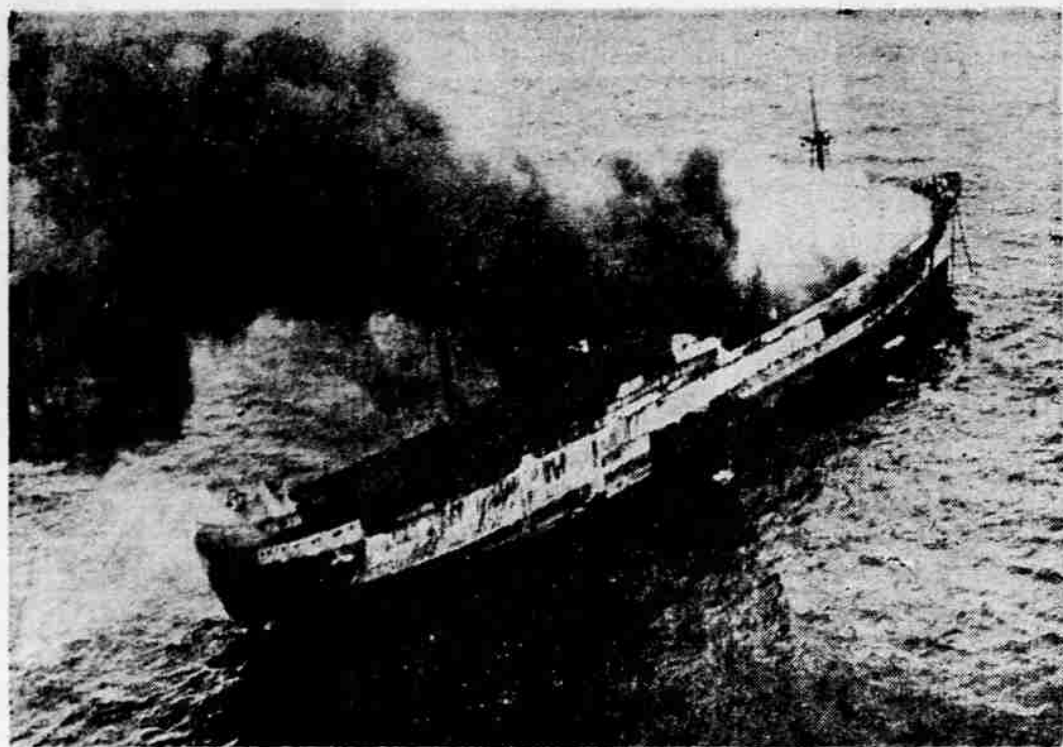




ABANDONED—Smoke and flames envelope the Norwegian freighter Black Gull 70 miles off the Rhode Island coast. Forty-five persons were rescued and four are missing and believed drowned. The Swedish liner Gripsholm took part in the rescue. The freighter was bound from Bremen to New York.

Chuck Riggs and daughter's Kathy and Charlene.

Ralph Sieger, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Sieger of Riverview district, is expected home from the navy in about 10 days. Ralph is a fireman first class, and will have a 45-day leave before reporting to the engineman's school at San Diego, September 19.

The potluck dinner for Grange families and their friends, Saturday evening, was well attended. Fifty-five persons were served and others dropped in after dinner to enjoy the social hour and dancing which followed. Members and guests whose birthdays were honored were Burton Stocking, Cliff Johnson and Steve Dolan.

William Spivey of West Evans road cooked a hearty farm dinner for his family and friends Saturday afternoon. His specialty, Boston baked beans, brown bread with sorghum and country butter was a part of the menu served to guests, Jim Wise, Mr. and Mrs. Al Ebeling, Ida Pearson and Mr. and Mrs. Emil Kunick.

Mrs. W. H. Tenney left Sunday for San Lorenzo, Calif., where she will visit her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Tenney and her new

KOG Association Appeals To Loggers and Mill Men To Be Careful With Fire

Salem—U.P.—The Keep Oregon Green Association has appealed to loggers and mill operators to make every effort possible to guard against fire.

If present weather conditions continue, KOG said, the fire haz-

ard will increase and every effort must be made to prevent man-made fires.

Defects Noted

Records indicate fires have been caused this season by these defects in operating equipment:

- 1: Faulty spark arresters on exhausts.
- 2: Smoking while working on the job. Loggers are urged to smoke only at landings.
- 3: Refueling power chain saws in dangerous locations. Fire extinguisher and shovel should be with every power saw.
- 4: Dynamiting tops out of spar trees during closed season. This is no longer permitted.
- 5: Watchman not on the job to catch small fire before it gets away. Employ a capable watchman who can operate your fire

Two Medford Soldiers Due Back in States

Pfc. William L. Buchanan, route 2, box 247, Medford, and Pvt. Woodrow W. Shaver, Medford, were among 1,047 army rotation combat personnel scheduled to arrive in San Francisco Monday from the Far East aboard the transport Sgt. Howard Woodford, according to United Press.

