

FIRE CHECKED NEAR BORDER OF GLENWOOD

Situation In Other Places Not Improved

Hope of Control Rests on Weather Change; Huge Loss Hits Logging Firm

SALEM, Ore., July 20.—(AP)—A deputy state forester warned today that a brief spell of "fire weather" might spread the 35,000-acre Wilson River blaze over 257,000 acres.

Lynn Cronmiller said he was positive that the entire Tillamook burn area would go up in smoke if the area should get two days of "fire weather"—high winds, hot temperature, low humidity.

The only thing that can save it, he said, would be several inches of rain.

PORTLAND, Ore., July 20.—(AP)—A few stoic housewives in a lumber town 50 miles north-west of her calmly wiped the morning dishes today with a 55-square mile forest fire only 500 to 1,000 feet away.

The giant Wilson River blaze, which roared so close to Glenwood last night that about 100 persons were evacuated, slowed as it hit green timber near the town.

The women who refused to leave continued their usual morning chores today amid a blue smoke fog. The men, employees of Consolidated Timber company, on whose property the tiny village lies, were all on fire lines.

The blaze, a rarely visible through smoke so thick that lights must be turned on in late afternoon, was only smoldering near the town this morning. Foresters hoped—unless high winds arise during the day—they could keep the flames from the lumber mill and nearby homes. The mill was closed today.

Flames Spread Elsewhere

Meanwhile, on the opposite end of the giant blaze, flames were moving westward in what foresters described as a "fluid state." One edge was roaring toward a Portland Mill's camp south of Jordan Creek.

Much of the fire-fighting equipment was concentrated on the eastern end, where army trucks rolled all night to evacuate some of the Glenwood families.

Three hundred more soldiers—400 each from Fort Lewis and Vancouver barracks, Wash., and Fort Stevens, Ore.—joined the

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In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

OFF for London—so there will be a break in these chronicles until the air mail catches up.

IN going to a foreign country (other, that is, than the countries of the Western Hemisphere, which have a more or less chummy agreement that if you'll take ours we'll take yours) one doesn't just toss a toothbrush and an extra shirt into his grip and take off. It's a little more complicated than that. Especially in wartime.

First one secures a passport. A passport is primarily the permission of his government to travel in other lands, but it is a little more than that. In it the secretary of state, over his signature, requests "all whom it may concern to permit (the bearer) safely and freely to pass and in case of need to give all lawful aid and protection (to the bearer) as a citizen of the United States."

It is a little green book about the size and thickness of a pocket notebook. It carries your picture, duly sealed by the depart-

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Ouster of Slot Machines up To Local Officers, but State Aid Available, Snell States

SALEM, Ore., July 19.—(AP)—Governor Snell, commenting on Portland newspaper reports about the "stence of slot machines in Portland, said today that action against the machines is the responsibility of local officials, but that state agencies would help upon the request of the local officials.

The governor said in a prepared statement:

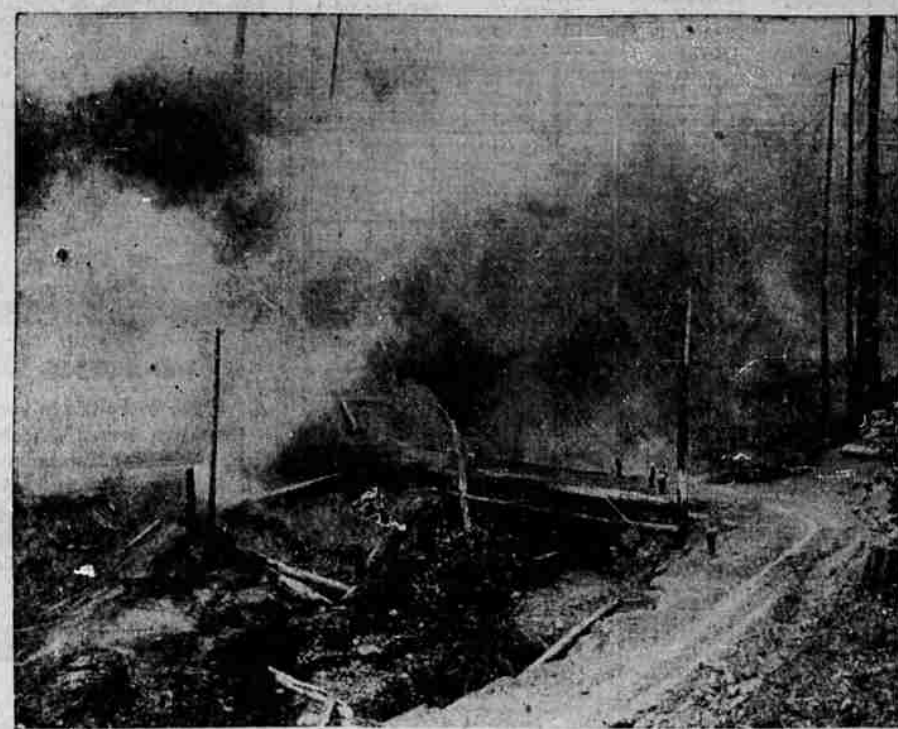
"I wish to recall to mind that several months ago I forwarded to the local officials of several counties a list of those counties in which machines were alleged to be operating and at which time I called attention to provisions of the law which placed responsibility on local officials. The list was printed in a Salem newspaper, and the information as to the machines came from the pin-ball licensing division of the state tax commission.

