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Emergency Committee Named to Gather Data on Roseburg's Housing Needs

Assembled Information Will Be Given National Housing Agency in Effort to Get Equitable Allotment of Materials

Appointment of the Roseburg Emergency Housing Committee, to aid in gathering information relative to the number of homes needed to adequately house Roseburg's present and anticipated population; quantities of building materials to be allocated, and other pertinent information, was announced here today. Selected jointly by Charles Bayles, representing the National Housing Agency and Horace C. Berg, president of the Roseburg Chamber of Commerce, the membership of the committee was approved by Mayor C. W. Wharton. Members serving on the committee, under the chairmanship of Mr. Berg, are Frank Chase, H. T. Hansen, Dick Gilman, James Stoop, Earl Plummer, Harold Hickerson, Roy O. Young, J. W. Mess, John Runyan, Abe Bean, Les Childs.

The committee will endeavor to secure, first, the number of homes needed in the Roseburg area, it was announced. This survey will include a study by the Chamber of Commerce of the number of additional, permanent employees needed by industries now in operation or which plan to locate in or near Roseburg. The study also will estimate as accurately as possible the number of additional permanent employees needed in retail and service business.

To estimate materials needed, after securing an estimate of needed homes, the committee will endeavor to calculate the amount and type of scarce materials needed to complete construction of the estimated number of homes.

Once assembled, this information will be analyzed and recommended to the National Housing Agency, now working in conjunction with the Civilian Production Administration, in an effort to secure a fair and equitable allotment of materials.

It is announced that the committee also will be permitted to review applications for building permits, other than dwellings, and make recommendations to the CPA as to whether, in the committee's opinion, the construction of such buildings should be deferred.

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In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

THE Moscow radio charges that the United States is "attempting to put pressure on Yugoslavia" by a display of military might including the Mediterranean cruise of the aircraft carrier Franklin D. Roosevelt.

IN the interest of truth, we should correct that statement. It isn't Yugoslavia we're attempting to put pressure on. If left alone, we and the Yugoslavs (who seem to be a likeable lot of extroverts) could get along amicably until the crack of doom.

IT'S RUSSIA we're showing our teeth to.

LET'S go a little farther along that line.

IF LEFT ALONE, we Americans could get along indefinitely with the run-of-mill average of the Russian people. We DID get along with them, admirably, in the confused first weeks after we met up with them in Germany, in Czechoslovakia, in Austria, etc. They, too, are rather likeable extroverts.

It is the Communist government in Moscow that we have

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'It's Nobody's D--- Business Where We Go,' Halsey Says

WASHINGTON, Aug. 28. — (AP) — Fleet Admiral William F. ("Bull") Halsey, replying to reporters' questions about current deployment of U. S. warships, today said:

"It's nobody's damn business where we go. We will go anywhere we please."

The wartime commander of the Third fleet made it clear that he did not mean that American ships could intrude into the coastal waters of any foreign country. He declared, however, that the high seas are "free."

Halsey's comments were made at the break-up of a general news conference.

(The Moscow radio charged Monday that the Mediterranean cruise of an American task force was tied in with the Yugoslav U. S. situation and that the United States was trying to put pressure on the Balkan nation with a show of naval strength.)

(The Communist Daily Worker in London today attacked the Mediterranean cruise as "a blatant example of gangster diplom-



HEADS VET PARTY — James "Big Jim" Buttram, a leader in the recent GI political revolt at Athens, Tenn., is temporary chairman of a new unnamed organization of war veterans which will seek to oust the political machine in Tennessee. The vets hope their movement will become national.

Greyhound Corp. Plans to Buy Washington System

SEATTLE, Aug. 28. — (AP) — An agreement to sell the Washington Motor Coach Company to the Greyhound Corp., of Chicago for upwards of \$1,000,000 was disclosed yesterday by C. B. Fitzgerald, president and chairman of the board of the Motor Coach company. It operates in four Pacific Northwest States. Fitzgerald and T. R. Whiting, vice president and general manager, own the controlling interest, each with 17,380 shares. In the agreement they are valued at \$30 each, he added. The sale is subject to Interstate Commerce Commission approval.

Trailways' Application O.K.'d by County Court

Endorsement of the West Coast Trailways' application to the State Public Utilities Commission for a franchise to carry passengers in intra-state traffic in Oregon, has been given by the county court, County Judge D. N. Busenbark said today.

County Commissioner H. B. Roadman will represent the court at hearings scheduled to begin in Salem September 23.

