

# Eugene's Fire Department Gets Praise for Prevention Activity

The Eugene Fire Department has been rated second only to the Portland department in fire prevention activities conducted throughout the state last year.

The National Fire Protection Assn. and the National Board of Fire Underwriters awarded the Eugene department this rank after judging entries in a nation-wide contest. Coos Bay, with an honorable mention, was the only other city in Oregon to gain acclaim.

This was the Eugene department's first year of participation in the contest, and Chief E. L. Surfus remarked Monday that "with cooperation such as we received from local civic organizations, theaters, the press and radio stations, insurance firms and other interested businessmen we may be able to win first place next year."

Judging in the contest was based upon year-long fire prevention ac-

tivities, but with special emphasis upon the week of Oct. 5-11 which was national fire prevention week.

Chief Surfus said credit for the honor should be shared with the Junior Chamber of Commerce for their periodic paper drives, merchants who gave window space for fire prevention displays, and the schools and citizens of their time and effort to promote recognition and elimination of fire hazards.

## Pauley Study To Continue

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Edwin W. Pauley's commodity speculation came up for renewed study by congressional investigators Monday amid hints that other "big names" are dabbling in the market through private individuals.

Chairman August H. Hand, (R-Minn.), of the special House committee on speculation said his group planned hearings soon which "may disclose some rather large speculative operation on the part of one or more government employees."

"It may develop into big names afterward but not through these employees because we generally find big names trading through other individuals," he said. "We hope to trace them down."

On the other side of the capitol, the Senate subcommittee on speculation resumed its study of Pauley's trading in the last three months of 1947 to see if they were, as he reported, "incidental" to his efforts to get out of the market without taking a financial licking.

Results Awaited  
Sen. Homer Ferguson (R-Mich.), chairman of the subcommittee, said, however, that it may be several weeks before the study of Pauley's records is completed and the subcommittee is ready to call him back to the witness stand.



APPLE—Joan Fontaine holds a real and a golden apple presented to her by the Hollywood Women's Press Club for being "the most cooperative film actress of 1947."

## Chief Tuxhai Predicts Rain

LOS ANGELES—(AP)—Carrying an umbrella, and not a bit surprised that it had been sprinkling in Los Angeles' suburbs, Indian rain-maker Chief Tuxhai took off for Portland late Sunday after a try at ending Southern California's drought.

"It's going to rain some more," he promised, with a glance at the gray sky.

The rain-maker looked like any other businessman as he clutched his umbrella under his arm, straightened his gray business suit and climbed aboard a Western Air Lines plane.

The takeoff was exactly 33 hours after the chief had climbed off another plane in ceremonial costume and went into his rain dance, besting a tom-tom and chanting a prayer to the "Coyote God."

He gave the rain 33 hours in which to appear.

Barely within the time limit, drizzles, though not enough to measure on official rain gauges, fell in the Glendale-Pasadena area. Heavier showers fell in the mountains near by.

The weather bureau admitted it was drizzling. It even forecast sprinkles Monday night and Tuesday.

"But no storm," the forecaster said. "It's just a local condition, and it ought to clear up by Tuesday night."

Sparks from Chimney Set House Roof Afire  
Sparks from a chimney started an attic and roof fire at 1545 Lawrence St. Sunday at 12:34 p.m. which resulted in an estimated \$2000 damage before it was extinguished by city firemen.

Four other calls were answered by the department Sunday. At 12:13 p.m., an overheated oil stove caused small damage at 777 River Road. At 2:30 p.m., a truck went to 1523 Lawrence to eliminate a fire hazard created when oil was spilled under a stove.

A hot fire at the Airport Homes sent another crew there at 3:57, but the situation did not result in property damage. A similar alarm was answered at 1644 Washington at 6:05 p.m.

Monday morning a roof fire at the Cabin City Auto Court was controlled before it resulted in serious damage. This run at 8:20 was preceded by a fire call to 369 First Ave. W. at 7:43 a.m. No damage was reported from this last alarm.

Businessmen Report Two Larceny Cases  
Two reports of larceny were being investigated by city police Monday.

Saturday, shortly before midnight, the merchants' patrol summoned a city patrol car to the Magazine Exchange, 125 Eleventh Ave. E., where a rear door had been forced and gasoline model engines and a model race car were found to have been stolen. The total value of the missing property was estimated at \$110.

Another report was filed Sunday night by Norman Hill, owner of a garage at 870 Van Buren. Hill said an Army surplus chain hoist, valued at approximately \$75, was missing.

Elk, buffalo, musk ox and reindeer all have been introduced or reintroduced into Alaska by man, and have thrived.

## Chase Files for GOP Choice As County Clerk Candidate

Harry L. Chase, 38, Rt. 2, Eugene, announced Monday he had filed notice of intention to run for the Republican nomination for the county clerkship, to be open when incumbent W. B. Dillard's term expires this year.

Chase is a life-long Republican, and was president of the Eugene

## Wisconsin Men Boom General

MADISON, Wis.—(AP)—"MacArthur for president" leaders boomed the World War II strategist into an all-out battle for Wisconsin's 27 Republican convention votes Monday despite Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's admonition that military leaders should stay out of politics.

Former Gov. Philip La Follette, who served as colonel on MacArthur's staff in the Pacific, sounded the keynote for the MacArthur supporters in a broadcast here Sunday.

Campaign Begins  
He all but ignored Eisenhower's statement. His only apparent reference crept into the speech in passing.

The broadcaster officially opened a campaign to win the state's GOP delegate for MacArthur in the primary April 6.

"It would be unsound to support a man for the presidency of the United States just because he was a military figure," La Follette said.

