

No Northwest Wheat Shortage Reported by Coast Millers

WASHINGTON — (AP) — N. E. Dodd, Undersecretary of Agriculture, advised Senator Cordon (R-Ore.) Tuesday that the Agriculture Department has received no reports that any flour mills in the Pacific Northwest have been forced to close because of inability to get wheat.

"We heard, however, that some millers in the Pacific Northwest are apprehensive that they may not receive export orders for enough flour to keep their mills running at near capacity throughout the year," Dodd added in a letter made public by Cordon.

Steel 'Basic Factor' In Oil Shortage

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Senator Wherry (R-Neb.) Tuesday described steel as the "basic factor" in the current petroleum shortage, which he said is likely to continue throughout this year and into 1949.

Wherry is chairman of a Senate small business subcommittee on oil which has been prodding industry and government sources to make more fuel oil available to small businesses.

The Nebraska told reporters the committee is getting "more complaints" than ever about the scarcity of fuel oil.

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"We discussed this matter with the officials of the Millers' National Federation and the Flour Millers' Export Assn., who report that although there appears to be sufficient supplies of wheat available to the mills in the Pacific Northwest, the mills are concerned about export orders for flour, because their milling has always been largely for export, compared with mills in other sections of the country."

Dodd said that since December 9 the Commodity Credit Corp. has placed orders with far western mills for 39 million pounds of flour for shipment through Pacific Coast ports, of which 24 million pounds was ordered from mills in Oregon, Washington and Idaho.

Not Interested

The Terminal Flour Mills Co., of Portland, he said, received orders for 7.5 million pounds while another Portland firm, the Crown Mills "apparently was not interested in selling to the CCC in December as no offers were received."

Dodd said the Army had informed him that it had placed orders on the West Coast for 20 million pounds of export flour and frequently has trouble filling its needs in that section because few mills are equipped to supply flour in multi-wall bags as it requires.

Unselfish Ranger Given Pay Boost

WASHINGTON — (AP) — William J. Butler, assistant chief ranger at Rainier National Park, who turned down a \$5,000 reward for finding a missing Marine transport plane on the slopes of Mount Rainier, has been given a pay raise of \$126 a year.

The raise, which lifts Butler's salary from \$3,989 to \$4,024, was announced by Secretary of the Interior J. A. Krug.

The transport and its 32 Marine passengers and crewmen crashed Dec. 10, 1946. Butler found it last July 4 on a day off and was legally entitled to accept the reward.

Krug, in a letter to Butler, said: "Your extraordinary act in rejecting a large monetary reward, which I understand, was actually placed in your hands by the parents of Marines who died in the crash, is one which impresses me as an outstanding illustration of the high caliber of the men who find their way into public service."

Seattle Firm Bids Low on Rail Move

McNitt Brothers Construction Company was among the bidders for construction of a section of the Southern Pacific Cascade line relocation near Lookout Point Dam reservoir, but the firm was not the lowest bidder.

United Press said the low bidder was K. L. Goulter & Co. of Seattle, which bid \$814,945. McNitt Company bid \$1,082,423. Seven other firms submitted bids to the Corps of Engineers. On a basis of using hired labor the government had estimated the work would cost \$925,676.

Coquille Shooting Fracas Hurts Two

COQUILLE — (AP) — Two men were in a hospital here Tuesday with bullet wounds described as serious and Police Chief Robert Crenger said the men were shot in a fracas at the home of O. H. Garner.

Garner, 39, Coquille, has a .22 caliber bullet in his skull near his right eye and Thomas J. Cruickshank, 22, Coos Bay, has a bullet in one lung.

Crenger said the investigation into the shootings had not been completed but that Garner's wife had witnessed the shootings. Cruickshank had jumped through a window at the Garner house after he was shot.

With 55,000 members, the Navajo tribe of American Indians is the most numerous in the United States.



This tiny, wide-eyed fellow resting so comfortably on the end of a man's thumb is a Zetek frog from Panama. One of a shipment of 15 sent to Chicago's Lincoln Park Zoo, he is striking yellow in color. Zetek, in contrast to other frogs, prefer to creep and rarely hop.

