

Navigational Aids
Coast Guard
 PORTLAND—(AP)—The Coast Guard said Friday it had lighted 100 navigational aids in the Columbia River since the flood, 137 still were out of order of 25.

100 flood destroyed or damaged lights and buoys on the river between Vancouver, Wash., and 49 on the lower Columbia.

As soon as possible, the Coast Guard said.



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WOW Charter Is Approved by Hqs.

SPRINGFIELD—Camp 72 of the Omaha WOW has received word its charter has been approved by the home office.

The camp has 120 members in its juvenile section and 82 adults. Regular meetings are held at the VFW hall the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.

Joe Story, making the announcement, said the juvenile camp features sports for the summer, with boxing, wrestling and rifle teams on the program. Floyd Porter is recreation supervisor and is assisted by Rodney Smith.

An all-day picnic will be held Saturday, July 17th, at Fern Ridge Dam.

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Forest Blazes On Increase

The semi-monthly fire summary report of the Forestry Department of Oregon shows that there were two fires in Lane County during the period June 16 to June 30. Both blazes were in western Lane and were the result of logging operations.

This brings the total number of fires for the season to 16, as compared with six at this same time last year. Of the sixteen this year, the remaining 14 were caused by lightning.

The report shows that there have been a total of 88 fires throughout the state this season, resulting in the burning of 58 acres of timber. Most of the blazes have been caused by lightning.

The closed fire season in Oregon runs from May 15 to Dec. 31, during which time permits are required for fires in the forests. In addition, numerous other regulations are in effect regarding travel in the woods.

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 NEW YORK—(AP)—When Mrs. Frances Purpura, 53, tried to talk a bandit out of robbing the Fizzarotti Travel Agency where she works, he knocked her unconscious with his pistol. He got \$400.

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All-Time Record Construction Planned in Reclamation Work

GRAND LAKE, Colo.—(AP)—Reclamation Commissioner Michael W. Strauss announced Friday a \$250,000,000 all-time record construction program for expanding western irrigation and hydroelectric power resources during the next 12 months.

The schedules outlined at a meeting of reclamation bureau officials from Washington and 17 western states "are pointed to" irrigating an additional 125,000 acres and producing 280,000 more kilowatts of power during the fiscal year, Strauss said.

The conference also projected—subject to congressional financing—construction on authorized projects for the next six years which contemplates water for an additional 4,250,000 acres and 2,500,000 more kilowatts of hydroelectric generating capacity by 1955.

Lines Omitted

Strauss said that the appropriation bill as passed by Congress forced the bureau to strike from the program certain transmission lines, switchyards and power facilities.

In the land to be irrigated by next June 30, Strauss said, will be from 25,000 to 30,000 acres—about 500 farms—which will become available for homesteading. World War II veterans will be given preference for the Washington, Idaho and Wyoming homesteads.

The new hydroelectric power capacity will become available on the central valley project in California (150,000 kw), Columbia Basin project in Washington (108,000 kw) and Shoshone project in Wyoming (5,000 kw).

The work program, including rehabilitation and improvement of certain early projects, showing the location, the job, the approximate amount to be spent during the fiscal year, and a general summary of the work to be performed includes:

Region 1 (The Columbia River basin).

Oregon—Owyhee project, \$191,000: complete construction of canal, lateral systems, and other features.

Oregon—Deschutes project, \$987,000: complete construction of main canal and Willow Creek siphon; construction of Wickiup dam, reservoir and lateral system; to be essentially completed.

Oregon—Ochoco dam (near Prineville), \$350,000: surveys, studies and rehabilitation work. Completion by 1950.

Oregon-California—Klamath project, \$2,200,000: continue work on diversion channel between Lost River and the Klamath River and channel work in Poe and Langell valleys; work to provide increased flood protection for leased lands and new veterans' homesteads.

Arizona Gives Indians Vote

PHOENIX, Ariz.—(AP)—A 20-year-old ruling of the Arizona supreme court was discarded Friday and the right to vote was granted reservation Indians who meet the state's constitutional requirements.

Arizona and New Mexico had been cited by President Truman's civil rights committee as the only two states denying Indians the right to vote. It likened this disenfranchisement to discrimination against Negroes in many southern states.

But Thursday's decision by the state supreme court, written by Justice Levi S. Udall, held that a 1928 ruling that Indians could not vote because they were wards of the federal government was based on an erroneous interpretation of a statement by U.S. Chief Justice John Marshall.

The old ruling was based on Marshall's reference to the relationship of the federal government and Indian tribes as similar to that of "ward and guardian."

Udall interpreted the statement as referring to tribes rather than individual Indians.

