

Warning Against Overcutting of Timber Is Issued

PORTLAND, Ore., June 18.—(AP)—Lyle F. Watts, chief of the United States Forest Service, warned yesterday against the danger of overcutting National Forests to meet pressing lumber needs, such as that for housing.

Here on a northwest tour, he said the Forest Service hopes to meet the demand by opening up cutting areas as rapidly as possible—first by building roads. He cited the Clackamas river basin—largest timber stand left in this area—as threatened with overcutting because a great supply of its merchantable trees are inaccessible.

"What we want to do is to permit logging of merchantable stuff in the greatest possible volume commensurate with the other values that must be recognized," he explained, "one of the most important of which is recreation. If we overcut the forest, then we have damaged the recreational trees."

Watts said about one and one-fourth billion feet of logs were taken from National Forests in 1939 and under war pressure—three and one-fourth billion in 1945. The figure may be increased to four billion in 1947 and possibly to six billion within a decade, he predicted.

The practice of relogging areas already cut, while it makes use of timber formerly thought uneconomical to handle, is unwise if applied to new second-growth timber, he said.

He plans to visit Eugene area forests starting tomorrow and eastern Oregon later this month.

Vonnie Baker Tops League's Batters

Leading the entire Southern Oregon Baseball League in batting is the Umpqua Chiefs' south-paw hurler, Vonnie Baker, with an average of .467. H. W. Gray, president of the league association, announced Monday.

Umpqua Chiefs' averages are as follows:

	AB.	H.	Pct.
Vonnie Baker, p	15	7	.467
Hal Wither, rf	13	5	.385
George Sanders, ss	14	5	.358
Dutch Mills, lb	10	3	.300
Jerry Huggins	14	4	.286
Elmer Hill, cf	11	3	.273
Virgil Sanders, 2b	4	1	.250
Jay Shinn, cf	4	1	.250
Dick Debernardi	9	2	.222
Lovell Baker	17	3	.177
Bus Sporer, p	12	2	.167
Bill Scherner, cf	17	2	.118
Chuck Long, lb	2	0	.000

Leading the league batteries is pitcher Bus Sporer of the Umpqua Chiefs. Against Ashland last Sunday he hurled eleven strikeouts, not quite equalling his record.

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ord of 15 whiffs against Gold Hill June 2.

All members of the Chiefs are requested to be present in complete uniform tonight at the ball park for photographs, Gray said.

Badminton Tournament In Roseburg Planned

Plans are being drawn up for a city badminton tournament in the near future, H. W. Gray, Roseburg Recreation director, announced today.

"This game is rapidly becoming one of the country's most popular indoor sports," said Gray, "and already we have developed some very skillful players, boys and girls alike, here in Roseburg."

Badminton classes, instructed by Gray and Miss Edna Pope, are open to persons of all ages Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 3:30 P. M. at the Armory under the Roseburg Recreation summer program.

Swim Class Opening Attracts More Than 100

More than 100 youngsters turned out to receive their first swimming instruction Monday under the Roseburg Recreation summer swimming program at the end of Templin Street.

Under the instruction of Ed Wyatt, classes will continue five days a week until July 8 when the American Red Cross will supervise two weeks of advance swimming instruction to the present class of beginners.

Each facility, complete with two bath-houses and two rest rooms, are now under construction through voluntary services of the Coen Lumber Company, H. W. Gray, recreation director, announced today.

New State Policeman On Duty at Reedsport

REEDSPORT — Clifford Johnson, who has been stationed for a number of years at Grants Pass, with the Oregon state police, arrived here Saturday with his family, to work out of this city under Sgt. R. M. Miles, who has charge of the new Northwestern Douglas County state police district.

Johnson has moved into one of the Hubbard cottages in what was formerly the CCC camp, and is becoming acquainted with the people of the lower Umpqua Valley and the territory he is to cover.

McCabe, at Reedsport, Resigns Deputy Position

REEDSPORT — Chief of Police Harry M. McCabe, who for a number of years has been a deputy sheriff in this district, resigned that position effective July 1, and will devote his whole time to the local police department and to the constableness of the Reedsport district, to which he was recently appointed and for which he received the Republican nomination for the November election.

