

Profs Queried On Communism

Stanford Educators in Bridges Case Quote Marx, Lincoln

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 16.—(P)—Two Stanford university professors expounded the theories of communism as defense witnesses at the Harry Bridges deportation hearing today, and the government immediately attacked the testimony of Dr. Harold Chapman Brown as "prejudiced and biased."

Dr. Brown, professor of philosophy, finished reading a 15,000-word paper in which he stated the revolution advocated by Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels did not mean revolution by force and violence.

"Are you a communist?" demanded Thomas Shoemaker, chief of the government's counsel. "Have you ever been a communist? Have you ever made application to join the communist party?"

Deny Being Communists. Dr. Brown answered "no" and Shoemaker later declared that "Professor Brown is prejudiced and biased, and I hope to show it definitely before I am through."

Dr. Brown and Walter Thompson, professor of political science, each testified they did not believe the communist party advocated violence in the United States.

The government is endeavoring to deport Bridges, Australian-born west coast CIO labor leader on the ground the party advocates violence and that he is a member of the organization, which Bridges has denied.

Prof. Thompson read a 9,000-word statement in which he quoted a speech by Abraham Lincoln in the house of representatives, criticizing President Polk in the war against Mexico.

Reads Lincoln Speech. Prof. Thompson said "Abraham Lincoln viewed the revolutionary overthrow of government as a right," and he quoted the martyred president's speech, "any people anywhere have the right to rise up and shake off the existing government and form a new one that suits them better. This is a most valuable and sacred right—a right which we hope and believe to liberate the world."

Prof. Thompson, a mild-mannered little man with a perpetual surprised look, quoted Karl Marx as saying "we do not deny that there are certain countries such as the United States and England in which the workers may hope to secure their ends by peaceful means."

Elaine I to Be Crowned Tonight

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Meek, 1,197,000; Eleanor Canoy, 1,137,000, and Pauline Jones, \$59,000. Kitty Ryan of Salem was sixth, Katherine Boyer of Salem, seventh; Margaret Whitney of Woodburn, eighth; Flora Chioda of Portland, ninth, and Faye Clodfelter of Salem, tenth.

Rentals May Be Lowered

McMINNVILLE, Aug. 16.—(P)—The federal farm resettlers executive committee said today Walter A. Duffy, regional farm security administrator, heard their protests and indicated he thought rentals were excessive and there was a possibility adjustments could be made.

Flaming Pyre for Nine Army Fliers



This flaming wreckage was once a proud, twin-motored army bomber. Taking off from Langley Field, Va., on a routine flight, the plane crashed, carrying nine men to death. The roaring flames balked attempts to rescue the trapped men. Failure of ship's motors was blamed for the plane's dive after it reached 200-foot altitude.

Writer Finds Germany's Preparedness Near Highest Stage in all History

By LOUIS P. LOCHNER

BERLIN, Aug. 16.—(AP)—Germany has put finishing touches to "preparedness" measures, which may go into history as the most stupendous of their kind, and today stands ready for any emergency the future may hold.

From the high Tatra mountains in Slovakia to the Baltic, the German army, renouncing the formality of mobilization, now is ready at any moment to enforce, if necessary, Adolf Hitler's demands for unconditional return of the free city of Danzig to the reich, and for the physical junction of East Prussia to Germany proper.

The newspapers today, as if at the pressing of a button, suddenly raised the ante for appeasement by insisting, with one accord, that Danzig alone will not satisfy German pride and prestige. Pomorze, the so-called Polish corridor, it is now openly stated, is also at issue.

If these pressure tactics should not induce an inclination to give Hitler what he wants, and if the freer should decide to hold his forces in leash for a while longer nevertheless, then he may be expected to seize upon two events to tell the German people and the world in persons what he demands.

