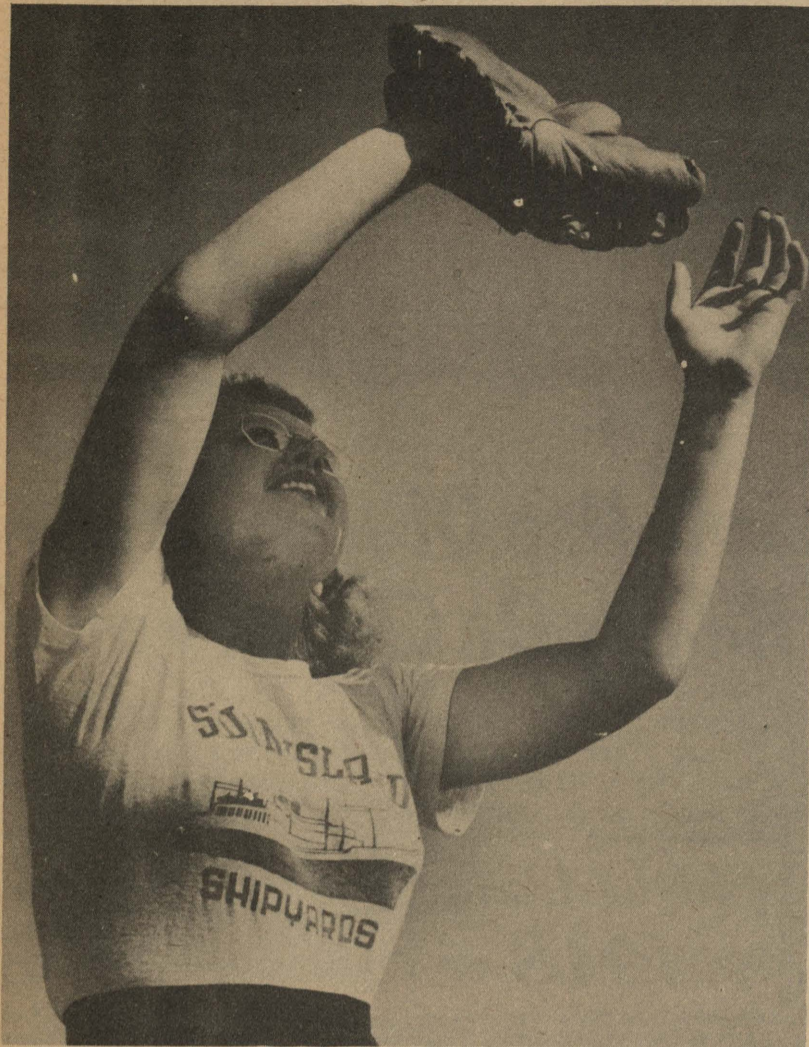


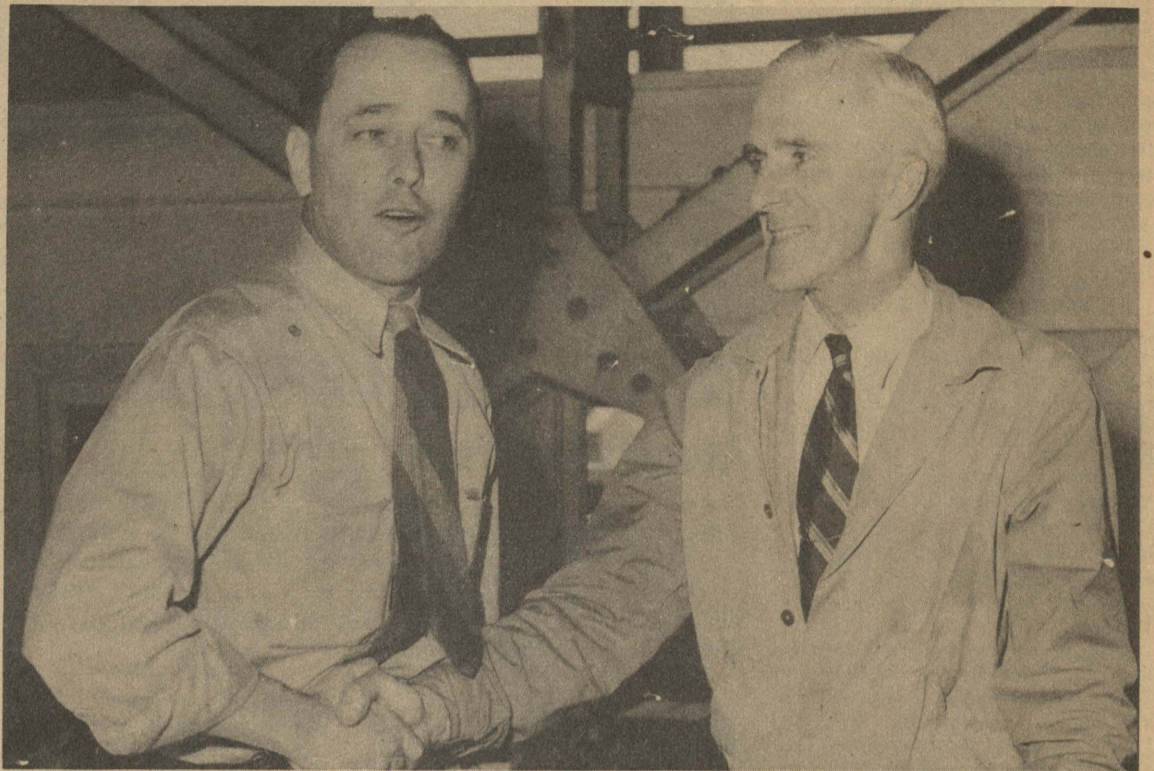


## 'Fab' and Assembly Under New Bosses

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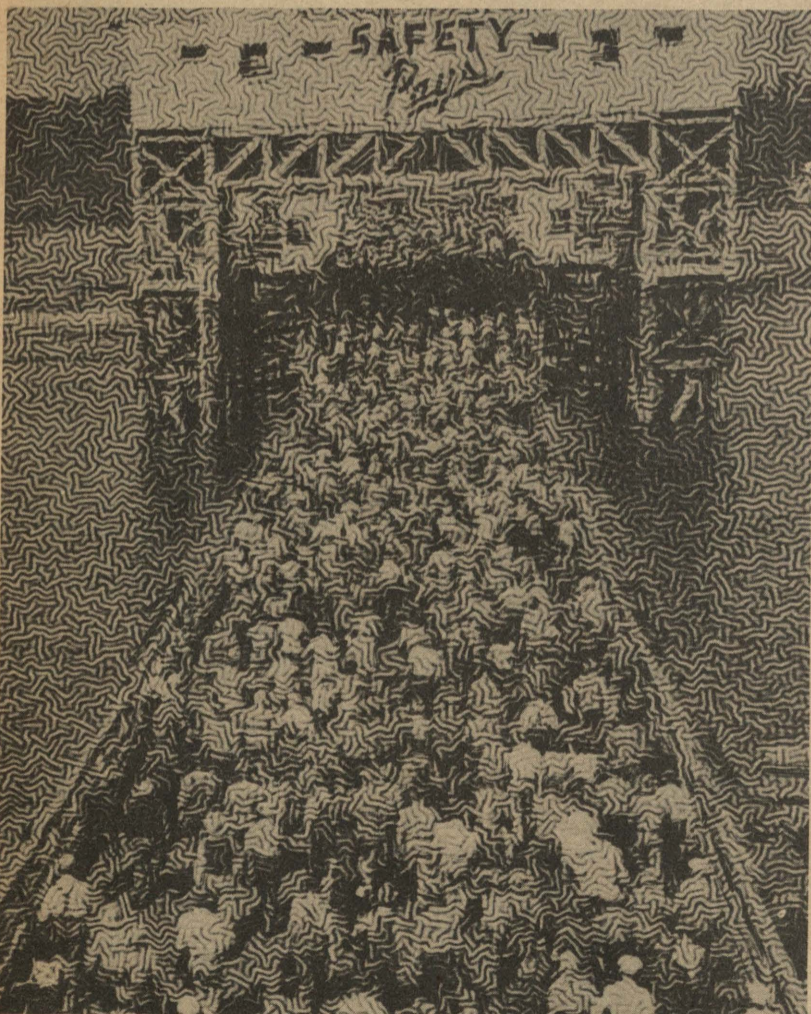
**Catching** Confident "Lucky" Dundlie, pitcher for the Swan Island Assembly team, shades her eyes as she makes ready to catch a pop fly during the opening tiff of the girls' softball series last week on the Swan Island barracks diamond. (Swan Island photo)



**"It's Yours, Duncan"** A bit overwhelmed by the party given him by day workers of Fabrication Saturday, Pres Hiefield, left, shakes hands with Duncan Gardiner, Molt Loft superintendent, who took over Hiefield's duties in addition to his own when Hiefield moved to Assembly last week. In picture at left, Hiefield is starting to open a package delivered by crane, which contained a diamond Masonic ring presented by Fabrication employees.

## Draft Head's Wife To Sponsor Tanker

(SWAN ISLAND)—The wife of Maj. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, national director of selective service, will sponsor the S.S. Beacon Rock, Hull No. 84, at a swing shift launching scheduled for 7:30 p. m. Tuesday, August 8. General and Mrs. Hershey are expected to arrive in Portland the morning of the eighth.



**Heat Waves** This is the way Bosn's Whistle Photographer Everett Chandler pictured the July heat spell through a bit of trick film developing. A heat wave touch to the shot of day shift workers leaving the yards by way of the pontoon bridge is accomplished by placing the negative in hot water before the emulsion is dry, thus cracking it into the above pattern. (Swan Island photo)



**'So Long Boss'** Six hundred day shift employees of the Fabrication department gathered in Bay 11 Saturday noon to bid goodbye to their superintendent, Pres Hiefield, who is moving to Assembly from Plate Shop. They banqueted while participating in farewell ceremonies. (Swan Island photos)



# Victory Ship Termed 'The Postwar Vessel'

Triumphant completion of an around-the-world journey by the S. S. Poland Victory has established the Victory cargo ship as America's postwar vessel, a War Shipping Administration bulletin stated this week. The ship, third of 32 Victory craft built at Oregon Ship, was launched January 27 of this year and delivered March 19. The Poland Victory is the first vessel of its type to circle

the globe, first to cross the Pacific, first to go through the Panama canal, and first to reach the Atlantic seaboard, where she is now.

Enthusiastic comments on the vessel's performance by its officers appeared to make it certain that all existing Victory ship contracts would be fulfilled and increased the possibility that additional Victories will be built. It also pointed to the probability that after the war the Attack Transport ships, which have Victory-type hulls, will be converted into cargo craft.

## MORE TO BE BUILT

Oregon ship, in addition to 30 Attack Transports now under construction, will build 63 more Victory cargo ships next year. Vancouver is working on 27 of the transports now.

