

SEVEN PLANES IN FIRE PATROL OVER OREGON'S TIMBER

Five Ships to Leave Sacramento
Monday to Join Two Others
Already in State for Work.

DISTRICTS ARE ALLOTTED

Blazes on Which Hours Are
Spent Seeking Will Be Easy
to Locate by Aerial Observers.

San Francisco, Aug. 2.—(U. P.)—Airplanes will Monday be regularly assigned to seeking out incipient forest fires in the Oregon forests. Colonel H. H. Arnold, chief aeronautic officer of the Western department, announced tonight. Seven airplanes, all equipped with wireless, will be used in the patrol, operating from bases at Eugene, Salem and Roseburg.

The patrol flights will be made twice daily, the "beats" extending from Portland to Medford. The aviators will be on duty each day and will report to the nearest base by wireless the first indication of a forest fire.

Five planes will leave Mather field, Sacramento, Monday to join the patrol, which will cover an area 198 miles long and 40 miles wide. Two airplanes are already in the patrol area.

One patrol will operate between Roseburg and Medford, another between Roseburg and Eugene, a third between Eugene and Salem, and the fourth between Salem and Portland.

The final securing of airplanes for forest patrol work marks the accomplishment of another step in the forest fighting program of the Northwest long dreamed of by forest officials. Since the outbreak of the airplane, and especially since the beginning of the year, has its possibilities appealed to the forest service, which has often met with difficulty in ascertaining the exact location of forest fires even from the high mountain lookouts.

The instance of the recent Bull Run fire, which Elijah Coalman reported from Mount Hood, but which firefighters spent hours in locating, is one example of the difficulty of ascertaining the exact location of a fire from a long distance range. Looking down from above through rarified atmosphere, the location and extent of the blaze can be seen at once, obtained and reported to ranger stations.

Forest supervisors are investigating suitable landing places for the planes. Supervisors T. H. Sherrard and F. H. Drundage of the Oregon and Columbia forests respectively, are now surveying the Columbia river region relative to landing spots.

The new wireless telephone which is being installed upon Mount Hood by Telephone Engineer C. M. Allen will probably be connected up with similar sets provided with the airplanes which will make direct communication possible between the planes and the look-out stations which can then be transmitted over wires to headquarters.

SMALL FIRES ALREADY SEEN BY PLANES ON DUTY

Salem, Aug. 2.—Forest patrol by airplane is entirely practical, according to F. A. Elliott, state forester, and H. H. Chapler, federal forest examiner, who were passengers today on a trial flight from Salem to Eugene and return in the two army planes which have been on patrol duty in Oregon.

Several small fires already reported were easily detected from the planes, the forestry men state, and logging and lumber camps stood out in minute detail. The great forest reserves for miles on either side of the plane were easily visible, they state, and no fire, no matter how small, could escape the eye of the aerial patrol.

RATE CASE WILL NOT BE DECIDED FOR 6 MONTHS

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half ship's side, have been built on one pier.

E. B. Dean, engineer for the city and port of Everett, showed how Everett's ambitions for port development have resulted at least in comprehensive plans. Now that the hearing is over what of it?

Testimony and statistics have poured in from the complainants of the Columbia basin, the Oregon public service commission and Portland, from the defendants of the railroad administration and the railroads, from the intervenors of Vancouver, Astoria, Seattle, Tacoma, Everett and the Washington public service commission. In the forests like those that unite their currents into a mighty body of water. The inland Empire Shippers' league, Portland and the Oregon public service commission have proved and sustained their point that the cost of water grade transportation is less than over the mountains. As to whether the contention is granted that water grade rates should consequently be less, remains for the decision of the interstate commerce commission.

POSITION OF VANCOUVER

Vancouver, Wash., has made clear her position that any grant or recognition of advantage in respect to Portland should include the neighbor city on the north side of the Columbia. Astoria came breezily into the action at the last minute, fighting against a differential in favor of Portland but expressing entire willingness to witness a lower water grade rate provided a lower rate as Portland gets the benefit of it. The railroads defended the charge that they have discriminated against

the water grade in giving rates to commodities. This proposal would subject the government to a loss, since it would have to sell the wheat below \$2.26 a bushel, the price that has been guaranteed to farmers.

The loss would be met from an appropriation of \$1,000,000 which congress made to enable the government to make good its guaranteed price.