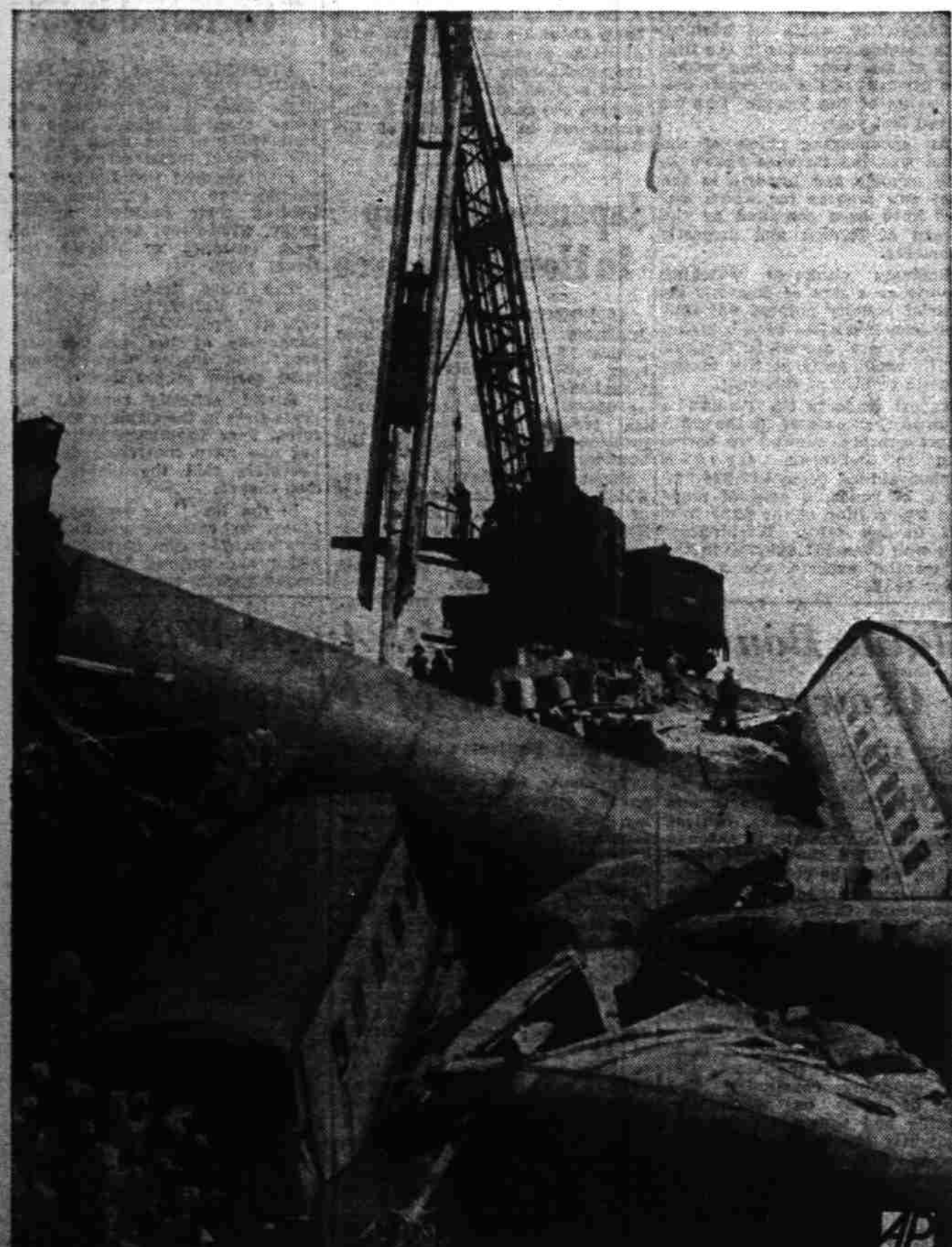
These two events are the 25th anniversary of the battle of Tannenberg on April 27 and the annual Nuremberg party convention September 2-11.

After arriving at this northeastern gateway to the Dominion, Mr. Roosevelt received in his quarters aboard ship Jack McLean, acting mayor of Sydney, H. J. Kelly, vice president and general manager of the Dominion Steel and Coal corporation, and other local notables. The president did not plan to go ashore.

Where the Tuscaloosa would head after raising anchor about daybreak tomorrow had not been determined. It was possible it would turn eastward toward fishing grounds or into the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

With fog whistles sounding at 2-minute intervals and huge searchlights attempting to knife the haze, the Tuscaloosa and her escort ship, the destroyer Lang, had bobbed along at reduced speeds of 10 to 15 knots from 8 o'clock last night until they reached the calm waters of this busy port, where crowds lined the waterfront.

Nevada Wreck Cleanup Goes on



Wreckage is shown in action at the scene of the wreck of the Southern Pacific's steamship "City of San Francisco" in central Nevada as the death toll reached 23 and number of injuries mounted. Hunt was on for men or men believed to have deliberately wrecked the fast train.

Local Stock Wins At Montana Fair

Creek's Berkshire Boar Champion; Canby Hogs Also Get Ribbons

BILLINGS, Mont., Aug. 16.—(P)—Hays and company of Calgary, Canada, captured major honors in the Holstein class of the dairy cattle department at the Midland Empire fair here, Judges' results disclosed today.

