

Forecast Of New Increases In Construction Supports Prediction Of Boost In Jobs

By CHARLES MOLONY

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—(AP)—A forecast of further moderate increases in construction work in the near future came from the Federal Reserve board Wednesday.

Because construction is one of the main bulwarks of business activity and employment, this furnished some backing for a prediction by Secretary of Labor Tobin that employment will go up by 1,000,000 the rest of this year. Tobin made the prediction at the White House Tuesday.

Logging Use Of Road Bases Suit For Damages

An amended answer and cross complaint was filed by the defendants in Circuit court Monday in the case Earl J. Evans vs. Fred and Paula Heinz.

The cross complaint alleges that the plaintiff damaged a road located on the defendants' property to the extent of \$2,000 by sliding logs over it. A second cause was listed by the defendants as \$1,500 damage to a bridge and culvert caused by the plaintiff's heavy tractor. The defendants further allege that the plaintiff lessened the value of their land by felling all trees but selling only the most valuable. Defendants claim their land was damaged to the extent of \$10,000 by this activity.

The defendants also ask for \$1,000 for timber allegedly removed, \$750 for attorney's fees, costs of the court action, and request that the plaintiff be decreed to have no claim against the defendants.

Asks Claims Clarify
A complaint was filed Monday by Leona Creason-Koff, plaintiff in a property suit, asking that the nature of claims by the defendants be determined by the court.

Named as defendants in the court action are: unknown heirs of Francis M. Vilet, deceased; Allan and Frances Oden, Marguerite Oden; George A. Bonebrake; Kathleen and Maurice Weber; Helen Fredrickson and John Doe Fifer, unknown heirs of Laura M. Fredrickson, deceased; Herman and Estella Oden, and all others with any claim in the property in dispute. The plaintiff claims she has been in open possession of the involved property for a period of ten years.

Suit Involves Property
A complaint has been filed by William P. and Phil G. Griswold, doing business as Griswold & Sons, naming as defendants Catherine A. Lane; Oregon and California Railroad company; and the Southern Pacific company, and all unknown heirs.

The plaintiff asks that the defendants and all others interested be required to state the nature of claims to property allegedly owned by the plaintiff.

Judgment Demanded
Earl W. Duncan has filed suit against Harry C. Duncan, asking judgment for \$371.70 as a balance alleged due for services rendered; \$807.54 alleged due for money advanced for payments on a truck, and \$343.34 alleged due for gasoline, oil, parts, repairs and other supplies, or a total sum of \$1502.58.

Suit Dismissed
Circuit Judge Carl E. Wimberly has issued an order dismissing as fully settled the suit of Robert H. Corrigan, a minor by Pency Corrigan, his guardian ad litem, vs. Grant U., and Letha M. March, and Grant E., and Naomi March, doing business as March Logging Co. The dismissal was

The Reserve board, in a publication, noted contract construction was providing jobs for more than 2,000,000 workers at mid-year.

Even while activity declined substantially at the nation's factories and mines in the spring and early summer, the board report showed, construction was scoring a more than seasonal rise from its low winter levels.

That was one factor credited by the Commerce department with cushioning the decline in the total output of goods and services—the "gross national product"—during the second quarter of 1949.

This output was at an annual rate of \$236,100,000,000 in the second quarter, down 2.4 per cent from the preceding quarter and down 5.3 percent from the peak reached in 1948's final quarter.

The Commerce department blamed a cutback in business inventories for the decline since that cutback narrowed the market for goods and services.

The Reserve board bulletin credited a pickup in private housing recently to a variety of factors, including:

1. "A small decline in interest rates generally, and—perhaps more important—the availability of federal funds to buy mortgages from institutions which felt 'loaned up,' thus providing them funds for use in new lending.

2. Availability of new houses "at somewhat lower prices," a shift to construction of smaller homes, and improvement in "the quality of design, equipment and workmanship in most areas."

3. The fact that many families, all set with plans to buy and bolstered by relatively high level incomes and savings for the nation at large, simply "have become reconciled to the high level of prices."

Homesick Greek Woman To Leave United States
ALBANY, Ore., Aug. 18.—(AP)—An 89-year-old Greek grandmother, who came here a year ago to live in this country, is so homesick for Greece she is going back there.

Mrs. Mary Christie said she could no longer bear living in a country where she does not know the language and whose customs are foreign to her.

The aged woman, whose home is 40 miles from Salonika, Greece, flew here last year to live with her son, James Christie, an Albany restaurateur.

But she missed her other children back in Greece. She missed talking—she loves to talk.

So Christie is sending her back home on a plane next Saturday.

based upon the stipulation of the parties.

Custody Divided
Judge Wimberly has issued an order modifying a decree in the suit of Mabel E. Sawyer vs. Robert Charles Sawyer, granting custody of their two children to the defendant during the school year and to the plaintiff during the summer months, subject to visitation by either party.

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PLANT LOSS HEAVY—Above is the Trojan Lumber company manufacturing plant at Riddle, after it suffered a \$100,000 loss Aug. 6. Cause of the fire was undetermined. Destroyed were the edger, trim-saw, green chain, re-saw and the dock. The planing mill and sorting platform were saved. According to D. W. Gill, the planer is expected to resume operations the first of the week, after supporting timbers, partially burned,

had been replaced. The remainder of the plant will resume operations as soon as new equipment can be bought and the structure rebuilt. The Riddle fire department was assisted by the Tri-City volunteer equipment and crew, the Douglas Forest Protective association and the Roseburg fire department. (Picture by Gordon Harry, Canyonville.)