Speediest production job on a Victory was done at OSC, where the S.S. Hibbing Victory was delivered 59 days after laying of its keel. In May the Oregon yard launched nine Victories, delivered 10.

Operated for the War Shipping Administration by the Isthmian Steamship company, the Poland Victory is commanded by Capt. Leonard Duke, San Francisco, veteran of 38 years at sea.

"The Poland Victory fulfills every promise that was made for this type of ship," Duke declared. "If ever a ship was suitable for postwar cargo-carrying operations that is equal to this one, which is second to none and equal to the finest, I have yet to hear of it or see it."

"This vessel is not only speedy but economical of operation. Even now I can see how satisfying it will be in postwar days to be able to guarantee quick delivery of our bills of lading. If this Victory ship is a forerunner of what is to come, there never need be any cause for worry about the future of the American merchant marine."

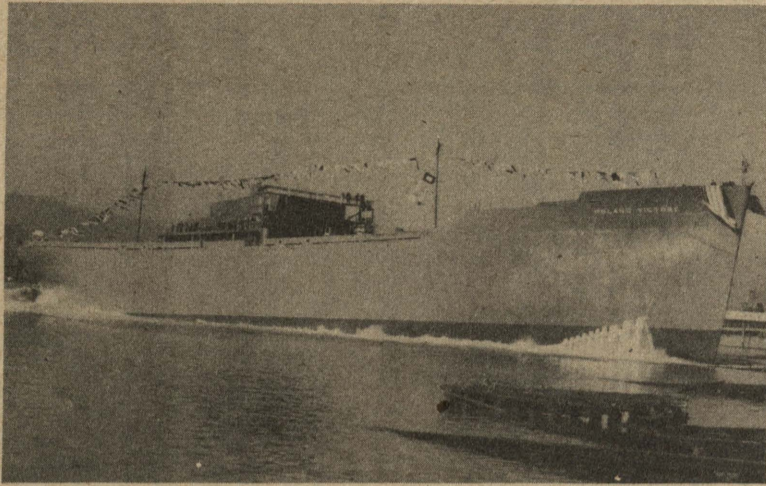
## STORMS WEATHERED

Duke and fellow officers said that during the three and a half month voyage several bad storms were encountered and once heavy weather came in the wake of a hurricane. The ship pitched considerably, they reported, but said that the flare of the Victory hull is such that heavy seas are thrown off and only spray comes aboard.

They declared that the vessel had no vibration, rolling was negligible and that excellent speed can be maintained in heavy weather.

Structural strength of the ship was highly praised. Deck machinery, lifeboat equipment and davits, radio, boilers, turbine engines and other engine room machinery performed perfectly, the officers said.

While the ship was in New Guinea, it was inspected by General Eichelberger and his staff, who were "highly impressed" with it, according to reports.



**Around The World** The S.S. Poland Victory's completion of a world-wide voyage has established the Victory ship as "the" postwar hope for America's merchant marine, according to the War Shipping Administration. The vessel, third of 32 Victory craft built at Oregon Ship, was skippered by Capt. Leonard Duke, who praised her for seaworthiness, speed and economy. She is shown above at her launching on January 27.

## Lifeboat Water Absolutely Pure

(SWAN ISLAND)—Water, water everywhere—and some very good to drink. Survivors in lifeboats find excellent drinking water when they open hermetically sealed cans that are provisioned for each boat. The cans are no ordinary cans. They are enamel-lined and their outer surfaces are treated with enamel or resin that must pass a 200-hour salt spray test to be acceptable to the United States Health Service and the Coast Guard.

The water is an aristocrat in its field. It is deep well water that has been run through filters and treated with ultra-violet rays before it is run into the cans. Some of it, depending upon its chemical and bacteriological contents, is boiled for sterilization and certain chemicals are then added to counteract the flat taste.

At present the Coast Guard and

U. S. Public Health Service have approved only three firms for the manufacture and filling of the containers. One is in Baltimore, Maryland; one is in Garwood, New Jersey, and one in San Francisco, operating under license from the New Jersey company. The hermetically sealed canned water is purchased with food rations for lifeboats and life rafts and assembled in packages of one unit for each man. Water for Swan Island tankers is supplied by the Baltimore firm at a lower cost than the quoted cost of water canned at San Francisco.

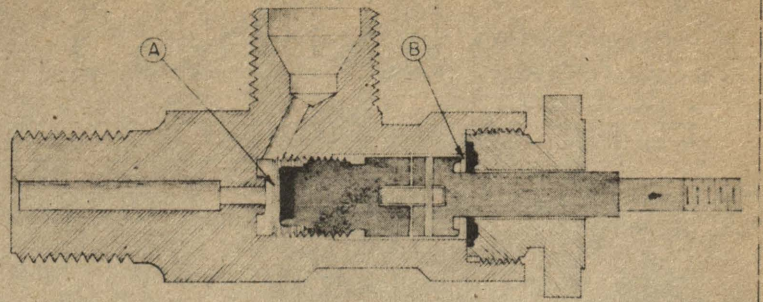
## CORRECTION--Figures Do Add Up

Something—either the heat or a deranged gremlin—slipped one over on the printer in last week's *Bosn's Whistle*. The error was noted by nearly every department in every yard and the corrected form of "Figures Do Not Fail, We Trust" is hereby printed, with apologies to Foreman Roy Jones, OSC swing shifter, who originally turned in the correct figures.

	Churchill	Hitler	Roosevelt	Il Duce	Stalin	Tojo
Year born .....	1874	1889	1882	1883	1879	1884
Age .....	70	55	62	61	65	60
Year took office .....	1940	1933	1933	1922	1924	1941
No. years in office .....	4	11	11	22	20	3
	3888	3888	3888	3888	3888	3888

Simply divide the total in any column by two to determine the war's end—1944.

To settle the Axis argument about who shall be the world's ruler, take the first letter of each of the names above.



## CAUTION

When opening the valve at "A" the valve stem must be TURNED WIDE OPEN so that the secondary seat "B" on the valve stem is completely seated on the packing at "B" which STOPS THE ESCAPE OF GAS at the valve stem.

Scale 2" = 1"

COLUMBIA SHIPBUILDING CORPORATION  
GAS SECTION DEPARTMENT  
SECTION THRU  
REGO VALVE NO. 10695

This sketch of the interior of a Rego line valve is used to illustrate the safe method of regulating the valve. Safety officials explain that when opening the valve at "A", the valve stem must be turned wide open so that the secondary seat "B" on the valve stem is completely seated on the packing at "B", which stops the escape of gas at the valve stem.

## Safe Use Of Acetylene Hinges On Closed Valve

Whenever an employe works with acetylene and oxygen gasses it is his responsibility to see that it is used carefully and safely. That was the statement made this week by Frank Johnson, safety director for the three Kaiser Portland-Vancouver area yards. Johnson said recognition of this fact by burners, acetylene welders and other craftsmen will do much to reduce the hazards present wherever the gasses are being used.

One example of care, he declared, is in the operation of the Rego valve.

"About 75 per cent of the valves used on Oxygen-acetylene manifolds are Rego line valves," Johnson said. "These valves are what are known as double, or two-way seating valves. When the valve is closed completely, no gas is permitted to enter from the line."

"A slight turn of the valve handle will open the valve enough to permit some gas to enter the channel leading to the regulator and gauge, but will not draw the valve core back enough to close the seat around the valve stem."

"This permits gas to escape through the area around the stem. This leakage around the stem can be stopped if the person using the equipment will make certain that the valve is either fully opened or completely closed."

Johnson said a sound rule for acetylene users is "if you want it wide open, open it wide; if you want it closed, close it tight."

## Shipbuilding

— 1918 —

Problems facing shipbuilders today are not much different from those of World War I. In this column each week the *Bosn's Whistle* will run a few excerpts from a similar newspaper, "Win the War," published for the employes of the Columbia Shipbuilding Corporation, largest in this area during the last war.

June 28, 1918

## 2500 MORE WORKERS NEEDED

By President Alfred Smith

While in Washington I received contracts for 14 more 8800 ton cargo vessels which I regard as ample testimony by the Emergency Fleet Corporation of the good work being done in western yards. The additional number of ships has made possible the yard extension of two additional ways, which has been contemplated for some time. This extension will carry with it additional facilities in all departments to make possible the delivery of a ship from this Columbia yard every 15 days, necessitating the employment of an additional force of 2500 men.

## NO RENT CONTROL

The employes of this plant have experienced many hardships during the last few months in securing housing accommodations. Difficulty in locating proper houses, often causing enforced absence from work, and sharp rental increases occurring two or three times within a month as well as the willingness of landlords to sell houses which, on the other hand, they absolutely refuse to rent, have been encountered by a large percentage of the employes.

## WOMAN EMPLOYE UPSETS TIME OFFICE

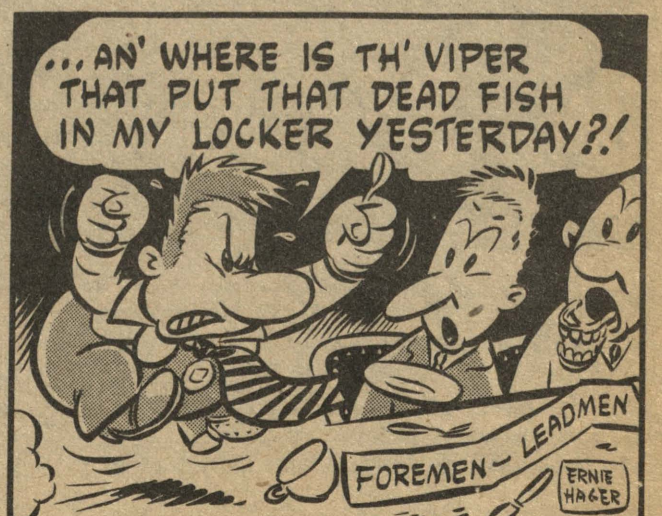
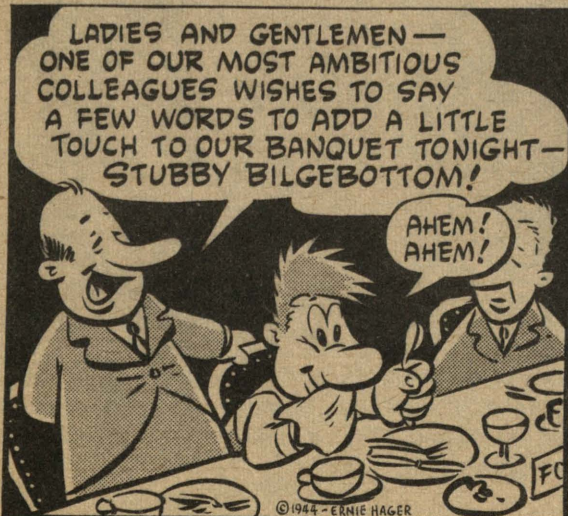
The recent addition of a beautiful young lady stenographer, Miss Bobs Case, to our time office has worked a great change in the conduct and appearance of the time-keeping

force. The time-keepers have always been a very gentlemanly lot of young fellows but in hasty moments some of the boys have been heard to use language which is not learned from books. At times some have been a little careless in their personal appearance. Not so now.

