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### VANPORTERS ENLIST

During July, five Vanporters have enlisted in the service--three in the Army Air Force, one in the mechanized calvary, and one in the Air Borne, according to Sgt. Jack Langworthy, Vanport recruiter.

The Army Air Force claims Selmer T. Braff, 10511 Island, Apt. 6189, Asa G. Allen, 3710 Victory, Apt. 2039, and Robert D. Hamme, 11001 Lake, Apt. 7740.

Ervin K. Westman, 2002 Cottonwood, Apt. 350, has enlisted in the Air Borne division in the Pacific theater, while Charles D. Brown, 2109 Broadacre, Apt. 5906, has chosen the mechanized calvary.

All of the men have enlisted for a three-year period, Sgt. Langworthy stated.

### POLICY ON ICE-CAUSED DAMAGE

A number of complaints have come to the Vanport Administration Building regarding the "ice problem". Ice must be placed in the ICE PANS and not on the shelves above in the ice box, according to word received from Manager Harry D. Jaeger. Ice placed on the shelves leaks and damages the floor. If the ice is dripping on the floor of an upstairs apartment, it causes damage in the apartment below.

In the future, repairs will be made and the charge placed on the tenant's bill for any damage caused by ice being placed on the shelves instead of in the ICE PAN, he stated.

### GIRL SCOUTS VACATION AT CAMP WILDWOOD

Going to beautiful Camp Wildwood, the Girl Scout Camp located on the banks of the Molalla river has been the highlight in this summers' vacation for a number of fortunate Vanport girls. There, girls of both Girl Scout (10 to 18 years) and Brownie age (8 to 10 years), have experienced the thrill of going swimming every day, evenings under the stars, going on nature hikes, and learning interesting crafts.

Mrs. Decie Hill and Mrs. Hazel Hudson, co-leaders of Brownie troop #84 at MacArthur school, report that four of their Brownies had this wonderful experience this summer. Franchot Hudson, Holly Hill, Joyce Hickman and Grace Brown all know the joy of a week at Camp Wildwood. Brownies usually go for one week sessions and Girl Scouts for two weeks, but Holly Hill, who proved such a good camper last year, just returned from her second week there this summer. Mrs. Hudson's two other daughters also enjoyed sessions at Camp Wildwood this summer. Sylvia Hudson, better known to her friends as Judy, from Mrs. Viviano's Girl Scout troop, was there for two weeks in July, and Martha Ann Hudson, from Mrs. Neuffer's Brownie troop, went for a week at Brownie Camp. Beverly Snider, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Snider, though not a member of a Vanport Girl Scout troop this past year, also went to Camp Wildwood this summer.

It is the opinion of Mrs. Hill and Mrs. Hudson that more Scout leaders should become acquainted with the wonderful advantages Camp Wildwood offers to girls. It really must be seen to be appreciated, they say.

This year the Girl Scout council extended all leaders an invitation to visit the camp and see it in operation. Leaders visiting days were on Wednesday, July 16, and Wednesday, August 13. Decie Hill and Hazel Hudson took advantage of this opportunity and drove out there July 16. That date was while their daughters were at camp and they reported that they wouldn't have missed the trip for anything. They only regretted that more Scout leaders from Vanport as well as Portland didn't come out there at that time.



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## THE MAILBOX



Helen D. Morris  
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Dear Helen:

Due to lack of public interest  
and help with this publication I have  
decided to resign my position of editor  
on the VOICE of Vanport. I feel that  
I do not have time now to devote to do  
this job in the manner which it should  
be done.

I sincerely hope that your next  
editor receives more cooperation than  
I have in the past.

Sincerely yours,  
Johnny Rawlings

## THE MAILBOX

OPEN LETTER

Portland Traction Company  
Public Relations Department  
Portland, Oregon

Gentlemen:

You have for some time been a-  
lienating a lot of friends in Vanport  
and in the last month or so, this an-  
imosity toward your Company has been  
increasing very rapidly due to the very  
poor service we are receiving.

During the war we could under-  
stand the use of emergency equipment,  
although even at that time it was very  
difficult to understand why you should  
take advantage of us to the extent of  
charging full ten cents fare without  
transfer privileges. This made it very  
difficult for a great many people living  
in Vanport and still does. With the  
end of the war and with most of the  
war time equipment very much shot from  
hard usage, we have been given the old  
Reo buses with no rear exit, broken  
seats, and you have not even taken the  
trouble to repaint and reupholster these  
buses. Most of the buses look as though  
they had never been cleaned, either  
outside or inside, since they have been  
put in use. On top of all this, our  
children have been forced to pay a full  
ten cents fare in order to go to school,  
which is a decided outrage.

