

2,000 Pit Selves Against Fires

Montana, Idaho Blazes Running Uncontrolled

SPOKANE, Wash., Aug. 12.—(AP)—Two thousand CCC enrollees and volunteers matched themselves tonight against three dangerous forest fires menacing towns and rich timber in northern Idaho and eastern Washington.

The worst blaze cut a swath through the Idaho panhandle's holiday playground and headed toward the village of Athol after leaving damage estimated at \$1,000,000 at Spirit lake, region which got its name decades ago from an Indian legend. The fire sprawled over 30,000 acres.

The other two fires were in Washington, one 20 miles southeast of Spokane along the shore of Liberty lake, a summer resort. Northwestward toward the Canadian border, an eight-mile-long blaze burned on the Nespelem Indian reservation near the Colville national forest.

Lieut. Joseph Delaney, CCC fire line inspector, reported to Spokane CCC headquarters by radio that the Spirit lake conflagration was "crowning" so rapidly he had pulled crews from in front of the blaze to save them from being corralled and burned to death by the flames.

"We won't be able to stop the fire's progress until a strong wind either reverses or dies down," Lieut. Delaney messaged.

Two CCC youths, Murray Reynolds and Jesse Mead, were caught for a time in a canyon when the flames leaped over the fire lines. Parts of their clothes were burned before they gained a safe position.

At least two cottages on the southeastern shore of Liberty lake were destroyed by a fire that swept down a slope of Mica peak into the Dreamwood bay summer resort. Earlier two farm houses reportedly were burned down. Numerous others and two fur farms were threatened.

Williams' Friends Join At Star-Gazing

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pod, Mr. Williams at once began to look for a substantial mounting. He obtained permission to use a vacant lot at the corner of University and Twenty-second streets as the site for his "open air" observatory. There in a base of concrete he set an iron post which extends about five feet above the wooden floor built around it. When not in use, the telescope is kept in Mr. Williams' house across the street from the observatory. It is easily mounted on the iron post and pointed to any part of the sky when observations are in order.

A bright street light not far from the Williams' observatory caused some disturbance at first. But the city light department very kindly "blacked out" one side of the globe so that no longer is there any disturbance from this source.

Last month when Mars was at its nearest approach to the earth in 15 years, Mr. Williams decided to hold a sort of "dedicatory party," so invited the public to view the fiery planet. Accordingly, he ran a short note in the Register-Guard to the effect that every one was welcome on the evenings of July 27, 28, 29 and 30.

How many to provide for the first night was a troublesome problem. Mr. Williams went to the Elks club to borrow a bunch of chairs for the occasion, but was advised that he was likely too enthusiastic and would probably have present not more than half a dozen men and their wives, so took with him eight chairs.

These "eight chairs" are now famous pieces of furniture. By the time the telescope was pointed skyward, 150 people were waiting in line. That was only the beginning. When at 2 a. m. Mr. Williams was finally free to take his telescope home, he decided that his 300 or 400 guests had rather overdone the seating facilities.

The next three nights were repetitions of the first. People came from Eugene and surrounding towns. Many later reported that the long waiting line had so discouraged them that they had left without getting near the telescope.

After four strenuous nights as an astronomer, the genial baker felt the need of returning to his usual occupation, and decided to "catch up" with his sleep. On the fifth night he retired early. But he had gained too much popularity the few preceding nights. Several times he had to climb out of bed and answer the door bell—and the query, "Are you showing Mars tonight?"

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LANGLEY FIELD, Va., Aug. 12.—(AP)—Two army fliers parachuted to safety today when their speedy pursuit plane crashed about 25 miles northeast of here.

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J. PARNELL THOMAS, above, left, and Joe Chiaramonte, right, are among the Shriners who are preparing for the annual picnic August 27 at Swimmers' Delight. Mr. Thomas is rajah of Al Kader Shrine temple, and Mr. Chiaramonte is general chairman for the picnic.