Reports reaching this office indicate that the officials took immediate action. However, the story from Portland appearing

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LOGGERS BATTLE BLAZE IN OREGON FOREST FIRE—Loggers work in a pall of smoke, trying to save a bridge across Wilson River, Tillamook, Ore., in a week-long forest fire, worst in the state since 1929. More than 2,500 civilians and service men are now battling the blaze, which so far has swept over 45,000 acres in Tillamook and Polk counties.

Berlin Clean-Up to Take Many Years, Rebuilding \$600 Million, Estimates

BERLIN, July 20.—(AP)—The Berlin Zietung estimates that more than half of this city 1,500,000 homes were destroyed during the war and that 16 years will be required to haul away the rubble if 10 trains of 50 cars each depart daily.

However, from observation of the bucket brigades instituted by the Russians, by means of which German women and few old men are moving the debris, one gains the impression that it would take 16 years to fill one train.

Among the Zietung's other observations were these:

At the pre-war construction rate it will take 20 years to replace all the destroyed homes, and the cost will be about two billion dollars—using the pre-war valuation of the German mark as equal to 40 cents. (The military government has placed a value of 10 cents on the mark.)

It will cost \$200,000,000 to repair the 500,000 damaged homes in Berlin, and \$400,000,000 to repair public, business and industrial buildings.

No Kicks on Marketing Of Lambs, OPA Asserts

PORTLAND, July 20.—(AP)—The Portland OPA has received no complaints as yet that lambs are not being marketed promptly, John O. Ferris, OPA meat representative, said today.

He reported Willamette valley lambs moving to market steadily. When slaughterers ask for a higher quota, Ferris said, they are asked if they will be able to move lambs through retail channels—and the answers have been "yes."

Forty-two class 2 slaughterers have applied for higher lamb quotas, permitting slaughter of 1,066,948 extra pounds liveweight in July, Ferris said. Verne F. Livesay, OPA agricultural relations adviser, said relaxation of quotas was showing results and no critical backup of lambs is expected.

Loan Limit of International Bank Boosted

WASHINGTON, July 20.—(AP)—The senate completed congressional approval today of legislation boosting the lending authority of the export-import bank by \$2,800,000,000.

By an unanimous voice vote, the senate sent to President Truman a measure increasing the bank's loan limit from \$700,000,000 to \$3,500,000,000.

This rounds out an administration monetary program which included authority, approved by the chamber yesterday, for American participation in a \$9,100,000,000 international bank for reconstruction and development and an \$8,800,000,000 fund to support world currencies.

Russia Gets Billions

The increase in export-import funds will provide loans to finance American shipments of goods to war-devastated Europe. Leo Crowley, Foreign Economic

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Portland Ripe for Race Clash, Report

PORTLAND, July 20.—(AP)—With the increase of unemployment, Portland is ripe for racial outbreaks unless "positive and immediate action is taken," stated a report submitted to the City club today.

A 10-man club committee recommended that the governor appoint a statewide committee on Negro-White relations, to work with a city committee named by Mayor Riley. The group also suggested that the city club endorse non-discrimination as set forth in the Fair Employment Practices act.

The study, called "The Negro in Portland," accused city authorities of minimizing the racial problem and of being unprepared to handle trouble should it occur. The Portland housing authority and realtors were blamed with showing Negroes into segregated areas which fostered tension.

This city, the committee reported, is the only one on the coast where restaurants display "white trade only" signs.

Eleven Congressmen Leave for Overseas Tour

WASHINGTON, July 20.—(AP)—Eleven congressmen representing as many house committees took off by plane today on the first lap of a 40-day "fact-finding" mission to the British Isles, western Europe, Scandinavia, the middle east and possibly to Moscow and Indo-China.

