

## Woods Fires Give Fighters Busy Weekend

### Canyonville Blaze Laid To Incendiary; Lumber Plant At Tye Erased

Three fires, one of them reportedly of incendiary origin, kept smoke eaters from the Douglas Forest Protective association busy over the weekend, according to Dispatcher U. F. McLaughlin.

A pump truck and 27 men were dispatched to the incendiary blaze at Canyonville which endangered that area's water shed before being brought under control. McLaughlin said the fire apparently was set in several places and covered an area of 30 acres before being checked.

Another small fire, possibly caused by the same firebug who set the Canyonville fires, was checked near Deer Park inn, McLaughlin reported. He said little damage resulted.

A "cat" and loading dumper belonging to the operator, M. D. Sutherland, burned up on the Norden Lumber company property at Doe Hollow, McLaughlin said. The fire started from gasoline with which Sutherland was cleaning the cat and spread rapidly to the dumper when a spark set it ablaze. A pumper from the S. Douglas station was dispatched to put out the blaze but the equipment had already suffered extensive damage before the crew arrived.

Early Monday morning, the Tye Lumber and Timber company plant burned to the ground, suffering a "total loss," according to McLaughlin. He said the blaze, starting under the head saw, had too much of a head start for the pumper crew which was sent to quell the fire.

### Forest Fires Battled In Six Western States; Oregon Dispatches Help

Hundreds of fire fighters battled flames in national forest areas of six western states today. At least six major fires were still out of control, three in the Pavette National forest of central Idaho and three in Yellowstone National park in Wyoming.

Four crewmen were hospitalized, one in California and three in Idaho.

More than 300 lightning-caused fires, most of them small, covered an estimated 33,000 acres of timber and grass lands in the drought-stricken forests.

Some 500 men have been sent

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## In the Day's News

REPORT from the census bureau in Washington tells us that U. S. population is growing at the rate of 200,000 a month and may reach 150 million by November 1. On July 1, the report adds, our estimated population was 149,215,000.

The census bureau estimates that in April of this year there were 38,537,000 families in the United States, as compared with 32,166,000 families in 1940. If the estimate is accurate, we have been adding families at the rate of nearly a million a year.

Do you remember the Bureau Gussers in the census bureau a dozen years or so ago who were telling us that our population was already near its peak and was soon due to begin to fall?

Boy! What a picture they

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## POLIO ON THE INCREASE

### Nation's Cases For Year Hiked Last Week To 15,000; Larger Cities Worst Hit

The number of new cases of infantile paralysis took a sharp upward turn last week, boosting the nation's total of victims for the month to more than 8,000.

It brought the total for the year to 15,500, compared with only 8,430 cases reported by the national office of vital statistics through Aug. 13 of 1948, a near record year. Last year's 27,880 total was exceeded only by the 30,000 in the 1916 record year.

In an Associated Press survey, North Dakota reported the disease at an epidemic stage there last week and said the state urgently needed more nurses.

A few more heavily populated states, including Pennsylvania, Illinois and Wisconsin, do not expect to reach the peak of new cases until next month, while four states—perhaps five—already have more than 1,000.

Some southern states, where onset of the disease usually starts earlier, have had a gradual decline, while Maine and Minnesota held about steady, and Arizona showed an increase.

Nevada with only 18 cases this year, again is having a light

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### The Weather

Cloudy this morning becoming partly cloudy this afternoon and Tuesday.  
Sunset today 7:05 p. m.  
Sunrise tomorrow 5:27 a. m.

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## Truman Asks Approval Of Full Sum For Arms Aid

### No Cheap Price For Peace, He Tells Critics

#### Speech At V.F.W. Meet Blames Soviet Tactics For Defense Program

By ERNEST B. VACCARO  
MIAMI, Fla., Aug. 22.—(AP) President Truman pleaded today for fast approval of the full \$1,450,000,000 arms aid program as "part of the price of peace."

He indirectly told critics of the plan in Congress—without calling any names—that peace with freedom and justice "can not be bought cheaply" in a world made uneasy by "Soviet pressure."

And he described the goal as prevention of aggression.

"We are not arming ourselves and our friends to start a fight with anybody," the president said. "We are building our defenses so that we won't have to fight."

He spoke before the Golden Jubilee convention of the Veterans of Foreign Wars after an 822-mile flight here from Washington in the Independence, the White House plane.

The president blamed Russian tactics in the United Nations and elsewhere for the need to arm friendly nations "to resist aggression."

Russia, the president declared, "has blocked every effort to establish an effective international police force and to free the world from fear of aggression."

"For that reason," he went on, "we have to join other friendly nations in forming regional defense pacts."

