

ECUADOR-PERU FIGHT FLARES ALONG BORDER

Apology Patches up Peace Temporarily but More Troops Sent out

Paraguay Claims Capture Of Forts From Bolivia And Rout of Army

QUAYAQUIL, Ecuador, Oct. 10 (AP)—The government announced tonight it was taking steps to send a battalion of troops to reinforce the garrison along the Peruvian-Ecuadorian frontier after a battle near the town of Huaquillas.

The difficulty was temporarily adjusted, a correspondent of El Telegrafo reported, when a prefect of the Peruvian civil guard apologized to the Ecuadorian governor of Machala.

The El Telegrafo correspondent said he could not determine the origin of the difficulty. He said Ecuadorian guards told him they were fired on by farmers of Peruvian extraction while on an inspection tour within the Ecuadorian frontier. The guards said they repelled the attack.

The incident acquired international caliber a few hours later when the Peruvian civil guard and Ecuadorian guards clashed near Huaquillas. The Ecuadorians retreated until they reached the quarters of a detachment of 60 Ecuadorian police where a battle was fought.

ASUNCION, Paraguay, Oct. 10 (AP)—The Paraguayan army command announced capture of two forts from Bolivia in the disputed Gran Chaco region today and "annihilation" of a Bolivian force near Yukon.

The Bolivians were reported fleeing toward Fort Arce after abandoning Fort Ramirez, about ten miles southeast of Fort Boqueron. Fort Corrales, taken from the Paraguayans last August, was said to have been recaptured.

Boqueron, also a former Paraguayan fort, was recently recaptured after a three-week siege.

LA PAZ, Bolivia, Oct. 10 (AP)—An army bulletin said today that four Bolivians and at least 15 Paraguayans were killed in skirmishes in the Gran Chaco territory.

