

WATER IS CARRIED TO FIRE FIGHTERS IN WHEELED TANK

Container Formerly Used by CCC Spike Camp at Little Applegate Now Does Duty for Forest Crews

BIG APPLAGATE, July 28.—(Sp.)—Although fire fighters don't have many accommodations on their jobs, they do have a water supply on wheels for their camp if located in an entirely waterless region.

The tank has been ordered sent from the Applegate to the Umpqua national forest, where it was feared that fire would spread from the Round Top region of the Evans Creek fire.

The container, not in use during fire season, was taken from the former CCC spike camp at Little Applegate, where it was used for the camp water supply during encampment last winter. The tank, designed and built by the Rogue River national forest several years ago, has a faucet for added convenience, and after being filled with water from some distant supply, the tank is left on a truck until a new supply is needed.

Even though lookouts and firemen are busy throughout the season, visitors always are welcome at their posts. Even giving mechanical assistance to motorists is a part of their hospitality, as did John Harr at Perks Pasture guard station for Mr. and Mrs. Leo Williams and family who had motor trouble on their return to Yreka.

Mr. Williams also hiked a mile and a half to Dutchman's Peak in his search for help, and said he and his family expected to return later in the season. Other visitors at Perks were Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Burton of Sacramento, who were guests of the latter's father, Alex Smith of Beaver creek, and Kenneth Knapp of Chevy Chase, Md., who was en route to the Slottick mine on Wards Fork, where he would be a guest of Henry and Joe Slottick. Mr. Burton reported good luck and great sport in fishing in Silver Fork.

Mrs. Ruth Cunningham and Douglas Smith of Medford were recent guests of the former's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Kaiser at Whiskey Peak.

Ashtland visitors at Anderson Butte lookout Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. George S. Mason and daughter Marilee, and Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Powell. Washington guests spending the week end with Herbert Pennington at Wagner Butte were Ida, Marie and Fred Merz of Yelm. They returned over the coast highway. Picnics at Wagner Gap Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. R. I. Willey and daughter, Betty, of Medford.

A minor change took place this week on the Applegate fire staff. John Byrne at Little Applegate guard station, was moved to Fallowbox lookout. All J. Sandoz was sent from Fallowbox to Mt. Ashtland to supplant CCC men on duty there. The Little Applegate guard station will be abandoned.

757 TRAFFIC ARRESTS BY STATE COPS IN JUNE

SALEM, July 28.—(P)—State police arrested 757 persons for traffic violations during June with fines of \$5,050. Charles P. Pray, superintendent of the state police department, reported to Governor Charles H. Martin today.

Arrests in the law enforcement division aggregated 249 with fines of \$1,368.55.

There were 116 arrests in the game division and 24 arrests in the commercial fisheries unit. Fines in the game division aggregated \$2,710.

A total of 471 complaints were filed with the department and 139 were classified as cleared.

His Dream Came True



Angus L. Bowmer.

ASHLAND, July 28.—Several years ago Angus L. Bowmer, head of the drama department of the Southern Oregon Normal school here, took a look at Ashtland's old Chautauqua building. From that chance look have grown the Oregon Shakespearean Festival and what is believed to be the only civic Elizabethan theater in the world.

When Mr. Bowmer looked at the old building workmen were busy tearing it down. It had been condemned. The top had been removed and with the dome gone the building, Mr. Bowmer reflected, strikingly resembled contemporary sketches of the Globe theater of Shakespeare's day.

Already interested in Shakespearean drama, Mr. Bowmer naturally visualized the structure as an Elizabethan theater. With such a theater already in existence, and practically in his backyard, he also naturally thought of producing Shakespearean plays in it.

Thus was conceived the idea of the Shakespearean Festival. Mr. Bowmer brought his reflections to an abrupt end, emerging from an Elizabethan reverie to become a practical business man. He went to leading Ashtland citizens and enlisted their support for his undertaking. Then he convinced the city council of the practical value of a civic Elizabethan theater. The council got behind the plan and, with WPA financial assistance, built an authentic Elizabethan stage as the first unit of the new theater.