The president condemned communism for its "false" claim that it satisfied "the universal desire for a better life."

Instead, he said, it "lures men by false promises back to tyranny and slavery."

Reference to China

The president made no reference to the plight of communist-controlled China. A new American policy concerning that coun-

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## Con Hitch-Hikes To Re-Enter Pen

LEAVENWORTH, Kan., Aug. 22.—(AP)—A war veteran, convicted of rape, hitch-hiked half-way across the nation to return to federal penitentiary yesterday.

Frederick W. Wade, a 33-year-old former army private, reported voluntarily at the Leavenworth prison, he hitch hiked from his Tacoma, Wash., home.

Wade was released from the penitentiary on a writ of habeas corpus May 20, 1947, after he had been serving a 20-year sentence.

Last April the United States Supreme Court upheld an appeals court decision which reversed the ruling under which Wade had been released.

Wade returned to prison in accordance with the supreme court's action.

The former soldier was convicted by an army court-martial in Germany in 1945 on a rape charge. He was sentenced to life imprisonment but the term later was reduced to 20 years. Still later an army clemency board cut the sentence to ten years.

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## N. Roseburg Votes Tuesday On Bonds For Sanitary Unit

Residents of the North Roseburg Sanitary district were reminded this morning of the election tomorrow, in which they are to pass on a proposed \$225,000 bond issue.

The polling place, said Clarence Landis, chairman of the district board, will be at the Riverside school, on the Garden Valley road, from 8 a. m. to 8 p. m.

If the bond issue is approved, proceeds from the sale of the bonds will be used for the construction of sewer lines and a treatment plant.

Landis said there are several prospective buyers for the bonds, which will be advertised for sale as soon after the election as possible, in order that the district may go ahead with construction plans.

## 7 Hospitalized In Batch Of Auto Mishaps

Three highway accidents which sent seven persons to hospitals occurred over the weekend, according to Roseburg State Police Sgt. Lyle Harrell.

Dick Clemer Johnson, Portland, was cited for reckless driving when his car negotiated a curve on the wrong side of the highway and sideswiped a car driven by Jesse Carl Staton, Springfield.

Sgt. Harrell said the accident occurred at 8:30 p. m. Sunday, a quarter of a mile west of Drain on highway 38.

According to state police, the Johnson car continued on down the wrong side of the highway over 200 feet before running into the ditch.

Johnson received lacerations and a burned hand, and a passenger in his car, Guy E. Rose, Dorena, reportedly received injuries to ribs and neck.

Staton received an injured back and Leonard Staton, a passenger, received cuts and bruises, it was announced. The injured were taken to a Drain doctor's office by the Drain ambulance.

Goldie R. Housworth, Yoncalla, was thrown 40 feet when struck by a car operated by Grover Cleveland Sparks, Oakland, Saturday at 9 p. m. on highway 99 near Yoncalla, Sgt. Harrell reported.

Leg Reported Broken

Sgt. Harrell said Housworth, observed in an allegedly intoxicated condition shortly before the accident, was walking down the middle of the highway when

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## Two Trustees Escape From Oregon Prison

SALEM, Aug. 22.—(AP)—Without clue as to direction taken, a pair of trustees who escaped Sunday afternoon from the Oregon State penitentiary annex southeast of Salem are sought today in a statewide manhunt.

Both men are from this area; George, serving 10 years on a rape charge, was sent up from Marion county; Bonney, a former Salem resident, was serving two years for burglary in Yamhill county.

George is described as five feet, eight inches in height, weight 144 pounds, blue eyes and brown hair. Bonney, of medium weight, has dark hair and dark eyes. Both were dressed in overalls and jumpers when last seen at the annex.

## Portland Hotel Man Drowns Off Cannon Beach

CANNON BEACH, Aug. 22.—(AP)—The body of Samuel Rice, 55, Benson hotel catering manager for many years, was recovered from his groin yesterday after he was drowned in a rip-tide.

Rice and a companion were swept to sea during the afternoon, William Markham, Arch Cape, managed to reach shore.

## Electric Saw Slash Brings Death To Victim

OREGON CITY, Aug. 22.—(AP) Ernal Gile, 46, a ceiling fan, slashed himself with an electric saw on his farm near Boring yesterday, and died a few minutes later from loss of blood.

He touched the circular blade as he was trying to jerk the saw loose from a board in which it had stuck. The blade severed an artery in his groin.

## German Reds Back Tito In Soviet Clash

#### Russian Note Threatens Yugoslavs As Split In Communism Increases

By the Associated Press  
Premier Marshal Tito of Yugoslavia drew surprise support from a group of German communists today. This sign of the growing split in the ranks of world communism came as Yugoslavia's war of words with Russia reached a new pitch of intensity.

