

FR Appoints Andrews Wage Administrator

Peril of Fires In Tree Areas Getting Worse

800 Men Fighting Flames
in Smith River Blaze;
Two Areas Closed

Smoke Drifts Over Salem
as Citizens Swelter
at 96 Degrees

Clouds in the forenoon and a smoky haze in the afternoon Friday failed to provide much protection from Old Sol's assault upon Salem's sweltering population, the official mercury at the airport climbing to 96 degrees, only four less than on the two preceding days.

The smoke, drifting in from the Smith River fire or one of the approximately 60 other fires burning in Oregon forests, served to emphasize the warning issued by State Forester Ferguson of the present highly inflammable condition of the woods.

Acting upon Ferguson's request, Governor Charles H. Martin issued proclamations closing two forest areas to entry. One of these was the Tillamook burn, Wolf Creek and Wilson River area in northwestern Oregon; the other was the Booth-Kelly mill and logging operations in eastern Lane county. A third proclamation provides for camp fire permits in eastern Josephine and Jackson counties. Smoking is prohibited in all these areas.

200 Acres Burn
in Lane County
The Smith River fire covering 2000 acres of timber in Lane county is the most serious of the present fires. More than 300 men have been assigned to fight it. Only a small amount of merchantable timber has been destroyed, Ferguson said.

"In both the eastern and western part of the state the hazard is extreme," Ferguson declared. "In the former there has been a dense growth of grass and weeds as a result of the damp spring weather."

"In the western part of the state there has been two months of drought, making conditions ripe for serious fires."
Ferguson said a number of wood operations had closed voluntarily while others were working early morning shifts and closing during the heat of the day. He said an absolute closure would prove a hardship on thousands of workers.

"Only through extreme care in the use of fire in the woods will it be possible to avoid both additional area and operation closures," Ferguson declared.

PORTLAND, Ore., July 15-(AP)—It wasn't the heat so much as the humidity in Oregon today.
Most points reported temperatures in the 90s.

Oddities ... in the News

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa., July 15-(AP)—Postmaster E. E. Plankborn has been taking the license number of automobiles whose drivers violate the no-parking rule around the federal building. He noted one and informed police.

Captain Harvey H. Zuber reported:
"That car belongs to F. E. Plankborn."
"I thought that number seemed familiar," the postmaster said.

HOLLYWOOD, Fla., July 15-(AP)—Head down, Herbert Smith, deaf and dumb cobbler, bicycled toward work today.

Pedestrians saw him approach a railroad crossing. A passenger train was coming. They shouted and the train's whistle blew frantically.

Unharming, Smith rode into the engine and was killed.

WASHINGTON, July 15-(AP)—The Howard Hughes flight demonstrated the tricks that speed can play with man's accepted system of time.

This was pointed out today by the National Geographic society, which said:
"In his four days of flight Hughes and his companions saw the sun rise five times while all the other inhabitants of the earth outside the Arctic and Antarctic circles, could see it rise only four times. This was because Hughes flying in the same direction that the earth was turning on its axis, actually outdistanced it one complete lap."

"His experience can be compared to that of a man running forward on a speeding train: He moves over the ground more rapidly than the train does. With the combined speed of the earth and its atmosphere, and the speed of his airplane, Hughes took five whirls through space around the earth's axis while the rest of us made only four trips."

TIRED CREW LEAVES ROUND WORLD SHIP



Tired but triumphant, Howard Hughes, millionaire sportsman, and his crew of four leave their plane after circling the world in less than four days. Foremost in the picture is Richard Stoddard, radio engineer; Edward Lund, mechanical engineer, standing behind him, smiling; Hughes is immediately behind, wearing a hat; in the doorway of the plane, is Thomas Thurlow, navigator. Harry Connor, fifth member of the crew, does not appear in the photo.

Oregon Vital Spot Is Farley's View

Says if Sweep Made Here
Democrats Will Carry
all West States

PORTLAND, Ore., July 15-(AP)—If the democratic party can carry Oregon it can sweep everything west of the Mississippi. Postmaster General James A. Farley opined today during a five-hour stopover en route to Seattle and the national convention of the Young Democratic clubs.

Farley warned it would "look bad" if Oregon slipped into the republican column at the November election.

Farley recounted the objectives of the Roosevelt administration and the agencies created to carry them out. The problem was, he declared, one of bringing more equality in living between those who have the comforts of life and those who do not.

