

# OREGON FARMERS SCAN LOSS FROM PROTRACTED RAIN

### Former Dust Bowl Residents Get Taste of Oregon Mist — No Report of Flood Conditions Is Received

PORTLAND, June 25.—(AP)—Clear skies the past few days may have wiped away the moisture of which much was said and written the past three weeks for many Oregon residents, but growers and farmers, both those who suffered crop losses and those who gained by the downpour, long will remember June of 1937 when rain fell continuously for 18 days.

Those whose fruits and crops were damaged started taking toll of the losses, small wheat growers expressed pleasure and good prospects along with livestock men, but in the cities residents already have started worrying about sprinkling lawns again.

Over entire state, the unprecedented season's rains, which the Portland weather bureau announced covered the entire state,

crashing records in virtually every section, proved more than twice as heavy as the June average. Two years ago many residents of the dust bowl regions of the middle west left their drought-crusted farms and started trekking to the Pacific coast. With such news from out west those whom they left behind perhaps may turn envious eyes toward the green hills and valleys where their former neighbors now reside.

Rain fell continuously from June 8 to June 23, inclusive, the weather bureau reported, in one week it averaged from two inches in the Dry lake country district to 9.40 inches along the southwestern Oregon coast. In some places in normally dry central Oregon as much as three inches was recorded during the last three weeks. At Port Orford in 48 hours a half-foot of water was emptied by the heavy clouds.

Willamette Deluged. In Portland and the Willamette valley, where the normal June rainfall is around one and a half inches, nearly four inches of moisture was recorded during the 16-day period.

While various sections reported damage to fruit and various other crops, there have been no reports of flood conditions. Fishermen may have had luck this week-end because of swollen and roly streams, but even the fish will bite again with fair weather the next couple of days, the state game commission reported.

Estimates of cherry losses in the mid-Columbia region ran as high as 90 percent of the crop, but with the hope much can be salvaged for marketing. To offset this, cherry crops in the Rogue river valley were damaged but slightly, giving growers there



**THANKS, FOLKS.** One of eight pickets whose arrest caused the "labor holiday" at Lansing, Mich., Mrs. Lester Washburn is shown as she thanked demonstrators after her release. Her husband (center) is a labor leader.

## WILL STAGE BIKE PARADE SATURDAY

an even better outlook than last year when the fruit was damaged by frosts. Wheat Benefitted.

Wheat farmers welcomed the moisture and other small grains were materially benefitted. Winter wheat was somewhat damaged and corn was delayed. In the haying sections there was a loss, and pear blight in the fruit sections was advanced.

Strawberry crops were hard hit, resulting at many places in twice the price on the market. Tomatoes suffered somewhat from the rain. The Willamette valley district reported a 4000-ton loss in cherries.

Among the bright spots are the pastures and unirrigated meadows which leaped ahead, while livestock made sizeable gains.

The weatherman says, however, that summer has arrived at last.

## ROSEBURG TRIO HURT IN AUTOMOBILE CRASH

SEATTLE, June 25.—(AP)—Mrs. D. W. Stromberg, wife of a Roseburg, Ore., doctor, and her son, Billy, 3, were at the home Dr. Carl W. Stromberg here today undergoing treatment for leg fractures, suffered in an automobile accident near Roseburg.

They were brought to a hospital here yesterday and then transferred to the Seattle doctor's home.

Dr. D. W. Stromberg, also injured when the automobile plunged down a 450-foot embankment when a rain-weakened road gave way, was taken to San Francisco for treatment of serious leg hurts.

Mooney promoted to prison garden work. SAN QUENTIN, Calif., June 25.—(AP)—Tom Mooney, California's most talked-of convict, has been promoted from peeling potatoes to growing them.

Captain of the Yard Ralph New assigned Mooney a job as gardener after he returned from the San Francisco county jail because his potato peeling job was filled.

Mooney was in San Francisco for a year during his habeas corpus appeal for freedom from life sentence in connection with the bombing of the 1916 preparedness day parade in which ten people were killed.

## SHOTS HALT FLIGHT YOUNG AUTO THIEVES

THE DALLES, June 25.—(AP)—Two shots through the rear of a car roaring along the highway at 90 miles an hour resulted in the arrest of three Portland youths near Mosier last night.

State officer Charles U'Ren took the boys into custody after a wild chase and recovered an automobile stolen from a South Dakota tourist at Portland.

The boys gave their names as Norman Whitley, 16, Ralph Earl Sumey, 18, and Robert Bruce Tigert, 16.

Louis Breguet, French aircraft engineer, estimates that the capacity of Russia's military airplane factories is 5,000 machines a year.

The first natural gas discovered in this country was probably a "burning spring" mentioned by George Washington on his visit to Kanawha valley, West Virginia.