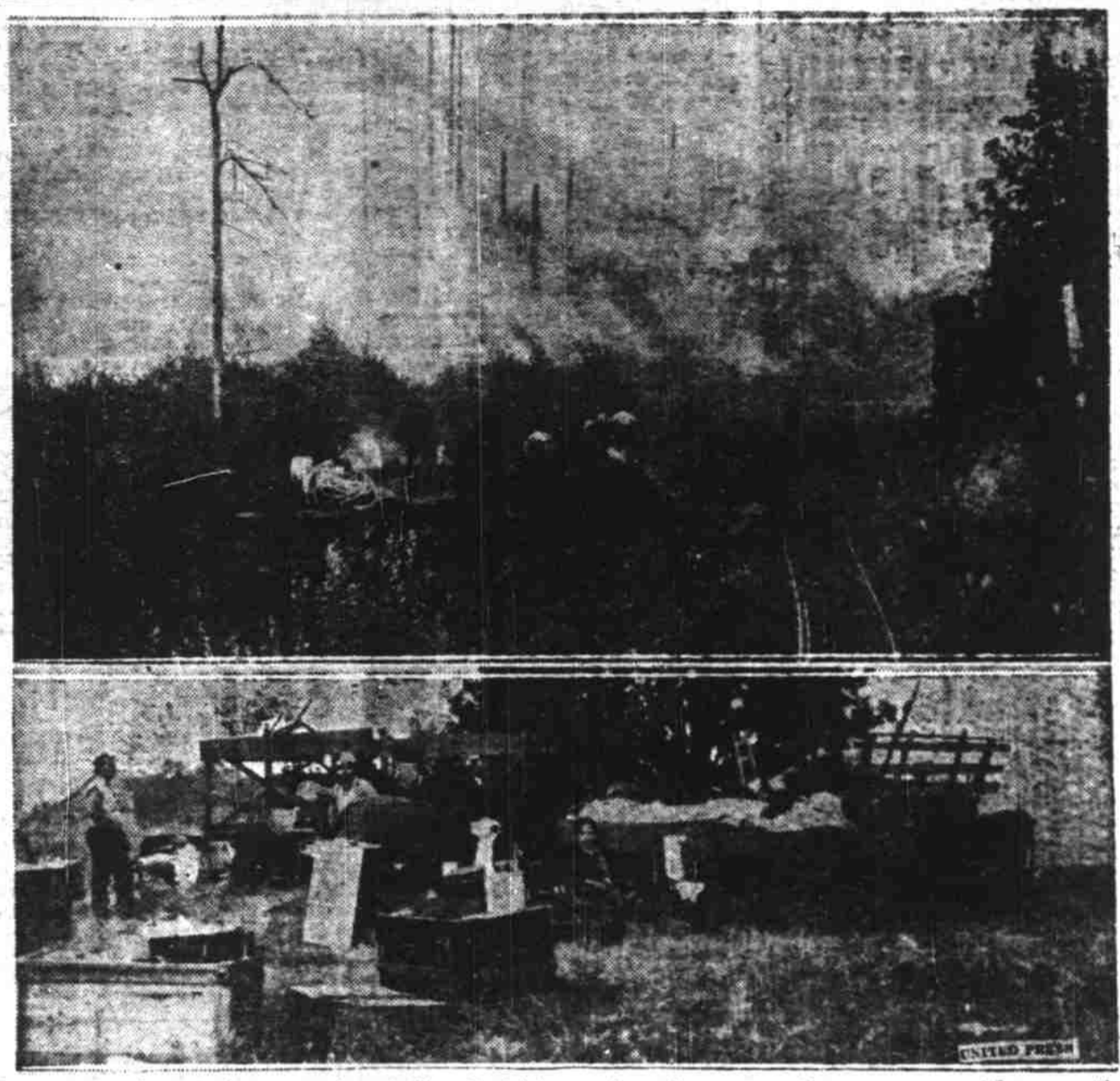
FEW STOCKHOLDERS TURN IN CPS ISSUE

Not more than 15 per cent of the stockholders of Central Public Service corporation have turned in their stock and consented to the reorganization plan recently made public, the state corporation department said yesterday.

Meanwhile information reaching the department says that a Chicago bank has in its safekeeping under a collateral agreement, all the Northwest Public Service corporation's stock traded for C. P. S. stock by Oregon investors. The department's advice is that the stock was tendered to the bank in good faith as added security for a bond issue and cannot be released, even though charges are framed in its transfer were proved.

Utilities Commissioner Thomas is in Portland this week, continuing his hearing of the manner in which Central Public Service stock was sold in this state. The hearing will not be concluded before the end of the week.

Forest Fires Worst Ever in Oregon



Oregon experienced the worst forest fires in history when flames spread over a score of large sections, destroying farms and small settlements. The picture shows a fire train on the Southern Pacific line between Portland and Tillamook, trying to break through to the stricken hamlet of Cochrane. Below are refugees who fled the fire near Mount andale, saving what they could in farm wagons.

SCOUT COUNCIL HAS PLANS FOR WINTER

Merit Badge Exposition is One Idea; National "10 Year Plan" Adopted

Meeting for the first time this fall, the executive board of Cascade Area, Boy Scouts, at the chamber of commerce last night, took steps to cut down expenses and planned new activities for the winter months. President J. T. Delaney appointed as a nominating committee, A. S. Jensen, of Monmouth, A. C. Haag, Judge H. H. Beit, Claire Jarvis, of Silverton, and J. Clyde Gibbs of Dallas.

To cut expenses, the board ordered that hereafter badges awarded at the honor courts should be purchased either by the troop sponsors or by the boys themselves. During the past eight months, the board has spent around \$100 for this item alone.

President Delaney was instructed to appoint a committee to plan for a merit badge exposition to be put on at Salem armory. This exhibition will consist of booths in which scouts would demonstrate as many as possible of the more than 80 merit badge arts, crafts and fields of knowledge.

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Crew Hired for Work on Aurora Highway Sector

The first large crew of laborers for the Aurora highway widening project were hired through the U. S.-Y. M. C. A. Employment bureau here yesterday. The 21 men, all living in the vicinity of the job, will work five hours a day, six days a week. Nearly 1,800 men are registered for the road work.

Twenty-eight other persons were placed yesterday, variously at sales, common and skilled labor, farm and housework.

Oregon Briefs

Aurora Resident Drowns Blaze Fought With Milk Justice Dealt Swiftly

Lad Tried for Murder

were arrested today at the Brighton postoffice after arranging their tools in what police described as an attempt to crack the safe.

