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Fires Occur, People Rush Into Streets

Shocks Of Lesser Force
Felt In California Area
As Far As Los Angeles

BAKERSFIELD, Calif. (AP) — Two sharp earthquakes jolted Bakersfield early Tuesday, starting two fires and sending frightened residents into the streets as windows were broken in previously damaged buildings.

The new tremors at 12:05 a.m. and 1:02 a.m., were felt throughout Southern California, including the Los Angeles area, but were strongest in Bakersfield.

A number of patients were evacuated from the county hospital here.

One six-room house was badly damaged when a gas line to a water heater was broken by the tremor. The county fire department reported. A portion of the roof of a machine shop collapsed.

Sheriff's Sgt. Carl L. Weber said he believed the shock was as intense but didn't last as long as the July 21st earthquake that left a toll of 13 dead, 12 of them in Kern county.

Fire Dept. Kept Busy

Short-circuits caused many transformers to blaze up and there were numerous fire calls.

However City Fire Dispatcher Betty Hollibaugh said that aside from the house and a transformer blaze there were no other fires. She said the shock set off many fire alarm boxes.

The fire department inhaled sound around two calls for heart attack cases shortly after the quakes.

Shortly after the first tremor residents reported they heard a loud explosion.

However sheriff's officers said they believed the noise probably was from the earthquake rather than an explosion.

Highway Assn. Affairs Talked

Howard Merriam, chairman of the Highway 99 Association's legislative committee, has been elected as a Roseburg Chamber of Commerce speaker later this year, it was reported today.

The Chamber's decision to have Merriam speak followed an executive meeting in Roseburg Monday.

He is expected to explain the proposed toll-mile truck tax passed by the State Legislature and referred to the voters by trucking interests.

During Monday's meeting Douglas County Judge Carl C. Hill was elected to the legislative committee.

Attending Monday's meeting were Ralph Koziar, president; L. G. Raish, Lane County commissioner; Paul Rynning, Jackson County engineer; Floyd Martin, of the Portland Chamber of Commerce; Robert McClay, Lane County; Don Lane, manager of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce; Douglas County Commissioner Lynn Beckley, and others.

Roseburg Hires 6 New Teachers

Six new teachers were added to the Roseburg school system through action of the District 4 school board Monday night.

The Senior High School gets three. Robert J. Oliver will teach mathematics and assist with football. He is 26 years old. Also helping with football at the Senior High will be Robert J. Shewbert, 33, who will teach physical education. Both Oliver and Shewbert came from Oregon State College.

Gunnar Ross will instruct industrial arts at the High School for \$3,800. He's spent two years teaching in Alaska and has a master's degree from Pennsylvania and a Bachelor's from Colorado A. and M.

Instructing science and physical education at the Junior High School will be Edna G. Sme. She was graduated from Oregon State. Her salary will be \$3,350.

Two new instructors in special education were signed, Wallace J. Scott comes from the University of Oregon for \$3,600. Harold Mayner comes from the University of Oregon and teaching in Springfield for \$3,700. Both will work with handicapped children.

Sutherland-Umpqua Road
Job Nears Completion

Work is nearing completion on the new five-mile stretch of road on the Sutherland-Umpqua road, the County Court reported today.

Crews have been at work on the project for about two months and expect to start laying on the base in two weeks. The \$50,000 project re-aligns the road and eliminates several dangerous stretches.

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VICTIM of Tenmile slaying was Mrs. Alice Craven, left, about 50, while Carl James Corder, 32, at right, is held without bail in the Douglas County jail on a first degree murder charge. He admitted shooting the woman with a .22 caliber rifle.

First Degree Murder Count Filed Against Carl J. Corder In Slaying Mrs. Alice Craven

Carl James Corder, 32, was ordered held without bail Monday afternoon accused of first degree murder in the slaying of Mrs. Alice Craven Sunday.

The complaint, filed Monday by District Attorney Robert M. Stults, charged Corder with murder while attempting rape.