Honors for the grand champion bull and cow went to the Canadian entries, and the Hays entries also were awarded ribbons for senior champion bull, junior champion bull and the senior champion cow. The junior champion cow was exhibited by the Utah state industrial school at Ogden.

Bond and son of Troutdale, Ore., won honors for grand champion bull in the Guernsey class and the grand champion cow was exhibited by M. C. Fleming of Troutdale. The Bond and son entry was senior champion bull of its class.

Honors for the grand champion sow went to Edwin C. Ridder of Sherwood, Ore. In the Chester White class, the grand champion sow was exhibited by Roy Harms of Canby, Ore. Harms' entries were junior champion boar and senior champion sow.

W. C. Creek of Salem, Ore., exhibited the grand champion boar in the Berkshire class. Creek exhibited the senior and junior champion boars.

Four Wanted Men Found in Wreck

WADENA, Minn., Aug. 16.—(P)—Four men, one an Ohio convict, who Wadena county Sheriff John Bengtson said confessed to robbing a Glendive, Mont., clothing store, were in jail here after a stolen automobile was wrecked when a tire blew out.

All four, slightly injured in the crash, waived extradition to Montana, Sheriff Bengtson said. The suspects gave their names: the sheriff said, as Clarence Christensen, Robert Horn and Theodore Ustenmaker, all of Madison, S. D. They are about 25 years old.

The trio were put under arrest at the accident scene when Highway Patrolman Art Cusley and Frank McLaughlin discovered more than 20 new men's suits in the smashed automobile. The fourth, John W. Good, about 23, who escaped on foot while the highway patrolmen attended the injured, was later captured when he made the mistake of thumbing a ride with two other patrolmen.

Film Career out For UO Graduate

EUGENE, Aug. 16.—(P)—A career as a school teacher is more attractive than the movies to Marcia Steinhauser, June graduate of the University of Oregon.

Miss Steinhauser, once named the university's "ideal girl," turned down a Hollywood screen test for a part in "Abe Lincoln in Illinois" being filmed near here. She will teach in Eugene junior high school.

Tool Shed Being Built at Capitol

Construction of the small tool shed on the east edge of the capitol grounds is progressing rapidly and will be completed in a little over a month, according to the local WPA office which is furnishing labor for the work. Bricks from the chimney of the old capitol heating plant are being used in part of the construction. The building will be one story, 24 by 32 feet.

Heads Idaho Legion

TWIN FALLS, Idaho, Aug. 16.—(P)—Idaho's American Legion department elected Homer Hadelson of Boise commander today and selected Coeur d'Alene for the 1940 convention city as the 21st annual convention ended.

Army Flier Killed

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Aug. 16.—(P)—Second Lieut. John R. Hopson of Washington, D.C., was killed in a plane crash late today about 17 miles northwest of San Antonio while returning with 22 other Kelly field fliers on a training flight.

Britain Calm, Nazi Movement

Polish Soldier Killed on Danzig Soil, Second Incident of Day

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ever, said it was closed by the Poles.

An associated Press correspondent traveling along the Polish border between Gdansk and Gdynia, Germany, and Schlochau, (along the Polish corridor) noted unusual military activity.

Private Vehicles Being Commandeered

The military was stringing miles of communication lines and besides using regular army vehicles for transport purposes had commandeered private vehicles which were stenciled with army symbols. But no troop movements were seen in the northern sector.

Similar activity was to be seen in Berlin and other German cities. Meanwhile, Hitler conferred with his air chief, his foreign minister and the head of his press department.

With Italian newspapers urging Poland to seek a conference with Germany, East Prussia spokesmen said plainly no conference would be possible unless it was for discussion of a method of unconditionally handing the free city to Germany. It was also made clear that "an arrangement whereby East Prussia is connected with the reich by a strip across the Polish corridor" must be included.

The Danzig situation was aggravated by the killing of a Polish soldier on Danzig soil, but there seemed to be a disposition on both sides not to let the incident become a starting point for a final break. Poles, however, announced the arrest of several score Germans on espionage charges.

Spokane Is Host To State's Legion

SPOKANE, Aug. 16.—(P)—The American Legion's advance forces captured Spokane today and an army of delegates took over the town while their officers mapped out a rapid fire program for the annual state convention, setting 8:45 a. m. tomorrow as the "zero hour."

