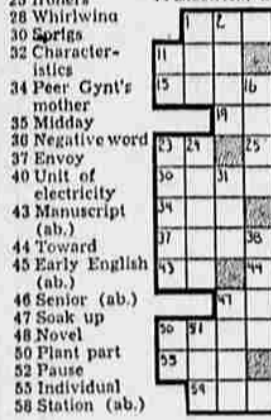


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Bomber Commander

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4 Auricle
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Fort Klamath

Fred Peterson, county school superintendent, was a business visitor here Friday from Klamath Falls.

Harold Wimer and Tom Dyche were business visitors in Klamath Falls Friday.

Mrs. Carl Wilson is recuperating satisfactorily at the Klamath Valley hospital from a major operation which she underwent last week.

1st Lt. Alfred B. Castel Jr., U. S. army air corps, is home on furlough from Belgium and is now in Klamath Falls with his wife after the couple had visited here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred B. Castel Sr. and in Chiloquin with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Albert. They also made a trip to Grants Pass where they visited other relatives.

Since D-day on June 6, Lt. Castel completed 65 combat missions as pilot of a P-38, and holds the Air Medal and 11 Oak Leaf Clusters in addition to the Silver Star and Distinguished Flying Cross, awarded for outstanding accomplishment and bravery in shooting down three Nazi planes and damaging three others, all done single-handed and without damage to his plane or person. Lt. Castel will report January 29 at Fort Lewis, Wash., for orders to return to Belgium for further combat duty, and will receive the rank of captain in the air corps on his return. Lt. Castel is feeling very fit and none the worse for his combat duty, and is very glad to be able to come home again.

His grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Savage, of Merced, Calif., former local residents, are visiting here at the Castel home, and his paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Turner, of Portland, will arrive here this weekend for a visit with Lt. Castel during his leave of absence. Other relatives whom he has visited since his return are his uncle, aunt and cousin, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Churchman and daughter, Mrs. Robert Shaw, of Tionesta. The latter's husband, Private Robert Shaw, is with a U. S. army infantry division in Holland at the present time.

Saturday evening guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William C. Hackler included Mr. and Mrs. Ted Raide, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Monks, Mr. and Mrs. Noel Caywood, all of Klamath Agency, and Mr. and Mrs. William Howland of the state fish hatchery south of Fort Klamath. Pinochle was the diversion of the evening, and the hostess served refreshments to her guests at midnight at the close of the game.

Ralph Cupp returned Tuesday from Salem where he has been visiting his sister for several days. He is employed locally by R. S. Dixon, cattleman, who, with his wife, is spending the winter months in California and Arizona.

Mr. and Mrs. William C. Hackler were called to Ashland last week by the death of Hackler's uncle, Spencer L. Hackler, who passed away last Tuesday following an illness of several months.

Tuesday business visitors in

Klamath Falls included Orville Schroeder and Mr. and Mrs. William C. Hackler.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Sisemore and daughter Jo-Ann have returned to their home here after spending several weeks visiting at Berkeley, Calif., with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Bressler.

Mrs. R. S. Ballou is considerably improved following a severe foot infection from which she has been suffering for some time, and for which she was hospitalized recently.

The regular meeting of the Civic Improvement club was held in the clubhouse Friday afternoon, with the vice president, Mrs. Ray Prowell, in the chair in the absence of the president, Mrs. Carl Wilson, who is convalescing from a major operation in a Klamath Falls hospital.

Routine business occupied the attention of those present during the meeting, with refreshments served at the close of the afternoon by Mrs. C. L. Blickenstaff and Mrs. William C. Hackler, hostesses for the meeting. Those present for the afternoon included the following: Mrs. Paul Wampler, Mrs. Frank Denton, Mrs. John Drake, Mrs. Wilford Donnelly, Mrs. Charles Noah, Mrs. Hanford Williams, Mrs. Olena Briscoe, Mrs. Ray Prowell, and the hostesses, Mrs. C. L. Blickenstaff and Mrs. William C. Hackler.

Bly

The Bly home extension unit met January 11 at the home of Edna Book. Oven meals were the subject of the demonstration. Miss Carlton Ross and Mrs. George Hamilton prepared a delicious meal, consisting of Hungarian casserole, baked onions, cabbage and beet salad and chocolate sundae pudding.

The dinner was served at noon to the following members, Ethel Geijsbeek, Elizabeth Campbell, Jean Cline, Veda Dixon, Helen Smith, Wilma Angus, Betty Armstrong, Lura Dishno, Marie Raupach, Nellie Hamilton, Lyla Ross and Edna Book.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Betty Armstrong on February 8, and will be on "Slip Covers." Miss Luty of Oregon State college will be present to put on the demonstration. There is a great deal of material to be covered, the meeting will begin at 10 a. m. Any one interested is invited to attend. Potluck luncheon will be served at noon.

The Women's club met Wednesday, January 10, at the home of Betty Loper. A short business meeting was held after which refreshments were served to Ethel Geijsbeek, Elizabeth Campbell, Lyndell Harrison, Audrey Geijsbeek, Hazel Madison, Ruby Hanan, Helen Smith, Veda Dixon, Betty Armstrong, Frances Schellhorn, Lyla Ross and the hostess, Betty Loper.

