

'ANTI-RACKETEERING' BILL GOES TO TRUMAN

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Fresh Meat Vanishes From Most of U.S.

Slaughtering At Packers At All-Time Low

Many Plants and Butcher Shops Close; Marketing Halts for Price Boosts

(By the Associated Press.)
Fresh meat, hard to get in wartime with rationing in effect, has virtually vanished from most of the nation's peacetime dinner tables.

With slaughtering operations of most of the big packers at an historic low level, the shortage of fresh meat supplies is general throughout the country.

One meat packing industry spokesman said the consumer supply of meat in legitimate channels was lower than at any time in history.

Most of the packing plants, large and small, maintain skeleton working crews. Many plants have closed. Butcher shops in many cities remain closed two or three days a week.

Business at the big packing plants in Chicago and Kansas City, the nation's two largest meat centers, is at an all-time low.

Slaughtering Nearly Nil

Since Monday Chicago packers reported slaughtering less than 4,000 cattle, the lowest in history and compared to more than 20,000 head the same days last year.

Armour, one of the biggest packers, said this week. Operating at capacity, the cattle slaughtering department could slaughter 220 animals an hour. The company, which had an average daily slaughter of 3,750 hogs last year and 7,607 through 1944, obtained 16 hogs on yesterday's market.

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In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

ADDRESSING the 12th annual Northwest Institute of International Relations in Portland this week, Dr. Hans Simons asserted that we Americans have over-rated Russia's military power and are under-rating her influence on world political philosophy.

"The Russians couldn't make war if they wanted to," he told his hearers, "and I'm sure they don't want to."

"BUT," he added: "Many Russians now believe that communism will be safe ONLY if the outside world accepts communism."

(DR. SIMONS at least qualifies as an expert. He is now dean of politics at the New York School of Social Research, and before the war was director of the Berlin Academy of Political Science).

IN his Portland address, he compared Russian thinking to that of Americans after World War I. "After the first world war," he

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Farmer, Dog, 2 Cats Battle Day and Night Against Horde Of Rats, Slaying 820 of Them

SACRAMENTO, June 22.—(AP)—Adolphe Bufo, Wilton farmer, counted 820 dead large rats today following a fantastic day and night battle reminiscent of the middle ages.

Aided only by a dog, two cats, a can of poison and a club, Bufo said he struggled a day and night to save his flock of 50 chickens from the "invaders" and, though exhausted at the end of the fight, he said he was successful.

Bufo said he was working in his ranch yard when he glanced over a hay field and beheld a sight "the like of which I had never seen before."

"Coming up the hill across the hay field was a gray horde of rats—first singly, then by twos and threes, and then in droves," he said.

"Not bothering to go around the hay shocks, but over them, they headed straight for my ranch buildings."

Bufo said he ran into a chicken barn, emptied all the feed from the hoppers, and substituted a quick-acting rat poison, then armed himself with a club.

'WRIGHT' TREATMENT FOR WRONG-DOERS

Rash Roseburgers Roped by Roaming Revelers, Rapped For Resources for Rodeo



Photo by Photo Lab

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For two hours yesterday, mounted patrols of the Douglas County Sheriff's posse roamed downtown streets to rope and drag to justice several of Roseburg's leading citizens, who received no mercy from Justice of the Peace Fred M. Wright of Reedsport in the role of an old-time cowboy judge.

India Chief Ends Dispute That Brought on Turmoil

NEW DELHI, June 22.—(AP)—Jawahar Nehru, president-elect of the Congress Party, temporarily dropped his dispute with Kashmir authorities today. The controversy had resulted in widespread strikes and disturbances and the death of two persons.

Nehru was arrested Thursday in the princely state of Kashmir when he attempted to intervene in agitation by the Kashmir National conference against the over-whelmingly Muslim ruler of the state, Shiekh Abdullah, leader of the movement for abdication of the ruler, has been accused of sedition, and strikes and demonstrations occurred as a result of his arrest.

Firecrackers Tried on Mail Boxes Bring Warning

PORTLAND, June 22.—(AP)—Pranksters who have been trying out giant firecrackers on mail boxes were warned today that authorities are on their trail.

Earl A. Wholstrom, federal postal inspector, reported a growing number of complaints. The celebrators may find themselves "indisposed" on the Fourth of July, he said.

Stage Driver Acquitted In Fatal Collision

HILLSBORO, Ore., June 22.—(AP)—A Circuit Court jury has acquitted Donald J. Moore, 31, Tillamook, Oregon Motor Stages driver, charged with negligent homicide in a bus-automobile collision near Reedsport Jan. 24.

