



PAYROLL BOND CUSTOMERS GET BREAK ON TRIAL TRIPS

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Sunday Sentinels This interesting photographic study of the Vancouver cranes at rest on Sunday is a scene not generally viewed by employees. Six days a week these cranes are scattered up and down the craneways busy loading steel on transports that will carry men and equipment to the far-flung islands of the South Pacific and the shores of Europe.

If Your Present Payroll Deduction Is . . .	You Will Automatically Get . . .	If You Increase Your Weekly Pledge To . . .	You Will Get A Total of . . .	AND REMEMBER!
\$ 3.75	2 chances	\$ 6.25	4 chances	ONE Additional chance for every \$50 cash bond (20 chances for \$1000 bond)
6.25	3 chances	7.50	5 chances	
7.50	3 chances	12.50	5 chances	
12.50	5 chances	18.75	7 chances	ONE Additional chance for each \$50 purchase on special payroll deduction.
18.75	7 chances	37.50	10 chances	
37.50	15 chances	50.00	17 chances	

Count Your Chances The chart above shows how you can figure your chances to win a trial run trip on a Vancouver carrier during the Fifth War Loan drive. Payroll deductions for April, May and June are included.



First Again! The Electrical maintenance crew of Joe Perry on the ways crashed through in first place again when the entire group shown above signed up 100% on the Fifth War Loan drive Monday by 11 a. m. Cards were passed out at 8 a. m. Perry's crew has been first in Red Cross sign-up, has participated in blood donations, and has an unusually good presenteeism record. (Vancouver photo)

DRYDOCK KEEL LAYING JUNE 20

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Russian Absentees Go to Jail Shipyards Compared

Sharp differences and startling similarities between Russian and American shipyards recently were pointed out in a conversational interview between Edgar Kaiser, general manager of the Kaiser yards, and engineers of the Soviet Purchasing commission on their recent visit to the Portland-Vancouver area. Most striking similarity was in the matter of wages. Skilled workers, comparing with American journeymen, make approximately \$280 to \$300 a month in Russia.

The Russian diet also compares favorably with the American except in those parts of the Soviet Union recently liberated from the enemy. Where the army is concentrated, all available supplies are allocated for military use. Civilians have to take anything that might be left. This is complicated by the fact that single rail lines replace those destroyed by the Germans.

SHIPYARDS DIFFER

Russian shipyards differ considerably from American yards, commission members indicated. In Russia each shipyard operates as a complete unit. Everything that goes onto the ship is made in the one plant—engines, boilers, castings, machine work. Plans for decentralized construction of parts are under consideration, however, they said.

Ships are finished completely under cover, even to engine alignment. The Russians also are familiar with latest developments in welding and employ them to a great extent. Most Russian ships do not exceed 6000 tons and average much less.

MAIN POINTS OF DIFFERENCE

Chief difference between Russian and American shipbuilding operations lies in the fact that Russian shipyards are not handled by contracts as in the United States, but are direct government operations. The Russian employ works for the U.S.S.R. He is not paid by the hour but on a piece basis—getting higher wages for better individual production. Nor is there such a thing as absenteeism. Commission members could not understand the term "absenteeism." When they finally comprehended what was meant by the word, they answered that in Russia one does not take a day off when he so desires. An absentee either goes to jail or the army. It has not been a problem, they pointed out, because the people are so concerned with winning the war against Germany that no one thinks of staying away from work or loafing on the job.

Certain differences in the Rus-



Engineers from the government purchasing commission of the Soviet Union now in Washington, D. C., are shown above on their recent visit to the Portland-Vancouver area. From left are, Ed Argessinger, superintendent of Hull Material at Vancouver yard; A. S. Petroff; B. G. Chelikin; J. MacIsaac, representative of the George Sharp designing firm, designers of the BB3; E. Egorov and A. S. Yuzahakov. —(Vancouver photo)

sian approach to armed forces recruiting were explained. Unlike America where all young men of army age are drafted immediately, promising young engineers, electricians, designers and doctors remain in school to get the best training possible.

DEPEND UPON YOUTH

"It is the young people upon whom we must depend for all of the developments of the future," they told Kaiser.

Education is available to all, regardless of financial status. The government will give free higher education to any man or woman, whether in trades or arts. This applies to both army men and civilians.

Top ranking industrial executives receive approximately \$1000 a month salary plus a bonus for exceptionally good work. The manager of a plant also will receive an additional bonus to divide among the workers of production record plants.

Housing costs about the same as in America, the commission members said. The average workman

pays around \$38 a month for a five-room house in normal times.

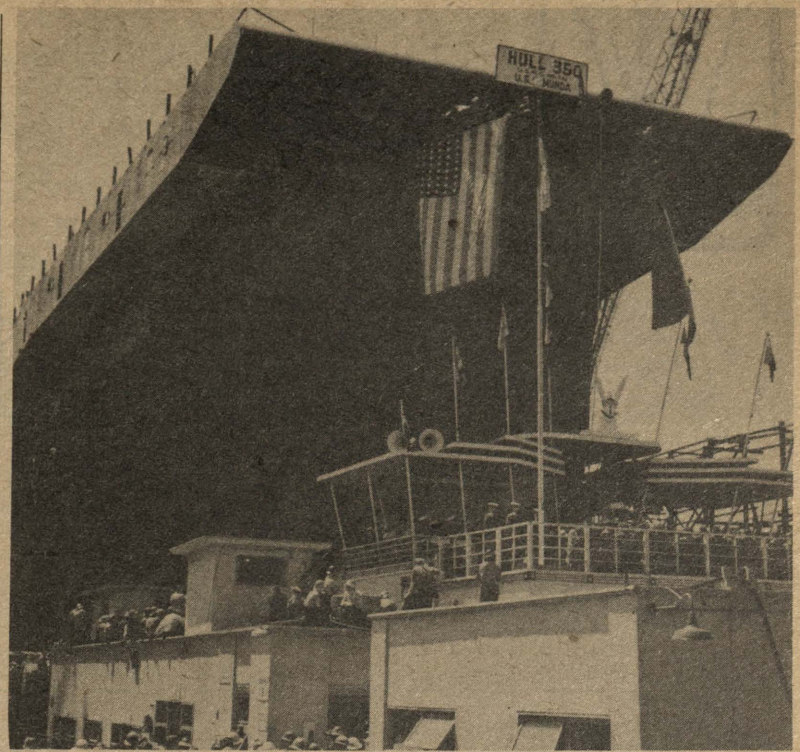
Since the war, women have taken an increasingly leading role in industry and in the shipyards they are working on 38 per cent of the jobs. They are paid the same wages as men.

REGATTA TALLY UP

(SWAN ISLAND)—Scores as of June 8 in the Swan Island lifeboat regatta and announced by Tom Hoxie, public relations manager, show Hull Outfitting, Dock Welders, Marine Pipe, Fabrication and Erection tied for first place with two points each. Scores are based on races held on the standard course, with three boats in a race.

Softball Dance Set

(OREGON SHIP)—A dance to raise funds for the second half of Oregon Ship's day shift softball league season will be held Saturday night, June 17, in the Norse hall, N. E. 11th and Couch. Mickey Weston and her orchestra will furnish the music.



Vancouver's last carrier, the U.S.S. Munda, above, is shown during launching ceremonies on Thursday, June 8. All of the yard's 12 ways are now completely at work on AP-5 troop transport vessels.

Last Flat Top Being Fitted

(VANCOUVER)—There are no carriers on the ways at Vancouver this week. The high, rounded-off edge of the "Flat Top's" fight decks no longer greet the upward gaze of the worker as he strolls through the yard. One berth is already vacant at the Outfitting dock, to be filled by an attack trans-

port. Launching ceremonies on Thursday, June 8, appropriately featured top-flight Kaiser company and navy personalities when the U.S.S. Munda, 50th and last carrier, slid into the Columbia. Edgar Kaiser spoke, as did Admiral Leigh Noyes for the navy. Mike Miller, Vancouver's assistant general manager, paid final tribute to the carriers and, in praising the workers who built them, called for continued endeavor in the important attack transport construction. Capt. James D. Barner, Astoria, also spoke, and so did Capt. James E. Dyer. Mrs. Dyer christened the Munda. Matron of honor was Mrs. H. George McMillan and six-year-old Ann Carol Dyer was flower girl.

RECORD-BREAKING CONTRACT

Delivery of the Munda on July 12 will complete the contract for 50 baby flat-tops. Last Thursday's launching recalled the big day in April, 1943, when Eleanor Roosevelt christened the first carrier before an estimated crowd of 50,000 persons. Said Edgar Kaiser to the workers last Thursday: "I can't help thinking of the Alazon Bay, now the Casablanca; and then this ship, the 50th, to follow her slightly over a year later. You are the ones who are the 'presentees' who have done this job and furnished the country with half of her baby carrier craft.

"Now we enter a new program. We must furnish per single trip 125,000 troop-lift capacity within the next 12 months. Think that over. That's our job... There is no question in my heart nor in my mind but that we can do that job. I am grateful for the work that you are doing, and God grant that we may continue and we may fulfill our obligation."