If you think this is a good  
method to use to put into effect in-  
creased rates which you are asking for,  
you may be interested to know that the  
Vanporters almost to a person would,  
if given a chance, vote down any in-  
crease whatsoever to your Company, and  
if fact, would ask that rates be reduced.  
If you would give us better equipment,  
better service, cleaner buses, we would  
be more willing to work with you and  
if you could see your way clear to  
give us transfer privileges, we would  
still be glad to pay you the ten cents  
fare.

Perhaps you do not care what  
type of service you give Vanport be-  
cause you may still be under the im-  
pression that all Vanport people are  
transient and of tenement house type  
in the lower income and intelligence  
bracket. It might surprise you to  
know that a very large percent of  
Vanport people are in neither one of  
these brackets, that they have been  
in Vanport from two to five years and  
cannot leave because of excess rents  
in Portland. You will find doctors,  
lawyers and executives of all types  
living in Vanport and most of the un-  
desirable portion we had during the  
war has left. If you do not take these

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## PERSONALS

Mrs. Ruth Ensign has returned to Apt. 58, 9901 N. Denver, with her daughters, Arline, Carol, and Jackie, after a month's visit with relatives at Klamath Falls, Oregon.

Marion & Chuck Stebbins, 9901 Denver, Apt. 61, are dusting off the welcome mat for a sister-in-law, Wilma Green, and daughters Lynda and Jeanette, who are traveling all the way from Nebraska to be near their daddy, PFC E. Green, awaiting overseas orders at Fort Lawton, Washington.

A recent interesting visitor to unit 10918 Lake was Mrs. Mary Zahn of Dallas, Texas, who is visiting the Skippy Petersons in Apt. 8317. The chief reason for her visit was to see her new granddaughter, Rose Mary, who arrived via Permanente in April.

First Lt. Mae Griep of the Army Nurse Corps is visiting Mrs. Stapleton at Apt. 8310. Lt. Griep was the first Portland nurse to go to Hawaii soon after Pearl Harbor. She later joined the ANC and has been on hospital ships or transports for three years. She has visited many countries and crossed the equator 16 times.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Thompson and two children are new residents of Apt. 8309, having moved here from Seattle. They report Vanport a very pleasant place to live.

Sympathy is being extended to Mrs. Lon Rose of Apt. 8329, 10916 Lake for the loss of her baby daughter-- August 2. Mr. Rose was called to Virginia two weeks ago by the death of his mother.

One of the VOICE reporters, Georgianna Baker, 2706 Broadacres, Apt. 3631, left for San Francisco and the bay area with her mother, Mrs. S.A. Baker and brother, Delbert Aug. 2. They will be visiting relatives there for 3 weeks before returning to Vanport. The Bakers have resided in Vanport twice--the first time from 1941 to 1944; the second time from Sept. 1945 until now. Originally from Wisconsin and Minnesota, the Bakers went to Anchorage, Alaska in 1939, where Mr. Baker was employed by the U.S. Army engineers.

The Rev. L.H. Haskins, 10721 Force Apt. 7113, left Vanport for Canada after 3 months stay with the Community Church of Vanport.

Bill Gionnonatti, "Chili" Childers, and Dean Logue left Aug. 2 for Independence, Oregon where they will pick hops. They expect to return in about a month.

Mrs. Victor Young and her five children of N. Broadacres will leave Wed., Aug. 6th for a months visit with her folks in Wisconsin.

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## SOCIAL EVENTS

Rev. and Mrs. O.M. Langehough held open house for their many friends, July 15th, from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m., on the occasion of their silver wedding anniversary. The honored couple received many gifts and congratulatory greetings. Their children, Mrs. Inex Taberson of Ames, Iowa, Phillip and Milford, students of St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minnesota, were also there for the happy event.

Rev. and Mrs. Langehough arrived in Vanport City May 9th, 1946 and now reside at 10729 Force St., Apt. 7099. Rev. Langehough is the pastor of the Vanport Lutheran Church which conducts its worship services at the Marshall School on Cottonwood St. every Sunday morning.

