

# BLM Timber Sales Decline, But Other Progress Made

An annual review by the North-West Regional Office of the Bureau of Land Management concerning its fiscal 1957 timber sales, access road construction and reforestation program shows progress in each of the latter two phases, but a decline in timber sales.

The report, from the Portland office of the BLM, indicates that sales from O & C and Coos Bay Wagon road lands under supervision of the BLM amounted to \$18,952,272 in fiscal 1957, compared to \$25,025,991 in the previous fiscal year.

**Decline 24 Per Cent**

Although this was a decline of approximately 24 per cent in dollar volume, board footage sold lagged behind only about six per cent.

The 1957 fiscal total was 624,905,000 board feet compared to the 664,887,000 board feet total in 1956.

In the Douglas County district, which also includes parts of Jackson and Coos counties, sales total-

ed 85,016,000 board feet on 109 tracts. This was from a total of 134 million board feet. The sales total for the county on BLM land was \$2,539,245.90, according to Merle Winn, Roseburg district forester.

On the statewide picture, Virgil T. Heath, Oregon State supervisor for BLM, announced that 759,336,990 board feet had been put up for sale, almost 90 million board feet more than in 1956, but due to the lumber market slump there was a decrease in sales.

**Price Reflects Decline**

The declining lumber market was reflected also by the average price per thousand board feet which decreased from \$37.64 in fiscal 1956 to \$30.35 in fiscal 1957.

It was explained by Heath that the 13 per cent increase in volume of O & C timber offered for sale in 1957 was made possible by completion of new inventories, and major increases in forestry per-

## 70 Miles Of Timber Access Roads Graded, 50 Surfaced By BLM, Annual Report Says

Nearly 70 miles of timber access roads were graded, over 30 miles surfaced and three bridges were built on Oregon and California timberland by the Bureau of Land Management in fiscal 1957, according to the year-end report of Virgil T. Heath, Oregon state supervisor for BLM.

In this report showing an increase in both planting and seeding on Oregon and California lands by BLM for the year concluded.

Of the construction total, four miles of road were constructed in Douglas County at Canton Creek. Surfacing on that stretch will be completed this year, according to Merle Winn, local district forester for BLM.

Other construction by that agency in the district over the past fiscal year includes one bridge nearly completed at Cow Creek, about eight miles above Riddle.

**Road Work Planned**

Near future plans of the BLM, according to Winn, call for letting of contracts for the Cow Creek Road construction. The BLM is also negotiating for purchase of several road systems in the district, including the Rock Creek Road.

Overall, for Oregon and California, the road program during fiscal 1957, with funds appropriated by Congress during the past several years, amounted to \$4,735,328. There were 68.8 miles graded at a cost of \$3,554,488 and 54.1 miles surfaced for \$1,029,000.

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In addition to access roads completed in the past 12 months in the Oregon-California region, roads under construction but not completed amounted to 40.3 miles graded, totaling \$2,333,000 in contracts and 46.7 miles to be surfaced for \$233,129. Five bridges to be built total \$230,000.

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## Three Boys Admit Taking Carriage

Three Lookingglass boys, ages 12, 13 and 14, were wiser today after several reprimands, and the Douglas County Fair Board is likely to still have two antique horse-drawn carriages.

The three youngsters have admitted to a sheriff's deputy they had taken two horse-drawn carriages, a hack and a two-seater rig, from the Crow ranch between Lookingglass and Flourney roads.

They said the carriages were out in a field and they didn't know anyone wanted them. They used the wheels of one for firewood, took the wheels of both and used the bed of the second to slow down the wash of a creek. The boys were reprimanded and the charges dismissed.

Meanwhile, Wes Meredith of Lookingglass told a deputy he had an antique carriage he would give in good condition he knows he can get to replace the two the board earlier reported lost.

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## Photographer Is Slugged By Dio Before Hearing

Dio ducked into a taxi building, he ducked into a left building with two men, companions.

The racketeer's progress from the building had been a sort of hide-and-seek game.

Dio ducked around pillars, headed down hallways, and always encountered another reporter or photographer. He ignored questions as to whether he would invoke the Fifth Amendment when he took the witness chair.

As Dio got to the revolving door that leads to the street, he spun and swung on the photographer.

"I've got a family," the racketeer said in grating tones.

Dio was to be called as a witness in the afternoon committee session. In the forenoon, a group of his alleged henchmen were busy taking the Fifth Amendment to questions about their association with Dio.

Bulky, bespectacled Sidney Hodges of Brooklyn refused to tell the special senate committee whether he helped Dio set up "phony" unions.

The investigators contend Dio used such unions as a device to extort from employers and also misused the dues of rank and file union members.

