

# CIO MEN REOPEN PLYWOOD PLANT

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### Weather News

October 11, 1945	
Max. (Oct. 10)	78
Precipitation last 24 hours	12
Stream year to date	04
Normal	32
Last year	(T)
Forecast: Scattered showers.	

## Workers Push Through AFL Picket Line

SEATTLE, Oct. 11 (AP)—Formed in solid ranks, a phalanx of about 160 determined CIO plywood workers today showed their way past some 100 AFL pickets to reopen the big United States Plywood corporation—only major lumber industry plant here employing CIO unionists.

There was no violence, but several arguments between individuals. In most cases, the pickets, representing the AFL Lumber and Sawmill Workers' union, moved back a step or two, hands in their pockets, as the workers, including a dozen women, re-entered the plant's four entrances. Five policemen stood by.

Breaking the picket line, established a week ago last Monday, was the aftermath of a delay in court proceedings instituted by the CIO union seeking an order prohibiting the picket line.

An estimated 480 lumber mills have been closed by a strike of the AFL unionists asking higher wages. The CIO workers, also negotiating wage increases, are not on strike.

The AFL union leaders said that every carload of lumber produced at the mill would be noted and its routing followed. Any truck loading from it would be stopped by AFL teamsters; AFL sailors would refuse to work any ships loading the lumber, and AFL carpenters would refuse to handle any of the lumber shipped by rail, they added.

CIO leaders and operators reopened negotiations at Portland today and leaders here said they believed a settlement was imminent. The CIO is asking \$1.15 an hour wage minimum; the AFL asks \$1.10 an hour minimum on an industry-wide basis. The basic wage is 90 cents.

**Mills Reopened**

The CIO reported that its mills at Westport and Wauna, Ore., picketed yesterday by the AFL, reopened today with no pickets in sight. CIO workers had told the pickets not to return.

The CIO International Woodworkers of America resumed negotiations today at Portland with the lumbermen's industrial relations committee and the U. S. conciliation service, seeking a 25-cent-hourly wage increase.

The CIO mills at North Bend and Coos Bay, Ore., remained closed by pickets while CIO workers called a mid-afternoon meeting to decide what action to take. AFL strike headquarters at Portland reported still a third CIO mill closed today in the Coos Bay region—Port Orford Cedar company.

## SPUD FESTIVAL SCHEDULED TO BEGIN FRIDAY

MERRILL—Opening song of the ninth annual Merrill potato festival will sound Friday at noon when potato, commercial, 4-H, FFA and other agricultural exhibits will be thrown open to the public in the high school gymnasium. Potatoes and other farm produce will be judged by representatives of the division of plant industry, Oregon State college.

Sports and games are scheduled during the afternoon.

**Main Feature**

Main feature of the first day of the two-day fete, is the crowning of the new ruler of the potato kingdom. Queen JoAnne Kandra of Merrill, who will receive her crown from Neil Morfit, Astoria, commander of the American Legion, state of Oregon, just prior to the banquet, at 6:30 p. m., in the grade school gymnasium.

Commander Morfit, guest speaker at the banquet, will be introduced by Dr. David J. Ferguson, pastor of the Merrill Presbyterian church. John Houston, Klamath Falls, will act as toastmaster. Father James O'Connor of St. Augustine church of Merrill will offer the invocation.

Following the banquet, Queen JoAnne and her court of four princesses, Shirley Main, Mary Jane Hornbeck, Billie Harris and Jean George will again be presented to the public at a dance to be held in the community hall.

A full day of events planned (Continued on Page Two)

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## Housing Project for KF Cancelled

The Associated Press story of demolishing 48 dwelling units in Klamath Falls, which appeared in Wednesday's paper caused some confusion here as it failed to state clearly the units to be demolished are in Vancouver, Wash., according to Harry Gamble, FPMA project engineer.

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## Columbus Day To Be Observed

