

REDS CALL OFF PEACE TALKS



CATSKINNER — A member of the Johnson Lumber mill crew operates a tractor in almost impossible terrain, as he clears a trail and pushes the debris into the very teeth of a raging fire at the end of Hayden road, out of Cleveland. Driven by a gusty wind, the fire repeatedly broke from control in this area. (Jenkins)

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ANCHORAGE, Alaska — (AP) — A C-47 transport plane with nine persons aboard crashed at Summit, 152 miles north of here on the Alaska railroad, Wednesday night.

First reports indicated all were killed.

The plane was enroute to Eielson air base near Fairbanks from Elmendorf air base at Anchorage.

A Civil Aeronautics administration radio officer at Summit reported he had talked to the pilot of the plane shortly before the crash but was not informed of any trouble.

Contact was broken and the operator said he saw the plane diving into the runway of the Summit landing field.

Bad weather kept search planes from Summit.

The Alaska railroad sent an ambulance car to the crash site with doctors and a rescue team.

The air force withheld names of those aboard.

Latest In Disaster Series

The crash was the latest in a month-long series of major aerial mishaps which have claimed nearly four score lives in the Pacific Northwest and Alaska.

On July 21 a Korean airlift plane with 38 aboard vanished off the Alaska coast on a flight to the Orient.

Six days later three persons were lost when an Alaska Norseman disappeared while making a glacier study.

On Aug. 4, a Queen Charlotte always plane with seven aboard was lost along the British Columbia coast.

Nine persons were killed today, later when a navy patrol plane crashed into Puget sound, and 12 were lost Aug. 12 in a navy plane crash on the Alaska peninsula.

A B-50 bomber crashed into an apartment house in Seattle the following day, killing six aboard the bomber and five residents of the building.

Hurricane Hits Tampico; Damage Exceeds \$1 Million

TAMPICO, Mexico — (AP) — The killer hurricane that raged over tropical seas all week taking more than 150 lives and causing millions of dollars in damage, was blowing itself out today in the mountains of Mexico.

The storm — described as the worst recorded in Mexico — spent its final fury over the oil port of Tampico Wednesday. At least one person was killed here and the damage was expected to run to about \$1,000,000.

Advance warning and knowledge of hurricanes probably saved many lives in this rich oil port of 100,000 population.

Several hundred persons were rescued from the wreckage of their homes. Four thousand families were reported homeless.

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Timber Brings Record Offer At Auction Here

A record bid of \$49 per thousand board feet for bureau of land management timber in Oregon was made by the Roseburg Lumber Co. Wednesday at an oral auction timber sale held at the local office.

The parcel, located near Mt. Scott, consisted of 4,270,000 board feet Douglas fir and 165,000 board feet of other species and brought \$211,077.50 as compared to the appraised price of \$117,564.50. The next high bid was made by the Martin Brothers Box company, which bid \$210,010 for the tract. The previous high was received last year for Douglas fir at \$48.50 per thousand board feet near Alsea, Ore.

In addition to the above tract, five other parcels were sold involving an additional, \$2,235,000 board feet. They sold at the appraised price of \$184,123.75.

Five additional tracts resulted in no bid sales.

Other successful bidders were Iverson Lumber Company, Inc., of Roseburg, and Pass Creek sawmill of Drain.

Forester Merle H. Wiant, who conducted the sale, the next regularly scheduled sale will be held Oct. 9.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

From Frankfurt (in West Germany):

"Communism's big propaganda drive HAS FLOPPED in West Germany. U. S. High Commissioner John J. McCloy says, 'German support for Western defense has increased and the Communists' chief propaganda agencies have been thoroughly discredited, rejected and even outlawed by an aroused West Germany.'"

Is that good? Or is it bad?

I wouldn't know — but let's try putting it this way: Suppose you were Stalin, and wanted Germany more than anything on earth because you figured that with the mechanical - minded Germans on your side you could lick the world. Suppose you saw Germany slipping away from you and getting ready to GO OVER TO THE OTHER SIDE. You'd then face this 664 question:

"Shall I let Germany team up (Continued on Page 4)

The Weather

Mostly clear today and Friday.