ADMIRAL NOYES SPEAKS

Admiral Leigh Noyes told the assembled workers they had completed one of the most successful mass productions of ships of which he knew. "Many (of you) had never worked on ships before coming here, but as the carrier program progressed defects were eliminated. You have every right to be proud of the contribution these escort carriers have made to the defeat of our enemy in the Atlantic and the Pacific...

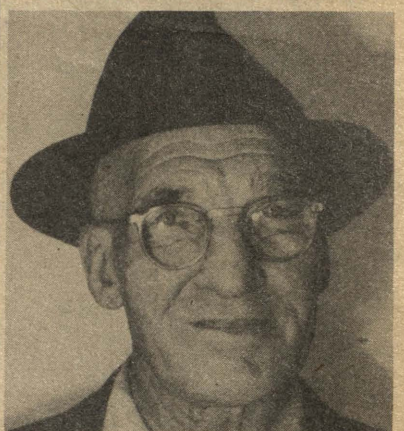
"Your company has contracts to build for the navy a large number of transports and attack transports... Mr. Henry Kaiser is one of the most foresighted businessmen in the country. He has many plans for postwar jobs. After the war, if you want a job, no place could be better than a Kaiser or-

ganization. May I say again you have made a fine record and a great contribution toward winning the war in building the 50 Aircraft Carriers."

BARNER TO NEW POST

Capt. James D. Barner, a frequent visitor to the yard and commanding officer of the Astoria naval receiving station, made what may be his last appearance in the yard. He is shortly scheduled to assume command of one of the largest carriers in U.S. service. "The war has a long way to go," he said, "and it is not over by any means... Please do not feel that this is any letdown in importance of ships when you finish the splendid carrier program and start the transports, because without them we can't possibly win the war... When I leave in a few days, Captain Ponto, one of the navy's outstanding officers, will take over the station at Astoria... I know that you will give him the great cooperation that you have given me."

Swan Worker on Job In Both World Wars



R. O. THOMAS

(SWAN ISLAND)—R. O. Thomas, day expeditor in Welding Rod Control at Swan Island, is a living argument against the theory that shipbuilders leave Portland. He came here in 1917 as a sheet metal worker at Columbia Shipbuilding yard, near Ross Island bridge.

When he arrived from Idaho, his intention was not to make Portland his permanent home, but merely to do his part in the World War I effort. He liked Oregon and Portland so well that he stayed on here and married.

Thomas says, "I never have regretted the decision to remain here. I knew then that Portland had wonderful possibilities, and I think the future for this area now is greater than ever before."



MONTANANS PICNIC 'Wild West' in Fore

Six thousand Montanans employed in Kaiser shipyards in the Portland-Vancouver area and their friends gathered last Sunday for a Montana picnic, first of a series of state celebrations to be held during the summer months in Pier park. Three thousand former residents of Montana, representing every

county, registered at the park. Their names and local addresses as well as their former Montana addresses will be placed on file in the Guard offices at Oregon Ship, Vancouver and Swan Island yards.

Portland park bureau officials said the Montana picnic was one of the most colorful outings ever staged in a city park.

Scores of picnickers appeared in gala western costumes, the jingling of spurs could be heard on all sides, and "10-gallon hats" were in profusion.

The celebration opened with religious services conducted by Dr. William Wallace Youngson, retired Methodist minister.

MISS MONTANA CHOSEN

Until sundown there was a continuous sports and entertainment program, highlighted by a beauty contest in which Melvann Gray, was named "Miss Montana."

Miss Gray, who was born in Billings, is a Jefferson high school student and a niece of Carma Twilde, Oregon Ship office clerk.

Second prize went to Dorothy Johnson, native of Helena and daughter of Howard Johnson, Oregon Ship personnel department employe.

The judges were unable to decide which girl should win first place so a coin was flipped. Judges of the contest were A. J. O'Connor and Jack Fleming, both of Butte, and James Delaney, Miles City.

Another feature of the entertainment was a free dance with music by Bob Bateman and his Serenaders. Horseshoe tournaments and softball games were held throughout the day. The park

swimming pool was filled to capacity.

EXPERIENCES OFFERED

Roger Smith, general chairman of the picnic committee, announced that members will aid in planning other state picnics for Kaiser workers.

"It was a wonderful picnic," he declared. "There is no reason why every other state can't have one just as good as Montana."

Other members of the general committee were Mike Smullen, Jack Weber, Anna McCullough, Ken Fair, Del Von Zeuthen, Ray Bossler, Lyle Downing, Mae Feist, Jack Dailey, Bob McCoy and Don James.

Speaker of the day was Leo J. Hanley, prominent Portland attorney, whose first job was president of the Butte Newboys' union 30 years ago. Hanley said he had just returned from a trip to Montana and "the folks back home are proud of the record you Montanans are making in the shipyards." Hanley was introduced by City Commissioner William A. Bowes of Portland.

The Montana picnic committee expressed its thanks to Meier & Frank company, Tommy Luke, Jack Luihn, Jolly Joan restaurant, Hamerick-Evergreen theaters and Jim Tatum who donated prizes and otherwise cooperated in staging the celebration.

Pipefitters Dance

Pipefitters' monthly dance, the last for the summer, will be held June 24 at the Steam and Marine Fitters' hall, Third avenue and Columbia street. Music will be furnished by Harry Longtin's orchestra.



Thousands of Montanans and their friends are pictured above as they watched a variety show at the Montana state picnic last Sunday in Pier park. Six thousand persons attended the celebration, first of a series of state picnics to be held by Kaiser workers during the summer.

MINNESOTANS TO PICNIC NEXT; SERIES PLANNED

Plans were formulated this week in the three Kaiser yards for a Minnesota state picnic to be held Sunday, June 25, in Pier park. State picnics will be held for Kaiser workers throughout the summer.

Minnesotans who are willing to serve on committees and otherwise assist in staging the celebration are urged to contact Mrs. Helen McDonald of the Portland park bureau. She can be reached by telephoning ATwater 5641.

"The park bureau is greatly pleased with the splendid turnout of Montanans for the Montana state picnic last Sunday in Pier park," Mrs. McDonald said. "It was one of the most colorful celebrations ever held in a Portland park. And we were happy to find that the picnickers left the park clean."

FEATURE TO BE REPEATED

All features which made the Montana picnic such a success will be repeated at the Minnesota picnic. There will be a beauty contest to pick "Miss Minnesota" and a varied program of sports, as well as a variety show. Free coffee will be furnished by Jack Luihn, operator of Kaiser yard cafeterias and dormitory restaurants. Scores of prizes will be awarded.

Other picnics scheduled are:

- Texas-New Mexico—July 2.
 - North Dakota-South Dakota—July 9.
 - Iowa-Kansas—July 16.
 - Nebraska-Missouri—July 23.
 - Idaho—July 30.
 - Illinois, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Michigan and Wisconsin—August 6.
 - Colorado, Arizona, Wyoming and Oklahoma—August 13.
 - California, Utah and Nevada—August 20.
 - Northeastern states—Aug. 27.
- Former residents of all states are asked to take part in arranging the picnics.

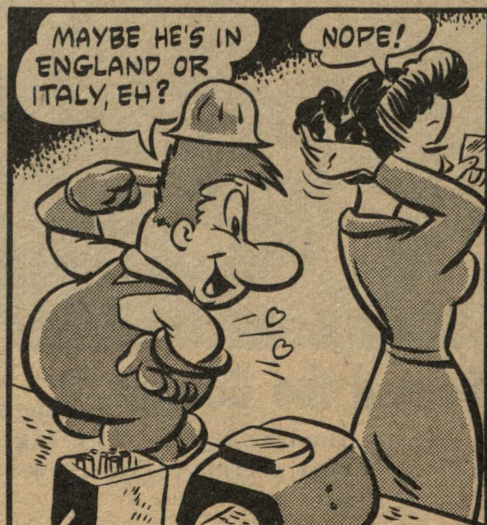


Melvann Gray (right) of Billings, won the title "Miss Montana" at a Montana state picnic held by Portland-Vancouver area Kaiser shipyard workers last Sunday at Pier park. Shown with her is Dorothy Johnson of Helena, who won second place in the beauty contest. So close was the contest that the judges flipped a coin to decide the title winner.



"Woman Driver!"

Stubby Bilgebottom



By Ernie Hager

Fifth War Loan Drive Goes Full Speed Ahead

(VANCOUVER)—The Fifth War Loan drive—with 200 trial run trips on the last two carriers at stake—was off to a fast start this week. "The start of this drive indicates our most successful campaign," said Chairman Tony Greer as he surveyed first returns from cards circulated Monday and Tuesday. The cash sale booth, dressed up in red, white and blue paint, opened this morning at Victory

Center where workers may pick up their checks and cash them for purchase of bonds. Saturday the booth will begin moving throughout the yard for the sale of bonds during lunch hours. It will appear at the main gates during change of shifts.

KAISER COMMENTS

Superintendents heard an outline of the campaign at a meeting in the executive dining room last Friday noon when Yard Superintendent John Hallett introduced Tom Murphy, who explained the trial run trip plan. Present at the luncheon were Edgar Kaiser and Mike Miller, both of whom spoke in behalf of the drive. Kaiser indicated that he would be interested in the results of the campaign at Vancouver because it differed considerably from Swan Island and Oregon Ship.

