



Rudy Valee and Fiancee—Singer Rudy Valee and Miss Eleanor Kathleen Norris, 21-year-old University of California graduate, whose engagement was announced in Reno, Nev. They plan to wed in the early fall. They are pictured at Lake Tahoe where Valee has been appearing at Cal-Neva lodge. (AP Wirephoto)

Third Largest Stand in Linn

Linn county now has the third largest stand of saw timber on unreserved forest land and is exceeded only by Douglas and Lane counties, according to a recent forest service estimate, which gives Linn more than 24 billion board feet.

The saw timber is concentrated on a relatively small area of 2294 square miles with 24,665,300,000 board feet as compared with 70 billion board feet of standing saw timber on 5062 square miles in Douglas county and 51 billion feet on 4594 square miles in Lane county.

Nearly three-fourths, or 72 percent of the 1,478,000 acres in Linn county is classified as forest land in a recent forest service survey. More than 1,000,000 acres were classified as primarily adapted to the growing of timber crops. This acreage includes scattered woodlands of the agricultural valley region, about half of the foothill zone and all of the mountainous part of the county except mountain meadows and land above timberline.

Only 986,385 acres of commercial forest land in Linn county is shown by the Kirkland report, part of a national survey to show the timber stand of the nation. Difference in suitable and actual forest acreage is due to the fact that some land best suited for timber growing is still farmed or grazed on a marginal basis.

Douglas fir is the biggest single timber crop of the county with nearly 19,000,000,000 board feet. Western hemlock places second with 3,732,000,000 available board feet with the balsam fir third with 1,174,200,000 board feet. Other woods of less than a billion available board feet include cedars, other conifers and valley hardwoods.

Jap Leftist Union Executives Fired

Tokyo, July 19 (AP)—The State Railway corporation fired 40 leftist union executives today for "illegal strike and obstructionist tactics" as violence and sabotage against Japanese railways continued.

Among the executives were 11 communists, including Ichizo Suzuki, vice chairman of the union and number two negotiator in the unions "struggle committee," which has been protesting the MacArthur-ordered dismissal of 90,000 railway workers.

Gooding Clan Elects

Butteville — The Gooding clan held its annual reunion at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gooding. Seventy-five were present for the potluck dinner served at noon. Guests were present from Portland, Woodburn, St. Paul, Aurora and Butteville. Officers of the clan are Lawrence Gooding, president; Anna Davidson, first vice president; Charles Gooding, second vice president; Mrs. Elizabeth Glatt, secretary.

Will Mere Man Outstride Horse?

Lebanon, July 19 (AP)—The townspeople here are going to see next Sunday whether the "walking man of Oregon" can out-stride a horse over a 75-mile course at the community's new race track.

Last summer, the gentry and their ladies hereabouts were all agog over a horse vs. man tug-of-war. The horse won in that event.

The "walking man of Oregon" is 64-year-old Paul Smith, Mill City, who earned the title in 1928 when he finished 19th in a walking spree from Los Angeles to New York.

The horse is "Big Red", owned and to be ridden by Ralph Smith, Linn county rancher. Smith, who is no kin of the Mill City entry, will also have aboard his son, Donald, aged 10.

They will begin at 6 a. m., Sunday, July 24, around the half-mile track of Lebanon meadows. It will take 150 laps to finish.

Smith, on foot, expects it will take him about 11 or so hours.

Smith, on horseback, believes "Big Red" can make it in about 10 hours.

"Four legs are better than two, anytime," insists the owner of "Big Red."

The sponsors, riders of the Santiam Wranglers, aren't taking sides, officially. But you can get odds from innumerable fans.

300 British Troops Reach Hong Kong

Hong Kong, China, July 19 (AP)—More than 300 British troops arrived here today aboard two troopships to reinforce the Hong Kong garrison.

The main units consisted of the first battalion, Middlesex regiment, which was part of the Hong Kong garrison when the Japanese attacked, and the first battalion of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders.

