

GASOLINE LIMIT VEXES MOTORISTS

Companies Held to Blame in Many Instances.

WORK HAVING EFFECT

1000 Cars Believed to Have Been Kept Off Streets but There Is Much Yet to Be Done.

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do not comply with the restrictions danger exists that pleasure cars will necessarily be completely shut off from gasoline.

Yesterday automobiles lined up as if on parade at the service stations for service. Some took the 20 per cent allotment for passenger cars without complaint, while others dickered with attendants to gain more than the allotment.

Reports received from upstate indicated a continued serious condition. As fast as tank cars can be obtained gasoline is being shipped to communities throughout the state. Motorists outside of Portland are being urged to refrain from using gasoline for pleasure cars in order that all gasoline now being shipped can be utilized for trucks.

Care Urged on Everyone. In Portland, industrial truck drivers are being urged to conserve gasoline by not permitting the motor to run when cars are not in motion. Automobile drivers are asked to shut off the gasoline supply while descending hills when possible, and to utilize every method possible to save gasoline during the present shortage.

According to the best estimates that can be obtained, the present acute shortage will continue throughout the month of June, with the exception of convalescent week, when stocks conserved from Portland allotments will be thrown on the market for use. From these conserved stocks it is also planned to ship gasoline to the agricultural districts. It is probable that during July a ration of not more than 40 per cent of tank capacity will be in vogue, and it is barely possible that the present ration of 20 per cent of tank capacity to pleasure cars and 75 per cent of tank capacity for commercial cars will be maintained. Relief from the shortage is expected in August at the latest, and may come in the latter part of next month.

FUEL OIL TO BE SHORT, TOO

Apartment Houses and Factories Will Be Hard Hit This Fall.

Uncertainty of the fall fuel oil situation is causing no end of worry among fuel oil users of Portland. Each user has been notified by the Standard Oil company announcing a 20 per cent reduction in the output on the Pacific coast next fall.

What really makes the situation serious to apartment house owners, building owners and manufacturers is the fact that no arrangement has yet been made for the allotment of the available supply.

The United States navy, railroads and essential industries will be supplied, so much is certain. It is probable that many fuel oil users will convert their burners to coal or wood, rather than take any chances in depending upon a fuel oil supply which is certain to be curtailed.

The fuel oil shortage on the Pacific coast is compounded by the gasoline shortage; for in the use of fuel oil for the refining of gasoline, lies the hope for an adequate gasoline supply. The Standard Oil company is expending approximately \$10,000,000 in Richmond, Cal., in developing a new cracking process for the refinement of gasoline. This process uses petroleum which in the past has been converted into fuel oil.

J. E. Balsley, district sales manager of the Standard Oil company explained that no definite statement on the fuel oil situation could be made at this time. A committee, he said, was working in San Francisco, preparing a plan of allotment of fuel oil.

ABERDEEN WANTS MIXTURE

25 Per Cent of Kerosene Would Be Used by Dealers.

ABERDEEN, Wash., June 4.—(Special.)—A mixture of 75 per cent gasoline and 25 per cent kerosene will be the only motor fuel sold in Grays Harbor county after tonight if plans now considered by the Grays Harbor Motor Dealers' association are adopted by dealers and gas service station operators.

"This pump is handling a mixture of 75 per cent gasoline and 25 per cent kerosene," is the sign that dealers now wish to place on every service station and garage pump in the county. The sign, already in use at many stations, further states: "It is necessary that this mixture be served in order that the supply of gasoline may be stretched to the limit. No bad effects will be noted in your motor from using this mixture. It is advisable that crank cases be drained of lubricating oil and motors washed out every 500 miles. A slightly heavier grade of lubricating oil should be used to overcome the effect of kerosene fumes on the cylinder walls."

ASTORIA PLANS TO CONSERVE

Pleasure Cars to Be Kept at Home to Save Supply.

ASTORIA, O., June 4.—(Special.)—Absolute elimination of the touring cars, as well as of many business cars and the most stringent conservation in the use of gasoline were decided upon at a meeting this afternoon of garage owners, cannery, business men and representatives of the oil companies.

President Sanborn of the chamber of commerce said there are only 95,000 gallons of gasoline on hand here now and no assurance that more will be received before July 1. Careful estimates, he added, show that 8-30 gallons a day are required to operate the fishing boats, mills, logging camps and essential deliveries.

GASOLINE SUPPLY ARRIVES

Tank Car Containing 800 Gallons Reaches Roseburg.