"This time each yard was given a free hand in the campaign," he said. "I never knew what any of the yards had planned until the last minute. When I would see Tom Murphy all he would say was 'Hi' until the plans were completed!"

Proper recognition of the "regular customers" was the central idea back of the plan, according to Murphy. The men and women who have been buying bonds each week merit full credit in this Fifth War Loan drive, he added. The trial run plan gives them as good a chance to win a trip as the cash buyers. Straight cash buyers will not be permitted to participate unless they are signed up for regular payroll deductions, he explained.

Headquarters for the war loan drive will be in the Bond office in the Personnel building outside the gate, and the Bosn's Whistle office in the Machine Shop west annex inside the yard. Chairman of the committee is Greer of the War Bond department, with Murphy, Bob McCoy, Herbert Stephens, Dave Deihl and George Conner assisting.

WORKERS ANSWER QUICKLY TO YARDS CALLS FOR HELP

(VANCOUVER)—No one can say that Vancouver workers don't cooperate. A brief tabulation made this week shows that workers in this yard have responded promptly to every plea announced in the Bosn's Whistle.

A recent appeal for draftsmen resulted in over 100 applications for jobs and a serious crisis in that work has been averted. In addition, 15 workers applied for work at Oregon Ship where the ad did not appear!

The Vancouver Red Cross this week announced that shipyard workers donating blood are over-subscribing the Clark county quota.

Mrs. Marie Emerson, Personnel interviewer, reports that the small weekly "Help Wanted" classified ads consistently have resulted in filling the positions, and also have located persons for positions not directly advertised for.

The Vancouver U.S.O. Recreation center story, which announced that shipyard workers were welcome, resulted in the center being literally "flooded" with visitors. "A week ago we didn't have any shipyard workers," they said, "but now we have to turn some away we have so many."

ATTENTION DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Within the next two weeks the majority of teachers and graduates will have secured employment in defense or private industry. If you do not avail yourselves of this labor supply now, it will be too late.

Requisitions for clerical help in Personnel have been filled, with a few exceptions. Make your requests to Mrs. Marie Emerson, Employment Interviewer, in Personnel, Ext. 700.



Superintendents at the executive dining room in the Cafeteria last Friday heard Tom Murphy explain the Fifth War Loan campaign offering 200 free trial run trips as prizes. Said Edgar Kaiser: (at the left behind Carl Lodell) "Vancouver's bond drive is certainly different. I am eager to see the results."—(Vancouver photo)

Steady Bond Buyers Get Break on Rides

(VANCOUVER)—A letter to the Worker Speaks column this week resulted in an important change in the present plans for awarding 200 trial run trips to workers as a reward for bond buying during the Fifth War Loan drive. Chairman Tony Greer, in answer to the request that the big steady buyers get

more credit, agreed to include all bond purchases for April, May and June on regular payroll deductions toward the total of chances offered the workers.

Originally, the plan called for credit on all \$50 bonds purchased only during the drive itself. Under this plan, the reader pointed out, those people who have been buying \$37.50 each week were penalized by the fact that some workers bought only \$3.75 each week and then came in with large cash purchases during bond drives.

The new plan will give a heavy bond buyer credit for all bonds he has purchased through regular payroll deductions during April, May and June. Thus a worker who has been taking out \$37.50 a week automatically will receive 15 chances. The worker taking out \$18.75 a week automatically will receive eight chances.

Cash buyers are not penalized in any way under this plan. It merely brings the regular buyer to a more equal footing with the cash buyer. A cash buyer who buys \$500 worth of bonds will receive 10 chances, plus one chance for being a regular signed up member of the payroll plan. The cash buyer must be presently signed up for regular payroll deductions, or immediately do so to have his cash purchases count, Greer emphasized. (See chart, page 1.)

DRAFT CONFOOZIN' ... BUT AMOOZIN'

(VANCOUVER)—T. R. Kelly, interviewing prospective draftsmen last week, looked up and saw a lad from Mississippi in front of him, hat in hand.

"Suh," he began, "Ah's interested in this heah draft business."

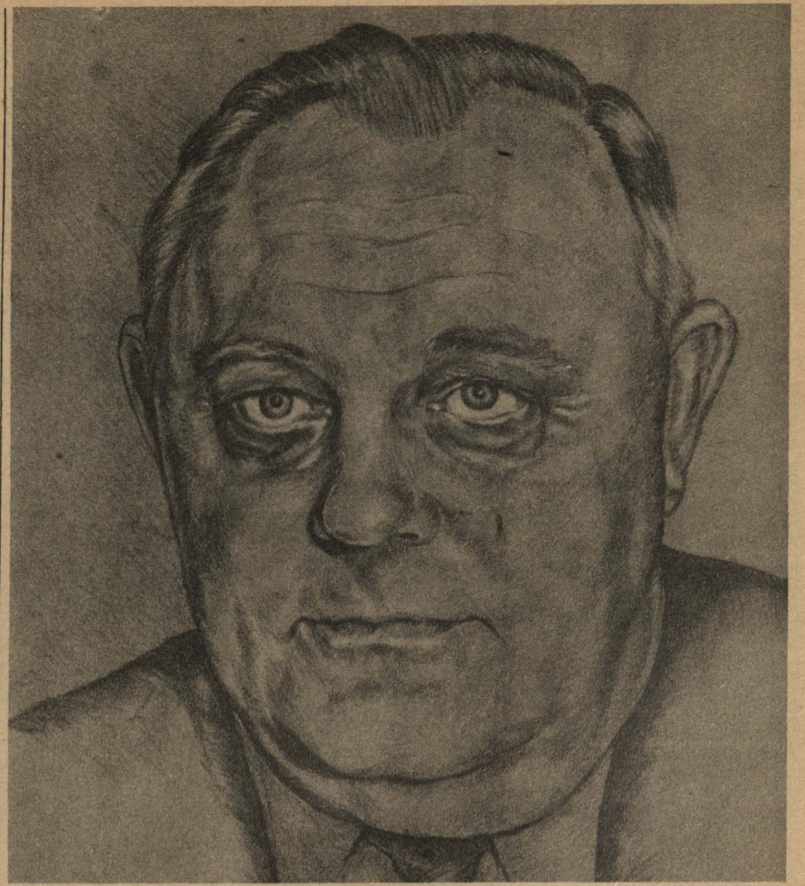
"Can you draw or do lettering?" inquired Kelly.

"No suh," was the reply.

"Can you trace?" Kelly continued.

"No, suh," again.

Finally after indicating desperate reluctance to leave, the gent blurted out: "Look-uh heah, Mis'r Kelly. Ah's in fo' F. Ah's been a-tryin' to git in this heah army. Now you is draft'n and Ah's just got to join up."



Two-War Shipbuilder Walter A. Larsen, Plate shops superintendent, has one of the yard's key departments. Larsen came to this country from Denmark when he was 21. He swiftly learned to speak English, then went into the work he loved—steel. During World War I, he worked for Willamette Iron and Steel. He has worked for Kaiser company three years. Larsen likes nothing better than a good book or a game of golf. He believes the Northwest has great possibilities in the post war future as a center for the manufacture of light metals products. (Drawing by E. S. Johnson.)

VANCOUVER FLAT TOPS LEAD HOLLANDIA BLOW

(VANCOUVER) — At least four Vancouver carriers spear-headed the attack on Hollandia, it was learned this week by the Bosn's Whistle from a reliable source.

All were part of the First Division under Rear Admiral Ralph Davison, it was learned, who was operating in direct cooperation with General Douglas MacArthur. The carrier planes provided the air support for the landing of MacArthur's men, it was said.

Marathon Sunday

(VANCOUVER)—The 1944 Juneteenth Celebration, featuring the annual Emancipation Marathon race, will start at 10 a.m. Sunday, June 18, in Vancouver's Esther Short park. The marathon race will begin at Camas and end at the park, according to plans announced by the Emancipation committee. Softball games will feature the afternoon program.

Singing Parrot's Return Requested

(VANCOUVER)—The clamor for a return engagement of "Billie", the singing parrot, at the Vancouver yard is growing steadily, according to his owners, Mr. and Mrs. George P. Murray. They brought him out to the yard once so their friends might see Billie and hear him sing and whistle his version of the ballad "In the Blue Ridge Mountains of Virginia."

The Murrays inherited the parrot from a friend. The bird had been sent from Australia and has reached the age of 51 years.

Billie and the Murrays came to Vancouver in May of 1943 from Roanoke, Virginia. Mrs. Murray works in Marine Electric and her husband is a shipwright on the Outfitting dock. Both work swing shift. They have a son in the navy who is still in training in the United States.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks to our many friends in the shipyard who sent several beautiful floral offerings on the occasion of the death of our mother and sister-in-law—Mrs. Martha Cox.—Clarence Cox, Abner Cox, Mrs. N. Carlock and family, Claude Emerick.



