

### BRITISH CONTROL OF WOOL SURPLUS MAY HIKE PRICES

#### Surplus Production of Argentina, Uruguay Only Supply Outside of Control

Washington, Sept. 12.—(AP)—The agriculture department said today the British government had gained control over a major portion of the world's export surplus of wool and consequently was in a position to dominate prices both abroad and in this country.

This control over prices, officials said, was expected to be

reflected in American government outlays for clothing, blankets and other woolen products being ordered for military use under the defense program.

#### U. S. Import to Grow.

The department predicted that, due largely to defense orders, imports between now and next March would exceed 120,000,000 pounds. In the full year before the war imports totaled about 100,000,000 pounds.

The department said the British government had recently taken over the wool output of the Union of South Africa. A year ago it acquired the Australian and New Zealand wool clips for duration of the war and one clip thereafter.

As a consequence, only the production of Argentina and Uruguay, remaining surplus sources of any importance, are outside British control.

#### Import Fixes Price.

Stating that domestic prices will depend largely on prices of imported wool, the department said quotations on the latter, in turn, would depend "partly upon the quantities of Australian and South African wools released for export and the prices fixed for such wools by the British government."

Domestic prices have been advancing during the last several months.

#### Fruit Pickers Needed.

Portland, Sept. 12.—(AP) Apple and pear pickers are needed to relieve an "acute shortage" in the Hood River valley. L. C. Stoll, state employment service director, said today.

### Rulers Join Plebians When Air Alarm Sounds in London

London, Sept. 12.—(P)—King George and Queen Elizabeth took cover under a police station Wednesday when an air-raid alarm sounded as they were touring bombed areas of southeast London.

As the sirens shrieked, the king and queen left their car, in which they had been riding with Home Secretary Sir John Anderson, and walked down stairs into the shelter.

They resumed their tour when the "all clear" signal sounded 10 minutes later.

#### Strange Assortment.

In the bleak, dim-lit shelter, the king saw one of the strangest assortments of humanity these class-leveling air attacks have brought together.

Their majesties sat on bare wooden chairs in the center of the room, the king smartly dressed in his field marshal's uniform and the queen wearing a two-piece suit of salmon beige. On benches around the walls were policemen, court officials, overalls ARP (air raid precautions) workers fresh from the ruins of a court house next door, white-smocked women from the police canteen, and others.

When the royal couple walked into the shelter, about 30 persons already there stared in astonishment, then clapped their hands. The king leaned back in his chair, crossed his legs and lit a cigarette.

#### Waits For Tea.

One canteen woman bustled making tea, but it was not quite ready when the sirens sounded again. The king remarked:

"It's all clear, but I'm going to wait for some of that tea."

In a few moments, he and the queen were drinking from the heavy china cups marked "police canteen."

"This is delicious!" the queen exclaimed. "I should never have thought you could produce tea so soon."

The canteen woman smiled proudly.

#### DEAD CRABS MYSTIFY ON SO- OREGON SHORES

Astoria, Sept. 12.—(AP)—A great number of dead crabs have been found strewn along several southern Oregon beaches recently, fish commission biologists reported today.

Biologists offered no explanation. It was recalled that a similar condition prevailed on the Clatsop beaches a few years ago.

#### Newsman Wounded.

London, Sept. 12.—(P)—Guy Murchie, Chicago Tribune correspondent, was wounded in the leg during the bombing and shelling of Dover today.

#### Guard Calls Cops

Portland, Sept. 12.—(P)—The national emergency which necessitated national guard mobilization gave the Portland police department something of an emergency of its own. Fourteen officers will don army togs Sunday.

### MEDFORD EMPLOYMENT OFFICE SETS RECORD FOR STATE IN AUGUST

Medford employment office, which serves Jackson and Josephine counties, made the best record in the state for August, leading all 21 offices in job placement gains over August, 1939, and cutting its active file of unemployed from 667 to 354 during the year.

In its monthly report to State Director L. C. Stoll, the Medford office showed 2,718 placements, of which 2,619 were supplementary, mostly in picking fruit, berries and hops. Only the Salem office with 5,917 placements, mainly in the extensive bean fields and hop yards of the Willamette valley, was ahead of Medford and this number showed a decline from last year.

Oregon's active file fell from 32,793 to 30,826 during the past year, a drop of 6 per cent. Of this number 24,184 are men, 6,642 women and 2,232 veterans.

During August the state employment service reported 4,164 placements with private industry, 1,600 with public projects and 13,472 in casual jobs, mostly on farms.

### ROGUE RIVER STUDENTS ELECT CLASS OFFICERS

Rogue River, Sept. 12.—(Spl.) Nancy Burkett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Burkett, was elected president of the Rogue River junior high school student body at a recent meeting. Loren Simmons, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Simmons, was named vice-president, and Rozella Moore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Moore, secretary-treasurer.

