

BUILDERS SEEK ACTION BY O. P. A.

Jane Sellen Home After Overseas Duty

More independent authority for the Seattle Office of Price Administration in dealing with building-material problems will be sought at Washington, D. C., by the new Seattle Committee on Housing.

The committee late yesterday voted to demand easing of control now held by the O. P. A. regional office at San Francisco over decisions by the Seattle office. A subcommittee will be appointed later this week "to deal direct with Washington," said Harry Carr, president of the Seattle Building and Construction Trades Council, who presided.

Builders, materials dealers and manufacturers declared difficulty in securing O. P. A. action on local price questions as one of the principal obstacles to new home construction here.

Would Release Supplies
Arthur Houlihan, brick manufacturer, summed up the complaints with the assertion that "it is taking months to get simple decisions that would open sources of scarce building materials. We get constructive decisions from the Seattle office but they are not binding until San Francisco makes up its mind."

In another phase of the housing committee's operations, its subcommittee on emergency housing today was awaiting completion of a lease which will provide it with rent-free quarters at 110 Union St. for the new Central Emergency Housing office.

The State Department of Veterans' Affairs is leasing the second floor of the Hancock Building and will share the space with the housing office.

Two Youths Sentenced In U. S. Court

Two 19-year-old youths, indicted late yesterday on federal charges, were sentenced today to the federal correctional institution at Englewood, Colo., by United States District Judge Lloyd L. Black.

They are Wayne L. Milton of Washington, Ind., who pleaded guilty of theft of letters, and who was sentenced to 21 months, followed by two and a half years' probation, and Dick Standley, Seattle, who pleaded guilty to violation of the Dyer Act, and was sentenced to 15 months.

A tale of mail-box rifling and other thefts was unfolded as Allan Pomeroy, chief assistant United States attorney, read Milton's signed statement. Filton confessed throwing away stolen mail that contained only letters, to keeping a check, a \$50 bond and an express claim check. He also admitted the thefts of a wallet, camera, coat, hunting knives, watch and diamond ring.

Pomeroy said Standley, with two juveniles since turned over to state authorities, stole an automobile here and drove to Vancouver, B. C., where they were arrested.

Health Chief Gives Warning On Diphtheria

Persons who have persistent sore throats should consult their physicians without delay, Dr. Emil E. Palmquist, head of the City Health Department, said today. Warning of the gravity of diphtheria in the Seattle area.

Dr. Palmquist declared that a 51-year-old woman died yesterday in Harborview County Hospital of diphtheria. That case was the only new incident reported this week. "Since the first of the year, we have had 16 cases on record, or about three times as many as last year," Dr. Palmquist said. "In the past, diphtheria has been popularly regarded as a disease of childhood but it is highly significant that, on the contrary, 14 of these 16 cases have been adults."

British Plan Import Cuts
LONDON, Feb. 7.—(AP)—Possible action limiting British imports of American films, tobacco and gasoline to conserve available dollars for food purchases was forecast in official circles today as the critical world wheat situation commanded the government's closest attention.



JANE SELLEN
Her kimono is of Japanese silk

After two years as a Red Cross secretary in a hospital unit in the South Pacific, Jane Sellen was back in Seattle today an extremely happy gal.

"I'm certainly not sorry for the time I spent overseas," said Miss Sellen, "but you can't imagine how wonderful it is to be home again."

"It's the little things you miss over there, such as 'sleeping in,' and above all else, wearing the clothes you like."

"I was gone for two years, and I never thought I'd tire of wearing slacks. Now I'm buying all of the dresses I can afford."

Miss Sellen is the daughter of Ave. N. She was employed in a Portland Or., insurance office before the war.

Worked at Finschaven
Then followed a year and a half at Finschaven, New Guinea, before she was transferred to the Philippines and finally to Tokyo.

"I enjoyed my work tremendously," Miss Sellen said, "except for the heat in New Guinea and cold weather in Tokyo."

Just to prove how cold Tokyo climates can reach Jane displayed an all silk kimono weighing eight or nine pounds that she brought home.

Machinists To Consider Strike Vote

Members of the International Association of Machinists, Hope Lodge No. 79, will meet at 10 o'clock Saturday in the Masonic Temple to consider a proposal from the Washington Metal Trades, Inc., to consider strike action, union officers announced today.

Negotiations on a new contract between the union and employers' group have been under way several weeks, and the union has asked its international for strike sanction. "Even though the employers make no further offer, we will know Saturday whether strike sanction has been granted by our international and we can lay plans accordingly," said the announcement.

Three other unions with members in 48 steel-fabricating plants in Seattle also have threatened to strike if their demands for wage increases are not met.

Ethiopians Have No Complaints

LONDON, Feb. 7.—Here is one trouble that is not going to pester the United Nations overworked Security Council.

Contrary to rumors circulated yesterday, the Ethiopians do not intend to demand the withdrawal of British troops from their territory.

"Why should we?" a suave Ethiopian diplomat said when he heard the report last night. "The British troops are in Ogaden in Southeastern Ethiopia under an agreement signed last year. They are due to leave in another year and of course they will. You can tell the world that for once we have no complaints."

8,000 JAPS SENT BACK TO NIPPON

Approximately 8,000 Japanese already have been sent to Japan through the Seattle district office of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, R. P. Bonham, district director, said today.