Shakespearean Plays Thrilling Ashland Crowds

ASHLAND, Ore. — Shakespeare under the stars continues to thrill record size audiences at Ashland's Elizabethan theater as the Oregon Shakespearean festival enters the second half of its ninth annual season. Each of the five plays will be presented two more times before the final curtain rings down on August 24.

Theater-goers have already registered from 26 different states, Washington, D. C., the province of Alberta, and the territory of Hawaii. While the number of out-of-staters far exceeds those visiting the outdoor theater in previous seasons, Robert E. Dodge, festival association president, reports that approximately one-half of the audience has come from neighboring communities where residents appreciate that Shakespeare as produced on the Ashland stage is as fine entertainment as they are privileged to enjoy.

Most popular of the five plays is the well known love story "Romeo and Juliet," with 16-year-old Mary Jane Pitts of Portland and Ralph C. Burgess Jr. of Ashland in the lead roles. Second choice has been the raucous comedy, "The Taming of the Shrew," starring Alta Wilson of Reno, Nev. and Richard Graham of New York. Youthful theater-goers have been delighted with the fantasy "Midsummer Night's Dream," featuring 15 youngsters who appear in fairy roles alongside more experienced actors. Angus Bowmer, founder and producing director of the festival, continues to bring down the house as the lovable Bottom, the weaver, complete with ass's head.

Tense drama packs every scene of the historical play "Richard II," with Philip Hanson of San Francisco in the lead role. The revival of the tragedy "Othello" finds Jane McArthur of Pensacola, Fla., as the heroine and Richard Graham of New York in the male lead. "Romeo and Juliet" will be seen again on August 19; "Richard II" on August 20; "Midsummer Night's Dream" on August 22; "Othello" on August 23, and "The Taming of the Shrew" on August 18 and 24.

Reservations may be obtained by writing to the Oregon Shakespearean Festival association at Ashland, Ore. Curtain time is at 8:30 every evening except Sunday.

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Converted Solomon Islander Uses Bible, Battle-Axe In Work For Lord

By JANE EADS

WASHINGTON.—The son of a former Solomon Island head hunter, on his first venture out of the south Pacific, says he fears the life of the cities far more than that of the wildly uncivilized areas of his native land. Pastor Robert Salau, an ordained Seventh-day Adventist minister of the island of Vella la Vella, speaking in pidgin English said:

"After all time—dangerous. Country better. Look trees, think God." In the cities there are movies. He doesn't want any part of them. There's drinking. He made a gesture as if lifting a glass to his lips. His expression indicated he imagined the taste pretty awful.

For amusement Pastor Salau visited zoos in the cities where he has been attending Adventist conventions. "Better than night clubs. Home see wallaby, possums, crocodile. Animals big here."

He was a boy of about 12 when Pastor G. F. Jones, a veteran missionary and his gentle wife came to his island in a little mission vessel and started a mission school. Young Salau's father refused to let him attend, so he ran away to the mission. With a Bible in one hand and a spear and battle-axe in the other, he has been telling congregations here how the work of Christian schools, medical clinics and evangelism have changed the outlook of thousands of natives in the field he represents.

He estimates that he has personally converted to Christianity more than 2,000 islanders, including his father, a head hunter, who at one time decorated the rude hut where he lived with the skulls of his victims. Pastor Salau has four children, all named by or after American GIs he met during the war.

Here's his pidgin English interpretation of the Lord's Prayer: "Papa belong me fella, stop on top long heaven, name belong You he tabu;

Kingdom belong you, he come down long ground, alla same belong on top.

Give me fella kai kai (food) enough long today;

Forgive 'im sin belong me fella, alla same me fella forgive 'im sin belong all;

No let me fella long something no good, but help 'im me fella long something good.

Kingdom belong You, Big Fella Strong belong You, Light belong You altogether day."

Practically every country in the world produces some of the fruit, animal substance, wood, flower or grass which contributes to perfume art.

face. "Well, how did everything go?" asked the priest. "Very well, Father. I stood next to him and when the music stopped immediately before the execution I baptized him. Before the water was dry on his head, he was already in the other world. He never had a chance to damn his soul!"

Baptized Red Given Quick Trip To Other World

NEW YORK.—(AP)—In a roundup of Communists in a Nationalist section of China recently, General Li Chi Pin discovered among the Communists some who had learned about doctrines of the Catholic Church and wanted to be baptized.

One day, reports the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, the military chief told a local priest one of the Communists wanted to be baptized. "You should not come, Father," he warned. "We will baptize him ourselves."

The next morning at sunrise the Communists were executed. In the afternoon the military chief returned with a smile on his

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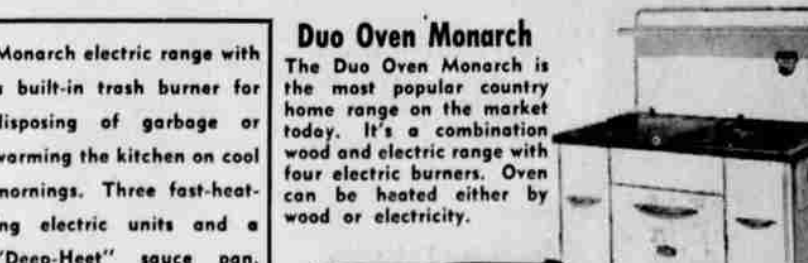
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