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## COAL STRIKE ORDERED ENDED

President Roosevelt has taken commendable action in telling striking anthracite coal miners in the eastern states to return to work.

Most of us are doing very little to advance the allied cause in the war as compared to those actually in the fighting, but at least we are not pulling back on the war reins.

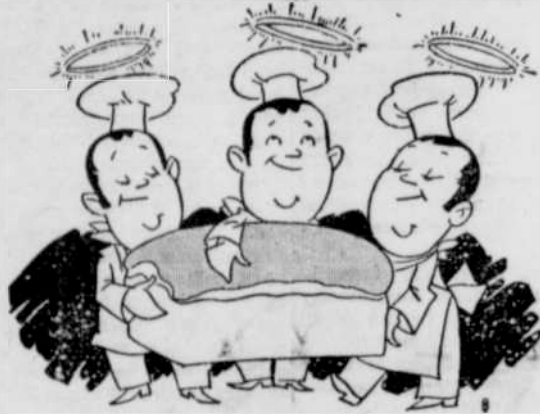
Many persons have advocated sending strikers into the army, in which they would get plenty of action, but perhaps their attitude would be a handicap there, also.

We have always accused the labor leaders for inciting strikes, and that is generally the case, but at the present time the United Mine Workers of America contend that the strike in the coal fields is unauthorized.

President Roosevelt certainly has a right to order the strikers back to work, because coal is absolutely essential in the production of war materials and furnishing civilians with the necessary heat. This is no time for bickering.

### IDEOLOGICAL TOLERANCE

Caldwell News-Tribune  
A New York minister says, regarding Ameri-



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can cooperation with Russia: "If we are criticized for aiding Russia on the ground that such help implies our acceptance of Sovietism, my answer is that I accept the Red army."

In the same spirit, and for the same reason, nearly all Americans now accept that same army and thank God for it. Red Russia has indeed committed many excesses, and throw many a scare, ideological and otherwise, into the hearts of Americans and other nations with more conservative political systems. But in a struggle for survival, individuals and nations accept help where they can get it, and thank God for it. That Red Army today is not fighting to spread Bolshevism, but to save Russia for Russian, and we can meet and cooperate on that basis.

The Soviet system, anyway, has lost a good deal of its crusading zeal since the days of Lenin and Trotsky. The government still holds the land and agriculture is operated nationally as a public service, and industry also is under government ownership and control. But there is less ideological bluster. The industrial workers get wages now, and the important jobs are paid better than the unimportant ones, and people have money instead of tickets in their pockets. In theory, too, the people have a right to vote. It will be interesting to see whether they are allowed to exercise it after the war.

## Nazarene Church News

Mr and Mrs O. J. Hobson and Eleanor, Mr and Mrs Ernest Barker and family; and Homer Brewer were dinner guests at the D. D. Williams home Sunday.

A group of Nazarene young people held a shut-in service for Mrs Roger Tucker and Mrs Earl Anderson at their home Sunday.

Miss Ila Botner and Virgil Seward were Sunday dinner guests at the E. E. Botner home.

Joe Hobson was a Sunday guest at the A. R. Herring home.

Mr and Mrs Jim Langley and son, Rex, were Sunday dinner guests at the Roscoe Kellogg home.

The Ernest Barker family are moving to the Ralph Jones ranch near Arcadia.

Mrs Albert Seward and Virgil were business visitors in Boise Wednesday.

Mrs Earl Gray was a business visitor in Boise Monday.

The Ladies of the W. F. M. S. met at the A. R. Herring home and tied quilts Thursday afternoon.

The men of the Nazarene church met and worked on the church interior Friday. The ladies served dinner at the parsonage.

## HARTLEY GIVES INFORMATION ON SCHOOL MERGER

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Mr Hartley said "the current millage for district 26 shows in a particularly favorable light at this time because of two factors. A surplus of \$6000 was applied as receipts for the current budget. The schedule of bond payments called for only \$6500. Next year bond payments will aggregate \$9500."

"Figures show that district 29 is 21 per cent more wealthy on a per child basis at this particular time. They also show that it costs 84 per cent more to educate a child in that district. This year it would have been possible for district 26 to absorb the students from district 29 at no additional expense other than transportation. This would have lowered costs to the taxpayer all around. An estimate of the total millage under such conditions would be 12.5 mills as compared to 14 mills for district 26 and 22.4 mills for district 29. In other years it might be necessary to continue the Oregon Trail school in operation, at least in part."

"The figures would indicate that, barring change in the status quo, the entire school population could be cared for next year with the present facilities of school district 26 and union high school district. This would, however, be close to the top capacity of present facilities."

