

WHO DOES WHAT

By Paul Jenkins



ROSEBURG KIDS like the water in the fine new swim pool—there's no doubt of it. The hot weather makes 'em like it better. I would have plunged in myself when I took this picture, only I forgot to bring my shoehorn. I'd have needed one to have been able to squeeze in.

The little kids make the most noise, and so I suppose they have the most fun—I don't know. Everyone I saw in there seemed to be enjoying himself. Everything seems reasonably safe, although I did observe quite a few distracting hazards. Very pretty ones, too.

Smith River Burn Closed By Gov. McKay's Proclamation

Governor Douglas McKay today issued a proclamation, effective Sunday, closing to public use without permits the old Smith River burn area.

This is a cooperative closure between Western Lane, Coos and Douglas Counties for the section lying north and west of Elkton in the Little and Big Paradise Creek areas.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

IN Washington, State Secretary Acheson flatly opposes any cut in our projected billion and a half program to provide arms for Western Europe. He says this figure represents the absolute minimum needed (for safety).

IF you lived way out in the woods, and the wolves were a constant menace, and you were the only one in the neighborhood who could afford to buy guns, you'd probably buy guns for your neighbors, wouldn't you?

Even if you had to cut down on some of your LESS ESSENTIAL spending to find the money.

WE talk a lot about security in these days. Don't EVER forget that the NO. 1 SECURITY is preservation of our national existence.

PERSONALLY, I think our military costs are extravagantly high and could be greatly reduced by better business management.

Transportation Strike In New York City Spreads

NEW YORK, July 15.—(AP)—More than a million New Yorkers hunted alternate transportation today after a lightning strike immobilized buses on 30 routes. Riders—who could do so handily—switched to subways, which were put on stepped-up schedules to handle the extra crush. Others hailed taxicabs, if they could find empty ones. Some walked.

The stoppage, touched off yesterday by the lay-off of four New York City Omnibus Corp. mechanics, spread early today to the Fifth Avenue Coach Co., affecting a total of 3,900 workers.

A city-sponsored peace meeting last night failed to bring any agreement between the companies and the CIO Transport Workers Union.

Fine Of \$150 Levied For Drunken Driving

Richard Rowe Graef, Los Angeles, Calif., was fined \$150 on a drunk driving charge, when arraigned in Justice Court Wednesday, reported Justice of Peace A. J. Geddes. He is being held in the county jail pending payment of his fine. He was arrested Tuesday at Myrtle Creek.

Community Hospital Will Be On Self-Sustaining Basis, Manager Alvin Knauss Says

"The Roseburg Community Hospital will be self-sustaining," Hospital Manager Alvin Knauss emphasized Thursday in a talk before the Roseburg Rotary Club luncheon.

Knauss' statement came as an answer to a question from the floor during the open forum following an address, explaining operation of a community hospital as a business enterprise.

Although the Hospital will be self-supporting, Knauss said that as a non-profit organization, all excess over expenses will be "plowed back" into enlargements, additions to the staff and research.

Knauss said hospitals experience all the troubles of other businesses, with expert planning often being the only salvation. However, he said, he will try to run the Roseburg hospital on the industrial management plan

Steel's "Big Three" Yields To Truman

Strike Headed Off At Least Two Months

Fact-Finding Proposal Accepted; Not Bound By Recommendations

WASHINGTON, July 15.—(AP)—The steel industry's giants bowed to President Truman's insistence today and accepted his plan for dealing with their labor dispute.

Since the million-member CIO United Steel Workers already had accepted it, the action of the "Big Three" producers headed off for at least 60 days a strike scheduled to begin in some plants at midnight.

Most of the smaller companies already had agreed to Mr. Truman's proposal—that he appoint a three-member board to investigate the wage-pension dispute and make recommendations for a settlement while, meantime, work continues for 60 days.

The big three—U. S. Steel, Bethlehem and Republic—rejected this idea when Mr. Truman advanced it Tuesday. Their stand was that he should act under the Taft-Hartley law. That law provides for fact-finding boards but says the boards shall not make recommendations.

In the face of White House pressure, they gave up today—first Bethlehem, the No. 2 producer; then Republic, No. 3; and finally, "Big Steel" itself, the U. S. Steel Corporation.

All emphasized that they would not be bound by the board's recommendations. Mr. Truman had not asked that they, or the union, bind themselves to take the board's proposals.

In a telegram to Mr. Truman, Benjamin F. Fairless, president of U. S. Steel, said his company still questioned the propriety of Mr. Truman's proposal since it was not taken under the Taft-Hartley act.

"We feel we are being compelled to follow in order to avoid (Continued on Page Two)

Czechs Prepare To Seize Catholic Church Control

Archbishop Prisoner In His Palace

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia, July 15.—(AP)—Czechoslovakia's Communist minister of justice pictured Archbishop Josef Beran today as a traitor to the state, and moved to seize full control of the Roman Catholic Church.

Justice Minister Cepicka made the accusation against the primate in a speech to the Central Action Committee of the National Front, to whom he proposed a law which would give the red government a strangle-hold on the church. Its passage is regarded as a matter of course.