Nathan Gordon, an alleged Dio henchman, also invoked the Fifth Amendment. He refused to say whether he feared Dio or even knew him. The committee identified Gordon as secretary-treasurer of Teamsters Local 651.

Abe Brier, another of Dio's alleged henchmen in setting up the phony Teamsters locals, was another who took the Fifth Amendment.

The committee, headed by Sen. McClellan (D-Ark.), contends that Dio and Teamsters Union boss James R. Hoffa formed a corrupt alliance in a grab for power in New York area unions.

## Long-Time Resident Of Yoncalla Dies

Mary Elizabeth Newby, 85, a resident of Yoncalla, died Wednesday at a local hospital.

She was born on July 19, 1872, at Oxford, Ind., and came to Oregon 33 years ago and had resided at Yoncalla since 1920. She was married to Wesley E. Newby on Feb. 3, 1897 at Templeton, Ind.

Survivors include her husband and four children, Altha Newby of Oxford, Ind.; Ruth Moore, Eugene; Mrs. Lolita Edmonds of Montague, Calif.; and Mrs. Fiebe Jones of Elkton; two sisters, Mrs. Adelaide Curl of Miami, Fla. and Mrs. Zadie Verill of Goodland, Ind.

Other survivors include 11 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

Graveside funeral services will be held Friday at 1 p. m. at Roseburg Memorial Gardens, Stearns and Little Mortuary of Oakland are in care of arrangements.

**Air Transport Plane Limping Toward Hilo**

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were feathered. Baggage was jettisoned.

Air rescue planes were sent from Hawaiian bases to escort the crippled transport.

The big plane, a Boeing, has four 3,500-horsepower engines. What caused two of them to fail was not known.

Both disabled engines were reported to be on the left side of the plane, a more dangerous situation than if they were on opposite sides.

The plane was reported flying "on the deck," slang for close to the water.

(Pacific Military Air Transport headquarters at Parks AFB, near Oakland, Calif., said it understood the plane was only 100 feet above the water.)

## Yoncalla Council Orders Cleanup; Speed Limit Set

Yoncalla City Council voted this week to begin cleaning up the town.

Notices will be sent to property owners to clean up their lots within ten days from time notice is received. With a five day grace period given those attempting to clean up. After that time, the city will do the work and have the cost assessed to property owners.

A sign will be erected on 1st Street with a speed limit of 15 miles an hour, and the law on reckless driving will be enforced.

Representatives from the American Rubber Co. of Portland and Munnell, Sherrill, Inc. of Roseburg showed fire hose samples and presented prices to the council. A motion was made to split the order, giving American Rubber an order for 400 feet of 2 1/2 inch hose and 100 feet of 1 1/2 inch hose, and Munnell, Sherrill, Inc., an order for 350 feet of 2 1/2 inch fire hose and 150 feet of 1 1/2 inch hose.

The council decided to cooperate with the grade school board by ditching in front of the upper grade school building while grounds of the school are being graded and leveled. The library board asked permission to put up a large state and U. S. flag on the walls of the council chamber, now being used for the library.

Plans are being formed to erect a new building, 28x40 feet north of the present city hall to house city equipment, reports correspondent Mrs. George Edwards.

## Free Spending Hotel Guest Shot To Death

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — A free-spending hotel guest was shot to death in his barricaded room on the 12th floor Thursday after a lobby gun battle which wounded two policemen and a young woman bystander.

The man, who had registered Sunday as Nolan Carter, Portland, Ore., was found dead after police had flooded the 12th floor with tear gas and finally shot through his locked door. Police said it was not determined whether Carter shot himself or was shot by police.

Robert Callis, assistant manager of the hotel, the Sheraton-Lincoln in downtown Indianapolis, said the man started exchanging shots with Det. Sgt. James Partain, 52, after an argument about paying his hotel bill.

Partain was wounded seven times in the gun battle in front of the clerk's desk in the 14-story hotel, one of the biggest in Indianapolis.

Also wounded in the lobby shooting were Raymond Cooper, 36, a policeman who had been directing traffic at the busy street intersection outside, and Miss Connie Caille, 19, a Crawfordville, Ind., woman, who was walking into the lobby.

The man fled and barricaded himself in his room.

Callis said he called Carter to the desk to ask for a payment because Carter had been piling up a big hotel bill.

Callis became suspicious of Carter's manner in writing a check. The hotel man said Partain walked into the lobby just as Carter pulled a gun and said:

"You are all going up to my room. Walk naturally across the lobby or you are going to get it. An assistant manager was included.

