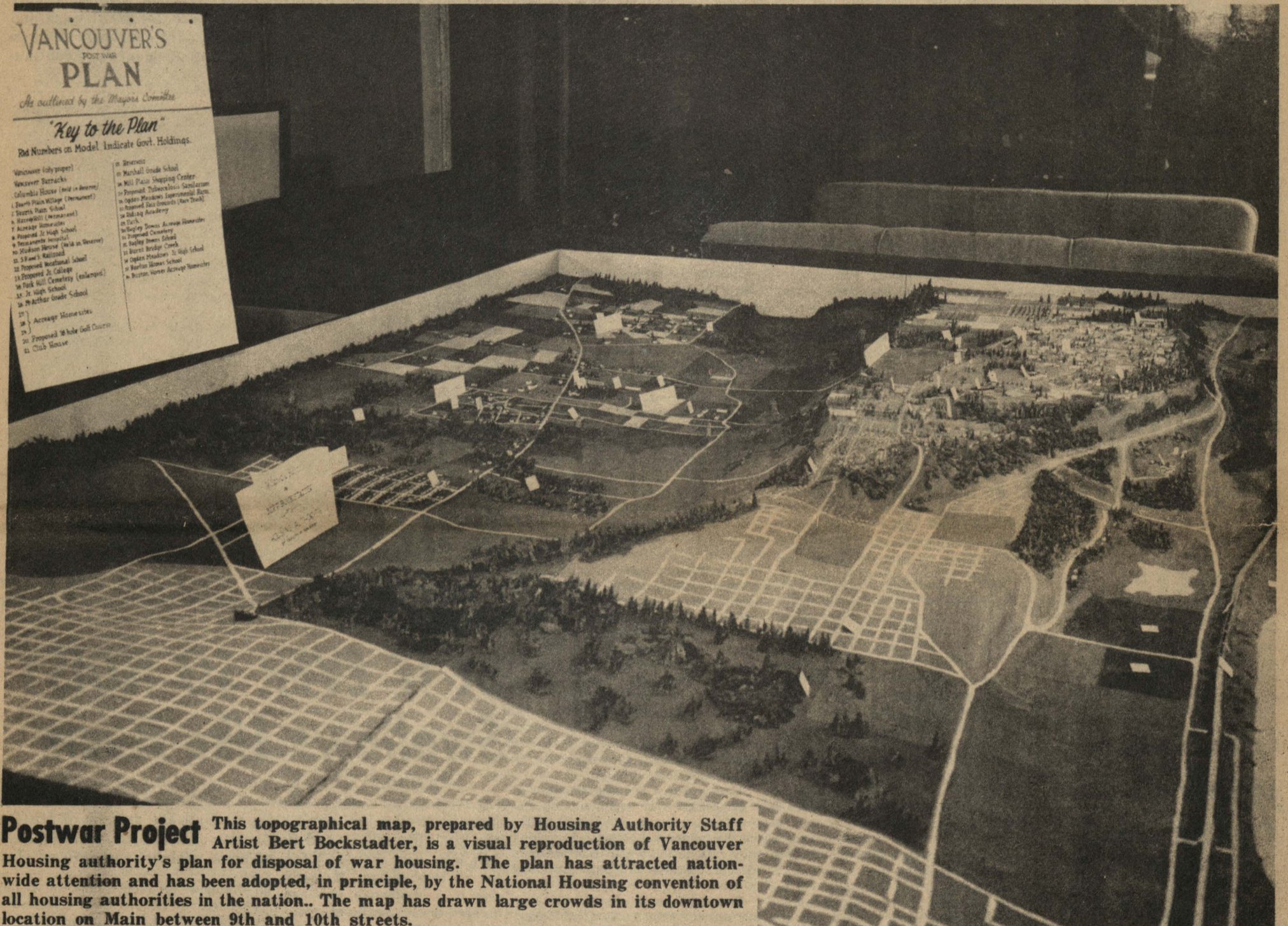


# PLATE SHOP WORKERS SHIFTED TO NEW JOBS

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**Postwar Project** This topographical map, prepared by Housing Authority Staff Artist Bert Bockstadter, is a visual reproduction of Vancouver Housing authority's plan for disposal of war housing. The plan has attracted nationwide attention and has been adopted, in principle, by the National Housing convention of all housing authorities in the nation. The map has drawn large crowds in its downtown location on Main between 9th and 10th streets.



**Off To New Jobs** Approximately 400 employes of the Vancouver Plate shop, where work slackened as they enter the CVE contract, were offered transfers to other jobs in the yard Monday night. Above, workers are having final papers signed in main Plate shop office following interviews with Personnel department officials in Plate shop lunch room. See story, Page 5.



**Welding Contest Winners** At a program on the Outfitting dock last Saturday prizes of \$75 war bonds and a plaque were made to the five men whose ideas were chosen top out of the more than 200 suggestions turned in. The superintendents in each department represented also received a plaque. Shown from left to right: Bill Russell, Erection superintendent; Warren Downing, swing welder, foreman; Jerry Revell, district manager Lincoln Electric; Lt. D. S. Campbell, supervisor of Shipbuilding at the yard; Volney Martin, Labor coordinator; M. Miller, assistant general manager; William Brown, day welder foreman; Parke Savage, Outfitting dock superintendent; August Knuttila, day welder; Carl Loddell, superintendent of Training; Howard Denhart, superintendent in Assembly; Ed Argersinger, superintendent of Hull Material and Jerry Gunther, assistant superintendent of Hull Material.

# Vancouver's 2nd Drydock Center Of Controversy

Although YFD 70, Vancouver's second floating drydock, was launched unsponsored, unhonored and unsung, July 12, she is receiving more attention than a dozen Victorys, transports or tankers. Not YFD 70's launching, but her destination is causing great commotion in Pacific coast shipbuilding circles. According to the navy, the matter is settled. YFD 70 originally was to go to Los Angeles, but another dock went there, and YFD 70 is scheduled to be berthed at San Francisco.

"The navy puts them where they will do the most good in the war effort," declared Vice-Adm. John W. Greenslade, western sea frontier resources coordinator, when questioned in Portland last week. The admiral expressed the opinion that Portland's present facilities are adequate to handle the type of repair work intended for the port.

Locations for such installations are planned months ahead by the navy's bureau of ships, he explained, and YFD 70 was allocated to San Francisco long ago. YFD 69, now in operation at Swan Island, will remain there.

## PORTLAND TO FIGHT

That Portlanders still plan to carry on the fight to have the drydock stationed in this port was indicated when Edgar F. Kaiser, participating in a "ribbing" of the good-natured vice-admiral at the U. S. S. Bronx launching at OSC Saturday, stated:

"For us in Portland, this drydock situation is not in its swan song. We've just begun to fight. You said: 'Thar is gold in them thar hills,' admiral. We agree, and we in Portland are going after that thar gold!"

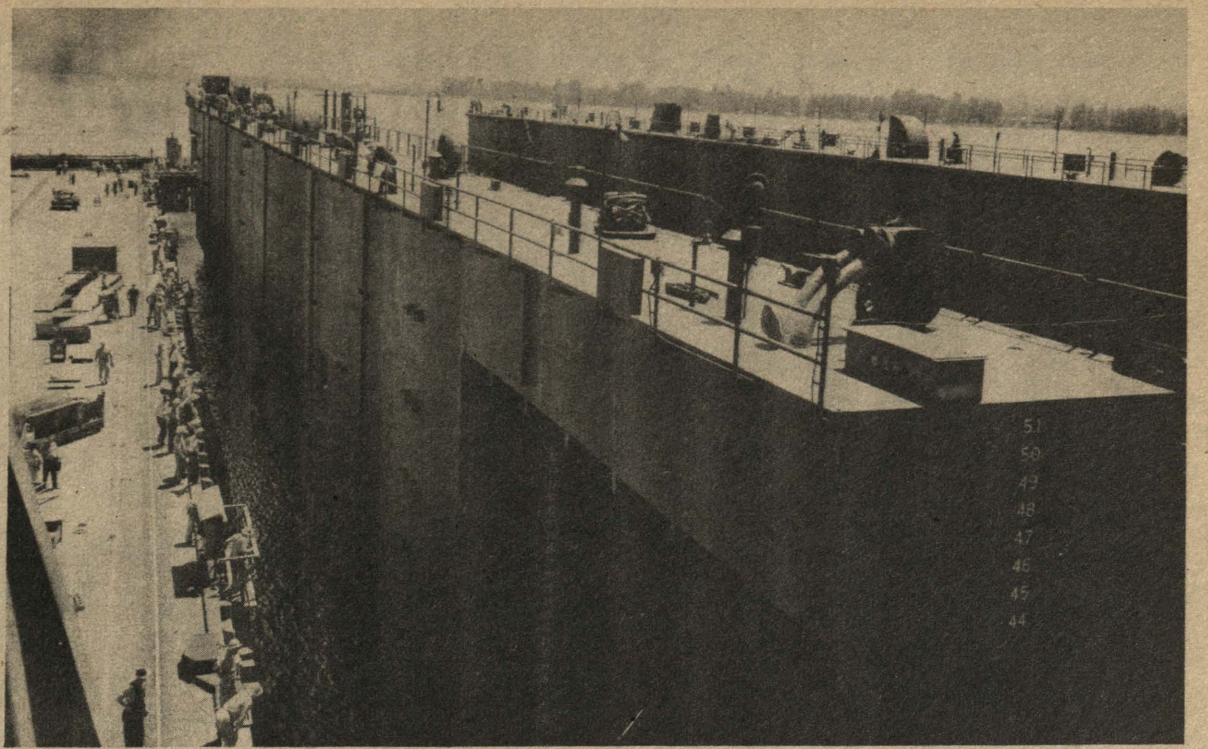
In the meantime, the admiral's positive declaration that the dock would go to San Francisco, inspired a fresh onslaught of telegrams to Washington in the campaign to keep YFD 70 in a Portland berth.