"But it would be far more unsound to oppose someone who is in every way qualified, solely because he had demonstrated great military leadership."

"Favorite Son"  
Wisconsin supporters claim MacArthur as a "favorite son," pointing out he hails from Milwaukee. They have entered a full slate of MacArthur delegates in the primary. They apparently hope to score a resounding victory to convince MacArthur they have sufficient strength to get the GOP 1948 nomination for him if he wants it.

MacArthur has failed to say whether he wants the nomination or not.

## Puget Sound Crash Queried

MT. VERNON, Wash.—(AP)—Officials Monday were investigating the crash of an airplane in which a 19-year-old woman passenger was drowned and the pilot injured near here Saturday.

Pilot Don B. Carter, 18-year-old Vancouver, B.C., resident, was taken to the Burlington, Wash., hospital where his condition was reported fair.

The victim was tentatively identified as Miss Rose Rewga of Vancouver, B.C.

The plane crashed into Puget Sound between Mt. Vernon and Bellingham when the engine conked out, Carter said. He said he tried to reach shore for an emergency landing and was 150 feet off shore when the craft nosed down and plunged into the water.

Miss Rewga's body was recovered 45 feet off shore shortly after the accident by Skagit County sheriff's officers. Carter said he attempted to swim ashore with the girl but she apparently had been injured in the crash and slipped from his fingers.

Klamath Indians Cut Money Request  
KLAMATH FALLS, Ore.—(AP)—Klamath Indians Monday agreed to a \$500 per capita payment for tribe members from the government, an issue now before the legislature in Washington.

The tribesmen originally had demanded \$1000 annually, but scaled down the figure rather than jeopardize payment of any amount.

The measure, now before the Senate, has been approved by the House. A House committee cut the demand to \$500.

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## Traces of Lost Seamen Found

KETCHIKAN, Alaska.—(AP)— Coast Guard officials here said Monday an amphibian plane would fly a landing party to rugged Hippi Island off the coast of British Columbia 175 miles to the south to investigate a report that the bodies of two of 45 missing crew members of the wrecked Army freighter Clarksdale Victory had been found.

The Clarksdale Victory, bound from Whittier, Alaska, to Seattle, went aground on the island on the night of Nov. 24 and broke in half. Four of the 53 men aboard made their way to the beach, and four bodies were recovered.

Sunday a report was received from Queen Charlotte City, B. C., on Graham Island that a fisherman, Albert Duffy, visited Hippi Island and found two bodies on the beach near the wrecked bow section of the freighter. He reported "bird life" indicated there were more bodies in the vicinity.

Coast guard officials said the plane would take-off Monday if weather conditions are favorable.

## Direct Exchange Of Funds Denied

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Marshall planners said Monday that only in rare instances would European governments or firms directly receive American dollars under the presently-proposed financial framework of the European Recovery Program.

As now planned, nearly all buying under the multi-billion dollar project would be handled by the recovery administrator (a U.S. official), American governmental agencies or private U.S. firms. Hence, most financial transactions on both loans and grants would be conducted indirectly unless Congress rules otherwise.

Consideration for direct payment for commodities or services would be given only when Western European countries or firms made purchases in the United States and other countries without receiving prior approval. Then the Europeans could ask for repayment from Marshall Plan funds. But reimbursement would be made by this government only after the purchases had been thoroughly examined.

No Commitment  
Financial experts stated that transactions handled in that manner ordinarily would involve no commitment on the part of the United States to pay. They added, however, that such a device might be used on a temporary basis to get the program rolling in its early stages.

The 18 Western European governments will be required to match American dollars with an equal amount of their own currencies whenever outright grants are made for food, fuel, fertilizer, and raw materials not intended for capital development. Fund matching would be required regardless of whether the commodities were given away or sold by receiving countries.

New School Vote Amendment Readied  
PORTLAND, Ore.—(AP)—Civic groups Monday were preparing an amendment to be put to Oregon voters at the fall elections which would allow all citizens over 21 years of age to vote in school financial elections regardless of property qualifications.

The idea was approved at a civic group meeting here Saturday sponsored by the Oregon Education Association.

Under the proposed amendment, voters could cast ballots in school elections provided they had established residence in a district six months preceding an election.



(NEA Telephoto)  
A. Terry Fahye, president of Consolidated Steel Mills Co. (above), at state attorney general's office in New York after his arrest. He was questioned about abortive attempt to seize control of the Wheeling Steel Corp. of Pittsburgh in a \$9,150,000 deal. The assistant attorney general said investigation showed Fahye had two bank accounts, one containing \$54 and the other \$8c, at a time when he was engineering a multi-million dollar transaction.

## Roads Found Mostly Normal

Oregon roads were normal Monday except for a few spots of ice and frost in the mountains and in parts of eastern Oregon, the State Highway Department reported.

Santiam summit reported ice on the highway had been sanded, and warned motorists to watch out for falling snags and rocks. A strong east wind which blew all day Sunday continued Monday.

Willamette summit reported ice on the highway sanded, and clear weather.

## Small Portland Girl Suffocates in Blaze

PORTLAND, Ore.—(AP)—Six-year-old Marilyn Dianne Gibson died of suffocation and her mother, Mrs. Delma A. Gibson, 39, was burned seriously Monday in a fire which swept their three-room house.

The girl was pronounced dead on arrival at Providence Hospital. Her mother was found by firemen, lying unconscious on the floor near the door leading from the bedroom to the living room. Her daughter's body was discovered on the bed.

Fire Investigator Norman Howard attributed the fire to a defective flue. Darrell Gibson, father of the dead girl, started a fire in a circulating wood burning heater about an hour before flames were discovered shooting from a window by Mrs. Frances Adams, a neighbor.

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