Purple shirts, bright neckties and guarded words are on the program now. None but the dead-spirited married men would now think of appearing with a stubble beard on their chin. The boys have commenced to carry combs and pocket mirrors and one young fellow is reported to be giving a fresh coat of white wash to his shoes each day. Two of the force have sworn off on cigarettes. It is said that when workmen now face the young lady at the time office window they no longer emphasize their shortage claims by hammering on the counter and speaking in loud words as in the old days.

## Stubby Bilgebottom

By Ernie Hager





# 5-State Picnic Next On Kaiser Date Book

Kaiser shipyard workers from five states — Illinois, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Michigan and Wisconsin—will gather Sunday in Pier park to stage a picnic which is expected to be one of the biggest Kaiser-employee outings of the season. Last Sunday 5700 Idaho shipyard workers held a state picnic in the same park. One of the program features was a half-hour radio broadcast through

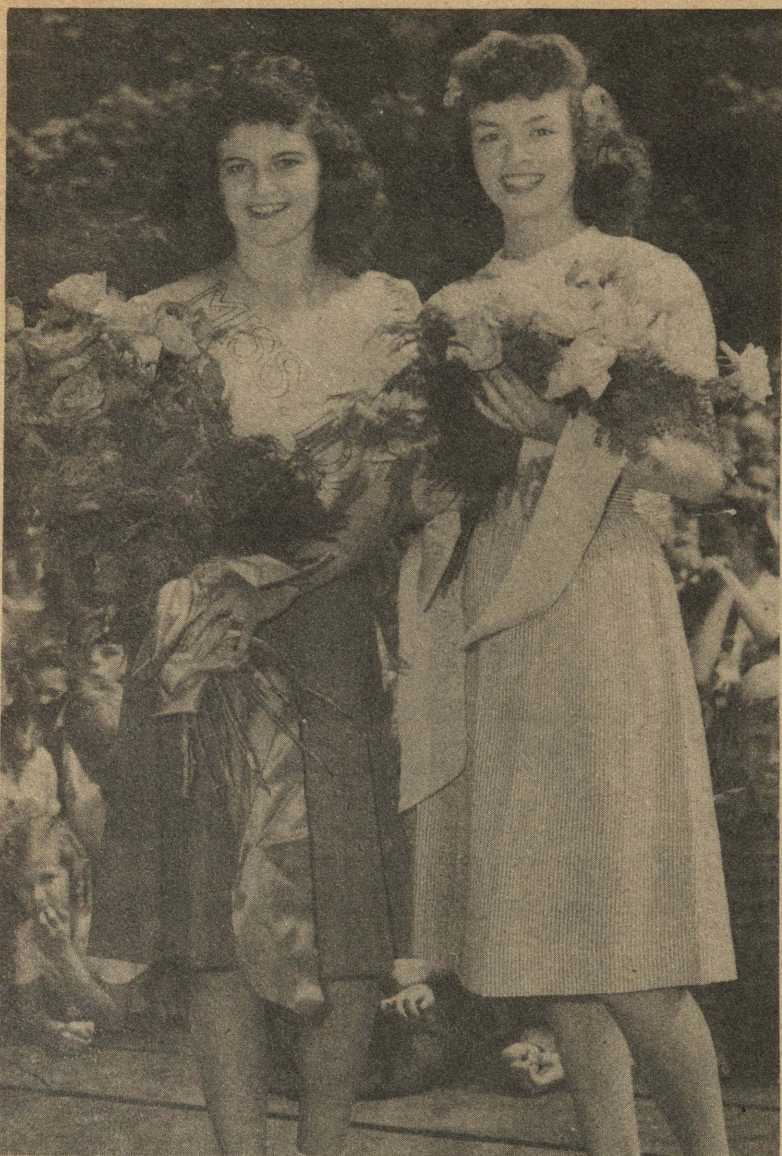
the facilities of Station KOIN to six stations in the "potato state."

Edgar F. Kaiser, general manager of the Kaiser yards in the Portland-Vancouver area, delivered a brief address during the broadcast in which he lauded Idahoans for the splendid work they have done in building Liberty and Victory ships to carry vital supplies to America's fighting men throughout the world.

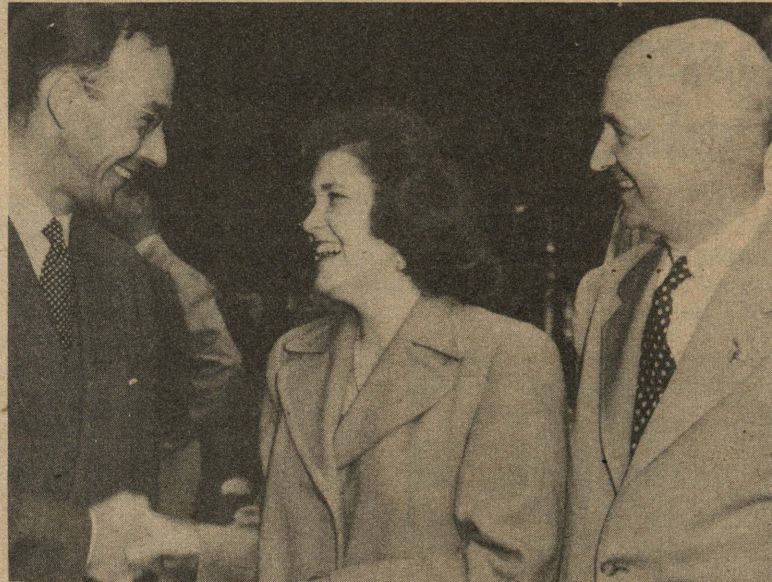
#### KAISER SPIKES REPORT

"You 5700 Idahoans," he declared, "in the three yards, according to your numbers, represent a contribution of approximately 35 of the 522 ships Oregon, Vancouver and Swan Island yards have built.

Kaiser was presented to the picnickers and the radio audience by Johnny Carpenter, chief announcer of KOIN. Carpenter also introduced Hal Babbitt, public relations director of Oregon Ship, who pointed out that the Kaiser company was sponsoring the current series of state picnics to provide a means of recreation for the thousands of workers who are strangers in Portland.



**Idaho Beauty Winners** Ruth Stroud, Buhl, Idaho, and Lorena McKinley, Boise, Idaho, ran so close in the Idaho State picnic beauty contest last Sunday in Pier park, it was necessary to flip a coin to decide the winner. Miss Stroud (left) won the toss and was acclaimed "Miss Idaho."



**Picnic Songbird** Eileen Acton, 15-year-old Jefferson high school student and former resident of Bonners Ferry, Idaho, is pictured above receiving congratulations from Edgar Kaiser (left) and William A. Bowes, Portland city commissioner, after she thrilled thousands Sunday with her singing at the Idaho State picnic sponsored by Kaiser shipyard workers in the Portland-Vancouver area.



**Ace Melon-Eaters** The lusty lads, pictured above, each devoured five pounds of watermelon in approximately two minutes Sunday at the Kaiser shipyard workers Idaho State picnic. In what might aptly be termed a "photo finish," Van Drew Pierce (center holding prize) was adjudged the melon-eating champ.



**Picnic Broadcast** Hal Babbitt, Kaiser yards' public relations director, is shown being interviewed by Johnny Carpenter, chief announcer for Station KOIN, during a broadcast to Idaho from Pier park where 5700 former residents of the "potato state" held a picnic last Sunday.



**RAY HAUSMAN**  
Five-State Picnic Chairman

After the broadcast, Kaiser returned to the speaker's stand and branded as false reports that the city of Portland does not look with favor upon the influx of out-of-state war workers.

"This beautiful park," he declared, "is the property of the city of Portland. With all its facilities, it has been placed at the disposal of Kaiser shipyard workers for this series of state picnics."

#### WELCOME EXTENDED

Official greetings to the Idaho picnickers from the City of Portland were extended by Commissioner William A. Bowes.

"We welcome all of you," Commissioner Bowes said, "and we hope you will make Portland your permanent home."

In a beauty contest, which was one of the highlights of the picnic, Ruth Stroud, daughter of Juanita Stroud, OSC welder, was named "Miss Idaho." She is a native of Buhl, Idaho. Second place in the beauty contest went to Lorena McKinley, a former resident of Boise and a clerk in the OSC Labor Distribution office.

Van Drew Pierce, son of L. A. Pierce, OSC welder, won the watermelon eating contest.

Another feature of the celebration was a variety show presented by Bob McCoy, Vancouver yard program director, and Del Von Zeuthen, OSC program director. The entertainment closed with a three-hour dance. Music was furnished by Bob Bateiman and his Oregon Shipmates.

The five-state picnic on Sunday will be in charge of the following committee: Ray Hausman, general chairman; Ray Steiner, co-chairman; Harry Steele, registration chairman; J. Mundy, decoration chairman; James A. Cour, prize chairman; Bill Maskell, program chairman; David (Dave) Deihl, beauty contest chairman; Herb Stephens, entertainment chairman, and Arlene Hylden, religious service chairman.



**We're From Idaho!** That's what the celebrants pictured above shouted when they raised their hands Sunday at the Idaho State picnic in Pier park, to indicate where they came from. More than 5700 persons attended the celebration which was the seventh in a series of outings held by Kaiser shipyard workers in the Portland-Vancouver area. A beauty contest, watermelon-eating contest and a variety show were features of the program. Next week former residents of Illinois, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Michigan and Wisconsin will picnic in the same park.



# Pres Hiefield Moves To Assembly Duties

(SWAN ISLAND)—Over 600 Fabrication workers held a testimonial farewell dinner for their superintendent, Pres Hiefield, in Bay 11 of the Plate Shop Saturday noon. Hiefield is moving across the street to take over as superintendent of the Assembly department, a position left vacant by the resignation of Merle Sleeper. He takes over the largest department in the yard numbering over 3,300 employees. His place in Fabrication is now filled by Duncan Gardiner, who also retains his position of superintendent of Mold Loft. Workers signed a pledge of confidence in management's decision.

In a novel delivery stunt Hiefield was presented a diamond Masonic ring as a gift from all shifts. Wrapped in several boxes, one inside the other, the ring was set down on his dinner plate by an overhead crane.

Luncheon was served on shell plates with paper tablecloths covering the steel. Arrangements were under the direction of Bradley Swadburgh, engineer, and Lucile Burgard, expeditor, assisted by Edna Roebirds, Martha Jenness, Elma Sutton, Lucille Holbrook, Alice Livingood, Susie Tabor, Virginia Eckert, Molly Mallette and Rena Woods, all from Plate Shop bays; Sylvia, Hedblom, Mable Wilhelmli and Jim Prosser, steel yard; Don Bean, engineer; Charlotte Sperry and Eileen Pabberg, template storage and Bill Nelson, Barracks mess hall.

