



Water Forecast Sessions To Begin During Next Week

W. T. Frost, hydraulic engineer here for the cooperative snow surveys of the soil conservation service and the Oregon state agricultural experiment station, will leave Tuesday to begin the annual round of water forecast meetings in Oregon.

He will pick up data from the experiment station at Corvallis, the geological survey and soil conservation offices at Portland and the state engineer's office at Salem before proceeding to Hood River for the first of nine meetings with committees of water users.

Committees in each of the nine areas are made up of water masters, irrigation and power company officials, agriculturalists and bank representatives. These committees and Frost will bring in information from which the reports for their respective districts will be compiled, Frost said.

For many of these groups the meeting will be the 15th annual one.

SCHEDULE GIVEN

Frost's schedule is: Thursday, Mar. 30, north central Oregon committee, Hood River city hall, 9:30 a.m. Friday, March 31, Umatilla-Walla Walla committee, Pendleton circuit courtroom, 9:30 a.m.

Saturday, April 1, northeastern Oregon committee, Union city hall, 10 a.m.

Monday, April 3, southeastern Oregon committee, Ontario, county agent's office, 9:30 a.m.

Tuesday, April 4, Harney basin committee, Burns post office, 9 a.m.; John Day basin committee, Canyon City circuit courtroom, 2 p.m.

Wednesday, April 5, central Oregon committee, Prineville, county agent's office, 9:30 a.m.

Thursday, April 6, south central Oregon committee, Lakeview circuit courtroom, 9 a.m.

Friday, April 7, southern Oregon committee, Klamath Falls, chamber of commerce, 9:30 a.m.



DEPUTY FORESTER—Promotion of Dwight L. Phipps, above, from assistant state forester in charge of the protection division to deputy forester was announced last week at Salem. Phipps started in 1925 at patrolman with the old Jackson county unit and three years later was made district warden. He was appointed to the protection division post in 1942 and will continue to head that department in his new capacity.

Red Cross Aid In Many Fields Told By Fund Campaign Leader

American Red Cross home service offers counseling and family planning, communications and reporting, referral to other agencies, assistance in obtaining government benefits and financial assistance for war veterans, servicemen and their dependents, according to Frank J. Van Dyke, county Red Cross fund drive chairman, who yesterday described last Friday as a typical home service day at the county chapter office.

Two applicants called at the office Friday requesting assistance in filing for government claims for pensions and hospitalization and help in personal problems and asking financial assistance, Van Dyke reported.

Receive Telegrams

In addition to these personal interviews, the office had nine telegrams requiring immediate attention for verification of emergency leaves and health welfare reports back to service-men. The messages involved four deaths and five serious illnesses. They came from six states and Alaska.

Two complete layettes were furnished as well as two sets of children's school clothing and clothing for unemployed veterans.

Since 1942 Jackson county Red Cross home service has acted on more than 8,000 new cases, Van Dyke said. He stated that this service should be measured in human dimensions rather than in terms of money spent or cases filed. The whole philosophy of Red Cross translated into one service is home service, according to Van Dyke.

Veterans Aided—Each day several or all of the five major aids of home service are offered to 10 to 15 veterans, servicemen or their dependents who call at the office at the courthouse.

The office has helped a hospitalized veteran with an invalid wife, a young veteran unable to

fit into life after the war, and a young woman, who after her husband went overseas, came home to have her first baby and found she had no place to stay and no money.

Depends On Funds

Van Dyke pointed out that home service operates annually on a budget based upon collections in the yearly drive for voluntary contributions. It can continue this vital work, he said, just as long as funds are adequate. To assist in this work a new class of six volunteer social service workers was trained recently.

Veterans throughout the United States last year received Red Cross help in three programs including chapter financial aid totalling \$3,430,000. Services to the armed forces and veterans, in which home service represents the home community in social welfare problems, accounts for approximately one-third of Red Cross operation cost, Van Dyke reported.

Sun-Bleached Skull Might Be Klamath Air Corps Officer

Phoenix, Ariz., Mar. 25—(U.P.) A bullet-pierced, sun-bleached skull found last December near Bisbee, Ariz., is believed to be that of a Klamath Falls, Ore., air corps lieutenant missing over four years, the FBI said here today.

Royce Eugene Smith has been listed in army records as AWOL from his post at Douglas air base, near Bisbee, since Nov. 10, 1945. He was the son of William J. Smith and was 23 years old when reported missing.