The district attorney said the shooting followed Mrs. Craven's rejection of Corder's advances.

The pair had also quarreled about other matters, Stults said.

District Judge A. J. Geddes granted the defendant, a logger of Tenmile, time to consult attorneys before deciding whether he wants a preliminary hearing.

Circuit Judge Carl Wimberly Monday appointed Attorneys Dudley Walton and James Richmond to defend Corder.

In a signed statement to officers, Corder declared he had shot the woman sometime between midnight and 12:30 Sunday morning with a .22 caliber rifle he had kept in his car to "shoot squirrels."

The shooting occurred after the pair had left the Tenmile Tavern late Saturday night.

Corder surrendered to a sheriff's deputy Sunday morning after he had phoned the sheriff's office from Winston, informing officers of the shooting. Sheriff O. T. Carter said.

Earlier, Robert M. Ward, an acquaintance, had phoned police reporting the killing.

If Corder waives preliminary hearing in district court the case will go directly to the Douglas County grand jury, which convenes next fall, District Attorney Stults said.

Hydrogen Blast In Italy Aimed At Bomb Power

ROME (AP) — The Italian Defense Ministry announced Monday night that an explosion designed to transform hydrogen into helium — the reaction which could power a hydrogen bomb — had been touched off in this country.

The announcement made it clear, however, that the experiment involved only a "very small amount of hydrogen."

Atomic scientists in New York said the Italian explosion obviously was aimed at achieving the dread H-bomb but the value of the experiment apparently is not known yet, even in Italy.

Defense Minister Rinaldo Ossola said results of the experiment could not be determined until a scientific examination had been made.

First reports of the explosion, appearing in the influential newspaper Il Giornale d'Italia, said an Italian scientist actually had exploded an H-bomb.

Pacciardi denied this, saying such reports were "completely without foundation." The experiment, the minister said, was "regarding the possibility of transforming a very small amount of hydrogen into helium."

Winchester Plywood Assn. Elects Officers

L. E. Adams has been elected president of the Winchester Plywood Association, it was announced today.

Other officers and directors are Virgil Rothrock, vice president; Myrtle Spreen, secretary-treasurer; and Douglas Geddes, E. H. Fah, O. E. McClintock and Mahlon Washburn, directors.

An organizational meeting was held Sunday by the group, which plans to re-open the Mar-Linn Plywood plant at Winchester.

SHOW PLACE CHANGED

The location for the Mel Venter show at 2:30 Friday and the queen selection contest at 8 p.m. Friday has been switched from the Senior High to the Junior High School, announced Director Horace Robinson.

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Green School District Asks Merger With Roseburg Unit Straw Vote Indicates Sentiment

Petitions To Be Pushed
Destitute Roseburg Board's
Lack Of Encouragement

An overwhelming majority of Green School District residents voted to circulate petitions to consolidate with Roseburg in a District meeting Monday night at the grade school.

In a straw vote, 70 were for and 10 against joining with Roseburg District 14.

Green is faced with the same problem as Lookingglass, Dillard and Tenmile — where to educate their high-school age children. They now attend Roseburg, but that board has given them one year's notice to move their high school students out, due to crowded facilities.

But does Roseburg want to consolidate with Green? That question was mullied in the Roseburg Board of Education meeting Monday night.

Two Green board members, R. L. Adams and Warren Engdahl, explained the Green situation to the Roseburg board.

"The main thing we want to do is adequately educate our youth," said Adams, "and we're skeptical of uncertain development."

By "uncertain development" Adams was referring to the high school Dillard, Tenmile and Lookingglass plan to build at a Brockway site already purchased by Dillard. Dillard is anxious to have Green consolidate with its district, says O. T. Carter, Green chairman.

The Green people expressed doubt, both before the Roseburg board and in their district meeting, that Dillard could find enough money to build a well-equipped and staffed high school.