Arnold Turnbull, dispatch foreman, emceed the luncheon program while Helen Williams, Irene Goldbaum, Fred Menary, Walt Bauer and Genevieve Christensen entertained.

Don Boone, supervisor, and O. K. Englund, engineer swing shift, and Bill Smith, graveyard foreman, represented their shifts in making arrangements for the gift to Hiefield.

## Tool Checker On Job Two Years

(SWAN ISLAND)—C. C. Tangedahl, tool checker, came to work at Swan Island just two days after the first keel was laid and on July 3 this month completed two years of perfect attendance.



Tangedahl, who checks tools from room No. 33 on swing shift, says he has worked in the same shack for 23 months. He added, "It's been moved plenty of times but I always go right along with it."

Tangedahl's oldest son, Kenneth, is a material expeditor on Outfitting. A daughter, Vivian Hamler, is an office clerk in Photo Lab, and another daughter, Dorothy Halverson, is a First Aid attendant on swing shift.

## Eight Earn Merit Certificate Honor

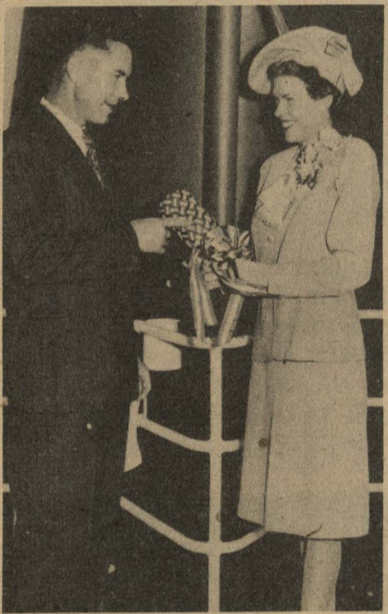
(SWAN ISLAND) — Eight men will be given merit certificates for suggestions submitted to the Swan Island suggestions clearance office during the month of July, announces T. B. Pumfrey, supervisor.

They include S. P. Rogers, machinist leadman, for drill jig; R. D. Hahn, rigger, for exhaust steam line; V. F. Smith, engineer aide, for hydrostatic test yoke; W. H. Smith, electrician foreman, for electric test equipment; G. F. Olson, machinist foreman, for four-point snap gauge; Paul Wellborn, machinist, for air operated vise; A. R. Allen, shipfitter foreman, for simplified strongback, and Ted R. Williams, welding supervisor, for reach rod bracket.

Suggestions are judged and awards made by the labor management committee.

## Breach of Produce Rules Net Penalty

(SWAN ISLAND)—Complaints from workers resulted last week in a thorough investigation of selling conditions among vendors at the Mocks Bottom farm produce stands. As a result two vendors were prohibited from the lot and vendors have been warned that additional infraction of rules will result in additional cancellations of permits, George Luoma, who has charge of the project, announced Monday.



**Know How** H. F. Merrill, Outfitting department supervisor for dock outfitting coordination at Swan Island, explains the fine points of bottle smashing to Mrs. Merrill prior to ceremonies of launching the S.S. Tonto which she sponsored. The Tonto is Swan Island's 82nd tanker. It went to the Outfitting dock July 27. (Swan Island photo)

Most glaring infraction of vendors' rules came to light through letters of complaint addressed to the Boss's Whistle. The letters indicated that quality of some produce was so low that it was unusable. There was also complaint about prices. The letters immediately were referred to Luoma who investigated at once and reported that several permits already had been cancelled.

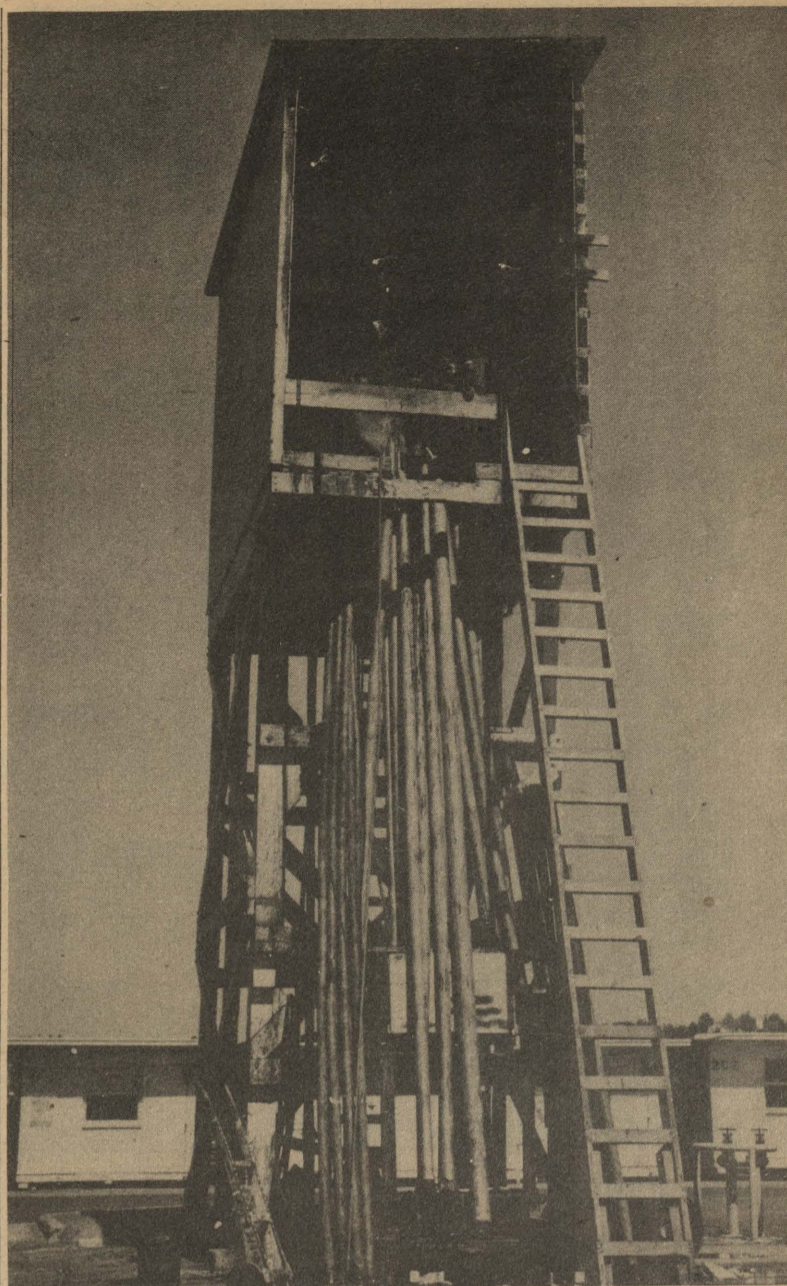
Luoma explained that the vendor service was instituted last summer as a service to home-bound workers at shift changes, and that a similar program was initiated at that time in other yards. Permits are issued to farmers on a two week period basis and provide that all produce must be raised by the farmer seeking a permit; that prices shall be lower than downtown retail prices, but higher than downtown wholesale rate; that produce be of good quality. No charge is made for the permits.

Permits recently revoked involved farmers selling eggs and chickens in violation of price rules. A farmer who reportedly sold poor quality corn has been barred permanently from the stands.

Luoma requests that workers immediately report any dissatisfaction in service, quality or prices at the stands to the Public Relations department, telephone 1221.



**Jap Gun and Flag** Virginia Preble, day test recorder, displays Japanese flag, gun and bayonet received from her brother, Pvt. James F. Preble, now fighting in the second New Guinea campaign. Virginia has many Jap souvenirs including costumes, money and silks. She says her brother is now up against the 'Fighting Tigers,' said to be the toughest of all the Japanese outfits. (Swan Island photo)



A 25-foot ladder leads to the Swan Island resin boiler atop platform. This 210 gallon sheet metal boiler holds 1500 pounds of molten resin used in filling copper pipes leaning against tower. (Swan Island photo)

## Resin-Filled Tubes Bend Without Harm

(SWAN ISLAND)—If you ever tried to bend a piece of copper tubing and had it end up flat instead of round, you know why Swan Island's Copper shop has a resin boiler. Copper pipe filled with solidified resin can be bent in any desired shape without damaging the pipe. Pipes are filled with molten resin, cooled to solidify, then bent to specified angles or shapes. Resin is removed from pipe by using a butane torch to melt it. Over 450 pounds of resin is needed to fill the copper pipes for each hull. It is used over and over again.

The 210 gallon boiler is sheet metal and holds approximately 1500 pounds of liquid resin at one time. It is located on a platform 25 feet above the ground, so that copper piping can be placed in a vertical position for filling.

### CONSTANT FIRE HAZARD

Highly inflammable molten resin presents a constant fire hazard and precautions have been taken to prevent a recurrence of the destructive fire originating in the tower several months ago.

At that time, the tower was immediately adjoining the Copper shop and the fire not only partially destroyed the tower and equipment but also damaged the Copper shop building.

The new tower was built away from other buildings and equipped with a fire control valve. This valve connects spray nozzles around and above the boiler with the yard's main fire line.

## Swan Takes Top Bond Sale Honors

(SWAN ISLAND) — Swan Island took top honors for bond sales over the three Kaiser yards in the Portland area in the Fifth War Loan drive, it was revealed this week. Based upon actual deliveries to the Federal Reserve for June and July, results show that Swan totaled \$4,048,406.25 for an average of 22,929 employees; Oregon reported \$3,800,000 for 28,118 employees; and Vancouver chalked up \$2,500,000 for 32,000 employees.

## Swan Tanker Sets Long Travel Mark

(SWAN ISLAND)—"Swan Island tankers are getting around," R. P. Strasser, former Oregon Ship machinist and now chief pumpman on the S. S. Yamhill, Hull No. 39, recently wrote his relatives at Swan Island.

The Yamhill left Portland early in December. It has been in many foreign ports. Strasser writes, "You people build pretty good ships, at least this one is still going pretty good yet considering how many times we've hit the bottom and run across rock piles in it."

His sister, Mary Strasser, is a day shift welder on the Ways and his father-in-law is Bill Wood, ways supervisor in the Marine department.

## Tanker Grand Teton Leaves Ways Tuesday

(SWAN ISLAND) — The S. S. Grand Teton, hull No. 83, was launched from Way No. 3 Tuesday. Mrs. V. J. Gutenberg, wife of Swan Island's superintendent of Boiler Erection, was sponsor.

Matrons of honor were Mrs. Margaret Daibert and Mrs. C. O. Rieben while Joan Mae Gutenberg was flower girl.

## Jap Sought, Caught

(SWAN ISLAND) — Pfc. Bob Stohler, son of H. A. Stohler, chief clerk under Master Shipwright R. V. Sweitzer, was one of a commando group of 14 men and one officer of the 32nd division serving somewhere in New Guinea who were assigned to bring back one live Jap. The group ambushed a 15-man Jap patrol and brought back the man.



**SWAN ISLAND  
INQUIRING  
REPORTER**

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

"Would you like to own a jeep after the war?"

