

Government Suit Against E. K. Wood Company Settled

PORTLAND — A million-dollar government suit against E. K. Wood Lumber Co. for losses and cost in the 1951 Vincent Creek forest fire was settled Wednesday with the company paying \$100,000 and a half section of timberland. U. S. Atty. C. E. Luckey said he considered the settlement a good one with the government getting timber in the same general area as that which burned in the Douglas County blaze as well as retaining the burned-over land, which will fit into the O&C reforestation program. Still pending is a suit for \$2,717,020 brought against the E. K. Wood company by Long-Bell Lumber Co. and Gardiner suits were under way and that so far as he was aware they would go to trial.

Miss Alice Fisher Dies In Los Angeles

A former Roseburg resident, Miss Alice Fisher, died Tuesday at the age of 73, in Los Angeles, Calif., according to word received by relatives. She was born near Roseburg in 1882, where she lived for many years with her pioneer parents. She is survived by four nieces: Mrs. Paul Casey and Mrs. Katherine Nickson, Roseburg; Mrs. Archie Ferguson, Days Creek, and Mrs. Arthur Edwards, Kenmore, N.Y., and two nephews, Oscar Weber and Walter Crosier, Roseburg.

Nation's Mid-Day Toll Of Deaths Stands At 14

in which someone was hurt came from Klamath Falls. An ambulance was dispatched to a single-car accident four miles north of Algona on Highway 97 in which one person was injured. Portland city police said they had reports on seven accidents up to 10:30 a. m., but in none of them was anyone hurt. This number is about normal for mid-week in the city. In Klamath Falls there were two morning intersection collisions during a snowstorm that put slush on the streets. No one was hurt, but the cars suffered heavy damage. At Grants Pass no accidents had been reported, Roseburg state and city police each told of one—a three-car mixup south of the city and an even more minor one in the city up to 11 a. m. Eugene, at 11 a. m., lacked even a minor accident report.

CIO Goes Ahead With Plans For AFL Merger

CIO pamphlet reviewing the 20-year story of the CIO. It gives Lewis full credit for forming the CIO and helping organize its nucleus in the steel and auto industries. Lewis has been left completely out of the merger plans. He has criticized the prospective joining of the two labor groups into a single 16-million-member "federation" as "a rope of sand" that could not last.

George Roberts Killed By Electric Shock

He was found by his wife, Elaine, who heard her husband working, then later saw him keeled over as she went to see why the drill sounded strangely, the sheriff said. Mrs. Roberts disconnected the 110-volt connection and summoned aid. The accident occurred about 1 p. m. Roberts was born Jan. 20, 1911, at Olalla. He was plant operator for the water district at the time of his death. He was a member of the Roseburg Rod & Gun Club. Besides his wife, he is survived by a daughter, Nancy Louise, and son, Leroy Ernest, both of Roseburg; two brothers, Arnold Roberts of Brockway and Lawrence Roberts of Glade; four sisters, Mrs. Monroe (Ethel) Strawn of Roseburg; Mrs. Vernon (Florence) Zachary of Brownsville; Mrs. James (Ruth) Laurance of Brockway and Mrs. Edna Hughes of Anchorage, Alaska. Interment will be at Civil Bend Cemetery.

TO CALL MESSAGE

GETTYSBURG, Pa. — President Eisenhower will telephone a message to the AFL and CIO when the two labor organizations get together for their merger session in New York next Monday. The White House announced this Wednesday, saying the President's words will be carried by loud-speaker to the delegates.