## Personals

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Mrs. Sam Knutson and Children, Sam Jr. and Anna Marie of N. Denver Ct. are also vacationing for two weeks at Cannon Beach. Mrs. Knutson is a Grade Teacher at Roosevelt School.

A daughter was born July 30 to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Pintar, Apt. 70-9901 N. Denver.

Fern Mangum of Denver Court has returned from a month's visit in Idaho.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lott and son Dickie of Denver Ct. left Aug. 1st. for a month's visit in Huron, S. D.

Mrs. A. E. Pendell of Denver Ave. left Mon. by plane for visit in Illinois, New York, and Vermont.

Mrs. Billy Lee and daughter of Denver Ct. are vacationing in Utah.

The Ernest Paulson's of N. Denver are leaving Tues. for San Pedro, Calif. We are very sorry to lose this family as they have been project residents for several years.

Miss Elsie Schiller of Billings, Mont. has been spending the summer with her brother Wm. Schiller of Apt. 111-Denver Ct.

Little Cheryl Jean, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Graves, Apt. 103-Denver had the misfortune to break the elbow of her right arm Thursday eve.

The Rev. Milford Langehough and Mrs. Langehough are on a two weeks vacation at Cannon Beach. The rest of his vacation Rev. Langehough will spend in Seattle with his mother.

---"For life is the mirror of King and slave.

Tis all that you are and do--

Then give to the world, the best thou hast,

And the best will come back to you"

Anon.



## HOSPITAL HAPPENINGS

by Dr. J. W. Neighbor

### Vanport Births

#### Permanente Hospital at Vanport

Richard Allen was born to Mr. and Mrs. Allen R. Cain 10520 Force Apt. 7178 on July 27.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur E. Ziesing of 10518 Island Ave. Apt. 6245 received a son, Douglas Roy, on July 28th.

Harold, son, was born on July 28th to Mr. and Mrs. Hullon Davis of 4006 Island Apt. 6302.

Mr. and Mrs. George Takeda of 3602 Cottonwood Apt. 727 received a son, Ernie T., on July 31st.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Karl Garliek of 10402 Island Apt. 6302.

Michael Orville was born on August 1st to Mr. and Mrs. Orville Shields of 10707 Lake Apt. 7482. The Mother, Norma is a popular nurse on the C.B. floor at Permanente, Vanport. Should we say she can "give as well as take it"?

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Kephart of 6722 N. Mississippi Ave., Portland, received a son on July 31st. Mrs. Lola Kephart, the mother, worker as a pharmacist at Permanente, has helped many Vanport headaches for a long time.

A son was received on August 1st by Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Barquist of Rt. 15, Box 1957, Portland. Mrs. Barquist was a valuable member of the "front office" at Permanente until incapacitated

### Doing nicely after illness

Eleanor Whipple of 11311 Lake Apt. 7901 and a nurse at Permanente-Vanport are doing nicely after a "bout with a bug".

Rodney Daum, 17 year old son of Mrs. Francis Daum is about to be discharged after a rather serious illness.

### Accidents

George Hudson of 2500 Cottonwood Apt 544 sustained a severe fracture of the right lower leg in a tangle with a telephone pole--He is doing well.

Elton Young of 4201 Cottonwood Apt. 1091 suffered a compound fracture of his collar bone when 600 lb. of sheet rock fell on him.

Kaguma Toya of 10318 N. Island Apt. 6401 is doing as well as could be expected after sustaining a fractured back when struck by a car.

### Recoveries

Mrs. Florence Alexander of 4002 Cottonwood Apt. 823 is feeling improved after brief sojourn in hospital.

George Campbell of 10401 Island Apt. 6070 is improving from a rather serious condition.

Esther Pfennig of 1906 Victory Apt. 1740 is making uneventful recovery after surgery a few days ago.

## VANPORT RED CROSS OFFERS NEW CLASSES

Would you like to know how to do 32 nursing skills which can be used in the home?

Would you like to know the best methods for caring for a mother before the birth of the baby and in caring for the baby after it is born?

Well, you can know how by taking free courses given by registered nurses who will show you how in six lessons of two hours each.

"Care of the Sick" courses started August 4 from 10:00 a.m. to 12 noon; from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m., and from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. at Red Cross chapter house, 1520 S. W. Alder street.

"Mother and Baby" course for expectant parents and others who will have the care of a baby began August 4, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Men find this course very interesting and instructive and it is held at night for the convenience of fathers.