Rep. Wickersham (D-Okla.) is chairman of the group. Other members include Rep. Horan (R-Wash.).

If all congressmen had been over to see things first hand, the Oklahoma said in an airport interview, "the war might have been shorter."

Fulton remarked "if the plane goes down, we have enough soap with us to float her."

The party carried 1,000 bars to use as gifts in soap-short areas.

Europe to Get American Coal to Prevent Anarchy, U. S. Less, Ickes Advises

WASHINGTON, July 20.—(AP)—Secretary of the Interior Ickes today announced that if possible about 6,000,000 tons of American coal will be shipped to Europe for civilian use, between now and January 1.

He said he wanted the American people "to know that this decision involves the risk that we may have to suffer a shortage of coal in this country next winter more acute than heretofore predicted," and that coal allotments for home consumption may have to be reduced.

Noting that the decision to ship coal to Europe was reached as a result of reports received within the last few days on the "desperate" coal situation there, Ickes said "the race in Europe today is one between coal and anarchy."

Europe must have coal without loss of time if serious political and social upheavals are to be prevented, he said.

He has appealed to the army to release at least 30,000 miners to increase coal production.

Ickes has asked the fuel conservation directors of 25 states to launch local drives immediately to place homes and other buildings in condition to keep people warm on short fuel quotas next winter.

Owner of Stolen Auto Loses at Hide-and-Seek

PORTLAND, July 20.—(AP)—Arnet L. Smith is having a hard time getting his stolen car back. Police found it in a fuel yard, completely covered with slushwood. Smith went to get it.

But when he reached the fuel yard, it was gone. A bit later he got a clue that the car had been towed to a motor company by the thief to have a set of keys made. He rushed to the firm. Yes, they'd made the car, they said, but they couldn't make the keys, and so it was sent to another company.

Smith hurried there. "Oh, yes," they said, "we had that car, and we made a new set of keys for it. Here now? No, no, the driver paid for the keys and left."

Chinese Engineers Work On Oregon's Highway

SALEM, Ore., July 19.—(AP)—The state highway commission said today it has employed three young Chinese highway engineers, who are among several hundred who arrived in the United States under an international training program.

The three will spend four months in Oregon, and eight months in other states.

The highway commission is also giving similar training to several South American engineers.

Girls Facing Trial For Alleged Help to POWs

PORTLAND, Ore., July 20.—(AP)—Two pretty Seattle war workers accused of aiding Italian prisoners of war to escape, waived removal hearings here today.

Lenora M. Hodgson, 26, and Fae Lois Burns, 19, who were arrested near Vale, Ore., June 30 with three Italians, were ordered removed to Seattle for trial.

Invasion Jitters Up Jap Troops on China's Coast

World Peace, Not Conquest, Aim--Truman

POTSDAM, July 20.—(AP)—President Truman, speaking at a symbolic flag-raising over conquered Berlin, said today the United States wanted not one piece of territory, but "peace and prosperity for the world as a whole."

The speech had great significance against its background of the Big Three conference, where the president is joining Britain and Russia in helping to settle European boundary and other problems.

"We are raising this flag in the name of the people of the United States, who are looking forward to a better world, a peaceful world, in which all the people will have an opportunity of enjoying peace and opportunity," Mr. Truman said.

The stars and stripes raised over the United States group council headquarters—in the former headquarters of Germany's air defense—was the flag that flew over the capitol in Washington the day the United States entered the war against the axis. It flew over Algiers when that city was Gen. Eisenhower's headquarters and over Rome when the first axis capital was captured. It is destined to be raised over Tokyo.

Not Fighting For Conquest

"Let's not forget that we are fighting for peace and for the welfare of mankind," Mr. Truman told the troops lined up for the ceremony. "We are not fighting for conquest."

"There is not one piece of territory or one thing of a monetary nature that we want out of the war to last January 1."

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Lend-Lease Plan For Suez Canal Tolls Requested

WASHINGTON, July 20.—(AP)—The United States is pressing Britain anew to absorb under reverse lend-lease Suez canal tolls on American ships redeploying fighting men and equipment to the Pacific.

This was learned today along with the fact that while this country lend-leases all Panama canal charges on British ships, the United States paid \$11,345,390 in Suez tolls from the start of the war to last January 1.

The Suez canal is owned by a corporation organized under French law. The British government, as the major shareholder, holds 44 per cent of the stock. This was cited as a reason why Britain should bear the burden of getting American shipping through.

