

SUPPLY OF WATER DEFINITELY KNOWN BY CHECK ON SNOW

Bureau of Agriculture Now Sends Men On Snowshoes to Gather Positive Data in 'Them Thar Hills'

CORVALLIS, May 25. (AP)—Weather-worried stockmen and irrigation farmers no longer gaze at the snowy mountains and remark with uncertainty: "Wal, it looks like we're going to have enough water to get through the summer."

They just drop into the local bureau of the agricultural engineers and acquire positive knowledge of the moisture in "them thar hills."

It's not such a simple matter, however, for the government engineers. They check the snowfall annually for the life it holds for millions of acres under production and great roaming herds of cattle.

Young Man's Job

The actual field work is a young man's occupation because its means hazardous, exhausting aiki and snowshoe journeys along the windy crest of the Cascade range to approximately 70 scattered Oregon checking stations.

Careful records describe snow depth and water content. By spring the precipitation is known in major drainage basins. The engineers accurately forecast the water storage in reservoirs, the condition of soil moisture and ground water and the probable stream run-off.

Trained men collect the material on four treks through deep snow and frigid temperatures to each checking point.

As a result, a farmer on an irrigation project will know at the start of the season whether he will be short of water when some of his crops need it most. If he is, he can plan his year's program accordingly.

Pipes Measure Snow

The snow is measured with aluminum pipes forced to the ground. The pipes are graduated in inches to show the exact depth, and perforated so the height of the core sample can be measured easily when the pipes are withdrawn. The snow-filled pipes are weighed to give the percentage of water. The checkers, who usually travel in pairs for convenience and safety, repeat the routine several times to obtain an accurate average.

The government has constructed special shelters along the dangerous routes between the stations. Each hut has a "Santa Claus chimney"—an enclosed ladder extending high above the roof to permit the checkers to enter even though the cabins have been smothered in snow.

MOST SCHOOLS CLOSE SESSIONS ON FRIDAY

Friday will see the end of the school year for most of the schools of the county. Two schools, Prospect and Missouri Plate, will not close until Friday, June 3.

County schools closing Friday are Jacksonville, Phoenix, Central Point, Nell Creek, Eagle Point, Brownboro, Forrest Creek, Wagner Creek, Little Butte, Pinehurst and Fern Valley. Other schools closed either May 13 or May 20.

JURY DISAGREES IN UNION AGENTS TRIAL

HILLSBORO, May 25.—(AP)—Circuit Judge R. Frank Peters dismissed the jury in the trial of Jack Estabrook, former business agent of the AFL warehousemen's union, yesterday after it had failed to agree in more than 20 hours of deliberations.

Estabrook was charged with participation in an alleged bombing of the William Huey store at Rockton on Memorial day, 1935.

Hears Testimony



Mrs. Ruby Nix Zlotcheck, widow of the late Rep. Marjorie A. Zlotcheck of Washington state, after she left a Washington, D. C. court after hearing testimony in a \$2700 damage suit against her, filed by Mrs. Pamela S. Young, writer. The damage suit was brought for damages allegedly done by the late congressman to furnishings of an apartment.

V. F. W. POPPY SALES TO MEET INCREASED NEEDS OF VETERANS

More than 500,000 of the unemployed in the country today, are veterans—most of them veterans of the World War. Their inability to be self-supporting at this time has created a particularly pressing need for the proceeds of the annual V.F.W. Buddy Poppy sale which will be conducted here Friday and Saturday, under auspices of Crater Lake post No. 1833, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, according to Bert Hunkill, Buddy Poppy chairman.

Proceeds of the Buddy Poppy sale, sponsored throughout the country for the last 16 years by the V.F.W., are devoted exclusively to the care and welfare of needy and disabled veterans, their dependents, and the widows and orphans of veterans.

General unemployment conditions, together with rising living costs, and an uncertain economic outlook, have combined to make the need for these funds greater this year than ever before.

"With general conditions as uncertain as they are, the unemployed veteran today is facing a particularly hard problem," Commander Fred Butler explained. "He is 45 years old on the average, so is subject to the ailments and weaknesses of advancing years."

WORLD TO ENJOY BIG WHEAT CROP

WASHINGTON, May 25 (AP)—The bureau of agricultural economics reported today the early outlook in northern hemisphere countries and expectations of a more nearly normal crop in Argentina indicated a larger world wheat crop this year.