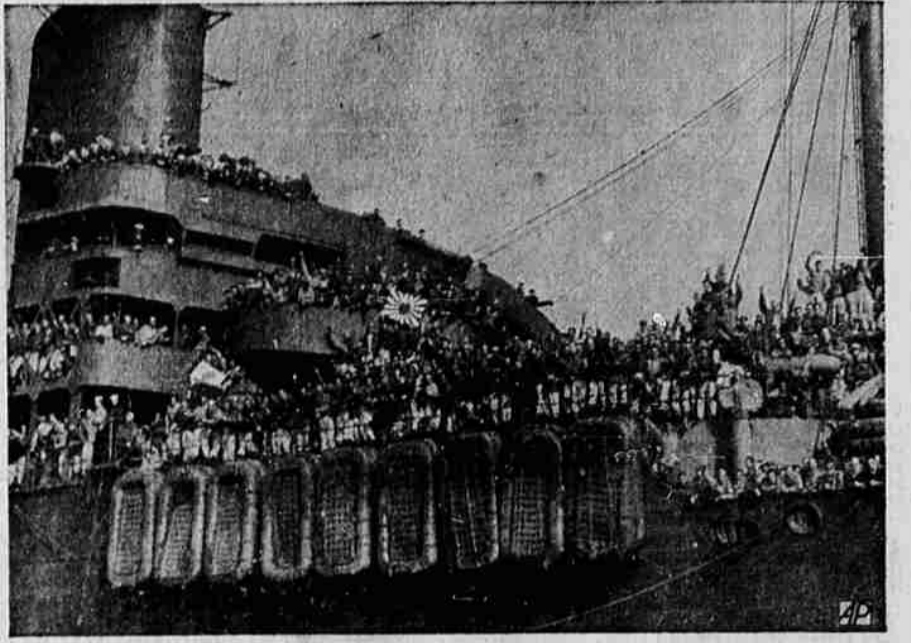
Columbus Day, October 12, will be observed with special programs in assembly rooms at Klamath Falls schools Friday. Local banks will observe the day by closing, as will the Klamath county courthouse, city hall and the Oregon state liquor store.

Business will be carried on as usual by Klamath merchants. Libraries will stay open as well as the post office and offices in the Federal building.

## Arriving In United States

By The Associated Press  
Rex W. Carson, 1316 Lock-out, Klamath Falls. Arrives on MIT Victory due at Boston October 12.

## "Winged Victory" Division Units Come Home



Members of the 169th and 172nd infantry regiments of the 43rd (Winged Victory) division, line the rail of the army transport General Pope as the vessel steams up San Francisco bay on its way to its pier. The troops came directly from Japan. The remainder of the division is to follow. (AP wirephoto).

## MacArthur Orders Sweeping Political And Social Reforms For Jap Homeland

TOKYO, Oct. 11 (AP)—General MacArthur gave orders for sweeping social and political reforms in Japan today and announced plans for sending home 1,250,000 American soldiers from the Pacific theater in the next six months.

The Americans will return to the United States at the rate of approximately a quarter of a million a month, leaving by the end of March only 400,000 occupation and garrison troops in the entire far flung Pacific theater.

The announcement further reduced the number of troops which the allied commander expects to keep in Japan. Previously he estimated 200,000 troops would be sufficient but today's announcement disclosed that 200,000 would do the job both for Japan and Korea. The total would include four combat divisions on Japan and two on Korea. The balance would be air service and occupation force specialists.

MacArthur met Premier Shidehara for an hour late today, telling the new Japanese government head that the five major reforms needed in Japan would necessitate revision of the constitution and that:

"I expect you to institute them as rapidly as they can be assimilated."

MacArthur likewise put it squarely up to Shidehara to take prompt and "vigorous" action to see that the Japanese people are clothed, fed and housed during the coming winter.

The meeting, at MacArthur's headquarters and initiated by Shidehara shortly after he had completed his cabinet and called on the emperor, came shortly after the allied supreme commander had directed the Japanese government to report within 90 days all foreign exchange assets, including private holdings and foreign properties of the imperial household.

Allied headquarters also announced revocation of permission to the Japanese to operate an air courier and liaison transport service. The job will be taken over by American airmen.

Cost of the war to Japan from July, 1937, to its end was indicated by the commercial daily paper, Nippon Dango, which said the Japanese funded borrowings at the end of July, 1945, amounted to 114,289,000,000 yen (\$6,619,266,666).

The reforms which MacArthur told Shidehara must be made in carrying out surrender terms included votes for women, labor unionization, liberalization of education, abolition of all secret governmental police, and revision of industrial monopolies.

The order for the report on foreign exchange assets was the sixth step the allied command has taken in bringing about tight control of Nipponese finances.

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## KLAMATH COUNTY JAIL 'CONDEMNED'

An argument for a new city-county jail in Klamath Falls was based on the report of the federal bureau of prisons which rated the Klamath county jail 43 out of a possible 100 points and placed it in the "condemned" column.

The local bastle was listed under "jails restricted" and according to the ruling, prisoners held for federal court cannot be kept in the jail over a period to exceed 48 hours.

The federal bureau of prisons, headed by James V. Bennett, inspects local jails to determine whether they meet minimum federal jail standards and are satisfactory institutions for the housing of federal prisoners under contract with the local government.

Sheriff Lloyd L. Low said Thursday he had not seen any of the federal inspectors for a couple of years and did not know where they got their recent information.

