

County News

St. Helens

SHAVE, HAIRCUT PRICES ADVANCE HERE ON JUNE 1

The good old days of "shave and hair cut, six-bits" have been gone a long time, but they receded a notch farther over the horizon last week with the announcement that St. Helens barbers—and presumably other union shops in Columbia county—were raising their prices to the level established recently in Portland.

This means that haircuts which have been 65c for the past several months, will be 75c, while shaves will be 50c, neck trims for women 35c and haircuts for children under 12 years will be 65c. The new prices became effective Tuesday, June 1.

Changes in the prices here became necessary when the Portland land union pushed them up, for all shops in the county are associated with the Portland local and are governed by its decisions.

WARREN HELD ON HOMICIDE COUNT HERE

Roy Warren, driver of the car in which Mrs. Lena Usher was killed when the vehicle plunged into Nigger creek canyon early Friday morning, May 14, was bound over to the grand jury on a charge of negligent homicide last week after a preliminary hearing before Judge J. G. Nauman. Bail was set at \$5,000 and Warren is being held in the county jail in lieu of it.

In the report filed by the six-man coroner's jury following the inquest Monday, Warren was charged with being guilty of "driving in a negligent manner."

Clatskanie

OLD-TIME WATCH IS FOUND BY ERICKSON

An old-time watch, presumably lost 40 or 50 years and possibly longer ago, was found recently by Matt Erickson as he was harrowing a field on his farm.

The watch had been repaired by E. S. Booth, who was a jeweler here in the early 1900's. It was a Waltham and the face was only partially destroyed by the years of being in the outdoors and under water at times. It was lost before the land was dyked and has been covered by many a freshet.

KIWANIS BASKET SOCIAL NETS \$1250 IN BONDS

Baskets sold at the novel Kiwanis meeting on Tuesday night, May 25, brought in a total sale in war bonds of \$1250, matured value. The amount exceeded expectations.

Baskets were sold of which \$1.20 went to the Kiwanis club for the Boy Scout benefit. The remainder of the amount bid was turned into war bonds for the bidder. Nineteen dollars, twenty cents was realized for the Boy Scouts.

The evening entertainment, planned by Sam Maerz was in the form of an old time evening spent in parlor games and group singing of the tunes popular some years back.

Rainier

E. R. ZIMMERMAN ON DEFENSE BOARD

Mayor E. R. Zimmerman has just received from Governor Earl Snell his commission as a member of the new Columbia county civilian defense council.

Mr. Zimmerman's appointment will give Rainier representation upon the county council and he will be in position to give attention to local civilian defense organization both from the view-

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point of a member of the council and as mayor of the city.

FEED STORE TRUCK FALLS THROUGH DOCK

Joe Schrieber got a jolt but no injury other than a slight bruise on the head when the Rainier Feed store truck went through the dock alongside the store about 5:30 Tuesday evening, May 25.

One instant he was driving as usual, and the next he was piled up below. The truck did not suffer much injury but deliveries were held up until they got it out and repaired it.

Washington Snapshots

by JAMES PRESTON

Every time the administration sets up an inflation barrier someone comes along and knocks it down. First it was the "Little Steel" formula. Then came the "hold the line" order which begins to resemble a sieve. To a great body of legislators the present situation is shaping itself into another inflation spiral.

With labor clamoring for raises and getting them, and the farm forces out to get their too, there is little question of the weakness of the machinery that has been set up to control the rising cost of living. The establishment of subsidies to enable the OPA to roll back prices on food and other cost-of-living items, it is estimated, will cost a half billion dollars all of which will have to be paid later on in taxes.

These problems which are now uppermost here because of their national importance are closely connected with the attempt congress is making to straighten out the muddled labor situation by spelling out a clean cut, practicable, and workable national labor policy. Legislation to strengthen the government's hand in dealing with labor abuses tending to interfere with war production now centers around the senate-approved Connally Plant Seizure bill. While house approval of a more complete measure appeared to be almost certain, there are indications at the capitol that the senate was not receptive at this time to several of the added house committee provisions.

Excitement in the labor and inflation rings has tended to draw attention from what many on capitol hill describe as the second "battle of the czars." Truman committee evidence is leading a substantial bloc of lawmakers to believe there has been some organized "ganging up" against Mr. Nelson and there are many Democrats as well as Republicans who are determined to strengthen the WPB chief's hand.