A Russian note to Belgrade at the weekend threatened to take "effective measures" to protect Soviet citizens in Yugoslavia. Replying, the Yugoslav communist newspaper Borda accused the Kremlin of using those citizens as spies.

British newspapers quickly noted the similarity between the stern tone of the Soviet note and the language used by Hitler before he sent the German army into action a decade ago. They said the Russian note sounded like the worst threat of war since 1939.

The concern of the Kremlin itself over its relations with Tito apparently was reflected in the Soviet press and radio, which devoted much space and time to fervent reactions to the Soviet note.

Half of Pravda's foreign news page was taken up with dispatches from abroad on the subject. Sample headlines in the official Soviet Communist party newspaper were:

"Tito's clique conducting secret negotiations with Vatican."

"Traitorous deal of the Tito clique with Greek monarchist-Fascists (nationalists)."

"Tito has been feuding with the Kremlin for more than a year. His government was thrown out of the Moscow-directed Cominform (Communist International Information Bureau) for nationalistic deviations from what Russia regards as orthodox communism."

One of the Kremlin's fears is that Tito's show of national independence will spread to other eastern European countries in the Soviet sphere and to Communist parties elsewhere. This fear is shown by Moscow's insistence

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## Fishing Boat, 2 Aboard, Missing Off Oregon Coast

NEWPORT, Ore., Aug. 22.—(AP)—Coastguard and commercial fishing craft were on the lookout today for a Newport fishing boat missing since Wednesday with two men aboard.

The wife of Eimo Maenja, who owns the 32-foot Linda Jean, reported her husband went out Wednesday morning. She expected her husband back that evening. Also aboard were crewman L. A. Rolph. Both men are from Newport.

A coast guard plane from Astoria aided the cutter Bonham yesterday in a sweep along the Oregon coast from the Umpqua to the Columbia river mouth.

## Theater-Bound Party Injured In Truck Crash

BAKER, Aug. 22.—(AP)—A trip to the movies ended disastrously last night when a pickup truck carrying six persons left the winding road on Dooley mountain for an undetermined reason and caused one man to lose his right hand and five others to be hospitalized.

Floyd Lee Potter, Vale, who lost his hand and received a skull fracture, was the most severely injured of the group, who were Idaho Power company crew workers stationed at Unity. They had left Unity to attend the movie in Baker.

## Eastern Haberdashery Chain Slashes Prices

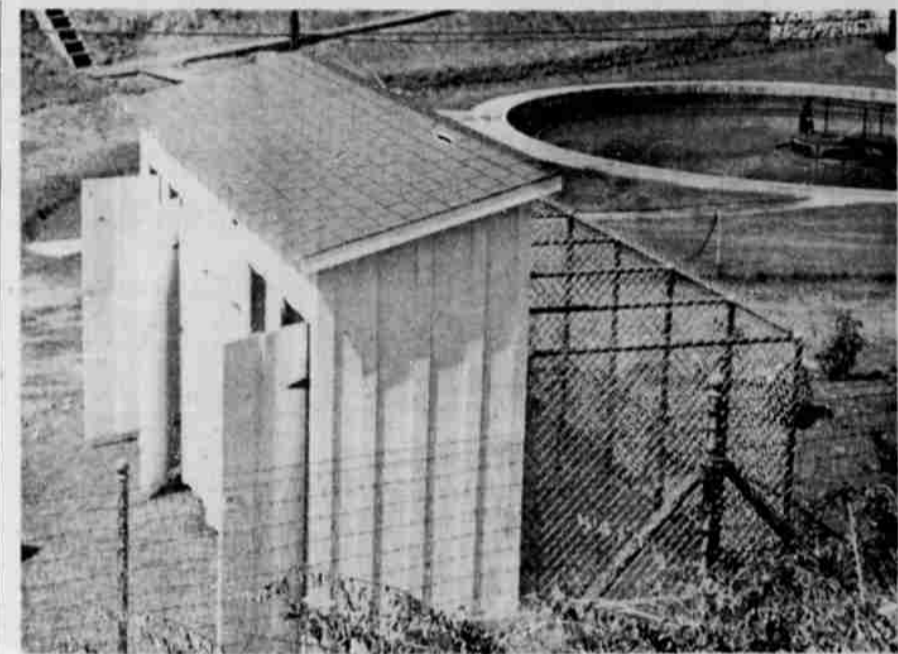
NEW YORK, Aug. 22.—(AP)—Price reductions on its entire line of men's and boys' clothing and furnishings were announced today by Howard Stores Corp., manufacturer and retailer of Howard clothes.