## WORKERS START PETITIONS

It was further revealed that 100 petitions had been started throughout the Willamette Iron & Steel plant in a workers' effort to keep the drydock here. Mayor Earl Riley's new port development committee announced that Vancouver and Longview interests are backing the Portland plea.

Port of Portland drydocks were in use 92 per cent of available time last year, according to a recent tabulation. Navy officials had reportedly claimed that Portland's drydocks were in use only 50 per cent of the time, but the navy report, it was learned, was based upon the drydocking of vessels of 6000 gross tons or larger. Portlanders contend that is an unfair consideration since the docks handle many smaller vessels.

In the meantime, YFD 70, unsponsored, unhonored, unsung and now obviously unconcerned, floats patiently at Vancouver as it receives its final touches of outfitting and the battle rages to ascertain where she will make her home.



**Golden Gate Bound?** Drydock YFD 70, launched without sponsor Thursday, July 12, appears here at the Outfitting dock for final work and tests. It is the second drydock built in this yard. The first, YFD 69, is in operation at Swan Island. The navy says this one will go to San Francisco, but Portland residents are continuing a fight to keep it in this area.

## Henry Kaiser Planning Big Steel Project

Henry J. Kaiser, in a contemplated move that would provide widespread postwar employment, has announced that he is arranging a syndicate of western financial and industrial interests that propose \$69,000,000 worth of new construction and plant conversion in the west.

Keystone of the proposal is an offer of the syndicate to lease, with option to buy, the steel plant at Geneva, Utah, owned by the federal government and erected through the Defense Plant corporation.

The syndicate proposes also to operate \$350,000,000 worth of iron and steel plants in California, Utah and Colorado.

Lease of the Geneva plant would be with the provision that it be operated to the fullest extent consistent with general business conditions "to the end that the greatest production and employment will be accomplished," Kaiser said in his offer, communicated to the DPC.

## \$7,000,000 CONVERSION

The syndicate proposes to convert the plate mill at Geneva to a hot strip rolling mill, the syndicate to meet the \$7,000,000 cost.

Also proposed are construction of a \$25,000,000 cold strip mill on the Pacific coast, construction of a \$25,000,000 seamless tube and welded pipe mill in Utah and construction of a \$12,000,000 railroad car plant in Utah.

The syndicate is considering, Kaiser informed the DCP, combination with the Colorado Fuel & Iron Co., and the Wickwire-Spencer Steel Co., for joint operation of all the facilities concerned.

Construction of the coast cold strip mill would await determination of the write-down on the Fontana steel plants in California, owned by Kaiser Company Inc.

## DENIES FONTANA RUMORS

Arriving at Los Angeles to confer with financial leaders, Kaiser denied rumors that the Fontana plant would shut down within a week.

"There isn't any question but that there's a terrific fight to stop the operation of western steel," Kaiser said at a press conference.

At the conference he telephoned to the manager of the Fontana plant, A. B. Ordway, who told Kaiser that the plant is booked solid through September with orders and that another shift is being put on in the merchant mill and in the 29-inch structural mill.

## Many to Be Discharged

The end of the war in Germany and the war department reorganization program provides for discharge within a year of 1,300,000 men, most of them now overseas. These men are beginning to return and deserve prompt transportation home.

## Hospital to Get Tin Can, Paper Drive Proceeds

Portland's biggest waste paper and tin can pick-up drive of the war takes place Sunday, and with proceeds to go to the Shriners' Hospital for Crippled Children, a record collection is predicted. A large volunteer army has been mobilized to bring in the salvage. Because the drive is limited to one day, the committee in charge is urging Portland residents to have their cans and paper in the proper condition and at the right place when collectors make their rounds.

Newspapers, magazines and flat-

tened cartons should be tied in separate, securely bound bundles, 12 to 18 inches tall.

Cans, with labels removed, should be washed thoroughly, cut off or folded in top and bottom and flattened by stepping on them.

Paper and cans may be deposited at any Portland fire station except Taylor street location downtown. Paper placed at the northeast corner of each intersection before 9 a. m. Sunday will be picked up. Tin taken to Safeway stores today, tomorrow or early Sunday morning also will be handled.

At Swan Island, the drive will begin Saturday and continue into next week, with boxes placed at the main gate for deposits of cans and paper.



Children like this one will benefit from big waste paper and tin can collection set for Sunday. The drive is expected to yield the biggest salvage of the war, with all proceeds going to the Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children.

## Columbia Basin Landowners Urged To Vote July 21

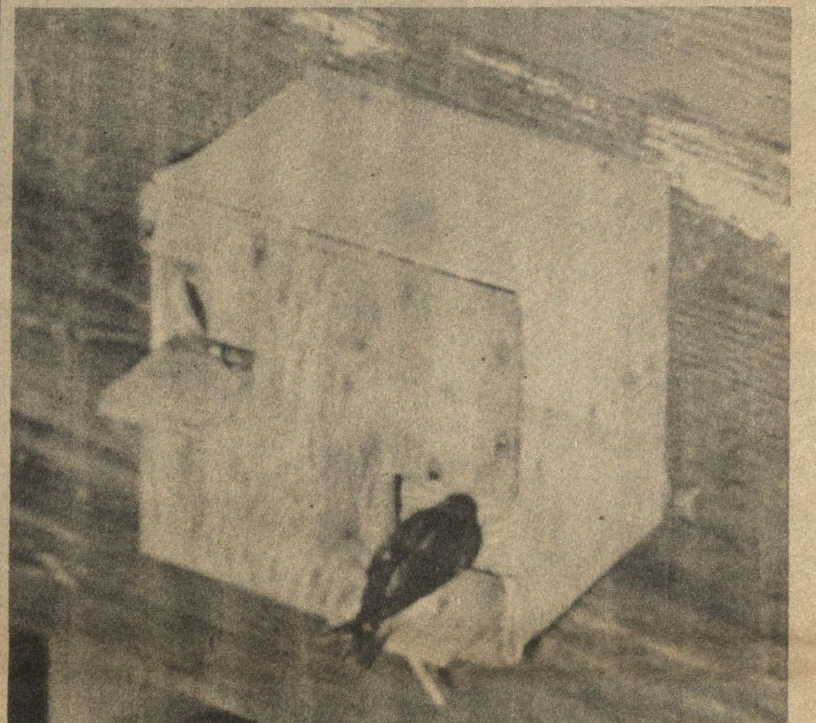
Shipyards workers and others in the Portland-Vancouver area who own land in the Columbia basin project and are legal residents of the state of Washington have been urged by the Washington State Columbia basin commission to vote at the July 21 election on the project repayment contract. If approved, the Bureau of Reclamation can begin construction of the necessary irrigation works when funds, manpower, and materials are available.

Art Garton, chairman of the commission, stated that Bureau of Reclamation records show approximately that 200 persons living in the Portland area own land in the basin.

Absentee ballots can be obtained from the secretary, Quincy district, Quincy, Wash.; secretary, East District, Lind, Wash.; secretary, south district, Pasco, Wash., and the Columbia basin commission, 303 Columbia building, Spokane.

## Casualties Being Moved

Armed services casualties now are being moved into this country in growing numbers. More than five times as many Pullman cars were used moving casualties in January, 1945 as in June, 1944. Meanwhile, thousands of American prisoners in the Japanese-held areas are yet to be rescued. These persons will be returned to this country through Pacific coast ports when liberated.