ROSEBURG, Or., June 4.—(Special.)—Just in the nick of time a tank car containing 800 gallons of gasoline arrived here at the Standard Oil company plant this afternoon, and was the means of keeping industry in this locality on the move.

Trucks and tractors were supplied and highway work that was dependent on gasoline will continue uninterruptedly. Pleasure cars will not be allowed to buy in material quantities and every effort will be made to conserve the supply until the crisis is past.

BOARDING GASOLINE RISKY

Warning Issued That Offenders Will Be Prosecuted.

Hoarders of gasoline during the present shortage will be prosecuted under the fire prevention ordinance, according to a decision last night at a conference between Chief of Police Jenkins and Fire Marshal Grenfell. Mayor Baker instructed the chief and the fire marshal to devise means to prevent hoarding.

The fire prevention ordinance makes it unlawful for any person to keep more than one quart of gasoline on his premises without obtaining a permit from the fire marshal. The marshal plans to refuse permits to would-be hoarders. Sergeant Schaefer of the police bureau and six patrolmen and six firemen have been ordered to begin searching for violators of the ordinance today.

The firemen were added to the police squad because the city ordinance permits them to enter houses and make inspection for fire hazards without obtaining search warrants.

VANCOUVER SHORTAGE WORSE

Motorists Exhaust Supplies and Fail in Attempt to Get More.

VANCOUVER, Wash., June 4.—(Special.)—The gasoline shortage is even worse today, as more cars have exhausted the supplies they had. A car of coal oil arrived and was available today, and a large number of touring cars used it. An ounce of other is mixed with each gallon of kerosene used. Only a small percentage of the normal supply of gasoline reached the city, and this was exhausted within a short time. Only trucks get gasoline.

Conservation Is Urged.

ALBANY, Or., June 4.—(Special.)—The Albany chamber of commerce has issued an appeal to all owners of pleasure cars in Albany to lock them up in the garages until the gasoline shortage is relieved in order to conserve the supply for trucks and vehicles used in essential industries. The situation here has not improved, and representatives of the oil companies report that a scarcity may exist for weeks.

Stored Gasoline Stolen.

PROSSER, Wash., June 4.—(Special.)—Emery Mahan, anticipating a gasoline shortage, stored 320 gallons in a private tank, then departed on a fishing trip from which he returned this morning and discovered that the entire supply of gasoline had been stolen during his absence.

CHURCH STANDS BY LABOR

TRIAL IN SHARING AND CONTROLLING INDUSTRIES URGED.

Community Convention of Denomination of Christ Is Brought to Close.

CLEVELAND, O., June 4.—A labor platform was favored by the church and community convention of the commission on federation of the federal councils of churches of Christ in America, which closed here yesterday.

The platform calls for recognition by the united churches of labor and fraternal conferences of labor leaders and employers under Christian auspices.

Community free speech forums. The co-operative movement of labor as a preparation for industrial democracy.

Experiments in sharing in and control of industries by labor. "There are interests in this country that would give millions of dollars to suppress this report," Chairman P. Smith of the social service committee declared.

The labor clauses turned the morning meeting into a general discussion of socialism and radical issues. While culminating in no action, because the convention had no legislative power, the discussion revealed a remarkable unanimity of opinion that the churches recognize the fact that labor is demanding and worthy of a new station in civilization.

Colonel Raymond Robins and Rev. Harry E. Fosdick of New York addressed the closing session. "The witch hunters of America, from the attorney-general down, are doing more for bolshevism than any socialist box orator," Colonel Robins said.

Rev. Harry E. Fosdick declared that the administration was displaying ingenuity in discovering more limits to which idocy can go.

CANADIAN PAPER WANTED

House Resolution Asks President to Appoint Commission.

WASHINGTON, June 3.—The Underwood resolution requesting the president to appoint a commission to confer with the Canadian government in regard to the cancellation of certain restrictive orders on the exportation of pulp wood, newspaper and other print paper from Canada to the United States was adopted last night by the house without a record vote.

Under the resolution the commission would be required to report to the president before next December what action should be taken by congress that would aid in obtaining the cancellation of the orders.

SCHOOL TAX SUPPORTED

J. L. Etheridge Announces Himself as Advocate of Measure.

Failure of the taxpayers in the Portland school district to vote the \$26,000 tax at the regular school election, June 19, will prove to be an

It's a Fact!

Judge Ben Lindsey, of Denver Juvenile Court fame, says, "The Chautauqua is America's fourth great institution. The other three are the Home, the School and the Church."