The British, however, replied that the tolls have to be paid in Egyptian pounds, recalling that lend-lease arrangements require that countries lend-lease only goods made from their currency.

The British said they already owed Egypt too much for the things bought there during the war and could not afford to incur any further debts to Egypt.

Underwear Shortage Forces Detroit Males to Purchase Ladies' Panties, Senator Told

WASHINGTON, July 20.—(AP)—The textile shortage has reduced Detroit men to "buying ladies' panties for their own use" according to word received by Senator Ferguson (R-Mich.).

Without naming the author, Ferguson quoted to the senate yesterday from a letter from a Detroit firm of wholesale drygoods dealers:

"The scarcity of essential textile items becomes steadily more acute. At present, it is only a laughing matter that men in Detroit are buying ladies' panties for their own use because of the shortage of men's shorts."

"But when colder weather rolls around and the warmer underwear is not available for children and outdoor workers, the howls will be terrific."

Ferguson commented: "So the OPA headquarters may expect something after the weather becomes cold in Detroit."

Meanwhile, the War Production board told Rep. Sullivan (D., Mo.) that it is "doing everything possible" to relieve the shortage of men's underwear.

Roseburg Area Lumbermen, Meeting With FHA Agents, Stress Need for Dwellings

The Roseburg area is in immediate need of 100 housing units in addition to those already authorized, and will need from 200 to 400 units before the end of the year, was an agreement reached Thursday at a meeting held in Roseburg Thursday noon, George W. Coplen, regional representative of the National Housing Agency, and James E. Maxwell, NHA housing representative, met at luncheon with representatives of mill companies, contractors, material dealers and chamber of commerce representatives, in a conference sponsored by the chamber housing committee.

Eugene Man Low Bidder For Moving Houses From Vancouver to Roseburg

Max Dudley, Eugene, was low bidder on the contract for transporting 60 family dwelling units from Vancouver, Wash., and re-constructing them in Roseburg, together with a new community building. It was announced at Seattle today. The bid was \$143,967. Other bids were: Todd Building Co., Roseburg, \$179,764; Gausland Construction Co., Seattle, \$160,000; Halvorsen Construction Co., Salem, \$168,337.

The buildings are to be erected at Bellows field, where suit has been instituted by the federal government to acquire the building site by condemnation.

Dudley has announced plans to subcontract plumbing, heating, painting and hauling and also is calling for 12 or more carpenters.

Lamb Set-Aside Order Revoked by Farm Dept.

WASHINGTON, July 20.—(AP)—The agriculture department today terminated an order requiring federally-inspected slaughterers to set aside ten per cent of their output of the three top grades of lamb for government agencies, including the armed services.

The department said this action would make slightly larger supplies of lambs available for civilians in some areas, principally in western lamb-producing states. Government agencies are now able, the department said, to obtain their needed supplies of lamb through open marketing or purchasing.

The senate meanwhile approved a house-passed bill providing funds from the RFC for the Commodity Credit corporation to carry out its lamb subsidy program. The measure goes back to the house for action on amendments.

Bigger Output of Shoes For Civilians Coming

WASHINGTON, July 20.—(AP)—Twenty per cent more shoes will be produced for civilians in October, November and December but there is no assurance that shoe rationing will be liberalized.

Reduced demands for military footwear will permit the hike in civilian shoe production, the WPB and OPA announced last night.

OPA said it could not predict what easing of shoe rationing might be possible now when other shoe ration stamp would become good. Airplane stamp 4 becomes valid August 1.

Mill operators urged installation of emergency public housing units, declaring that private construction is too slow, due to material shortages, to meet the need for immediate housing facilities for workers in essential industry.

The quickest solution to the problem, it was contended, is the moving of housing units from Vancouver or other communities where public facilities are now standing vacant.

Shortages Are Related

H. W. Jacobsen of the Youngs Bay Lumber company stated that pressure is being placed upon his company to add another shift to its operations, which would require 200 additional men in the mill and woods, but that production cannot be increased because housing cannot be obtained for laborers.

Kenneth Ford of the Roseburg Lumber company reported that his mill is from 25 to 30 men short of a full crew; that applications are being received for work but applicants are unable to find homes. When the new mill Ford is erecting at Dillard is ready for operation he will

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Father Steals His Baby for Weaning Via Book Course

DENVER, July 20.—(AP)—Mrs. Arthur Kestermont, 21, of Kansas City, Kan., was reunited today with her 11-day-old son, restored to her by the state highway patrol after the child and its runaway father, 27, had been taken from a train at Hugo, Colo.