Were You Behind the Bonds? When the "Pipe Shop Gang" saw the picture on page 1 with two \$50 war bonds covering a crowd of workers leaving the north gate, they asked the Bosn's Whistle to see who was behind the bonds. Here is that portion of the crowd which was hidden by the bonds. Are you in it? (Vancouver Photo)

CALLING ALL DRAFTSMEN!

New and important work looming for the Vancouver yard, including the contract for 20 C-4 type attack transports, has created anew a need for draftsmen. Three weeks ago a call went out for draftsmen through the Bosn's Whistle and the men and women of the yard responded and filled the need.

This week, with still greater demands facing the yard, Assistant General Manager Mike Miller and Yard Superintendent John Hallett again called on the yard to seek out men and women with drafting experience. The need is urgent.

If you have any type of drawing experience, mechanical or otherwise, contact the Personnel department immediately. Report to the office of Carl Kilgore, Personnel director, on the second floor of the building. Full time work can be arranged on either a temporary or permanent basis. Transfers will be arranged.

The WORKER SPEAKS

Fairness Questioned

Sir: I believe your contest is a good idea so far as the trial trip is concerned. As you stated in the Bosn's Whistle, all you have to be is a steady bond deduction buyer. That is OK. But here is what I do not think is fair. Employees taking out \$3.75 weekly get one chance. That is fine, but some of us have taken out \$18.75 and some \$37.50 weekly, and maybe more.

Employees who have taken these small deductions should have been able to bank plenty of cash. Now that the contest is on they can go down and draw out and get plenty of chances. But we who have been faithful and taken \$18.75 a week ever since we have worked in the yard should have some consideration in this contest. We have a daughter in our own family who has a large savings, and she told me she could take that trip easily if she wanted to draw her money out and buy bonds.....of course, it could be that is the object of the contest; to get people to draw out their savings—which is a good idea. But it is very unfair to those who have been so faithful through the months with larger deductions. In closing, I hope you will consider this in fairness to the contest.—G. M. B., welder on graveyard.

Ed: This question is well-founded and is responsible for several amendments to the bond contest plan. For full details see story and chart on Page 4.

Great Job Finished

Sir: As I stood gazing at the last of 50 Flat Tops which within a week will join her sisters on the oceans of the earth, a flood of memories came sweeping over me.

Within a year and a half these mighty carriers have been transformed from crude iron ore to the mightiest single agency for the preservation of human liberty (as we Americans understand human liberty) in the whole wide world. From their combined decks, 1750 battle planes can be thrown against those who would challenge the right of mankind to live a life free from the domination of tyrants who have elected themselves masters of their fellow beings. This fleet of ships constitutes an agency powerful enough to turn the tide of battles in any engagement into which they may be sent, and may well be that factor for the achievement of victory so necessary to the salvation of this earth on which we live.

These were the thoughts that came seeping through my mind as I stood gazing at the last Flat Top on the ways standing in solitary grandeur, the fulfillment of a dream come true. Fifty great steel fighting ships within a year and a half. Nothing like it has been done before in the history of the human race.

To say that it is stupendous, colossal, electrifying is merely making use of superlatives. It is greater than any of these phrases, because these ships could have been built in this length of time only through the coordination of a master planner, and the great hearts of thousands upon thousands of plain American workmen, green men and women from the woods, the farms, the kitchen, the backbone of the

nation. Free labor so different from the driven labor of our enemies. So as the last Flat Top slides down the ways, let us take off our hats to her, for she is the living symbol of the spirit of America.

Each man or woman in the yard, however humble his job, can say she is part mine for I helped build her, and I for one shall always glory in the fact that I did my part. And regardless of what criticisms might be leveled against us the fact remains that.....we built them.—F. S. Faison, day guard.

Sports Page Again

Sir: A few weeks ago a reader wrote in complaining of the lack of space given to Vancouver sports. In return he was given the assinine excuse that only one page was available and it has to cover sports events from the three yards. Granted such may be the case, I offer the following solution for the benefit of your sports editor.

The format calls for a five column spread—okay. Give one column to Oregon Ship, one column to Swan Island and the remaining three columns to Vancouver. Then perhaps we may have a partial coverage of sporting events that are of interest to workers in this yard.

I understand there are two leagues of day employees operating on regular schedule. Why aren't these leagues given suitable publicity? Why isn't there at least a resume of the week's games listed? Why isn't there a schedule of the games to be played and where for the coming week?

I'm not a member of any of the teams nor associated with any of the league organizations. However I have been approached by some of the players with this view in mind. My job as counsellor is to endeavor to quell any disturbances of employees. All of us know that employees given an opportunity to relax are much more able to endure the strenuous requirements of their respective jobs.

Why can't the Bosn's Whistle cooperate in this by publicizing the various recreational activities engaged in by co-workers? The more publicity, the more interest; the more interest, the more participants.....Yours for piping all hands on deck.—Charles F. Leon, Machinist counsellor.

Ed: Oh, the beating we take on our sports page! Slowly but surely we are ironing it out as best we can within space limitations and early deadlines.

Mott is Chief Steward

(VANCOUVER)—William "Bill" Mott, of the Machine shop and Valve department, was elected Chief Steward for the machinists.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Pafe, Portland, a girl weighing 7 lbs. and 1½ ozs. on June 1. Pafe is a swing shift welder.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Moore, Bagley Downs, a girl weighing 6 lbs., 12½ ozs. on June 2. Moore is a swing shift welder.

Mr. and Mrs. Ival Sutton, McLoughlin Heights, a boy weighing 8 lbs., 9½ ozs., June 2. Sutton is an electrician foreman swing shift.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenard Hulney, McLoughlin Heights, a boy weighing 6 lbs., 15 ozs., on June 2. Hulney is a swing shift welder.

Mr. and Mrs. David Anderson, Bagley Downs, a boy weighing 8 pounds, June 3. Anderson is a swing shift electrician.

Mr. and Mrs. Meredith Siebrath, McLoughlin Heights, a girl weighing 7 lbs., 6 ozs., June 7. Siebrath is a day shift painter.

Drydock Keel Laying Slated for June 20

(VANCOUVER) — The keel laying of the drydock, held up for a number of weeks because of material shortages, has been officially designated as June 20, according to word received this week from Yard Superintendent John Hallett. Completion is scheduled for the middle of October. The drydock, large enough to lift a 14,000 ton ship, is being built in three sections. When completed

it will be floated down to a permanent location. While assignment has not been made by the navy, it is the hope of the Kaiser company that it will be located eventually at the Kaiser Swan Island yard.

The Facilities engineering department has charge of the Hull and Outfitting details and the ordering of material. Facilities designed the way and the crane pier.

At the present time, according to Duncan Gregg, assistant yard superintendent, the Plate shop is turning out between 50 and 60 tons of steel a day. While this is not the peak it represents a sizeable flow of material. All of the steel must pass through the Pickling plant before it is sent on for the actual erection.

Mold Loft is 90 per cent finished with the templates and no reason is known for any difficulty in completion on time, according to A. C. Barnett, loft superintendent.

VANCOUVER Shipyard Siftings

Employees of the Mold Loft were given a dance at Columbia House last week by Mae Benson, loftsman; Ruth Friedel, loftsman; Dorsey Hodgson, supervisor of template storage; Ed Huerta, foreman of loft, and Mic Casciato, supervisor of loft. All recently received promotions. Albina Hellcats provided the music

... Cpl. Walter H. Witherbee, former burner on the ways, was a visitor in the yard June 7 after spending 10 months at Camp Callan and two weeks at Ft. Bliss, Tex. Walt was an employee from July 21, 1942, to July 2, 1943, and since that time has been with an anti-aircraft battalion. Walt's father, Glenn Witherbee, is with the ventilation crew on the ways, and a brother, Lester, is a welder. One other brother in the army recently left for overseas... Elyn Clinkenbeard, scaler for U.S.M.C. in the Outfitting yard for the past 17 months, left June 2 for her home in Minnesota to visit her parents and attend to business matters. Elyn expects to return to work the first part of August.

Gene Velte, rate control supervisor, and Cese Hearn, cost engineer, played off another of their golfing feuds. Hearn again won a high-priced dinner as the result of his superior play and can be quoted as saying, "There is no meal quite as good as a free meal, especially when paid for by Velte."... Virginia Erickson, formerly a graveyard shift mimeograph operator at the Administration building, is now a WAVE attending Hunter college in New York. Virginia was employed from June, 1943, to April, 1944... Mrs. Audry Swanson, tool dispatcher at Deck Erection, was visited by her husband, PFC Bill Swanson, who has been stationed at Camp Haan. Bill was one of the first burners hired here at Vancouver and was leadman on the Outfitting dock when he left for the service... R. C. Beatty, welder inspector on Way 5 graveyard shift, left June 13 for the army... H. W. Penhallow, clearance officer at Main Electric, will challenge any chess player in the yard.

Marine Machinist Makes Every Run



"PAPPY" LARSON

(VANCOUVER)—A. "Pappy" Larson, who has charge of the aft engine room on carriers with the marine machinists, has made every trial run trip since the yard started.

During the last war he made trial runs for the Standifer shipyard here. Those runs were from Vancouver to New York by way of the Panama canal, and he always returned overland. Standifer Steel built tankers, and Larson signed on one of the last of them as first engineer for the Standard Oil company.