Band Uniforms Fund Campaign On In Roseburg

A spirited campaign to raise funds to purchase 100 new uniforms for Roseburg High School band members opened Thursday. The month-long drive is being conducted by members of the Band Boosters and the Indian Club. They hope to boost the \$12,325 sum now on hand for uniform purchase to \$6,000. Band Director Harold Withnell said Wednesday that the uniforms will cost approximately \$60 each. The adults, no students will participate in the campaign, are conducting the contest. Prize in the event is a new foreign-made car. All persons are eligible to enter, according to a campaign spokesman. Director Withnell said the uniforms currently worn by the students were purchased in 1947. This year 87 youngsters played in the marching band during football season. Withnell pointed out that there weren't enough uniforms to go around, and, in several instances, students with uniforms didn't have hats. "The uniforms show wear and tear," he said. Present color of the band attire is orange and black, with red trim. Two student committees are working with the directors and the adults to prepare a new uniform design. Withnell said the design and color should be known in "about 10 days." He requested persons with any suggestions to contact him. Band Boosters have worked to raise uniform money for some time. They estimated it would take another four years if they continued with the smaller-type fund raising projects. The band will appear in several events next year, including the rodeo parade, a Eugene Exchange Club parade and others. If the drive is successfully completed, the uniforms will be ordered immediately. Withnell said they would arrive in time for the group's spring concert April 5.

Committee Told Allowable Cut Is Out Of Line

SPOKANE — A hearing by a one-man congressional committee on federal timber sales was told Wednesday that the allowable cut on most forests is "out of line" with conditions and growth potentials. Emmit R. Aston of Omak, Wash., president of the Western Forestry and Conservation Assn., said up-to-date inventories and utilization standards will increase the allowable annual cut. "An allowable cut revision on the Mt. Hood National Forest in Oregon recently brought about an increase of 20 per cent," he said. Aston was the first witness at the joint congressional hearing being conducted by Rep. Chudoff (D-Pa.). The committee has been holding hearings in California, Oregon and Washington on federal timber sales and policies. Chudoff was the only member attending here. He read an opening statement before a crowd of about 90 persons and said he had the unanimous consent of the committee to hold the Spokane hearing alone. He said 17 witnesses will testify here. Aston recommended that federal agencies provide adequate scaling service on timber sales. He said such help is now limited to a 40-hour week which lies up operators who want to work Saturdays. He said the committee should study a report by McKinsey & Co. timber sales. He said it recommends that timber sales be given No. 1 priority on forests supporting forest industries, that timber management be done by experts and not trainees, and that adequate advance preparations be made.

Sparkman Says Governor Harriman 'Utility Man'

WASHINGTON — Gov. Averell Harriman of New York was described by Sen. Sparkman (D-Ala.) in sports language today as a "utility man" candidate for the 1956 Democratic presidential nomination. Harriman has said he is not an active candidate for the nomination although he expects to be New York's "favorite son" choice. But Harriman's chief booster, Tammany leader Carmine DeSapio, said the historical role of New York governors in party affairs "should dispel the idea that Harriman is only a token or favorite son candidate." Sparkman, who heard DeSapio's talk to the National Press Club, said in a later interview he thinks DeSapio "is engaged in holding Gov. Harriman in reserve for whatever might happen in the pre-convention campaign." "He has the governor in a 'utility man' role where he could be rushed into the contest at any time," he added. Sparkman said he doesn't think Harriman's advanced status poses any new threat to Adlai E. Stevenson, the 1952 candidate, whom Sparkman is supporting in his race for the 1956 nomination. The senator said he couldn't imagine anything that might knock Stevenson out of his place as front runner except unexpected defeats in presidential delegate primaries.

Ike's Message Indicates Stand

CHICAGO — President Eisenhower sent a message of encouragement to the Republican National Committee Thursday and Chairman Leonard W. Hall said "there is no question in my mind" but that the President plans to campaign actively for the party next year. The President told the committee he will "do everything in my power next year to help you report the (Republican) record accurately and fully to the country." When members of the committee heard the President's message read by Hall, they arose, applauded and cheered. Some GOP leaders viewed the message as an expression of Eisenhower's intent to aid the Republican candidates in 1956, whether or not he decides to be a candidate himself.