The total remaining bonding capacity, at 13 percent, of the four Southern districts — Green, Tenmile, Lookingglass and Dillard — is only \$539,631. Of this, Green has \$84,966. And Carter says he thinks it will take all this remaining capacity just to keep the grade school operating. Right now Green is building four additional classrooms and a heating plant.

Local Board Reluctant

Little enthusiasm was displayed by Roseburg board members toward taking Green into District 14.

"Those four should be together," said W. G. Clarenbach, board member. "They can spend their own money as well as we can spend it for them."

"There's got to be a line somewhere between District 4 and South"

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Tioga Burn Fire Nearing Control

Fire fighting crews today were slowly fighting the raging forest blaze in the Tioga-Reston area to a standstill.

"If the fire doesn't jump over two lines in the next day or two we should have it under control," said officials of the Coos Forest Protective Association.

About 300 loggers and forestry crews were still on the fire line today, working to complete trenching around the old Williams Creek burn where the fire started last Thursday.

The blaze now covers more than 1,500 acres of timber land and is beginning to burn itself out inside the lines before it reaches our trails," said forest officials. "The big IF is whether the lines will hold."

Crews from the Douglas County Forest Protective Association were trying to keep the blaze from spreading into this county. Many Camas Valley loggers were fighting the fire that claimed the life of one man Thursday.

Ton-Mile Tax Attack Resisted By Forestry Assn.

PORTLAND (AP) — A November ballot measure calling for elimination of the ton-mile tax on logging trucks will be opposed by the Associated Forest Industries of Oregon.

The association, which says its members handle 80 per cent of the state's lumber and forestry business, says the tax elimination measure, if approved, would work a hardship on small trucking companies.

The measure, an initiative sponsored by the major trucking firms operating in the state and has the backing of the Teamsters Union.

At a board meeting here Monday the association approved a resolution intended for Oregon's high-way construction and maintenance program to be financed by income from license plate fees, gasoline taxes and the ton-mile tax on trucks.

Elimination of the ton-mile tax might result in higher license fees which would penalize short haul truckers, the resolution said.

Traffic Control System Gives S.P. Tax Writoff

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The Southern Pacific Railroad plans to spend \$2,355,523 on a centralized traffic control system on 100 miles of line between Klamath Falls and Crescent Lake, Ore., a spokesman said Tuesday.

The Defense Production Administration Monday granted a certificate of necessity for a quick 40 per cent tax writoff on the project because it will contribute to the defense effort, Southern Pacific President D. J. Russell said.

Pork Products' Prices Boosted Through October

WASHINGTON (AP) — Ham, chops and other lean pork cuts popular during summer months are going up from one to eight cents a pound. OPS announced Monday that ceiling prices on lean cuts—those acting prices for about 40 to 45 per cent of pork sales—are being increased through October. Then they may be reduced.

These are the authorized increases, effective immediately: Pork shoulders, one cent a pound; hams, bellies, Boston butts and neckbones, three cents; pork chops, loins and spareribs, eight cents.

Slaughtering and wholesalers may add \$1.20 per hundred pounds on sales of pork products to restaurants, hotels and others using meals.

Ceiling on cuts usually used in making sausage were not boosted. OPS said increases were necessary because the Agriculture Department raises the parity price for hogs above 100 per cent from July through October. And a new economic controls law provides that processors must be given higher ceiling to make up for higher prices paid to farmers.

Atomic Aircraft Testing Station Funds Allotted

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Atomic Energy Commission Tuesday authorized a 33 million dollar testing station for the development of atomic powered aircraft.

Construction will begin this summer at the commission's national reactor testing station in Idaho.

Expansion Of Lumber Industry Proposed For Defense Program

WASHINGTON (AP) — A 50 million dollar expansion of the lumber and wood products industry was proposed by the Defense Production Administration Monday.

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The Weather

Fair and warm today and Wednesday.

Highest temp. for any July — 104

Lowest temp. for any July — 40

Highest temp. last 24 hours — 91

Lowest temp. last 24 hours — 58

Precip. last 24 hours — 0

Precip. from July 1 — 0

Precip. from Sept. 1 — 38.77

Excess — 5.55

Sunset today, 8:39 p.m.