Mary Cammack, graveyard burner on the ways: "I wouldn't want to have a jeep—I wouldn't know what to do with it if I had one. After the war I want something better than that to ride in, that's certain. But on second thought I might consider the jeep—it would all depend upon what came with it."



R. H. Harris, day tractor operator, Transportation: "Sure, I'd use it just for general all-around driving in place of a car. It is cheaper to operate and my family are all for having one. It would be swell to use to go fishing, too. You could save a lot of walking up and down hills to get to the stream."



A. M. Kahler, swing Assembly welder: "Would I! Nothing could be more fun than owning one of those silly things. They are lots more fun than a car—remind me of a roller coaster. When they bounce over the bumps you bounce right along with them."



E. Parker, day rigger leadman, Outfitting: "Yes, I can use it to go fishing with. It will be handy on the ranch, too. A jeep is economical, has waterproof spark plugs, four-wheel drive, steel body—in fact, it is built to take just about anything. I think everybody wants one of them."



Vangie Sanders, swing office clerk, Bond booth: "Sure, I'd like to have one but what would I do with it? I've ridden in them lots of times and they are different and intriguing. One thing about them is you get plenty of fresh air."



R. D. Thomas, swing trial crew: "Why, sure. If I had one after the war I'd take it back to Chattanooga and use it on the farm. There are 300 acres of Tennessee hills mixed up in that farm and to get around, I need a jeep. It would take me places I could never get in a car."



Peggy Hoard, Reproduction clerk, day shift: "No, I don't want one. When I want to drive, I want a good car. I think they are a part of army life anyway and not suited to civilian life. My brother wants one, and he can have it. I'll take a car."



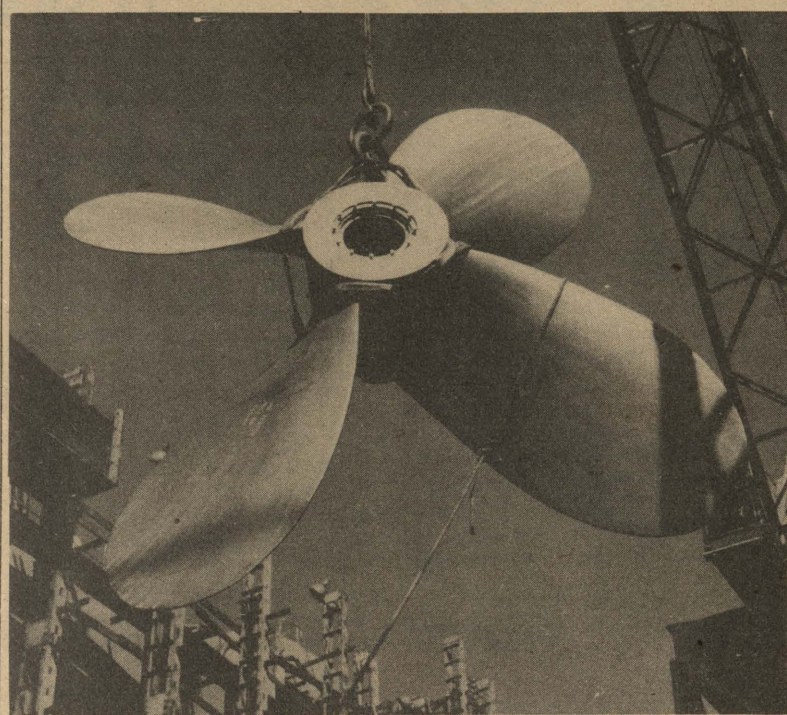
**Air WAC Recruit**

(SWAN ISLAND)—Geraldine 'Jerry' Read, swing shipfitter on Outfitting Dock for the last 13 months, left July 23 for Des Moines, Iowa, where she will take basic training as an Air WAC. Jerry is the niece of Ella Seaburg, First Aid clerk on swing shift, and Harry A. White, United States Maritime Commission senior inspector.



**Needles, Yes--but No Haystack  
Ships' Needs Varied**

(SWAN ISLAND)—In addition to the raw materials used in fabrication, an estimated 35,000 items purchased from vendors in 39 states are required to complete a tanker. Twenty-four thousand Swan Islanders claim the title of tanker champions but without the combined efforts of thousands of others the tankers could not be delivered. Factories located in every section of the United States



**Prop** The 35,000 pound propeller is one of the better known vendor's items. Here it is being lowered into position on a hull. (Swan Island photo)



**Tackle Blocks** Hundreds of tackle blocks are stored in the new warehouse waiting to go on hulls as needed. Tackle blocks come in a wide range of sizes. They are only one of many varieties of blocks purchased for each hull. (Swan Island photo)

are humming with activity and filling their contracts with Swan Island on schedule.

Vendors' items vary in size from the smallest screws to the large propulsion motor weighing 60 tons. They are of every imaginable shape and material and from every field of manufacturing. They must pass the most rigid specifications and are inspected both at the source and after arrival at Swan Island. The American Bureau of Shipping has inspectors, usually at the source, who are mainly concerned with structural defects; the coast guard is primarily interested in the safety angle, and the United States Maritime commission, as owners, is concerned with the overall good condition of the items.

**NAMES CONFUSING**

Most everyone in the yard is familiar with some of the larger vendors' items such as the propeller, anchors, motors, boilers and stern castings, but a trip through the warehouses or over a completed tanker would reveal many others, not so well known.

Engineering Information has prepared an alphabetical listing of vendors' items, exclusive of pipe and pipe fittings.

Names are sometimes confusing. Air and airports, for instance, are compressed air and lights. All the needles, pins and thimbles listed as vendor's items don't go into a sewing kit. Pins range from rolling pins used by the baker to toggle pins for lifeboat stowage, while thimbles are fittings for the riggers. A telephone booth is included, but not for long distance calls. It serves a more important need in the engine room where it is used for inter-communication with other parts of the ship.

**HOUSE EQUIPMENT LISTED**

Many varieties of some items are needed for a tanker. There are 35 different kinds of blocks and 131 of bolts. Boxes, doors, rope, cable and tubes each have from 10 to 30 different types.

Each tanker is well supplied with household equipment. There are dishes, cutlery, cooking ware, sheets, pillowcases and bathmats, to name a few. And not only household items, but office items are included, such as typewriters and files.

Northwestern firms, particularly those in the Portland area, are well represented among concerns supplying items for Swan Island's tankers. One hundred and forty five or

**Other Yards  
Plan Tanker  
Title Battle**

(SWAN ISLAND) — A direct challenge for the tanker-building championship of the world, held currently by Swan Island yard, was contained in the July 14 issue of Fore & Aft, weekly publication of the Alabama Dry Dock and Shipbuilding company of Mobile, Ala. Fore & Aft editorialized as follows:

**PRODUCTION CHIEF'S PROPHECY**

At the launching of the S.S. White Bird Canyon June 29, William A. Magnus, Chief of Production of the Gulf-Great Lakes Region of the U. S. Maritime Commission paid the workers and management of Addisco a rare compliment. "In my opinion," the official said, "you are going to take away from Kaiser's Swan Island yard the title of champion builder of tankers."

Magnus commended Addisco for its accomplishments during the last two years in which building time for tankers has dropped from 360 days to 109 days. Doubtless every worker on Pinto feels pride in this statement from the Commission's Chief of Production and it gives us added incentive for still speedier building of these ships. Magnus further said that the Maritime Commission expects us to make an additional reduction in the time from keel laying to launching. Seventy days on the ways is the immediate goal set for the yard with an eventual reduction to 54 days.

Certainly Mr. Magnus has given us a mark to shoot at and we believe the yard's workers will accept his statement as a friendly challenge and that soon they will fulfill or even better the prophecy made by the Production Chief.

With due respect to Mr. Magnus and his predictions, the Bosn's Whistle points out Swan Island's high and low tanker construction time. Hull No. 5 took 229 days to build. Best time was on Hulls 43 and 44—63 days each. Our present time on tanker building is 66 days.

over 16 per cent of all vendors are Portland firms. For them, transportation is a minor factor, but for those located at more distant points—in some instances as far as 3,000 miles away, shipping problems loom high. Every method of transportation is used—truck, railway and air express—to bring to Swan Island the contributions of these thousands of other "tanker builders".

**CARD OF THANKS**

We wish to express our thanks to the many friends whose condolences and flowers were appreciated during the loss of our son and nephew.—Pvt. Herbert and Gladys Beard, Mrs. Almedia Creasey.



**Pass Tests** These day-shift welders on the Outfitting Dock recently passed their three-position welding tests and were certified by the Kaiser company and the American Bureau of Shipping. The tests involve flat, vertical and overhead welding.

The qualified welders are: Back row, from left, D. Pepper, J. Price, E. Koeplin, L. DeSmet, A. Eames, Superintendent A. Enos, L. Brooks, L. Ridge, F. Jamison, O. Osterman, L. Damon, D. Grayson, B. Jordan, J. Allen, B. Moulton, F. Kesch, G. Wilkins, A. Sackett, C. Fjalstad, D. Cade, M. Weber, F. Carlson, B. Cochrane, B. Pickens. Second row standing, R. Arvidson, B. Brooks, P. Leathers, F. Rinard, G. Lee, R. Kozak, E. Nolan, N. O'Banion, C. Howard, L. Olsen, J. Curnutt, A. New-

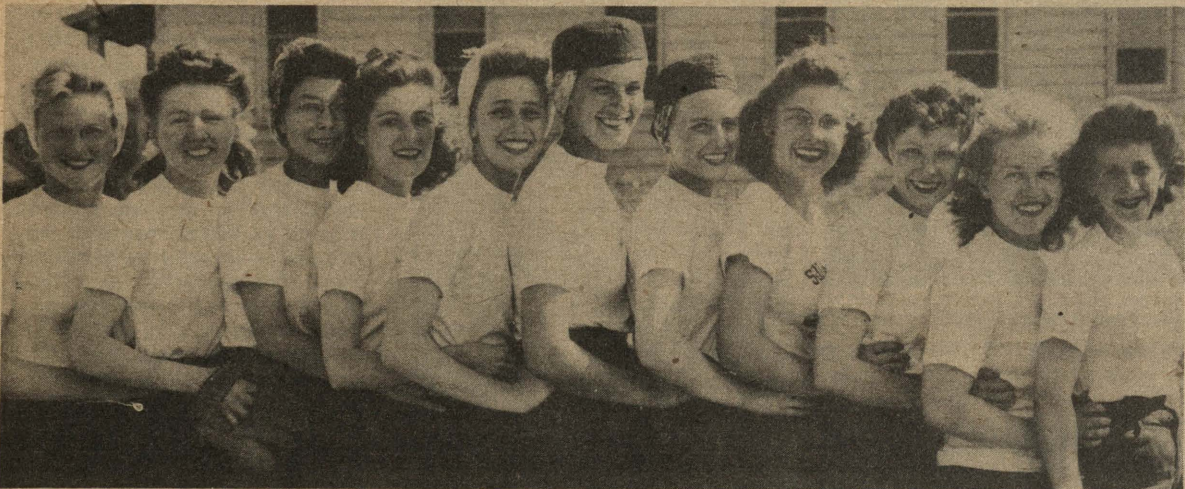
port, B. Butts, I. Watson, L. Johnson, B. Lucas, M. Holst, E. Rauter, D. Walker, L. Fox, E. Gardner, H. Moore. Third row, seated, S. Mathwig, N. Leathers, C. O'Dell, R. Solomon, M. Ferber, F. Dunn, M. Wilson, W. Woody, E. Cook, J. Darling, F. Ehlers, E. Weber, J. Carlson, G. Phillippe, Leadman M. Johnson, L. Plein, G. Buffington, C. Jordan, N. Scholz, P. Johnson, C. Greening. Front row, Foreman J. Desch, T. Boyson, A. Tschopp, Foreman H. Morgus, Foreman R. Emerson, O. Frank, I. Boland, A. Grove, D. Stanford, C. Fleury, M. Stewart, D. Silvy, G. Gentry, Leadmen A. Pascua, D. Wilcox, J. Jones and Supervisor P. Kerr. Not in picture: B. Reed, J. Brandt, M. Bevers, A. Boffa, B. Versailles, L. Hull, B. Thompson, L. McConnell, B. Williams, C. Hughes, M. Vanek, D. Vorderstrasse, S. Wilson, T. Triplett, E. Coon, E. Stephenson and K. Sack. (Swan Island photo)