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MIAMI, Fla. — Adlai Stevenson said Thursday he agreed with Secretary of State Dulles the presidential candidates should avoid "partisan excesses" in discussing foreign policy during the campaign, but that wasn't what the Republicans did in 1952. The Democratic presidential hopeful made the statement at a news conference when asked for comment about Dulles' request earlier this week. "In 1952 the Republicans not only shamelessly exploited the Korean War politically and denounced the Democratic administration for the 'loss' of China and as virtually subversive, but the secretary himself, who now pleads for restraint, labeled the containment policy as 'immoral' and proposed to liberate the satellites. "I hope we Democrats have a higher concept of what constitutes partisan excesses than the secretary." Stevenson then went on to reply to other questions to point out some of the things he thought were wrong with the Republican foreign policy the past three years. He said that starting with President Eisenhower's State of the Union message in which he spoke in favor of "unleashing Chiang Kai-Shek" there were a series of slogans and a series of threats which Stevenson said "threatened our allies more than our enemies." "They finally brought us to the brink of war in China and the Formosa Straits." Stevenson said that at the summit, President Eisenhower had "to reassure the entire world that our intentions were peaceful." All of these things, Stevenson said, served to make the United States out as "an irritable power in the world." The former Illinois governor said that "an exceedingly dangerous situation" was shaping up in the middle east. "I earnestly hope that we can make some contribution toward peace between Israel and her neighbors." Friday morning Stevenson will fly to Oklahoma City where he will speak to the national league of Young Democrats.

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HONG KONG — A fourth GI turncoat who decided to come home after living in Red China failed to arrive here Thursday as expected. U. S. consular officials waiting at the border between China and this British colony said Richard T. Tenneson, 22-year-old son of Mrs. Portia Howe of Alden, Minn., was not on the daily train from Canton. The officials said there was no indication when Tenneson might arrive. The Chinese Red Cross had informed the British Red Cross that Peiping was releasing him at his own request. Tenneson was captured in Korea in May, 1951. He was one of 21 GIs who refused to be repatriated after the armistice and instead chose to live in Red China. There was no word from Washington whether any action is planned against Tenneson. With the other turncoats, he was dishonorably discharged from the U. S. Army after their decision to stay with the Chinese. The three who came home last summer — William A. Cowart, Lewis E. Griggs and Otto G. Bell — were arrested by the Army for trial as traitors but were released after the Supreme Court ruled this month that the military couldn't try civilians for offenses allegedly committed while in service. The government hasn't said whether it would prosecute them in the civilian courts. Tenneson's return will leave 16 of the ex-GIs with the Chinese Reds, Rufus E. Douglas of Texon, Tex., having died in China.

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(Continued from Page One) car. Hilbert said a truck honked to pull across behind his car, and he pulled ahead without paying attention to the car in front. Davis, however, claimed the injury and the force of the collision, and that part of White's ailment resulted from a previous spinal injury. Yates asked that the jurors keep sympathy for Hilbert out of their consideration. Davis had noted that Hilbert is "on the threshold" of his life and has a wife and child. Testimony by doctors backed up Yates' claim that White was not faking his condition, that he definitely has limited movement in the neck as the result of the injury on Feb. 12. Yates said Davis, in estimating what he called "just compensation," had not calculated future suffering, medical expenses and loss of earning capacity. He pointed out that White has a life expectancy of 20 years. The case was pushed up on the trial docket because of settlement of two others scheduled this week and the fact that one, Millard J. Magness vs. Margaret Tomlinson, ended in voluntary non-suit. Jury trials will resume in the court Monday at 9:30 a. m.

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V. Worthington Dies Early Today

Victor Worthington, 62, resident of Roseburg for the past 20 years and lifelong resident of Oregon, died early today following a short illness. Worthington was born in Roseburg July 15, 1893, and lived in Myrtle Creek from 1916 to 1923. Then he moved to Coquille, where he lived until 1935. He returned to Roseburg in that year. Surviving are three sisters, Mrs. Eva Worthington of Roseburg, Mrs. Ida Burroughs of Boise, Idaho, and Mrs. Gracie Schrader of Canton, Ohio; and a number of nephews and nieces. The body has been removed to Long & Orr Mortuary, Roseburg, and funeral arrangements will be announced later.

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