## Court Authorizes Road Department To Buy Equipment

Expenditure of almost \$20,000 for new road department equipment was authorized by the county court this week.

Bids for two 14-passenger carryalls, three 8-passenger carryalls and two dump trucks were received. After the offers had been studied by Al May, county engineer, he made his recommendations which were accepted by the court.

Hansen Motor Co. was low bidder for the 14-passenger carryalls with a price of \$4,768.44. Canyon Motor Co., Canyonville, offered to supply two International Metro school buses for \$7,178.50.

Hansen also submitted the successful bid for the smaller carryalls, \$5,767, for three Chevrolet personnel carriers. Lockwood Motors offered to supply three Ford conversions for \$5,518.90 but it was decided that the factory models offered by Hansen would be more satisfactory. Also bidding were Sig Felt, International, \$6,228; Marcus Motors, Dodge, \$6,051; Canyon Motors, \$6,256.

Four firms bid on two 3-4 yard dump trucks. Lockwood Motors was successful with a low bid of \$8,501. The other bidders were Hansen, \$10,704; Sig Felt, \$9,471.50; Canyon Motor Co., \$10,170.

## Junkman, Physician Dual Role Bared In Attempt To Settle Dead Man's Estate

NEW YORK (AP) — A contention that a Queens physician led a dual life as a Brooklyn junkman formed the basis Thursday of a claim to the junkman's \$400,000 estate.

The physician was Dr. Vincent E. Judson, who supposedly died in 1941. The junkman was Harry Chapin Smith, who died supposedly penniless in a Brooklyn hotel Oct. 24, 1951. Months after Smith was buried in potter's field, investigators found that he had left \$250,000 in 60 savings accounts and \$100,000 in stocks.

The issue pivots about a photograph of Smith taken at a Harvard reunion and published in Life magazine shortly before he died. Some persons who have seen the picture contend it is a picture of Smith, but others insist it is a picture of Dr. Judson.

The picture is in the hands of Nathan Sweedler, Brooklyn Surrogate Court referee, who has been asked to postpone final settlement of the Smith estate.

The dual identity theory began to develop through an investigation conducted by Walter Tate, of Brooklyn. Tate said his father, now dead, told him Harry Chapin Smith was his uncle, the half-brother of Walter's mother.

Tate said his father told him Smith had a long-lost son, and asked him to see that this son was found and obtained his rightful legacy if Smith should die.

The only clue to the son was Brooklyn city orphan asylum. When Tate learned belatedly of Smith's death, he started a search and in the Brooklyn Hall of Records he met Elmore Smith, who was trying to learn the identity of his parents.

Tate questioned Elmore Smith and the answers seemed to fit the vague details his father had told him years before. A trip to the asylum—now Brookwood Hall—disclosed that Elmore Smith, 4, had been registered there by a man claiming to be his father. The boy was placed in a foster home in 1902.

Tate found a 1903 newspaper story that said a man named Dr. Vincent Edward Judson had tried to take Elmore Smith away from his foster home.

The newspaper accounts mentioned that Dr. Judson claimed to know Elmore Smith's mother and father. Tate then began to wonder whether Dr. Judson himself was the father.

Claimants to the Smith estate introduced the Life magazine picture of Smith to support their case. Tate began showing the picture to persons in Manhattan, Queens, who had known Dr. Judson. With varying degrees of certainty, they said the photo of Harry Chapin Smith looked like a photo of Dr. Judson.

Elmore Smith's counsel told the referee "we believe that some person was buried... in place of Dr. Judson. And we believe Dr. Judson assumed his identity as Harry Chapin Smith of Brooklyn on a full-time basis."

## Escaped Convict Complies Meekly To Police Orders

DALLAS, Ore. (AP) — Escaped convict Taylor was captured Wednesday in the Dallas railroad yards, tired and hungry after spending two days in the hills west of Salem.

Police had searched for Taylor, 40, since he broke out of a Salem courtroom and fled officers Monday. Another convict, Leonard Miller, 25, was unsuccessful in his try to break out with Taylor.

Acting Police Chief Jim Green, who captured Taylor, said the convict complied meekly when ordered to lie down. Taylor, however, did not admit who he was until taken to Polk County jail.

Wearing the same clothes as when he escaped, Taylor told police that he stayed in the hills Monday night and Tuesday. He said he had nothing to eat, kept out of sight and did not enter any homes.

Then, early Wednesday morning, Taylor said he decided to go to Dallas. So he hopped a freight train.

But his downfall came when he tried to get a drink at an outside faucet in Dallas. He was spotted by a householder, who called police.

Taylor said he made the break because he was not getting proper medical and dental care. He is serving nine years on an assault and robbery charge filed in Portland.