Larson says that better ships are being built here now—and much faster. Working conditions are safer than they were during World War I, he asserts. All ships were riveted then, causing greater danger.

Larson is high in praise of his present crew. Without their work, carriers never would get away from the dock, he claims.

Celebrate Anniversary

(VANCOUVER)—Mrs. Bernadine Abeln was given a dinner party by the masking crew on the Outfitting dock May 29 in honor of her 25th wedding anniversary. Mrs. Abeln is a warehouseman at General Stores, swing shift. Mr. and Mrs. Abeln have a son and daughter in the service. Lt. Louise Abeln is with the 95th General Hospital somewhere in England and Ray Abeln, AM 2/c in the Hawaiian Islands. Another daughter, Eva Mae (Tiny), and Billy, are working in the yard.

'JACKIE' HARRIS SCORES AGAIN



"JACKIE" HARRIS

(VANCOUVER)—Louis "Jackie" Harris came through this time with an idea for the Fifth War Loan drive which was promptly taken up by the War Bond committee. Harris has many of his ideas in use throughout the yard, but the one for the drive bids fair to be the most popular one he ever made—200 trial trips for regular war bond buyers. Ideas are a hobby with Harris. This one idea was the result of a telephone conversation with E. A. Jensen, head of the Suggestion Clearance office.

Times Have Changed, 'Last Man' Recalls

(VANCOUVER) — World War I conditions in the shipyard were

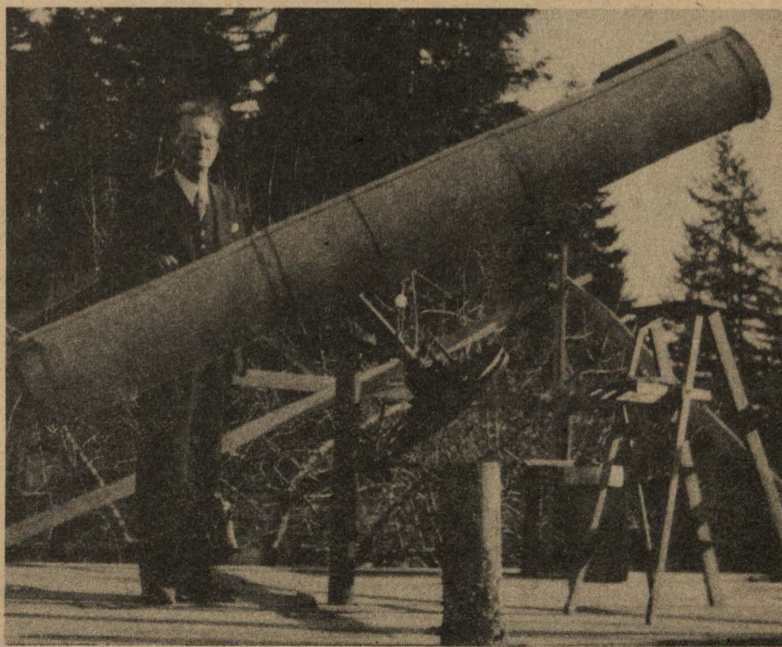
nothing like they are during the present war, according to F. S. McAlpine, day Boilermaker foreman in Boiler Erection, who was the last man out the gate of Vancouver's G. M. Standifer Wood

Ship Yard after the close of the first world war.

Food was not rationed directly but neither were prices controlled and accordingly were far out of reason, thus creating a false security. Sugar sold at \$26 for a hundred pounds, potatoes were from \$6 to \$8 a sack, tires cost \$40 apiece, and batteries sold for as high as \$52.

The Interstate bridge had just opened and the toll was 15c for the car and five cents for each passenger.

Gasoline scarcity is not a new thing, McAlpine said. During the last war on a trip to the beach, a motorist would have to spend three or four hours driving about town filling his tank with two or three gallons at a time and paying from 27c to 35c a gallon.



Amateur Astronomer H. S. Wildermuth, spray gun painter on day shift, constructed this telescope and ground the 12-inch lens himself. Previously he had made a ten-inch and an eight-inch lens. Wildermuth first started constructing his own telescopes in 1937. He has been interested in astronomy for many years. The telescope shown is on his ranch west of Amboy, 25 miles from Vancouver. It gathers light for vision 3400 times greater than the naked eye.



F. S. McAlpine



'Stars' Thirst For Revenge

(OREGON SHIP)—An all-star roster from the ranks of Oregon Ship softball league teams began practice last Sunday for a game to be played soon with the independent Welders and Burners' 99 Tavern club. The welders have beaten nearly every team in the softball league, and the all-stars are thirsting for vengeance.

The stars' line-up will be made up from the following players:

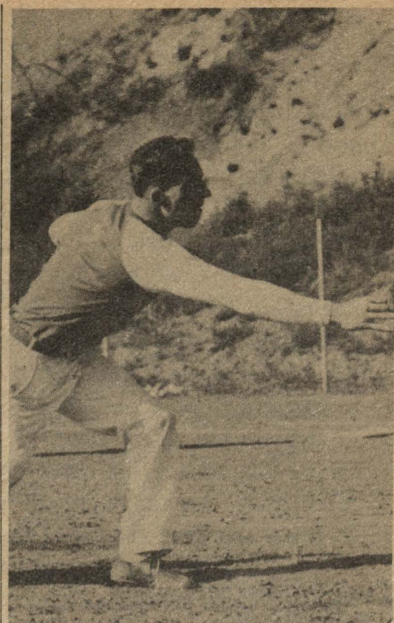
Bud Rogers, Steed, and Don Redd, Assembly, catchers; Mel Mason, Engineers, Ralph Sittel, Steed, Ray Bristow, Materials, and Bob Niece, Assembly, pitchers; Lloyd Jackson, Materials, first base; Peterson, Specialty, second base; Bus Rayley, Superstructure, L. Monroe, Specialty, and Johnny Rekart, Steed, shortstops; Mike Kuvallis, Assembly, third base; Tommy Sandercock, Materials, and "Lefty" Jacks, Thesman, roving shortstop; Marsh Eyestone, Thesman, George Dorr, Plate shop, George Urness, Materials, and Dick Morris, Specialty, outfielders.

Team managers are George Sabah, Specialty, and Gene Palmer, Materials. They will be assisted by League Chairman Jerry Walters. The all-stars also have issued a challenge to any team in the area.

KENNY'S TOO CANNY

(VANCOUVER) — Yard vs. Administration for golf honors ended in victory for the administrative representatives, Ken Hood and Ken Smith defeating Ed Argersinger and Carl Lodell June 8 at Alderwood.

Hood won medal with 73; Smith carded an 80, and Argersinger and Lodell came in with 82 and 85, respectively. Smith and Hood each birdied the first hole and kept out in front all the way.



Fine Flinger Joe Gette is one of the big reasons Fabrication tied the Pipefitters for first-half bunting of the Swan Island softball league. He racked up two wins last week and is the loop's top moundsman. (Swan Island photo)

Seek Second Half Flag Manager Bus Rayley's Superstructure ten wound up in the second division in the first half of Oregon Ship's softball league play, but the deckhouse club is determined to get up there despite a first-game loss in the second half race. Team members are, front row, left to right, Fred Eilers, Tom Headley, George Carter, Grover Butler and Rayley; back row, Ed Hoose, Walt Younce, Bob Jones, Andy Sorber, Bill Nees and Mike Erceg. (Oregon Ship photo)



Smac (?) The photographer stopped Ellen Shelton right in the middle of a swing during a noon practice, then forgot whether she hit or not. So you'll have to ask Ellen, who is a Buckler Warehouse player. Notice the ball just abaft her bat. (Vancouver photo)



The Limit Trout fishing is good in Eastern Oregon, according to U.S. Maritime Inspectors A. P. Lyle and F. M. Foss, and Art King of Swan Island. Proof is this catch of Eastern brook and German brown trout made by the inspectors and others of the party.

SWAN SOFTBALLERS END IN DEADLOCK

SWAN ISLAND LEAGUE
First Half Standings

	W	L	Pct
Pipefitters	8	1	.889
Fabrication	8	1	.889
Hull Outfitting	7	2	.778
Erection	7	2	.778
Crane Operators	4	5	.444
Welder-Burners	3	5	.375
Chippers	2	6	.250
Terrors	2	6	.250
Shipbuilders	2	6	.250
Painters	0	9	.000

Fabrication came from behind in the last inning to score two runs and defeat Hull Outfitting 4 to 3, to earn the right to meet the Pipefitters in a play-off for the first-round championship of Swan Island. Second half play starts Monday, June 19.