Judge Busenbark expressed the court's belief that competition in inter-city bus service along the Pacific Highway will improve the transportation services for Douglas county.

Prowler's Flashlight Awakens Theft Victim

To be awakened at 3 A. M. by the light of a prowler's flashlight shining in his face was the experience today of E. R. Endicott, 223 S. Kane St., Erwin Short, chief of police, reported.

The prowler ran when Endicott awoke, taking a small amount of change and a cigarette lighter from Endicott's trousers.

Watson St., also was ransacked earlier, a billfold and watch chain being stolen, Short said. Police conducted an extensive search for the culprit, but were unable to locate him.

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Forest Blaze Still Defies 300 Fighters

More Loggers Sent Into Rock Creek Area Battle Line; Progress Reported

Three hundred men continued today their stubborn battle against the 300-acre forest fire at the headwaters of Rock Creek, with fog making it impossible for airplanes to drop supplies to them this morning. William Benecke of the Umpqua National Forest, said.

Although the fire is jumping from snag to snag in an area so isolated, it is difficult to fight. Most of the fire is trailed, and is being held on the east and north sides.

Conflicting reports said the fire covered an area ranging from 800 to 1,500 acres in size, Benecke said.

The Forest Service planned to establish an additional 75-man camp on the west side today, with loggers from the Eugene Plywood Company and Mist Logging Company, who have had a two-day rest. Loggers from the Tiller area were also being brought in to fight the fire.

"These crews have been working like supermen," said Benecke, in praise of the loggers.

An additional Forest Service plane was to be brought here this afternoon for further dropping of supplies. Fog and cloudiness, which prevented flights early this morning, were expected to lift by midday. Humidity will be "up," it was predicted.

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Lightning Starts Eleven New Fires In Mt. Baker Forest

BELLINGHAM, Aug. 28. — (AP) — With continued lightning storms to harass them, Mount Baker National Forest, Bellingham, today is fighting eleven new fires.

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"To provide adequate parks and playgrounds;

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"To install a system to expedite traffic flow within the city;

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Convicts Flee One Prison While Fire Hits Another

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Aug. 28. — (AP) — A fire at one state prison here and an exaggerated report of a wholesale escape at another nearby threw law enforcement machinery here into high gear during the night.

Patrolmen were rushed to highways leading from Alabama's Draper prison when the state highway patrol reported that 50 convicts had tunneled their way to freedom.

Later, the report was corrected. It developed that only nine convicts, some of them long-termers, had escaped. Seven were recaptured and the search continued for the other two today.

The sensational report was spread while the cotton mill at Kilby prison here was still smoldering from a fire which damaged it heavily and which Night Warden W. D. Weston said was started by Negro convicts.

Worker Flattened by Steamroller Survives

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Aug. 28. — (AP) — The front wheel of a steamroller ran over John H. O'Rear's chest Monday while he was working with a road construction company here — but he suffered only four broken ribs.

Dr. G. H. Kistler, who is treating him, said O'Rear's chest apparently was pressed "as flat as a pancake" by the steamroller but that two hours later his patient was sitting up in a hospital bed and smoking a cigarette.



GERMANS FLOCK TO ARMY 'SWAP SHOP' — In an effort to thwart black marketeers in Berlin, the U. S. Army has set up a "swap shop" — officially the Barter Exchange — where Germans and GI's bring merchandise they want to trade. Every transaction is on a strictly barter basis, with Yanks providing mostly cigarettes and merchandise sent from home, Germans contributing their household goods. Above, Germans eagerly throng cigarette counter. What do they do with them? Trade them to the black marketeers for food and clothing.

Booster-Political Club Organized

Formation of a Roseburg Boosters' Club to support the city manager proposal and "progressive" candidates in the coming municipal election, was announced today by a steering committee of 12 persons, headed by R. T. (Dick) Gilman.

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Phones Under Demand

PORTLAND, Aug. 28. — (AP) — Oregonians want telephones so badly that the telephone companies can't keep ahead of orders despite installation of 71,000 the past year.

Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company installed nearly 60,000 since August 1 last year, but has 24,692 unfilled orders compared to 22,188 a year ago. Other companies report a similar situation.

Mama Says No

WORTHINGTON, Minn., Aug. 28. — (AP) — Classified ad in the Worthington Globe:

"Come to the big circus for kids — by kids. Trained dogs, fortune reading, slideshows. Across from Morningstar grocery. Mon., Tues., Wed., etc."