Dies Committee Will Expose Reds

WASHINGTON, Aug. 12.—(UP)—Rep. J. Parnell Thomas, R., N. J., predicted tonight that new evidence uncovered by the Dies committee investigation of un-American activities would "kill the communist party in the United States."

Thomas declined to amplify his statement but another member of the committee declared that Dies investigators had evidence of a purported financial link between Soviet Russia and communist activities in the United States.

The committee will meet Wednesday to prepare plans for new hearings which are expected to resume shortly and continue indefinitely through the autumn.

"We'll disclose the real big shots of the communist party," Thomas said.

Another committee member said that the Dies agents had "much more startling information this year than last year because it had more money and investigators with which to pursue its inquiry."

The committee members said Dies agents on the Pacific coast had uncovered "a wealth of material" on communist activities, some of which had been turned over to the labor department and some to the justice department. Other material has been found bearing on an "important" Nazi spy case.

Original plans of the committee for hearings called for a 3-day session in Washington Nazi and Fascist activities, followed by hearings on the west coast, and in Chicago and Pittsburgh and possibly other cities. It was planned to run almost continuously until Christmas.

It was uncertain tonight whether these plans would be followed through without change. Chairman Martin Dies, D., Tex., is aboard a liner en route from Galveston to New York. He is scheduled to arrive here Tuesday. Before leaving Texas he said he would hold an executive session of the committee on his arrival to determine the future course of the inquiry.

In addition to Dies and Thomas, Reps. Joe Starnes, D., Ala., John J. Dempsey, D., N. M., and Noah Mason, R., Ill., are expected to be on hand. Rep. Jerry Voorhis, D., Calif., was not expected until after the hearings start.

There is one vacancy on the committee still to be filled by Speaker William B. Bankhead. It was created by the resignation of Rep. Arthur D. Healy, D., Mass.

The Dies committee, which had its authority renewed early this year with a grant of \$100,000 of additional funds and a time limit of one year on its inquiry, held only series of hearings during the session.

This was an investigation of an antisemitic propaganda campaign during which the committee inquired into the activities of Mal-Gen. George van Horn Moseley, retired.

Since the close of those hearings, a staff of investigators under Rhea Whitley, former G-man, has continued at work preparing for further disclosures. The committee has established branch offices in San Francisco and Los Angeles.

DIES OF INJURY

PORTLAND, Aug. 12.—(AP)—Allen Fox, 18, Oswego, died today of injuries suffered when a car overturned yesterday. His death brought Portland's traffic death toll to 32 since January 1.

DIES IN PORTLAND

PORTLAND, Aug. 12.—(AP)—Philip Feldman, 75, retired soap manufacturer, died here today.

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Holland Sees Security In Sea

Dikes May Be Broken If Invaders Arrive

AMSTERDAM, Aug. 12.—(AP)—If the Netherlands should be invaded, her citizens may resort to a daring collaboration with their old enemy, the sea, in an attempt to hold off the new foe.

Military experts say that carefully worked out plans for flooding a vital area of this tiny country by opening the dikes and diverting the canals lie ready in the generals' offices.

The unique part of the "water line defense plan"—as it is called—is that the Netherlands would be fighting not on the dry but on the wet side of the line.

They would stay on in the inundated area with intercommunication assured, they believe, by certain central roads possessing elevation enough to remain above the water level.

The Netherlands hopes, of course, that she can remain neutral as she did in the World war and she is following a cautious diplomatic policy.

She is very careful especially not to say or do anything which might give offense to her mighty German neighbor.

Get a Netherlander talking in private, however, and he will tell you how much he fears the possibility of a German invasion if Germany and Great Britain should go to war.

The Netherlands' coast, he points out, would be ideal for airplane and submarine bases against the British.

That is why the defense mechanism is geared for a thrust from the east.