Outfitting scored all its runs in the first inning. Fabrication came back with two runs in the fourth, and in the seventh three errors and a single by Tuttle pushed across the winning runs. Joe Gette, leading pitcher of the league, struck out ten men. Scores:

	R	H	E
Outfitting	3	5	4
Fabrication	4	5	2
Koenig and Adams; Gette and Foster.			
Erection	10	11	5
Crane Operators	1	6	1
Geist and Fader; Stipuski and Chase.			
Pipefitters	7	11	4
Crane Operators	4	5	5
Workman and Geenen; Dale, Zano-veck and Miller.			
Outfitting	3	4	1
Erection	2	3	1
Koenig and Adams; Geist, Moore and Fader.			
Shipbuilders	8	11	3
Chippers	6	10	3
Tom Brauckmiller and Shorty Brauckmiller; Edwards and Jones.			
Erection	7	4	0
Welder-Burners	0	6	3
Geist and Fader, Chapman; Burbuck and Merritt.			
Terrors	3	3	2
Fabrication	8	8	6
West and Dyxstra; Gette and Foster.			

The Painters forfeited to the Terrors, and with the Chippers, will not compete in the second half.

Vancouver Dock Circuit Slows Up

Vancouver's Outfitting Dock Softball League got off to a slow start last week with only two games played of nine scheduled, due to withdrawal of several teams which had been in first half competition.

The Electricians played both games, beating the Painters and Expeditors. The team picture is too confused presently to give league standings. Scores:

	R	H	E
Painters	6	7	4
Electricians	15	13	2
Milligton and Underwood; Dunn, Moe; Greene and Jack.			
Expeditors	2	2	3
Electricians	8	7	2
Buxman and Pontoni; Greene and Jack.			

The Painters beat the Outfitters in a practice tilt June 9, 14 to 0.



Mainly Brauckmillers Swan Island's Shipbuilder softball team on the day shift league includes seven members of the Brauckmiller family (there are 21 Brauckmillers in the yard), most of whom work on the same shipfitting crew on the ways. Though winning only two games in the first round, the Shipbuilders were strong competition for all comers. Pictured are, front row from left: Ray, Tony and John Brauckmiller, Ervin Stauffer, batboy, Tom Brauckmiller, Gilbert Pepper and Red Sexton; back row, Don Brauckmiller, Gerald Hiens, Herbert and Henry Brauckmiller, (manager), Jim McDaniel and Jimmy Bursey. (Swan Island photo)

WELLS ELECTED SOFTBALL PREXY

(VANCOUVER)—Charles Wells, manager of the Assembly day softball team, was elected general manager for the recently organized Women's Softball league at a meeting June 9. Rules were adopted and league play officially opened June 15.

Leadoff games pitted Assembly against Buckler's Tapers June 15 at Shumway Junior High School and Buckler's Warehouse vs. Assembly swing team at the high school field Sunday, June 18. Sunday games will be at 1 o'clock, day games at 5:30.

Shipyard Golfers Tuck Away Share Of League Laurels

G. S. Urness and Tony Accuardi of Oregon Ship were part of a seven-way tie for low gross honors in the War Industries Golf American league sweepstakes last week, shooting 36's at the Eastmoreland Golf club. George Roongrud, OSC, and Urness had the longest drives. Closest approaches to the pin were by Bob Girtle and C. I. Snow, Vancouver.

In the National league Edwin D. Logue, Oregon Ship, and Bob Kerr, Swan Island, were knotted for second low gross, carding 40's. Longest drives in this division were made by John Mitchell, Vancouver, and W. J. Ramsey, OSC.

Sharing Federal league low gross laurels with another golfer was John Horn, Vancouver. Longest drives were made by Clarence Sturges and D. J. Bair, Swan Island. Lee S. Dever, Swan, had the nearest tee shot from the pin.

Assembly, Steed To Play Off Tie

(OREGON SHIP)—The first elimination games in the play-off of a four-team tie for the Oregon Ship softball league first half championship saw Assembly defeat Plate Shop, 5-3, and Steed's Shipfitters beat Materials, 7-5, Monday night, June 12. Kuvallis hit a home run for Assembly.

The two teams were scheduled to clash for the first half flag later in the week.

Short scores of the two games follow:

	R	H	E
Assembly	5	10	1
Plate Shop	3	6	2
Duniway and Redd; Dorr and Rinckhoff.			
Steed	7	4	3
Materials	5	7	4
Rekart and Rogers; Sandercock and Agnew.			

Champions Toppled

With Bill McCurry hitting two homers and Guy Ruscigno fanning 12 batters, the 99 Tavern team composed of Oregon Ship day shift welders and burners, last week defeated the Vancouver yard Pipefitters' ten, 11-4. The Pipefitters are first half champions of the Vancouver softball league.

	R	H	E
99 Tavern	11	9	4
Van. Pipefitters	4	4	1
Ruscigno and Johnson; Sanders, Biancone and Cameron.			

Softball Dance

(OREGON SHIP) — A benefit dance to raise funds for the second-half of OSC's softball league season will be held Saturday night in the Norse hall, N. E. 11th and Couch.

OSC SPECIALTY TEN MAKES HAY FAST

OREGON SHIP LEAGUE
(Second Half Standings)

	W	L	Pct
Specialty	2	0	1.000
Steed	1	0	1.000
Material	1	0	1.000
Assembly	1	0	1.000
Superstructure	0	1	.000
Thesman	0	2	.000
Engineers	0	2	.000
Plate Shop	0	0	.000

(OREGON SHIP)—A dark horse Specialty team, which finished the first half of the Oregon Ship softball league season in a tie for seventh place, leaped into an early leadership of the second half race, scoring victories over Thesman's Shipfitters and Superstructure. In both contests Rady was the winning pitcher, although Marsh Eyestone, Thesman, touched him for his ninth homer of the year.

The Marine Engineers lost two hard-fought battles to Steed's Shipfitters and Materials, but showed improvement over their first half form. They forced Steed into extra innings before succumbing, 8-4, under a four-run rally.

Best pitching battle of the week was between Candello of Assembly and Kletzel of Thesman. Candello turned in a three-hitter to win, 2-0. Scores:

	R	H	E
Specialty	10	9	2
Thesman	3	6	3
Rady and Woodard; Kletzel and James.			
Steed	8	10	5
Engineers	4	6	2
Sittel and Rogers; Mason and Taber.			
Assembly	2	4	1
Thesman	0	3	1
Candello and Redd; Kletzel and Williams.			
Materials	4	5	2
Engineers	2	4	3
Bristow and Agnew; Mason and Taber.			
Specialty	6	6	2
Superstructure	1	6	3
Rady and Woodard; Younce and Carter.			

Circuit Enlarged

(OREGON SHIP)—OSC's original swing shift softball circuit became a six-team swing-graveyard league last week with the addition of two third shift teams. Moyer's Specials and the graveyard Welders. Swing shift entries are Danny's Welders, Mayer's Hornets, Mold Loft and Beck's Wildcats.

Super Duo Capture Big Fish Contest

(VANCOUVER)—"The Big Game on Trout Creek" or "The Grand Finale" ended in victory for Team "B," composed of John Hallett, Yard superintendent, and Steve Girard, superintendent of the Pipe shop, last week-end, according to word from those who attended the big week-end fishing party.

Hallett and Girard's catches weighed more than Team "A," represented by Carl Kilgore, head of Personnel, and Eugene Blazier, public relations director. They also caught the largest fish. Kilgore and Blazier, however, caught the greatest number of fish in spite of the fact they were held by the rules to the use of flies without bait, while Hallett and Girard were unrestricted.

Judges were Mike Miller, T. P. Beeson and Sid Taylor.

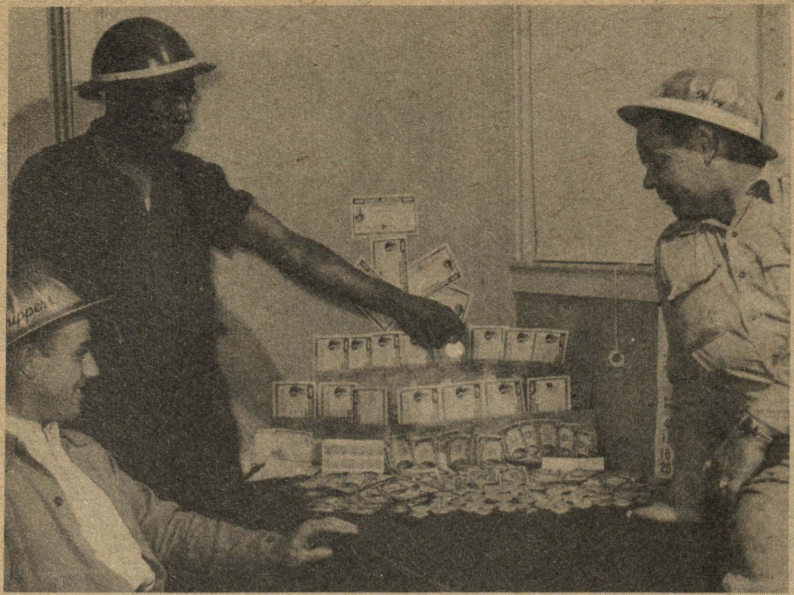
Swan Squad Leading Portland League

(SWAN ISLAND)—The Swan Islanders, softball team from the Materials department, is leading the Federal league of the Portland softball association.