Errant Lads Shoot Ducks With Air Gun

Sort of Ptomaine Caused by Low Water; Hunting to Be Good, Reported

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Oct. 10. (AP)—Two Salem youngsters, George Barham and Edgar Teske, both 12, were enjoying a good sleep at the county jail here tonight. Police said they ran away from home Saturday.

At Crescent Lake they were told to "look up Lloyd Low at Klamath Falls." They lost the address and never learned that Low is the sheriff.

The lads were picked up by state police near Keno where they were enjoying roost duck, having shot the fowl with an air gun. Authorities here said they expected the parents of the boys will be here tomorrow.

Parents of the two lads reported them missing Friday, city police said last night. Full descriptions were given the officers but not made public. George is the son of Jess Barham, 1010 North 18th street, and Edgar the son of Mrs. Cora Teske, 1090 North 18th street.

Judge Refuses to Grant New Trial For Frank Keller

A new trial for Frank Keller, Jr., was denied Monday at Dallas by Circuit Judge Arlie G. Walker. Keller, out on \$300, is under sentence to five years in the state penitentiary. He has filed a motion with the state supreme court to have the trial held this spring in Dallas where he was found guilty, set aside. Keller has until November 15 to complete his appeal.

Barnett H. Goldstein, special prosecutor for the state, appeared before Judge Walker to oppose the motion.

Keller is reported to be busy in Portland, conducting a "better business bureau," designed to safeguard prospective investors.

CLAIMS SELF DEFENSE

MEDFORD, Ore., Oct. 10 (AP)—The case of Racine Weiser, 21, Klamath Indian on trial in federal court here on a charge of second degree murder in connection with the slaying of his father, Sylvester Weiser, August 4, is expected to be in the hands of the jury by tomorrow noon, attorneys indicated today.

Weiser, through his counsel, admitted the slaying, but he testified that he fired in self defense and because his father had beaten his mother. He testified that his father brandished a club and threatened, "I will beat your brains out," and that he shot in fear of his own life.

CHARITY RANKS AT OUTS AGAIN OVER MANAGER

Mrs. Carson to Remain on Payroll, Business Head Will Be Employed

Some Associated Directors To Resign; Merger is All off, Indicated

Turning on its board of trustees, the Associated Charities general board last night passed a resolution for retention of Mrs. Mae Carson and appointment of a business manager in a wrangling three-hour session at the chamber of commerce. Four of the five trustees had mailed a letter dated October 4 to Mrs. Carson declaring that her salary was discontinued as of October 1.

Mrs. Carson will be retained on salary and "give of her services where they will best fit in." Rev. P. W. Erikson, secretary, explained following last night's meeting. The woman, who has managed the Charities for several years, had continued her work despite the letter from the trustees.

As to the foundation of the heated discussion last night, the directors refused to comment. Mayor P. M. Gregory, a director, left the meeting early and was followed by C. F. Perry.

If the resolution holds, the talk-of-merger with Community Service is virtually out of consideration, it is understood. Several of the directors are known to be contemplating resignation, following in the steps of George A. Walker, a trustee, and E. Rosten, whose withdrawals were announced some time after they were submitted to the board.

Friction developing last winter between the Charities and Community Service, which has grown in intensity this fall, has resulted in winter plans for a charity fund financial drive hanging fire. Possibilities are that certain directors of the Charities will resign and go over to Community Service, leaving the supporters of Mrs. Carson to carry on for themselves.

KIDNAPERS RELEASE PRESIDENT OF BANK

CHICAGO, Oct. 10 (AP)—

Norman B. Collins, president of two Chicago banks who was kidnaped with his wife this morning in suburban Wilmette, was released 12 hours later unharmed and he said, without the payment of ransom.

The banker was freed at an isolated intersection on the far northwest side with instructions to go by streetcar to a certain north side drug store before telephoning his family. His wife previously was released and ordered to obtain \$5,000 ransom for Collins. She notified officials instead.

Alexander Jamie, head of the "Secret Six," accompanied Mrs. Collins and a family friend to the store, but declined to comment on a long questioning of the banker.

Police, however, theorized the kidnapers were amateurs and had freed their victim and fled in fear that their hiding place had become known.