The new decision was returned in a test case brought against the Maricopa County recorder by Rep. Richard Harless (D-Ariz.), in the names of two Indians.

Few reservation Indians can meet state literacy requirements but the supreme court inferred that the decision might inspire more Indians to qualify and, when educated, they would be more likely to take a place in society of the reservation.

Emergency Repairs Made at McNary Dam

PORTLAND—(AP)—With emergency repairs completed on the flood-hit McNary dam, bids will be opened here July 20 on an important portion of the project.

The bids will be on construction of a major part of the navigation lock, abutment embankment, part of the spillway dam and related structures.

Army engineers reported the recent Columbia River flood cut 755 feet from the upstream leg of the cofferdam, but said repairs have been made.

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Chinese Reds May Withdraw

PEIPING—(AP)—Some official quarters here Friday considered it possible that Chinese Communists south of the Great Wall might withdraw from their association with Chinese Communists in Manchuria.

These sources also believed that the Soviet Union has expressed a willingness to abandon the Chinese Communists if the latter can be of no further benefit to global Communism.

Citing the case of Yugoslavia, one official source said there was reason to believe that Tito's example in "defying" the Cominform might hasten a break between the Communists in Manchuria and those in China.

If this happened, the war in China would be ended and the central government could embark on a military campaign to recover Manchuria.

Condon Assured Of Clearance

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Dr. Edward U. Condon, head of the National Bureau of Standards, was assured by the U. S. Atomic Energy Commission Friday that he has its "continued clearance" to work on secret atomic research.

The commission gave the noted nuclear physicist a clean bill on the basis of two "thorough and painstaking investigations" by the FBI, involving interviews with more than 300 persons.

Condon voluntarily withdrew from any projects connected with secret atomic information after the House Un-American Activities Committee accused him of being "one of the weakest links in our atomic security."

It also said he associated "knowingly or unknowingly" with Communists and at least one alleged Russian spy.

Condon denied any disloyalty, and was upheld by his superiors in the Commerce Department.

Own Inquiry

The Atomic commission, headed by Chairman David E. Lilienthal, made its own inquiry because Condon's bureau does secret research for it.

The commission said it found both pro and con factors in FBI's files and tried to make "a common-sense evaluation." It decided that Condon's "continued clearance is in the best interests of the atomic energy program."

AF Transport In Trial Trip

LOS ANGELES—(AP)—An Air Force automatic transport was flown here from Wilmington, O., via Amarillo, Tex., without manual control.

Staffed by an Air Force crew ready to take over in an emergency, the plane arrived here Thursday. First experimental ship of its kind in the nation, it is the same four-engine plane that crossed the Atlantic by automatic controls last September.

Its \$2,000,000 electronic "brain" stores preflight information, "reads" instruments, follows radio signals, measures distance and air speed and carries out all functions of the crew. At the end of a flight it drops its wheels and flaps, glides in, reduces power and lands.

The crew admitted that the mechanism "frequently goes haywire."

When the C-54 was 50 feet off the ground here, the pilot had to take over because the field's instrument landing system "gave us a bad time," the crew said.

Oregon's Mid-Year Unemployment Low

SALEM—(AP)—Mid-year unemployment in Oregon dropped to 30,600, lowest peace-time figure since records became available.

The State Unemployment Compensation Comm. said Friday.

Despite the number of persons looking for work because of the June flood, the total declined 700 in the metropolitan area around Portland during June.

The labor force is expected to exceed last year's late summer peak of 647,700 by 10,000 to 15,000.

Reserves Meet, Study Adjustment of Fire

At the Tuesday meeting of the 633rd Composite Group of the Organized Reserve Corps (Army), adjustment of fire by the forward observer method was the leading training subject. Capt. J. S. Hooker was in charge of this training.

Highlight of the meeting was a talk by Captain Cecil B. Walter, on the rescue of two American airmen and a WAC from a sunken valley on a Pacific Island during the war. Capt. Walter was a member of the paratroopers, and had charge of part of the rescue operations.

The rescue made history when the two men and one woman survived before entered by white men. He discussed the relations with the natives, most of whom were not strong physically or mentally, he said.

Next ORC meeting is July 27, with communications receiving the emphasis.

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College Crest District Issues Water Warning

Critical shortage of water supply in the College Crest Water District prompted Fred Getchell, manager of the water district, Thursday to issue a warning to the area's residents.

Getchell said virtually no water was available in the higher part of the area Wednesday and consequently the district was without fire protection.

He asked that residents in the lower area conserve on their water so the higher region could be supplied. "We hope this warning will produce cooperation, as we do not want to initiate a rationing system," he said.

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