ELLISON-WHITE

MUSIC-LYCEUM-CHAUTAUQUAS UNDER THREE FLAGS—ON TWO HEMISPHERES PORTLAND CALGARY AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND

UNDER-SECRETARY IS TIRED OF STATE JOB

Mr. Polk Tenders Resignation to Wilson.

FIVE-YEAR SERVICE ENDS

President Regrets Loss of Department Official and Pays Tribute to His Devotion.

WASHINGTON, June 4.—Under-Secretary of State Frank L. Polk has tendered his resignation to President Wilson, who has accepted it, effective June 12. It is understood that Norman S. Davis, an assistant secretary of the treasury and one of the economic advisers of the American peace delegates at Paris, will succeed him.

Mr. Polk retires because of his health. He has served in the state department for five years—first as a counselor and then as assistant secretary. He was appointed under-secretary last year when that office was created by special act of congress.

Mr. Polk will take a rest before returning to the practice of law in New York city.

President Regrets Loss.

The under-secretary's letter of resignation was not made public, but the president's reply was given out at the White House. It said: "My dear Polk—The argument of necessity on account of your health in the matter of your retirement is one which I am stopped from answering or combating. I feel that I have in conscience and warm friendship no choice but to accept your resignation, though I do so with the utmost reluctance and wish again to express the admiration I have felt for the devoted and intelligent way in which you have performed your duties in the department. We shall all miss you and the public service will be poorer on account of your loss. With the warmest good wishes, cordially and faithfully yours, WOODROW WILSON."

Polk Twice Promoted.

Mr. Polk entered government service in 1916, as a counselor for the state department. Later he was made an assistant secretary of state, and last year was elevated to the post of under-secretary when that office was created by special act of congress.

When Secretary Lansing returned from the Paris peace conference last summer Mr. Polk was sent abroad to take his place, and he acted as head of the American delegation until the conference adjourned last December.

Before entering government service Mr. Polk was corporation counsel for the city of New York, and before that he was a member of the New York civil service commission.

BOYS' LIFE MELODRAMA

13-YEAR-OLD RUNAWAYS ARE FOUND IN WILDERNES.

Log Used as Canoe to Cross Lake Washington and Escape From Mercer Parental School.

SEATTLE, Wash., June 4.—(Special.)—After surviving perils which might have taken place in a motion picture melodrama, two 13-year-old boys who ran away from the Parents' school on Mercer island last Wednesday were found by deputy sheriffs Friday afternoon in a wilderness retreat near Klahhane, on the shore of Lake Washington, two miles from Juanita. The boys had escaped from the Parental school on Mercer island and paddled several miles across Lake Washington on a log.

Deputy Sheriffs Connor, Kearney and Von Gerste found the lads while looking for a still.

The boys who gave their names as Comfort Harding and Henry Knowles left Mercer island on a log, using sticks as paddles. One of the boys could not swim, but luck was with them, for if occasionally the log rolled over, both managed to cling to it.

"It was pretty tough going," confessed one of the lads, when they were taken to the sheriff's office. "It was awfully slow and there were times when we didn't think we'd make it."

The farther shore of the lake finally was reached, however, and they took to the woods to hide. Wednesday and Thursday nights the boys slept in the woods. They had nothing to eat other than a jar of beans.

Criminal Syndicalism Charged.

CENTRALIA, Wash., June 4.—(Special.)—Information was filed yesterday in the superior court charging East Nolan of this city with criminal syndicalism. The complaint alleges that on November 11, 1919, the date of Centralia's Armistice day tragedy, Nolan was a member of and organizer for the Industrial Workers of the World.

education handicap which the city of Portland can ill afford to bear, asserts John L. Etheridge, who announced himself yesterday as an advocate of the proposed special levy. "The people of Portland can well be proud of the public school system which has been built here during recent years. From the standpoint of elementary education this city can take its place with any in the country, but in order to retain this enviable position it cannot afford to neglect a demand as urgent as its building programme at this time. "At the recent state election the people of Oregon willingly voted a substantial majority for an additional state tax which will provide sufficient revenue for the adequate payment of teachers. But here in Portland the benefits of this tax will be lost unless additional funds for buildings are voted."

\$250 REWARD IS OFFERED

George Miller Released on Being Declared Not Man Wanted.

ROSEBURG, Or., June 4.—(Special.)—Sheriff Quine today posted a reward of \$250 for information leading to the apprehension and conviction of the man who attacked Mrs. Gibson Hamilton of Reuben last Saturday. George Miller, a prominent nose, was released yesterday when Mrs. Hamilton declared he was not the man.