Passage of the law would pave the way for the next government move in the state-church fight. The archbishop is not under arrest now, formally, but he is a virtual prisoner in his palace, under the guard of Communist plain clothes policemen.

At the same time, Information Minister Kopecky directly attacked Pope Pius XII, accusing the Pontiff and the church of blessing and supporting Fascism.

Cepicka's proposed law would give the government control of church funds, appointment of the clergy and administration of church property.

All sorts of charges have been made against Beran and his bishops by government officials and the controlled press—charges

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Malheur Blaze Halted; State Danger Remains

PORTLAND, Ore., July 15.—(AP)—Seven hundred smoke-tagged workers linked their trails around South Central Oregon's Gunbarrel Creek fire today and the Forest Service reported it "under control."

The blaze, in Malheur National Forest 35 miles northeast of Burns, swept through 5,000 acres of scrub pine and for a time threatened commercially valuable stands.

Guy Johnson, regional fire dispatcher, said cooler weather in the fire area today gave hope that the lines around the fire could be held.

The entire state had relief from the heat today, with a few scattered sprinkles in prospect.

Portland, which had a high of 94 yesterday, was scheduled to get a peak of only 77 today as clouds moving in with cooler air from the southwest were scattered over Western Oregon. Eastern Oregon also was to get relief with a cover of high clouds.

Western Oregon humidity was up today and Eastern Oregon's was forecast for higher tomorrow.

Foresters cautioned, however, that fire danger remained acute. Logging operations were suspended over much of the state.

The entire Northwest sweltered yesterday: Medford 104, Yakima 101, Ontario, Redmond, Roseburg, Lewiston, 100; Boise 99, Pendleton 98, Salem 96, Spokane 95. Only the coast was cool with Newport reporting 62 and Brookings 59.

All forest lands in the Elsie area south of the Nehalem river and sunset highways were closed to the public today to lessen danger of fire. Two blazes occurred in that northwest Oregon area—one a campfire that spread into the woods—but both were extinguished with little damage.

Emergency Declared In Idaho's Polio Outbreaks

BOISE, July 15.—(AP)—Because of the present rate of incidence of the disease, the Idaho Polio Planning Committee has declared an emergency exists.

Dr. Quentin M. Mack, Boise, committee vice chairman, emphasized, however, that a "true epidemic stage" has not been reached.

Idaho has 76 cases reported so far this year. Twenty six appeared in June and 28 so far in July. There have been three deaths.

Oldest GAR Member Survives Pneumonia

ROCHESTER, N. Y., July 15.—(AP)—James A. Hard celebrated his 108th birthday today with one principal worry—the lack of large-sized aromatic cigars.

The oldest living member of the Grand Army of the Republic also was mildly concerned over whether he will get to the GAR's final encampment next month at Indianapolis. He hopes to make it.

The usual birthday party in a downtown hotel was by-passed this year due to Hard's impaired health. He was hospitalized three times during the past eight months with pneumonia.

FIRE HITS GONDON

CONDON, July 15.—(AP)—Loss was estimated at \$25,000 today from a fire that swept through one building and damaged two others here yesterday.

The blaze broke out in the back room of the City Cleaners. It destroyed the cleaning establishment then spread to the Jamieson and Marshall Plumbing Plant and the shops.

THROUGH THESE PORTALS, PASS THE MOST BEAUTIFUL AND DETERMINED 'BROOM BRIGADERS' IN HAWAII.



BROOM BRIGADERS—Members of the "Broom Brigade" start on their morning march picketing I. L. W. U. headquarters on pier 11 in Honolulu. Sign above door was put up by firm which allows Broom Brigade to use its premises for headquarters. The waterfront strike, which is slowly paralyzing Hawaiian business, is in its third month. (NEA Telephoto)

Damage Action Hits Unions In Honolulu Tieup Of Ships

HONOLULU, July 15.—(AP)—A \$1,500,000 damage action marked Hawaii's lingering waterfront strike today—the 76th day since CIO stevedores tied up the ports for a 32 cents-an-hour wage increase.

The damage suit was filed by Matson Navigation Company, largest shipping firm serving the islands. It asked it asked \$20,000 additional damages for each day the tieup continues.

Matson named three defendants: the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union, to which the 2,000 striking stevedores belong; the CIO Marine Cooks and Stewards Union, and the Independent Pacific Marine Firemen, Oilers, Water-tenders and Wipers Association.

A spokesman for Matson said the suit was filed yesterday under provisions of the Taft-Hartley Act. These provisions, he said, authorize companies to "sue for damages resulting from illegal acts by unions" and "damages by reason of breach of existing contracts."

The suit charges the two maritime unions with breach of contracts. Firemen and stewards walked off five of the 10 Matson ships tied up here by the strike. The walkouts came on their way back to San Francisco and when two others were seized temporarily under federal court orders for unloading cargo.

Fred Low Jr., chairman of the ILWU strike strategy committee, said filing of the suit "obviously is another attempt of the Big Five to break the strike and harass the union. It will not work."