Sunrise tomorrow, 5:49 a.m. DST

IN EGYPTIAN COUP

— Lt. Gen. Mohammed Naguib, at left, is the new ruler of Cairo, having seized control of the Egyptian Army in a lightning coup and forced the abdication of King Farouk, center, to end his corruption-ridden reign. Farouk and his teen-age queen, pictured at right, have sailed for Italy in exile with their seven-month old son and his three daughters by a former marriage. In accordance with Egyptian law, the son will become king upon reaching the age of 7. Naguib is a thrice-wounded war hero and an avowed foe of corruption. (AP WIREPHOTO)



CENTENNIAL CUTIES — Colorful costumes of an era long past are worn daily on the job by these two girls to help create interest in the Douglas County Centennial Celebration. The girls, Loretta Ferry, left, and Maxine Miller, give a proper centennial atmosphere to the North Side Cafe, 550 N. Jackson St., where both work as waitresses. Their white pantaloons are especially attracting notice. (Paul Jenkins)

North Roseburg Homes Menaced By Brush Fire

City and rural firemen, together with members of the Volunteer Fire Department and many others, battled for more than two hours Monday a fire which swept over the hill in the north part of Roseburg and threatened several houses in that part of the city.

The fire started at the north end of W. First St., and fanned by a strong westerly wind, swept rapidly eastward through grass and brush.

The fire came dangerously near several homes, and residents along the way were out with garden hoses, wetting down the grass around their homes.

Firemen with chemicals and fire hoses fought the flames and kept them from spreading down hill. The blaze continued to the top of the ridge and burned over to Avenue A and E. Fifth St.

The truck was called again to the scene later in the evening. Again at 4 a.m. today the firemen went to the scene on the north side, where the flames had spread over the hill to the Cloverdale vicinity.

Last night, during the regular Volunteer Fire Department drill, firemen burned the grass off Reservoir Hill. The area was adequately trailed and equipment and men were on hand to keep the flames well checked. This is done annually to prevent an uncontrolled fire in the area.

County Bridge Jobs In Progress Or Projected

Details of several Douglas County bridge projects underway or planned for this summer were reported today by County Commissioner Elmer Metzger.

A contract has been awarded to Todd Building Co. for a span over Soup Creek near Loon Lake. Construction is expected to start within a few days.

Bids for the Days Creek bridge and Elk Creek bridges were rejected by the County Court as too high and the projects will be re-offered for bidding with possible slight changes in specifications, Metzger said.

Low bid was \$19,150 on the Days Creek job and \$22,250 on the Elk Creek project. Both were over the county engineer's estimates.

The Mary Moore Bridge, which has been getting a new deck, is expected to be reopened to traffic next week.

Work is progressing on the Glendale Bridge, Metzger said, and county crews have nearly completed the new span being built at a new location along the Coos Bay Wagon Road.

Damage was only slight, officials said, to the Lone Rock Bridge at Glendale from the log truck wreck four Saturday morning. About 40 feet of rail were torn but some planks knocked off the bridge but there was no structural damage.

Two Million Farmhands In Italy Out On Strike

ROME (AP) — Some two million farmhands were called out on strike throughout Italy at dawn Tuesday in a bid for higher family allowances. The strike is to continue for 24 hours. Both Communist and anti-Red unions ordered the stoppage.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

In Buenos Aires, milling thousands gathered around the ministry of labor building, where her casket lay in state, to pay their last respects to Eva Peron.

Eight persons died in the crush, some from trampling, some from heart failure. There were many broken arms and legs. Thousands had to be given first aid, and troops were rushed in to control the crowds.

One doesn't speak ill of the dead, but if Eva had to go perhaps it's just as well. She had a dangerous capacity for gathering power INTO HER TWO HANDS. Too much power in too few hands too long is human liberty's greatest menace.

The trouble in Argentina lies in the fact that for generations too few people—the big industrialists—

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