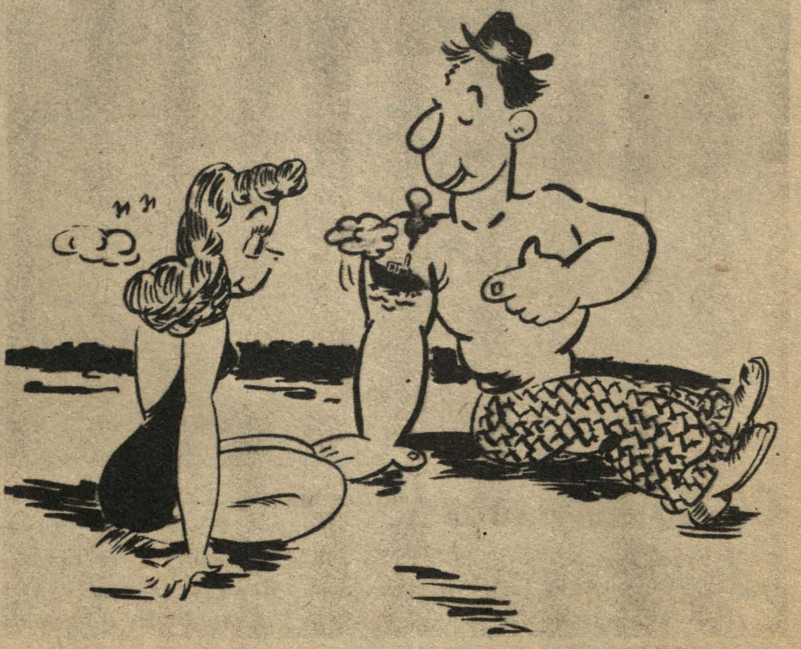
**Cuckoo Clock?** Nope, it's one of a pair of swallows that live in this birdhouse high on the ways scaffolding at Swan Island.

## BE IT EVER SO NOISY Swallows Like Home

(SWAN ISLAND)—No quiet, peaceful nest in some country treetop for these swallows! Like the apartment dweller in New York who just can't sleep without the rumble of traffic, the rattle of trolleys and the tooting of horns, so Swan Island's swallows just wouldn't feel at home without the din and clatter of shipbuilding. It might be due to a birdhouse shortage, or maybe these swallows are just "characters," but they seem to thoroughly enjoy their duplex room with a view—high up on the scaffolding of Way six. The birdhouse is nailed on the outside of a bin where extra air hose is kept.

In spite of the fact that Mrs.

Swallow is accustomed to seeing crowds of people from a distance, she was a little camera-shy when she saw the photographer. Her desire to return to her domestic duties overcame her timidity, however. The camera shutter clicked, and Mrs. Swallow was "caught" making a graceful landing on her perch.



"That's nothing, you should see it when I take a bath."



# Public Works in Oregon

**Transition Aid** Projects like the one shown above will provide jobs for war workers and returning servicemen during the reconversion period from war to peacetime production. But private industry will have to bear the major burden, on the basis of public works planned in Oregon. This picture shows work now being done on Highway 99 between Salem and Albany.

**W**HAT about the employment situation in Oregon and the rest of the Northwest after the war? That continues to be the major postwar worry of workers in the Portland-Vancouver area. Will there be enough jobs for returning veterans and thousands of people now in war industries? How many jobs must Oregon's private industry provide—and how many will be created by public works?

At least part of these questions were answered in a report issued on June 1 by the state, showing that a total of \$660,865,720 is to be expended in Oregon on public works after the war. This includes projects by the federal government, the state of Oregon, counties, cities, school districts and other political subdivisions, and covers a five-year program.

The public works subcommittee for the Postwar Readjustment and Development committee estimates that a proposed two-year public works program would provide 25,649 jobs annually for a period of two years, immediately after. And this means that private industry will have to supply from 75,000 to 125,000 jobs for workers now employed in Oregon and for returning servicemen.

The subcommittee said that it now appears that the critical employment period will be the first two years following the war's end during the reconversion of private industry.

## LONG RANGE PROGRAM

In summing up its report, the committee made this revealing statement: "The five-year, or long-range program, totals an expenditure of \$660,865,720. Provided the construction could be activated on a basis of an approximately equal amount each year, the program would provide yearly 22,144 man-years on-site labor and 22,144 man-year off-site labor in Oregon.

"From this report it will be noted that the projects for the first two years provide an estimated \$150,372,021 of construction and 51,280 man-years of work. This is approximately 13 per cent more than one-half the money and labor required to maintain a yearly average of approximately \$132,175,000 of construction and 44,288 man-years of work on and off-site labor, which would be one-fifth the total program reported," the subcommittee reported.

"It is now estimated that local employment may require the finding of jobs for 100,000 to 150,000 men and women from the armed services and the war industries. Therefore, if the five-year average of public works construction could be maintained and 44,288 jobs be provided by public works, private industry must provide jobs for 55,700 to 104,700 persons.

"Unfortunately," the committee said, "the first two years' program, as indicated in this report, totals but \$150,372,021, with resulting jobs for only 25,649 persons each year. Therefore, private industry would be required to provide approximate-

## Oregon Planning Jobs to Aid During Reconversion Period, But Private Industry Will Have to Carry Burden; Projects Range From Highway Construction to Flood Control Work.

ly 75,000 to 125,000 of the estimated jobs required.

"This reported program is considered as a long-range program and indicates projects which may not be ready for construction for five years, or perhaps longer, some of which may never reach the construction stage. This long-range program does indicate, however, that in the event of necessity, such a long-range program can be activated," the report declared.

### FLOOD CONTROL WORK

Of the \$443,343,600 to be spent by the federal government, a total of \$156,809,000 has been allocated to flood control work, channel dredging, clearing and rectification by the U. S. Army Engineer Corps. This includes work on rivers, locks, bay channels and dams such as the Dorena dam on Row river, Detroit dam in the North Santiam river, Meridian dam on the middle fork of the Willamette river, McNary dam in the Columbia river, Quartz Creek dam on the McKenzie river, and Sweet Home dam on the South Santiam river. Also listed are ten projects in the state of Washington and seven in Idaho, on rivers tributary to the Columbia. Their proximity to Oregon indicates that a good percentage of the labor required will be from this area.

The report of federal reclamation projects indicates a program covering approximately 25 years, with a total expenditure of \$102,653,200. Of this, about \$20,530,630 would

be spent in the first five years. A wide variety of projects is listed here, including building of earth dams, canals for flood control, irrigation systems and the like. Completion of all reclamation projects is estimated over a 25-year period at a cost of \$102,653,200, with \$20,530,630 to be spent in the first five years.

### BONNEVILLE PLANS

The Bonneville Power administration plans to spend a total of \$51,206,900 in the first 10 years following the war, with \$23,838,000 allocated for the first five years. This includes erection of new substations, additions to and repair work on present stations, erection of needed auxiliary buildings, and erection of new lines throughout the state.

The building program of the Oregon State Board of Control calls for an expenditure of \$10,448,000 from 1945 to 1947 and \$990,800 from 1947 to 1949. This includes work on the Oregon State hospital in Salem, Eastern Oregon State hospital in Pendleton, Oregon State Penitentiary in Salem, the State Tuberculosis hospital in Salem, state training school in Woodburn, Hillcrest school of Oregon in Salem and Oregon State School for Deaf in Salem.

The 1947-49 program depends upon legislative appropriation at the next biennium.

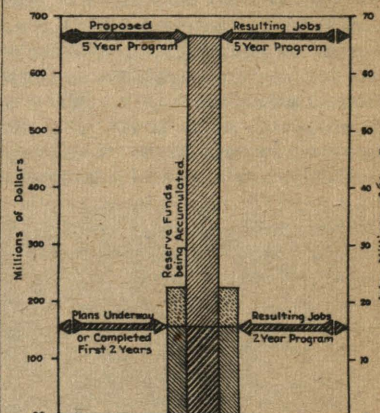
Remodeling, new buildings, and additions to present buildings are contemplated in the program of the Board of Higher Education, at a total cost of \$7,867,000, \$630,000 of

which depends upon legislation during the next biennium. Institutions included in the program are the University of Oregon, state college, medical school, Oregon College of Education and Southern Oregon College of Education.

### FORESTRY WORK

On the state forest nursery, tree planting, forest protection, structural improvements and trails the state forestry program will spend \$5,930,459, depending upon funds being made available by the state legislature. The state game commission proposes to spend \$1,000,000 on construction and additions to fish hatcheries, fish planting, stream purification, etc. For construction of forest highways, forest development roads and trails, the federal forest highway program of the public roads administration plans to spend \$25,000,000. The Oregon State Highway commission is planning to build 877.66 miles of road throughout the state at a total cost of \$33,947,900.

The Oregon counties' program, which includes road grading, drainage, surfacing, bridges, oiling and the like, totals \$31,569,535. Cities of the state plan to spend a total of \$47,428,915. An idea of the type of work contemplated by the cities may be gathered from this listing of the work planned in Portland: East Hawthorne bridge approach; Portland Water Bureau construction project; intercepting sewer system and sewage disposal plant; modern-



**Work Chart** shows proposed public works projects in dollars and in man days. Note the job total is smallest during first two years after war when need is expected to be greatest.

ization of traffic controls; straightening S. E. Division street; widening N. E. Holladay street, W. Burnside street, N. E. Multnomah street and N. and N. E. Broadway; park development program; Bureau of Fire; Oregon Museum of Science and Natural History building at Civic Center; public school, replacement and new construction; incinerator; and construction of city jail.