Continent Has Weather Palsy

NEW YORK — (AP) — The whole North American continent has had a bad case of jitters for the past two weeks — and it has nothing to do with holiday celebrating.

The shaking of the earth in scientific language — says Father Joseph J. Lynch, Fordham University's earthquake expert.

"It's probably the worst it's been in history," the seismologist said Monday night. "There's been a sustained vibration of the whole continent for two weeks."

Father Lynch, whose earthquake recording instruments have been on a barge, explained that the continual rockings of the earth are caused by heavy storm conditions and weather changes.

"We don't know just what causes these reactions on the earth," he said. "Somehow, the air disturbances produce a rhythmic movement of the ground."

Power Line Break Darkens Roseburg

ROSEBURG, Ore. — (AP) — A break in the main line of the California-Oregon Power Co. caused a complete electric power failure throughout this city of 10,000 starting at 6:18 a.m. Tuesday.

The line break occurred near Days Creek, 20 miles from Roseburg, at the height of a wind and rain storm which started Tuesday morning. Power went off both in the business and residential districts. Householders were without cooking or lighting electricity. Hotels were unable to serve breakfast and downtown activity virtually ceased during the early morning hours.

A trouble crew was dispatched to the scene of the break to attempt repairs.

Floor Furnace Blamed for Fire

A defective floor furnace started a fire in a residence at 897 Howard Lane Tuesday morning at 5:44 a.m. and kept a four-man fire department crew busy for an hour and 35 minutes. Damage to the floor of the structure was reported as moderate pending an insurance adjuster's appraisal.

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The case against the administrators was opened by Brig. Gen. Telford Taylor, chief American prosecutor. Presentation of evidence will begin Wednesday.

"These men could do much to obstruct or further Hitler's general plans," Taylor said in his opening address.

"They were confronted with an historic decision—whether to support the evil designs of the adventurous Austrian paperhanger or to endeavor to develop and enforce lawful, sane and peaceful state policies. They chose the former course."

Taylor said the charges against the officials were taken from official German documents which they and their associates in the government themselves wrote.

The chief defendant is Baron Ernst von Weizaecker, former state secretary and ambassador to the Vatican.

The temperature of Carlsbad Caverns, New Mexico, remains at a 58 degrees fahrenheit.

AFL Political Committee Called

WASHINGTON — (AP) — The 30-man AFL committee which will run "Labor's educational and political league" in the 1948 election campaign was called together Tuesday to seek a full time director and decide how to raise the necessary battle funds.

The federation plans a propaganda drive aimed at (1) defeating all members of Congress who voted for the Taft-Hartley Act last year and (2) electing candidates who pledge to work for its prompt repeal.

The announced goal is to collect at least \$1 as a voluntary contribution from each of the 7,500,000 members. AFL President William Green said he expects more than \$8,000,000 to be collected in this way.

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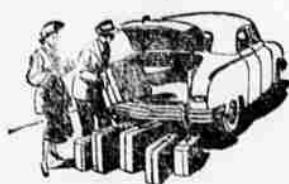
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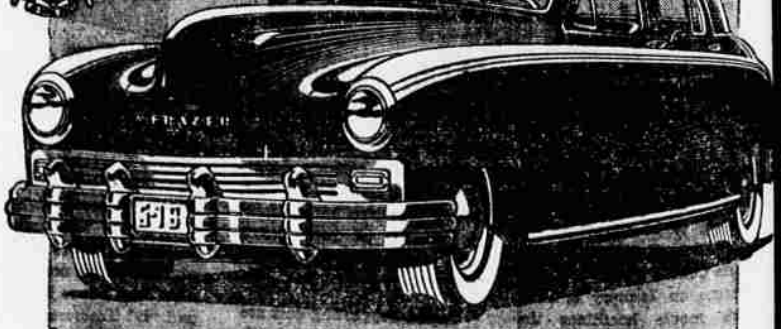


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