

dersecretary of commerce. Avey is scheduled as the next witness.

Position Unchanged

Chairman Ramspeck (D-Ga.) of the house group told a reporter the first week of the hearing had left his position unchanged. "I don't approve of their (Montgomery Ward) See—SEIZURE—Page 9

Lumber Tieup Heads List of Walkouts

(By the Associated Press)

A general lumber tieup in the northwest, with war production board officials estimating a daily production loss of 9,500,000 board feet, today headed a list of at least eight walkouts throughout the nation.

Estimates of the total number of idle varied from 20,000 to as many as 51,000, due to widely different opinions on the number idle in the Pacific northwest. Most walkouts were due to wage demands.

Asks FDR to Help

Detroit was virtually without bread or bakery goods in a drivers' tie-up, one of four Michigan walkouts which kept 7,000 idle. A walkout in East St. Louis, Ill., and St. Louis, Mo., oil refineries of the Socony-Vacuum Oil company, left 608 men idle. With the company producing 100 octane aviation gasoline, W. F. Burt, company manufacturing director, telegraphed President Roosevelt for help, terming the walkout "unthinkable on the eve of our invasion of Europe." Union officials did not comment.

Meanwhile about 4,700 workers in at least six other plants either were returning to work or had See—STRIKES—Page 9

WAVE Recruiter to Be in City Wednesday

Specialist Recruiter Lorraine Aageson, from the Milwaukee office of naval procurement, will be in the civilian defense office in the Flatiron building here next Wednesday, May 31, from 6 to 9 p. m. to interview young women in this community who desire to join the WAVES.

There will be a special medical board at Wausau the following Saturday, June 3, so that women who make application in central Wisconsin may have their medical examination made immediately and near home, without traveling to a distant examination center, the WAVE recruiter points out.

The 31-year-old LaCrosse, Wis., officer, testifying for two hours and 20 minutes Thursday at his court martial, offered no denial of the See—SWANCUTT—Page 9

AIRMEN TO GET COLLEGE WORK

Washington—(AP)—The war department announced today a plan to provide from three to nine months of formal college education for members of the air corps enlisted reserve before they start air training.

Summarize Eligibility Rules

Members of the reserve who are not over 17 years and nine months of age on June 1 are eligible for the college training which will be provided under the army specialized training reserve program. Members will receive instruction as individual units at selected institutions, war department said.

"This college training is made possible by the expansion of the army specialized training reserve program," the announcement said. "The members will enter a selected college or university on June 1, 1944, or shortly thereafter to pursue courses important to their future combat crew training or under assignment in the army air forces.

Work Is At College

"The academic work is at the college level. This education is provided at government expense before ACER members are called to active duty after reaching their 18th birthday.

"Written permission from parent or guardian is required from each ACER man."

Thomas Utegaard jr., Is Annapolis Graduate

Included in the graduating class at the United States naval academy, Annapolis, Md., are 19 Wisconsin youths and among them Thomas F. Utegaard, Wisconsin Rapids. The school's graduation is on June 7. The Wisconsin Rapids graduate is the son of Mrs. Thomas Utegaard sr., 350 First avenue south. The boy's father, veteran of two wars, was an able engineer for Consolidated Water Power and Paper company, whose ability is displayed in the dams on the Wisconsin river here and at Knowlton, who designed Consolidated's plastic mill, Ahdawagam and other structures. The father died December 17, 1943.

over the continent grounding most of the air forces.

The Vichy radio said that the Lyon and St. Etienne regions of France were attacked this morning followed by an alert in much of central France. Only aircraft operating singly were reported over Germany by the Nazi radio. There was no immediate allied confirmation of these reports.

The setup today came after more than 6,000 allied planes hammered airdromes and transportation centers on the continent with over 8,000 tons of bombs Thursday in attacks by planes from both British and Italian bases.

Cranberry Trade Journal Editor Visits This City

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence J. Hall of Wareham, Mass., visited Wisconsin Rapids last evening and today, leaving today for their home in Massachusetts.

Mr. Hall is editor of Cranberries magazine, national trade journal of the cranberry industry, and the Halls visited in this community last fall at which time they made an extensive survey of cranberry marshes in central Wisconsin. That visit was basis for several articles of the Wisconsin cranberry industry which subsequently appeared in his publication.

The Halls are now en route home from a similar trip to the west coast, where they visited producers and viewed marshes in the cranberry districts of Oregon and Washington, getting background material for future articles in the trade journal.

Democrats to Choose Convention Keynoter

Chicago—(AP)—Robert E. Hannegan, Democratic national chairman, has issued a call for a meeting here June 15 of the party's arrangements committee to select a keynoter and recommended a permanent chairman for the national convention.

Names of party leaders mentioned by Hannegan at a press conference yesterday as possibilities for keynoter included Gov. Robert S. Kerr of Oklahoma, Gov. J. Melville Broughton of North Carolina, and Senators Samuel D. Jackson of Indiana, Scott Lucas of Illinois, and James M. Mead and Robert Wagner of New York.

The national convention opens here July 19.

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The resolution also would judgment in favor of the \$13,660.80, representing of recovery by reason of removed since 1854 from lands which the court found the United States fully failed to convey according to the treaty 1854.

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Carstensen, Nel Earns Commission

George Daniel Carstensen, Mr. and Mrs. George C. of Nekoosa, was re-commissioned a second lieutenant army air forces at Turbany, Ga., according to received from the public office of that field.

Selective Reinstatement

Washington—(AP)—I the return of millions erans, selective service pre-empted provisions of the anteing reinstatement men and women in the left.

Entitled to Old Jobs In a memorandum d employment committee draft boards, the ag out that all qualified left permanent positio the military or naval May 1, 1940, are enti former positions. A satisfactory completio is proper qualification.