The accident was fatal to John Forrest Newman, 32, Portland bus passenger, and slightly injured 11 bus passengers.

Moore testified he swung out to avoid hitting a truck.

Wright was seated on the back of a pickup truck parked near the Umpqua Hotel, and a "hoosegow" with wooden slats for bars was in the middle of Jackson St.

When the court adjourned, \$243.50 had been collected in fines, and three persons had been jailed. The money will be used for fair ground improvements, it was announced.

Biggest fine of the day was paid by Marshall Pengra, manager of KRNK, who paid \$22 to be freed by the deputy sheriffs, who roped him as he climbed the long stairway to the radio station, in the Kohlhaugen Building.

"Are you coming back this way, judge?" he asked, "because next time I am going to be judge!"

Mayor, Police Chief Pay

Another stiff fine was paid by Chief of Police Erwin Short, who was accused by Captain Dick Baker of the Sheriff's posse of

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Four Killed, Two Hurt in Auto-Truck Collision

ANACONDA, Mont., June 22.—(AP)—An automobile and a truck collided with terrific force near here last night, fatally injuring four persons and seriously hurting two.

The dead: Archie Dixon, 22, Vancouver, Wash.; Mrs. Helen R. Jones, about 40, San Antonio, Texas; Howard E. Cook, 32, Missoula, Mont.; and James B. Swanson, 22, Missoula.

Allie R. Jones, 42, husband of the dead woman, suffered severe injuries. Dale Cook, about 10, believed to be Cook's son, was in a Deer Lodge, Mont., hospital.

Conductor Sally Longfellow said a sedan occupied by Dixon, Cook, Swanson and the Cook boy and a truck driven by Jones collided head-on about nine miles east of this western Montana city.

The Jones truck, occupied by Jones and his wife, was towing a trailer.

Lightning Puts 2 Idaho Cities in Darkness

LEWISTON, Idaho, June 22.—(AP)—A violent storm following a scorching day brought lightning strikes which blew out two generators in the Washington Water Power Company plant here yesterday to plunge Lewiston and Clarkston in darkness for seven minutes.

The storm was general over Idaho and in Washington communities close to the border. The storm gave power line crews a busy evening in Spokane.

Five Die When Bomber Crashes Into Warehouse

ANCHORAGE, Alaska, June 22.—(AP)—All personnel aboard a B-24 bomber were presumed lost Monday when the airplane crashed into the quartermaster warehouse at Shemya, headquarters of the Alaska Department reported yesterday.

The total number aboard was not reported but the names of five victims were listed. None was from the Northwest.

The report said damage estimated at \$308,000 was done to the warehouse by the crash and the resulting fire.

Freight Rate Hike Fails to Satisfy Lines

WASHINGTON, June 22.—(AP)—The nation's freight rate bill will swerve sharply upward next month, but OPA officials withheld judgment today as to the effect on living and business costs.

Increases in interstate freight rates and charges which will bring rail and water carriers about \$390,000,000 more in gross revenue on an annual basis were authorized yesterday by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

And still larger boosts are in prospect. The commission announced that a full hearing will be held "promptly" on the carriers' petition for a 25 per cent rate hike to meet what they called a "critical" financial condition.

The railroads applied April 15 for a 25 per cent freight rate hike they said was needed to compensate for increased wages, higher prices for materials and supplies and what they called "a severe decline in traffic and revenues."

They contended that the combination of pre-war freight rates and post-war costs would almost wipe out all net railway operating revenue and produce an "enormous deficit in net income" this year.

The new freight rates, effective

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Dog License Fees In Douglas Upped

An increase in county dog license fees was announced today by the county court. Present fees are inadequate to meet expenses of the county dog control officer and cost of bounties paid for live stock and poultry killed by dogs, it was explained.

The fees will be \$2 for each male or spayed bitch dog and \$3 for each female dog. Present fees, which will be in effect until July 1, are \$1 for each male or spayed bitch dog and \$1.50 for each female dog.

It was ordered by the county court that after July 1, every dog owner owning or keeping any dog over the age of eight months shall, not later than March 1 each year, or within 30 days after he becomes the owner of a dog, procure a license for the animal from the county clerk.

If dog owners fail to procure a license by March 1, a penalty of an additional 25 cents for each calendar month's delay will be charged. The total penalty shall not exceed \$1.