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Airplane Transport For Polio Victims

Portland, July 19 (AP)—Transports of the 403rd Airforce Reserve troop carrier wing here have been made available for flying equipment of the Infantile Paralysis Foundation to stricken areas.

Lt. Col. J. W. Lewis, base commander, said the fast cargo planes can handle up to 10,000 pounds' load. The base has 16 of the Curtiss Commando C-46 planes.

The "iron lungs" and other polio foundation gear can thus

be relayed to emergency areas with a minimum of lost time, said Felix A. Montes, Oregon aide of the foundation.

Montes noted that the mounting incidence of polio through Oregon, 45 cases compared with 23 at the same time last year. He said rapid transportation of equipment from the Portland pool could be a vital factor in disease control.

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SOME UP, SOME DOWN

Wholesale Prices Have Never Been Stable Long

By SAM DAWSON

New York, July 19 (AP)—If you are confused today about price trends—some going up while others come down—and long for the good old days when they were always steady, you may be surprised to learn:

1. Wholesale commodity prices have rarely been stable for more than a few months at a time, in the last 150 years.
2. So far prices this time have fallen neither as jerkily nor as far as they have after our other wars.

3. Some products important now in the cost of living played little or no part after previous wars, while some old star performers are now retired from the scene.

Many believe that the props which have been placed under prices in recent years will prevent any such collapse as followed each previous war.

However, if wholesale prices continue along the same path they took after the first World war, they are due to go still lower, on the whole, before starting up again generally.

Of course, some prices have advanced already. Copper and lead in recent days have regained a fraction of earlier losses, and metal circles expect zinc to follow suit soon. Textile prices are a little higher in isolated cases. Wholesale food and livestock prices are stronger now than they were a couple of months ago.

The course of wholesale prices in America can be traced in the department of labor's wholesale price index, which economists have stretched back to 1800 by using historical data.

Retail prices show up in the department's consumers' price index for moderate-income families in large cities, which slide-rule experts have been able to push back to 1820. Traditionally, retail prices have been much less erratic than wholesale prices, according to a study of the two indexes to be published by

the national industrial conference board.

During the first World war prices doubled, only to break in 1920 for perhaps the sharpest decline in our history. They settled finally at about two-fifths higher than the 1914 price level. They were low again in the thirties but started up when war broke out in Europe. During this war, however, commodity indexes were based on controlled prices, ignoring the much higher black market prices, and perhaps clouding the true price picture.

Our changing ways show up in these indexes. Prior to the Gay Nineties the miscellaneous group in the wholesale commodity index made up about one percent of the total in weight and importance. Now it is 10 percent. The main reason is a newcomer, tires, and the greater importance of paper products. House furnishings and housing were the hardest hit of any group in the 1930's—fewer couples scraped up enough money to get married.

Most important groups of all in the indexes are still farm products and foods, but they have lost ground over the years relative to the other commodities. And building materials have lost almost half their former value in the index. Fuel and lighting, and the miscellaneous group are much more important today—as standards of living change and yesterday's luxury becomes today's necessity.

Wolves once ranged over most of the North American continent.

Stayton Authorizes Industrial Survey

Stayton — The Chamber of Commerce, in meeting here Monday noon at the Bon Ton cafe, voted to authorize the president and the board of directors to form a long-range planning committee with an industrial survey as an immediate project.

Also discussed was the extending of the city limits to include adjoining areas, but it was thought that a statement should be prepared for property owners in the areas, listing advantages which might accrue should they join Stayton. Among the advantages mentioned were lower fire insurance rates, city police protection, city streets and water at city rates.

In the absence of President Fred Camp, Frank Forrette presided.

Posse Will Appear

Albany, Ore.—Participation of the Linn county Sheriff's Posse in the sixth annual Amateur Horse Show at Jantzen Beach Sunday afternoon, has been announced by Capt. Roy Finch. About eight members of the local posse will make up the team to compete in drills, flag race, stake bending, and novelty contests.

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