

# HOUSING LACK CRITICAL IN KLAMATH FALLS

The housing situation in Klamath Falls remains critical in spite of the closing of the naval air station here, Charles R. Stark, manager of the chamber of commerce, stated today.

This is due in part, Stark said, to restrictions on eligibility for occupancy of government civilian housing. Formerly essential workers, including auto mechanics, fire repairmen, laundry workers and teachers, were eligible for these dwelling units. Since V-J Day occupancy has been restricted to lumbermen, railroad men and civilian employees of military installations.

**Close Trailer Units**

Another factor contributing to the shortage of civilian dwelling units, is the closing of FPMA trailer units. Thirty of the 54 units have been vacated and have not been reopened for occupancy. Requests by larger employers in the area for reopening of these units are before the boards and machinery has been set in motion to obtain approval from Washington.

These two factors have combined to throw the problem of housing civilians back onto the community, and requests are pouring into the chamber of commerce and other housing offices daily for dwelling facilities.

**Request for Reopening**

If the request for reopening the trailer units is turned down, A. L. Irvine, management advisor of the FPMA office stated, the units will be declared surplus by the office. They will then either be leased by colleges with housing problems, or sold to trailer dealers.

With an exceptionally high percentage of married people attending colleges through the GI educational provisions, housing problems in the vicinity of colleges and universities have reached a new high. Portable housing units and trailer houses seem to be the solution in these communities and arrangements for such facilities have already been made by several colleges.

**Portable Housing**

The University of Oregon is already investigating the advisability of moving in portable housing accommodations, and it is expected Oregon State college will take similar steps to solve their housing shortages, Irvine stated.

In the case of trailer dealers purchasing the government units, repairs, remodeling and reconstruction will be necessary to condition them before they may be sold to individuals for road travel.

Anyone with available rentals is requested to contact the chamber of commerce, to assist in the housing emergency here.

# Married Navy Nurses Will Be Released

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17 (AP)—All married commissioned navy nurses, both regular and reserves, are being released from the service, the navy said today.

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# ARMOUR EMPLOYEES ORGANIZE CIO LOCAL

PORTLAND, Oct. 17 (AP)—Employees of the Armour and company packing plant here have organized the first Oregon local of the CIO United Packing House Workers of America.

Officers were elected and a charter application authorized by workers. A resolution asking the NLRB to hold a collective bargaining election also was approved.

**NO LEAKS**

ALBERT LEA, Minn., Oct. 17 (AP)—Ralph Boen, 60, went into his basement to see if a new gas system he had devised to exterminate rats was working properly. After members of a fire department rescue squad revived Boen they assured him it was functioning perfectly.

Radio engineering departments have covered as much as 10 years of normal development in two wartime years.

# Flashes of Life

**THE HARD WAY**

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Oct. 17 (AP)—It required three parcel post packages and \$8.86 mailing charges to do it, but a Kansas City motorcycle enthusiast in the army in Germany finally got his German-made motor home.

The third package, containing the single cylinder, cylinder head and other parts, was received yesterday from T/S Irvin Hammonds by his former employer, Earl Harding. Harding has assembled the motor and is keeping it for Hammonds who has received the Purple Heart and the Bronze Star for action with an armored outfit.

# SCHOOL-HOUSE HOME

ST. PETER, Minn., Oct. 17 (AP)—Jim Sipes, St. Peter high school football coach, has many complaints about his temporary home, but he's never late for work.

Sipes, his wife and four children are living in a unused classroom of the school as an emergency measure until a home for him is completed.

The family moved into the classroom after Mrs. Sipes and the children complained that their first-assigned quarters—the stage of the school auditorium—was too cold and drafty.

# COUNCIL ISSUES BUILDING PERMITS

Building permits were issued by the city council Monday night for construction and repairs in Klamath Falls valued at \$11,617. They were:

Reroof with fireproof shingles, 1202 Pine, \$287, W. L. Wickersham; raising building, put in footing, 502 S. 6th, \$500, Seth L. Waters; build garage and storage room, 1800 Crescent, \$300, Art Harrold.

Repair fire loss, 5006 S. 6th, \$2000, Leo N. Huls; store building, 353 E. Main, \$3500, G. E. Bodenhamer; addition to house, 1745 Menlo way, \$500, Rachel Kaler; business building, Commercial street, Boyd Coffee company, \$2000, H. J. Eklund.

Repairs on residence, 1319 Lakeview, \$150, E. L. Bensing; build room on house, 390 Addison, \$350, Guy Malorre; rebuild platform, 953 Spring, \$2000, E. G. Newbill; build boat shelter, 1945 Del Moro, \$30, E. H. Kellogg.