Children playing in a gravel pit near the now-abandoned base three months ago discovered the skull and other human bones, a shirt with first lieutenant's bars attached and a flight cap.

Skull Pierced—William Murphy, chief of the FBI bureau here, said a dental examination of the skull's teeth by an air force surgeon at Davis-Monthan field, Tucson, showed a marked resemblance to Smith's army dental record.

An FBI laboratory report said the skull was pierced by a bullet and had been exposed to the elements for several years.

Smith entered the service in July, 1942. Corps records showed he was the only lieutenant listed as AWOL from the Douglas base.

At Bisbee, Sheriff I. V. Pruitt said an inquest into the death would be scheduled as soon as he receives the FBI and dental reports.

Alfalfa Price Picture Varies In Northwest

Alfalfa meals are unchanged to lower in price at most markets for the past week, the Oregon State college extension service reported yesterday.

Sun-dried meal at Portland dropped 50 cents a ton and is now quoted at \$38. New crop dehydrated meal from California is now quoted at Portland for \$49 a ton.

The extension service also reported stronger alfalfa hay markets in the Pacific northwest. At Portland, U. S. No. 2 green alfalfa, or better, is quoted at \$34.50 to \$35 a ton in carlots. This is 50 cents to a dollar above last week. In the Puget Sound area, prices are up \$1 to \$2 a ton. Supplies continue mostly from southern Idaho. Demand is mostly for small quantities as needed, but truck hauling is reported "quite active."

CHICAGO REFORMS

Chicago—(U.P.)—At least one type of crime is on the decrease in Chicago. City officials reported that only 125 metal manhole covers were stolen in 1949, compared with 500 the year before.

TOO MUCH SNOW

Tacoma, Wash.—(U.P.)—The heaviest snow in half a century here forced cancellation of ski buses to mountain pass areas. Local skiers instead used the golf course.

Union Pickets Grants Pass Country Club

Grants Pass, Mar. 25—Pickets representing the Culinary Alliance union, Local 329, Grants Pass, have been placed on duty at the Grants Pass Country club a few miles south of here. It was reported Saturday by the Grants Pass Courier, that newspaper said the establishment has been placed on the "do not patronize" list of the Grants Pass Central Labor council.

Officials of the labor council said the club's board of directors was requested to show cause why the club should not be placed on the list, but did not do so. They said that the picketing is a result of what they termed the refusal of Manager Jim Tracy to negotiate regarding the way in which kitchen hiring was done.

Elephants Rampage In California Town

Pomona, Cal., Mar. 25—(U.P.)—Two elephants broke loose from attendants here Friday night and rampaged through the east part of Pomona, critically injuring one of their attendants before being caught.

The beasts were being taken from the Clyde Beatty circus to a loading train when the whistles and bells of a passing train frightened them. They broke ropes which restrained them and went tearing through east Pomona.

The elephants knocked down fences, clotheslines and slammed down a nine-foot high steel wire fence which surrounds a Pomona reservoir.

West Side Students

On Honor Roll Named

The following students at the West Side school were on the honor roll for the fourth period of school:

First Grade: Betsy Beck, Laurene Kellow and Jerry Wine-trout; second grade: Richard Kengla; third grade: Billy Met-trich; fourth grade: Walter Humphrey and Eugene Roelle; fifth grade: Judith Van Horn; sixth grade: Gary Croucher, David Drummond, Billie Lou Con-ner, Gary Metternich, James Martolin, and Ferne Kellow; seventh grade: Barbara Rains; eighth grade: Jerry Conner, Paul Elgin and Adrain Van Horn.

Plans Completed For All-Vet Dance, Picnic

Plans are complete for the annual all veteran dance and picnic, August 12 and 13, according to Stanley S. Morgan, general chairman. The picnic will be at Tou Velle state park, Sunday, August 13.

The committee, composed of veterans from the Disabled American Veterans, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Military Order of the Purple Heart, United Spanish War Veterans and the American Legion, has already held several meetings.

Safety Patrol Of School Students Begun At Phoenix

Phoenix, Mar. 25—A school and bus safety patrol, with nine students serving as patrol officers, has been organized here, it was reported Saturday by Chief of Police Charles A. Kolsbeck. It is the first such safety measure taken here.

The project is a cooperative endeavor, and has resulted from the work of the Phoenix Lions club, Donald E. Hembre, school superintendent; Frank L. Hale, grade school principal, and Chief Kolsbeck.

