

AFL PUZZLED OVER LAYOFFS, LABOR LACK

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 5 (AP)—Members of the AFL Boilermakers' union here, puzzled because more than 3000 shipyard workers in this area were laid off last week while congress debated work-or-fight legislation, are demanding action. Business Agent Ralph Calhoun said today.

"There isn't anything I can tell them," he stated reluctantly. "They're out on a limb." Since many of those dismissed had no money, he has given away "more than I made in the last week," Calhoun said, "to help men with families."

One company told him more employees would be discharged every week, the official disclosed. He called the labor shortage here "as phony as a crutch."

Calhoun and a United States employment service representative devoted most of Saturday to conferences with 29 women welders laid off at the end of that morning's graveyard shift at Albina engine and machine works, builders of sub-chasers.

He declared afterward that while there is a manpower shortage, emphasizing the word "man," there is not a worker shortage. The women, who have been working in shipyards a long time, would be retained if they were needed, Calhoun said, adding that men are being fired, too.

Willamette Iron and Steel corporation, meanwhile, reported hiring 1300 more workers in the last two months and needing more to build CVE carriers. No worker classifications were specified, however.

Air Station Needs More Auto Mechanics

The Klamath naval air station is in immediate need of qualified auto mechanics, and all those not engaged in an essential industry are urged to apply by calling at the civil service commission at the US employment office or by phoning 6176.

The local air station is also in great need of other skilled laborers, and anyone interested in making inquiries by calling the above number.

Burglar Licks Point Problem by Thefts

PORTLAND, Feb. 5 (AP)—The burglar who broke into the Stop-and-Save grocery here has rationing licked, for the present at least.

He hauled off 200 pounds of sugar, a case of butter, 20 pounds of veal, a case of coffee and 500 red tokens.

Our Home Town

A Treaty Kept

By EARL WHITLOCK
Recently there was paid by the Government to the members of the Six Nations' Indian tribes, in New York State, the annual issue of \$3300 worth of calico. This in accordance with an old Treaty dating away back into the 18th century. The payment is made to insure the peaceful behavior of those Indians, which isn't much of a problem now, because they are all busy and successful citizens.

But it is one of the very few Indian treaties which the Government has lived up to—possibly because in this case, the cost of virtue was so small.

And it is interesting to reflect that the only colonists ever to settle here who never had any Indian trouble at all, were the Quakers who, under the guidance of the good William Penn and their own consciences, tried the experiment of treating the Indians according to the Golden Rule. And it worked so well that while other colonists went to their church, of a Sunday, heavily armed and looking fearfully over their shoulders, the Quakers confidently turned their kids over to the nearest Indian squaw to care for, and went peacefully on their way.

Remarkable principle—that Golden Rule!

Next Monday Mr. Whitlock of the Earl Whitlock Funeral Home will comment on Abraham Lincoln.

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Flashes of Life

BLOOD BANKER
MAUCH CHUNK, Pa., Feb. 5 (AP)—Friends call Police Chief Ed McGinley, a 265-pounder, the "one-man blood bank" of Panther valley.
He's given 79 pints of his blood to the Red Cross.

MINORITY RULES
LOUISVILLE, Ky., Feb. 5 (AP)—About 150 voters in two tiny Jefferson county precincts held a local option election today—and as a result all bars and liquor dispensaries in Louisville and throughout the county were ordered closed for ten hours. State law contains this requirement.

WELL TRAVELED
SPOKANE, Feb. 5 (AP)—Mrs. Rachel Kozlovitz had her purse stolen from a parked car last September.

She got it back now. With it came a note from a soldier: "I found this beneath the seat of a truck in Italy."

EXIT
SALT LAKE CITY, Feb. 5 (AP)—A fellow charged with drunkenness found a new way to get out of city's crowded jail—and quick.

AFTER-THOUGHT
LOS ANGELES, Feb. 5 (AP)—Francis Mrs. Margaret Hoffenstein, 46, told police that her 14-month-old grandchild, whom she was tending while the parents were ill, had disappeared from the grocery-laden automobile while she was shopping.

Next day she told police to never mind. She had just remembered that she had left the youngster at the home of friends the day before.

BONER
KANSAS CITY, Feb. 5 (AP)—Sports Writer Ernie Mehl wonders what the thief thought who broke into his car, tore into a well wrapped package and found—

A bone that Mehl was taking to one of his Collie dog friends.

REASON
KANSAS CITY, Kas., Feb. 5 (AP)—A man called at the ration board to ask why only part of the gasoline ration he had requested was granted.

"Good heavens man," the board member shouted, "don't you know there's a war on!"
"Naturally," the caller replied.
"You ask 475 miles a month. You have to get riders."
"I can't get riders."
"There's a war on, and you can't get riders!"
"No, I can't. If you'd read my application you would know why."
"Why?"
"I haul garbage."

Sno-Cat Testing Set In Medford

MEDFORD, Feb. 5 (AP)—A unique "sno-cat," machine designed by E. M. Tucker, Grass Valley, Calif., a former Medford resident, for snow travel, will be tested here February 20.

11 Die in Portland From Diseases

PORTLAND, Feb. 5 (AP)—Portland had 11 deaths from communicable diseases last week, City Health Officer Thomas L. Meador said today.

There were 143 new cases reported. A non-resident girl was admitted to the isolation hospital with infantile paralysis.

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Lt. Comdr. H. G. Atherton, USNR, has taken over his duties as the new executive officer of the Klamath naval air station. He was formerly at Canton Island, Central Pacific, where he was executive officer with the naval air facility for six months, and prior to that time served 17 months at the naval air station at Kaneohe, Hawaii, as operations officer at that base.

DATA ON FAR EAST NEEDED BY ARMY

Military intelligence officials are anxious to contact persons who have lived in enemy-occupied territory in the Far East since 1930, it was announced today.