Classified ad in the same paper the next day:

"Attention! Big circus for kids — by kids. Postponed by the kids' mother."

Actress, Turk Wedded Despite Interruptions

HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 28. — (AP) — "True love . . ." runs the old saw.

And it's been bumpy up to now for blonde and comely Virginia Bruce, 35, of the movies and mustache, Turkish Ali Ipar. But despite disturbances, they were quietly married last night.

Ipar, 25, spent several uncomfortable hours Monday night under questioning of army investigators about, he said, his leave from Fort Lewis, Wash., where he is a private in the army.

"Released," he announced "everything's all right now." But he reckoned without the Beverly Hills police department.

At the door of the friend's house where they were to wed, they were met by two officers armed with a warrant for the former movie producer's arrest on an unanswered citation accusing him of running through a stop light. It was settled when Ipar dug down, came up with \$25 but pending a hearing next Tuesday.

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Home Cooking

SEATTLE, Aug. 28. — (AP) — Members of the first American party to scale Alaska's formidable Mt. St. Elias said their most enjoyable meal of the two-month expedition was four apple pies dropped by an airplane.

"They were packed in sawdust in wooden boxes," said Cornelius Molenaar, 25, of Los Angeles, who returned here with his brother, Dee, while four other climbers remained in Alaska.

"When we opened them, we found a note saying:

"Sawdust by courtesy of Yakutat Carpentry Shop."

Fish Ceiling Hike Asked

ASTORIA, Ore., Aug. 28. — (AP) — The International Fishermen's and Allied Workers Union reported today it would appeal for higher OPA ceilings on fish to compensate for increased costs of living and fishing gear.

Plywood Employees Win Jobless Compensation

PORTLAND, Aug. 28. — (AP) — Unemployment compensation referee A. S. Tussing has ruled employees of the Oregon Plywood Corp., Sweet Home, are eligible for unemployment pay for the period of Dec. 7, 1945 to Jan. 26, when the mill was closed.

Doyle Pearson, secretary of the AFL State Council of Lumber and Sawmill Workers' said the award was made on the union's arguments that the mill refused to hire the men after a strike last fall. The company had contended the men were idle because of a labor dispute. The firm can appeal the decision.

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BATAVIA, Aug. 28. — (AP) — A Dutch military report today said that a company of Netherlands troops had killed 92 Indonesians and captured 30 in a foray against "heavy opposition" near Soerabaya.

PHOTO FINISH IN DONKEY RACE

This is the photo finish in the donkey race Monday, when Sandy Sanders won by a nose against Bill Evans. Sanders is at the left, Evans at the right coming up Jackson Street. The same donkeys were used in the donkey softball game between the Elks and Sutherland which was viewed by more than 800 spectators.

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Poland, U. S. Trade Rebukes On Vote Issue

(By The Associated Press) The Polish embassy today hurled a charge of "infringement into Poland's sovereign rights and interference with her internal affairs" as the result of an American note dealing with the forthcoming Polish elections.

The State Department promptly acknowledged the "interference." But it said the Polish objections were not valid because the Big Three declarations of Yalta and Potsdam pledged this country, along with Great Britain and Russia, to guarantee free and unfettered elections in that war-torn country.

The manner of the entire exchange was highly unusual. Instead of a formal reply to the American note, the embassy issued its blast in the form of a press release. Similarly, the State Department's retort was provided by an anonymous "spokesman" who told a reporter he could not comment in detail "because I was not given the courtesy of seeing a copy."

The acrid Polish-State Department exchange was based on an American note of August 19 which expressed official regret on the part of this government at reports of irregularities and discrimination during the Polish referendum of June 30. The note then reiterated a list of "essential" which would assure a "free" national election in November.

Russian, Yugoslav Envoys Quit Greece On Eve of Election

ATHENS, Aug. 28. — (AP) — The impending departure of K. K. Rodinov, Russian ambassador to Greece, complicated the diplomatic turmoil in which this nation found itself today on the eve

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Six-Term Congressman Loses to War Veteran

JACKSON, Miss., Aug. 28. — (AP) — A young one-armed war veteran has swept out of office a six-term Mississippi congressman claiming to be the target of opposition from Negro voters and the CIO-PAC.

Twenty-seven-year-old County Prosecutor John Bell Williams was the victor yesterday in the run-off Democratic primary in the seventh district. The loser was 61-year-old Dan R. McGehee.