A parade of flags will lead the anticipated 1,200 delegates in a mass march upon the objective—the Fox theatre, convention hall for 1939. Leading the 200 color bearers will be Seattle's University post drum and bugle corps of 50 pieces, a defender of the state march-music championship.

National Commander Stephen Chadwick, Seattle, who advocated immediate deportation of Harry Bridges in an address today, will deliver the opening speech.

Talking before the Spokane chamber of commerce, Chadwick said the Bridges case had "aroused the American people" and he believed there would be "a strong demand for laws to handle such cases."

Tuna Fishermen Set Sail Again

ASTORIA, Ore., Aug. 16.—(P)—Deliveries of albacore tuna fish were expected by the end of the week today as hundreds of fishing boats set out following the end of the strike yesterday.

A new tuna packing cannery was opened by Columbia River Packers' association and will be operating under full capacity Monday. The other four canneries will begin packing later. Schooners of tuna along the coast were reported by scouting boats and coast guard plane.

Workers Alliance Slate Labor Day Protest Meetings

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16.—(P)—The Workers' Alliance, organization of unemployed and WPA employees, announced today nationwide Labor day protest meetings against reductions of \$3 to \$9 a month which it said the WPA had ordered in the wages of its unskilled workers in the north, east and west.

While expressing satisfaction with increases ordered by WPA in wages of its enrollees in the south, David Lasser, president of the alliance, said he believed the cuts in wages in other sections were "a great mistake and a grave injustice."

Klamath Falls Bid Low on Road Job

PORTLAND, Aug. 16.—(P)—A low bid of \$57,221.25 for surfacing and bituminous treatment of 21 miles of the Willamette highway in Lane county was submitted by Clifford A. Dunn of Klamath Falls. Bids were opened today by W. H. Lynch of the public roads administration. E. L. Gates of Crater Lake had a low bid of \$77,104.30 for the grading of a new section of the Tiller-Trail highway in Jackson county.

One Boy Dead, Result Of Watermelon Foray

BROOKINGS, S. D., Aug. 16.—(P)—One boy was dead and another wounded tonight after what police described as a shooting follow-up foray on a farmer's watermelon patch.

Tony Moberg, about 65, was in the sheriff's custody in connection with the shooting which occurred on Moberg's place. John Albert, 14, high school boy, was killed instantly by a shotgun discharge.

Actor Arbiters' Turned Down



NEW YORK, Aug. 16.—(P)—The Associated Actors and Artists of America, AFL-affiliated parent theatrical union, tonight rejected a proposal that the AFL executive council's decision in the dispute revolving around Sophie Tucker's American Federation of Actors be accepted in full. Frank Gillmore, president of the AFL, disclosed the union's stand after a 6 1/2 hour meeting of the executive board. A committee of the union, he said, would meet in Atlantic City tomorrow with Matthews Woll, AFL vice president, to consider the matter further. (Woll pictured above, center, AFL arbitrator-vice-presidents, Thomas Rickert, left, of United Garment Workers, and John Cecilfield, right, of the plumbers.)

Oddities in the News

NORRIS, Tenn., Aug. 16.—(P)—Police today warned residents of this "model town" of the Tennessee Valley Authority to pay attention to the latest curfew ordinance. The law requires that all dogs be off the streets by 10 p. m.

READING, Pa., Aug. 16.—(P)—It's the merchant who most often loses when his scales get out of order—not the customer.

George Nebinger, secretary of the Pennsylvania Association of Inspectors of Weights and Measures, told delegates to the organization's annual convention today the merchant with faulty scales more frequently gives overweight than short measure. He reached the conclusion after 23 years as an inspector.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Aug. 16.—(P)—Sheriff David J. Manning of Hampden county wondered today if Uncle Sam had overdrawn his checking account after a U. S. treasury check for \$61.20 "bounced" back marked "insufficient funds."

The check was in payment for the keep of four federal prisoners in the county jail. Manning said he would refer the matter to the U. S. marshal's office at Boston.

CAMDEN, N. J., Aug. 16.—(P)—A thief stole a set of false teeth right out of Morris Mahoney's mouth today—without even awakening him.

But the fellow still didn't get away with it. A policeman on a bridge where Mahoney was sleeping saw the thief picking Mahoney's pocket and grabbed him. The false molars were in his hand.

"Did Right" Says Of Mercy Killing

ALLENTOWN, Pa., Aug. 16.—(P)—"My work on earth is done."

With those words, gray-haired Margaret L. Cowan, 77-year-old former nurse held in the "mercy slaying" of her ailing sister, faced the future cheerfully tonight, confident, she said, "did right."