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COMPETITION ONLY IN FOREST

Under the railroad administration there is supposed to be no competition between the railroads, but that the railroad men regard government administration as only a passing phase and that competition has never actually ceased between them and will call for little renewal when the railroads are returned to private ownership was shown. The claim of Puget Sound for rates on a parity with the water grade has been the primitive one that possession is nine points of the law. They have shown that they have the rates, that with exceptional harbor advantages they have the bulk of the port business of the Northwest and gained second place among the ports of the nation. Even while they have contended that withholding of recognition of the water grade and the depriving of ports of the Columbia of the benefit of natural advantages have worked no hardship or injustice, their exhibits, well planned for advertising purposes, reiterated the smallness of the Columbia river port business and the bigness of Puget Sound.

Energy and initiative have turned the trick, one might believe from listening to Puget Sound. But at the same time they have not disrupted the railroad admissions that the Northern lines coming to Puget Sound built great docks and established a direct connection with even the O-W. R. & N., extending its service to Seattle, put greater sums into port terminals than it had ever pretended to do at all.

There much was apparent in all the testimony offered by Puget Sound, that should the water grade be recognized and justice be granted the producers of the Columbia basin and the port interests of the Columbia, Puget Sound expects nothing short of catastrophe. Their dominance of the Northwest situation depends upon their holding artificial advantages wherever parity of rates has been granted to Portland's disadvantage.

SELFISH TYPE OF MIND

Their witnesses have soberly said that justice was done where Puget Sound is held out of territory like Alaska or the Big Bend country by unequal rates. Justice, to the Puget Sound mind, is still being done. In the same time aided by the railroads and the Washington public service commission, has contended that inland Empire producers are better off for having a market. There has been an attempt to have a field day so far as Portland is concerned, for Tacoma, Seattle, Everett, the railroads, and even Astoria, have assayed various brands of jabs and upercuts, but Portland is still in the ring and still fighting at this, the close of the hearing, which brings to a close so much of the hope for the future of the entire Columbia basin.

What part will cost of service have in the decision? Henry Thurtell, chief examiner of the commission, said just before the concluding engineer of the Oregon public service commission, which show cost of service and that it costs 75 per cent more to haul freight from Pendleton to Puget Sound than to Portland, are regarded as highly valuable and will be considered in reaching a decision.

What will be the outcome? The writer believes that even Puget Sound expects a decision in some measure recognizing the water grade and extending the exclusive grade territory of Portland.

Teamsters Prepare To Call a Strike In San Francisco

San Francisco, Aug. 2.—(U. P.)—San Francisco's water front activities threatened with a walkout of 20,000 workers of various crafts if the demands of teamsters for an increase of 11 per day is not met by Friday.

After a week of unsuccessful negotiation with the Draymen's association, the teamsters today voted to walk out Monday if their demands are not met at a final meeting that day.

Late today, according to John A. O'Connell, secretary of the Central Labor Council, the teamsters decided to defer action until Thursday, with assurance that stevedores, marine firemen, pile drivers, hoisting engineers and others will walk out in sympathy.

Union teamsters now receive from \$2 to \$5.50 per day.

Nebraska Ratifies Suffrage

Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 2.—Nebraska today ratified the national amendment granting suffrage to women. The legislature passed a joint resolution providing for ratification by a vote of 34 to 35.

DON'T MISS YOUR TRAIN This Morning

Remember, through train No. 18 of the O-W. R. & N. Lines for Salt Lake City, Denver, Omaha and Chicago, leave Portland, Union depot at 3 a. m. instead of 3:30. Leaves Hood River at 4 a. m. instead of 4:30. Take this train for Bend and other Deschutes branch stations; also for Elsie-Shaniko branch stations, and for Hermiston.—Adv.

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DEMOCRACY'S FLAG FLIES IN GERMANY; FIRST IN HISTORY

Republican Banner of Black, Red
and Gold Is Given to Breeze
When Constitution Is Adopted.

MONARCHISTS REMAIN FIRM

Electoral Equality Given Men
and Women; Workers and Em-
ployers' Councils Provided.

Berlin, Aug. 2.—(U. P.)—Germany today flew to the breeze her banner of democracy. On the fifth anniversary of the outbreak of the war, the black, red and gold flag of the new German republic waved for the first time over the national assembly at Weimar.