## Orvid Guy Rogers Lookingglass, Dies

Orvid Guy Rogers, 81, well-known resident of Lookingglass and Spanish American War Veteran, passed away at a local hospital early Thursday, following a prolonged period of ill health.

He was born at Monticello, Ark. Dec. 31, 1875 and enlisted in the U. S. Army during the Spanish American War. He later resided in Brooklyn, N. Y., where he was married to Anna Ludwig June 21, 1909. He came from Brooklyn in 1916 to Lookingglass where he was engaged in farming and fruit raising. He was a member of the Presbyterian church and the Lookingglass Grange.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Emma Rogers, Lookingglass; five children, Mrs. H. S. (Dorothy) Hensell, Alexandria, Va.; Mrs. Brooks (Lucia) Smith, Marietta, Ga.; Mrs. Oscar (Margaret) Maier, Garden City, Calif.; Mrs. Durward (Virginia) Owens, Roseburg; and Orvid G. Rogers, Jr., Cottage Grove. He also is survived by a sister, Mrs. Merle Scodins, Blythe, Calif., fourteen grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services will be held in the chapel of the Long & Orr mortuary, Saturday, at 2 p. m., with the Rev. Clarence Currier officiating. Including services and interment will follow in the Lookingglass cemetery.

## Fishing Minus Tag Nets Fines To Two

Two California fishermen apparently are now sure they can't trust another fisherman.

The two, Kenneth L. Dodd and Allen W. Wegner, both of Englewood, Calif., were each fined \$20 in Douglas County District Court Wednesday after pleading guilty to angling without licenses in Diamond Lake.

This is the story they told Judge Warren Woodruff. They were walking toward the lake when they met two other fishermen coming from the lake. They asked how fishing was, were told it was not too good. Then, they asked if a fishing license was necessary. The fishermen replied, "No, it's a private lake."

It wasn't too much later that state game officer R. F. Rousseau arrested the Californians on the lake for not having licenses.

**RADFORD DECORATED**

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Eisenhower Thursday awarded a distinguished service medal to Adm. Arthur W. Radford to mark Radford's retirement as chairman of the joint chiefs of staff.

## Cynthia Blomberg, Drain Resident, Passes At Tacoma

Cynthia Ann Blomberg, a resident of Drain for the past 50 years, died at a Tacoma, Wash., hospital Tuesday at the age of 77.

She was born Cynthia A. Kincaid, Feb. 18, 1880, at Syracuse, New York, and was married to Frank Blomberg of Drain, and Willard Blomberg of Spokane Wash.; three daughters, Mrs. Viola Karnath of Camas, Wash., Mrs. Kay Felty, of Tacoma, Wash., and Mrs. Clara Applegate of Drain; eleven grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; one brother, George Kincaid of Lakeview; and one sister, Mrs. Minnie Galt of Flint, Mich.

Funeral services will be held at the Drain Methodist Church Friday at 2 p. m. Interment will be in the Drain IOOF Cemetery. Mrs. Blomberg was in charge of arrangements.

## Detonator Blast Rocks Big Area; Injuries Minor

BOSTON (AP) — A terrific explosion in a construction project containing dynamic caps Thursday rocked the Bay View section of South Boston, damaging more than 100 homes, but injuring only a few persons. Officials said sabotage might be involved.

The blast — near the entrance of a Boston Metropolitan District sewage tunnel under construction — hurled metal and splintered glass over a mile area.

The explosion, endangering thousands of residents, shook some from bed and showered the area with the dangerous caps. Police cruisers with sound equipment sounded the district warning of the danger.

"Don't pick up the yellow caps on your lawns or porches — call a policeman or fireman," was the warning sounded over the air.

MDC Commissioner Charles W. Graves, tunneling contractor, said he was involved, but he did not elaborate. The MDC controls the project where the blast occurred.

Two hundred patrolmen sped into the area to search for caps blown over a wide section by the explosion.

Minor cuts from flying glass and debris appeared to be the extent of personal injuries.

The explosion blew debris, including steel pipes and wooden beams, over a wide area.

Broken windows and fallen plaster were reported in hundreds of residences in the South Boston, Dorchester and Hyde Park districts of Boston, and in Milton, Dedham, Hull and Squantum.

The blast was in a 25-foot metal shed at the South Boston Entrance to a sewage tunnel project. A nearby shed containing a "mound" of dynamite was not affected by the explosion.

## Accused Russian Spy Believed On Way To New York

EDINBURGH, Tex. (AP) — Rudolf Ivanovich Abel, a thin, balding alien accused of being a top Russian spy was removed from jail Thursday and presumably flown to New York.