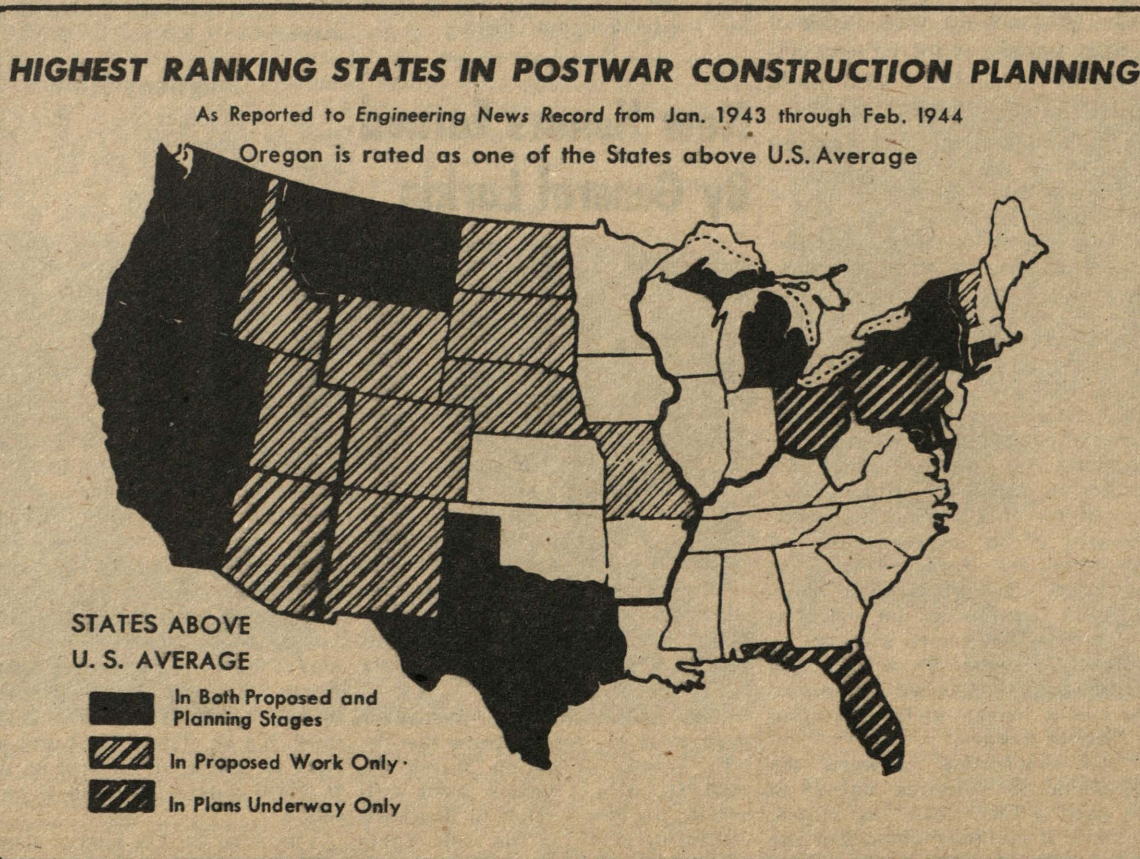
### SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT

County and city school districts plan to spend a total of \$7,613,500 on improvements, remodeling and new construction. Port districts, irrigation districts and water districts will spend a total of \$4,673,911. On maintenance of 8,201.5 miles of state highway, the state highway commission plans an expenditure of \$24,000,000.

In submitting the report the subcommittee made this comment, "The estimated resulting jobs created by the proposed public works program are, of course, of primary interest. This program, it is believed, will create a total of 66,433,131 man-days of labor, or 221,440 man years of work. This total is both on and off site, but does not include indirect labor resulting from services which in the main are outside the state and which equal about one-half of the man-days of labor shown."

Here is an analysis of the public works projects for the first two years of the post war program:

"The reported two-year program totals \$150,372,021, subdivided as follows: U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, \$38,296,500; Oregon Reclamation Projects, \$8,212,250; Bonneville Administration, \$9,535,200; subdivisions of the State Government, \$24,598,512; and the Forest Highway Program, \$10,000,000. The resulting labor requirements to carry on this program are estimated to be 15,484,757 man-days, or 51,280 man years of work, which divided into two years would provide 25,649 jobs each year. The estimated jobs for the two-year program are on the on-site and off-site labor directly concerned with the projects."



# Five Winners Named For Weld Betterment

(VANCOUVER) — The five winners in the special welding suggestions contest, held in lieu of the regular Labor-Management suggestions contest for June, are August M. Knuttila, day welder, William B. Brown, day welder foreman, R. V. Winchell, assistant superintendent in Assembly, Jerry Gunther, assistant superintendent of Hull Material and Warren Downing, swing welder foreman. Each received war bonds with maturity value of \$75 and a bronze plaque at a special program on the Outfitting dock last Saturday during the day shift lunch period.

Making the awards were Volney Marin, labor coordinator, for the Labor-Management committee, who presented the bonds, and Jerry Revell, district manager of Lincoln Electric company, who presented the plaques to winners and their respective departments. Mike Miller, Lt. D. S. Campbell, Revell and Martin all spoke briefly on the excellent awards submitted. Superintendents Park Savage, Bill Russell, Howard Denhart and Ed Argersinger received the awards in the name of the Outfitting, Erection, Assembly and Hull Material departments respectively. Bob McCoy was master of ceremonies. Thirty-three special honorable

mention certificate winners were also announced at the same time. Kaiser Company, Incorporated and the Lincoln Electric company were co-sponsors of the contest.

Knuttila made a suggestion that all burners carry slag hammers and clean the slag from their cuts rather than leave this task for the welders as has been the practice. Often by the time the welder reaches a burn to start work, it is impossible for him to get at the slag to remove it, which results in an inferior weld.

Brown's suggestion deals with the method of welding access insert plates. He suggests that the insert should be faired in place by dogging and allowed to stay in floating position. Then two welders should work simultaneously using the Twin Arc method.

Winchell concerned himself with the stress brought about in plates

of three-eighths inches and less by using small rods and slow welding. He suggests that larger rods be used, bevel plates be left unbeveled and welding be done rapidly. This will decrease the area affected by stress caused by heat.

Gunther chose plug and slot welds for his suggestion. He maintains that these welds should be left with straight sides, eliminating the necessity for countersinking to a one-eighth inch land. The system he advocates would make for cleaner welds. He also advocates use of as large a rod as possible.

Downing's suggestion dealt with the use of a special type of electrode in hand welding deck butts and seams. The use of that type electrode has been avoided, he maintains, because excessive current is required and the high amperage causes "hot stingers" which constantly must be repaired. He solves this by suggesting use of a short, solid wire extension approximately one foot long. This will keep heat far enough from the stinger so that the operator may use any desired heat over long periods of time without difficulty.

The 33 honorable mention winners are: Ella W. Hahn, Assembly, days; Helen Mattox, Assembly, swing; C. W. Mainwood, Assembly, swing; Phisford O. Covington, Erection, days; Ira H. Lumray, Outfitting, swing; Frank L. Panting Sr., Outfitting, swing; Lewis F. McCourt, Plate shop, days; Alga F. Schwantes, Assembly, days; D. H. Whisenhunt, Erection, swing; John L. Stone, Outfitting, swing; Thomas E. Smith, Boiler Erection, swing; Mrs. H. V. Stewart, Erection, graveyard; W. J. Greiner, Erection, days; C. E. Ivers, Erection, swing; Geo. Milne, Erection, swing; Clarence N. Cannady, Assembly, swing; Charles A. Gunther, Pipe, swing; R. E. Mayfield, Erection, swing; J. Williams, Erection, graveyard; Julia E. Clycord, Erection, swing; N. P. Neadeau, Outfitting, days; E. Thompson, Erection, graveyard; H. A. Smith, Electric, days; W. E. McIntosh, Assembly, swing; E. I. Bourke, Outfitting, graveyard; A. W. Moore, Erection, swing; M. U. Davis, Assembly, exempt; J. I. Techman, Erection, days; F. P. Guinn Jr., Outfitting, swing; R. W. Johnson, Assembly, swing; Hugh E. Gray, Assembly, days; Raymond Oja, Assembly, days; Roy A. Ziegler, Production cont., days.



**Winners With Plaques** After the presentation Saturday noon, July 14, the winners posed with the plaques given to them by the Lincoln Electric company for welding suggestions. Howard Denhart received two plaques and \$75 in war bonds by serving as proxy for R. V. Winchell, his assistant, who was on vacation. Left to right: Jerry Revell, Bill Russel, M. Miller, Warren Downing, William Brown, Parke Savage, August Knuttila, Jerry Gunther, Ed Argersinger, Howard Denhart.

## Veteran of 20 Packs Action Into Career

(VANCOUVER)—Louis Meade, 20-year-old war veteran working in the Sheetmetal shop, has packed a lot of experience into 27 months in the army. One of the soldiers who made the initial landing in Leyte, his unit, the 44th Tank Battalion, received a presidential citation for the excellence of its work in taking and holding Takoban and Takoban airstrip. His career in the invasion of the Philippines was cut short when his tank was damaged by a 500 pound Japanese bomb. After two and one-half months in a hospital overseas he was returned to the United States. He has been



LOUIS MEADE

at Barnes General hospital for six and one-half months.