New prices on men's suits are \$31.95 and \$39.95, against a former range of \$35.50 and \$42.50; boys' suits starting at \$16.95 and juniors' suits at \$13.95; against a former price of \$24.50.

The reductions were made effective today in the chain's 44 stores in New York, New Jersey, Massachusetts, Illinois, Pennsylvania and Rhode Island.

## Disputants In Hawaii's Strike Given U. S. Bid

WASHINGTON, Aug. 22.—(AP) The government today asked opposing sides in the Hawaiian dock strike to make a new effort to settle their dispute and if this fails to come to Washington or New York for mediation talks.



### HOME FOR STRAY DOGS

Temporary shelter for dogs picked up while "running at large" on city streets will be provided in the city's new pound, above, at the sewage disposal plant. The pound includes six kennels and wire-enclosed exercise cages. Lower picture shows Earl Woodruff, 710 E. Douglas street, who was to have been dog control officer, tending the rose garden at the plant. Woodruff said he resigned Saturday because he didn't want to add dog catching to his other duties, because—

for one thing—he "didn't want to get into trouble" with owners of dogs. (Staff pictures.)

## Public Debt Goes Over \$255 Billion

WASHINGTON, Aug. 22.—(AP)—The public debt, rising as the government overspends its income, has climbed above \$255,000,000,000 for the first time since February, 1948.

Treasury data showed today the debt totalled \$255,076,246,000 on August 18 and was on its way up. The government already is \$1,674,796,000 in the red for the 1950 fiscal year, which began July 1, and apparently is headed deeper into the hole for the full year as a whole.

In rounded figures, government spending so far this fiscal year amount to \$5,341,000,000, or about \$300,000,000 more than at this point last fiscal year.

Receipts from taxes and other sources so far this fiscal year total \$3,666,000,000 and are about \$130,000,000 below last year.

## Prune Growers To Meet To Discuss Problems

Prune growers will meet Wednesday, Aug. 24, at 1:30 p. m. at the Knights of Pythias hall in Roseburg, to discuss harvesting and marketing problems, according to J. Roland Parker, county agricultural agent.

California prune growers have completed setting up a prune marketing agreement to assist in stabilizing the prune market, details of which will be explained to local growers.

Setting of wage rates for harvesting and drying operations will be considered at the meeting also, said Parker, and all prune growers are invited to be present. Harvesting of prunes in Douglas county is expected to start about Sept. 5.

## Pair On Antelope Hunt Die In Auto's Plunge

SALEM, Aug. 22.—(AP)—A Portland couple who had gone antelope hunting were found dead today in the wreckage of their car, which had plunged off the North Santiam highway into a 200-foot canyon.

They were Roscoe T. Pierce, 33, and his wife, Anna, 35. They have two small children: Sandra, 7, and Bradley, 2.

Pierce, a partner with his father in the Northwest Hardwood Floor company here, had left Portland with his wife Friday for a weekend of antelope hunting. The two were expected back today.

Their wrecked car was found at 3 a. m. today in the canyon east of Idanha. It was not immediately determined when the car had gone off the highway.

## Shotgun Blast Kills Girl Witness In Rape Case

JOHN DAY, Ore., Aug. 22.—(AP)—Fourteen-year-old Helen Tension, who had been a witness in a rape case last week, died in her home Saturday night of a shotgun wound.

Sheriff Oliver Cathoun said the Tension family had moved here from Burns, where the girl was chief prosecution witness in a rape arraignment. The accused man was held for the grand jury.

Grant county Coroner J. Carl Driskell said the girl was at home in the house. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Tension, and a younger brother had left to see a circus performance. The parents found the girl and a .410 caliber shotgun at her side.

## Levity Fact Rant

By I. F. Reizenstein

## New Pound For Dogs, Also New Dog Collector

Stray dogs picked up while "running at large" in the city will be kept in a new six-kennel dog pound, which goes into service at the sewage disposal plant today.

The pound was built for use in a dog control program announced by City Manager M. W. Slankard.

The city will issue county dog licenses at the city hall for 80 per cent of the county's fee, and an employee of the sewage plant will be designated as dog control officer with the responsibility of picking up dogs running at large.

Dogs will be impounded for a period of five days before they are disposed of, said Slankard. Owners of all licensed dogs picked up will be notified.

Owners of dogs must pay a maintenance fee of 50 cents per day before their dogs are released from the pound. Persons who wish to claim unlicensed dogs must pay the maintenance fee plus the regular dog license fee. These will be \$2 for male dogs and spayed females, and \$3 for female dogs.