Within the assembly, however, there stalked the ghost of monarchy. The constitution of republicanism was adopted yesterday. Herr Dueringer of Wurtemberg, member of the Junker Nationalist party, was among those who took part in the debate. His party voted against the constitution.

MONARCHY ADHERENTS FIRM

"We respect the will of the majority which has decided for a republic," Dueringer declared, "but we continue as adherents of the monarchy. The time will come when the German people will demand the restoration of the monarchy." The new constitution has been framed so as to provide the basis of a genuine democracy, with men and women voting alike. Workers and employers' councils are another feature. The processes for free economic development are outlined, to be elaborated further at the next session of the assembly, when financial and taxation questions will be considered.

EDITORIAL IS HOPEFUL

Theodore Wolff, writing in the Tageblatt on the occasion of the war anniversary, said today the Germans were no longer a nation of subjects, but were "free democrats."

"The nation needs development," he

said, "but this cannot be accomplished by the mere expression of attractive phrases. We must pass industriously through the difficulties inherited from the war. Germany will not remain in the depths forever, but she must never stoop to events like those of August, 1914."

WHITE BOOK CAUSES PROTEST

The newly published white book, as was expected, met with disapproval in several quarters. General Ludendorff, interviewed in the Lokal Anzeiger, complained it was one-sided. The pan-German press declared it was an attempt to foist the blame for defeat upon the military by charging they permitted the collapse of the army, while in reality, according to the pan-German papers, it was the revolution that really forced peace.

PROFITS OF PRODUCERS ARE STRUCK

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of improper packing and storage. The commission will consider this phase of the high cost of living at its first meetings next week.

FOOD ADMINISTRATION REVIVAL TO BE PROPOSED IN CABINET

Washington, Aug. 2.—(U. P.)—Revival of the food administration by the government will be proposed Tuesday at a meeting of cabinet members called by Attorney General Palmer to curb profiteering and cut living costs.

The proposal will be advanced in the recommendations of a special sub-committee named by Palmer early in the week, the United Press is able to state authoritatively today.

Other proposals of the sub-committee are concerned with plans to: Stamp production costs on necessities. Pool and fix the price of coal. License food dealers and producers. Reduce the currency in circulation.

WHEAT CUT PROPOSED

Cut substantially the price of wheat now fixed at \$2.26 per bushel by government guarantee.

The special sub-committee is composed of W. J. Colver, federal trade commissioner; Rail Director Hines and Assistant Secretary Leffingwell of the treasury.

The committee is giving much attention to results of the food administration during the war. France and England have retained their wartime government food departments, it was pointed out. Whether the proposal for revival of the food administration will receive the approval of the entire committee of cabinet members and later of the president, was a matter of conjecture to-night.

The president is known to have given the subject some thought, although it has not yet been presented to him by Palmer's committee.

NEED CONGRESSIONAL ACTION

Congressional action would be necessary to revive the food administration. It is presumed, especially as far as appropriations are concerned. The administration became practically extinct July 1, as the result of the expenditure of all its funds. The only sections still actively at work are the United States Grain corporation and the Sugar Equalization board. Both have their own funds.

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influences the price of many other commodities. This proposal would subject the government to a loss, since it would have to sell the wheat below \$2.26 a bushel, the price that has been guaranteed to farmers.

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OFFICIALS HERE TONIGHT PREDICTED THE UNITED STATES SOON WILL BE ASKED TO JOIN OTHER GOVERNMENTS IN INTERNATIONAL ACTION TO CURB PROFITEERING.

CURE PROFITEERING PLAN

The plan provides for creation of an international action to curb profiteering.

The plan provides for creation of an international agency which would buy and sell food to control world prices. This would prevent profiteers from buying food cheaply in one country like the United States and selling it at high prices in another. It would tend to bring prices to a level throughout the world, officials said.

Employee of Cowlitz County Drops Dead

Kelso, Wash., Aug. 2.—A. Wold, office deputy engineer under County Engineer Fred C. Cramer of Cowlitz county, dropped dead Thursday in Kelso. He had been doing the drafting in the engineer's office for several months. He came here at that time from Bremerton, where he had been in the employ of the government during the war, and was about 60 years of age.

Black club wheat, raised by Hiram Yancy, is attracting attention in Cowlitz county. The advantage, according to Yancy, is the strength of the stems.