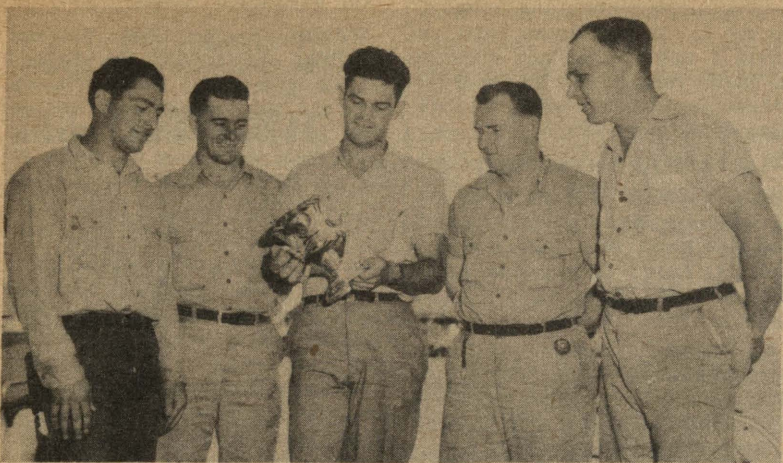
# 4 SOFTBALL TITLES DECIDED



**Second Half Champ** The unbeaten and untied Vancouver Electrical department Killoswatts, coached by Manager Bill Frahler, won second-half honors in the O. D. League. Front row, left to right, R. Skog, P. Hing, B. Batson, Anderson, H. Taylor, D. Russell, G. Morrill; back, F. Lackey, L. Kepler, B. Frahler, S. Mark, C. Green, I. Eisminger, J. Stewart and C. Ekwall. W. Chestnut, J. Baum, Evans, Montgomery and Simbeni were absent when this picture was taken. (Vancouver photo)



**Diamond Enthusiasts** Day shift Assembly women's team at Swan Island won one and dropped one in their first week of play. Left to right: Rose Hafner, Ginger Roatch, Lee Bushman, Dot Hord, Dee George, Helen James, Bessie Dilts, Lucky Sundlie, Kaye Gourley, Mildred Douglas and Tiny Martin. Team is coached by Don Snyder, shipfitter leadman on platforms. (Swan Island photo)



**Titlists Eye Cup** All it lacks is the engraving. The silver cup being admired goes to Bill Steed's Shipfitters, winners of the Oregon Ship softball league championship. Team members shown are from left, Ralph Sittel, Arnold Shanahan, Manager Jerry Walters, Don Flanagan and Bud Rogers. (Oregon Ship photo)

## Tavern Squad Bows To Islanders, 4 to 3

Cashing in on six errors, the Islanders, crack Swan Island ten, nosed out Oregon Ship's previously unbeaten welders and burners 99 Tavern team, 4-3, in a thrilling battle at Peninsula park last week. The win put the Islanders in undisputed possession of first place in the National league and dropped the OSC entry into second place.

Don Younger, Swan smokeballer, and Guy Ruscigno, welders' pitcher-manager, battled on even terms throughout the contest, Younger fanning 11 batters and Ruscigno 10. Younger won his own game in the seventh, blasting a single to score Pete Peterson, who had gained life on a two-base error.

The tavern club grabbed a three run lead in the sixth when Johnny Elsenbach tripled with the bases full, but the Islanders came back in the last of the frame to knot the count on three errors and singles by Pete Zerr and Len Chevron. Score:

	R	H	E
Islanders	4	4	0
99 Tavern	3	6	6

Younger and DeAngelo; Ruscigno and Johnson.

## BURG HURLS 1-HITTER

(OREGON SHIP)—With Cecilia "Toots" Burg flinging one-hit ball, the Outfitting dock women's softball team shut out Assembly, 9-0, last week. Peggy Woolery poled a home run. Score:

	R	H	E
Assembly	0	1	1
Outfitting Dock	9	10	3

Lee, Tuttle and Hogue; Burg and Ashlock.

## Sheriff's Band Booked

(VANPORT)—The 45 piece Vanport City Sheriff's band under the direction of Bandmaster L. F. Flood will present two concerts at Portland's Victory Center next Thursday afternoon and evening.

## DAY SQUAD WINS DUEL IN ASSEMBLY

(VANCOUVER)—Women's day assembly and swing assembly clashed last Sunday at Pier Park in their long-awaited softball duel, day Assembly emerging victorious 7-3. The game was half of a double-header in conjunction with the Idaho State picnic.

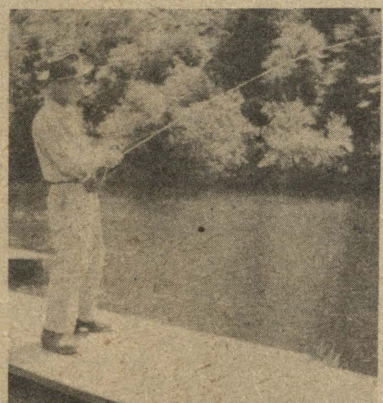
In the second game the Vancouver Yard league all-star team fell before the Kelso-Longview team, 7-3. A return engagement will be played at night in Longview later. Score:

	R	H	E
All-Stars	3	7	1
Kelso-Longview	7	10	4

Richards and Johns; Camp and Lotz.

**LEAGUE STANDINGS**

	W	L	Pct.
Assembly, day	7	0	1.000
Messengers	6	1	.857
Assembly, swing	4	2	.667
Main Electric	4	2	.667
Pin Welders	4	3	.571
Buckler Warehouse	2	5	.286
Tapers	2	5	.286



**No. 1 Angler** Howard Sturdy, swing Pipefitter at Vancouver, tries his hand at one of Washington's many fishing resorts. Before coming to Washington, Sturdy was "Kansas' No. 1 Fisherman." He is past president of the Douglas County Sportsman's Club of Lawrence, Kan., used as a model for over 400 sporting clubs in the United States and Canada.

# 5th Playoff Is Under Way

Pennants — figuratively speaking — fluttered today over the baliwicks of four yard softball teams; another playoff was underway, and a previously unbeaten ten lost a close decision in city competition to highlight a week of Kaiser sports activities.

Top championship duel was Swan Island Fabrication's 2 to 1 victory over Pipefitters in the third and deciding game for the Swan Island day shift softball championship. And right behind that torrid tussle was the victory of Bill Steed's Shipfitters over Assembly, 6 to 5, to capture the Oregon Ship league title in two straight games.

Third flag went to Graveyard Night Hawks of the Oregon Ship night softball circuit. The Hawks beat the swing shift Demons, 14-5, for their second straight playoff triumph.

Fourth of the championship teams was Assembly of the Swan Island swing shift league, which added to its second-half showing of six straight wins by beating Fabrication in the playoffs, 14-1 and 3-2.

The All-yard playoff got under way with Swan Assembly nosing the OSC Demons, 5 to 4.

Last, but far from least in interest, was the Swan Islanders' 4 to 3 victory over the formerly "invincible" OSC welders-burners 99 Tavern squad in a National league (Portland) fray.

At Vancouver, Electricians beat Pipefitters, 5-3, to become second-half champions of the Outfitting Dock loop. They will now meet in the playoffs.

## Hawks Grab Night Loop Playoff, Title

(OREGON SHIP)—Graveyard Night Hawks reign as champions of Oregon Ship's night softball league. The Hawks gained the crown by defeating the swing shift Demons in two straight games of the playoff.

The Hawks grabbed the deciding game last Friday, 14-5, with a 21-hit barrage featuring two homers each by Brozitus and Pritchard. Pritchard also hit a triple and a double.

A challenge to Bill Steed's Shipfitters, winners of the Oregon Ship day softball league championship, was hurled by the graveyard club. Score:

	R	H	E
Graveyard Night Hawks	14	21	2
Swing Shift Demons	5	7	3

Potter and Black; DeSart and Morgan.

## ALL-YARD BALL PLAYOFF STARTED

(SWAN ISLAND)—Swan Island's Assembly swing shift softball team drew first blood in the all-Kaiser yard playoff Monday on the Barracks field, defeating Oregon Ship Demons, 5-4. Score:

	R	H	E
Swan Assembly	5	5	2
Oregon Demons	4	3	0

Oregon Ship Warehouse was scheduled to play Swan's Plate Shop Thursday. Today (Friday, Aug. 4) Vancouver Assembly meets Oregon Ship Night Hawks. Monday, August 7, Oregon Warehouse meets Oregon Demons. Plate Shop at Swan Island plays Oregon Ship Night Hawks Thursday, August 10, and the following day Vancouver and Swan Assembly tens engage in the final game. Tilts are played at 11 a.m.

## STEED SHIPFITTERS SWEEP PLAYOFF IN 2 STRAIGHT GAMES

(OREGON SHIP)—Sweeping the playoff series in two games, Bill Steed's Shipfitters copped the championship of the Oregon Ship softball league. Steed's clinched the crown last Thursday night by coming from behind to beat Manager Ralph Winchell's Assembly ten, 6-5. Assembly lost the first game, 12-5.

Assembly tossers pounced on Ralph Sittel, Steed hurler, to take a 5-1 lead in the first two innings, but Steed's club kept pecking away and finally emerged on top. Sparkling base-running by Hobbs and Carr featured the Steed spurt.

The winners were sponsored by Bill Steed, hull supervisor on the ways, and managed by Jerry Walters, shipfitter leadman. Score:

	R	H	E
Steed	6	10	4
Assembly	5	11	1

Sittel and Rogers; Candello, Kletzel and Redd.