Deputy U. S. Marshal Gerald Jones left a note for a fellow marshal that he was taking Abel from the Hidalgo County jail, but didn't say where or how.

Abel had been held at a detention camp at McAllen, Tex., awaiting deportation when the spy indictment was returned in New York Wednesday.

Commercial airlines here said they had no booking for the prisoner, who has been described as a colonel in Russian intelligence.

Federal Judge Allen B. Hannay late Wednesday signed an order at Houston for Abel's removal to New York. The deputy U. S. marshal was to arrange for Abel's quick return.

Abel, 35, a colonel of Russian intelligence, was arraigned here Wednesday on espionage charges returned in a federal grand jury indictment in Brooklyn.

## Confirmation Of McElroy Believed Sure

WASHINGTON (AP) — Senate leaders said today that Neil H. McElroy, soap company executive, should win speedy confirmation as secretary of defense.

But he must wait at least a week and agree to dispose of his holdings in some corporations that now have defense and government contracts.

The nomination of McElroy, 52, president of Procter & Gamble Co., went to the Senate Wednesday afternoon a few hours after President Eisenhower had described him as "one of the most capable men and the highest type of people that I know in the country."

He succeeds Secretary of Defense Charles E. Wilson, 67, whose formal resignation was sent to the White House.

"He's a fine man," Sen. Knowland (R-Calif.), Senate Republican leader, said of McElroy. "As far as I know there will be no trouble about confirmation."

No date was announced for McElroy's taking over the post, but in Cincinnati McElroy said it probably would be a couple of months.

## YMCA Picnic Set Friday At Susan Creek Park

Approximately 100 boys are expected to attend a Y.M.C.A. picnic Friday at Susan Creek State Park, Bob Keady, program director, reports.

The group will leave by chartered bus from Central Junior High School at 9:30 a. m. and return to the school by 4:30 p. m. The boys will participate in games, cooking, hiking, swimming and fishing.

Y.M.C.A. summer activities will be climaxed Thursday, Aug. 15, with a Gymkhana in Central Junior High School at 7:30 p. m.

## Killed Pilot New At Flying 'Copters

James Bruce Forster, 29, had been flying helicopters for the Forest Service just 31 days when he was killed Tuesday night in a crash at Illabe Rock.

The pilot, who lived at Berkeley, Calif. with his wife and two children, had received his master's degree in engineering from the University of Southern California this spring and had taken a job with Rick Helicopters, Inc. of San Francisco.

He had been working out of Cave Junction on various assignments for the U. S. Forest Service and had come to the Umpqua Forest only a few days prior to the crash.

He is survived by his wife, Phyllis, a son, Randall, 7, and a daughter, Kim, 6 months. His father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. James Forster of Orinda, Calif., and a sister, Mrs. Richard Seymour, also survive.

The body was taken today from the Chapel of Roses to Berkeley for funeral services.

## Vagrancy Charge Nets Glide Man Jail Term

John Milton Flory, 22, Glide, pleaded guilty today in Roseburg Municipal Court to vagrancy and was sentenced to serve five days in the city jail.

He was arrested Wednesday night allegedly prowling around a house at 739 NE Jackson St. He was held for police by a reserve policeman who lives next door to the above address. He is Richard A. Harris of 749 NE Jackson Harris said he saw Flory standing near the house and then prowling around it. Harris said he went out and forced Flory to wait for police.

Flory told police he had seen someone prowling around the house and had been waiting to try to catch the illusory prowler. Today in court, however, he said he "had no business" at the house.

**WEEK-END SPECIALS**

<b>COLD PACK CANNERS</b>	<b>SALE</b>
Blue Enamel 7 Qt. Size With Rack	Charcoal Briquets
<b>1.77</b>	10 lb. Brg 88c
	LIGHTER FLUID qt. 59c
<b>CLEARANCE SALE</b>	
<b>WADING POOL</b> 9'x13" Steel Sides Reg. 19.95	<b>13.88</b>
<b>ELECTRIC MOWER</b> Sunbeam, Floor Sample Reg. 79.95	<b>49.88</b>
<b>CAR WASH BRUSHES</b> Attach to hose Reg. 3.19	<b>2.49</b>
<b>TENNIS OXFORDS</b> Childrens Reg. 1.89	<b>1.25</b>
<b>LAWN CHAIRS</b> Now Reduced	<b>1/3</b>
<b>ELECTRIC FANS</b> Now Reduced	<b>1/3</b>
<b>DROP SHADES</b> Bamboo, 10 Ft. Spec.	<b>2.88</b>
<b>BARBECUE GRILL</b> Reg. 19.95	<b>12.88</b>
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