Four years ago the first Shakespearean Festival was held. Two plays were presented. The Merchant of Venice and Twelfth Night, with side attractions such as fireworks and a carnival as appropriate and characteristic adjuncts of Elizabethan festivals. As insurance against an anticipated deficit from the theatrical venture, boxing bouts were held in the afternoon on the stage. Curiously enough the prize fights went into the red and had to be paid for out of receipts from the plays which more than covered expenses.

Attendance at the second annual festival doubled that of the first. Receipts last year trebled those of the second year. With an efficient organization now handling business affairs, the festival this year is expected to set a new record for attendance. The schedule this season has been expanded to include four plays in eight productions. The festival will open on August 3 with Hamlet. The

Merchant of Venice, Twelfth Night and The Taming of the Shrew will follow on successive nights.

Mr. Bowmer has been interested in community dramatic work all his life. He got his first smell of grease paint at the age of four when he was cast as Kermit Roosevelt in a one-act play, "Teddy Bear's Picnic," a travesty on Theodore Roosevelt's big-game forays.

After graduating from Bellingham Normal school in Washington, Mr. Bowmer taught in grade schools for six years, always continuing his work in dramatics. Subsequently he received an M. A. degree in drama at the University of Washington. It was there that he studied with B. Iden Payne, now director of the Shakespearean theater in Stratford-on-Avon, England. From Mr. Payne, Mr. Bowmer learned to produce Shakespeare's plays in the true Elizabethan manner.

Mr. Bowmer has now been head of the Southern Oregon Normal school's drama department for seven years, director of the Shakespearean festival since he conceived the idea of the Elizabethan theater as he watched workmen tearing down the old Chautauqua building.

Last year Mr. Bowmer studied Shakespearean lore in England. He studied contemporary portraits for authentic details, such as hairdress, jewelry, costumes, designs, colors and materials. He was assisted in his studies by his wife who is art director of the Shakespearean festival and who majored in costume designing at the University of Washington after graduating from the Bellingham Normal school.

The Shakespearean Festival is not intended primarily to be cultural or artistic, though it is both, Mr. Bowmer says. Primary purpose, he asserts, is entertainment and he believes that Shakespeare's plays are entertaining. For proof of this he points to recent popular successes of Shakespearean productions on stage and screen.

"We produce our plays in the Elizabethan manner because we can more closely attain the story-telling tempo which was Shakespeare's intent," Mr. Bowmer says. "Our purpose is not academic in any sense of the word and our ideal does not keep us from using such modern conveniences as we have at our disposal. We cling to the architectural plan of the Elizabethan theater because, with its

many stages, it makes possible a tempo which is astonishingly like that of the modern movies."

CAMPAIGN METHODS OF TENNESSEE DEMS HELD QUESTIONABLE

WASHINGTON, July 28.—(AP) The senate campaign expenditures committee said today "every scheme and questionable device that can be used" for raising funds and influencing votes appeared to be "in full swing" in the Tennessee Democratic primary.

After hearing a preliminary report from an investigator sent into that state, the committee said in a statement conditions there pointed "sharply" toward an election contest in the United States senate regardless of which group's candidate triumphs.

The committee also disclosed it had asked the postoffice department to investigate what it termed misuse of the franking privilege by the farm security administration on behalf of former Governor Berry in his successful candidacy for the Democratic senatorial nomination in South Dakota.

The committee sent Postmaster General Farley a copy of a PSA press release referring to work done by Berry in 1936 when he was governor.

These franked letters contained what your committee believes is a veiled if not a direct effort to influence votes in behalf of a candidate for public office in South Dakota," the committee told Farley.

Concerning Tennessee, Chairman Sheppard (D-Texas) said the committee hoped to send at least six additional investigators into that state at once.

