

# Bus Drivers Get Benefits

SALEM (AP) — Nine bus drivers left jobless a year ago when City Transit Lines in Eugene went out of business have been granted jobless benefits, the state Unemployment Compensation Commission announced today.

The decision reversed an opinion by a commission referee.

After the men lost their jobs, they operated their own automobiles as a bus system. They did not charge fares, but the cars contained contribution boxes so the passengers could pay any amount they wished.

The referee denied the drivers jobless benefits on the ground they were employed while operating their cars.

The commission granted benefits, holding that tips and gratuities are not considered to be wages. Therefore, the men were unemployed while running their own bus system.

The commission said that the money received from the operation did not pay the operating expenses of the cars.

The men involved were Samuel V. Rice, Vione F. Mathews, Edward G. Keefe, Loyd E. Johnson, Ernest L. Wright, Elmer H. Settle, Harold A. Norris, Charles L. Rathbun and Harley E. Starr.

In another case the commission granted benefits to Leon A. Sheppier, 28, who was fired by Reynolds Metals Co. for taking time off to go to a religious conference in Texas.

The commission said that Sheppier, who worked in Troutdale for eight years, had good cause to leave his work.

"We believe that the claimant would have been required to perform an act which was contrary to his religious precepts had he remained at work and failed to attend his religious conference. We do not believe he should be disqualified for having followed the dictates of his conscience," the commission said.

A commission referee denied benefits to a Portland grocery store mail clerk who was fired because he wouldn't shave off his centennial beard. The referee said the employer's anti-beard rule was reasonable.

When the worker showed up for the unemployment compensation hearing, he had shaved it off.

# Former Air Ace And Army Secretary To Testify In Brass Hiring Probe

WASHINGTON (UPI)—A World War II fighter ace and a former Army secretary were among witnesses called by House investigators today to testify on hiring of retired military brass by defense contractors.

The two were Thomas G. Lanphier Jr., who shot down and killed Adm. Isoroku Yamamoto, commander-in-chief of the Imperial Japanese Navy, in 1943 and Frank Pace Jr., who was Army secretary under President Truman.

Pace, also a former director of the budget, is now board chairman of the General Dynamics Corp. Lanphier is a vice president of the same firm, which is the nation's biggest defense contractor.

The House armed services subcommittee, headed by Rep. Edward Hebert (D-La.), planned to question Pace, Lanphier and J. V. Nash, General Dynamics president, on the large number of retired military officers they have on the firm's payroll.

They were to be asked how much these officers get paid, what their duties are and what contacts they have in the Pentagon.

Other congressional news:

**Civil Rights:** The House Judiciary Committee hoped to conclude its month-long work on a civil rights bill. The committee has eliminated two of the measure's original eight sections, approved four, and still has two to vote on. The pending provisions would provide temporary federal aid to help schools desegregate and would authorize the government to educate children of military personnel when their public schools are closed to avoid integration.

## Completes Training

Cadet Alan W. Eberlein, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Eberlein, 2939 Summers Lane, completed six weeks of signal training on July 31 at the Reserve Officer Training Corps summer camp at Fort Gordon, Georgia.

Eberlein is a student at Oregon State College, Corvallis. He is a member of Phi Kappa Psi fraternity.

The 20-year-old cadet is a 1956 graduate of Klamath Union High School.

## Refuge Gets Award

For the development of a 300-hour Preventive Maintenance Check List for Tractor Equipment three employees of the Tulelake National Wildlife Refuge received incentive awards.

Blake F. "Bud" Chapman, Earl M. Irvine and Burton W. DeGraw recently were given \$10 each as their share in the management improvement suggestion which has been adopted by all the larger refuge stations in the western states.

## LONG HOURS FOR PREACHERS

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — The Methodist Division of National Missions reports that a nationwide survey indicates that three out of five of the denomination's ministers work 50 to 60 hours a week, while one out of 10 works 80 hours or more each week.

# BASIN BRIEFS

**Lost River** — Grange will meet Friday, August 7, at the regular time for its card party in the grange hall at Olene.

**Pomona Grange** — will be at the Midland Grange Hall Saturday, August 8, 10 a.m. The Midland Grange picnic will be Sunday, August 9, at noon in the park at Malin.

**Etna Visitors** — Mrs. Anne Burns and son, McCloud, are visiting her mother, Mrs. Minnie Barandun, Etna.

**ORCHESTRA BEGINS TOUR**

**NEW YORK (UPI)** — The New York Philharmonic Orchestra flew to Athens today for the opening concert of a foreign tour that will include the raising of the Iron Curtain. The orchestra will play in Communist nations for the first time when it performs in the Soviet Union, Poland and Yugoslavia later in its 10-week tour.

**Peter Clay** — Son of the Reverend and Mrs. Orval Clay, underwent major surgery at the hospital in Yreka recently.

**Award** — Mrs. Albert Facey accompanied Lorena Dillman, Irving and Jane van Komen, Alice and Jane Murphy and Jeanette Ayres to LDS stake camp at Diamond Lake. They were joined by Marilyn Huntsman and Lola LeBaron, Yreka. The group won the camp sportsmanship award.

**Visitors** — from Fairbanks at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Corbett, Etna, were Mrs. Corbett's brother and family, Master Sergeant and Mrs. Roy McColpin.

**Yreka Guest** — Mr. and Mrs. Frank Swickard, Etna, have had as their guest their granddaughter, Colleen Swickard, Yreka.

**New Quarters** — Erlene's Beauty Shop, Etna, has moved from the Parker Building to new quarters in the old theater building. The other portion of the building will be used by Cal Jones' television and radio shop.

**City Visitor** — Visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Stephens in Etna, is Stephens' brother, William Stephens from San Francisco.

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