Samuel Insull Held After Long Pursuit; Extradition Sought

Formal Demand Made; Financier Says Charge Inspired by Enemies; Won't say if He'll Return Voluntarily

ATHENS, Greece, Oct. 10 (AP)—The American legation tonight asked the Athens police to hold Samuel Insull for extradition to United States to face indictments for embezzlement and larceny in the collapse of several big power companies. The police promptly complied with the request. The station staff prepared the best room in the place for the financier and he had the accommodation of an adjoining bath. He was offered a meal in his quarters, but accepted only a sandwich and a glass of soda water, thanking the officers heartily for their attentions.

"This whole affair is a result of a thirst for vengeance on the part of my enemies," Insull told inquirers tonight.

"The truth will out finally," he added. But refused to say whether he was prepared to return to the United States voluntarily or fight extradition.

Previously the United States had attempted to bring about the detention of Mr. Insull in France for the purpose of starting an extradition action. But he left Paris too quickly for the American authorities to act. He went to Italy and there the story was repeated. Twenty-four hours after he had departed for Athens the embassy at Rome received a cabled request for his arrest.

IMPERIAL VALLEY GETS RAIN STORM

"Desert" Gets 2.31 Inches in 12 Hours; Damage to Property is Great

BRAWLEY, Cal., Oct. 10. (AP)—Imperial valley, ordinarily a dry desert sink made fertile by irrigation, lay paralyzed tonight from the greatest rain-storm in its history.

In 12 hours, ending at 5:30 p. m., the weather bureau measured 2.31 inches of rain, more precipitation than is received usually in an entire season.

Torrents of water, pouring down bare mountainsides, had washed out highways, bridges, railroad tracks, flooded many ranches, cities and villages, left hundreds of motorists stranded on the desert wastes, inundated a number of farms and seriously damaged crops. Several cities were without gas, light or power.

All rural mail deliveries were suspended, school closed indefinitely and in some places the water lay so deep on the desert that improvised boats were used for transportation. Mills, shops, newspapers and other industrial plants dependent upon electric power for operation, were dark.

The valley was cut off from all aerial transportation because landing fields were turned into virtual lakes. By rerouting, railroad systems were able to provide transportation and buses were operating over long detours. For a time all telephone service was at a standstill, but it was repaired late in the day.

WATER REPEAL GROUP TO TRY ANOTHER TACK

Will go Into Circuit Court With Mandamus Effort To Force Election

Higher Tribunal Refuses to Take Jurisdiction; two Officers Involved

Balked yesterday in an effort to secure supreme court writs of mandamus to put the water repeal measure on the ballot, attorneys for the petitioners were planning last night to go into circuit court here today to secure, if possible, a writ of mandamus there which would compel U. G. Boyer, county clerk, to put the repeal measure on the November 8 ballot.

Applications for writs of mandamus were made yesterday morning to the supreme court by August Huckestein, president of the taxpayers' committee seeking the repeal, and by T. M. Hicks, a member of the committee. The court was asked to grant the writs against Mark Poulsen, city recorder, and U. G. Boyer, county clerk.

The court, in refusing to take original jurisdiction in the matter, indicated to counsel for the petitioners that they must first decide whether they are going to mandamus Poulsen or Boyer but not both.

Claim Petitions Are Filed in Time
Walter E. Keyes and John H. Cooney, representing the petitioners, set out to the court that the repeal petitions had been filed in ample time to meet the city's ordinance which provides such measures must be filed 30 days or more before election.

Meanwhile County Clerk Boyer has sent out notices of the forthcoming election as is required by law and nothing was said about the proposed city water amendment repeal. If the courts should now hold he must put the water repeal measure on the ballot there exists no legal way to give the electorate all the notices. On the other hand the city cannot call a special election except by council ordinance.

COOKING SCHOOL TO START WEDNESDAY

Final plans will be laid today for the Statesman gas cooking school which will be presented tomorrow and Thursday at the Capitol theatre. Miss Elizabeth Reger will arrive today with her pets and prepare for all the notices. She uses in teaching Salem ladies the newest things in cookery. Her gas ranges and gas refrigerator will be furnished by the Portland Gas & Coke company, but attendance is not limited to those who are cooking by gas. All women interested are invited, no matter what fuel they use to prepare meals with.