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## BODIES CREMATED IN SMASHED CAR SOUTH OF EUREKA

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were unable to escape the flames which consumed the wreckage. Woodsmen cut the tree apart, removed the victims and cleared the highway.

Word received by state patrol authorities from Los Angeles said Mr. and Mrs. Baxter, using Judge Baxter's car, had driven east and Judge Baxter had gone north to Portland to meet them on their return trip.

Woodsmen did not say why the tree toppled. Giant redwoods, hundreds of years old, fall frequently, sometimes from suddenly rising sap, from weakened earth around the roots or from old age.

## CAR HITS MOWER NEAR GOLD HILL

Silas Fleming, 50, of route 1, Gold Hill, received painful bruises Thursday morning when a car driven by Famon Wong of Seattle struck a mowing machine upon which Fleming was riding about five miles south of Gold Hill on the Pacific highway, according to a report in city police station.

Fleming, the report stated, was riding in the seat of the mowing machine which was pulled by a team of horses, and was knocked to the pavement when the auto driven by Wong crashed into the machine from the rear. The horses also received bruises, the report said.

Fleming was not seriously injured, and received no hospital treatment.

## INDIAN MORALS CASE UNDERWAY IN COURT

Selection of a jury in the trial of Eldon Miller, Klamath Indian charged with contributing to the delinquency of a minor Ashland girl, was underway today in circuit court. The case was expected to be finished late today. Miller is represented by Attorneys Victor A. Tengwald and George A. Coddling.

## Borah Cancels Talk

WASHINGTON, June 25.—(AP)—Senator Borah (R., Idaho) said today he had cancelled his scheduled radio speech on the steel strike tomorrow night only because he was too busy. He said he expected to make the address some time next week.

A straight, well-riding fence and a trim well-fed steer should be as much a source of artistic pride as a flower garden or photograph, says one farm expert.

## PWA GRANT LIMIT REVOKED TO SPUR RELIEF PAYROLLS

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representative Rayburn (D., Tex.) gave assurance that the White House would rescind the order said today.

PWA officials, rejoicing over the action, declared "We can go ahead now." Legislation now before house and senate conferees extends PWA for two more years and permits the use of around \$200,000,000 for grants.

Under the revoked order the amount of a grant was equal to the amount of wages paid to workers on the project certified for relief, plus 15 percent of such amount so paid by the PWA. In no instance could a grant be in excess of 45 percent of the cost of the project but, because of a reported shortage of skilled labor on relief, sponsors claimed their actual grant would never approach the 45 percent figure.

## Butter prices during the summer months are expected to average the highest for the season in the past 8 years with the possible exception of 1936.

Baby chicks hatched before June will have plenty of time to become producers and catch the good egg market between October and February.

State figures show the average teacher in small Florida high schools has taught five years as compared with an 8 1/4 average for those in large high schools.

## STEVEN HOLEMAN TAKEN BY DEATH

Steven D. Holeman, 78, resident near Phoenix for the past 10 years, passed away there at 12:30 p.m. Thursday.

Mr. Holeman was born in Bourbon County, Kansas, January 20, 1859. He leaves a son and a daughter, Mrs. Carrell Hust of Phoenix and R. S. Holeman of Klamath Falls. A brother resides in Oklahoma.

Funeral services in case of Conger funeral parlors will be held at the Presbyterian church in Phoenix at 3 o'clock Saturday with the Rev. Edward F. McFarland officiating. Interment will be in the Phoenix cemetery.

## Mormon Conclave Is Set For Sunday In IOOF Hall Here

A southern Oregon conference of all Mormon missionaries in this district will be held in the I. O. O. F. hall at 8 p. m. Sunday, it was announced today by Irvine Millgate, president. The public is invited.

Mr. Millgate also announced that he had been released from duty in southern Oregon and would return to his home in Salt Lake City after two years' work in this district. He will continue with his missionary work there.

Louis Coulan of Salt Lake City has been appointed to succeed Mr. Millgate, the latter said. Mr. Coulan is former secretary of the Northwest States mission. He will begin his new duties at once.

Quadruplet goats were born recently at the home of Bob Jones, near Enid, Okla.

## WINDS OUST HEAT IN MID-CENTRINT

CHICAGO, June 25.—(AP)—Cooling winds that routed temperatures in the upper nineties and hundreds afforded a measure of relief to the heat-stricken mid-continent today.

At least 14 deaths were attributed directly to the scorching weather, were scores of prostrations.

Weather bureau records listed Concordia, Kans., with 106 degrees as the nation's hottest spot yesterday. Shenandoah, Iowa, reported an unofficial mark of 107.

Other maximum temperatures included: Dallas, 102; Phoenix, 102; Salt St. Marie, Mich., Little Rock, Ark., Kansas City, Omaha and Wichita, Kas., 100.

Pot-holes which may have served as bath tubs for Natchez Indians year ago have been found in Yosemite national park.



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