A new course in life saving is being held Friday nights from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at Shattuck school. It is open to good swimmers 12 years of age and older who wish to train to take their life saving tests. Instruction is given free of charge.

The Red Cross held its 9th annual, free "learn-to-swim" campaign from August 4 to 15 at Blue Lake Park, N. E. Sandy boulevard, 14 miles from Portland.

Advance registration necessary for the home nursing classes may be made at the Red Cross office opposite the post office on Victory, or by calling the Red Cross chapter house, AT 8561.

## COMMUNITY CHEST COMMITTEE STUDIES 1948 NEEDS

This week the Community Chest budget committee completes the annual review and study of budget needs of 53 Chest Red Feather services for 1948.

For the past two months, a series of public hearings have been held with volunteer members and representatives of the Chest agencies at which agency budgets have been gone over with a fine-toothed comb in order to determine minimum needs of the agencies to provide essential health and welfare services for the community.

The 1948 Chest campaign goal will be determined by the Chest Board on the basis of total needs of the member agencies according to this committee.

## CLASSIFIED ADS

OLD NEWSPAPERS (tied securely) and cardboard boxes may be left beside ice houses. Will be picked up--Jack & Bill Rath WANTED: Experienced laboratory technicians, registered preferred. Must be qualified to handle routine clinical laboratory procedures. Call Rex Hamby, Permanente Hospital, Vanport, TY 0280.



# Sports-Recreation

## THIRTY PASS SWIMMING TESTS

During July, 24 persons passed swimming tests given at Pier Park while six acquired intermediate ratings.

A. E. Douglass, swimming instructor, announces the following persons as having completed intermediate tests: June Verkoy, 3502 Cottonwood, Apt. 673; Robert Springer, 10407 Island, Apt. 6094; Sherman Barrett, 2405 Cottonwood; James Felix, 2105 Cottonwood, Dallas Cude, 10708 Lake; Byron Russell, #8237, 11020 Lake.

Beginners' tests were successfully passed by Margaret Campbell, 10706 Lake; Jerry Rutledge, 10505 Force; Ray Turner, 4006 Cottonwood; Samuel Whitney, 4006 Cottonwood; Byron Russell, 11020 Lake; James Felix, 2105 Cottonwood; June Verkoy, 8502 Cottonwood; William Bowlin, 2918 Broadacre; Sherman Barrett, 2185 Cottonwood; James Moran, 3611 Cottonwood; Pat Campbell, 10706 Lake; Marlene Vardersstrasse, 10512 N. Island; Shirley Corn, 10520 N. Island; Carroll Jarvis, 10509 N. Island; Patricia Carey, 10510 N. Island; Masato Kawasaki, 4008 N. Cottonwood; Mike Okozaki, 10301 Cottonwood; Jim Rhinebold, 11020 Lake; Carol Greene, 3208 Broadacres; Albert Rasmussen, 10812 Lake; Mary Slaughter, 11105 Lake; Dallas Cude, 10708 Lake; Edgar Turner, 6768 N. Force; Bob Turner, 6768 Force.

## SUNDAY SIGHTSEEING

By Art Merrill

Looking for a place to picnic next Sunday? Then you may like peace and quiet, and the place for that is Columbia Park. It has a lovely swimming pool, tennis courts, baseball diamond, horseshoes, see-saws, swings, and bars to climb on. For a day of relaxation, the place for you is Columbia Park.



Or perhaps you prefer an exciting afternoon? Then try Jantzen Beach Park. There you will find four swimming pools and picnic grounds. For the kids from 8 to 80 they have thrill rides such as the roller-coaster, merry-go-round, the ferris wheel, the fun house, the buzzer, the jeep, the train, the rocket, the dodgeum, the tunnel of mysteries, the old mill and many, many more. There are also sea-planes which take you up and around Portland. You can take a boat ride up the beautiful Columbia river. Jantzen Beach offers all these things for a perfect Sunday picnic.

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matters into consideration, take steps to make a material change in your present attitude toward Vanport, there will be a time when it will react very decidedly against your relations with the people of Portland, for sooner or later most people living in Vanport will be residents of the city of Portland.