Being shipped to Barnes was like returning home to Meade because his point of departure for overseas was Vancouver barracks. It was here he had also met Mary Hutchinson of Portland and they planned to be married just as quickly as possible. After a great deal of delay, because of his age, permission for his marriage was obtained from his mother in Waukegan, Ill., through the efforts of Earle A. B. Castle, manager of the local chamber of commerce, and Horace Daniels of the Clark County National bank. One year from the day he met Miss Hutchinson she became his wife.

Meade has praise for work at the USES and the yard's Veterans' Placement bureau under direction of Charles Sawdey.

"The cooperation between the USES and the Veterans' bureau in the yard is very close," he stated. "I know it certainly smoothed the path for me when I came to work."

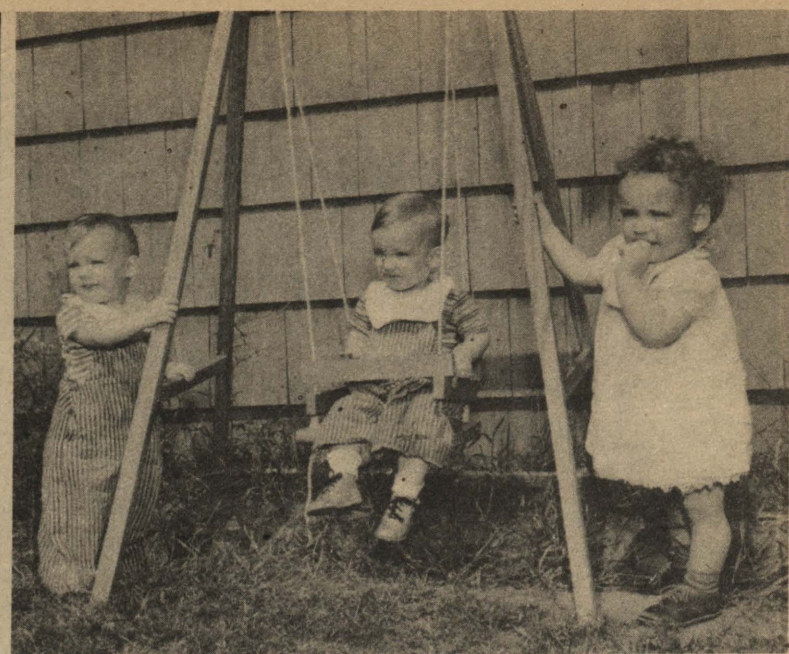
## New Honors Earned By General Larkin

(VANCOUVER) — Marine Maj. Gen. Claude A. Larkin, whose wife, Helen, was an employe of Plate shop for over two years, has been awarded a Gold Star in lieu of a second Legion of Merit and a Bronze Star, the marine corps announced last week. Larkin, now commanding general of marine fleet air operations on the West Coast, received both decorations for outstanding performance of duty in the Pacific.

The general visited Vancouver yard upon his return from the Pacific theater of action March 26, 1945. His wife, a welder, went with him to his new station in Southern California following the visit. Their home is in Portland.



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**Triplets Growing** Vancouver's triplets, sons and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William F. Thompson of McLoughlin Heights, are now 14 months old and standing on their own "six" feet. Their father, a welder on the dock, now works graveyard shift so that he can help in their care at home in the mornings. Mrs. Thompson reports they are "lots of work but lots of fun." She has a 15-year-old daughter, Janice Harland, besides the triplets. They are, left to right: William Francis, Jr., Franklin James (in swing) and Rachele Vivian. They were born in Deaconess hospital in Salem, Oregon.

## The WORKER SPEAKS

### Blood Brothers!

Sir: The guys that ride the cattercars from McLoughlin Heights have a new pastime these mornings: Display and comparison of mosquito bites. All they can display, that is. With no screens and no screening material available and with no other means save the flit gun for exterminating them, residents are beginning to feel a sense of pride in their new friends. We call them friends but in reality they are our own blood brothers.

If we can't win them, we can join them. I recommend a mosquito derby. Trophies of the kill can be selected as to size, weight and color. Heads of the big ones should be mounted. The person showing the most mosquito bites is the logical one to act as the judge. One morning after hours of blood transfusions we can awaken (if we have been asleep) with a new interest in the little fellows who have shared our bed chamber. The ones floating groggily with bodies swollen with our blood can be gassed with the flit gun and kept intact for display. No more will we smash them into nothingness. These are now a part of us; their blood is our blood. Personally I am a type O donor. My blood is good enough for the best of them.

This is written in a spirit of fun and in no way is it a complaint against the Housing authority for no screens or the city fathers for not spraying the pools of water which have bred the mosquitos.—Irene J. McAlister, Traffic department.

### Doughboy Now

Sir: Remember me?—Plate shop—blood donor—etc.? I told you I'd drop a line as soon as I was located but here I've been in Texas for four months and am just getting around to it. I am all through with my training and my outfit is shipping over but I have been retained for instructor

Pvt. Brazelton so it looks like this will be my home for some time.

My wife and one of my friends in Plate shop have been sending me copies of the "Whistle" and believe me they are really dog-eared when I get through with them. How is the blood donor campaign coming along? Haven't seen much about it lately. Tell them I said to get on the ball. I've seen some of that stuff used. It's ok. There isn't any place here to donate or I'd still be doing it. I will when I come home on furlough.

I hear the yard is kind of slacking off. Tell them to keep plugging.

This is just like a football game... when you get down by the goal line, that's when you really have to get down and dig if you are going to crack the line! Don't let us down and we'll do the same for you. Give my best to the gang and keep the "Whistle" blowing.—Al Brazelton, Camp Walter, Texas.

Ed: By this time Al has likely seen the July 13 issue showing Vancouver in third place in the six-yard blood donor competition. We still lead OSC and Swan. Perhaps Al's letter will help Bob McCoy, donor chairman, pull us back into second place—or maybe hit first!

### Navymen Like Story

Sir: Enclosed you will find two dollars for your February 23 issue of Bosn's Whistle and an enlarged photo of the Jap bomber burning off our port bow at Biak. I would appreciate it if you could possibly send that issue and the photo to me. We are proud of our ship as it has taken part in every landing between Woodlark Island and Luzon.—D. K. Enloe, SM 2/c, LST 456, somewhere in the Dutch East Indies.

Sir: Would you please send me a few copies of your February 23 issue of Bosn's Whistle. A picture of my ship is in it. I am enclosing one dollar for mailing purposes. If possible send me an original print of the picture. I would really appreciate it. Many thanks.—A. H. Kraeger, MOMM 2/c, LST 456.

Sir: I am writing to inform you that I would appreciate it very much if you can send me a copy of your February 23 issue of Bosn's Whistle. It has a picture of our ship, the LST 456, in it and I would like to have it for my scrap book. Enclosed is one dollar for your trouble.—R. J. Fopiano, S 1/c, LST 456.

Sir: If it is at all possible, I would appreciate a copy of the Whistle dated February 23. I would also be grateful for any photo in which this ship appears. Thanking you, I remain, E. J. Greiner, S 1/c, LST 456.

Sir: I just got a copy of your June 1 edition which has pictures of the U.S.S. Guadalcanal and the U-505 in it. I am a plank-owner of the Guadalcanal and was aboard during that capture. I would appreciate it very much if you would send me two copies of that edition. Thanking you kindly, I am, Alen P. Anderson, S 1/c, CVE 60, c/o Postmaster, New York, N. Y.

Ed: To these five navy men, copies of the Whistle and of the photographs are being sent—with money returned—as gifts of the Kaiser company. Please, no more money.

# Workers Transferred To Longer Term Jobs

(VANCOUVER) — In order to assure continued employment for all efficient production workers, approximately 400 employees of Plate shop were transferred to similar jobs in other parts of the yard on Monday, July 16. The announcement came from Mike Miller, Vancouver general manager, in keeping with his policy of informing the workers of any changes through the medium



Ernest Flakus, material expeditor for three years, decided to take a quit slip when he learned he could not have an expediting job elsewhere. He was offered a job as a shipfitter, which he considered, but as he said: "I'd be glad to stay if I could get something in my own field. Otherwise I will look elsewhere." Flakus' brother is in Transportation department and his wife is a Timekeeper on ways. He was interviewed by Charles Sawdey.



Louis Reedy, for two years a duplicator in Plate shop, decided to try his hand with Buckler company. His way was smoothed in making the transfer within less than two hours. In that time, he was dropped from Kaiser company payroll, got his clearance, approved for re-hire with Buckler company, and hired. He lost no money in the transfer. Reedy is being assisted by Virginia Stanton, assistant Personnel director for Buckler company.

of the Bosn's Whistle. "Plate shop already has completed their work on 24 of our 25 C-4 troopships. Therefore a slackened schedule can be maintained at Plate shop without impairing the overall flow of material on the CVE program. Transfer of 400 workers from this department to other parts of the yard

where they are more urgently needed was decided. The eight carriers will take more manhours per way than the C-4s, and Plate shop could turn out all necessary steel in comparatively short time if the present tonnage-per-day schedule were maintained. Therefore we have spread out the work in such a way that remaining employees in Plate shop are assured of employment

much longer than if the C-4 rate of production had continued."