Some of the Japanese were American-born, but had renounced their citizenship; some were not citizens of this country. All went to Japan at their own request.

Of different feeling are many American-born Japanese men and women at Tule Lake, Calif. War Relocation Authority segregation camp, which is in the process of being closed.

Problem to U. S.
There the government is confronted with the question of what to do with many of the several thousand Japanese who have renounced their citizenship and who now do not wish to go to Japan, according to John P. Boyd, legal officer of the Seattle district, who just returned from a month at Tule Lake.

Boyd held hearings on Japanese who renounced their American citizenship. Many American-born men and women of Japanese ancestry, graduates of American schools and universities, who professed loyalty to the United States prior to evacuation, renounced their citizenship because they felt the United States did not want them. In this frame of mind, they were susceptible to persuasion by disloyal Japanese that they renounce their citizenship and go to Japan, Boyd said. Many of them have children, also born in this country.

They're Aliens Now
Congress passed a law in 1944, whereby citizens could renounce their citizenship, subject to the approval of the attorney-general of the United States. Those who applied for renunciation were given hearings and the findings submitted to the attorney-general, who made the decision in each case.

No provision, however, has been made for restoring renounced citizenship, Boyd said, and any Japanese, who renounced their citizenship and now want to stay in this country, would do so as aliens, unless the citizenship laws are changed.

'Ike' to Tour Posts

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—(AP)—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower is planning to leave soon on his first inspection tour of principal Army installations in the United States since becoming chief of staff in November.



Mr. Greeley, you're on the beam again

When Horace Greeley popularized the phrase "Go West, young man," it was generally good advice and easy to follow. Young men obediently hitched up their oxen or oiled up their shoes and lit out for the sage country. The result was West—a boom in the post-war West—post-Civil War, that is.

No Westerner would deny the advantages of a post-World War II boom—but this time it will depend upon moving industries as well as people. Unfortunately, Horace Greeley isn't around to give us a lift; but his shoes are being filled admirably by a number of other people—and they're doing very nicely, thank you.

Transplanting a factory is somewhat more complicated than moving a footloose young man... and it takes a bit more selling. The job has been undertaken by utilities, banks, business firms, and Chambers of Commerce all over the West.

Smartly and aggressively, they're training the big guns of modern persuasion on eastern firms. Some of them are offering engineers to iron out the difficulties of re-locating a plant—surveying sites, measuring markets, looking into transportation, hunting up raw materials. Others are scheduling advertisements in national magazines. Still others are mailing out brochures and writing sales letters.

We may not see the results all at once; but plenty of new factories and new jobs will be traceable to their sales campaign. It's good business for those who are doing it, of course. But if Horace Greeley were around, he'd interpret it as something more. He'd say it's good citizenship, too.

Listen to "The Standard Hour" Sunday evenings at 8:30 over N.B.C. Stations.

STANDARD OF CALIFORNIA

OFFICERS ROUT ARMED SAILOR

Police fired five shots at a sailor who ran from a stolen automobile, parked at Rainier Avenue and Brighton Street, after threatening the officers with a loaded shotgun, at 5 o'clock this morning.

The patrolmen, A. A. Johnson and D. E. Morris, had stopped to make a routine inspection of the parked car, when the youth jumped out and confronted them, a shotgun in his hands.

The sailor then dived into a blackberry bush and escaped, while police fired five times after him. The shotgun was found in the brambles later.

The turkey crop of Wyoming this year has been estimated at 199,000, or 19 per cent more than last year.

LOOKING AHEAD
by Lou Wills

NOW ELSIE WON'T INSIST ON GOING SOUTH EVERY WINTER.

BOSSY CAN DRINK IN FREEZING WEATHER BECAUSE OF HEATING ELEMENT THAT PREVENTS ICE FROM FORMING IN WATER TANKS.

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8 SEATTLE MEN EXPECTED TODAY

Six Seattle men were due on the transport Cape Clear today, and two were scheduled to arrive in New York today aboard the Sea Scamp.

CAPE CLEAR:
Pfc. Darvin A. Berkowski, 2911 E. 60th St. Tech. Sgt. Howard M. Fornia. Sgt. Richard C. Johnson. Wally L. Long, technician, fourth grade. Pfc. J. C. Henderson, 1911 Main St. Tech. Sgt. John F. Welch.

SEA SCAMP
Mal. Samuel Lee, Corp. Robert L. Boudreaux.

Texas Draft Head Chosen
WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—(AP)—President Truman today nominated J. Watt Page as Selective Service director for Texas. Page held the position when he was in the Army and today's nomination was to continue him in the post as a civilian.

Smallpox Hits Soldiers
SEOUL, Korea, Feb. 7.—(AP)—Twelve soldiers of the United States 24th Corps have died of smallpox in the only serious outbreak of disease among American occupation troops in the Pacific Theatre, headquarters reported today. Twenty-two others were ill.

Some 400 species of plants, including the sundews, butterworts and pitcher plants, catch and devour insects.

2 Killed, 17 Burned in Texas
HOUSTON, Tex., Feb. 7.—(AP)—Two men were killed and 17 others severely burned in an explosion and fire on the Houston Ship Channel last night. Believed to have been set off by a spark from a welder's torch or cigarette, flames raced across oil-coated waters to explode a barge and set afire another barge, a dredge boat and two tugs.

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