"There may be persons so cynical and hard as to assert that because crime and poverty and disease and war have always existed it is not only useless but undesirable to attempt to eliminate them," he said. "But you may be sure that is not the sentiment of the vast majority of civilized men."

"Because a desirable thing cannot be accomplished in a single stroke is no reason for not trying."

SEATTLE, July 15-(AP)—Postmaster General Farley tonight called upon young democrats to "give us a Roosevelt congress" in this fall's congressional elections.

In a speech prepared for delivery before the national convention today, he said:

NEW YORK, July 15-(AP)—Commercial airplanes will resume "survey" flights across the North Atlantic next week, and prospects are good that the common citizen with enough cash for a ticket can reach Europe by air this autumn.

The trip from New York to London will require about 24 hours. The fare probably will be \$450. A first class ticket on the liner Queen Mary costs \$316, tips extra.

White Wings Say Hughes Just Ton Under Lindbergh

NEW YORK, July 15-(AP)—They measure returning heroes by the ton here—that is, the sanitation department does.

Today, after the demonstration for Howard Hughes and his crew of record-breaking world-circlers the department cleaned up 1,800 tons of paper confetti in two hours from the parade route, using 1,600 drivers and sweepers, 75 flushing machines and 75 trucks.

The Lindbergh welcome brought about 1,900 tons of paper and the American Legion parade approximately 1,000 tons.

State Woodlands' Protection Upped

WASHINGTON, July 15-(AP)—Approval of the first of a proposed series of agreements to increase forest fire protection on 2,500,000 acres of timber land in Oregon was announced today by Secretary Ickes.

The agreement was made with the Forest Fire association of Oregon to safeguard 1,670,000 acres of land in Lane and Benton counties.

The association will take action to control all fires originating on threatening the land and maintain all necessary facilities and fire protection organizations, Ickes said. The interior department will reimburse it at the rate of 2 1/2 cents an acre until January 1, 1939, and one cent an acre thereafter until June 30, 1939.

Air Service Across Atlantic May Be Established by Fall

NEW YORK, July 15-(AP)—The British probably are closer to transatlantic service than any other foreign power. Their improved "Empire" flying boats ought to be ready for scheduled flights in the fall, and hints have been dropped by Pan American Airways, the United States company, that regular transatlantic service awaited only the completion of the bigger equipment.

Fifty "survey" flights will be made by the British, Germans and French this summer and fall. When the Germans land a catapulted seaplane at Port Washington, Long Island, next Friday, it will mark the start of their third season of operations between New York and the Azores.

Now, however, the United States is practically ready to begin shuttling between the two continents with passengers, mail and express. It actually could have started in 1934, with equipment then available.

The new \$3,000,000 flying boats being completed in Seattle are rated considerably in advance of anything which Europe has to offer.

McNutt's 'Palace' Plans Go Forward

Philippine Commissioner
to Have "Cottage" to
Cost \$151,200

WASHINGTON, July 15-(AP)—High Comm. Paul V. McNutt is to have his summer palace in the mountains of the Philippines, despite republican congressional critics, who termed it an outrage.

Bids for construction of the building were opened at the treasury today and the H. R. Goyke and company of Jacksonville, Fla., was found to have submitted the lowest one, \$151,200.

War department officials said the summer residence, to be located in the mountains of Baguio, would be completed early next year.

\$100,000 Budget Aim for Minerals

PORTLAND, July 15-(AP)—The legislature will be asked for a \$100,000 budget for the next biennium by the state board of geology and mineral industries, the directors decided today.

The amount is the same granted when the legislature created the board two years ago.

Smith's Condition Reported Better

GRANTS PASS, July 15-(AP)—The condition of Raynor Smith, 20, Willamette university student who suffered a fractured skull Wednesday in an auto crash near the Oregon Caves in which Clyde Dunn, 19, Portland, lost his life, was reported "good" today. Col. May Lombard, Portland, hurt in the same wreck, was reported out of danger.

Water Board Drops Use of WPA Workers

Say WPA Employment by
Public Bodies Is An
Unfair Usage

Rickman Says Practice Is
Unfair to Men Not on
Relief But Jobless

Revolt against WPA was launched by the Salem water commission Friday night when its members voted to discontinue use of labor supplied by the works progress administration on extension of mains on August 1, provided that this did not conflict with the agreement entered into by the city council with the federal relief work agency.