Elbert Naas, superintendent of the sewage disposal plant, will be in direct charge of impounding the dogs. A part time employee of the plant will be charged with collecting the animals.

Slankard said that a city-owned panel truck, used by the building inspector, will also be used by the dog control officer to transport the animals he picks up.

Earl Woodruff, 710 E. Douglas street, resigned Saturday as sewage plant assistant because he didn't want to add dog control to his other duties.

## Peace Justice Powers Restricted On Sunday

SALEM, Aug. 22.—(AP)—Because Sunday is a legal holiday, a justice of the peace may not accept a plea of guilty nor impose a sentence on that day, but may transact judicial business only within the powers of a magistrate, Attorney General Neuner today advised Hugh C. Gearin, Curry county district attorney.

"Failure of a defendant in a criminal action to interpose a timely objection to judicial proceedings on Sunday does not constitute a waiver of this objection," he further held. But, although a sentence pronounced on a legal holiday is void, the bench warrant upon which he was arrested holds and the subject may again be arraigned for judgment on a judicial day, the attorney general said.

## Drunken Driver Is Fined; Second Driver Accused

Clarence Ray Mabley, 48, Roseburg, pleaded guilty in municipal court this morning to drunken driving, reported Judge Ira B. Riddle.

Mabley was fined \$100 and given a 30-day suspended sentence, in addition to having his operator's license suspended for one year.

Police Chief Calvin H. Baird reported today the arrest of Jack Bruce O'Hair, 29, Roseburg, cited Aug. 20 for driving under the influence of intoxicating liquor.

O'Hair was lodged in the county jail, pending plea to the charge.

## Shocks Felt From Alaska To Portland

### Store Windows, Water Mains, Power Lines Are Broken; Boats Loosed

(By the Associated Press)  
A sharp series of earthquakes rocked a wide area of the Pacific northwest last night for about five minutes. No major damage occurred, and no casualties were reported.

The violent shaking appeared to center in northern British Columbia, primarily in the Skeena river valley, but tremors were felt throughout a wide area from Prince Rupert, B. C., east to Jasper, Ala., and from Petersburg, Alaska, south to Portland, Ore.

Store windows were smashed and cars rolled crazily on streets at Prince Rupert and at Terrace, B. C., 90 miles east. A two-foot wave swept along the waterfront at Ketchikan, Alaska, moments after the shock. Dishes were knocked from shelves and pictures from walls at Petersburg.

Ten houseboats were torn from their moorings in Seattle's Lake Union. Power lines and water mains were broken in some parts of the city.

The Queen Charlotte islands, 500 miles northwest of Vancouver, B. C., reported "the heaviest shocks in the island's history." Chimneys tumbled, buildings swayed and windows shattered. Homes rocked on foundations and some communications poles snapped.

At Portland, Ore., an amateur seismologist, F. William Geitz, recorded the primary shock at 9:04 p. m.

As many as eight shocks were reported by the northern British Columbia communities.

William Baker, publisher of the Ketchikan Daily Chronicle, said in a telephone interview that the gangplank of the S. S. Prince George almost went out from underneath him as he stepped from the building in panic, but returned shortly. Baker said the initial shock was followed five minutes later by a lesser one. It was the first shock ever felt by the southeastern Alaska city, according to longtime residents.

A Tacoma woman said the water sloshed from her swimming

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## Ladies, Vets Will Be Guests Tonight At Horse Races

Tonight is Ladies Night at the county fairgrounds.

Tuesday and Tuesday night all women will be admitted free of charge to the horse races, as guests of the Umpqua Jockey club, which is presenting the meeting.

Also guests of the club tonight will be approximately 70 disabled veterans from the veterans hospital, who will watch the races from the box seats in the grandstand.

The races start at a new post time tonight, and the rest of the meeting, 8:00 p. m., instead of 7:30 p. m.

Several extra events are scheduled in conjunction with the races this week. The main one, of course, is the Douglas County fair, the first in 37 years, which will be held three days this week, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. Besides the night horse racing there will be prize exhibits and a rodeo each afternoon.

Tuesday night at the races a matched race between a thoroughbred and a quarter horse over a quarter-mile course is scheduled, to end arguments currently raging around town over which is the faster animal over a short course.

Wednesday night the Roseburg Marathon, a half-mile race, the longest of the meeting, will be run with thoroughbred horses to be named tomorrow.

Saturday night's attendance of 5100 brought the total for the first four days of the meeting to 13,000 spectators.

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The court's upholding of a new license fee and business tax in Portland will work a severe hardship on many of its citizens, who need surplus funds to buck the slot machines and play the dog races.