## FABRICATION 10 BEATS PIPE FOR SWAN DAY TITLE

(SWAN ISLAND)—Punching over a tie-busting run in the last half of the seventh, Fabrication won the day shift softball championship Monday afternoon by defeating Pipefitters, 2 to 1, in the third and deciding game of their playoff series.

Completely reversing the free-wheeling form they had displayed in their first two encounters, Fab and Pipe battled without score until the fifth inning, when Pipe shoved over its lone tally and Fab evened in its half of the same frame.

Ben Adams tallied Pipe's run on a single, a sacrifice by Charley Geenan and Chuck Nerman's double. Fab equalized when Rudy Hakala was given life on a bobble, moved up on Frisch's sacrifice and romped home on George Langus' safe rap.

The game-winning tally came when Hakala and Frisch singled in succession and Vic Mong doubled over the left field fence, Hakala scoring easily.

Fabrication won the first game of the series, 13-3, and Pipe took the second, 15-1, to set the stage for Monday's tight finale. Score:

	R	H	E
Pipefitters	1	4	1
Fabrication	2	5	0

Koenig and Adams; Gette and Poster.

## Missourians to Honor 'Old Folks' At Annual State Society Picnic

(SWAN ISLAND)—The oldest married couple, oldest Missouri lady and oldest Missouri gentleman will be honored at the 11th annual Missouri State Society picnic at Columbia park, Lombard and North Russell, Sunday, August 6.

J. A. Cushman, vice president of the group and chairman of the picnic is a day warehouseman in the Receiving department of General Stores, Swan Island. Cushman has issued an invitation to all former Missourians from the Kaiser yards to participate in the Sunday picnic.

Registration will be up until noon, luncheon until 2:00 p. m., followed by the society meeting. The society meets monthly in Portland.



WHEN the thermometer goes up, don't let your appetite take a dive, say the medics. You still need food and plenty of it, even if the old lunch bucket doesn't give you the same "come-hither" look that it did back in January when the icy wind whipped over the ways.

That machine your feet are carrying around still needs fuel to do a day's work. But when eggs fry in the sun and your brains begin to broil beneath your tin beanie, it's time to change the bill of fare.

First of all, give your sunburned palate a break with fruits and vegetables. Skip the hot drinks for a day or two and fill your bottle with fruit juice. Fresh fruit—really fresh, not over ripe—will do more for you in hot weather than heavy foods.

Fresh vegetables—tomatoes, lettuce, cabbage and celery are likewise good hot-weather foods.

And just because it's summer, don't try to do without meat, your body needs it. Too much fat, however may bring you a couple of degrees nearer your boiling point. And the doctors tell us that protein foods like lean meat and American cheese in sandwiches should be the main course in summer just as in the colder months.

Because perspiration robs your boiler of salt and makes you a sucker for heat exhaustion, army dieticians advise the generous use of salt in your summer diet.

And if you're on the preparing end of the shipbuilder's lunch, vary the menu from day to day and above all, make it look good!

Pictures on this page show men and women at lunch time in the three Kaiser yards. Pull up a chair.

# Hunches FOR HOT WEATHER Lunches

... even in hot weather your engine needs fuel to do a day's work



**To Music** Swan Island day shifters devour their inevitable sandwiches to the strains of the Coast Guard band and the soft crunch of an occasional celery stalk in the background. Little is known of the effect of music on shipbuilders' digestion, except that Frank Sinatra is said to make some people lose their appetites.



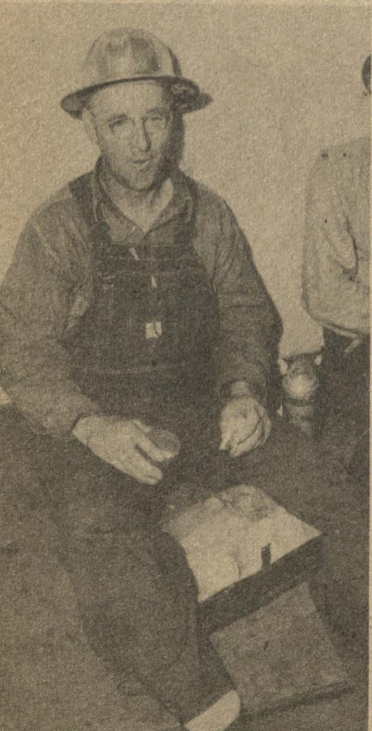
**Sunshine and Sandwiches** Nira Nash, Swan Island gadget shop shipfitter, recommends a combination vegetable salad, creamed honey sandwich, egg sandwich, rhubarb sauce, cookies and coffee.



**At Vancouver** This quiet picnic scene on the soft banks of an innerbottom, 'neath the shade of a majestic bulkhead, takes place every sunny day in the Vancouver Storage area. Workers dislike being bothered during lunch time as any Bos'n's Whistle reporter can tell you.



**Swan Island** Oh, yes, the lunch. Miss Ruby Fillinger, marine electrician, had baked beans, potato salad, a meat sandwich, cup cakes, and coffee. Which shows that even a dietician can be wrong.



**Hearty Meals** The Oregon Ship worker at left will stow away two meat sandwiches, a jar of fruit and a thermos bottle of milk. At right, L. C. Sutton, Vancouver pipefitter, will devour one baked ham sandwich, one bottle of milk, four slices of onion, one orange, one tomato, lemonade. He has already beaten the photographer to a handful of cookies.



**At Oregon** This lunchtime group includes John Johnson, leadman, Marie Rider, Maria Elliott, Evelyn Ward (with Pepsi-Cola and sandwich), Aletha Parsons with a lunch consisting of a can of pineapple juice. At extreme right, Doris Davis.



**Ladies Eat Lightly** These Vancouver ladies, Audrey O'Neal, painter helper, left, and Mrs. Beulah Martin, invoice audit, right, eat lightly. Mrs. O'Neal's lunch was a baked ham sandwich, an orange, pie and coffee. Mrs. Martin chose half portions of cheese, meat and peanut butter sandwiches, celery, applesauce, egg, orange, banana and coffee.



**Chow** Conrad Braseth, Outfitting painter, starts first with dessert (deep apple pie). To follow shortly are a meat sandwich, raw carrots, applesauce and goat's milk.



# Bonds Surpass Quota Figures

(SWAN ISLAND)—Final bond result sheet released last week by Ken James, bond department, showed Swan Island well over the \$4,000,000 sales mark with every single department, large or small, over 100 per cent of its quota. The grand total for the yard as a whole averaged out at 150 per cent of quota. Comparative standings of departments and per cent of quotas at the close of the Fifth War Loan campaign follows:

General Stores, 288.3; Administration 283.7; Plant Protection and Maintenance, 202.4; Mechanical, 189.9; All Stars, 174.3; Rigging, 162.9; Welding Dock, 151.2; Shipwrights and Facilities, 149.3; Electrical, 148.3; Hull Outfitting, 137.2; Fabrication, 130.7; Pipe, 127.; Paint, 124.; Marine, 123.5; Erection, 121.7; Assembly, 113.2; Riveting and Chipping, 106.7; Welding Ways, 105.9. This makes a grand total yard quota of 150 per cent.

Here is a further breakdown of departments and per cent of quotas:

Mechanical—Central Tool Room, 228.5; Machine Shop, 194.5; Equipment Maintenance, 192.6; Crane Operators, 163.1.

All Stars—Yard Office, 652.7; Vocational Training, 331.7; Hull Control, 208.8; Mold Loft, 198.5; Production, 164.3; Outfitting, 158.7; Hull Materials, 157.3; Port Operations, 152.4; Welding Rod Control and Engineering, 120.4; Test Recording, 107.

Shipwrights and Facilities—Carpenter Shop, 174; Shipwrights-Ways, 156.5; Pipe Maintenance, 138.8; Labor, 128.8.

Plant Protection and Maintenance—Guards, 264.1; Safety, 214.6; Building Maintenance, 133.5; First Aid, 129.5.

Administration—Purchasing, 1,457.24; General Engineering, 1,200.96; Vessels Delivery, 1,163.24; Stationery, 951.28; Priorities, 785.97; Adjustment, 718.92; Messengers, 647.13; General Management, 625.90; Invoice Audit, 541.11; Engineering Information, 416.14; Expediting, 385.10; Women's Counseling, 373.32; Accounting, 356.77; Cost, 328.99; Master File and Ditto, 304.78; Design Engineering, 293.11; General Administration, 292.04; Payroll, 286.31; Bond Accounting, 270.03; Insurance, 244.61; Telephone, 243.50; Naval Architects, 241.39; Clearance, 215.89; Rate Control, 188.89; Mimeograph, 166.11; Reproduction, 153.55; Marine Engineering, 153.05; Personnel, 152.13; Induction Training, 150.97; Bond Sales, 150.75; Legal, 146.11; Progress, 142.82; Record Control, 139.36; Traffic, 136.90; I.B.M., 132.22; Time, 128.62; Housing and Transportation, 128.53; Labor Recruitment, 114.97; Steel Expediting, 114.86; Civil Service Center, 106.31; Electrical Engineering, 104.78.

## ENTERTAINERS IN BOND WORK MERIT PRAISE

(SWAN ISLAND)—Seventy-three Swan Island employes in addition to scores of outside persons lent their talent to the numerous Fifth War Loan Victory Center shows presented during the past two months.

Maury Merriwether, director of the shows, furnishes the following list, extending his thanks to all on behalf of the bond drive committee.

### GRAVEYARD SHIFT

Barbara Johnson, Personnel; Peggy Jo Johnson, Outfitting, and Red Johnson; Thurston Judd, chief clerk; Harold Knutson, General Stores; Clint Sullivan, Pipe Shop; and Gordon Wise, crane operator.

### SWING SHIFT

Eddie Becker, radio room; Dick Farrington, Cost; Milton Happy, Hauserman Co.; Jean McDonald, General Stores; Reba Metzger, welder; Jo Jack Stalter, mother works swing; James Stephens, Pipe; Connie Lee Walters, father on swing; and Al Webb, welder.

### DAY SHIFT

Andy Anderson, burner; Bill Anderson, crane operator; Ted Anderson, shipfitter; Ralph Bachman, Bohn's Whistle; Gladys Bale, burner; Donald Bean, parents work here; Billie Bramble, master files; Jo Bowman, Bohn's Whistle; Connie Borsian, master files; Maxine Cady, safety; Bonnie Chappel, master files; Norm Correy, erection; Francis Crowley, Outfitting dock; Mono Edwards, tank test; Al Ensign, welder; Peggy Gaylon, welder; Lefty Grove, welder leadman; Jack Harris, U.S.M.C.; Walter Hinton, chipper; Norzita Hoernr, master file; Art Horst, draftsman; Sylvia Horenstein, ditto; Bill Hudson, engineer; Ida Irby, timekeeper; Jeanne Jernander, crane operator; Carmen Jalmaseo, cost; Bill Johnson, crane operator; Geneva Kehrl, radio room; Fred Kolstad, paint; Ev Lawrence, electrician; Nadine Leathers, welder; Norma Leathers, welder; Jay Mundy, suggestions; Bob Moran, draftsman; Ida Morell, welder; Beth Moore, badge control; Leonard Moore, welder leadman; Ernest Mulberry, welder; Paul Muller, engineer; Gloria Palladini, priorities; Arnold Payne, welder; George Peterson, public address; Lois Ragsdale, laborer; Francis Reardon, welder; Jo Safarak, paint foreman; Mary Jane Schwartz, master file; Bill Smith, chipper; Smiley Simpson, burner; Vic Stepanoff, electrician leadman; Dorothy Stone, burner; Stan Tiffany, painter; Vivian Van Winkle, master files; Ruth Wassan, rigging loft; Helen Williams, fabrication; Helen Wiegman, stationery; Johnny Wilcox, crane operator and Max Zugman, shipfitter.