TELEVISION 'PHONE PATENT OBTAINED

WASHINGTON, July 28.—(P)—A television telephone designed to make it possible to see a person while talking to him was patented today by Alexander McLean Nicolson of New York.

Nicolson said the system was primarily for inter-office communication in a single building. He suggested its use also for long-range radio-television communication.

The bell-shaped horn, resembling the early types of phonograph and radio loud speakers, contains television scanning devices for both sending and receiving, as well as a radio microphone and loudspeaker.

Present television systems, now being used experimentally in a few large cities in various countries, are one-way methods of transmitting sound and moving images.

STATE TROOPERS WILL ATTEND CLATSOP CLASS

SALEM, July 28.—(P)—More than 150 state troopers, from every part of Oregon, will gather at Camp Clatsop during August for the annual state police school of inspection.

The school will begin August 1 and will continue until September 1. Charles P. Pray, superintendent of state police, indicated that he would spend considerable time at the school.

Pray said the school would be divided into three periods with one-third of the entire department personnel in attendance at one time. This will be the fourth year that the school has been conducted.

PINE PULP PIONEER ANSWERS LAST CALL

SAVANNAH, Ga., July 28.—(P)—Dr. Charles H. Herty, 71-year-old chemist who pioneered in the development of paper pulp from southern pine trees, died today.

Success of the scientist in the making of newspaper from alash pine was widely heralded. Dr. Herty reported even with the vast investment of capital required for manufacturing plants, newspaper could be produced from southern forests much cheaper than the imported paper.

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MEXICO SEEKS TO SPUR LATIN LABOR ONWARD

Bid For Leadership Is Seen In South American Movement—Cardenas States Economic Philosophy.

By William H. Lander (United Press Staff Correspondent) MEXICO, D. F. (UP)—Revolutionary re-organization of Mexico industrially and agriculturally has been proposed by President Lazaro Cardenas, simultaneously with the initiation of a movement to lead other countries of America toward their "economic liberation."

In a series of speeches made in his recent tour of San Luis Potosi, Tampico, Tuxpan and other points in the oil fields of east-central Mexico, Cardenas enunciated a new economic philosophy for his own people, and made a bid for the leadership of a labor movement throughout what the Mexicans call "Indio-Latin-America."

Labor leaders have seconded his proposals, and have urged that Venezuela follow Mexico's example in confiscating foreign oil companies and their properties. Furthermore, Vicente Lombardo Toledano, secretary-general of the C.T.M. (Confederacion de Trabajadores de Mexico)—Mexican Confederation of Laborers) in his recent tour of Europe and the United States did not waste any opportunity to denounce the governments of Peru and Brazil as "reactionary."

Policy Undergoes Change As late as his New Year's day speech of 1938, Cardenas sought to create the impression that the Mexican expropriation law of Nov. 25, 1936, "was in no way confiscatory," while he also affirmed that his administration welcomed the coming of foreign capital into Mexico.

"It is pertinent to insist," the president said on January 1, "that the government is not an enemy of foreign capital, nor of the productive investments . . . which foreigners make in our territory."

The tone of the official speeches and decrees in the "Official Daily," however, has changed considerably since the foreign oil controversy, and later, since Mexico has found that it is not an easy matter to find imported foreign markets for its expropriated oil.

Cardenas' original program for the

development of Mexico counted on capital's co-operation. The essence of his new program for the economic vitalization of the republic, however, counts neither upon the participation of foreign nor Mexican capital.

Three-Point Program Labor has been urged to achieve the development of Mexico into a great and rich country by itself, under its own management, principally in three ways:

1. Pooling its savings to form labor co-operatives, which will stimulate the construction of railways, irrigation works, development of mining (especially as related to iron), build hydro-electric plants, textile mills, and utilize the natural gas which is now being wasted in the oil fields.