"The Big Five is composed of (Continued on Page Two)

Counties To Get Less Funds From O. & C. Lands

STATE HOUSE, Salem, July 15.—Oregon and California grant land money allocated to counties under the grants are destined to decrease and counties cannot expect to receive the same amount of these funds as came to them during the prosperous war years, Frank Sever, Portland, and attorney for the Land Grant association, has advised Marion county Judge Grant Murphy.

Sever warned he already has sidetracked one move started in Washington to reduce the counties' share of the proceeds from 50 percent to 37 1/2 percent and to use 25 percent of the money for a development fund.

The attorney estimated the counties' shares would be cut \$1,000,000 or less with a prospective average of \$800,000.

Troops Begin Loading Strike-Tied Exports

LONDON, July 15.—(AP)—British troops began loading export cargoes for the first time today on the Thames River docks where a wildcat strike has paralyzed shipping for 19 days and idled 14,289 stevedores.

Some of the 6,000 troops assigned to the government-seized docks went to work on 10,000 tons of waiting automobiles, steel, pianos and other freight.

Others continued unloading food shipments from 17 more of the 154 ships tied up by the stoppage.

Pickets at the docks distributed leaflets urging the strikers to join a demonstration march from the waterfront to downtown Trafalgar Square Sunday.

Military Unification Bill Heads For Approval

WASHINGTON, July 15.—(AP)—Quick passage by congress of a military unification bill now looks like a cinch.

The House Armed Services Committee nimbly reversed itself on the issue yesterday, and approved a bill to reorganize the armed forces' business-finances affairs. One member said instructions from Minority Leader Joseph W. Martin Jr. (R-Mass.) were partly responsible for the reversal.

Majority Leader McCormack (D-Mass.) announced shortly after the committee vote that the bill is on the house calendar for debate Monday. It is expected to pass without much opposition.

LARCENY CHARGED

Wayman William Wiser, 33, Yoncalla, arrested Wednesday at Drain, is being held in the county jail on a charge of larceny, reported Sheriff C. T. "Bud" Carter. Bail was set by Justice of Peace Clarence Leonard of Drain at \$1,000.

Secrecy Veils Conference Of Truman, Advisors Reportedly Dealing With Atomic Bombs

WASHINGTON, July 15.—(AP)—A White House shield of secrecy today threw a tight cover over a super-mysterious conference which brought President Truman together with top military, atomic, diplomatic and congressional leaders.

For two hours and 33 minutes these men—the list was impressive—were together behind closed doors last night in historic Blair House, the President's temporary home.

There was no announcement whatever of what went on. However, the identity of the participants pointed strongly toward some development in the atomic weapons field on an international level.

The New York Times said the meeting dealt with the question of giving to Great Britain technical information on the production of atomic bombs.

It was learned later, however, the newspaper added, that no decisions were made during the session unless the President came to some determination that he did not disclose.

Any decision to give information to Britain would require an act of Congress before it could (Continued on Page Two)

Circulation Of Elliott Recall Petitions Begun

PORTLAND, July 15.—(AP)—The recall petitions against Marlon L. (Mike) Elliott were on the streets today.

The movement to oust the Multnomah County Sheriff was launched in a public meeting last night in which the petitions were handed out and Vice Admiral Thomas L. Gatch (retired) was elected to head the recall committee.

Scores packed the main meeting room of the Portland library to elect Gatch and hear 15 speakers urge the recall. The most frequently voiced objection to Elliott was his admitted misrepresentation about his education and war record.

Officials of both the Republican and Democratic parties spoke against Elliott, a Democrat who was elected last fall.

Elliott previously asserted the recall attempt was motivated by politics, and said his opponents had no serious charge to lay against him. He also feuded with Portland newspapers, accusing them of attempting to "boss" his office.

His opponents accused him of ineptitude in office and asserted he was elected only because he represented that he had a college education and wartime service in the Marines. Elliott has admitted he had neither.

Cooler Weather In Sight For Roseburg

Roseburg was promised slightly cooler weather for the week-end following Thursday's near-record 100 degree temperature.

According to the Weather Bureau office here, a body of moist air appears to be headed this way, indicating at least partial relief. Although moist air retards the thermometer's rise during the mornings, it also holds in the heat to some extent in the evenings, weather officials said.

Regardless of the scientific explanation, Roseburg citizens will thank the weatherman for the clouds promised for today and tomorrow.

But it will be hot just the same. The prediction is for a high of 88 to 92 today.

Auto Damaged In Crash With Truck-Trailer

A car, operated by John Edward Newton, Grants Pass, was badly damaged in a sideswiping incident with a truck-trailer about 18 miles south of Roseburg early Thursday, State Police Sgt. Lyle Harrell reported.

The officer said Newton was traveling north and the truck south. Newton's car and the rear of the trailer sideswiped, sending the car into the bank.

Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

Soon as you've digested the proposed changes in the fishing and hunting rules, you are privileged to tackle more than 350 new Oregon laws effective tomorrow. Provides something mental relaxation during the hot spell.