Don Polivka, graveyard transportation leadman, recently hurled a 5 to 0 win over L. R. Teeple Co. The Islanders also took Commercial Iron Boilermakers, 8 to 2, with Don Younger, Islander pitcher, striking out 14 men. The Islanders are looking for games with Swan Island teams. Managers may call Len Smith, manager, at Ext. 647 or Pete Peterson, team captain, Ext. 347.

GIRL TOSSERS DRILL

(SWAN ISLAND)—Girls' softball practice has started and teams now are being organized, Virginia Durkel, counsellor, reported this week. Practice is held at 4 o'clock Wednesdays on the Barracks softball diamond. All girls interested in softball are urged to turn out for practice or contact their counsellor for further information.

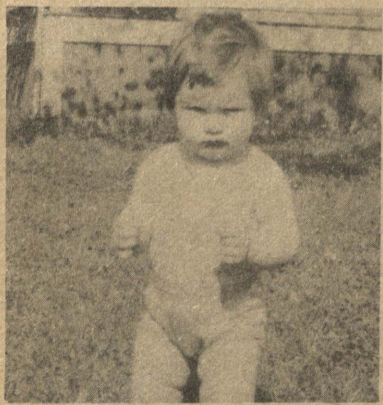


75 Ironmen Yakob Hadee, chipper on Swan Island's Outfitting dock and veteran of World War I, lays 75 silver dollars on the table to buy another 100-dollar war bond. Looking on are, left, W. A. 'Butch' Jordan, foreman, and H. J. 'Happy' Hill, leadman. (Swan Island photo)



Rose Queen Sells Bonds After the launching of a Victory ship she sponsored at Oregon Ship last week, Rose Festival Queen Jo Anne Bush, Grant high school, talked bonds to workers. In the picture she holds an enlarged \$100 bond. With her, in the front row of the crowd, are Margaret Brown, Georgia Tippery and Mary Jackson, painters, Mary Lee Engel, C. W. Woodruff, pipe welder leadman, and Mrs. Woodruff, Mrs. H. Gay and Margaret Siler.

Youngest Member Of "War" Family



"So ya don't wanna buy bonds?" That might be what Helen Irene Bryant, year old daughter of 1st Sgt. and Mrs. W. C. Bryant, is thinking here. Helen's immediate family are out to win the war. Her mother is a welder on the ways; Grandpa A. V. Moore is a slabman in Bay 2, Plate shop; Grandma is Harriet Moore, Outfitting dock welder; Daddy is overseas.

School Election Set

(VANPORT)—Five Vanport school directors will be chosen at election slated for Monday, June 19, at the schools. Persons 21 or over, who have lived in Oregon for six months and in Vanport for at least 30 days, are eligible to vote.

A kink can do more damage to wire rope or cable than months of wear. A kink will not straighten out under strain and it makes the rope extremely unsafe for use.

Top Salesmen's Wives To Christen Ships

As added incentive to Fifth War loan bond salesmen, a Kaiser-built tanker and two Victory ships will be christened by wives of county chairmen making the best records. One sponsor will come from eastern Oregon, one from western Oregon and one from the metropolitan district which includes the counties surrounding Portland.

Emphasis in the Fifth War loan drive has been placed on the "door-bell" solicitation work. Promotion "stunts" will be held to a minimum.

Edgar Kaiser Urges Blood Gift Boost

(SWAN ISLAND)—An appeal for more Oregon Ship and Swan Island workers to make blood donations to the Red Cross was issued last week by General Manager Edgar F. Kaiser in a memo to all personnel.

Kaiser said he has been advised the quota for the Portland blood center is 2,500 donors per week, an average of 417 per day. The present average is only 110 donors per day.

"This means that the blood plasma contributions are not meeting the present need, much less building a reserve that will be required for the invasion. The center needs our help," said Kaiser.

"Appointments for the coming week are the lowest for months. Think it over, and if you feel that you can be a blood donor, don't hesitate or postpone it. Help them now—they need it now! Make your appointment for next week."

FIRE!

Although spring weather has been wet, fire continues to be a number one hazard in the three yards. Chief hazards continue to be carelessness on the part of welders and burners, but many a shipyard worker outside of these crafts has been responsible for fire during the past months.

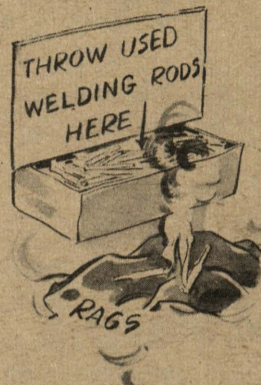
With summer here, or just around the corner, fire danger is at its worst. Fire chiefs in the three yards urge workers to clean up their places of work, use extra caution in handling paint, oil and other inflammable material.

REPORT FIRES PROMPTLY

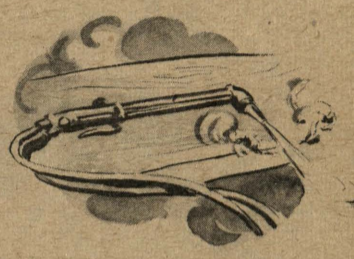
Yard fire chiefs advise calling the telephone operator, stating the exact location and nature of the fire. Do not call the Fire department, since their lines may be busy. Usually the operator can call them quicker than you can.



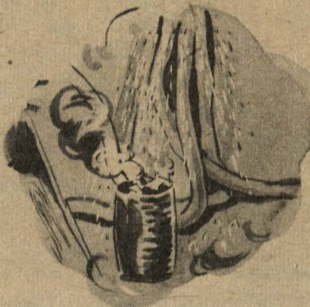
Freshly painted decks and unprotected oil invite the careless smoker's sparks.



Hot welding rod butts and rags are an unbeatable invitation to fire damage.



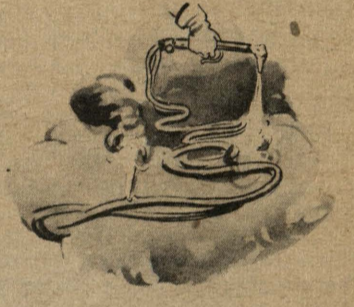
Burners' torches left burning on scaffolding or wooden surfaces are a cinch to start fire.



Look out below! Hot slag will touch off inflammable waste even though it may appear to be out of range.



Like sawing off the limb on which you're sitting, burners have been known to burn through their own oxygen and acetylene lines.



Leaking lead-lines invite trouble. If your line leaks, have it repaired. Otherwise the blast may be terrific.



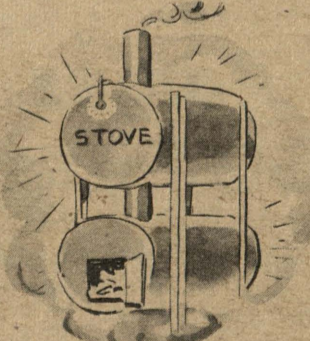
Heat and slag from the welding arc on rags and waste are the Number 1 cause of shipyard fires.



High among fire causes is smoker's carelessness. Look where you throw that cigarette butt. Be sure it's out!



Paint should be covered; should not even be in the vicinity of the burner's torch. But it happens!



Overheated stoves are a big cause of some mean blazes. They accounted for many fires during winter months just past.



Tarps, waste, rags and papers all burn. And they don't care whose torch does the damage. Clean up!



Grease and paint soaked rags may start their own fires! Keep them in the open air where cleanup crews can find 'em quick.

'ONE-CENTER' CHECK SLATED FOR FRAME

(SWAN ISLAND)—Paycheck D188355 of May 28 won't be cashed, ever. Of one cent denomination, the check was issued to Mary S. Kegley, junior engineer of day shift, Assembly. The "shortness" resulted when Mrs. Kegley visited her husband, a wounded war veteran recuperating at the Spokane, Wash., army hospital. She's going to frame the check.

Victory Gardening Merits Extra Gas Ration Allotment

Employees maintaining Victory gardens on acreage removed from their residences are eligible for supplemental gasoline allotments, provided they are cultivating plots of 1500 or more square feet. Wayne Taylor, Oregon Ship transportation chief, announced this week. A maximum of 50 miles a month for a six-month period, or a total of 300 miles, may be obtained by

gardeners if that amount, added to A card rations, is sufficient for two trips weekly to the garden site, Taylor explained. The garden must be located at least one mile, and not more than ten miles, from the home of the applicant, he said.

"Employees who obtain their B and C books through the yards should submit their Victory garden mileage applications to the yard Transportation departments, which will represent them to the Plant Area Rationing board," Taylor said. "Workers not receiving gasoline through the yards must apply at their War Price and Rationing board."

INQUIRING REPORTER

QUESTION

What do you think of the 200 trial trips offered in the Bosn's Whistle for the Fifth War Loan Drive?

G. W. Dibble, day boat supervisor on Berth 6 of the Outfitting dock, "It's a wonderful idea. Everyone would like to make a trial trip who hasn't. I also see that you are making it possible for the everyday person who makes regular weekly deductions for war bonds to receive a chance to go on one. That is an excellent angle and one that really will be appreciated. In most War Bond sales campaigns it is the large purchasers who gain all the publicity. I just came here from Richmond Yard 3 and I think Vancouver is much the better place."