Commissioner M. J. Rickman declared that employment of WPA labor by public bodies was an evil; that as a result of this system men who could not or would not qualify for relief were unable to get jobs. He said it was unfair to men who owned their homes and were regular patrons (Turn to page 2, col. 1)

US Observer Sent To View Refugees

Mission Is to Observe
Persons Who Wish to
Depart Germany

EVIAN-LES-BAINS, France, July 15-(AP)—The United States sent an official observer into Germany today, at the end of the 32-nation refugee conference, to gather information for a report on the situation of potential refugees in Greater Germany.

George Brandt, who holds the rank of consul in the American foreign service and who was attached to the American delegation at the conference, left under instructions from the state department for visits in Berlin, Vienna, Stuttgart and Hamburg.

A spokesman for the American delegation said Brandt's mission would be "to gather information from American sources concerning the number and type of persons who desire to leave Germany under the sponsoring of the permanent refugee organization established by the London conference."

He is to report to that body after their members assemble Aug. 3 (Turn to page 2, col. 8)

AFL Clerks March Before Groceries

PORTLAND, Ore., July 15-(AP)—AFL retail grocery clerks union picketed downtown Portland before the red and yellow Safeway stores today but the majority of the chain's 80 units operated with managers and salesmen who refused to join a strike.

The walkout, sanctioned by the central labor council, affected about 10,000 workers. The council authorized all other unions connected with the Safeway organization to support the clerks.

The union, in negotiating a renewal of the 1937 contract, insisted upon unionization of managers, claiming that unit executives in their chains were affiliated. Safeway officials asserted their managers had presented a petition against union membership and declined to accept the condition.

New Business for Lumber Mills up

PORTLAND, July 15-(AP)—Last week's new business of 7,892,000 board feet of lumber, reported by 120 mills, was more than 3,000,000 feet above the previous week, the Western Pine association said today.

Production reached 48,527,000 board feet, a decline of about 20,000,000 feet from the previous week, due largely to the short Fourth of July work period.

Orders were about 10,000,000 feet ahead of the corresponding week a year ago.

Statesman's Refrigeration Show Held Over Extra Day

The refrigeration exposition sponsored by The Oregon Statesman at the armory for the past two days has been held over for today and tonight, with extra attractions listed during the show.

The exposition displays the most sensational showing of electrical equipment ever exhibited in Salem and includes washers, ranges, refrigerators and radios of all the outstanding manufacturers. Each Salem firm exhibiting has special equipment to show visitors.

Military Chiefs State Hughes Flight Proved US Aviation Supremacy

Army Reveals Plane Had Motors of Secret Type;
Huge Crowd Showers Ticker Tape on
Fliers on Trip up Broadway

WASHINGTON, July 15-(AP)—Army and navy officers said today that Howard Hughes' flight proved again that American military aviation leads the world.

Without minimizing the contribution of civil aeronautics, they said advanced equipment perfected for the army and navy played an important part in the flight's success.

By special permission, Hughes' plane was equipped with two Wright Cyclone 1,100 horsepower motors of a secret type carefully restricted to American fighting planes.

Moreover, the army air corps lent Hughes the services of a scientific ace, Lieut. Thomas L. Thurlow, to be navigator on the 14,824-mile race around the top of the world.

He employed in the aerial laboratory the pick of special devices he had developed as chief of the air corps experimental navigation section at Wright field, Dayton, Ohio.

These included, it was reported without official confirmation, an intricate robot navigation instrument. (Turn to page 2, col. 7)

Devers Preparing To File Mandamus

Seeks Order Compelling
McMahan to Call new
Judge for Trial

Developments in the condemnation case of the state capital commission against Arthur and Mary Boesch continued Friday despite the fact that the trial had been postponed to July 25.

J. M. Devers, assistant attorney general, prepared a mandamus complaint, to be filed Monday, asking the state supreme court for an order directing Circuit Judge L. H. McMahan to call in another judge to try the case, or in the event the judge refused, that the supreme court appoint a judge to hear the proceeding.

Dever's action followed Judge McMahan's refusal to recognize an affidavit of prejudice filed against him in circuit court here Thursday. McMahan contended that the affidavit was invalid for the reason that the state was a party to the litigation and he was a state officer.

The original suit against the Deverses was filed July 15. (Turn to page 2, col. 6)

Inquest Ordered In Heiress' Death

\$4,000,000 Estate Willed
by Heir to Horlick
Milk Fortune

TORONTO, July 15-(Canadian Press)—Atty. Gen. Gordon Conant tonight ordered an inquest into the death last Wednesday of Mrs. Maybelle Horlick Sidley, 61-year old heiress to the Horlick malted milk fortune.