Ray Humphreys, district attorney's investigator, said Kestermont related he intended to wean the child "by studying up on a book."

Kestermont admitted running away with his son yesterday morning, Humphreys said, giving as his reason that his wife had refused to accompany him to Kansas City.

Mrs. Kestermont declared that she had asked her husband to wait a day or so because she had just left the hospital and her physician wished to keep the child under observation.

Kestermont declared he was glad he had been apprehended and that he loved his wife and child, Humphreys said.

The mother and the child, who appeared unharmed, were taken to a hospital for a checkup.

Mrs. Kestermont said she was married a year ago in Vancouver, Wash.

License Discrimination Against Nisei Charged

PORTLAND, Ore., July 20.—(AP)—Because all Nisei seeking business licenses here must be fingerprinted and photographed, the Portland license division has been accused of "discriminatory work."

Protests to Mayor Riley and the city council came from George L. Townsend, Seattle, area WRA relocation officer, C. W. Linville, Oregon WRA supervisor, and George Rundquist, New York, church leader.

Riley ordered an investigation. He said nobody else had complained about the practice, started early in the war to protect "both these Japanese-Americans and other citizens."

Thief Gets Away With \$600 Worth of Golf Balls

CHICAGO, July 20.—(AP)—Police at Chicago lawn station are on the hunt for a sharp-eyed thief with 2,000 golf balls.

Joseph Wolf, owner of a golf driving range, said some one stole the 2,000 balls which had been left on the field overnight. Wolf said he valued the hard-to-get balls at \$600.

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The quicker the victory over Japan the less costly in American lives. Your dollars in war bonds will speed the knockout. Loosening your purse strings will tighten the noose on the Nippona.

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U. S. Landing Expected At Yellow Sea

Enormous Destruction Dealt in Air Attack on 5 Jap Industrial Cities

(By The Associated Press)

Invasion-litery Japanese commanders were reported today to be pulling thousands of troops out of Central China to guard the shores of the Yellow sea against a possible American landing.

The report from a Chinese army spokesman coincided with a meeting of the Japanese cabinet to consider "problems of the day." These problems included the whereabouts of the ramming U. S. Third fleet, Australian capture of a fourth Borneo oil field, record air assault on Japan and the China coast, and general Chinese gains in the south.

Mai Gen. Kuo Chi Chih said that in the last month 100,000 Nipponese troops have been shifted from Central China's Hunan province to Shantung province to meet American amphibious assaults. Others were transferred to the coast from north China.

Chinese Control South Area

Shantung, 300 miles north of Shanghai, is the third area where Tokyo has predicted a U. S. invasion. It is the only one still securely in Japanese hands.

Chinese reported today they now control 50 miles of the south China coast, 125 miles southwest of Canton. The area is about 1,000 miles southwest of Shantung province and 600 miles from the Philippines, where Gen. MacArthur and Adm. Mountbatten conferred last week to coordinate operations of their Pacific and southeast Asia commands.

The Japanese previously abandoned about 250 miles of the East China coast below Shanghai, now being hit in force by Okinawa-based American bombers. This withdrawal was in the general

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Hospital Deaths Of Two Sailors Under Govt. Probe

WASHINGTON, July 20.—(AP)—Police and the coroner's office today investigated the deaths of two sailors at the government-operated St. Elizabeth's hospital for mental cases.

Three attendants were held for a coroner's inquest into the death Wednesday of S/2e Clark J. Leeper, formerly of Phoenix, Ariz., shortly after he was found unconscious in a solitary confinement room. Leeper's parents now live at Richmond, Calif.

At the same time, Dr. Winfred Overholser, superintendent of the hospital, and coroner Mac Donald disclosed that the death of Howard J. Crandall, 21, of San Diego, Calif., a discharged sailor, has been under investigation since July 30.

An autopsy established that Leeper's death was due to a liver rupture.

Dr. Roy Headlee of the hospital staff said the injury had been caused by a heavy blow which apparently was struck only a short time before the death of the sailor, a veteran of nearly five years in the navy.

Cordon, Morse to Vote For Peace Charter

PORTLAND, July 20.—(AP)—Oregon's senators, Wayne Morse and Guy Cordon, have sent word they will vote for ratification of the world security charter with no reservations.

Morse said the charter was "deserving of the unanimous vote of the senate."

Although Cordon said there is room for improvement in the document, he is prepared to vote for it "as is."

Levy Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

Disposal of Hermann Goering, adipose No. 2 nazi, should greatly ease the problem of feeding the German nation.