

Government Losing Timber In Racket, Senate Is Told

WASHINGTON (AP)—Sen. John J. Williams, R-Del., told the Senate Wednesday that millions of dollars of valuable timber is being stripped from government lands under "the guise of filing a mining claim."

Williams cited a recent report by the comptroller general, who acts as a watchdog for Congress, that 12 mining patent claimants obtained rights on 1,100 acres of forest land for \$4,000 and then cut and sold over \$750,000 worth of timber.

Under a mining patent available for \$2.50 or \$5 an acre, Williams said, many claimants harvest the timber but carry on no mining operations.

Army Says No Roadblock Thrown In Path Of Swain

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Army says it didn't try to throw a roadblock in the way of William H. Mahoney's romance with a Korean girl.

Mahoney, of Riverside, Calif., had complained to West Coast newsmen the Army had stymied his efforts to marry the girl while he was stationed in Korea.

Bob Paxon Given Eagle Scout Rank

Another Roseburg Boy Scout has achieved the distinction of attaining the rank of Eagle Scout.

He is Bob Paxon, 14-year-old ninth grader at Joseph Lane Junior High School. He was presented the award Wednesday night by Mayor Peter Serafin.

According to Scoutmaster Ed Kenny, this is the first Eagle Award received by a scout of Troop 92, sponsored by the Roseburg Lions Club, in the 15 years of its existence.

Receiving Life Scout awards was Joe Howell, Harold Glover, district director for Douglas Fir District, made the presentation.

Star Scout honors, presented by Frank von Borstel, president of the sponsoring Lions Club, went to Ken Ayers and Gevin Brown.

Special merit badges were presented to Ken Ayers, Joe Howell, Gevin Brown and Ron Brown by Troop Committee Chairman Morton Fillmore.

First Class award went to Ron Brown, presented by assistant Scoutmaster Claude Baker; second class to Arthur Baker, Chris Sherwood and Mike Byrd, presented by Troop Committeeman Gordon Brown.

Receiving Tenderfoot awards from Scoutmaster Kenny were Steve Morrison and Randy Slater.

Returned To Roseburg
William D. Johnson, 43, Seattle, Wash., was returned to Roseburg Wednesday to face a charge of obtaining money by false pretenses.

Drain Man Arraigned On Non-Support Charge
Delbert J. Gurney, 30, of Star Rt., Drain, requested a preliminary hearing when arraigned in Douglas County District Court Wednesday on a charge of non-support.

William Lewis Usrey, 30, of 149 NE Pleasant, pleaded guilty to a charge of permitting a vicious animal (a dog) to run at large and was fined \$45 and costs. Execution of sentence was suspended for six months. Usrey was charged in a complaint by Mabel King filed May 16.

The three were arrested in Roseburg by city police in late April. Theodore L. Jones, 21, Myrtle Creek, has been bound over to the Douglas County Grand Jury under \$2,500 bail, following a preliminary hearing in the Justice Court of Nina W. Pletzdorf at Canyonville. He faces a charge of break and entering Dave's 76 Service Station at Myrtle Creek May 31.

A charge of non-support against Larry L. Parker has been dismissed by Judge Sanders on motion of the district attorney. Grounds were that he has been unemployed since the birth of the child involved and he has represented to the district attorney that he will support the child after procuring employment.

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Plane Wreckage Spotted From Air
SEATTLE (AP)—The wreckage of a small plane, its wings ripped off and its engine rammed back into the cabin, was spotted from the air Wednesday in the Olympic Mountains west of Brinnon.

Plans were made to send in a party to see if it was the plane in which three Renton men disappeared May 26.

County Court Awards Contracts For Items
The County Court has awarded two contracts for materials for use by the County Road Department this week.

Wednesday the court signed an order for two 2x8x 12 to 12-ton rollers with trade-ins with Balzer Machinery Co., Portland. The firm was low bidder May 28 for the rollers with \$11,900. Five other firms bid.

Attlee Leaves Hospital
LONDON (AP)—Lord Attlee, 79-year-old former Laborite prime minister, was discharged today from a hospital where he underwent surgery on a duodenal ulcer.

A hospital spokesman said he is making a very satisfactory recovery.



BEWARE! THE WORKERS — John Phillips, who lives in rural Knox County, Ind., has put this sign near his beehive to warn raspberry pickers that, while the male, or drone bee, can't sting, it's sister, the worker bee, can—and will (UPI Telephoto)

Democratic Tempers Flare In Massachusetts Battle

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. (UPI)—Ted Kennedy's political opponents charged that the Kennedy administration has turned on the heat here to help him win the Democratic nomination for U.S. senator.

The Democratic state convention opens today with Kennedy seeking the nomination against Edward J. McCormack Jr., nephew of House Speaker John W. McCormack. Both are backed by powerful Massachusetts machines, both are young and aggressive and both have the asset of being Irish Catholics.

Old Cow Creek Bridge Moved

The state Highway Department office in Roseburg reported today that the old bridge at Riddle over Cow Creek has been dismantled and moved to its new position to serve as a detour while a new bridge is being built in its place.

Meanwhile, pickets have gone back on the job. Pickets took up stations Wednesday morning and then were called off during the day when union officials decided the dismantling and move was an emergency job.

Today, Portland union officials said the iron workers were put on the picket line because some of the iron workers' jobs were being done by other trades. The officials said the iron workers are on strike in the state-wide dispute with Associated General Contractors but are picketing only when their work is being done by others.

The loser can enter the primary in the fall and doubtless will.

Some time after noon Friday there will be a roll call of the 1,700 delegates and either Kennedy or McCormack will win the convention's endorsement by simple majority vote.

Democratic conventions here have a history of violence and state leaders are seriously concerned lest fist fighting break out on the floor.