## PERSONAL INTERVIEWS

Each employe affected by the transfer was interviewed personally when the transfer was made. Each was offered employment in some other department in the yard. Plate shop, it was pointed out, was far ahead of the rest of the yard on the C-4 contract. Whereas it has completed 24 of the 25 vessels, Sheet Metal has completed the equivalent of seven and Pipe shop the equivalent of 10 C-4s.

"This is the first result of the change-over from the C-4 contract to the CVE contract," added Miller. "In the interest of keeping all production employes on the job for the longest possible time, it seemed wise to make these transfers at this time. Two purposes were accomplished: (1) the remaining Plate shop employes will have work for a longer period of time, and (2) the transferred employes will be able to help on the vital C-4 program in departments where they are needed more urgently. No employe had to lose a job."

Plate shop burned the first keel plate on the new CVE (escort carrier) program Monday, July 2. Eight of the huge Cimarron type carriers will be built here. It is estimated that the final carrier will not be delivered until September, 1946.



From burner at Plate shop to burner at Assembly was the lucky transfer made by Genevieve Clark. She had burned for two-years in the Plate shop and got one of the few jobs available in that craft at Assembly because of her experience. The transfer was arranged by Ward Wells of the Clearance department.

## Cooperation Slashes Red Tape Change Made Swiftly

(VANCOUVER) — Management and labor joined hands last Monday in expediting transfers for approximately 400 Plate shop and Salvage employes to other departments in the yard and to the Buckler company. A cut-back in employment in the two departments, made necessary because they had practically completed their part of the C-4 contract and the new CVE contract was just under

way, was met in such a way that other departments where manpower shortages exist were benefited. The transfers were made with a minimum of red tape for the employes affected. Chief shift affected was swing. Of the nearly 400, more than 225 were on this shift. A crew of representatives from Personnel department, headed by Kenneth Billington, assistant Personnel director, plus representatives from the Boilermaker's union, Sheet Metal workers, and Buckler, were on hand to handle all details. Work was done in the lunch room at Plate shop or the main Plate shop office.

Each worker scheduled for lay-off was personally interviewed and offered a job somewhere else in the yard. Jobs available were chiefly at the Rigging loft, as burners on the ways, or chippers on ways and docks. Others were transferred to new places in their former capacities as laborers and sweepers. Some few were unable to qualify physically for jobs available. Many women were offered the opportunity to transfer to welding school.

### SAME PAY RATE

All transfers made were at the same rate of pay the individual was making before the transfer.

Details of the transfer plan, especially worked out for the Plate shop and Salvage situation, were arranged at a conference Monday morning in the labor coordinator's office. Present were Volney

Martin, labor coordinator, Carl Kilgore, Personnel manager, Ed Ashley, assistant personnel manager, Harold Burton, business agent for the Boilermakers, Frank Bird, of the Sheet Metal workers, and Fred Teuscher, Buckler company superintendent.

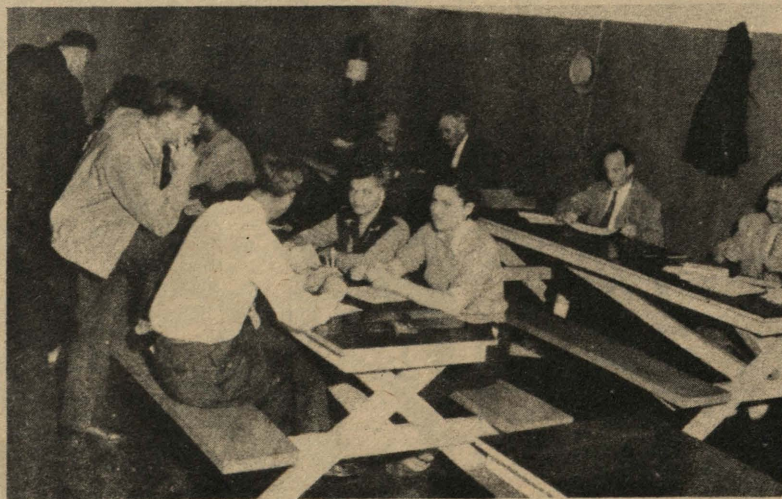
### DETAILS WERE PLANNED

Transfer slips, clearance forms, quit slips, and all other necessary paper work were prepared for each worker in the lunch room at Plate shop. Workers who elected to leave the yard were given four hours reporting time while they underwent

their interview and left the yard with all necessary papers. They had only to call for their pay checks on the following day.

Workers who chose to move to new departments or jobs were transferred "on the spot" and reported on the new job the same shift, without loss of time.

On swing shift, 125 men and 84 women were affected in Plate shop. On days there were 50 women and 49 men. Overall, in Plate shop and salvage department, the men outnumbered the women approximately three to two.



Key men from Personnel department moved headquarters to Plate shop lunch room Monday evening on swing shift. Above they are seen interviewing some of the many men and women whose jobs came to an end in the change-over from C-4 to CVE contracts in that department. All were offered an opportunity to take another job in departments where manpower shortages exist on the vital C-4 contract.



From a cutting and punching machine at Plate shop to Rigging Loft was the experiment decided upon by W. E. Green. "I'll try it," he said. "I don't really have to work but if I can do it, I'm willing. If I can't make a go of it on this new job, I'll go back to Marysville, California where I came from." Green was interviewed by Tom McGuire of Personnel department.



C. B. Roberts, after his interview, decided shipfitting would be too hard to learn. So the former slab man chose to quit. Here he is shown getting his clearance papers from Hollis Halbrook of Vacations department. While she made out his papers he was already having doubts about his choice. "Maybe I'll decide to come back and try that shipfitting deal," he said. If he changes his mind, there'll be a job waiting.



# The BOSN'S WHISTLE

JULY 18, 1941 OREGON SHIPBUILDING CORPORATION VOL. 1, No. 1

## Launched!

A CRITICAL MOMENT IS THE LAUNCH OF A VESSEL, WHEN THE FORE-PART OF SHIP RUNS OVER THE END OF THE GREASED LAUNCHWAY. AFTER THE LAUNCHING HAS TAKEN PLACE, TUGS TAKE THE SHIP AND TOW HER ALONGSIDE THE FITTING-OUT BASIN.

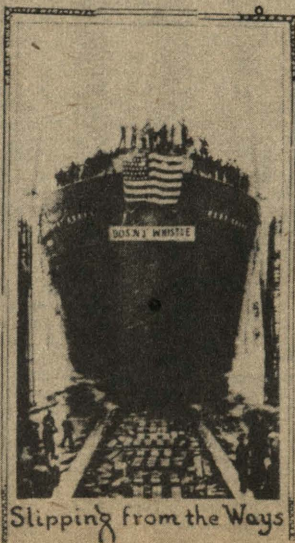
SO WE HAVE LAUNCHED THE "BO'SN'S' WHISTLE"!

Before she slid down the ways she was caulked and tested for water-tightness, her propellers placed in position, boilers in place, and, just to be different, machinery installed ready for operation . . . anxious and impatient for the trial run.

There may be some additional outfitting necessary: cargo gear, masts, funnels, derricks, etc. (Let's not forget the lifeboats! . . .)

SPLASH! She has left the launchways, entered her element, and appears to float at light draught successfully.

We hope you, her owners, will accept her!  
FULL SPEED AHEAD!!!



Here's the cover of the first edition of the Bosn's Whistle, distributed almost four years ago to the day to 2500 Oregon Ship workers. Since then, millions of copies of the Whistle, both in newspaper and magazine form, have been distributed to workers of the three Kaiser yards.

## Today's Edition Marks 4th Bosn's Whistle Birthday

The Bosn's Whistle is having its fourth birthday with this issue. It was on July 18, 1941, that the first Whistle made its appearance at the infant Oregon Ship plant. Only 2500 copies were printed, but that's all that were needed to go around. Swan Island was an airport, and the site of the present Vancouver yard was marshy lowland covered with shrubby vegetation. The initial edition

was a 12-page magazine, seven by 10 inches in size and printed black on white. It was edited by "Chick" Johnson, now a top Personnel official at Swan Island for the three Kaiser yards. On the cover was an announcement of the magazine's launching, with a picture of a ship bearing the name, "Bosn's Whistle," going down the ways.

The inside pages were devoted to a history of yard progress to date, highlighted with the keel-laying of the Star of Oregon, pep talk editorials and safety warnings.

Most workers are familiar with the transition of the Bosn's Whistle into a full-size, color magazine, then to the present eight page newspaper, one edition of which is printed for each of the three yards. The circulation jumped from 2500 to a peak of 90,000 throughout 1944. More than 80,000 are printed now.

Fast vessels built by the Maritime commission and converted to hospital ships have around a dozen completely equipped wards, diet pantry, recreation room, library, sun decks and other facilities of a first-class hospital.

The Liberty ship Robert E. Peary, built in a West Coast shipyard in the world's record time of one week flat, is now in her third year of war service.



Oregon Ship workers thought their yard had gone quite a ways in the first six months of its existence, and the first edition of the Bosn's Whistle, issued as a small magazine on July 18, 1941, printed a page of pictures to illustrate progress made. The photographs show the Star of Oregon keel-laying, double bottom fabrication, hull construction on ways, the yard's original site, and piling.