The bureau said wheat plantings in 22 countries which accounted for 89 per cent of last year's harvested acreage in the northern hemisphere were about four percent larger than in 1937. A decrease of about 1,500,000 acres was expected in Australia.

If this decrease is not offset by increased seedings in Argentina, world acreage, including Russia and China, will be about three per cent above that of 1936, the bureau said.

NORMAL SCHOOL BACCALAUREATE IS NEXT SUNDAY

Dr. Sydney W. Hall, M. E. Church Superintendent, to Give Sermon — Many From Medford in Class

SOUTHERN OREGON STATE NORMAL SCHOOL, Ashland, May 25.—(Sp.)—Baccalaureate services for the 1938 graduating class will be held Sunday, May 29, with Dr. Sydney W. Hall, superintendent of the Cascade district of the Methodist Episcopal church, delivering the sermon.

Irving E. Vinick, who was a professor in the old normal school in Ashland, will give the commencement address at the exercises scheduled for Wednesday, June 1.

Graduates in teacher training include Richard Applegate, Elmer V. Ayres, William H. Burk, Esther A. Carter, W. LeRoy Clarke, Anita M. Cooke, Helen I. Dunn, Olga Esselstrom, Mae H. Harris, Della L. Lamb, Lucille Lambert, Eva Landing, Harry Meyers, Jean Nell, Katherine Ott, W. Harold Reedy, Laverne Robertson, Kenneth E. Schilling, Frank E. Smith, Ed. P. Starr, Mary Ann Whitsett, all of Ashland.

Grace E. Andrews, Audrey A. Barbee, Ardith Blair, John Brewster, Eleanor L. Chamberlain, Helen W. Dixon, Marian Gould of Medford, Grace H. Clifton of Central Point; E. Mildred Clugston and Dorothy Strauss of Sams Valley; Annabel M. Heath of Rogue River; Laurence J. Kaiser of Applegate; Genevieve Thayer of Talent.

Katherine Anderson and Everett T. Sandberg of North Bend; Norman K. Hamilton, Lucille Jacobson and Mildred R. Richter of Marshfield; Mark W. Beesley and Ellen I. Watson of Coquille.

Ruby B. Arnett, E. Albene Hough and Margaret C. Westlin of Klamath Falls; Beth Glick of Merrill; Phyllis M. Crouse, Roberta Randle, Helen L. Kaser and Helen M. Welch of Grants Pass.

Florence E. Allen and Lyndall Cain of Oakland; Helen Halsey and Margaret Weaver of Myrtle Creek; Susie Hutchinson of Days Creek; P. Eileen West of Glendale; Frances Stroecker of Willbut.

Jeanne S. Dubois, Dorothy Marshall, Rex Roberts and Ruth Roberts of Bend; Ruth E. Byerly of Eugene, Reatha H. Dunn of Prentissburg, Vera Olliman of Cottage Grove, Eleanor I. Huber of Mohler, Lynn N. Johnson of Silverton; Dorothy I. Moore of Portland, Pauline Rensche of Salem and Charlie Morgan of Lee Molinos, California.

Completing the junior college course are Justin Cary of Coquille, Gordon Miller of Ashland, Robert Napier of Klamath Falls, Virginia E. Pickens and Virginia Pickens of Medford.

High School Girl Is Fidac Winner

INDIANAPOLIS, May 25.—(AP)—Elizabeth Young, Robinsdale, Minn., high school student, today was announced winner of the national Fidac essay contest of the American Legion auxiliary. She will receive a \$200 college scholarship.

The essay contest is an annual feature of the auxiliary's participation in the program of Fidac, International veterans' federation, to build international understanding and good will.

Art Director Stern
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal. (UP)—The art director of the 1939 Golden Gate and International Exposition has ruled that the nude statues must be such that a mother would be willing to place them on her mantelpiece and bring up her family about them.

Figures in Suit



The love of Carole Landis (above), young screen actress, was valued at \$250,000 by her husband, Irving Wheeler, an actor, who filed suit in Los Angeles for that amount in damages against Busby Berkeley, studio dance director, whom Wheeler accused of stealing the affections of Miss Landis.

CAPLES IDENTIFIED BY GOON AS PAY-OFF MAN IN BEAT-UP OF PILOT

PORTLAND, May 25.—(AP)—Robert F. Caples, former member of the AFL Master, Mateo and Pilots union and the state pilots' commission, was the pay-off man in the beating of Captain J. L. Jacobsen, river pilot, Edwin L. Garner testified at Caples' trial yesterday.