Mrs. M. Ramage, day foreman of production laborers on the Outfitting dock, "I think it's swell but will they keep their bonds beyond the 60 days? That is the important thing and the thing that makes it possible to bring this mess to a successful conclusion. We should hold on to those bonds just like they were a part of us."

William Malone, day Electrician trainee in Marine electric on the Outfitting dock, "I wouldn't personally care for the trip, but I know a lot of my friends who think it's one swell idea. They'd very much like to go on one of those trips. I think from the standpoint of the average worker, it's about the nicest thing that could happen."

H. J. Scott, day asbestos worker on the Outfitting dock for Bartell's, "I think it is a good idea. The trial run is something that everyone would like to make. Everyone who works on these carriers has a desire to ride one of them. I think that underneath all thoughts everybody has the desire to be able to say 'I not only helped build them, I also rode on one of them.'"

Mrs. K. S. Kelly, day production labor foreman on the Outfitting dock, "I think it is a fine idea. It surely should help because it is giving the people a chance to do something which is very near to their hearts besides the necessary thing of buying bonds. Bonds are very important now and in the future but we all do the necessary more gracefully if there is an added incentive of immediate reward."

O. W. Anno, day asbestos worker for Bartell's on the Outfitting dock, "I think everyone who hasn't taken a trial trip would like to. I think you fellows have really hit something right on the head with this idea. One thing for sure, you have gotten away from the age-old idea of a popularity contest, beauty contest and the auctioneer angle. More power to you."

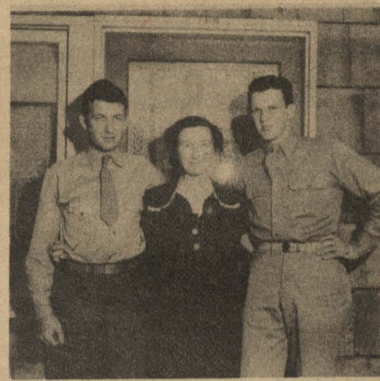
Mrs. Hazel Thiel, day production labor foreman on the Outfitting dock, "I think we should all buy bonds, but I also think the 200 trial trips are just the right kind of an incentive right at this time. If only they will all hold on to their bonds after they have them. These bonds are our investment in the future as well as the present."

Fighting Sons Visit Their Working Mother

(VANCOUVER)—Mrs. Clara McCarthy, a day shift timekeeper, was one of the yard's happiest mothers this week when two of her three fighting sons came home on furlough. Sergeant Kevin A. McCarthy, now stationed at Camp Adair, holds the distinguished service cross, awarded for heroic action displayed at Guadalcanal when he rescued 18 marines from certain death. The other McCarthy, William, is stationed at Fort Reilly, Kans., and the third son, Robert, unable to attend the family reunion at 1421-A Hidden street, Bagley Downs, is with the navy at Seattle. Three other sons are not in the service.

Sgt. McCarthy, who told a Bosn's Whistle reporter "it's swell to be home and able to eat some of mother's cooking again," was modest over the fact that he drove a Bren gun carrier into the thick of heavy firing three separate times to rescue 18 leathernecks caught in the withering cross fire of Jap machine guns and rifles.

While performing the job that brought him the coveted medal, Sgt. McCarthy, under continuous enemy fire, loaded three groups of ex-



husted marines onto the carrier without loss of a single man. He saw service in Australia, the Solomons and Fiji islands for 17 months.

Mrs. McCarthy's husband, W. S. McCarthy, is a World War I veteran. They came here from Jamestown, N. D.

Blood Donors Pictured below are two groups of day personnel from the Pipe Shop and Electrical Maintenance on the ways who went to the Vancouver blood bank to donate a pint of blood in the cause of victory.



Pipe Shop group, from left: Pipefitters T. Myers, G. Wells, C. Baker, Leadman H. Hurlbert who headed the group and is a gallon club member, Engineer's Aide Grace Cawley, Leadman E. Swanson, Pipefitter's Helper Catherine Simons, Pipefitters F. Ryan and A. Campbell. (Vancouver photo)



Ways Electrical group under Joe Perry (from left): Electricians Henrietta Blakeslee, Ruth Nelson, Bertha Blakeslee, Rose Karm, Josephine Speelman, Helen Matross, Ann Zack (welder in Bay 10 of Assembly), Blanche Edwards and Alice Drake. (Vancouver photo)

Blood Bank Passes Quota by 100 Pints

(VANCOUVER)—Mrs. Floyd Ratchford, head of the Vancouver blood bank, has expressed appreciation to shipyard workers who helped the bank exceed its quota by 100 pints last Wednesday, when 240 pints were contributed.

The largest single group from the yard was 70 donors from the Plate shop swing shift, headed by A. J. Brazelton. Brazelton expects to enter the armed forces soon. He has been a consistent donor and has brought many groups to the bank for donations.

Day shift, which has been poorly represented in donations, has had a decided uptrend in the last few weeks with many department heads making arrangements to send a group every week. The departments which donated last week and the people who headed the groups are: Assembly, swing, Mrs. Lois Stanley, day, Mrs. Evelyn Williamson; Outfitting, Parke Savage; Marine Electric, Mrs. Alice Domek and Mrs. Faye Parks; General Stores, Leonard Thorn; Electrical Maintenance on the Ways, Joe Perry; U.S.M.C., Robert Peterson; and Salvage, Mrs. Mattie L. Brown.

Alden G. Bishop, supervisor in the Test department, made his 15th donation last week.

COMING EVENTS

June 19—Day and swing shift yard talent show. Victory Center between Ways and Assembly.

June 21—Day shift lunch hour program. Outfitting Dock.

June 22—Swing shift hour program featuring "Mountain Jennies" from Portland. Outfitting Dock.

June 23—Bosn's Whistle on the Air.

Daughter Born

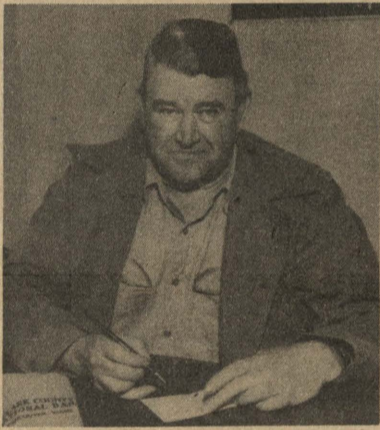
(VANCOUVER)—Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cheatham of Portland are the parents of a baby girl, Jana Kay, 6 lbs., 5½ ozs., born at the Portland Sanitarium. Cheatham is employed in the Cost department.



Stork Party for Dad The day crew of the Prefabrication department of the Electric warehouse gave a surprise stork party for A. S. Mark, day supervisor, in their department. Those appearing in the picture are: A. S. Mark (holding one of the presents), Leo Kepler (leadman), Elva Solberg, M. Walters, Helen Rowe, M. Henderson, Sue Cunningham, Dorothy Waul, Flo Jackson, Peggy Blaylock, Bud Shipley, Alva Bendorf, Mary Schiede, Yale Schellinger (leadman), D. Mathison, Mary Weston, Eddie Nelson, Edna Armfield, Mildred Johnson, Inez Sprouse, Jean Johnson, M. Reynolds, Ona Preston, Eugene Doran, Bill Todd, Mike Wingen (leadman), Oren Hamilton, Maxine Langdon, Ray Ecker, "Stubby" Meyers and Jean Colier. (Vancouver photo)

Plate Shop Raises Ante for Fag Fund

(VANCOUVER)—The Plate shop dug deeper into its reserve fund for cigarettes for overseas veterans last week when Joe Collins, graveyard foreman who heads the fund committee, learned that Barnes General hospital had tentative plans for providing a woodworking shop for the veterans.



JOE COLLINS

Special gifts of \$100 each to Barnes, the USO, and the George White Service center in Portland were presented by the committee last week. The Barnes donation will now be for \$250.

"The \$250 gift from the men and women of the Plate shop is a wonderful help," said Maj. V. B. Corlett, who heads the Rehabilitation program. "We already have men scouting for priorities and equipment for the shop. We need a lathe, sander, jig saw and other tools and machinery to provide a complete woodworking shop. It will be a great morale booster for the men, and will provide them a chance to brush up on a gainful occupation."

Major Corlett indicated that the donation from the Plate shop will be sufficient to cover all needs. An invitation was extended to the Bosn's Whistle photographer to take pictures of the shop when it is completed so that the men and women of the Plate shop can see what their money has provided.

Women Advance

(VANCOUVER)—The Welding Training school last week announced that 930 women welders in the yard had passed their three American Bureau of Shipping position tests. There are no certified women welders employed in the Vancouver yard.



Duplicating Birthday The Duplicating department recently was the scene of another birthday party, with Marcella Zierden, machine operator on day shift, as guest of honor. She was presented with a lace tablecloth. All day workers were present except Carol Brooks, department head. From left: Marie Corcoran, Florence DeWitt, Dave Goodridge, Betty Jo Thomas, Addie Parsons, LaVerne Belger, Marcella Zierden, Emma Schuster, Deloris Gustafson, Shirley Olson, Dorothy Pfingsten, Catherine Holbrook, Ruby Johnson, June Morse, Lee Marr, and Carol Morse.—(Vancouver photo)