Fees collected under the present scale are not enough to meet bounties paid to owners of sheep, turkeys and chickens that are killed by dogs, County Commissioner J. Ross Hutchinson said.

Director Chosen for Drive Against Famine

WASHINGTON, June 22.—(AP)—The government's leading expert on international food problems, Dr. D. A. FitzGerald, stepped out of his Agriculture Department job today to direct a 20-nation campaign against famine.

The new international emergency food council picked FitzGerald late yesterday as its secretary general. He will be in charge of efforts to round up more food in lands of plenty and divide it fairly among the world's hungry peoples.

Operating chiefly through a nine-nation central committee, the council will recommend to its members plans for meeting the world food crisis during the next 18 months. Then it is up to the members to cooperate, as best they can.

Housing Shortage Still To Be Acute Next Year

PORTLAND, Ore., June 22.—(AP)—The housing shortage still will be acute by 1947, even if the government program lives up to expectations, Norton Long, assistant national housing administrator, told mayors of western cities meeting at Timberline Lodge.

He reported the program to build 2,700,000 housing units in 1946-47 is progressing, but is behind schedule.

The mayors, attending the western conference of the American Municipal Association, expressed fear that hastily erected temporary housing may turn into blighted areas, a few years hence.

J. Ross Hutchinson Gives State Six-Acre Tract for Park Site

Acceptance by the State Highway Commission of a six-acre tract between the Umpqua river and the Sutherlin-Elkton highway, which he deeded to the state for use as a park, was announced today by County Commissioner J. Ross Hutchinson.

The letter of acceptance came from S. H. Boardman, superintendent of state parks, at Salem.

Hutchinson has owned the acreage since 1927, he said, and he deeded it to the state because of its possibilities for development as a recreation site.

The tract includes a stand of fine old maples, Hutchinson said. The river is suitable for swimming, and there is water suitable for drinking purposes.

In the vicinity of the new state park are the remains of a mill race constructed in 1861 to power an early-day sawmill.

Police Raid Den, Rattle Chinese

VANCOUVER, B. C., June 22.—(AP)—Chinese armed with meat cleavers fought city, federal and Royal Canadian Mounted Police officers yesterday in a storybook raid on Market alley climaxed by the discovery and capture of a fabulous pile of loot.

Inspector M. F. Anthony, head of the B.C.M.P. criminal investigation bureau, said the raid caused an investigation into the operations of a gang of smugglers, lottery operators and narcotics dealers.

He said five Chinese were arrested and six believed the "key" man, was thought to be in the United States.

Sixteen officers swooped down the alley, a dime section of Vancouver's Chinatown, finally overpowering four men armed with meat cleavers who were guarding a doorway. No deaths or injuries were reported.

Beyond the doorway the officers found and seized \$47,000 in Canadian currency, \$1,200 in United States gold coins, several rounds of narcotics, a supply of lottery tickets and Oriental jewelry—jade and diamonds—of unestimated value. They also took charge of a half-ton safe, which Inspector Anthony said would not be opened until the mah's still at large is captured.

He said the rine's operations extended into the United States, across Canada and to China.

Window-Trapped Man Rescued After Half Hour

DALLAS, Ore., June 22.—(AP)—C. Brandt told today how he dangled head down for half an hour, with one foot caught in the window of his creamery, until boys going through the alley heard his cries and summoned aid.

He went up to the roof Thursday night to check a cooler, Brandt explained, and began to climb down through the window. One foot missed the ledge, but the other caught in a V-shaped aperture, leaving him V-shaped.

Storm Destroys 500,000 Feet of Pine Timber

PRINEVILLE, Ore., June 22.—(AP)—Although salvage efforts were prompt, 500,000 board feet of pine timber blown down in a storm yesterday will be lost, Osecho National Forest officials said today.

Half the trees were broken so far above the ground they cannot be used, officials reported. Nearly a million feet of ponderosa pine were flattened.

With Roseburg's March of Progress



—Photo by Paul Jenkins

EXCLUSIVELY FOR DINING—Rapidly nearing completion is Carl Black's new restaurant building on the Garden Valley road in Edenbower. Planned exclusively for dining facilities, it will serve meals only during the evening dining hours. "No bar, no dancing—we merely will serve food," Carl states, "but it will be mighty good food." Opening date is expected to be about the seventh of July.