The action followed upon a conference between Conant and police officials. No reason was given for ordering the inquest, which was set for July 26.

Mrs. Sidley died at the home of W. Perkins Bull, Toronto lawyer and long-time friend of the Horlick family, where she had been a guest for almost a year.

An autopsy, performed with the permission of her son, Wilbur, was held July 15. (Turn to page 2, col. 2)

Clackamas Sheriff Recall Hits Snag

OREGON CITY, July 15-(AP)—A recall movement against Sheriff E. T. Mass of Clackamas county stalled yesterday when sponsors failed to file petitions with the county clerk before the deadline.

Stanley Mitchell, recall group attorney, said the necessary signatures had not been obtained.

Sponsors charged Mass with neglect of duties as sheriff; with diverting legal business to a newspaper to strengthen his political ambitions and with making irregular fee collections.

Statesman's Refrigeration Show Held Over Extra Day

Each adult will be offered a drink of Gideon Stoltz' new drink beverage Alc-Time and other gifts are offered to all visitors.

Entertainment has been planned at various intervals through the day and an instructive as well as interesting time is assured.

New Appointee Was NY Labor Commissioner

Served Under Roosevelt
During His Term As
Governor of NY

Appointment Surprise to
Many as Andrews Not
Much Mentioned

EL PORTAL, Calif., July 15-(AP)—President Roosevelt today appointed Elmer Andrews, New York state industrial commissioner, to administer the new wage-hour law.

The announcement of Andrews' appointment came late in the day at El Portal, after Mr. Roosevelt had made a daylong tour of Yosemite national park.

Press Secretary Stephen Early said that Andrews had "extensive experience" with wages and hours in his job as New York labor commissioner.

Andrews was assistant New York labor commissioner while Mr. Roosevelt was governor of New York. He was named commissioner by Governor Lehman.

The appointment came as a surprise to many persons. Andrews had been among those least-mentioned for the job.

Southerners are disappointed. The appointment of an easterner was a disappointment to many southerners who had hoped that a resident of their region would be named. Under the wage-hour law, a differential between sections of the country may be made.

Eastern legislators had argued that no differentials were necessary but southerners had contended that some considerations should be given their section of the country.

Weeks-long speculation had brooded the names of scores of persons into the discussion as to whom would be appointed the wage-hour administrator.

The announcement of Andrews' appointment was made by Early shortly after Mr. Roosevelt boarded his special train for Los Angeles.

The president had spent most of last night considering the appointment. He talked with Assistant Secretary Charles V. McLaughlin of the labor department last night from the cruiser Houston in San Francisco bay after he had reviewed the United States flag.

Andrews job will be to administer the board, new wage-hour program enacted in the closing days of congress after an extended fight.

The wage-hour program provides minimum wages starting at 25 cents an hour and maximum hours starting at 44 a week.

History of Wage Bill Stormy
Roosevelt for more than a year, provoked one of the bitterest congressional fights of the last two years.

Originally passed by the senate, the measure was pigeon-holed in the house last winter.

Only after renewed administration efforts was it again brought out of committee and approved by the house.

Then, a joint senate-house committee worked for days in an effort to formulate some compromise between differing senate and house bills.

The compromise finally worked. (Turn to page 2, col. 6)

Loyalist Forces Regain Mountain

HENDAYE, France. (At the Spanish Frontier), July 15-(AP)—A violent counteroffensive unleashed by Gen. Jose Miaja's forces in eastern Spain today carried the red, yellow and purple banner of the government atop strategic Marcos mountain.

The peak is near Tala, about 34 miles airline north of Valencia, near the Mediterranean.

It was re-captured by the government militiamen as they fought steadily to dam the onrushing wave of insurgent troops toward Valencia, former government capital.

The peak gave the government a position from which to threaten the nearby Suera and Onda sectors and possibly neutralize the insurgents' recent gains in the coastal sector.

Inland some 45 miles from the Mediterranean the belligerents fought in extreme heat in the Sarrion sector, southeast of Teruel, along the Teruel-Sagunto highway which the insurgents seek to control.

(A Madrid dispatch said insurgent gunners killed 13 persons, and injured 20 in a raid on Alcala de Alfara on the Teruel-Sagunto highway.)