The flooded section west of this would include the four principal cities of the nation—Utrecht, The Hague, and the ports of Amsterdam and Rotterdam.

The Netherlands' worries do not stop in Europe but go on to the far east, where the safety of her empire is a constant concern.

Japan's invasion of China and steady advance southward toward Java and the other East Indies islands cause anxiety here.

Washington Governor May Halt Strikers

SEATTLE, Aug. 12.—(AP)—Gov. Clarence D. Martin threatened tonight to use emergency powers to establish state operation of Puget Sound ferries, strike-bound for 12 days.

"Service must be resumed soon or the state will be compelled to take steps to give the public the service to which it is entitled," the governor said in an interview.

Answering a question as to whether his statement meant he would establish state operation, he said:

"We may have to. The public interest must be preserved."

The governor did not elaborate upon the plan or set any definite deadline for settlement of the deadlock, which has disrupted service between Seattle and Bremerton, to Vashon and Bainbridge islands and on various other ferry routes affecting the Olympic peninsula.

Eddie Cantor Acts In Labor Dispute

NEW YORK, Aug. 12.—(AP)—Eddie Cantor, president of the American guild of variety artists, demanded today that the American federation of labor settle an actors' union jurisdictional quarrel by ousting Ralph Whitehead, executive secretary of the embattled American federation of actors.

In a telegram to William Green, AFL president, Cantor said Whitehead was attempting to "hide behind the skirts" of Sophie Tucker, burlesque president of the AFA.

The current dispute arose when the associated actors and artist of America, parent AFL union of actor groups, accused the AFA of mismanagement, revoked its charter, and chartered the new guild of variety artists in its stead.

The AFA, which claims 10,000 members among night clubs and vaudeville performers, then joined the international alliance of theatrical stage employees (the stagehands' union), also an AFL affiliate. The 4-A then protested to the AFL, calling for cancellation of the stagehands-AFA marriage.

Cavemen May Build Peak Higher

GRANTS PASS, Aug. 12.—(AP)—The Oregon Cavemen of Grants Pass awaited an answer today from the Tacoma chamber of commerce to their offer to add approximately 50 feet to Mt. Rainier.

The Cavemen telegraphed the chamber of commerce they would stretch the mountain six men's shadows higher for 10 dinosaur eggs. They explained the cavemen of old dug the Oregon caves and Crater lake, piling rocks on Mt. Shasta.

"We will dig cave side of Rainier, push top up from underneath," Chief Bighorn W. W. Lightner telegraphed.

Glenwood Situation Still In Muddle

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tion would face another postponement.

In Seattle City Attorney Calkins was in Seattle Saturday on business and could not be contacted. It was believed that he would return in time for the meeting but no definite word was available.

The Glenwood annexation question has been debated at length by the council during the past several meetings. It came as an aftermath of the proposed Springfield-Eugene merger when a group of Glenwood citizens presented a petition requesting that they be joined to Eugene.

Presentation of a petition from an anti-annexation group prevented action at the July 10 meeting of the council. The decks were believed cleared at the last meeting, July 24, when those in favor of joining to the city brought in a report indicating that there was a clear majority in the area under consideration in favor of the move.

Agreement Informal At that time the council informally agreed to make a definite decision on the question at the next meeting. The city fathers have indicated that they might be favorable toward annexation if the people in the territory definitely desire to be added to Eugene. They have been wary of calling an election and having the measure defeated at the polls.

Mayor Large has been in favor of the move since the initial discussion. Other city officials, who would be faced with the problems likely to result from joining the area to the city, are more cautious in their opinions. None have made any study or are able to indicate what their departments could do in case of annexation.

If the council was to decide definitely upon the question Monday night, only one alternative would be open, that of defeating the measure, since adoption would be impossible with the ordinance in its present condition.