Highest temp. for any Aug. — 106
Lowest temp. for any Aug. — 39
Highest temp. yesterday — 79

Lowest temp. last 24 hours — 50
Precip. last 24 hours — 7
Precip. from Aug. 1 — 7
Precip. from Sept. 1 — 48.58
Eggs from Sept. 1 — 7.90

Sunset tomorrow 8:03 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow 6:28 a.m.

Half-Filled Tank Of Gas Survives Callahan Fire

Ordinarily a 285-gallon tank half full of highly inflammable gas would be expected to burn when surrounded by fire.

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Iranian Premier Mohammed Mossadegh said "it is finished."

The breakdown after 19 days of talks between the British and Iranian negotiators came over management of day to day operations at the Billon refinery Abadan refinery. The refinery was taken over from the British-controlled Anglo-Iranian Oil company by nationalization.

The real obstacle to agreement appeared to be Iran's fear that British management would be a revival of the Anglo-Iranian company in another guise.

It was clear the iron-willed Iranian premier would not retreat from the drastic nationalization law rushed through parliament two days after he came to power.

Diplomatic circles here believed that no agreement can be reached so long as Mossadegh remains in power.

Polio Strikes Parents, 4-Month-Old Infant

FORT WORTH, Tex. — (AP) — A family is in a hospital polio ward here.

Mrs. Lester Huelon Collier was stricken five weeks ago. The next day her four-month-old baby son was brought to the hospital. Two days later the father joined them.

Collier is in an iron lung. The wife and baby are in adjoining rooms.

But Mrs. Collier is cheerful about it. "Considering everything, we're getting along fine," she said. "I hope we'll all be going home together soon."

Watch Twice Stolen; Two Sentences Meted

SOUTH BEND, Ind. — (AP) — Willie Pittner, 30, pleaded guilty in South Bend city court to stealing a watch from Miss Mary Richardson, 26.

Then the court tried Miss Richardson and found her guilty of stealing the watch from Miss Boba Tharbs.

Both admirers of the watch drew 30-day jail sentences and \$35 fines.

School District Four Boundaries Told By Elliott

Paul Elliott, superintendent of city schools, has redefined boundaries of Roseburg school district 4 for the benefit of parents who may not know in which district they reside.

The same as last year, the boundaries are as follows:

Eastern boundary extends from a line north and south just this side of where the Deer Creek road and North Umpqua highway join.

Northern boundary extends 150 yards north of the motel above the highway scales—beyond the Crystallite tile plant.

Northeast boundary crosses the Garden Valley road just beyond the Darley Ware property. It crosses the Melrose road at Oakwell point just this side of the oil well.

Southern boundary crosses highway 99 at the second cut through bordering Nielson, about one half mile beyond Rick's, Tipton road is included.

Hours for Roseburg district 4 schools which open Sept. 4, have been announced by Elliott, as follows:

All elementary schools open at 9 a. m. and close at 4 p. m.

Junior high school classes begin at 8:35 a. m. and close at 3:30 p. m. with lunch time from 11:42 a. m. to 12:28 p. m.

Senior high school classes start at 8:40 a. m. and are dismissed for the day at 3:25, with lunch time from 11:42 a. m. to 12:28 p. m.

Woman Dies Day, Hour That She Predicted

REDWOOD CITY, Calif. — (AP) — For a month after Mrs. Edythe Hanson returned from a hospital, she repeatedly predicted:

"I shall die at 11:45 on Aug. 21."

"She was a woman of great faith," said her husband, "and people with such faith have premonitions not given to others."

At 9 o'clock that night she went to sleep, I called the doctor. At 11:45 he pronounced her dead.

Mrs. Hanson was 32. She leaves two sons, Donald, 9, and James, 7.

Fire Victims Also Losers In Flood At Dillard

If anyone wants to know about two of the county's largest disasters, just ask Mr. and Mrs. Ivar Lindstrom, who live in the Elgarose district.

They've been through both. Last October they lived at Dillard, where they were caught in the swirling waters of the flooding Umpqua.

But they moved — and got to Elgarose in time to catch the sweeping flames of the Hubbard creek blaze.

Jail Term, Fine Of \$200 Handed Drunken Driver

Carl H. Smith, 43, Dorris, Calif., was fined \$200 and sentenced to 30 days in the county jail Tuesday on a drunk driving charge in Canyonville.

The charge, according to City Recorder Laura Goodell, Smith was arrested by Canyonville police.

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