Pictures, maps, information as to terrain, military installations, bridges, etc., are particularly valuable, and persons having such information were asked to contact military intelligence men at the following address:

Military Intelligence, Post office box 951, Portland 7, Oregon.

Land Used in Battle Maneuvers Returned

BEND, Feb. 5 (AP)—Hundreds of thousands of acres used in the "Battle of Central Oregon"—1943 military maneuvers which attracted as many as 10,000 soldiers to Bend some weekends—are being returned to the owners.

Transfer of the property to about 4000 land-owners, mostly mid-state stockmen, will take at least a month, reported Lt. John R. Lindsey, in charge of the office here.

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THEATRE-GOERS, NAS CONTRIBUTE DIMES

Theatre-goers of Klamath Falls contributed \$2523.98 to the March of Dimes infantile paralysis campaign, according to Lloyd Lamb, local manager for Northwest theatres.

Lamb said the fund will be transmitted to Neal East of San Francisco, northern California head of the campaign for theatres, and half will then go to the national fund and half will be returned to Klamath county.

The theatre contributions will apply on the Klamath county quota.

The March of Dimes was richer by \$223.71, as the result of contributions by the Klamath naval air station personnel the past two weeks. Of this amount, \$7.25 was contributed by the NAAF at Lakeview.

Containers were placed at various points at the station and a part of the fund was gained through a senior BOQ dinner dance Saturday night. Station personnel also prepared 2500 letters for mailing, assisting the county chapter, Chaplain O. W. Jones was in charge of the March of Dimes program.

Multnomah College Separated from YM

PORTLAND, Feb. 5 (AP)—Multnomah college has been separated from the Young Men's Christian association and will operate as a separate financial unit without help from the community chest.

While the college will continue relations with the YMCA, it will be operated by its own board of regents. Post-war development of the trade school and junior college, which now has an enrollment of 569, was a major reason for the change.

The community chest voted \$15,000 to enable the school to bridge the gap between now and establishment of its own financial program.

The War At a Glance

By The Associated Press
The Western Front: First army reported through double-row Siegfried line east of Monsechau, 28 miles from Rhine; third army deepens Siegfried wedge to south; French-American troops compress Germans' Colmar pocket.

The Russian Front: Soviets drive toward Oder bend 30 miles from Berlin beyond by-passed Kustrin; Germans report Oder crossing attempt foiled; red armies mass along huge stretch of river.

The Italian Front: Fifth army retakes ground lost in December near west coast; strong patrol actions mark front below Bologna.

The Pacific Front: Americans take half of Manila, and speed complete liberation of capital; 3700 internees, largely American, freed; Tokyo reports new Philippines landing on Jolo island.

Portland Hit by New Outbreak of Fever

PORTLAND, Feb. 5 (AP)—After several weeks in which no cases of undulant fever were reported, Portland has been hit by a new outbreak.

There were nine cases Saturday on top of five reported Friday, when the lull ended.

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KLAMATH AREA TOPS IN PRECIPITATION

There has been much more precipitation in the Klamath basin area than in other portions of the state, according to W. T. Frost, engineer with the soil conservation service with headquarters in Medford.

Frost has been in charge of recent snow surveys throughout this section of the state and reports that the watershed is well wetted under the snow pack and that this is a favorable factor to a runoff from the pack, which is equivalent to last year.

On the Strawberry snow course, located on the watershed divide between Goose lake and Lost river, there are 10 inches of snow with five inches of water in the snow, he reported. This is a heavier density than has been measured there in some time, he said.

Cab Driver Chases Down Hit, Run Car

PORTLAND, Feb. 5 (AP)—An alert taxicab driver today was credited with chasing down a car that struck and killed a pedestrian yesterday morning, then raced away.

Allan Hobson, the cabbie, said he saw the auto strike Ernest N. Hupp, 50, who died shortly thereafter. He forced the car, driven by Victor A. Lincoln, 44, to the curb after a wild chase through downtown Portland.

Lincoln, charged with negligent homicide and drunken driving, is in jail on \$3900 bail.

Navy Man on Leave Saws Off Thumb

A 10-day leave given S 1/c Frank Wood, USN, to visit his wife and son Frank, in Klamath Falls, ended in hospitalization for Wood who cut off the thumb of his right hand Thursday while operating a wood saw. Wood, visiting at the home of his father and mother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John Gardner, 1038 High, was using a buzz-saw when his glove was caught in the machinery.

Wood was given treatment at Klamath Valley hospital and Friday moved to the Klamath naval air station dispensary. He has been in the navy for the past year, stationed at both San Diego and Treasure Island.

PBY Repair School Set for Tongue Point

ASTORIA, Feb. 5 (AP)—Tongue Point naval air station soon will open a school training men to service and repair PBY flying boats, Cmdr. H. J. McNulty, commanding officer, said today.

The eight-week course will accommodate about 1000 enlisted men and 70 officers. There will be an instructing staff of 23 officers and 225 enlisted men. Activity at the station will be the greatest since departure of its PBY squadrons in 1942.

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POSTWAR PROJECTS PLANNED BY CHINA

PORTLAND, Feb. 5 (AP)—China is planning great post-war irrigation developments, well as flood control and reclamation projects, Chang Yung, flood control expert, ported here last night.

He and eight other Chinese engineers will inspect army projects in this area and tomorrow, their trip sponsored by the United Nations relief and rehabilitation commission, brought them here to Grand Coulee dam.

Except for a stretch of eastern coastline, China has water power potentialities to the sea in all coastal provinces, Chang said, in addition to resources "500 or 600 miles inland. Plans are being made to modernize one 400,000 gravity flow irrigation project which is 2000 years old, stated.

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