Kehrl Makes Study The problem has been studied extensively by Herman S. Kehrl of the University bureau of municipal research. Mr. Kehrl maintains that the question is actually one involving not only Eugene and Glenwood, but Springfield as well. He points out that the three comprise an economic unit, and that combination would provide for a more unified, economical government.

Statistically, in a report submitted to the city council July 24, he shows that the annexation would increase the Glenwood tax rate 19.6 mills, which would mean a tax increase of \$10 on property of \$500 assessed valuation. Counterbalancing this increase he sees the possibility of a decrease in the Glenwood school tax, and a decided saving in power price.

However, the city council has not indicated that a school district merger would accompany the annexation, this phase of the question having not been discussed. J. W. McArthur, water board superintendent, has prepared no definite information on possibilities of reduced power costs, but admitted that if the area was brought into the city the municipal plant would probably serve it. Mr. Kehrl's rate comparisons indicate that the change would mean between 40 and 50 per cent lower electricity costs.

The report also points out that

Jealous Man Runs Berserk

Two Are Injured Before Killing Self

SMITHTOWN BRANCH, N. Y., Aug. 12.—(AP)—The ex-husband of a Broadway showgirl invaded a fashionable north shore Long Island house today and in a jealous rage critically wounded a socially prominent young divorcee, shot a state trooper and then committed suicide.

Principals in the tragedy which followed a quiet house party were Mrs. Elizabeth Greve Caldwell Carolin, 31, mother of two children and daughter of William Marcus Greve, former New York financier; and Lawrence Sprague, 30, stepson of Dr. Shirley E. Sprague, prominent New York City physician.

For half an hour, after charging Mrs. Carolin into a bedroom in the home of Mrs. Madely Waterman Higgins, Sprague threatened death while Mrs. Carolin waited in terror and Mrs. Higgins, having called the police, vainly tried to save her guest from harm. Mrs. Higgins is the fountain pen fortune heiress and estranged wife of a member of the Higgins ink family.

When two troopers, John Busch and S. J. Bugala arrived and entered the room, Sprague opened fire with a .25 caliber automatic pistol, hitting Busch in the left arm. Then Sprague fired three shots at Mrs. Carolin, wounding her in the abdomen. Breaking free from the troopers who had seized him, Sprague then shot himself through the heart.

Mrs. Carolin, whose first husband, T. Grant Caldwell, bus and milk company executive, valued her affections at \$250,000 in an alienation of affections suit brought last year against her self and husband, Capt. Edward M. M. Carolin, a British subject, was taken to the southside hospital Bayshore.

"We said, 'either we make up or I'll kill you,'" she told State Police Lieutenant Charles La Forge, describing the scene with Sprague in the bedroom.

"I told him we just couldn't make up. He said 'I know you've called the police. If anyone enters the door, I'm going to kill you and get him and then shoot myself.'"

Regular Training Due For Students In Education

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An "internship" in the field of education, with intensive training in actual schools that offer problems of teaching and administration, will be given fifth-year students in the University of Oregon school of education, starting in September, it was announced here today by Dr. J. R. Jewell, dean.

Under the new plan, supervised teacher students will do a half day of work daily at University high school. This half-day will not be divided, and the prospective teachers will get to follow through daily problems just as a regular teacher, Dean Jewell said. Twelve term hours will be completed in this manner.

Dr. F. C. Macomber, professor of education, will give "practically full time" to developing teacher training problems, Dr. Jewell said.

The Glenwood community would benefit by reduced insurance rates with added fire protection. It also counters charges that annexation would increase valuation and taxes in the area with statements from the county assessor, Welby Stevens, who points out that assessments are based upon actual value, which cannot be changed perceptibly through the mere extension of city boundary lines.

The area under consideration comprises between a half and two-thirds of a section, bounded by the river on the north and west, Eugene city limits on the east and an irregular line on the south, between one-half and one-quarter miles from the north boundary.

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Tropical Hurricane Roars Off Florida

NEW ORLEANS, Aug. 12.—(AP)—A tropical storm roared toward the Gulf coast near Apalachicola, Fla., late today.