The Kilgore bill to establish a federal office of scientific and technical mobilization has been condemned by the National Association of Manufacturers as a threat of a dangerous government monopoly. "The effect of the measure would be to authorize the complete socialization of all forms of property, plans, methods, technical information, and know-how of all industries and all personnel devoted to scientific and technical effort," the Association report said.

Strangely enough the first report of the special house interstate commerce subcommittee to investigate the plans of federal agencies to change established business and industrial practices has recommended that the war production board take steps to prevent "waste and non-essential use of paper" by the federal government and that the WMC designate paper production as an essential war industry. The committee, headed by Representative Lyle Boren, accused the government of being "the principal waster of paper."

LARGER SALMON PACK EXPECTED

Salmon fishing—which will contribute 5,500,000 cases of high-protein food to the nation's supply—has started in Alaskan waters close to military operations. The total pack is expected to exceed last year's by at least 10 percent.

THE POCKETBOOK of KNOWLEDGE

SALT IS SO IMPORTANT TO INDUSTRIAL CHEMISTS ENGAGED IN WAR WORK THAT 10,000,000,000 POUNDS OF IT WERE CONVERTED DURING 1942 INTO CHEMICALS TO HELP WIN THE WAR.

THE CRESCENT IS THE INTERNATIONAL SYMBOL FOR FOOD

A FROG CANNOT SWALLOW WITHOUT CLOSING ITS EYES

AMERICAN MERCHANT SHIPYARDS HIT A NEW HIGH DURING MARCH, COMPLETING 746 NEW VESSELS OF 1,516,000 TONS

GIANT REFRIGERATION-EQUIPPED STORAGE ROOMS ARE USED TO EXECUTE MOTHS FROM FUR-LINED FLYING SUITS. A SERIES OF SUDDEN TEMPERATURE CHANGES "SHOCK" THEM TO DEATH

OUT OF THE WOODS

By Jim Stevens

Loggers in Uniform . . .

A news story from Colorado cites a top-hand cowpoke who was inducted into the Army a year or so ago, and is now a cook in a Florida camp. A fuzz-faced tenderfoot has taken his place on the range and has deferment. He'll need at least two years to become half as good as the top hand who is serving as a greenhorn Army cook. Worse, because of manpower shortage, he now has to take the place of a man and a half on the range. Multiply that case by thousands, and you have the big headache of beef production for the United Nations.

Probably the Army cook cited can apply for discharge to return to cowpunching. But will he? Up in Canada thousands of experienced loggers are in the Army. It was announced they would be furloughed for work in the woods, upon individual application. Only a dozen applied.

Men stick to that uniform, once in it.

The Case of Ben Gerske . . .

There's a name familiar to many of the woods and mills, in both pine and fir. Ben Gerske is stationed on some island in the South Seas war zone as a man of the fighting "Seabees"—the Navy's construction battalions. He writes graphically of his experiences in a letter to the newspaper of his old union. It is an expression of highest fighting morale, though a simple account of the little things of every day—the weather, the scenery, washing clothes, experiences with "mosquitoes and lesser beasts," and such-like. You have to go between the lines to get a grip on the dangers and hardships. There are thousands more of Ben Gerske's breed in our fighting forces all over the world, our men of the woods, loggers in uniform. Some will never see the green peaks and

slopes of the Douglas fir country again. One I could tell you about is a former logging superintendent who gave his country all he had to give on Guadalcanal, in a final surge of heroism that won a decoration. Well, there you are. In war, when a man gets into uniform, this is the common code: "Now that I'm in it, I'll go through with it to the end." Once in service, a man will seldom back out on his own hook.

Headache Cure . . .

The cure for this manpower headache lies somewhere in what is called psychology. The main thing is for every man to get on the war job he can best do, and then stick to it. Somehow the "see it through" morale of the man in uniform must be built up in the civilian war worker. One thing on this is sure—we need more letters, more communication, between men in uniform like Ben Gerske and the war workers in the woods. His letter concludes:

"By the way, I see a lot of familiar trademarks on the lumber we use. The other day we had a whole batch of Shevlin pine. Believe it or not, it almost made me homesick. But it did me a lot of good to see the lumber from the plant in Bend, way down here in the South Seas, where every foot of it is being used to beat the Japs. I am sure that if the men at home could realize how wonderful it is to have floors in the tents in this country, for the service men, production at home would increase over-night, and I don't mean just 'maybes'."