Yours very truly,

George W. Safford  
10606 Force, Apt. 7146  
Vanport, Oregon

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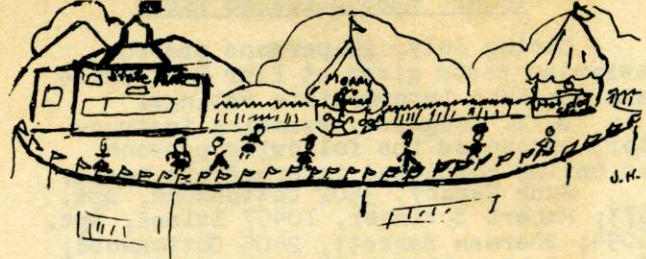
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# Sports-Recreation

## MOVIE REVIEWS

By Baker & Merrill



## COMING EVENTS IN OREGON

Crooked river round-up Prineville, Aug. 22-24  
 Elgin stampede, Moore Field, Elgin, Aug. 22-24  
 August county fair--Columbia county at Deer Island Aug. 21-23  
 Lincoln county fair, Toledo, 20-22  
 Crook county fair, Prineville, 22-24  
 Clackamas county fair, Canby, 27-30  
 Washington county fair, Hillsboro, 28-30  
 Folk county fair, Dallas, 28-30  
 Multnomah county fair, Gresham, 18-24  
 Lake county fair, Lakeview, Aug. 30 to Sept. 1  
 Josephine county fair, Grants Pass, August 29-September 1.

## "SQUEAKY SEZ"

Remember our Jubilee Day? I had a midget racing car on exhibition and asked all who were interested to come to Community Building #1 and get instruction on how to make them.

They're made, and the time has come for our races. There will be about nine races, with boys from six to eight and eight to twelve participating.

Trial runs were held August 4. Johnny Gamache, Tommy Romero, Erlin Wiitala, William Wiitala, Stanley Bennett, Joe Bennett, and Charles Jordan were participants. Highlight of the day was Billy Wiitala who drove his red jacket a winner three out of four races.

Little Erlin Wiitala did a splendid "crash" job on a bicycle that happened to get in his path. He expertly handled his car and continued on with the run.

Radio Personalities  
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Alexander. For 20 minutes of fun and laughter, tune in on "What's Doin' Ladies?"

On the feminine side of radio, we present Mrs. Vere Kneeland, better known as Kay West. Over at KEX, Miss West is director of woman's activities. She has been on the radio for 16 years, and is called "the lady with a 1000 and 1 recipes." Miss West has a son, Dale, who is now thirteen years old.

## POPULATION DROPS

According to the July 31 "census", Vanport had a population of 22,029.

If you like a heart-warming story of love and adventure, you'll love Frank Borzages' "That's My Man," starring Don Ameche, and the gal who came to stardom in "I've Always Loved You," Miss Catharine McLeod. The story is about a horse loved by millions and a man who thought love could make a horse win races.

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 Truly one of the most wonderful pictures to come out of Hollywood is "Miracle on 34th St." The all-star cast includes Maureen O'Hara, John Payne, and Edmond Gwenn.

The story deals with the feud between Macy's and Gimbel's department stores in New York and a little girl's disbelief in Santa Claus. The girl's mother (Maureen O'Hara) finally "discovers" Payne and the movie ends surprisingly and happily.

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 The villain - Billy De Wolfe  
 The heroine - Betty Hutton  
 The hero - John Lund

"Ah, yes, my sweet. Thou will enjoy the cinema, "Perils of Pauline," recently playing at "Ye Olde Cinema House."

So would read a movie review of the early 1900's. But still, the movie is very funny, dealing with Pearl White, famous stunt lady of the screen. Her movies, love life, and tragedies are part of the picture.

You will probably enjoy "Perils of Pauline" very much.

## RADIO PERSONALITIES

This week's interviews are for radio fans. First on our list comes a man who has come up from announcer to KGW's news department editor. His name--Don Kness. Don has been in the radio business for seventeen years. Born in Seattle, Washington thirty-five years ago, he has two children. Don has spent two years in the army, and has traveled up and down the Pacific Coast, but still prefers Portland best of all.

Our next radio personality is a man who has been announcer on the Phil Baker show, "Truth or Consequences," but now has his own show, "What's Doin' Ladies?". His name is Jay Stewart, and he was born in Sumicville, Indiana twenty-eight years ago. Don claims to be the youngest announcer on ABC. "What's Doin' Ladies?" has been on the radio for six years and was started in San Francisco by Art Linkletter. Jay has been on the show for about a year. It is written by the only female Groucho Marx in the business, Miss Andre Paul. Helping with the stage props is Chuck

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