In charge of arrangements for seventh grade initiation Friday night is a committee composed of Betty Edwards, Louis Geiwitz, Loren Simmons and Rozella Moore.

#### Senate for Boost In Lending Power

Washington, Sept. 12.—(P)—The senate passed 42 to 27 today legislation to expand the lending authority of the export-import bank from \$200,000,000 to \$700,000,000 for South American loans.

The chamber sent the measure back to the house for consideration on several senate amendments.

### NEW PILOT COURSE TO GET UNDER WAY AT SOCE SEPT. 23

#### Students Now Being Registered for Third Primary Class; Will Enroll Forty

Ashland, Sept. 12.—(Spl.)—Registration of students for the third primary course in the government's civilian pilot training program was announced today by the Southern Oregon College of Education. The class is to begin September 23.

The announcement was made after receipt of notice from Wiley R. Wright, superintendent of the civilian pilot training program in the northwest region, that the college here had been recommended for participation in the fall program. Subject to confirmation at Washington, D. C., a quota of 20 students was set. The college, however, said it would enroll up to 40 students in order to have alternates.

#### Air Training in Medford.

As in the previous two courses, ground instruction will be given at the college and flight instruction at Medford municipal airport under Thomas A. Culbertson, Jr., flight instructor. Jerry Coigny of Grants Pass, also a rated instructor, has been assisting Mr. Culbertson. The first class consisted of ten students, the second class, which has not yet completed the course, comprised 29 students. It is understood that the college is endeavoring to procure an advanced course for southern Oregon students.

Complete information regarding the government-sponsored pilot training course may be received at the registrar's office at the college.

Chile is divided into 24 provinces.

### SALVATION ARMY SEEKS CLOTHING

The Salvation Army today issued an appeal for all kinds of clothing for children of school age, and for men.

Capt. Charles K. Cox, Salvation Army head here, said the clothing is urgently needed. Many children, he said, are in dire want of clothing, including shoes, so that they might attend school. With winter coming on, many men also are in need of warm clothing, the captain stated.

Contributions may be left at the Salvation Army, Bartlett

and Fourth streets. While the Salvation Army has only limited facilities for pick-up service, calls will be made for contributions if the contributor is unable to go to Salvation Army headquarters, Capt. Cox said.

#### Monkey in War.

London, (U.P.)—The last living thing to leave a scuttled German ship in the South Atlantic was a monkey. It floated away from the ship on a box and was picked up by a British warship and landed in England, where it will be found a home.

#### Boost Safety.

Montgomery, Ala.—(U.P.)—Alabama has started a statewide highway safety campaign. A total of 563 billboards carrying drive safely slogans will be in 358 cities and towns throughout the state in the next few months.

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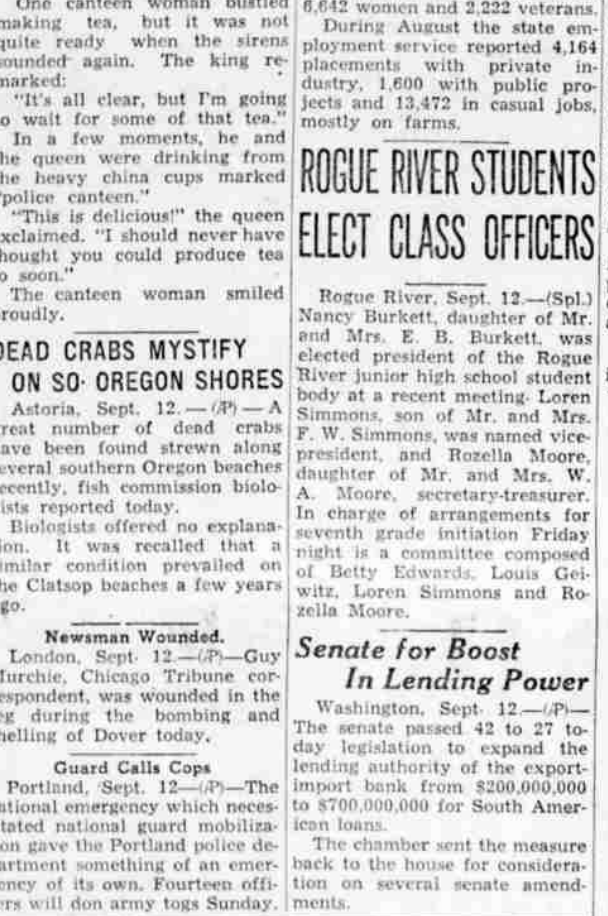
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