

Government OK's Funds for Amazon

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The federal government has released \$318,000 for immediate use on the Amazon flood control project here, Eugene City Manager Oren King announced a permanent channel leading from the west end of Eugene, via a diversion route, into Fern Ridge reservoir. This will be preliminary to construction of a reinforced concrete channel to contain the stream in its course through Eugene.

The entire project calls for expenditures of \$1,068,000. So far, Congress has appropriated \$400,000. This amount was frozen when the Korean war started and has held up work until part of the funds were released today.

A Southern Pacific Freight Train Was Derailed . . .

. . . when it was mysteriously shunted to a spur track 20 miles south of town Tuesday. The locomotive and 20 cars were demolished; six crewmen were injured, one seriously.

A railroad official, who declined use of his name, said the accident was "a clear case of sabotage." He said the lock on the spur switch had been broken, the switch opened, and the signal changed so the light would be green for the train approaching on the main line.

The cars narrowly missed two 20,000-gallon storage tanks as they piled up on the track after the engine hit an empty gas tank car and overturned. The tank car was standing on the 100-yard-long spur track and it was only by chance, rail men said, that it was empty. The schedule had called for a full tanker to be spotted there some time earlier.

Gen. George Marshall Wound Up His Testimony . . .

. . . before Senate committees Tuesday saying that the United Nations' aim to win the Korean war by inflicting "terrific casualties" on the Chinese Communists, breaking their morale, and destroying their trained armies.

He was at the Capital for the second day defending those policies against the bitter attack made by Gen. Douglas MacArthur, deposed Far Eastern commander who contends they offer nothing but a "bloody stalemate."

Marshall told the senators, too, that he is "disturbed" about the possible effect on United Nations men in Korea of statements from their commander (MacArthur) "which accentuate the casualties that they are suffering and in effect that it is without justified purpose.

"We should find some way," Marshall said, "of proceeding with this investigation that does not destroy us in the field by serious reaction in the way of morale."

Marshall said the administration's plan for Korea has been to "inflict the greatest number of casualties we could in order to break down not only the morale, but the trained fabric of the Chinese armies."

They Threw the Switch on Willie McGee . . .

. . . shortly after midnight Monday in Mississippi. His death in the electric chair at the state prison ended years of legal battle overshadowed recently by political issues founded on his Negro race and conviction of raping a white woman. The case attracted world-wide attention.

Up until the final hour, supporters sought a stay of execution from Gov. Fielding Wright; U. S. District Judge Sidney Mize at Jackson, Miss.; U. S. Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals Judge Wayne G. Borah at New Orleans; Associated U. S. Supreme Court Justice Hugo Black; and Chief Justice Fred Vinson of the United States Supreme Court. Governor Wright had once before declined executive clemency asked by members of the Civil Rights Congress.

Wright several weeks ago attributed the thousands of telegrams, letters and phone calls he received at least in part as far distant as Red China.

Political demonstrations at Jackson, Miss., and Washington, D. C., marked the final efforts making this past week-end to save McGee. Yesterday, about 25 persons picketing the Whitehouse carried signs saying "Old soldiers never die—but lynch victims do" and "You fired MacArthur—now fire Jim Crow."

The Dean of Students at WSC Resigned . . .

. . . Tuesday because recent action by the regents "created a situation so untenable to me that I have no other recourse." The dean, William G. Craig, announced his resignation in a letter to the president of the board of regents, James A. McCluskey, Spokane.

The regents on April 27, among other resolutions decided the student activities office will be consolidated with the Office of the Dean of Students as an economy move.

"I regret that the board of regents did not consult with our office in working out a solution to whatever problem prompted this move," Craig said in his letter of resignation.

"Taking such action without administrative consultation places me in a position where I cannot request the confidence of the student personnel staff, expect the support of the students, nor feel the confidence of the board of regents."

Wednesday Was the Sixth Anniversary of V-E Day . . .

. . .—Victory in Europe—the day when Nazi Germany surrendered to the United Nations forces in Europe. Eastern Europeans dutifully trumpeted the day as a great victory anniversary of the Red Army.

Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, Western Allies' supreme commander in World War II, inspected Belgian military airfields in a chilling rain.

The man who received Germany's unconditional surrender in Reims, France, May 8, 1945 went quietly about his business of shoring up Europe's defenses against the towering military giant, Russia, a former ally.

In East Germany, Soviet zone Communists gathered for a ceremony at the Red Army's Memorial Park in Treptow. Speakers eulogized the Red Army as the saviour of Europe.

New Yorkers Will Have to Learn to Walk . . .

. . . if the elevator strike there continues. American Federation of Labor Building Service Workers struck 60 commercial buildings Tuesday, paralyzing elevator operations in some Manhattan skyscrapers.

The walkout over wages and working conditions hit the towering structures just before the lunch hour. Hundreds of office workers hoofed it to the street, then climbed back long flights of stairs with food for fellow employees. Others just skipped lunch.

The strike started in downtown Manhattan, then spread to other buildings. About 500 workers are involved. A strike of apartment house employees is threatened.

Investigators Find KWAX Has 1,762 Potential Listeners in Living Groups

"The Voice of the Ducks" has 1,762 potential listeners in living organizations on the campus.

This figure was established by Dave Strauss and George Drougas, juniors in speech. These KWAX men called each campus organization and asked if they had an FM radio in their lounge. Then they checked with the dormitory office to ascertain the number of students living in the houses and dormitories that had FM receivers. In this way, many were able to find out how many students living on the campus could listen to KWAX in their own living organizations.

Strauss and Drougas found that 943 men could hear the voices from Villard, in comparison to 819 potential women listeners. There are 27 living organizations which have FM radios, and 20

which do not. The 1,762 students that can easily tune in to the University 10-watter at 88.1 megacycles on their FM radio dial are members of these living organizations:

Beta Theta Pi, Chi Psi, Gamma Hall, Lambda Chi Alpha, Omega Hall, Phi Gamma Delta, Pi Kappa Phi Mu, Sigma Chi, Sigma Hall, Sigma Phi Epsilon, Tau Kappa Epsilon, Phi Kappa Psi, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Alpha Chi Omega.

Alpha Gamma Delta, Alpha Omicron Pi, Alpha Phi, Alpha Xi Delta, Ann Judson, Carson Hall, Chi Omega, Delta Gamma, Hendricks Hall, Kappa Alpha Theta, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Pi Beta Phi, and Sigma Kappa.

Drougas and Strauss are now starting to work on a poll of those people who live in Eugene and know about KWAX and listen to it. "We shall also attempt to find out the KWAX listening habits of those people in living organizations with FM radios," Strauss announced.

Reservations Available

A limited number of reservations are still available for the faculty fireside to be held at the home of R. C. McCall, head of the speech department, Tuesday evening.

Students wishing to attend should call the YMCA or YWCA offices no later than Monday. The group attending will meet at 7 p.m. at Gerlinger the evening of the event.

"Pioneering for the Battle of the Human Mind," is to be the topic of discussion. Sponsored by the YMCA and YWCA, the fireside is one of a series which have been held at the homes of faculty members to foster better relations between instructors and students.

Dancing Cancelled

The beginners' class in square dancing, scheduled from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. today, and the meeting of the square dancing club have been cancelled this week, according to Miss Rosamond Wentworth, instructor.

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