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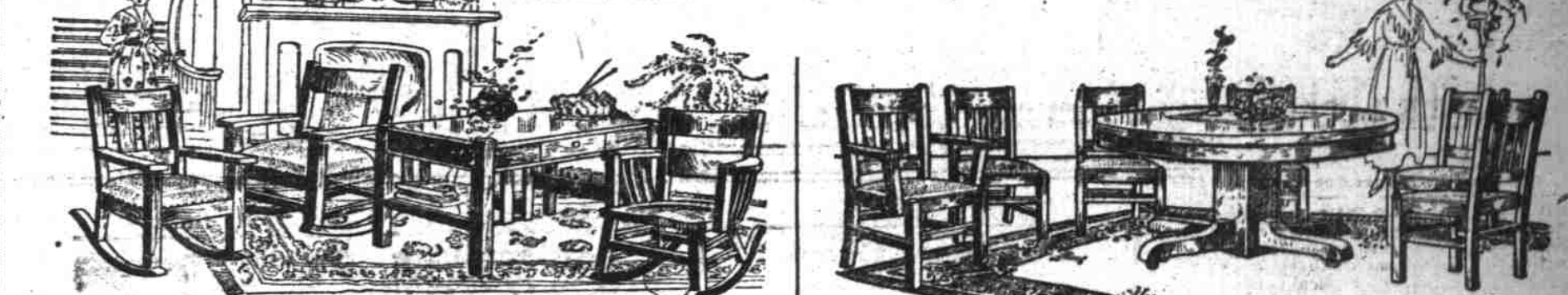


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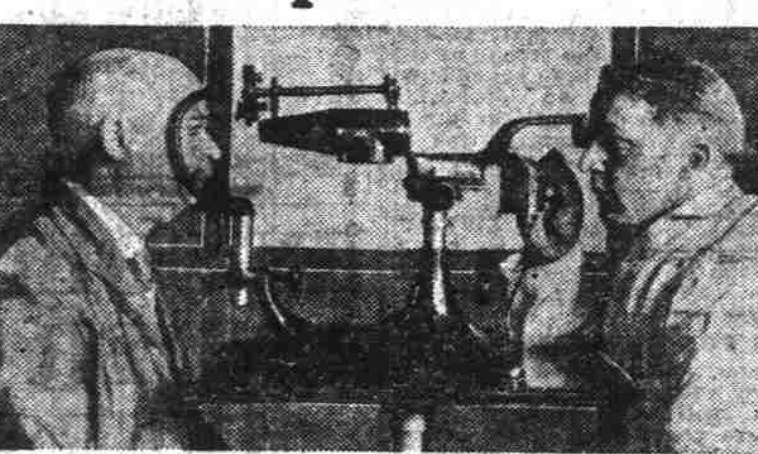
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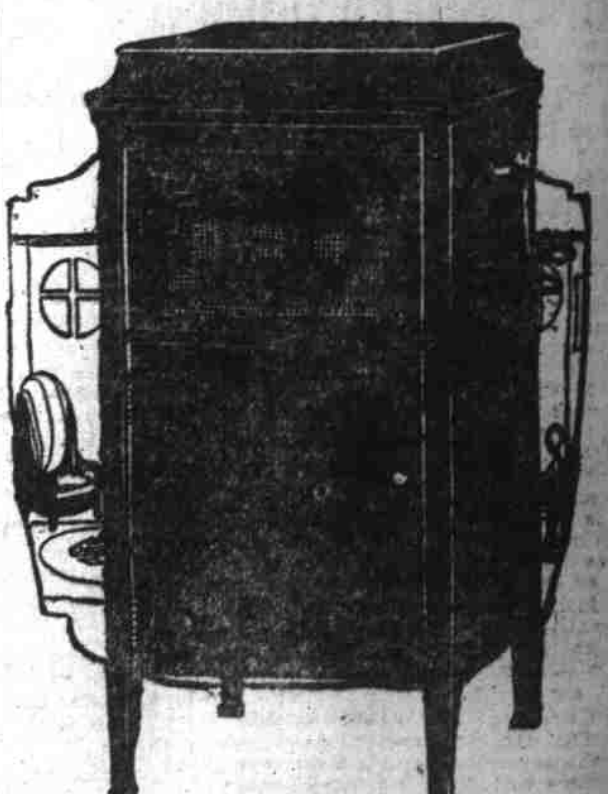
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