The men in the woods and mills who are also "seeing it through" are individually producing their limit. Increased production will come with voluntary return of experienced loggers and lumbermen to the woods, in the program of the War Manpower Commission, and then their sticking to it as the men in uniform stick.

At The Churches . . .

Assembly of God Church

Rev. Clayton E. Beish—Minister

9:45—Sunday school with classes for all ages.
11:00—Morning worship.
7:30—Evangelistic service.
7:30—Wednesday evening, mid-week service.
7:30—Friday evening, Young Peoples' Christ Ambassadors service.

Church of the Nazarene

Located in old post office bldg.
—Rev. George Hartzell, pastor
10:00—Sunday school.
11:00—Morning worship.
We welcome everyone to our services.

Church of Jesus Christ Of Latter Day Saints

Sunday school convenes at 10 a.m. at the I.O.O.F. hall under the direction of Charles Ratkie, branch president and Van Bailey, superintendent.

St. Mary's Catholic Church

Rev. Anthony V. Gerace
Rev. Frederiek Thiele

Mass: 9:30 A.M. except first Sunday in month—Mass at 8:30 A.M. Confessions from 7:45 A.M. on.

First Christian Church

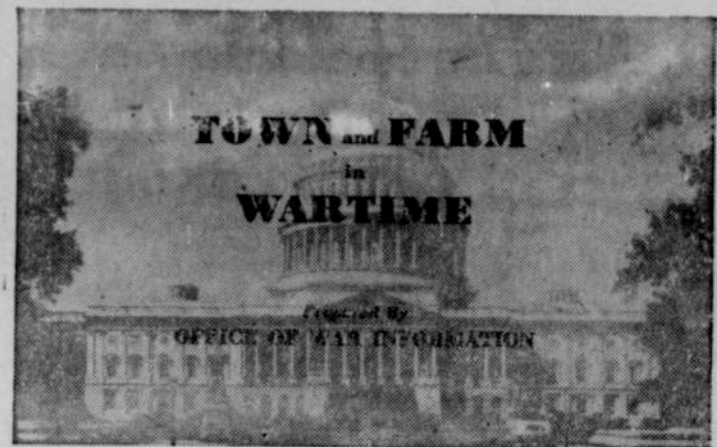
—The Livingstones, Ministers
9:45—Bible school, a school for all. M. L. Herrin, sup't.
11:00—Junior church for all children.
11:00—Communion service and sermon. Subject: "Keeping Spiritually Fit."
7:30—Evening song, communion and preaching. Subject: "Finishing One's Conversion."
7:30 tonight (Friday)—Woman's Missionary meeting at home of Mrs. L. L. Wells.
7:30—Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening.

Evangelical Church

—Rev. Allen H. Backer, Minister
Sunday, June 6
9:45—Sunday school.
11:00—Communion service. Message: "Meaning of the Lord's Supper."
7:00—Junior and Y. P. Christian Endeavor.
8:00—Song service, preaching. Message: "The Upper Room."
8:00 P. M. Wednesday—Prayer meeting and Bible study.
7:00 P. M. Friday, June 4th—Fellowship supper and Fourth Quarterly conference. Rev. and Mrs. Petticoord will be here.

"THEY GIVE THEIR LIVES—YOU LEND YOUR MONEY"

Buy More War Bonds Today



DESTROY EXPIRED RATION STAMPS URGED

Housewives are urged to destroy all expired red or blue ration stamps to help guard against black markets in food. Reports to OPA indicate that many storekeepers have asked their customers for expired stamps, and in turn have used them to buy more food from wholesalers. Because foods bought at wholesale with these stamps can be sold at retail without points, every expired stamp given to a storekeeper is a potential contribution to an illegal act.

USED INNER TUBES ARE RATION-FREE

Used inner tubes for passenger car or truck tires can now be purchased without a ration certificate. It is estimated that there are about 765,000 used passenger car tubes and 225,000 used truck tubes now idle in dealers stocks. All rationing regulations have been removed on used tubes to help conserve the supply of new ones.

DEPARTMENT GRANTS LONGER FURLOUGH

The war department has authorized extension of the furlough period between the day of induction and the date men must report for duty from seven days to fourteen days. This change will be made in

The Forum

WE BELIEVE

(By Ruth Taylor)
"There is no atheism in the fox holes." To my mind that ringing sentence which came out of the battle fields of the south Pacific is one of the most soul-stirring slogans of the war.