She describes her assailant as between 40 and 50 years of age, about 6 feet tall, weighing probably 175 pounds, square, prominent nose, brown hair, reddish face and smooth shaven at the time. He wore a dark soft hat, corduroy trousers and dark coat.

LOVELL DIVORCE IS ON

Violent Tempers, Cruel Treatment and Infidelity Charged.

HOOD RIVER, Or., June 4.—(Special.)—The divorce case of Mrs. Grace W. Lovell against C. E. Lovell, Odell blacksmith, testimony in which was begun today before Circuit Judge Fred W. Wilson, of the Dalles, has created a sensation. Mrs. Lovell has filed a cross-complaint that she has been ill-treated and violent temper on the part of the other. Mr. Lovell alleges improper conduct on the part of his wife with W. D. Merrill, formerly of Hoquiam, and later a resident of Portland.

ACADEMY HOLDS REUNION

New Building at Wilbur Will Be Dedicated Today.

ROSEBURG, Or., June 4.—(Special.)—The homecoming of the old academy students will take place tomorrow to attend the annual reunion at Wilbur, which is directed by Rev. J. H. Wilbur, a Methodist missionary to the Indians, many of the school's graduates are serving the state in various capacities.

Included in the programme for tomorrow is the dedication of a fine new brick structure that will take the place of the old academy building. Prominent educators from all over the state are expected to be present.

CEREAL PROSPECTS FAIR

Wheat Crop Above Average in India Promised This Year.

WASHINGTON, June 4.—A dispatch to the department of agriculture today from the International Institute of Agriculture, Rome, Italy, said the 1920 production of wheat in British India would be 34,900,000 bushels, or 130.1 per cent of the 1919 production and 103.4 per cent of a five-year average, 1914-1918.

The condition of cereals May 1 was average in Great Britain, Ireland, France, Hungary, Portugal, Egypt, Morocco. There was drought in South Italy and Algeria.

WHEAT OPENS AT \$2.50

Small Lots Purchased at Walla Walla at Record Price.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., June 4.—(Special.)—Small lots of wheat have been bought here for July and August delivery for \$2.50 a bushel. There has been no general buying, however, and there will be none for some time, according to grainmen, who say the purchases are made on special orders, all of which have been filled.

This is the highest that wheat has ever opened here.

Turkish Armistice Signed.

PARIS, June 4.—An armistice convention with Mustapha Kemal Pasha, chief of Turkish nationalist forces in Asia Minor, has been signed at Bey-

On Convention's Eve Party Leaders Consult "Digest" Poll for Guidance

The deep interest that has been aroused throughout the nation by THE LITERARY DIGEST poll of 11,000,000 voters, and the influence that the results may have upon the Republican presidential choice next week, are indicated by the requests by telephone, by telegraph, and through the mails from party leaders everywhere asking for the latest returns. The fact that in almost every case the results of THE DIGEST poll have corroborated the decisions of the people at party primaries would seem to indicate that it accurately registers the people's choices for President.

In THE LITERARY DIGEST for June 5th the poll enters its eighth week with a total number of ballots considerably in excess of 1,500,000. The votes of more than thirty candidates are tabulated State by State, and there is also a summary of the votes cast for second choice candidates.

Whether or not you feel that a "favorite son" or a "dark horse" will be led forth at the Republican Convention next week, you will do well to read and study the returns of THE DIGEST'S mammoth Presidential poll of the nation in this week's DIGEST. Other articles of great interest in this number are:

- H. C. L. Fighting for Its Life
- Does the Hullabaloo About Price-Slashing Mean That the Public Is Finding Any Real Reduction in the Cost of Living?
- What to Do to Avert a Food Crisis
- The Gompers Plan to Elect a Labor Congress
- The Railroads' Need of Unity
- After Carranza—What?
- Immigrants Coming Again
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- Collapse of the French General Strike
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- Poland's Hands, but Whose Voice?
- Are Welfare Work and Scientific Management Doomed?
- The Skin of the Earth
- The Camera as an Aid to Coaching Fortunes in War-Emergency Stamp and Money Issues
- A Prince as Art Critic
- Chautauqua and Its Founder
- How the States Rank Educationally
- America "Passing By on the Other Side"
- Saint Joan of Arc
- How the Y. M. C. A. Will Spend Its Surplus
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regroup too widely scattered forces in Syria.

Islands' Governor Renominated.

WASHINGTON, June 4.—Rear Ad-

miral Joseph W. Oman, United States navy, was renominated today by President Wilson to be governor of the Virgin Islands.

Read The Oregonian classified ads.

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