

Railroad Workers Needed to Aid in Deployment of Troops and Supplies

Action was taken today by LeRoy M. Edwards, chairman of the Citizens Manpower Committee, on an urgent request from General Brehon B. Somervell, Commanding General, Army Service Forces, to launch an immediate campaign to recruit 4,000 skilled and semi-skilled railroad workers for the Southern California area, needed at once in order to expedite the redeployment of supplies and troops to the Pacific theater of war.

In order to facilitate the recruitment of skilled railroad workers, a committee consisting of Army officials, railroad executives, union leaders, and other agency representatives, was appointed by Edwards to handle all arrangements for the campaign. The group will include Lt. Col. I. N. Randall, District Transportation Officer, U. S. Army, Paul Armstrong, general manager, California Fruit Growers Exchange; Ray Krah, War Manpower Commissioner; J. M. Baths, assistant director, Railway Transportation, Office of Defense Transportation; Leo Menard, local chairman, Brotherhood Sheet Metal Workers and Pipefitters; C. A. Smith, president, Pacific Electric Company; C. M. Fitzgerald, district superintendent, Pullman Company; Major William P. Mullen, Army Service Forces, Ninth Service Command; Charles Levitt, vice-president, Smalley, Levitt and Smith; H. R. Gernreich, superintendent, L. A. Division, Southern Pacific Company; H. E. Reece, district manager, Railroad Retirement Board, Los Angeles; Clyde Hogsett, service agent, Interstate Commerce Commission; C. E. Tucker, acting general manager, Santa Fe Railroad; W. H. Guild, executive assistant, Union Pacific Railroad; Floyd Maxwell, chairman, L. A. Newspaper Publishers Association; C. C. Chapman, general chairman, Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen; Ralph Cason, district manager, Association of American Railroads.

Plans are being formulated under the chairmanship of Mr. Edwards to acquaint the public with the need for skilled workers. Operating headquarters for the committee, which will work in cooperation with the Railroad Retirement Board, United States Employment Service and the District Transportation Office, U. S. Army, will be located in the offices of Lt. Col. I. N. Randall.

Torrance Men Stationed At Base on Guam

Two Torrance men are now stationed at a superfortress base on Guam, helping to make possible the XXI Bomber Command's fast recurring B-29 missions against Japanese war industry.

These men, air service group members in the 314 Bombardier Wing commanded by Brigadier General Thomas S. Power, are:

Staff Sgt. Raymond J. McIntire, son of Mrs. Anna McIntire, 1735 Gramercy ave. Sergeant McIntire is a welder.

Cpl. Dean D. McIntire, husband of the former Betty G. Busby, 542 E. Carson, Torrance. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Ralph B. McIntire, 13234 Cordary ave., Hawthorne. Corporal McIntire is an airplane mechanic.

Planes from the base have participated in strikes against industrial and military targets on the Japanese homeland while the base was still under construction. For their part in the success of these operations, these men shared in a commendation issued by General Power. "You have operated under primitive conditions that taxed your ingenuity and resourcefulness. Your tireless effort and fighting spirit have exemplified the highest traditions of our armed forces. I am humbly proud to be your commander," the general said.

CLEANING LAMP BASES
To keep metal lamp bases clean, dust base with a soft dry cloth. Apply thin coat of wax. Let stand a few moments, then rub off wax with a soft dry cloth. Liquid furniture polish is taboo as it frequently removes the lacquer finish. A metal base that has corroded must be replaced.

District Transportation Officer, 411 W. 5th st.

The program of the Railroad Manpower Commission will be carried out by civic groups in principal Southern California communities.

It Was Tough



That's the comment of Marine Col. Alan Shapley, Detroit, Mich., commanding officer of the famed Fourth Marine Regiment, Sixth Marine Division, as he describes the bloody fighting of Sugar Loaf Hill on Okinawa where the Fourth Marines were credited with virtually breaking the back of the strongly fortified Jap shirt defense line and hastening the collapse of organized resistance on the southern end of the island after 82 days of fighting. Col. Shapley was in San Francisco en route to Washington, D. C., for further assignment.

James Bruce Is Promoted To Sergeancy

A automatic rifleman with the 35th Regiment of the veteran 25th Division on Luzon Island in the Philippines, Pfc. James J. Bruce, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Bruce, 2208 Cabrillo ave., Torrance, and husband of the former Lovely Lorene, Rt. 1, Midland, Ark., has been promoted to sergeant.

A veteran of 18 months overseas as a service, Sergeant Bruce served with the 25th Division in New Zealand and New Caledonia before entering action on Luzon. He is entitled to wear the Asiatic-Pacific theatre ribbon with one star, the Philippines Liberation ribbon with one star and the Good Conduct Medal. A former student of Mansfield High school, Mansfield, Ark., Sergeant Bruce served at Camp Fannin, Texas, before going overseas on Jan. 5, 1944.

Since landing at Lingayen Gulf on the western sandy shores of Luzon last January, the 25th Division, commanded by Major General Charles L. Mullins Jr., fought the Japs for 185 consecutive days on the Central Plains and in the rugged Caraballo Mountains where they captured strategic Balete Pass and the town of Santa Fe, opening the only southern land route to the vast, productive Cagayan Valley. The 25th "Tropic Lightning" Division is a veteran outfit of Hawaii, Guadalcanal and Vella LaVella in the Solomon Islands.

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Two important new railroad travel restrictions have been ordered by the U. S. Office of Defense Transportation.

Under O. D. T. Order #52, you cannot reserve a train berth or seat more than five days in advance.

Under O. D. T. Order #53, all Pullman sleeping cars operating for 450 miles or less have been discontinued.

How you are affected by new O. D. T. Travel Rules

These two orders apply to all railroads. Admittedly, they are drastic—but vitally necessary. Additional sleeping cars must be made available for veterans returning from Europe for discharge or for redeployment to the Pacific.

While these regulations will cause some inconvenience, we feel sure everyone will approve the effort to serve better the men from overseas to whom we owe so much. We know that the families of boys who are coming home will have no question as to the merits of the orders.

As far as Southern Pacific is concerned, our guiding principle has been "the military comes first," and we are cooperating one hundred percent in carrying out the O. D. T. orders—in letter, and in spirit.

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