State Chairman John M. Lynch has reminded the delegates that they will be under the scrutiny of 200 reporters and television cameras and has urged them to stand on their dignity and be a credit to the Democratic party.

"If a fight breaks out between a couple of visitors," he said, "the cameras will cover the fight and forget about the solemn deliberations of the convention."

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The man who was arrested was identified only as an employee of a local television station. Police officers confiscated a book from the man and took some pictures from his companion.

"It shows weakness on their part," Goodman said when informed of the incident.

It was the first reported attempt by Soviet police to prevent Russian citizens from associating with members of Goodman's orchestra, which is on a six-week tour of the Soviet Union under the cultural exchange program.

Another minor incident occurred when Goodman's orchestra finished playing Wednesday night at an open air theater. A guard prevented his daughter, Rachel, from going backstage following the performance.

Just two days ago, Goodman said he had run into some minor restrictions but that they had "all cleared up."

Goodman said at the time that he "was rather miffed for awhile, but by and large the Russians have been very cooperative."

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U. N. Assembly Resumes Debate Over Ruanda-Urundi Independence

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. (AP)—The U.N. General Assembly resumes its 16th annual session today to debate whether to fix July 1 as independence day for Belgium's troubled African trust territory of Ruanda-Urundi, described by some delegates as a potential little Congo.

The 104-nation assembly has a request from 29 African and Asian delegations that it also discuss how to bring independence to the British territory of Southern Rhodesia, termed by some another South Africa.

The opening meeting this afternoon was set aside for a speech by Archbishop Makarios, visiting the United States and the U.N. for the first time since he became president of an independent Cyprus.

Reputed Leader Of Mafia Dies

BAYSHORE, N.Y. (UPI)—Joseph Profaci, 65, reputed Mafia leader described by Atty. Gen. Robert Kennedy as "the most powerful" underworld figure in the United States, died in a hospital here Wednesday night of advanced cancer of the liver, it was announced today.

Profaci, who maintained a facade as a respectable olive oil importer with extensive business interests in Brooklyn, was admitted to Southside Hospital in this Long Island community Tuesday.

Despite his reputation as a key figure in the dreaded Mafia, the only time Profaci ever spent behind bars was as a young man in his native Italy when, at the age of 20, he was sent to jail for a year.

The wealthy Italian immigrant, who came here in 1921, was arrested on a gun charge in 1928 when he was picked up at an underworld convention in Cleveland which was described as a Mafia council meeting. Nothing ever came of the charge.

He managed to stay out of the limelight, but not police investigators' files, until November, 1957, when along with 64 other underworld figures he was seized at the infamous Apalachin, N.Y., gangland convention.

Soviet Bloc Nations Talking Economics

MOSCOW (AP)—Leaders of seven European countries in the Soviet bloc went into their second session today to unite and coordinate their economic efforts.

Doors were barred to outsiders—and renegade Albania—for the meeting that may bring forth a Red counterpart to the flourishing West European Common Market.

Moscow newspapers made bare mention of the secret conference but the Soviet government newspaper Izvestia already had underscored that the time has come for more centralization of the Red bloc's economies.

Izvestia said Wednesday that the objective laws of economic development now demand that the East European nations move from "foreign trade forms of cooperation to direct production of operation, coordination of the plans of all branches of the national economy."

What steps would be taken were not spelled out, but Izvestia predicted that great unity would emerge from the conference.

Geological Group To Visit Roseburg
The Geological Society of the Oregon Country, with headquarters in Portland, is focusing its spotlight Saturday and Sunday on Douglas and Josephine counties.

A 15-car caravan containing members of the society will make a two-day field trip through the two counties, starting Saturday noon at the Douglas County Fairgrounds in Roseburg. The tour will end at Grants Pass late Sunday.

Included among the points of interest to be visited in the two counties are the Hanna Mining Co. installations at Riddle, the Golden and Joe-Joe placer mines and the old gold dredge on Pleasant Creek.

William Freer, publicity chairman of the society, says the trip, led by professionals, is one of the highlights of the society's calendar. Leading the group will be Len Ramp and Norm Peterson of the Grants Pass office of the Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries.

Sands, Legal Snarl Hold Luxury Boat

NEAH BAY, Wash. (UPI)—The \$70,000 luxury cruiser Phoebe remained on the beach about 14 miles south of here today, entrapped by the sands and a legal snarl over the salvage job.

The 42-foot cruiser was en route to the Seattle World's Fair from Portland, Ore., June 1 when she ran into a gale off the Washington coast and hit the rocks near Cape Alava.

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Mr. and Mrs. Russell Woodruff and their son, Russell, Jr., were removed from the vessel which later floated free from the rocks and on to the beach about eight miles further north.

The Insurance Co. of North America called for bids on the salvage job and said John Sweatt and Ron Little, both of Port Angeles, were low bidders at \$9,000 to deliver the Phoebe to Port Angeles.

The firm said a Makah Indian group also wanted the salvage job at a bid of \$12,000.

Sweatt said when he and Little arrived at the scene shortly after midnight Wednesday, a party of about 10 Indians including at least one packing a gun met them and handed them a restraining order signed by Mahak Tribal Judge V. R. Bunn, Deputy Clifford Johnson and Mrs. Esther Elvrum, a tribal member.

The order said the cruiser was on Makah Indian Reservation land and Sweatt and Little were forbidden to board the Phoebe or remove her.

Diamond Lake Trout Fishing Said Good

Fishermen planning to test the waters of Diamond Lake over the weekend will be heartened by the news that the fish are biting hard.

That was the word today from Larry Neely, co-operator of the campground at the lake. He said in the past two days fishing has increased appreciably with 2 1/2 to 3 pound Kamloops trout making the strikes.

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