

Olympia Solon Seeks Oregon's Timber Policy

OLYMPIA, Jan. 20 (AP)—State Sen. Earl S. Coe (D-Benton-Klickitat, Skamania, Franklin), called upon the state land board today to adopt a policy of selling state timber in the interests of Washington industries.

"In Klickitat and Skamania counties alone, we have lost 15 mills in the past four years because powerful Oregon interests were able to come in and outbid them for the timber they needed to keep running," Coe said.

"What we need in our state is a land board policy of protection and legislation that will do for Washington industries just what Oregon has done for its own."

Coe said that under an Oregon act of 1937, the right is reserved to award the timber to a bidder other than the highest bidder "in order to provide a continued supply of timber to local industry so as to assure the permanence of the community which is dependent upon such industry."

Continuation of the present system, which he said has cost the lumber industry in his district an annual payroll loss of \$1,000,000, means large interest ultimately will entirely freeze out small "gyppo" loggers, Coe contended.

Portland Irked Over Trains at Crossings

PORTLAND, Jan. 20 (AP)—City Commissioner Dorothy McCullough Lee today asked the Southern Pacific railroad to find some way of breaking trains and allowing street traffic to continue when freights are stalled at crossings in the city.

In the last three weeks traffic was blocked seven times at three principal crossings for periods of 16 to 44 minutes and many other times for shorter periods, she said in a protest to the railroad's superintendent, L. P. Hopkins.

ON the HOME FRONT

By ISABEL CHILDS

We've ordered a microscope, black scholar's cap, an oversized notebook and a filing cabinet with alphabetical indices and shortly expect to undertake a momentous bit of research which our friends have urged upon us.

Already, we've caused a survey of the salvage boxes on street corners, the scrap paper haled in our own shop, the Congressional Record and other places where such musty materials might be found.

What we have been asked to do is not simple. We may have to call on the reading public for assistance. Our research will have one goal: To discover whatever happened to our V-day plans.

Political Aspect Brightens in Weary Greece

ATHENS, Jan. 20 (AP)—Clarification of the British attitude and reports of release of a high proportion of hostages held by the Elms brightened the political aspect of Greece's troubled truce today.

An international Red Cross delegate from Switzerland, returning to Athens tonight after 10 days in Elms territory, said Elms central committee had authorized the chief of the international Red Cross committee mission here to take possession of all hostages except those which Elms considered responsible for bringing about the crisis among the Greeks.

The Elms retained the right to hold prisoners who had been detained in the Averoff prison, most of them for political reasons, said a communique issued by the Red Cross. The Elms captured more than 100 prisoners from Averoff, including many suspected of collaborating with the Nazis during the occupation of Greece.

Traffic Deaths Total 250, Gain Of 17 Over '43

Traffic fatalities in Oregon for 1944 totalled 250 persons, in street and highway accidents, Secretary of State Robert S. Farrell, jr., said Saturday. It was stressed that the figure was subject to revision as later reports are received. The 1944 toll was 17 higher than that in 1943.

Pedestrian toll for 1944 was 74, compared to 86 in 1943, a decrease of 14 per cent.

Grade crossing fatalities soared to 24, compared to seven in 1943. Astoria was the only major city to go through the year without a traffic fatality.

Count by Cities
Following were the fatalities for cities of 10,000 or more population (for 1944 and 1943 in that order):

Portland 46, 52; Bend 1, 0; Eugene 2, 1; Astoria 0, 2; Klamath Falls 1, 0; Medford 1, 4; Salem 4, 1.

During the period from June 9, 1943, to June 30, 1944, a total of 46,364 owners or drivers were involved in traffic accidents coming under the state motor vehicle financial responsibility law of 1943, Farrell reported to the legislature.

Proofs of financial responsibility furnished within 45 days as required by the act numbered 5907.

Revocations of licenses aggregated 1978 and suspensions 2981. Of the revocations, 1709 were due to driving while intoxicated, 18 for hit and run while intoxicated and 168 for driving while licenses were revoked. Of the suspensions, 2765 resulted from traffic accidents and 93 for unsatisfied judgments.