Local directories list the name of Owen Buchanan at the rural address. Private Shaver is not listed in any local directories.

Dead line Sunday Classifieds is at 5:30 p.m. for following day; 10 a.m. Monday for Monday; noon Saturday

- 6: Fire blown from open mill burners.
- 7: Welding equipment in forest debris.
- 8: Defective electric wiring.
- 9: Crews lack forest fire fighting training. KOG suggests employment of a camp warden to take prompt action when fires are reported.

To Check Equipment

All operators were urged to take a few minutes to look over their landing equipment. KOG said an operator should ask himself: Is your camp clean? Are your fire tools, extinguishers and water containers in place and ready for immediate use?

And remember to watch the humidity and shut down opera-

tion when it gets as low as 30 per cent.

Proper precaution can prevent man-caused fires, which every year destroy more timber—Oregon's No. 1 source of wealth—than lightning-caused fires.

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OUT OF THE WOODS

By Jim Stevens

Vandal's Paradise
Vandals are on the prowl in ancient Hexham, according to the weekly Hexham Courant. The headlines on the front page state that "a shrub" was not only uprooted but stolen from a public park. The "Cemetery and Pleasure Grounds Committee" (actual name) raised a great uproar of protest in the town council, the Courant's leading editorial of the week denounced the crime and demanded that vandalism of such outrageous



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character be stopped dead forthwith.

The Times of Arlington, Wash. also carried news and a powerful editorial on vandalism in a recent issue. The story was of a town park on which the council and civic groups had spent money and labor through years for Arlington people with the want for picnics and outings. But at last the park had to be given up.

Why? You know the answer. It is an old story everywhere. In the Arlington park plumbings installations were torn up and stolen. Picnic tables were broken and burned. Every other improvement was ruined soon after it was made. Law enforcement officers and the courts pleaded helplessness.

They all but hang vandals in Hexham, England. It is vandalism here.

Blots on The Green

It is our habit to idealize the non-commercial values of the forest. Often, of course, the high-sounding talk about the inspirational influence and uplifting effect of nature's forest is of political design that has the purpose of winning support for land socialization and of smearing business enterprise.

Any honest study of the use of the forests by masses of people is bound to face the ugly facts of uncontrollable vandalism in national parks and wilderness and recreation areas, the extreme prevalence of drunkenness in forest hunting and fishing camps, the freedom with which gun-toters on timber roads shoot the locks off privately-owned gates, the carelessness with fire that is a common attribute of trespassing berry pickers, greens pickers, Christmas tree rustlers and others who move in on both public and private forest property without regard for law, order or common decency.

Our land is bright and green indeed. But it is badly spotted with blots of degraded human behavior. The psychopathic incendiary, the irresponsible smoker and the feckless recreationalist are the main sources of the man-caused forest fire. These facts, joined with the incidence of illegal logging practices in the commercial forest, reflect destructive forces, roots of evil, in the relationship of trees and people in the Pacific Northwest. Let's face it, as England does. The Worst of Wildlife

As long as we are looking at

Rogue River

E. J. Green, who fell at the silica plant last month and was hospitalized with broken ribs and a punctured kidney, returned home Tuesday. He is reported to be slowly regaining lost weight, but may have to return to the hospital in a few weeks for an operation.

Harry Rose left Friday for Los Angeles where he will undergo medical treatment.

C. M. Wiley and wife, were here from McCloud, recently and spent the week end visiting their parents and sister, Mrs. Lora Carter, at the Wiley-Carter ranch on East Evans road.

Alice Burger and her mother of Bakersfield, Calif., called on Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wilson last Thursday. They are guests of K. C. and E. W. Wilkerson of Eagle Point.

Mr. and Mrs. James Tate and daughter, Sandra, Portland, stopped for a short visit at the home of their uncle, Lloyd Smith, one day of last week. They were on a vacation trip and en route to Crater Lake.

Ralph and Mary Smith and sons, Pat and Mike, and Mrs. Lois Morgan and her son, Hurst spent the week end of July 13 at Diamond Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Ebeling entertained Friday, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Kunick, of the Rogue View Inn, whose marriage was announced recently. Mrs. Kunick is the former Sadie Pearson. Guests at the party were Mrs. Kunick's father, William Spivey and her daughter, Ida Pearson; Mr. and Mrs.

the forest and its use without pretty colored slides but in grim black and white, let's face the realities of wildlife. The seed-eating rodents and the animals that browse on tree seedlings and strip off bark to kill sapling trees, are obstacles to industrial reforestation programs. The spruce budworm, the hemlock looper and the bark beetle are kinfolks of the forest wildlife family—and they are the deadliest tree killers on earth, wreaking even more devastation than fire does.

Our forests do carry the appeal of a cool, green summer land to people who want to escape from urban drabness, grime and din into nature's fresh air, quiet, calm and peace. But among the hosts who respond to the appeal there are literally swarms of budworms, loopers, beetles and rodents in human guise—American vandals on the prowl.

Surely the vandal is the wildest and worst of all God's creatures in the woods.

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