### GUEST ENTERTAINERS

Guest entertainers brought to the yard for the Fifth War Loan programs included Jack and Jill's Ela-

## FOUR CENT CHECK

(SWAN ISLAND)—E. B. Balmiero, swing shift welder on ways, has been getting a four cent check the past few weeks for his full week's work. He gets the rest of it in bonds. Earning \$68.64, fifty dollars have gone for bonds and all but four cents of the remainder for insurance and taxes.

## SWAN TO SHOW GAIN IN AUGUST

(SWAN ISLAND)—There'll be no "dog-days" in August at Swan Island. The tanker champs will launch six vessels during the month compared to five in July.

August launching schedule is:

No. 83, Grand Teton, Aug. 1, Way 3.

No. 84, Beacon Rock, Aug. 8, Way 4.

No. 85, Hovenweep, Aug. 11, Way 5.

No. 86, Swan Island, Aug. 16, Way 6.

No. 87, Montezuma Castle, Aug. 22, Way 7.

No. 88, Smoky Hill, Aug. 27, Way 8.

## Victory Center Show Sparkles With Talent From Graveyard Shift

(SWAN ISLAND)—Graveyard shift talent staged a Victory Center show at 3:30 a. m. Saturday, July 22, produced by Martha Sokolich, booth checker and Eddie Becker, radio room. Artists included Ray E. Dees, machinist, who formerly sang as the Lonestar Cowboy over Dr. Brinkley's Del Rio, Texas, radio station KXEN; Eddie Becker; Timecheckers Betty Wallace, Ruth Mohagan and Roma Ralston, trio; Fred Fox, electrician leadman, and Al Chenevert, guard.

### ROSE GIRL

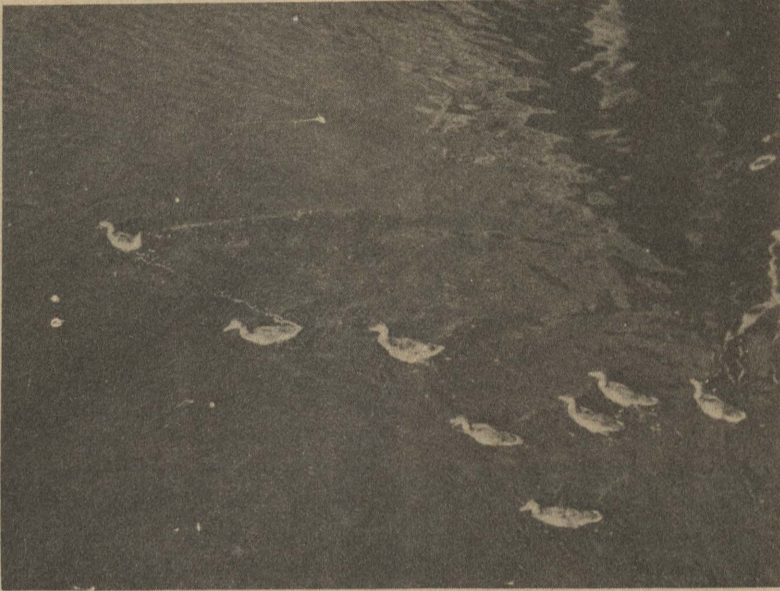


Since the spring of 1942, Helen Boyer, graveyard timekeeper, has become known to fellow workers as the "rose girl." Mrs. Boyer and her husband, G. Boyer, graveyard shipfitter in Assembly Bay 3, have more than done their bit in making Portland a real rose city. Mrs. Boyer likes to share with her friends the gorgeous blooms which beautify the grounds of her home from early spring to late autumn and her fellow workers have received scores of bouquets. She is a veteran of the Time department, having come to Swan Island in November, 1942.

tions produced by Earl Mossman; Commercial Iron Works, Eve Shelton, Jerry Owens and Jimmy Whetmore; Buckler-Chapman show produced by Johnny Huback; Grant high trio, Evelyn Gross, Betty Ross, Phyllis Johnson and Marian Debeneger; U. S. coast guard band directed by Sig Haga; Clyde Beatty, Russell Brothers circus; Dolores Fischer, dancer from Nu-Gaiety theater; Radio Station KGW artists and Radio Station KOIN artists.



**Twin Sweepers** Recent arrivals at Swan Island include these twins, Olave Doris and Veola Norris Fedson, 17, sweepers in Labor Erection department on ways, day shift. The twins are from Crossett, Ark. (Swan Island photo)



**'Berthed at Swan'** They're ducks, not swans, even though "berthed" in the Swan Island Outfitting basin by mother mallard. The brood dives for crumbs tossed into the water by Guards Roy Riley and R. D. Follis from the pontoon bridge. (Swan Island photo)

## BLOOD DONATION SCHEDULE TOLD

(SWAN ISLAND)—Individuals at Swan Island on day shift who have difficulty making arrangements for blood donating are urged by Expediter Lucile Burgard, Plate shop, to register with Plate shop workers who make up a group each week to go to the Red Cross blood plasma center.

The Red Cross sends its bus to the First Aid building in the yard at 3:30 p. m. on Tuesdays when there is a group of 10 to 14 donors.

Registrations for the trip on Tuesday must be made with Plate shop by the preceding Saturday

## High Level Bond Buy List Grows

(SWAN ISLAND)—Purchasers of bonds in the higher brackets continue at Swan Island, according to reports made to the Bohn's Whistle. The following names were received this week: S. Benton, welder helper, Pipe welding; E. Dixon, shipfitter, Assembly; E. Harvey, rigger, Assembly; W. Hill, rigger, Outfitting; H. Hinz, junior engineer, Rigging; L. Lausen, ventilation foreman, Electrical department; H. Robinson, rigger, Assembly; D. Rudarmel, rigger, Assembly; R. Tallent, laborer, ways; C. Wells, burner, Mast Yard.

## P. A. Quiz Sheet

(SWAN ISLAND)—Grover "Bill" Williams, radio room supervisor, is asking Swan Island workers to express their preferences of lunchtime entertainment, both over the public address system and at Victory Center shows.

The questions below are to be answered and returned to the radio room in the basement of the Yard office, either in person or through use of the suggestion boxes placed in the yard.

1. Shift—Day ( ) Swing ( ) Graveyard ( ) .
2. What portion of P. A. programs appeal most to you? News ( ) , Sports ( ) Music ( ) Statistics ( ) .
3. What kinds of music do you like best? Popular ( ) Hillbilly ( ) Classical ( ) Novelty ( ) .
4. Would you like an advanced schedule of programs published in the Bohn's Whistle each week? Yes ( ) No ( ) .
5. What type of Victory Center Shows do you like best? Novelty ( ) Standard ( ) Guest Appearances ( ) .
6. Would you like to have the lunch-time broadcasts presented from the lunchrooms? Yes ( ) No ( ) .

In the space below please list your comments and ideas for lunchtime programs, remarks and suggestions.....

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**WHIRLEY-GO-ROUND**  
Guard Kay Ochiltree, day shift, will leave for the Air WAC, August 6, reporting to Fort Des Moines, Ia., to receive basic training. Also Albert J. Hemphill, Ways shipfitter, left Swan Island July 28, for the navy. Albert lives with his aunt and uncle, Elsie Bagwell, day warehouseman, and Jim Bagwell, day carpenter in Carpenter Shop.

Allan Green, swing shipfitter, Bay 8, Assembly, returned to work, July 25, after visiting his brother, Burton, a Marine, who was on leave in Los Angeles. The reunion was the first in three years.

Two perfect attendance records were reported to the Bohn's Whistle this week: Henry Fradd, swing journeyman, Marine Electric, Outfitting dock, has 15 months perfect attendance and Saul Greenstein, swing Assembly worker, forepeak jigs, has 22 months perfect record.

Assembly reports three day shift employees confined to hospitals. They are: Ann Holcomb, day laborer, appendicitis; Helen Rau, day welder, foot operation, and Helen Litchenfeld, day shift office clerk, appendicitis.

Joe Henroth, day warehouseman, General Store's receiving department, remembers when another Roosevelt was president. Joe was driver for the United Carriage Company during Teddy Roosevelt's visit to Portland in 1904 and was driver of the carriage in which the president rode.

Seven day shift crews in Electric department held a get-together picnic, Sunday, July 30, at Roamer's Rest park. The crews who attended are under Leadmen H. A. Wildermuth, Vern Crandall, F. E. Berry, P. Roe, L. H. Robb, John Wells, and George Summers. Guests included Ernie Brown, superintendent; 'Bob' Parsons, day supervisor, and W. S. Smith, foreman. Wildermuth was chairman of the picnic and committee helpers were Margaret Parson, Evelyn Nicholson, Ann Burriss, A. Mast and L. Meyers.

Ray Simpson, Mold Loft day layer-out reports the birth of a son to his daughter, Mrs. Jack 'Billie' Ireland.

Bill Grant, former head of blueprint files, who left Swan Island June 30 for the navy, writes friends from Great Lakes Naval Training he is kept mighty busy on an intensified training schedule, and that he may be shipped out directly without previous leave.

## WINNING RIGGERS HOLD BOND FETE

(SWAN ISLAND)—Last Sunday, July 30, three swing shift rigger crews comprising the winning division in the Rigging department's bond drive were feted at the Benson hotel by other divisions. The crews were those of Assembly Foreman L. E. Anderson and Leadmen C. Wilson, H. Robinson, and J. Luhrs. This division made 287.2 per cent of their quota.

Also honored were members of the Rigging department's Honor Roll—the ten individuals having purchased the highest percentage of their own quota. According to Mast Yard Supervisor Larry Judson, who arranged the affair, those on the Honor Roll bought bonds in the Fifth War Loan in amounts ranging from 864 per cent to 2100 per cent of the quota given them.

About 60 attended the dinner and party. Guests were Rigging Superintendent Sammy Simon and Mrs. Simon; Erection Superintendent M. L. Fulton and Mrs. Fulton, and Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Carl. Carl is bond chairman for the metropolitan area.

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**FOR SALE:** Size 38 welders jacket, Bohn's Whistle, price \$4.00.