Safety Work Cited
Operators cases (drivers operating cars not registered in their names) numbered 2668. There were 1244 cases where proof was furnished by certificate of insurance. The number of judgments satisfied subsequent to suspension of judgment debtors' license since July 1, 1935, was fixed at 247.

Thumbnail of War!

(By the Associated Press)

Western Front — French First army gains 3 miles south of Americans to strike powerful blow for liberation of Alsace.

Russia — Red troops span Warta river in 30-mile drive away from Warsaw, reaching 210 miles east of Berlin.

Italy — Planes raid Nazi sub hideouts in Mediterranean, causing explosions and fire; Canadians capture strong points on Senio river.

China — Army reveals mass movement of Chinese troops by plane to halt Jap threat against Chungking.

Pacific — MacArthur troops secure 37 miles of Luzon's principal north-south highway, severing enemy forces.

State Pioneer Dies at 91

CORVALLIS, Jan. 20 (AP)—William Edward Fendall, born in Williams December 15, 1854 and one of the oldest Oregon natives, died yesterday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. G. E. Wilson, at Norton, Lincoln county.

His father Charles E. Fendall came to Oregon with the Applegate wagon train in 1843. Parents of his mother, Amanda Rodgers Fendall, came to Oregon in 1846. The family claims early American ancestry dating from 1620.

He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Wilson, Norton; Mrs. Otis Hamar, Nashville, and three sons, D. C. Fendall, Corvallis, and Fred and Arthur Fendall, both of Portland. Rites will be held at Williams Sunday.

July 1, 1935, was fixed at 247. Farrell said that because of the traffic safety campaign, conducted under an act of the 1937 legislature, and other safety measures Oregon's traffic death rate has been reduced from the peak of nearly 16 fatalities per 100,000-000 miles of travel to nine fatalities.

Architect Hired To Plan New Jail Quarters

Frederick H. Eley, Salem architect, Saturday was awarded the contract by the county for furnishing the plans, specifications, inspection and supervision of the remodeling of the old sheriff's living quarters for women and juveniles. He will receive \$350 for the work.

The basement will be divided into two compartments. The one to be used for boys will be divided into four cells, three of which will accommodate two boys each, the fourth, four boys. The women's compartment will accommodate six women or girls.

The floor will be of concrete, the walls of some heavy metal with bars over all openings. There will be two separate rest rooms, with showers. After estimates of cost of material are furnished the court will decide whether to undertake the venture as a county work project or whether to ask for bids from contractors for work and material.

Silverton Man Dies Saturday

SILVERTON, Jan. 20 — James W. Eskew, 57, city employe of Silverton, died unexpectedly Saturday night here. He had suffered a heart attack at noon while at work at the city hall and had been taken to his home. He had resided here for a year, coming west from Nebraska.

Surviving are the widow, Cora Mae Eskew of the home; six children, Lyman G. with the U. S. army in France, Vernon W. with the armed services in the Philippines, Mrs. Dorothy Carlson of Sioux Falls, S. D., Alma, James, jr., and Wilma, all of the home; a brother, C. L. Eskew of Bellingham, Wash., and two sisters, Mrs. Lula Wightman and Mrs. John Gray of Sidney, Iowa.

Funeral arrangements will be announced later from the Ekman funeral home.

Berle Sworn in as Ambassador to Brazil

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20 (AP)—Adolf A. Berle was sworn in today as ambassador to Brazil and said he would leave Monday by plane for his new post.

Berle resigned recently as assistant secretary of state. He replaces Jefferson Caffery, now ambassador to France, in Brazil.

Marion 4H Club Leaders Elect

Mrs. William Wiederkehr of Sidney was elected president of the Marion County 4-H club leaders association at the annual meeting Saturday. Mrs. Willow Evans of Eldridge was elected first vice president and Elmer Jeskey of Aurora, second vice president; Mrs. Ralph E. Cartwright of Prospect was named secretary-treasurer. Esther Kieper of Cloverdale was named member at large on the board.

