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VANPORT NEIGHBORHOOD BULLETIN

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HUNGER

"No one saves anything, now that rationing is over. Two weeks in early February showed an increase of 124,155 cubic yards of material picked up by our trucks as compared with the same period in 1945." That is the condition as reported by Commissioner Powell of the New York City Department of Sanitation. The same can be said for any other city in the United States unless you do something about it.

The most casual newspaper reader knows that the world faces a crisis worse than anything in the war, that famines on a scale unknown for centuries are imminent in both Europe and Asia. Let's look at the situation:

FRANCE: The first danger sign was France's reimposition of bread rationing (lifted a few months earlier) on December 27; a few weeks later the De Gaulle Government fell, largely on the food issue; today France is hungrier than ever and the situation is getting worse.

ENGLAND: On February 5, the British Food Minister stunned the Country with an announcement of severe ration cuts.

On March 1, the British cut rations in their Zone of Germany from 1,500 calories a day to 1,040.

ITALY: Italy is even hungrier than Germany: rations now are officially set at 650 calories a day; UNRRA will spend \$375,000,000.00 there this year, but this will at best only keep rations at this famine level.

EAST: In the East, MacArthur has just tripled his original request for American grains to feed the Japanese, while India faces a far worse famine than that in Bengal in 1943, when 1,500,000 persons died. It says in Politics, Vol. 3, #3.

A conference for action to stop the March of Famine will be held on May 22 in Washington. It is being organized and promoted by the Food for Freedom organization, which has taken the lead in this field for a long time. All Organizations, National and Local, are invited to attend.

Whether attendance is possible or not, organizations of all descriptions are invited to signify their agreement with the draft resolution printed below. It will be presented to the President, but the real idea is to impress visiting food officials here for a conference on world food planning sponsored by the United Nations that the American people are willing to share more than most of them have been led to believe by our official action thus far.

If you agree with this resolution, get your organization to notify Food for Freedom, 1002 Eleventh Street, N. W., Washington 1, D. C.

"Because millions face famine now and in the months to come; because food shipped from the United States has not been proportional to the needs or to what we could have provided; because we are convinced that most Americans are prepared to make real sacrifices to end starvation; and because this is necessary for the establishment of peace: WE URGE our government not only to double, where possible, its famine emergency program of immediate shipments, but also to increase production of foods needed for relief and to obtain, by requisition if necessary, for purchase by other governments and UNRRA, a much larger proportion of our abundant food supply than has been made available during the past year, and to provide for consumer rationing to assure fair distribution at home of any foods made scarce by this action, at the same time safeguarding the interests of farmers, workers and employ-

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DARLENE HENNINGS AND JERRY DEATES
WIN CAMPAIGN PRIZE

Darlene Hennings, 3005 Broadacre, Apartment 5724, and Jerry Deates, 10515 Island, Apartment 6200, won the coveted prize of the door-to-door campaign for the Cancer Drive. The prize was a baseball autographed by the members of "The Beavers". Since Darlene and Jerry brought in exact amounts the prize will be duplicated. Ralph Rocha, 2106 Victory, Apartment 1846, wins honorable mention as his total was very close to the prize-winning total.

It takes the enthusiasm of youth to get things done! Members of all clubs formed at Community Buildings #1 and #2 pitched in to knock on every door in Vanport City. Their efforts brought the total contribution to the Cancer Drive from Vanport City up to a respectable sum.

It was most refreshing to see 43 teen-agers rushing to their respective rendezvous; checking in with their team captains; checking out with their milk bottles, badges, and account slips; and selling a campaign at each door.

TEEN-AGE COUNCIL COMMUNITY BUILDING #2

Since April 2, 1946, a group of Teen-Agers have been planning the activities of the Community Building Teen-Age Night (Monday and Thursday). Through the cooperation of the directors this Council has been made possible. It represents a cross section of the Teen-Agers of Vanport. Since the organization of this Council there has been an increase in Teen-Age attendance at the Community Building. Teen-Age Council meetings are held on Tuesday evenings at 8:00 p. m.

HUNT? FISH?

Hunting and Fishing Club will meet in Community Building #2 on Thursday, May 23, at 8 p. m. There will be fishing movies showing the good fishing places near Portland, and a demonstration of fly and plug casting. All are invited--everyone attending is urged to bring his rod so he may participate in practice casting.