Rodeo Opens Under Threat Of Showers

Cloudy skies and a chilly breeze this morning threatened to dampen today's rodeo parade and this afternoon's performance at the county fair grounds. There was some indication of light showers during the day, but not enough to really spoil the show, the weather bureau said.

Long before parade time, fans and kerchiefed rodeo riders were heading toward the "wyce" at N. Jackson St., and Winchester where parade units were organized under direction of Al Bashford, parade chairman.

The parade included floats of civic and commercial organizations, and mounted units of the Sheriff's posse, visiting possees, and other rodeo participants.

Hundreds of spectators from Roseburg and out-of-town lined Jackson St. south to Cass, and west to the railroad station, the route followed by the parade. At the station, floats and decorated cars turned north to the Oak St. bridge and then to the fair grounds.

Leading the parade was Pretty Norma Jean Shrum of Wette, queen of the 1946 rodeo.

Program Listed

This afternoon's program is to include bareback bronc riding, saddle bronc riding, calf roping, wild Brahma bull riding, relay stake race, ladies' saddle bronc riding, and bulldogging.

Participating groups in the relay stake race include the Douglas County Sheriff's posse and

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Joint Feast May Presage Accord on Trieste Issue

PARIS, June 22.—(AP)—The Big Four foreign ministers tackled the Trieste issue again today, while diplomats sought some indication as to whether a solution of the problem had been reached at an intimate dinner attended last night by members of the Russian and United States delegations.

It was generally conceded that settlement of Trieste and the Italian-Yugoslav frontier would lead to agreement on fundamentals of projected peace treaties with Italy, the Balkans and Finland.

The council yesterday began its examination of the Trieste question with a general restatement of views of each minister. These were found to be the same as when the council recessed without agreement last month, with Russia demanding the disputed port city for Yugoslavia and the western powers claiming it for Italy.

15 More Cars of Relief Feed Slated for Oregon

SPOKANE, June 22.—(AP)—Nineteen more cars of relief feed are ready for delivery to poultrymen, the state Production and Marketing Administration said yesterday, with 15 cars destined for Oregon and four for Washington.

Six cars of maling barley to be used as feed are on their way north from Los Angeles for Oregon poultrymen and another six cars are being loaded at Vancouver, Wash., for Oregon feed dealers.

Seven cars of oats reached Spokane yesterday from the Midwest, with four to go to Washington and the others to Oregon. Forty-two cars, 25 for Oregon and 17 for Washington, now have come to the Northwest.

Unwanted Kissing of Lady Advice Seeker Costs Lawyer \$5,000

MARTINSBURG, W. Va., June 22.—(AP)—A circuit court jury awarded Miss Kathleen Raines \$5,000 in her \$10,000 suit against an attorney who she said had kissed her against her will when she went to him for professional advice.

The jury said \$3,000 of its award against Attorney P. O. Faulkner was compensatory damages and additional \$2,000 punitive damages.

Faulkner confirmed the woman's visit to his office, but denied that he had attempted to kiss her.

Death Toll in Hotel Blast 7; 41 Are Injured

DALLAS, Tex., June 22.—(AP)—Firemen and wreck experts dug today in the rubble-filled basement of the swank Baker hotel with possibility they may uncover more victims of the terrific explosion which yesterday took a known toll of seven dead and 41 injured.

Explosions expert George M. Kintz of the United States Bureau of Mines said after a survey: "We can't tell a thing about the cause yet. It takes time—the cause may never be confirmed."

The explosion took place shortly before noon in a sub-basement where workmen were installing refrigeration equipment. Ammonia in huge quantities poured out of the basement and into the lobby and rooms.

Guests were orderly and no panic ensued. Some on the upper floors started hurrying out with baggage but returned to their rooms when firemen assured them there was no danger of fire.

City Building Inspector John Fies said the building was sound and safe despite a gaping hole in the east wall at the basement level.

The building was filled almost to capacity last night.

No guests were known to be killed or injured. The victims were hotel employees or outside workmen.

The explosion shook the 18-story, 700-room building and made skyscrapers tremble for blocks around.

Quick rescue work by firemen and employees cleared the basement of persons overcome by ammonia fumes. Many dazed and unconscious employees were hoisted to safety through manholes.

Negro Leads 97 to Safety

Charles Hodges, a Negro in charge of the laundry in the sub-basement, was credited with leading 97 laundry workers to safety. Panic ensued with the explosion and ammonia and the laundry workers knocked each other down in a frantic attempt to escape.