Tax Payments Mount
SALEM, Ore., June 17.—(AP)—State income taxes totaling \$17,177,667.75 were paid during the first five months of 1946, compared with \$13,221,683.61 for the same period last year, the state tax commission said today.

The figures represent net collections after refund deductions. It is believed that copper was first used about 3500 B.C. by the Egyptians.



Gambling Ship Project Poses Knotty Problem

LOS ANGELES, June 18.—(AP)—Law enforcement officials were thumbing through law books and scratching their heads today as Tony Stralla completed his announced plans to open his offshore gambling ship, the S. S. Lux, a former seaplane tender.

Gov. Earl Warren, U. S. Sen. William F. Knowland, State Atty. Gen. Robert W. Kenny and local officials all have declared war on the plan to operate gambling off the California coast again.

One possibility was proposed by Governor Warren, who suggested that persons returning by water taxi from the Lux might be placed under quarantine and forced to submit to examinations to determine if they were carrying any communicable disease.

While the officials mulled it over, Cornero was installing 200 bathroom fixtures to conform with a federal ruling requiring

one such convenience for each 18 passengers on a licensed vessel.

Four Missing Turn Up; Fifth Discovered Alive

TIMBERLINE LODGE, Ore., June 18.—(AP)—A Scout leader and his three teen-age charges, lost in foggy weather on Mount Hood Sunday, were reported safe today.

The four Portlanders—Howard J. Richards, the leader; Virginia Wilkes, Jean Clark and James Earl, Scouts—lost their bearings near the head of the ski lift during a descent. Forest Service guards reported. They made a hazardous trip through Sand canyon and reached the highway near Government Camp before morning, the guards said.

SEATTLE, June 18.—(AP)—Jimmie Larno, 22 months old, was found alive, in a swamp yesterday, 18 hours after he wandered away from his Yarrow Point home, across Lake Washington from here. The child apparently suffered only from exposure.



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Vet Freed by Jury In Fight Involving Union Dues Issue

REEDSPORT — Considerable local attention was attracted here recently to a case—State of Oregon vs. Hachler—which was tried in the Reedsport justice court by Justice of the Peace Fred M. Wright.

Al Hachler, a returned serviceman, was charged last Saturday by W. L. Harris, business agent of Local 140, IWA-CIO, with assault and battery. The complaint alleged that Hachler was attacked on the street by Hachler, who knocked him down and broke his false teeth, which punctured or cut his lip.

Prosecution was handled by District Attorney H. A. Canaday and the defense by Claude Giles, Coos Bay attorney. Hachler testified that the affair was caused by the question of payment of dues, and the order of the union business agent to the company employing the defendant, to dismiss him for non-payment of dues.

Evidence was introduced to show that Hachler had paid his dues in the amount of \$2 and an assessment of \$1. Union officials claimed however, \$1 was still owed. Hachler demanded the return of his money after he had lost his job, and the business agent's refusal led to the fight.

A letter from the business agent to the Reedsport Logging Company which employed Hachler, demanding his discharge, was introduced in evidence. It stated in part, "If you or he is under the impression that he has any rights over any other worker due to the fact that he was in the service, you may as well get it out of your mind. No veteran other than those returning to the job from which they left and with the same employer has any rights over any other worker. The time is up and we demand

his immediate discharge." The jury, which included three men and three women, returned a verdict of acquittal.

Every year in the fashion industry a complete color program is worked out so that shoe colors can be coordinated with ready-to-wear clothes and accessories.

Myrtle Creek Girls, Tri-City Team Winners

MYRTLE CREEK—Local girls' softball team defeated the Roseburg girls 6-4 here Sunday, and the Gold Hill baseball team lost to Tri-City 1 to 2. Both games

were played on the Myrtle Creek Memorial Field.

There's a permanent mirage at Dry Lake, six miles west of Willcox, Ariz. From the highway miles off, the motorist can see a great body of "dry water" on a clear day.



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