## Bond Buyers Wait McGuire House Draw

Monday, July 23, between noon and 1:30 at the downtown Victory center, someone from the Portland-Vancouver area Kaiser shipyards will be the lucky winner of the Frank L. McGuire war bond house. Shortly thereafter the winner's name will be broadcast over the public address system and he'll have 14 days in which to claim his house. The drawing will be conducted by U. S. District Attorney Carl C. Donaugh. There will be 10 tickets drawn, and the 10th ticket drawn is the lucky one. If the ticket holder doesn't present the matching stub within 14 days, the holder of the 9th stub will have seven days to make his claim and so on, in order, until the house is claimed.

The winner may be given war bonds with a maturity value of \$6,666 instead of the house, if McGuire wishes to make that substitution.

Ticket stubs may be deposited at the Bond office in each yard up until 24 hours before time for the drawing.

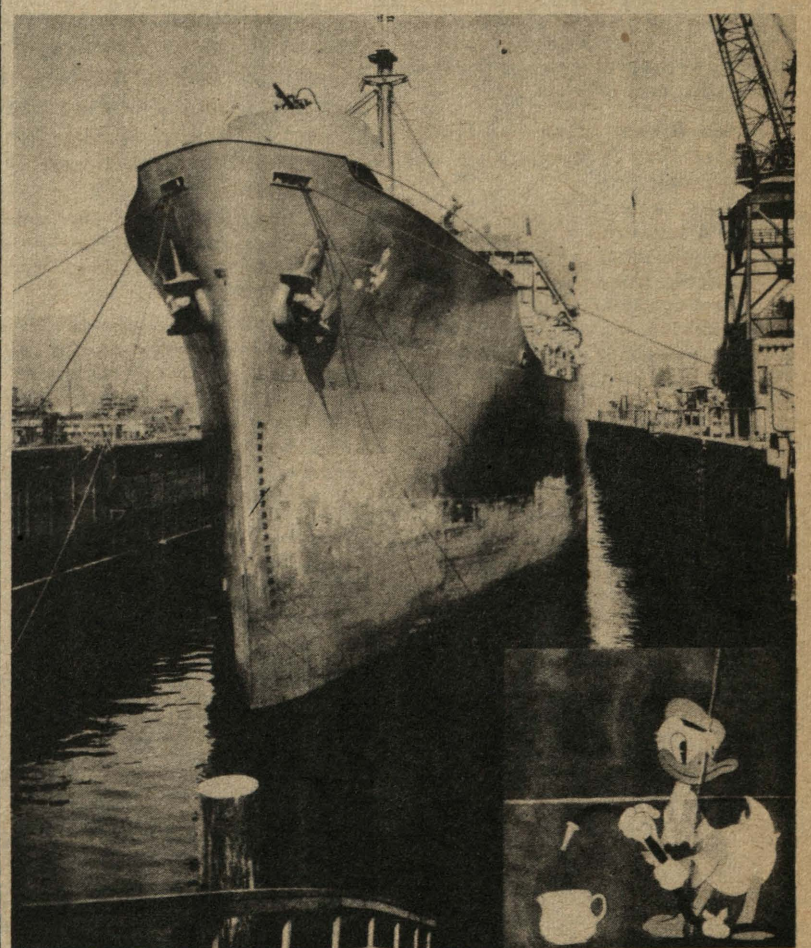
## 693 Ships Delivered In First Half of Year

With delivery of 107 ships of 1,010,519 deadweight tons in June, the merchant ship construction for the first half of 1945 stands at 693 ships weighing 6,959,254 tons, a report from the U. S. Maritime commission reveals. West coast yards built 46 vessels totalling 466,453 deadweight tons, which was 46.2 per cent of the tonnage built. Of the 107 ships built during June, 14 were military types. Others included 34 Victories, seven Libertys, four Liberty colliers, 10 C-type cargo, two refrigerated cargo, 27 coastal cargo and 14 standard tankers.

The month marked the close of the standard Liberty ship program.



**The Old Freezo** On the Swan Island drydock, Farnam Johnson and Charles Crugaugh pack a hearing with dry ice to shrink it and allow the bearing to be pulled. Three feet long, the propellor shaft bearing has a taper of one-eighth inch. (Swan Island photo)



**Carlsbad and Mascot** Swan Island's Hull 121, the S.S. Carlsbad, was drydocked recently, the first Swan built tanker to enter the drydock. The Carlsbad is said to be one of a very few Swan ships that has been devoted entirely to carrying high octane gasoline. Inset in corner is mascot Donald Duck, painted on bow, shown dripping gasoline into a china vessel. (Swan Island photo)

## INQUIRING REPORTER

QUESTION:

"What would be the first thing you would do if you suddenly discovered that you had inherited \$5,000?"

L. C. Collins, swing crane operator on Way 6: "Well, right now I probably would put it into war bonds. There's certainly no other investment any safer. It wouldn't be very wise to spend it now because the quality of what you are able to buy is pretty definitely inferior and prices are too high."

C. E. Bartels, swing crane oiler on the ways: "I would invest 75 per cent of it in war bonds and take the rest of it to live on. I would plan to cut down on some of the work just as soon as the war is over. It's hard to say offhand though what a fellow would do with \$5000."

J. T. Davis, swing electrician in Plate shop: "I would pay my taxes first. Then I would give 10 per cent to the church. And then, finally but not least, if the war weren't over I'd put the remainder into war bonds. I believe in rendering unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's."

Meda Schrack, swing janitor outfitting office building: "My goodness, I wouldn't know. I imagine, though, I'd put it into bonds to buy a little farm. We already have our own home so we don't have to worry about that but a little farm wouldn't be bad to have in this postwar we hear so much about."

Evelyn Reed, swing welder in Assembly: "I'd put all of mine in war bonds. I have a boy friend overseas and if the \$5000 would make it possible for him to get home one day, or even one hour sooner, I think it would be money well spent even if I never received a cent of it back."

James Brown, swing electrician helper on Way 7: "I'd put it in war bonds until the war is over. Then I'd invest it in an electrical shop back home in Phoenix, Ariz. Of course there's not much possibility I'll get that much money in that way but it's nice to think about just the same."

M. C. Knott, swing sheetmetal journeyman in the main shop: "Well, I'd probably find a little farm near Portland and invest it in that. I'd want the farm to be not more than 25 miles away from the city, though. I was on a farm in my boyhood days and I think it would be nice to get back on one for the rest of my time."

T. U. Billups, swing maintenance welder: "I'd put it in bonds. After the war is over I'd invest it in a home somewhere in this part of the country. A home is a mighty important item in the life of anyone and I certainly can't see any better investment for anyone if he doesn't have one."

# Vets' Home Phone Calls Hit New High in June

(VANCOUVER)—Telephone calls to their homes were provided 317 returning veterans at Barnes General Hospital during June for a total bill of \$1001, the Vancouver Junior Chamber of Commerce announced. Plate shop workers provided the money for more than half of the calls, it was estimated, from donations to the Jaycee project during the past year. It was the largest monthly bill in the history of the project. A flood of returning servicemen from Europe was responsible for the increased number of phone calls, said Tl Carpenter, committee chairman.

The big check was signed by Ken Billington, new Jaycee president and assistant personnel manager at the yard.

The phone call fund of the Jaycees, at the end of the fiscal year, (May 31), showed \$7534.12 had been contributed and a balance on hand of \$3841.25.

Phone calls went to 42 states and the District of Columbia. Highest number went to California (98), Washington (39), Oregon (25), Colorado (20), Kansas (14), Minnesota (12) and Iowa (11). Illinois, Missouri, New York and Nebraska were next in line with 10 each.

## SO YOU'VE MOVED... PLEASE TELL OFFICE

(VANCOUVER) — Have you moved to another address since you first came to work at the yard? If so, Personnel department and Bond department will appreciate your new address. Personnel department, particularly, finds that many employes fail to notify them when they change address. Without such information, messages, mail and other important information go astray through no fault of the department.

If, through oversight, you failed to notify anyone of a change of address, Personnel asks that you do so immediately. Easiest method is to notify your chief clerk, who will transmit the information to the proper departments.

LOST: A German silver six-inch folding rule on the ways during graveyard shift. Reward of \$3.00. A. R. Myers, grave marine machinist on Way 5.

