

Two Women Injured in Collision of Trucks

Two Roseburg women were taken to Mercy Hospital this morning after suffering injuries received in an automobile collision on the Pacific Highway, three miles south of the city. Attendants at the hospital gave their names as Mrs. Alta Taylor and Mrs. Ted Brunner.

The women were traveling in a pickup truck owned by Mrs. Brunner's husband. They report-

edly collided with a gravel truck owned by the J. C. Compton Co. The hospital reported that Mrs. Taylor would be admitted as a patient. Mrs. Brunner was treated and released.

In the masting of leather, a hide one-quarter an inch thick can be split into as many as four thicknesses.

John Winthrop led the first group of settlers to Boston in 1630.

More Money for Vets Voted; School Lunches Financed

WASHINGTON, April 2.—(AP)—A \$2,827,526 deficiency appropriation bill was passed by the House Tuesday and sent to the Senate. The final total included \$356,027,638 added by amendments.

The amendment tacked on \$350 million for veterans, \$6 million for the federal-financed school lunch program and \$25,480 for the District of Columbia recreation department.

Also adopted was an amendment to pay \$2158 for back salary claims of three discharged federal employees. Goodwin B. Watson, Robert Morris Lovett and William E. Dodd Jr.

The three were ousted on charges of subversive activities. The supreme court had ruled that the government owed the money to Dodd and Watson, former employees of the Federal Communications commission, and to Lovett, once with the interior department. The house voted in 1943 to withhold any money for their salaries.

The school lunch fund was passed by a vote of 128 to 110. The amendment was offered by Representative Cannon, Democrat of Missouri, and opposed by Representative Taber, Republican of New York appropriations committee chairman.

Food Buying Brisk Despite High Costs

WASHINGTON, April 3.—(AP)—Keen American appetites for plenty of good food—and a willingness to pay for it—are helping to hold farm prices at high levels.

The Agriculture Department so reported, adding that this heavy domestic demand is getting considerable assistance from expectations that exports may be larger than anticipated and "speculative buying" in the grain markets.

Officials said that despite a substantial increase in food prices since most price controls were dropped, the per capita consump-

tion—particularly of meats, poultry products, milk, and vegetables—continues above pre-war levels. Consumers are able to eat well, the department declared, because total income payments are at record peacetime levels and are still rising.

This being the situation, the department said farm prices should hold at "high levels during the next few months." However, the agency did not alter a previous forecast that prices will turn downward during the second half of the year, possibly as much as 20 per cent.

Murder Charges Faced by Five GIs

TOKYO, April 3.—(AP)—Five American soldiers—all 18 and 19 years old—pleaded innocent today before an American Army court-martial to charges of murdering four Japanese and a Korean and beating five others on a drunken rampage last January 31.

The prosecution charged the victims were clubbed and considerable property was smashed as the soldiers ran amok in a jeep from Tachikawa air base to the town of Hachioji, about 29 miles west of Tokyo.

The clubbing spree, the prosecution charged, started after two of the five, Pfc. Carl J. Havalda of Owosso, Mich., and Pvt. Edward W. Smith of Savannah, Ga., both 19, quarreled with two Negro soldiers in a truck and started out to "get" the Negro soldiers with the aid of the other three defendants—Cpl. George E. Craig, 19, Winchester, Ohio; Cpl. Willard L. Grooms, 19, Seaman, Ohio, and Pfc. Rusey W. Harper, 18, Stab, Ky.

The defense is expected to base its case on the mentality record of the five defendants and on the contention they were so drunk they were not conscious of their actions.

Army records showing low score intelligence tests—from 64 to 82—were read into the court record.

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