The patrols are stationed at the corners of Second and Rose streets and Fourth and F streets.

Lions Sponsor—The Phoenix Lions club is sponsoring the project and honored members of the patrol at ceremonies in connection with their meeting last week. Rain-coats, rain hoods, arm brassards and badges were presented to the student members, and they were given their pledge of duty by the police chief.

Members of the patrol are William Madden, Ronald Bean, Bernal Stevens, Carolyn Calhoun, Peggy Gillespie, Sharon Kusel, Joan Ward, Don Imhausen and Marlys Younger.

Fog Machine Tried Out On Fruit Orchards And Fields Against Frost

Frankfurt, Germany—(U.P.)—A new machine claimed to be able to produce enough artificial fog to guard fruit orchards and fields against frost for seven hours at a stretch is undergoing tests near here.

The Bavarian state agricultural testing station in nearby Karlsruhe, which developed the machine, reported that basic fuels used were hydrochloric and sulphuric acids, resulting in an artificial fog mixture "already proved in war."

They added that the real novelty in the invention lay in the machine's mobility and usefulness "in every sort of terrain."

EGGS THAT WAY

Kenosha, Wis.—(U.P.)—Louis Fernhold drove his truck loaded with 54,000 eggs off the highway and overturned in a ditch. Fernhold was uninjured, but the eggs couldn't take it.

The copper mines of Butte, Mont., extends more than 4,000 feet into the earth.

Egg Storage Stock Increased Rapidly

The nation's cold storage stocks of shell eggs are stepping upward at a rapid rate, according to the weekly egg and poultry markets review prepared by the Oregon State college extension service from department of agriculture reports and other data.

The January 1 holdings were the lowest on record for that month but two months later, on the first of March, holdings are the highest since 1946 for this month. They totaled almost 743,000 cases. This is five times more in storage than a year ago.

High On Coast

On the Pacific coast, storage holdings of shell eggs are also high. The total amounted to 45,000 cases on March 1. The bulk of the holdings of shell eggs on the coast were in California and totaled 31,000 cases. In Oregon there are 1,000 cases and in Washington 13,000. Holdings of dried and frozen eggs also continue to mount.

Egg prices during the past week, according to the extension service, have been steady and firm on the coast for top grades. The jobbing prices at Portland held steady all week with grade A large at 41 cents and double A large cents. A cent to two-cent advance occurred at Seattle Tuesday.

There are more than 7500 miles of passages, drifts, cross-cuts, tunnels and shafts in the copper mines at Butte, Mont.

Mrs. Michel Plans Battle To Retain Custody Of Child

Hollywood, Mar. 25—(U.P.)—Mrs. Lorraine Michel, acquitted of charges that she mistreated and starved her foster daughter, child actress Lora Lee Michel, said today that she would fight to retain custody of the girl.

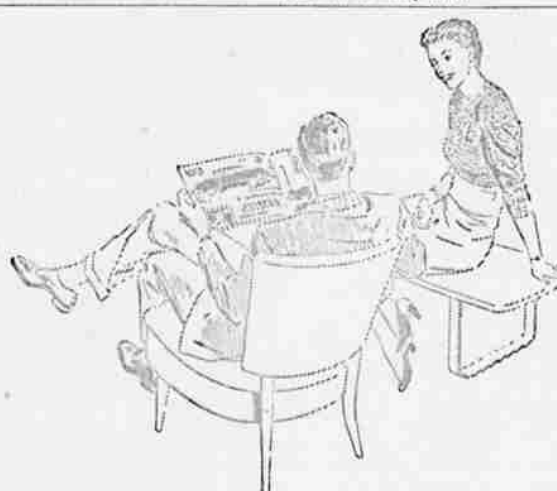
A justice court found Mrs. Michel innocent Friday night of charges that she unjustifiably punished and underfed the nine-year-old girl to keep her small enough for film roles.

Spectators cheered as Mrs. Michel, 55, tearfully thanked the jurors who deliberated almost seven hours and took 17 ballots. "Thank God, thank God," Mrs. Michel said repeatedly.

Then she and her husband announced that they would open a fight to keep custody of the precocious blonde girl who now is in the care of Juvenile Judge A. A. Scott's court.

Scott has indicated that he might place the girl in some other home.

Hollywood, March 25—(U.P.)—Actress Angela Lansbury revealed today she expects to be a mother in November.



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