Between 35 and 40 members attended the meeting at which plans for the year were discussed. James Bishop, Marion county club leader, and Marjorie Tye, Marion county home demonstration agent, addressed the meeting.

The Marion county 4-H spring show will be held April 23 through 27. This was decided at the Marion county leader meeting in Salem Saturday.

Installation of the officers will be held at the meeting March 10 when final plans for the spring show will be again discussed.

3185 Yank Officers, Men Court Martialed

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20 (AP)—American general courts martial tried 3185 officers and enlisted men for offenses committed in the United Kingdom during a two-year period, the Army and Navy Journal said today.

The unofficial publication added that of the total, 2858 were convicted and 327 acquitted.

John Stuhr Dies as Result Of Injuries

John Stuhr, 67, 1545 Trade street, died late Saturday as a result of injuries received in an accident at his work at the California Packing company Friday. Stuhr fell from a ramp in the warehouse of the company and broke a leg. He was immediately rushed to a Salem hospital and seemed in good condition, but failed to revive from surgical treatment late Saturday.

Stuhr had been an employe of the company for the past two seasons. He is survived by his wife, Mary of the home; two daughters, Mrs. Velma Knapke and Mrs. Dorothy Nixon of Salem; five sons Clifford, of Sublimity, Marvin and Herbert of Salem, Leonard with the U. S. army at Ft. Knox, Ky., and Robert with the U. S. army overseas.

Other survivors are three brothers, Henry, Chris, and Charles Stuhr of Manning, Ia.; seven sisters, Mrs. Mollie Bohnsack, Mrs. Louise Windish, Mrs. Minnie Frahn, Mrs. Lena Coleman, and Mrs. Tillie Bohnsack, all of Mason City, Ia., Mrs. Doris Stoelk of Manning, Ia., and Mrs. Eva Kruse of Carroll, Ia., and 10 grandchildren.

Funeral arrangements will be announced later from the Clough Barrick company.

Man Found in Alley, Stabbed and Beaten

VANPORT CITY, Jan. 20 (AP)—Walter Thomas Jones, 38, negro, was held in county jail today in the stabbing of Peter Arthur Gilbert, 35, Brazilian, who was found seriously cut and beaten in an alley near his war housing apartment.

Gilbert was cut about the head and legs and suffered two wounds in the chest believed to have punctured his lungs. Police seized Jones after the victim recovered and told them he and Jones, both Swan Island shipyard workers, had quarreled.

Portland Traffic Toll In 'Terrifying Trend'

PORTLAND, Jan. 20 (AP)—The city traffic commission today warned the "terrifying trend" of one auto fatality every two days the past month may go higher.

Police Traffic Analyst J. L. Hartley said five of the eight deaths in the first three weeks of January were pedestrians run down after dark, the highest traffic toll record of any similar period.

Japs Closing Railway Gap

CHUNGKING, Jan. 20 (AP)—Japanese forces in Hunan and Kwangtung provinces have launched simultaneous and converging attacks designed to close the Chinese-held gap in the Canton-Hankow railway, the Chinese high command disclosed tonight. Fighting also has erupted in different localities within the angle formed by the Canton-Hankow and Hunan-Kwangsi railroads, the command said.

The Chinese announcement also indicated that the Japanese had extended the protective area which they are forming around Hongkong as a safeguard against any American landing on the Chinese coast.

Italy Action Bugged Down

ROME, Jan. 20 (AP)—Action of the fifth and eighth army fronts ground to a virtual standstill today.

Even patrol activity in the fifth army sector fell to the lowest point in several days as rain and snow left lakes of slush through the mountains below Bologna.

Beaten back in an attempt to establish a bridgehead across the Senio with a 100-man force in the vicinity of Fusignano, the enemy continued his infiltration efforts in several places on the east bank of the stream, in the Adriatic sector, but all patrols were repulsed.



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