VANPORT CITIZENS TO HEAR
VISITING COMMUNITY COUNCIL LEADERS

Mr. McNess, Mr. Gilbert, and Mr. Coon from the Guam Street Community Council of Guilds Lake will be the main speakers at the May 21st meeting of the Vanport Citizens' Community Organization. Community Building #1 at Force and Broadacre Streets will be the place of meeting -- 7:30pm. the time. This discussion of methods and accomplishments of other community organizations will be of definite interest to all who are concerned about effecting action for the improvement of their own community.

Other business of current importance to Vanport citizens will also be considered.

TRAINING OF VOLUNTEERS

Training for all who wish to help on the playgrounds this Summer will be given on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at either 10:30 a. m. or 8 p. m., whichever time is most convenient for you -- May 20th., 22nd., and 24th -- at Community Building #1 (Broadacre and Force Sts.) General playground supervision, games and crafts will be discussed at the sessions. If you have already registered to help this Summer we know you will be glad to have this opportunity to brush up on old skills, learn new ones, and find out more of what is expected of you as a volunteer. If you have not indicated your willingness to help, please do so by attending these sessions. We need your assistance so that Vanport children may have a chance to enjoy themselves this Summer.

NOTICE

The regular meeting of the Broadacre Denver Civic Betterment League, Formerly known as Broadacre-Denver Community organization will be held May 23, 1946, at 8:00 p.m. in the Social Room of Community Building #1, corner of Broadacre and Force Streets.

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ers who may suffer disadvantage by this all-out effort to stop the march of famine."

MAY 20 IS THE DEADLINE. That date coincides with the opening of the International Food Conference in Washington. The private organizations will meet on May 22 in the National Press Club Auditorium.

NATIONAL LUTHERAN COUNCIL
WELCOMES NEW MINISTER IN VANPORT CITY

On Thursday afternoon, May 9, the Rev. and Mrs. O. M. Lengehough arrived in Vanport to assume their new duties here under the National Lutheran Council. Pastor Lengehough is originally from the Middle West, and has for the past one and one-half years been stationed at the Linda Vista Housing Project in San Diego. He succeeds the Rev. W. G. Hintz who has been given a new assignment on the East Coast.

With the close of school for the year, the George Marshall School Building will not be available for use to the Vanport Lutheran Fellowship each Sunday. We will, therefore, during the course of the Summer, meet in Nursery #5, which is located near the school. Worship services and Sunday School will begin there on the first Sunday in June, at the regular time of 11 and 9:45 a. m.

ONLY EXTENSION CORDS PERMITTED

The Fire and Safety Division of the Housing Authority advises of the improper wiring by residents within their apartments. The Fire and Safety Division points out the serious danger of this causing fires unless the practice is stopped. They go on to advise that the only wiring within apartments should be those extension cords that are permitted by the normal use of the convenience outlet plug furnished for that purpose. The Fire and Safety Division points out that not only are we endangering ourselves and all other residents of the community, but that anyone guilty of improper wiring can be held legally and financially responsible for all fire damage resulting from this practice.

SOFTBALL GAMES

Youth versus Age, Size and some experience proved the better in the softball slug test between the Project Services Staff and Volunteer Team, and the Lucky Seven Juniors, on May 4th. Getting the smaller end of a 7 - 12 count naturally called for some good excuses. Project Services team complained of being tired because of the previous day Cancer Campaign --Lucky Seven Juniors took part in the Campaign too. Other excuses ranged from the "UMP" being the 11th man on the Lucky Seven's team to the unfitness of the ball diamond. Well, maybe the innocent fan who complimentarily declared Project Services played like the Lucky Beavers explained everything.

Roosevelt School's Softball Team turned what appeared to be an evenly matched affair into a "track meet" as they crossed the home plate 19 times to MacArthur's 10 in Tuesday's game.

GET ACQUAINTED VETERANS AND FAMILIES

BINGO

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5¢ a card
Cash prizes

OTHER ADDITIONS

Billards, Pingpong, Cribbage, Pinochle

Arts and Craft Exhibit
Tuesday, May 28, 1946
8:00 p. m.
Community Building #2

FREE ADMITTANCE

Don't let your baby keep you home!
BABY CARE PROVIDED

FIRECRACKERS

Regulations have been established by the Housing Authority forbidding the use or possession of firecrackers within Vanport. The possible penalty is eviction of the family from the Project. Notices to this effect will be posted shortly.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CALL PROJECT SERVICES OFFICE IN ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.