Jails with ratings of under 50 per cent are "condemned" by the FBI as unfit for federal prisoners.

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## English Girl Is Stowaway

BOSTON, Oct. 11 (AP)—A pretty red-haired, blue-eyed English girl, wife of a discharged GI, embarked from the S. S. Irvin MacDowell today to land in the hands of immigration authorities as a stowaway.

The young woman, Mrs. Donnesse Nancy Kuhn, 20, of Atherton, Warwickshire, said she had remained hidden in the bunk of her husband, Robert Kuhn, of Rochester, N. Y., for the first four days and nights of the MacDowell's journey across the Atlantic.

## Hunters Flock To Klamath For Bird Season Opening

Duck hunters are on their mark getting ready for the exodus to the hunting areas before 5:40 a. m. Saturday morning when the duck hunting season officially opens.

Hotels in town will be crowded to capacity according to the lists of reservations and hunters are praying for ideal duck weather, a cold wind and perhaps a little rain.

Out-of-town sportsmen from all over the country will be here for the opening day. Best spots for ducks will probably be found along the Upper Klamath lake, on the banks of Lost river and Klamath river, near the bird refuge line and in Poe and Langell valleys.

The ammunition situation is "not so good" this year, according to sporting goods store men. There are even fewer shells than last year, although many hunters have probably been saving up for the big day.

Although the big bird movement through the Klamath country is expected some time in November, many birds are feeding in this area now, observers reported.

## Kaiser Interfered In Steel Industry On Pacific Coast

OAKLAND, Calif., Oct. 11 (AP)—Henry Kaiser, a headline figure among the nation's industrialists, said today he was definitely interested in taking over a heavy portion of the steel production on the west coast and running it as an integrated industry.

This would involve purchase of the government owned Geneva plant at Provo, Utah, and the Colorado Fuel and Iron corporation installations, in addition to the Fontana, Calif., plant he now owns and operates under an RFC mortgage.

He told an Associated Press reporter in an interview that his plans depended on a number of "ifs." Chief among them was how far the government would go in absorbing the war costs involved in the emergency erection of the Fontana and Geneva plants.

**Predicts Boom**

Kaiser predicted a heavy business boom for the west; instead of business frontiers being closed, as some people say, the frontiers have just begun to appear.

Among other things, he said: That as soon as Willow Run, the huge plant near Detroit once owned by Ford and now used for the production of the new Kaiser-Frazer automobiles, approaches full production we certainly will look to the west coast for the production of more automobiles;

That he is now interested in 25 industries and is looking for more;

That he wants to buy an undetermined number of Liberty ships which are generally tagged as of little postwar use to transport gypsum and other materials for one of the lowest cost gypsum and plaster board plants in the country, owned by Kaiser;

That decentralization of industry, spreading it around the country, is necessary if we are to have a United States.

## CONFERENCES WILL BE HELD IN BUS STRIKE

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 11 (AP)—Pacific Greyhound bus company equipment continued idle today throughout seven western and southwestern states as the strike of 2700 drivers and station employees entered its seventh day.

Hope that the deadlock may be solved in the near future was held in the fact that union and company representatives held their first joint meeting yesterday with U. S. Labor Conciliation Commissioner Omar Hoskins, and are scheduled to continue conferences this morning.

**No Announcement**

No announcement was made on results of yesterday's sessions, but Hoskins said the meeting was "friendly."

R. E. Hasselman, chairman of the joint council for the AFL-Amalgamated Association of Street Electric Railway and Motor Coach Employees of America, issued a bulletin for union members last night in which he said "the unity of the membership remains strong."

"The union is not asking anything unreasonable or anything which Pacific Greyhound lines cannot meet. Conservative government estimates indicate that the cost of living increased 31.1 per cent between January 1, 1941 and July, 1945. According to the union's facts presented to the war labor board, the average hourly earnings of drivers and station employees increased only 2.13 per cent from Jan. (Continued on Page Two)

## Community Fund Drive Continues

The treasury of the Klamath Community fund, which should swell to \$75,000 before the drive is over, held some \$23,507.26 late Wednesday night, according to W. E. Lamm, chairman of the campaign.

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## TULELAKE TEACHERS FEEL HOUSING LACK

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The predicament is a combination of the housing shortage, which earlier in the school year threatened the opening of the Tulelake high school, and the higher rental rates that will be asked of visiting sportsmen who are willing to pay \$5 per night for accommodations for which teachers paid \$45 per month.

**No Living Quarters**

Prior to opening of the school term, boards of the local schools were faced with cancellation of teacher contracts when applicants learned that no living quarters were available this year.