The storm, which originated east of the Bahama islands earlier this week, was centered near and moving in a northwest or west-northwest direction toward the Florida coast.

The federal hurricane warning system predicted strong northerly winds ranging up as high as gale force as far west as Fort Walton, Fla. Strong gales were expected between Apalachicola and St. Marks the rest of today and early night.

Storm warnings were ordered displayed between St. Marks and Mobile, Ala.

Axis Powers Still In Complete Accord

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went to Nuremberg from Danzig Friday night to address a Nazi political rally there.

Interpreter Present During the conference Hitler was attended by his official interpreter, Dr. Paul Schmidt, who sat in on the Munich four-power conference last September as well as Hitler's historic Godesburg and Berchtesgaden talks with British Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain.

While Hitler and the foreign ministers talked one of der Fuehrer's adjutants took members of the Ribbentrop and Ciano entourage to tea at a nearby villa. Italian comment on the talks said the revision of the free city's present status would be carried out "with reason and generosity."

These statements appeared to indicate that the fuhrer had agreed with Ciano that the Danzig issue is not a cause for war, but that Germany must regain her war-lost city on the Baltic.

Foreign diplomats interpreted Ciano's talk with von Ribbentrop at Salzburg Friday and his visit to Hitler today as conveying Premier Benito Mussolini's desire for Nazi caution in handling the Danzig dispute, lest Italy be drawn into war.

SUICIDE IN PORTLAND

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 12.—(AP)—An argument between a father and son led today to the suicide of Eugene Carls, 24, who shot himself twice through the left side near the heart. The second bullet wounded his right hand.

TO SAN FRANCISCO Mr. and Mrs. C. K. DeWitt, leaving Eugene Sunday for a weeks' trip to San Francisco and Los Angeles. They plan to see their daughter in San Francisco.

TO HOLD PICNIC Beta Sigma Phi will hold a picnic Monday evening at St. Nook. Members are to meet at home of Miss Helen Bell at 8 p. m.

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Morse Tells Decision On Labor Dispute

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Joint Checker committee in accordance with the arbitration procedure provided.

2. "The union violated the express terms of the agreement when it stretched the picket line in front of the dock of the American-Hawaiian Steamship Co. prior to arbitrating its dispute with the employers."

3. "If any of the employer members of the Dock Checkers Employers association see fit to increase the number of monthly checkers between now and September 30, 1939, they are clearly entitled to do so" without any interference on the part of the union because of the previous agreement.

4. "When the lists of regular registered checkers and of jointly approved permit checkers are exhausted, the dispatcher has no right to dispatch unapproved men in front of the dock of the employer until he at least obtains the consent and acceptance of the employers."

5. "The dispatching rules binding upon the parties, subject to modification in accordance with any amendments which the union can establish at a future meeting of the Joint Checker committee have been adopted by the parties." Dean Morse announced he could not decide with finality on this issue because evidence has shown that union representatives were to be given additional time to submit evidence to the employers relative to the status of dispatching rules as the union viewed them.

Oregon's Three Major Forest Fires Slowed

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 12.—(AP)—Oregon's three major forest fires smoldered within their three-day old boundaries tonight as booming humidity and cool temperatures prevented new outbreaks.

Forest officials said all blazes were surrounded, and that, barring new weather complications, they would be under complete control by the first of the week.

Approximately 100,000 acres was burned over by the Saddle mountain, Wolf creek and Dutch canyon conflagrations.

Across the Columbia river in Washington, a 1,100 man crew reportedly had corralled the Columbia national forest fire, which consumed about 6,000 acres.

INJURED FROM PORTLAND

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 12.—(AP)—Miss Frances Rolfe, 16, injured in a train wreck today near Denver, is a student at Franklin high school, and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry H. Rolfe. She suffered a serious spinal fracture.



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