The former business agent of the union testified that Caples, on trial on a charge of assault with a dangerous weapon, had instructed him to hire a man to beat up Jacobsen and agreed \$50 was to be paid. After Jacobsen and Captain L. O. Hoeford were beaten on the same day, Garner told jurors he received \$20 from Caples and that \$35 was paid later.

Carl Moore and Pete Sumski, who pleaded guilty with Garner to beat-up charges, said they beat Hoeford and Jacobsen with saps. All three await sentences. Moore has pleaded guilty to four felonies and six misdemeanors in connection with a statewide investigation of labor violence.

WYCKOFF APPOINTED TO FORESTRY POST

WASHINGTON, May 25.—(AP)—The forest service announced the appointment yesterday of Stephen N. Wyckoff as director of the Pacific Northwest forest and range experiment station with headquarters at Portland, Ore.

Wyckoff, who will succeed Thornton T. Mungier, resigned, has been director of the Rock Mountain forest and range experiment station at Missoula, Mont.

PRICE CUTTING BAN PLACED IN EFFECT BY COURT'S ACTION

Attempt to Referend Anti-Price Discrimination Act Fails—Follows Robinson-Patman Measure.

SALEM, Ore., May 25.—(Sp.)—Circuit Judge Lewelling this week signed a final order declaring ineffective the referendum against the Oregon Anti-Price Discrimination Act. The order was signed upon motion of Carl T. Pope, attorney for plaintiff, and the law became effective immediately.

This action in the Marion county circuit court abruptly terminated the referendum invoked against the anti-price discrimination law, which has been styled "Junior Robinson-Patman." Leaders of the referendum, headed by George C. Stanley of Eugene, failed to comply with the law in the preparation and circulation of the petition.

Passed by Big Vote
Passed by an overwhelming vote by the 1937 Oregon legislature, the bill was sponsored by the Oregon Association of Trade Executives, representing thousands of a small merchants. It would have been effective in June of last year but for the referendum vote.

Salient provisions of the new law, according to a statement issued by the trade executive organization, are prohibition of discrimination in price in the sale of goods to those in the same class of buyers and ban on sale of goods or services at less than cost for the purpose of destroying competition.

"The Oregon act, patterned after laws effective in many states and the national Robinson-Patman act, will help consumers and retailers alike," reads the release by the trade executive.

"No longer will the citizens of outlying districts have to pay more than their city brethren for merchandise, for any price-differential must be justified by transportation and other distributing costs. No longer can the merchant lawfully sell at one price to one consumer, and to another consumer at a different price. The 'chisel' buyer will be unable to secure a price advantage over the average citizen. The merchant must sell to all at his lowest price."

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The Grange

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Grange is only giving one dance a month from now on until fall.

GASOLINE CONSUMPTION SET RECORD FOR APRIL

SALEM, May 25.—(AP)—Oregon's April gasoline consumption set a new record for the month of 18,971,797 gallons, 8.4 percent above April, 1937, Secretary of State Earl Snell said today.

Gas tax revenue during the month was \$448,889, boosting the total for the first four months to \$3,000,000 also a record for a similar period.

BONNEVILLE RATE BRINGS COMPLAINT

PORTLAND, May 25.—(AP)—Bonneville dam power rates proposed by Administrator J. D. Ross are from 35 to 50 per cent too high, Portland and The Dalles chambers of commerce declared yesterday in a protest to the federal power commission.

A \$14.50 per kilowatt year prime power rate recommended by Ross is higher than those given industry in Canada, Russia, Sweden, Norway and Japan, the groups asserted.

An opportunity for the nation to profit by establishment of electric base line industries which could meet foreign competition and provide work for the jobless is offered by Bonneville, the Portland chamber said.

The group asserted as without support of federal or state statutes an "apparent effort" to clothe Ross with authority to designate architectural types in Columbia Gorge structures, to determine whether industry should be permitted in the gorge area and to pass on whether proposed industries would pollute the river.

Memory Speaker Forgets

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. (UP)—Dr. Victor Short addressed the Kiwanis club on development of memory. As he left the hall, two police officers—who had listened carefully to the lecture—arrested Short for non-appearance last November on a speeding charge in nearby Palmer.

Aid For Bachelors

PASADENA, Cal. (UP)—County supervisors are considering the occupation of a \$50,000 county concentration camp for needy bachelors. It would be operated along the same line as the camps of the state relief administration for unemployed single men.

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