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ties. Should the school population increase very much beyond this point, it would either be necessary to make use of the Oregon Trail school or increase the other facilities.

"Eventually Nyssa will have to build more school buildings, whether or no the consolidation takes effect. The high school is crowded now. Last year our grade school was crowded. The high school needs a gymnasium, not necessarily for athletics, but for a thorough-going course in physical education. Any building program, however, would have to be held in obedience for a few years. A glance at the tables regarding indebtedness will show that our bonding capacity would be greatly curtailed should consolidation go through.

"It is generally recognized that larger educational units are more efficient, year in and year out, than are the smaller units. There are, of course, exceptions to this rule as there are to all rules."

"From an educational and administrative standpoint, consolidation of districts 26 and 29 would be a good move. All things being equal, it would give the youngsters of the community a better break than they now have. Future development of the school system would be greatly facilitated and it seems possible that Nyssa could one day have one of the better school systems in the state of Oregon."

## Farm WAR NEWS

**WHEAT DUE TO MOVE**  
With current crops forecasts indicating another good winter wheat crop, Oregon growers are advised by N. E. Dadd of Baker, director of AAA's western division, to liquidate commodity loans now and move wheat to market, thus freeing storage space for the new crop.

In a letter to R. E. Taylor, state AAA chairman, Dadd points out that the premanent ceiling on flour prices, which became effective January 4, will reflect an automatic ceiling on wheat values at about 95 per cent of present parity for soft red winter wheat and 89 per cent for all other classes of wheat. Loans are based on 85 per cent of parity, and most producers should be able to dispose of their 1942 wheat at prices that will pay off the loan and accrued carrying and storage charges.

**OILMEAL FOR FEED**  
Two actions designed to increase the supply of oilmeal for livestock and poultry feeders were announced this week. Commodity Credit Corporation issued an order prohibiting the use of oilseed meals in mixed fertilizers. The war production board gave permission for the importation from Mexico of as much cottonseed and other meals as possible. The shortage of these concentrates has been particularly acute here in the northwest, but it is expected to improve during the next few months.

**MORE CROPS ON ESSENTIAL LIST**  
Several additions have been made to the list of essential farm commodities used by selective service as a basis for draft deferment under the war units plan. Essential ratings have been given to alfalfa seed, other tame hay and seed, grapes, beets, sugar beet seed, honey, sows for farrowing, and a number of others. War ratings for each farm will be determined during the coming farm mobilization sign-up drive.

**USED MACHINERY PRICES**  
All retail sales of used farm tractors, combines, corn pickers and hay balers are now under price control. Here's the most that the seller, whether private owner or auctioneer, can charge: 85 per cent of

the base price for machines less than one year old, 75 per cent if more than one year old.

**ANOTHER PRODUCTION BOARD**  
Oregon growers can take credit for the biggest part of this year's record production of winter cover crop seeds. Figures just announced place the total national output of Austrian winter peas, vetch, crimson clover and ryegrass seed at 261,630,000 pounds, compared with 124,040,000 pounds in 1941.

**SUPPORT PRICES DUE**  
Levels at which the government will support grower prices for canning vegetables will be announced about February 1. Recommended prices for Oregon have been forwarded by the state USDA War Board.

**FOOD "WAR SHORTENER"**  
"Every extra pound of essential food we can produce in 1943 will help shorten the war," declares Robert B. Taylor, chairman of Oregon's USDA war board, in calling for the cooperation of every farm family in completing the farm mobilization sign-up drive launched in every county this week. He asked that all possible assistance be given the committeemen who will contact every farmer to help work out the best way that each farm can contribute a maximum of needed commodities.

**NEW PRICE CEILING**  
Housewives may find slightly higher retail prices for poultry and citrus fruits, but butter and cheese prices should remain almost unchanged as a result of new OPA price ceilings on those commodities. The new ceilings became effective January 14, replaced retail ceilings based on September 28. -October 2 levels.

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Claimant names as witnesses: Evan Gheen, of Ontario, Oregon; Ruby Gheen, of Ontario, Oregon; Olive Bartenhagen, of Homedale, Idaho; Carl Bartenhagen, Homedale, Idaho.

Idaho: Carl Bartenhagen, Homedale, Idaho.  
W. F. JACKSON, Register.

**Youth Promoted—**  
Corporal Harold G. Holmes of Nyssa was recently promoted to the grade of sergeant. Sergeant Holmes, who is stationed in South Carolina, is a member of a medium bombardment group.

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