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MEN AND WOMEN IN SERVICE

HODGES RETURNS
MERRILL Pvt. Paschall Hodges, formerly of Merrill, serving in Italy with the U. S. army for several months, has been returned to the United States after being hospitalized overseas for some time. Hodges received leg and foot injuries in combat.

Soon after arriving in this country he telephoned his wife, Marjorie, that he expected transfer to a west coast hospital. Prior to induction he was co-owner with a brother of Hodges grocery.

HALL IN NEW MEXICO
S/Sgt. Robert Hall, 24, of 707 Fulton St., Klamath Falls, is now stationed at Fort Sumner army air field, Fort Sumner, New Mexico.

Sgt. Hall, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Hall, entered the army in September, 1940. He was a student in civil life.

Sgt. Hall is assigned to base armament at Fort Sumner army air field.

BLOHM IN NEW MEXICO
Second Lt. Richard W. Blohm, 22, of 1234 Pacific Terrace, is now stationed at Fort Sumner army air field, Fort Sumner, New Mexico.

Lt. Blohm, son of Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey C. Blohm, entered the army in November, 1942. He was a student in civil life.

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PIERCE COMMISSIONED
James Harding Pierce of Klamath Falls, Ore., was commissioned a second lieutenant in the army of the United States upon successful completion of the officer candidate course at the infantry school at Fort Benning, Georgia. Lt. Pierce is the son of Ray Pierce of this city, and Mrs. Grace Pierce of Portland, Ore.

He enlisted on July 24, 1939, and served with the 87th infantry at Camp Hale, Colo., before entering the officer candidate school four months ago. He held the rank of first sergeant before being commissioned. Pierce is a graduate of Klamath Union high school.

WHITE AWARDED STAR
Sgt. Wayne W. White, paratrooper, now of Medford, and formerly of Klamath Falls, has received the Silver Star for resourcefulness in combat.

White is the son of Mrs. Cora White, who lived in Klamath Falls for a number of years and was well-known here. He is also the nephew of Levi Griffith of Tulelake, Frank Griffith of Henley, Ben Griffith of Malin and Mrs. C. W. Lewis of Merrill. White attended grade school in Klamath Falls but moved to Medford in later years.

He was officially awarded the medal for quick efficiency and presence of mind while on a patrol through German lines. After the fifth three-man patrol had failed to return with vital information, Sgt. White volunteered to conduct a patrol on required reconnaissance.

The patrol was successful in gaining the needed information and began to return. While

moving back, the patrol stumbled on to a battery of German 88's. By carefully plotting the enemy positions, Sgt. White was able to direct his artillery fire and silence the German battery when he returned to his own lines.

White's coolness and quick thinking while on a difficult and hazardous mission won him the Silver Star.

SP ENGINEER DEAD BEFORE TRAIN CRASH

OGDEN, Utah, Jan. 10 (AP)—Engineer James McDonald of Ogden died of a heart attack before his Southern Pacific mail-express crashed into the rear of a passenger train December 31—the collision killed 50 and injured four score—a coroner's inquest was told today.

The witness was Col. Frank B. Queen from the army's Bushnell General hospital at Brigham.

Queen testified that a post mortem examination of the 64-year-old engineer's body showed he was dead when steam from his wrecked engine enveloped the cab.

McDonald's body was found in the wreckage. His fireman, M. E. Hardman of Ogden, escaped with minor injuries.

The accident occurred on the causeway that leads to the trestle over Great Salt lake, 17 miles west of Ogden. The trains collided in an early morning fog. The second section of Pacific Limited No. 21 rammed the rear of the first section.

Malin
Mr. and Mrs. Jean Lindsay entertained at dinner, January 11, honoring Paul McCulley and Joe Victorine who expect to leave in the near future for the service.

Mrs. Lindsay was assisted by Mrs. John McCulley, mother of Paul and Mrs. Richard Bliss, Mrs. Lindsay's daughter.

Places were marked at the table for Edward McCulley, Wellington Salyer, Bobbie Victorine, John Loosley, George Spolek, Bob Cantrall, Lincoln Elzner, Gaylord and Jack Lindsay and the guests of honor.

Mrs. Ben Pickett has returned home from a Klamath Falls hospital where she submitted to major surgery. Mrs. Pickett's mother remained in Klamath Falls.

Dr. David Ferguson, pastor of the Merrill Presbyterian church will fill the pulpit of the Malin church each Sunday evening at 8 o'clock. His first sermon, delivered last Sunday night was on "Where Angels are Baffled." January 21, he will speak on "A Bunch of Everlastings," and on January 28, his topic will be "Giants and Grasshoppers."

The next meeting of the Malin home extension unit will be held

February 7, in the Malin Presbyterian church, the session to open at 10:30 a. m. Mrs. Lois Lutz, state home demonstration agent will be present and the topic scheduled is slip covers and springs.

Briggs Coleman, sixth grader, is suffering from chicken pox. Mrs. John McCulley reported upon returning from her parents home at Ashland, that her father,

Charles Maupin, III for some time, is recovering slowly.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Perry Haley are spending a month at Gold Beach near Crescent City.

Approximately 1,556,000 persons are employed directly or indirectly by the U. S. government.

RECEIVE APPROPRIATION
SALEM, Jan. 10 (AP)—Oregon counties today received \$340,748 as the final state apportionment of 1944 motor vehicle revenues bringing the total 1944 allotment to \$2,340,748. Secretary of State Robert S. Farrell Jr. reported.

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