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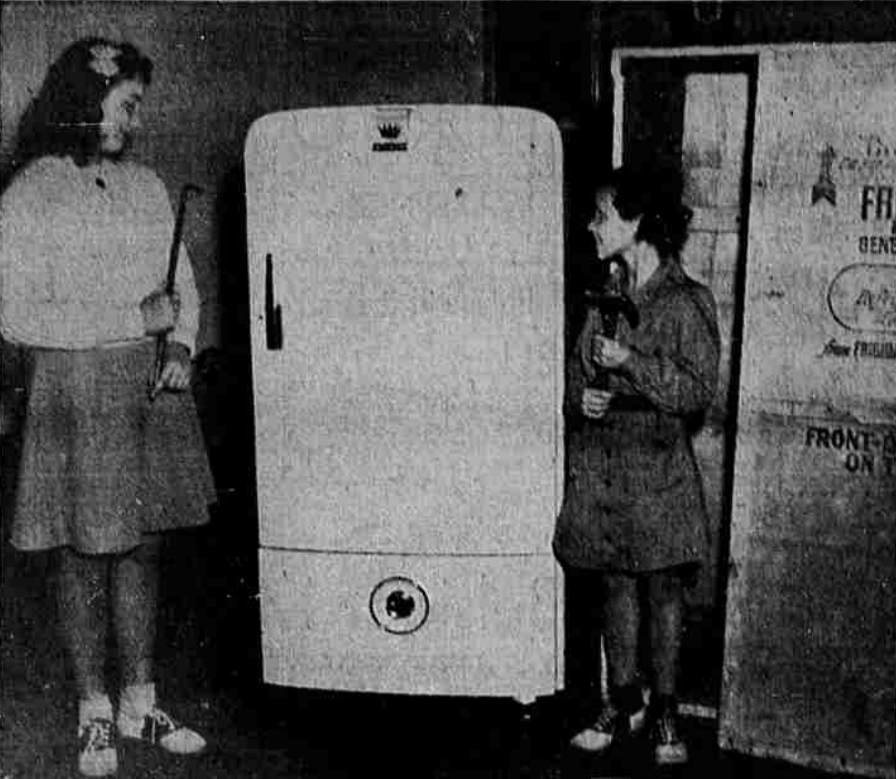
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Becky Rae, (left) and her sister, Joyce, uncrate a new refrigerator for their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Lamb, 1935 Lowell, the first refrigerator to arrive in Klamath Falls since the war, and one for which the Lambs have waited patiently. The refrigerator was sold by the Cascade Home Furnishings, 124 N. 4th.

# HIGH SCHOOL News Notes and Comment

**By JOAN O'NEILL**

Dr. Lawrence Riggs recommended that Klamath Falls have a "Y" center Monday night at the meeting at the chamber of commerce. Dr. Riggs voiced the opinion that he had come to Klamath Falls as a surveyor and not as a promoter for the "Y." But people seemed to feel he was here in that capacity anyway.

Dr. Riggs cited several examples of the need for a "Y" center here. Among the things needed in Klamath Falls, the top one mentioned in the survey was a swimming pool. Also a more adequate bowling alley, lounging and meeting rooms, play space and parks are much in demand.

If the "Y" were to come into Klamath Falls, it would not come in to take over any activities already in progress. The plans of the "Y" are flexible and adaptable to the needs of different communities.

It certainly seems to be the opinion of the young people of this community that they want a "Y." It is true that there is literally nothing to do in town. Perhaps the "Y" would solve this problem and chances are that it would if it were made as it should be.

At the close of the meeting Dr. Riggs stated that if the people of Klamath Falls want a "Y," they should go after it; but if not, let it die quietly now.

It is evident that the people do want a "Y," but whether we get one or not will show how badly we really want it. It will be up to the elder citizens to see about the actuality of a "Y," but the younger members will be on the sidelines doing what they can to help.

**Service Club Initiation**

Midnight grange will be the scene of a potluck tonight when the Service club initiates its new members. The students will go to that point by school bus at about 7:15. They are dressing in the ever popular plaid shirts and Levis.

Three of the members of the club will act as speakers for the evening, Ted Reeves, president,

# Actress Ella Raines May Seek Divorce

HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 17 (AP)—Film Actress Ella Raines has disclosed that an attempted reconciliation with her husband, Kenneth Trout, failed and that they have separated.

The actress and Trout, army

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# COOS BAY SEEN AS BIG WORLD LUMBER CENTER

COOS BAY, Ore., Oct. 17 (AP)—This city now manufactures more lumber than Portland, Tacoma or Grays Harbor, and soon will be the principal lumber manufacturing and shipping center of the world, says H. J. Cox, Oregon secretary for the West Coast Lumbermen's association.

The Eugene, Ore., timber expert today released a transcript of testimony he recently gave before an army engineers' hearing.

"Within the next five years there will not be over two or three sawmills remaining in the Portland area," Cox said. "The transition of the west coast lumber industry to the southern Willamette valley and southwestern Oregon is not only inevitable—it is actually in progress."

**Willamette Valley**

He pointed out that an increasingly large portion of the lumber

supply of Portland sawmills is coming from the Willamette valley. Sooner or later lumbermen will start shipping from the port closer to their timber stands, he said.

To illustrate what has already taken place in this industry transition and to show the importance of Coos Bay harbor as a market outlet for world lumber consumption, Cox quoted these figures:

Lumber production ..... 1943 (In millions of board feet)  
Coos county, Ore. .... 506  
Multnomah county, Ore. .... 466  
Grays Harbor, Wash. .... 464  
Tacoma, Wash. .... 421

"For years Pierce county's city of Tacoma was known as the lumber capital of the world," he said, "but no more. But as a result of forest management now being practiced or initiated by a majority of the remaining timber-owning lumber manufacturers, the lumber production of western Washington will ultimately filter to a stabilized minimum volume of annual lumber production."

**Take Spotlight**

Meanwhile, Douglas, Lane, Coos and Curry counties are taking the spotlight.

"Lane and Douglas counties of Oregon contain the heaviest timbered stand of any like area in the United States—around 125

billion board feet, log scale," Cox said. "Upon this area will fall not only the responsibility of supplying by railroad transportation the large volume of postwar and future domestic markets of our own country, but, of necessity, they will be required to contribute heavily to the immense consumer demand of intercoastal and offshore markets, via Coos Bay harbor."

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