Former flier Williams lost his arm in the crash in South America of a warplane which he was piloting to Africa. Four crew members were killed.

McGehee thus became the only member of Mississippi's congressional delegation to be unseated in the summer's campaigning.

Ace Brake & Spring Co. Begins Business Here

The Ace Brake and Spring Company, owned and operated by Bob LeGat and Steve Fowler, recent arrivals in Roseburg from Eugene, is a new business being opened in Roseburg at 444 N. Stephens St.

The business is located in quarters in connection with the Umpqua Auto and Implement Company, in the new building erected as headquarters for the local Kaiser-Frazer automobile agency.

LeGat and Fowler previously were employed by a large automobile firm at Eugene.

They will specialize in brake lining, drum turning, spring and shock absorber repairs, etc. They are equipped at present only for passenger car service, but expect arrival of equipment and stock in the near future to permit extension of their service to trucks and heavy equipment.

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June 30 Tops On Cattle, Hogs Slightly Hiked

Consumer Will Pay More For Pork, Beef; Approval By OPA Not Yet Given

WASHINGTON, Aug. 28. — (AP) — Secretary of Agriculture Anderson today directed OPA to establish ceilings on livestock calling for increases of \$1.40 per hundred pounds on hogs and \$2.25 for cattle, Chicago basis, over the limits in effect June 30. These increases are necessary, Anderson said, to encourage the necessary production of meats.

The new ceilings will be: hogs \$16.25 per hundred pounds, Chicago basis, compared with \$14.85 on June 30 when the old price control law expired.

Cattle: Overriding ceiling, Chicago basis, \$20.25 per hundred pounds compared with \$18 on June 30, with maximum stabilization ranges of \$19.25 on choice, \$17.75 on good, and \$13 on commercial grades.

Lambs: Ceilings on dressed lamb which would reflect about \$19 per hundred pounds, Chicago basis.

Agriculture department officials estimated these increases would raise retail prices of pork

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Wenatchee Hit By Fire; Loss \$500,000

WENATCHEE, Wash., Aug. 28. — (AP) — Fire, described by city officials as the worst in the city's history, was being mopped up here this morning after having consumed three warehouses and a furniture store with damage estimated at more than \$500,000.

Destroyed in the blaze were the Dallam furniture store, recently remodeled at a cost of \$10,000; the Arrow Transfer and Storage Company, and two warehouses of the Jack Hamilton Fruit Co. Loss to the first two firms was estimated by Mayor Jack Rogers at \$150,000 each while the fruit company damage will approximate \$200,000. Another \$50,000 was caused to adjacent buildings, including the retail store of Montgomery Ward and Company. One wall of the latter firm ignited during the blaze but was extinguished.

Power lines serving the entire city ran through the area and were consumed by flames, leaving the city without lights, telephone and other electric service for five hours.

Doubt existed as to the origin of the blaze with passerby reportedly asserting they heard a "dull explosion" inside the unfinished fruit company warehouse when the fire broke out.

Included in the storage company loss was an estimated 50 tons of meat stored in private lockers by families. Thirty thousand gallons of hormone spray for apples and pears also was lost.

Meteor Glimpsed By Residents of Oregon

PORTLAND, Aug. 28. — (AP) — A brilliant light, apparently a meteor, was observed here between 8 and 8:30 P.M. yesterday, which flashed from east to west in the southern sky.

Robert E. Millard, local astronomer, said he did not see it but had a number of phone calls from persons who did.

The brilliant object is believed to be the same one reported seen by Klamath county residents during the same time period.

Death in Fire Blamed on Smoker's Carelessness

PORTLAND, Aug. 28. — (AP) — E. A. Carlson, 46, a longshoreman, died early today as fire broke out in the living room of his home.

His body was found in the door of the bedroom.

Carlson was alone while his wife was visiting a son in California.

Fire Investigator William Goetz said smoker's carelessness was believed responsible.

Just Plane Unpleasant

LONG BEACH, N. Y., Aug. 28. — (AP) — Edward J. Blesch and William R. Haviland looked up from their rowboat about 500 yards offshore yesterday and saw a small seaplane descending. They dived into the water and the plane wedged a pontoon in their boat.

After a powerboat disengaged the plane, Blesch and Haviland bailed out the water and rowed back to shore.

Alfred Clement, pilot, said he was practicing takeoffs and landings.

Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

The warm spell is not without its compensation. It gives the flour-sack substitutes for B. V. D.'s a chance for longer service until the regular unions flow in to trade channels for the cold weather.