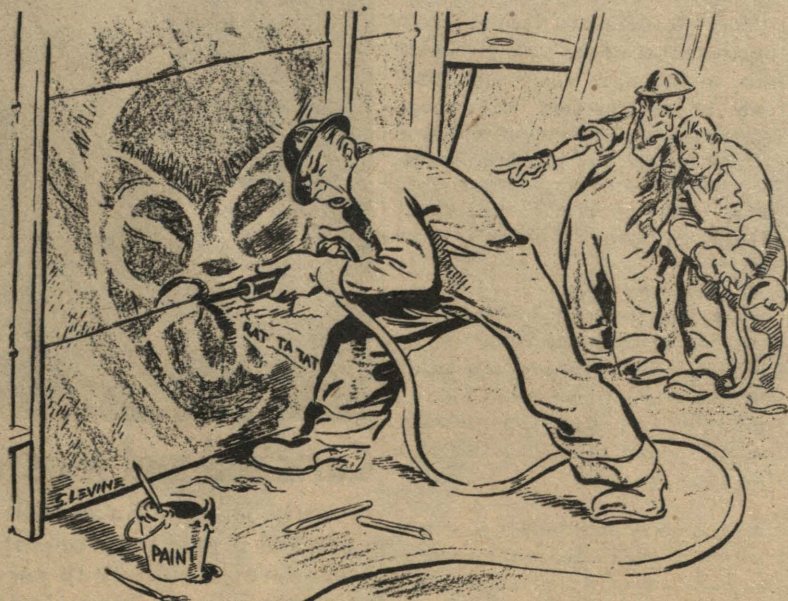
# Blood Donors Respond; Clark Tallies Quota

(VANCOUVER)—The Vancouver Blood center made its quota of 200 pints Wednesday, July 11, for the first time since VE day, according to Mrs. Floyd Ratchford, Clark county chairman. The Vancouver yard made donations amounting to 136 pints of the total. One hundred fifty-six workers reported

ly shows what can be done if we really take an interest. "The number of cards turned back is far beyond our wildest expectations and I want to thank all of the employes and people concerned for their splendid response to our plea. Let's keep it up!"

### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank all of those who donated to the floral offering in our recent bereavement of our daughter Patricia Jane Maul.—Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Maul and family.



"Ex-Marine—says he works better that way."

## COMING EVENTS

Friday, July 20—Ogden Meadows, adult dancing, 9:00-12:00 p.m.; Burton Homes center, adult dancing, 9-12 p.m.; McLoughlin Heights, teen-age dance, 8-11 p.m.; Mill Plain, movies, 7:15 p.m.; Fourth Plain Village, teen-age dance, 8-11 p.m.; Hudson House, dancing, Cliff Curry and his band, 9-12 p.m.; Trapadera Teen-age Club, Memorial Bldg., Vancouver, outdoor smoker, 8 p.m.

Saturday, July 21 — McLoughlin Heights, swing shift dance, 2 a.m. to 4:30 a.m.; movies, 7-11:45 p.m.; Harney Hill dancing class, 7-9 p.m.; Mill Plain, old time dance, 8:45-11:45 p.m.; Burton Homes, movies, 8 p.m.; Burton Homes picnic for children at Lewisville Park, leaving community center at 9 a.m., children bring own lunches.

Sunday, July 22—Protestant church and interdenominational services and Sunday school at all centers Sunday morning; Mill Plain, church services at 9:45 and 11 a.m.; evening services also at Bagley Downs, Burton Homes, Hudson House and Mill Plain. Catholic mass Sunday morning at McLoughlin Heights; Mormon services Sunday morning and evening at Harney Hill; McLoughlin Heights, movies, 2 p.m. continuously; and baseball, 1 p.m.; Teen-Canteen Club, motion pictures, for members only, 7:30 p.m., 4204 Mill Plain Road; Hudson House theatre, movies, 2 p.m. continuously.

Monday, July 23—Ogden Meadows, badminton, 7-9 p.m.; Bagley Downs community dance, 8:30-11:30 p.m.; Harney Hill, movies, 7:30 p.m.; McLoughlin Heights, women's night, 7-10 p.m.; Hudson House, Umpires Association, 7:30 p.m.; Hudson House theatre, movies, 7 p.m. continuously.

Tuesday, July 24—Ogden Meadows, sewing, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fourth Plain Village, movies, 7:30 p.m.; Harney Hill, women's health and corrective class, 7:30 p.m.; and Teen-age Club, recreation and dancing, 7:30 to 10 p.m.; McLoughlin Heights, men's night, boxing, wrestling, weight lifting, 7-10 p.m.; Hudson House recreation hall, free movies, 8 p.m.; and Vancouver Civic Theater's melodrama, "Only an Orphan Girl," 8 p.m.

Wednesday, July 25—Ogden Meadows, Red Cross sewing, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Harney Hill, game night, adults, 7-11 p.m.; MacArthur school, badminton club, 7:30 p.m.; McLoughlin Heights, men and women, mixed athletic events, 7-10 p.m.; and teen-age game room, 7:30-9:30 p.m.; Mill Plain, teen-age dance, 7-10 p.m.; Bagley Downs, community singing, 9 p.m. to midnight.

Thursday, July 26—Ogden Meadows, sewing, machines available, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Bagley Downs, movies, 8:30-10:30 p.m.; Harney Hill, women's health and corrective class, 7:30 p.m.; and recreation club, members only, teen-age, 7-9 p.m.; Mill Plain, Red Cross sewing group, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.; McLoughlin Heights, men's night, boxing, wrestling, 7-10 p.m.; Hudson House, boxing show, 8 p.m.



**Adieu** Members of Transportation department arranged this lunch party at the cafeteria as a farewell gesture to one of its oldest employes, Florence Bebout, who left last week. In the picture (l. to r.) J. C. Applegate, Mrs. A. T. Beach, Frances Guisness, Arpha Downs, Blanche Brehm, Pfc. Robert Kelt, Florence Bebout, Walt Willis, Mrs. Irene M. Symonds and Anna Van Hoonisen.

# Surgery at Permanente Rebuilds Maimed Man

(VANCOUVER)—The wonders of plastic surgery have been proved to Edward Kvasnicka, diesel operator, who received third degree burns about his face, head and neck, the entire portion of his back, and both hands and forearms. December 16, 1943, when an explosion in the yard's acetylene

plant blew him out of the building with his clothing afire.

Today, after undergoing surgery 15 times, Kvasnicka is about ready to go back home to Narka, Kans. He claims his recovery has been largely due to the skill and unlimited care of Permanente hospital personnel, but Dr. Allan Bookatz of the staff says that it was "Eddie's sheer guts" that pulled him through the ordeal. For four months he had to lie on his abdomen and needed the constant help of special nurses for such simple things as drinking a glass of water.

### EARS BIGGEST JOB

The plastic surgery work by Dr. Bookatz has covered a period of more than one year. The most seriously burned areas have been restored by grafting flesh from various parts of the body. The major task was the reconstructing of Kvasnicka's ears, the upper half of both ears having been destroyed. The task of growing "loops" of flesh with a piece of rib cartilage inserted began four months ago. New ears are the result today.

Kvasnicka has been described as an "ideal" patient for such slow treatment. He became known throughout the hospital, and "Eddie" was a favorite of the Permanente staff and many hundreds of patients who have come and gone during his stay.

## Civic Theatre Play Schedules Repeat

(VANCOUVER)—A repeat performance of a "summer melodrama" by the Vancouver Civic theater is scheduled for tonight and Saturday, July 20-21, at the Hough School auditorium. The play is titled "Only An Orphan Girl." Fresh roasted peanuts and root beer are included, says Cecil Matson, director.

Hilmar Sallee, graveyard shift shipfitter, is technical director of the production, and the cast includes Harold Ricketson, senior clerk, class A on graveyard shift, and Woodrow Johnston.

The play will be repeated at Hudson House Tuesday, July 24.

## Children's Day Camp Information Offered

(VANCOUVER)—Complete information on day camps for children in Portland or Vancouver is available at the Women's Counselor's office in Personnel building.

Anyone interested in obtaining lists, locations, and other information should call Miss Withers at 751, extension 4.

## FORMER WELDER NOW ON LUZON

(VANCOUVER)—Fred M. Sidders, former day stud welder for Buckler, has completed 13 months overseas duty with the Thirty-seventh infantry division on Luzon. The 37th has completed three sectors of the Luzon campaign and is currently heading for the northern port of Aparri through the Cagayan valley.

Sidders entered the service in September, 1943, trained at Camp Abbot, Ore., and left the United States in May, 1944. He was stationed on New Caledonia, was shipped to Guadalcanal and joined the combat engineer battalion of the veteran 37th division on Bougainville. He has a young son, Donald, whom he has yet to see.

## Angling Gear For Returned Vets Sought

(VANCOUVER) — Anglers with any small surplus of used equipment were reminded this week of the appeal for miscellaneous items for use by returning veterans to Northwest hospitals and rest homes. Boxes at both north and west gates are provided for contributions of line, reels and other tackle to make possible relaxation and rest for war-weary boys home from the front.

"We know these items are scarce and fishermen are hesitant to give any of their supply away," said a Yard Activities department spokesman, "but we should be able to do a little better than we've done so far on this worthy project. Search your fishing equipment and your conscience and see if there is something you can spare. The returning vets can't buy the equipment when they land here and it would be a shame to keep them from fishing these beautiful Northwest streams for lack of it."

## Ex-Electrician Getting P T Boat Training

(VANCOUVER) — F 2/c John Horning, former day electrician, has recently been stationed at the motor torpedo boat training center at Melville, R. I., for further training before joining a PT squadron.

Horning received his boot training at San Diego and attended basic engineering and Diesel school at Gulfport, Miss. He entered the service in September, 1944, after working nearly two years in the yard.