2. Besides the capital obtained from savings, this industrialization program is to go forward by creating capital out of extra work, or, as Cardenas put it, through "doing something more creative and more decisive; doubling our efforts to increase production in the fields and in industry."

3. Besides increasing the production in Mexico's agricultural fields—noticeable for the low yield compared to that of other countries—Cardenas has urged the workers in the oil fields to dedicate their spare time to agriculture and cattle-raising. He explained that the oil business is highly speculative, and it is more secure to raise bananas or cattle to create sources of lasting wealth.

But the socialization program of Mexico is not meant for Mexicans only. Already Cardenas, in a special broadcast to left-wing elements of Havana, has invited Cuba to join the Aztec republic in a joint-defense "against all possibility of economic, moral or political imperialism . . . let us stimulate a strong, free union, based on the solidarity of all workers."

ANNOUNCE FIRST SALE OF BONNEVILLE JUICE

PORTLAND, July 28.—(P)—Project Administrator J. D. Ross announced today the Northwestern Electric company had made the first purchase of Bonneville dam electrical energy by private interests.

The company's four-month contract called for 5,000 kilowatts. The firm will pay the regular \$17.50 per kilowatt year rate for 2,500 kilowatts and the secondary power rate of \$11.50 for the remainder.

The energy will be delivered to the Northwestern's 66,000-volt line on the Washington side of the Columbia river and passed on to the Portland General Electric and the Pacific Power and Light systems.

FRANCE STARTS HUNT FOR GOLD IN POSSESSIONS

By Hugo Speck (United Press Staff Correspondent) PARIS (UP)—France is going to make a great effort to become one of the world's gold producing countries.

By a decree 200,000,000 francs (approximately \$3,000,000) has been set aside for prospecting the mineral resources of the French colonies and to improve the gold producing methods now in use where the precious metal is to be found.

Although France is by no means one of the leading gold producing countries—it is not among the first 12 producing countries and the total production in 1936 only amounted to seven tons, it is hoped that with the funds now available this amount can be doubled or even tripled in the shortest possible time.

French West African possessions now produce the largest amount of gold for France and its colonies, with the annual output amounting to almost three and a half tons; two and a half come from Guinea while Madagascar and French Equatorial Africa furnish around three quarters of a ton yearly. Only about 600 pounds are mined in Indo-China.

The first real tangible effort to increase the country's gold production was made in 1934 when a movement was started to step up the output. In 1937 a project allowing Guinea a credit of 60,000,000 francs was framed but never passed and early this year a colonial mine bureau was set up. Its duty was to aid in prospecting while its expenses were to be paid from a tax on the metal mined. A portion of the present 100,000,000 francs will be turned over to this bureau, while the remainder will be used to improve methods now used to mine the metal.

According to the terms of the decree law which provides the funds the money is destined to:

Finance explorations and prospecting; intensify the exploiting of different strata; carry out the work necessary to exploit the zones already prospected such as constructing roads, etc. and where necessary make sanitary improvements; improve housing conditions and assure that the workers are protected from the many tropical diseases to which they are exposed.

All of this will be under the direct supervision of the minister of colonies who will be assisted by the

1938 LAMB CROP SETS NEW MARK

WASHINGTON, July 28.—(P)—The bureau of agricultural economics estimated today the 1938 lamb crop at \$2,221,000 head, the largest on record.

The bureau said the crop was about 6 percent larger than last year and about 2,000,000 head, or nearly 7 percent, greater than the average for the last five years. The previous record crop was 31,615,000 in 1931.

Western sheep states, the bureau said, contributed most of the increase over last year. The crop in these states was estimated at 21,192,000 head, or 9 percent larger than last year, and the largest on record for the region.

The bureau said weather and feed conditions in the western sheep states during the 1938 lambing season were, on the whole, the most favorable in recent years. The death losses of breeding ewes since the first of the year were said to have been relatively small.

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