The explosion was the third

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Oregon State Fair Will Resume Next Labor Day

SALEM, Ore., June 22.—(AP)—State fair time, an emergency casualty of five years in Oregon, will come back next Labor Day with one of the state's most extensive fair years.

The fair, staged annually in Salem prior to the war, will be held here September 2-8.

Material increases in premiums to be awarded in all exhibition divisions have raised total prize money to over \$50,000. This includes a 25 per cent increase in both poultry and livestock premiums.

Early space requests to Manager Leo Siltzbach are the heaviest in history, particularly from machinery, manufacturers and varied industrial exhibitors.

Hindu 'Grad' of Stanford To Wed High School Girl

PALO ALTO, Calif., June 22.—(AP)—Ved Vrat, 25-year-old Hindu graduate student at Stanford University, and 17-year-old Evelyn Corriveau, Palo Alto High School girl, will be married at the Stanford Memorial Chapel today.

At the home of Miss Corriveau's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Corriveau, it was said the bride-elect expected to embrace Vrat's Vedantic religion.

The Rev. E. W. Mimby, former Methodist missionary in India and now an instructor in Stanford's physical education department, will perform the ceremony.

Labor-Fought Plan Problem For President

Measure Given Sudden Senate O. K. After Lying Dormant for Four Years

WASHINGTON, June 22.—(AP)—Congress thrust a new labor dilemma upon President Truman today in the form of the so-called Hobbs "anti-racketeering" bill, long the target of violent union criticism. Passage came on a voice vote.

The measure, which has been biding annually for passage since 1942, surprised everyone by whipping through the Senate suddenly and unexpectedly yesterday in the exact form already approved by the House.

Capitol Hill immediately buzzed with speculation whether Mr. Truman might veto it, just as he did the Case bill last week. The latter included the Hobbs measure's provisions in identical language and the Senate Judiciary committee said such legislation would prevent "interference with interstate commerce by robbery or extortion."

In the June 11 Case bill veto, Mr. Truman said that while he was "in full accord with the objectives," Congress should expressly provide that the measure "does not make it a felony to strike and picket peacefully and to take other legitimate and peaceful concerted action."

Heavy Penalties Fixed

As it went to the President, the Hobbs measure provided maximum penalties of 20 years imprisonment and \$10,000 fine or both for persons who violate its provisions making wrongful obstruction of interstate commerce a felony.

Sponsors said its provisions were designed to prevent union members and others from halting trucks carrying produce to market and forcing farmer-drivers to play a union members' wage before they could proceed to their destination.

Senator Hatch (D-N.M.) asserted none of the provisions would interfere with peaceful

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Industries Await Land Price Drop

SALEM, Ore., June 22.—(AP)—Inflation in real estate is influencing several large eastern industrial firms from locating in Oregon now, John W. Kelly, secretary of the State Postwar Commission, reported to Governor Snell today.

He said these firms are willing to wait for lower land prices.

Kelly said the Henry J. Kaiser interests are planning to develop a subdivision in Washington county, using prefabricated houses made in California.

Kelly also reported that this season there will be 160 food processing plants in operation in Oregon, with fresh fruit and vegetable shipments totaling 35,350 cars. About 70,000 persons will be employed in harvesting the crops, and more than 25,000 in the processing plants.

He said \$6,132,000 would be spent this year on new processing plants.

In reporting on new industries, Kelly said the shortage of bricks and lumber has resulted in six concerns commencing the manufacture of concrete blocks. Other new firms include a furniture plant at Winchester, Douglas county; three plants to make venetian blinds in Coos county; several plants to make home freezers; two companies to make home electric heaters, and other firms to make aluminum boats, plywood motor boats, caustic soda and chlorine and frozen fish.

The explosion was the third

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Four Major Points Open On OPA Extension Bill

WASHINGTON, June 22.—(AP)—Senate House conferees on the OPA extension bill today announced agreement on all but four major points.

Remaining to be settled are these questions:

The length of the extension. The House voted nine months, the Senate a full year.

The Senate amendments specifically lifting price controls on meat, poultry, dairy products, tobacco and petroleum products at the end of this month.

Creation of a decontrol board. The size and duration of food subsidies.

The conferees will meet again Monday in an effort to clear up the points of difference and send the legislation on to the House, then the Senate, for final approval.

The price control law will expire at midnight, June 30—a week from tomorrow—unless extension action is taken before then.

Levity Fast Rant

When the volunteers (?) have finished the job of digging postholes for the street signs, they might turn the billboards edgewise with the highway so the tourists can view the scenery.