Cooperating also are Busch's Grocery and The Market, supplying the materials which go to make a meal palatable and nourishing. Miss Reger is experienced and capable, as those who have attended her former demonstrations here know.

Women's Branch Of Local G. O. P. To be Organized

A women's branch of the county central republican committee is being completed this week. B. W. Macy, secretary of the county organization announced yesterday. Mrs. C. P. Bishop heads the women's division. Thus far 25 women in as many precincts in the county have consented to serve on the committee.

Chairman Chris Kowitz of the county committee is this week completing his county-wide organization. A number of public meetings are being planned before November 8.

Water Company Given 60 More Days to Report

Sixty days more in which the Oregon-Washington Water Service company will prepare complete data on its capital account and its operation expenses have been allowed by the public utilities commissioner. It was announced Monday, October 10 ended the period originally given the company by Commissioner Thomas to file its report.

Secret Society Offer Fails to Placate Board

BOISE, Idaho, Oct. 10 (AP)—The Boise school board tonight turned down a proposal of six secret high school clubs to resume activity under supervision.

The board demanded at the opening of school this fall that all high school students sign a pledge not to join a club and if they already were members to resign from such clubs. The club members objected and a hearing was granted recently, followed by the decision tonight.

Eye Injured by Electric Shock

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Oct. 10 (AP)—Police here said they were informed that Mrs. O. G. Guernsey of Chiloquin suffered the loss of her right eye today when an electric current traveled down her arm to her face.

WHEN WATER GIVES OUT

NEWBERG, Ore., Oct. 10 (AP)—Milk was used today in a battle against fire that destroyed Fred Schick's home in the Fernwood section near here.

After Newberg fire department equipment had pumped Schick's well dry, several cans of milk were brought up and used to save the barn and outbuildings.

P. O. ROBBERY TRIED

TILLAMOOK, Ore., Oct. 10 (AP)—Police said that two men giving their names as Dick Law, 25, and Frank Brumbaugh, 26,

FIVE NAVY PLANES ARE FORCED DOWN

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Oct. 10. (AP)—Five planes of the VS-15M squadron, attached to the U. S. S. Lexington, scouting force airplane carrier, were forced down at sea early tonight off San Clemente island. Naval officials here said four of them were recovered, but one with two men aboard was still missing at 11 o'clock today.

Three airplane carriers, the Lexington, Saratoga and Langley, and half a dozen destroyers were searching the murky waters, playing searchlights through the mists in an effort to locate the missing plane, carrying Lieutenant Edward C. Dyer, pilot, and an enlisted aviator named Chambers.

Rear Admiral Harry E. Yarnell, commander of aircraft, battle force, said no detailed report of the accident had been made to him, since the planes involved were attached to the scouting force, which is commanded by Rear Admiral John Halligan. Admiral Halligan is aboard the Lexington.

College Merger Will be Debated

Although both the state federation of labor and the Salem Trades and Labor council have voted against the state school moving bill, two speakers will debate the question at tonight's session of the council in Union hall. John Ramage of Woodburn will speak in favor of the measure and P. H. Young of Portland, representative of the School Tax Saving association, will speak against it.

BROKERS CHISELING U. S. JOBS, CLAIMED

Declaring that brokers are getting too large a share of federal funds in contracts for government construction, members of Salem chapter, Oregon Building Congress, last night at the chamber of commerce voted to investigate the matter and seek out some remedial program. Plans will be developed at a later meeting.

Serious abuses have arisen, they said, through certain firms, consisting solely of a legal and an estimating department, underbidding local contractors on federal work, then subletting the jobs at very small sums which forced the subcontractor to take but little profit himself and to cut wages low.

The benefits of the federal projects, supposedly undertaken to give relief to local workers and the history of the Union's history. A large attendance is anticipated and much discussion and action of interest is to be expected from the convention.

The banquet tonight at the First Methodist church at 8:30 o'clock will start the ball rolling. The complete banquet program includes:

Toastmaster—Mrs. Ada Jolley
Invocation—Dr. B. Earl Parker
Solo—Ronald Craven
Duet—Miss Amy Martin and Mrs. Margaret Fessenden