Years ago I heard it phrased slightly differently. One day in mid-ocean when there was a heavy sea rolling steely gray to meet a slightly paler sky, a ship's doctor said to me: "No man who follows the sea can be an atheist. Those who live amid storms cannot help but believe in God."

If this war, to which we are giving all that we hold dear, were but a struggle between rival nations for power and land—an enlarged gang warfare—there would be no hope for the future. The darkness would cover the earth and it would be as it was before the beginning of time.

But it is not that kind of a war. This is warfare between those on the one side who believe in God and in the God-given rights of man and those on the other who deny both the sovereignty of God and the free will of man.

In this world there is not sufficient room for those who believe in the dictatorship of a few and the enslavement of the many, to dwell side by side in amity with those who believe in a monotheistic doctrine—whether they be called Protestant, Catholic or Jew. The two methods of life are diametrically opposed to one another and there is no common meeting ground.

We will win this war because "we fight on God's side," to use the great phrase contributed by an American negro. All of us have been brought up to say, whether it be in cathedral, church or synagogue—"The Lord is my light and my salvation, whom shall I fear?" We are not fighting from desperation, with secret police dogging our footsteps and a firing squad ever ready for its hapless victims. We are fighting voluntarily that we may live as free men—free to carry out the will of Him whom all of us worship though in divers ways.

We are a God-fearing nation—not fear in the sense of terror, but in a spirit of reverence. We owe allegiance to a God of mercy, to a God of justice. We fight on His side for the liberation of the oppressed and subjugated people. We fight that peace may come again to earth and that children the world over may have a chance to grow strong and healthy in both body and mind, learning to put God before man made rules, to obey His Commandments and to

all commands not later than July 1. After July 1, but before September 1, the period will be increased from fourteen days to twenty-one days.

CHECKS SHOW SPEED LIMIT EXCEEDED

Recent checks in 11 states showed average speeds as high as 47 miles an hour, the public roads administration has announced. Speeds approximated the 35-mile limit only in Maine, Minnesota, North Carolina and Oklahoma, except that in Minnesota the average speed of busses was 45 miles per hour. Earlier this year, speed counts showed national averages of 37 miles an hour for passenger cars, 35 for trucks, and 37 for busses. The present national average cannot be accurately determined until additional reports are received.

RADIO BATTERY PRODUCTION BOOSTED

To bring relief to farmers in non-electrified areas of the nation, production of radio batteries has been boosted to 425,000 a month, the consumers durable goods division of WPB has announced. If the present rate of production is continued over a 12-month period, normal requirements for the 3,200,000 radios to be on farms will be met.

put into practice that other commandment, "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself."

No, there is no atheism in the fox holes. And when the powers of evil are at last vanquished, God grant that the great upsurge of faith will show us the way to make an everlasting peace in which all men will live as brothers acknowledging the fatherhood of God!

Contributed by Sam Hearing

Mrs. America Meets the War

Sweet girl graduates of 1943 are being urged to heed the call to enroll in nursing schools, thereby signing up for an important war job. Girls registering in schools in June will fill the gaps left on hospital staffs by the 31,000 nurses who already have joined the armed forces and other thousands who will follow in months to come. Because of the emergency situation, training courses have been shortened. To meet the basic requirements for entrance to a nursing school a girl must be between 17 or 18 and 35 years of age. College training is preferred, and most schools require high school science credit. A number of scholarships are available and applications should be made to the school of nursing which a girl plans to enter.

Although housewives generally are making more use of the fat rendered in cooking than prior to meat and fats rationing, the war production board salvage division reports an increase in the amount of waste fats turned in as salvage for glycerine. The WPB has urged housewives to re-use kitchen fats until every possible bit is utilized. Only the waste fat which ordinarily would be thrown out, is asked in this drive. The importance of the drive is emphasized by the WPB in pointing out that only by continued processing of waste kitchen fats can essential requirements of glycerine for explosives and other military needs be met.

There's nothing alarming about the maximum ceiling price set by the OPA for a new war alarm clock. Consumers should not be required to pay more than \$1.65 for the war model which will be produced by six firms. The alarming note about the situation is that there is a national shortage of alarm clocks. However, the war production board has allotted enough materials to two firms for the production of 1,700,000 war alarm clocks.