The frail spinster, who lived alone in a one-room apartment, was jailed after Detective James L. Christine said, she walked into the Allentown state mental hospital last night and shot to death her 65-year-old sister, Mrs. Louise Saeger.

During brief questioning today, District Attorney John L. Cuthall said Miss Cowan told authorities: "If they electrocute me tomorrow, that will be all right. I'm fully convinced of what I've done. I don't care what happens. I feel happier now than I have all my life. I have put my sister out of her misery."

Portland Relief Cases Declining

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16.—(P)—The social security board reported today a decline for last month in the amount of general relief in 104 cities from public funds.

Portland, which had 3,753 cases, showed a decrease of 10 percent, along with a decrease of 10 percent in cash obligations. The cash obligation totaled \$60,891.

Finance Officers To Hear Speaker

Willamette valley municipal finance officers will gather at the Marion hotel next Monday noon to hear an address by Carl Chatters, executive director of the Municipal Finance Officers association of the United States and Canada. Chatters has held many high positions dealing with governmental finances, among others as adviser to the Tennessee Valley authority.

The Salem meeting is being arranged by Secretary of State Earl Sued.

Brush Blazes Again

MURPHY, Ida., Aug. 16.—(P)—A brush fire believed under control last night after it had blackened several thousand acres, broke out again today to lay waste an additional 6,000 acres in Owyhee county.

US Trade Has Billion Gain

40 per Cent Increase in Auto Sales big Factor in 6-Months Gain

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16.—(P)—The commerce department reported today that a 40 per cent increase in automobile sales played a major part in rolling up a billion-dollar gain in the nation's retail trade during the first six months of this year.

Agriculture department economists said at the same time that "some additional betterment during the next few months is indicated by conditions in the more important industries, but no business boom of large proportions is in sight."

Domestic conditions generally indicate, these economists reported, "continued strength in the business situation during the next few months, with industrial production and consumers' incomes likely to pass their 1938 peaks by fall."

Arms Trade Helps. The economists' views were incorporated in a survey issued by the bureau of agricultural economics. It said that, while normally the speeding up of Europe's armament race might be expected to quicken the pulse of American business, "continued governmental controls interfering with the normal flow of commodities" had lessened the force of this stimulus.

Preliminary estimates made public by the commerce department showed the total of all types of retail sales had reached \$17,900,000,000 in the first half of 1939, an increase of 6 per cent over the like period last year.

The report explained that the gain in actual physical turnover of goods had been even more impressive than indicated by the billion-dollar upswing. This, it was stated, was due to the fact that there had been a general reduction in retail prices below the average level of the corresponding six months a year ago.

US Was Expected To Pay Fair Bill

NEW YORK, Aug. 16.—(P)—Grover Whalen, president of the New York World's fair, reiterated tonight in a public statement that \$1,558,000 had been spent for foreign space in the Hall of Nations in the belief the federal government would pay the bill.

Henry A. Wallace, secretary of agriculture and chairman of the United States World's fair commission, said in Washington today that "neither the commission nor any other federal agency that I know of gave the appropriation 'assurances of federal appropriation' to cover the total cost of the Hall of Nations."

Whalen said in reply that the fair had proceeded with the construction prior to presidential veto of an appropriation which would have paid for it. The fair spent \$2,308,000 on the foreign space, Whalen said, and received from the US commission \$850,000, leaving a net expense of \$1,558,000.

California Fights Fires in Forests

SAN LUIS OBISPO, Calif., Aug. 16.—(P)—Men were drafted from San Luis Obispo communities today to fight a menacing series of timber and brush fires, while elsewhere in California hundreds of fought flames that had blasted approximately 50,000 acres of tinder dry mountain areas.

A total of 7,000 acres in the Los Padres national forest had been burned up to tonight, while in San Diego county, 1200 men fought a conflagration on an 8-mile front that had destroyed 8,000 acres of brush and pine growth in Cleveland national forest.

PWA Headquarters Shift Unconfirmed

PORTLAND, Aug. 16.—(P)—Confirmation of the regional PWA headquarters consolidation with the San Francisco office had not been received here today. Whether a sub-regional office would be retained here was not known. Regional Administrator C. C. Hockley has been in Washington, D. C., for several days.

Advices Sewage Survey

PORTLAND, Aug. 16.—(P)—Before constructing a sewage disposal plant, Portland should spend \$75,000 to \$100,000 in research, Abel Woolman, Maryland department of health engineer, advised the chamber of commerce yesterday.

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