To alleviate the housing shortage, the Siskiyou Union high school board entered into an agreement with a local contractor for the building of a housing unit to be occupied only by members of school faculties. Work on the apartments has been delayed by shortages in labor and material, and the earliest prospect is for next year.

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## HELP NEEDED IN POTATO HARVEST

Anyone who can spare the time is urged by the Klamath Potato Growers association to help in harvesting the 1945 potato crop.

Need for harvesters is greatest in Upper Klamath basin, around Henley, Poe valley, Bonanza and Langell valley. The work is pretty well taken care of in the lower basin by Mexican nationals and prisoners of war.

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Pickets began gathering early today at Universal, which is about two miles from Warner's, and at 8 a. m. an unofficial nose count put the number at 500.

Union officials said yesterday that at least 5000 and probably 20,000 Lockheed workers would join the Warner pickets at 8 a. m. today. Fifty carloads of Lockheed workers arrived at the scene where rioting, bloodshed and arrests have occurred since last Friday.

**Beatings and Bloodshed**

About 400 Lockheed people joined the 400 movie pickets in orderly picket lines, marching four abreast. More than 200 sheriff's deputies, who arrested 328 pickets at the Warner gates yesterday on charges of rioting and refusing to disperse, were on hand. All those arrested were re-

## Astoria Jail OK Say Customers

PORTLAND, Oct. 11 (AP)—A dispatch from the Oregon Journal's Astoria correspondent took issue today with the federal bureau of prisons' disapproval of Astoria jails.

"Regular customers of the city jail appear satisfied," wrote the correspondent.

"One man, who declined to be quoted, said he had been in Astoria jails, new and old, more than 75 times during a 15-year period and is satisfied with accommodations." Recently a prisoner went out of his way to say what a nice place the county jail is."

## Bulletin

WASHINGTON, Oct. 11 (AP)—A \$5,350,000,000 tax cut for individuals and business in 1946 was approved overwhelmingly by the house today.

The bill, first tax cutting measure to pass the house since 1929, was sent to the senate for action there.

House action came amid joint demands by democrats and republicans for slashing in federal spending. The vote was 345 to 10.

## Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS  
NEW YORK — The long and tiresome routine of debarkation is finally completed. Immigration and security control are satisfied. We get baggage at the pier—which doesn't take long.

After all, you can't buy much in Europe these days, for the simple reason that there isn't much left to buy. Clearance labels are quickly fixed to the bags, and we're FREE.

OUT through the pier shed to the street, where a fairish SWARM of taxis is waiting. You think of England, where taxis are always few and far between and usually occupied already, and of the continent, where there are none.

(This writer's destination is up in the high Eighties, and the fare is \$1.50. There was a time when it would have seemed steep, but now your mind goes back to Paris, where you dickered in bad French with the proprietor of an ancient and rickety carriage drawn by an even more ancient and rickety nag for the transport of yourself and luggage for a distance of eight blocks and the best offer you could get was 400 francs, which totals up to \$8.)

THESE streets! They're wide and roomy—and STRAIGHT. Where did you ever get the idea that the streets of American cities are deplorably narrow?

And these cars! The LEGIONS of them, pouring along bumper to bumper in a stream that is ENDLESS. Whence came your quaint notion of a few months ago that automobiles in America are getting scarce?

And the cars themselves! They're sleek and shiny—for the most part. They have no huge and clumsy bags on top for the storage of charcoal gas—or cumbersome iron cylinders, looking like the boiler of a donkey engine, mounted on the side for the continuous manufacture of charcoal gas.

They seem to be running on GASOLINE!

AND the people. Their SMARTNESS! Their general air of good grooming. The newness of their clothes.

All this fairly shrieks of an economy of ABUNDANCE even at the end of the greatest war since the world began!

AND the shop windows. Even from the cab, through the streams of traffic, you can see that they are well filled with merchandise. Things you'd LIKE to own. Things that are DESIRABLE IN THEMSELVES.

Not just any THING for which to exchange the doubtful money in your pocket because you have no confidence in it and want to get rid of it as quickly as possible in return for some THING—ANY thing that might conceivably retain some permanent value.

SLOWLY you readjust yourself. Gradually it comes back to you that this is America—and that America ALWAYS has been different. And better. That always people have wanted to get here to share in the goodness (Continued on Page Two)

## Navy Releasing Shotgun Shells

WASHINGTON, Oct. 11 (AP)—Unlimber those shotgun boys. The navy is releasing 14,000,000 rounds of shotgun shells, Rep. Robertson (D-Va.) was informed today. This with the 6,000,000 the army recently told Robertson were being released will be a real start toward a peacetime hunting season, the Virginian said.

Navy said the ammunition was being declared surplus as a result of examination of stock levels on 12-gauge ammunition used for training purposes.

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