



CANYON OF FLAME flares in night near Santa Barbara, Cal., as 100-square-mile brush fire rages. Forest service officials believe loss may reach \$20,000,000 in fires that devastate 220,000 acres from Oregon border to Santa Barbara. (International Soundphoto)

Chinese Jet Propulsion Expert Silent on Return To Homeland

Pasadena, Calif. — (U.P.) — A Chinese jet rocket expert, one of the world's top authorities in the field, refused comment today on reports he is being permitted to return to Red China as part of a "swap" negotiated by the United States for the recently freed American airmen.

Dr. Hsue-shen Tsien, 46, disclosed he had resigned three weeks ago as head of the Guggenheim Jet Propulsion center at the California Institute of Technology. He will sail from here Friday with his wife and two children on the liner S. S. Cleveland for Hong Kong. "Red Hot" Man

"I have no interest either to confirm or refute the report," Tsien said when questioned about the "swap." "I have nothing to say."

A Cal Tech spokesman called Tsien "a red hot rocket propulsion man." He said his resignation "is a great loss for us."

The scientist did not indicate how long he would be gone or whether he planned to return to the United States. Tsien had been under a deportation order for almost five years, although his actual deportation was not authorized until Aug. 4.

Denied Communist Link

Tsien had been accused of being a Communist party member in the late 1930s. He denied the charge.

On Sept. 7, 1950, he was arrested by Immigration Service

John Adams who was the first president to live in the White House, lived longer than any other chief executive after leaving office, dying in 1826 at the age of 90.

officers as he prepared to sail for China. Authorities seized eight cases of scientific papers he had consigned for delivery in Shanghai.

Subsequent examination of the papers showed they contained no classified information and they were returned to the scientist. His work at the Guggenheim Jet Propulsion center was concerned primarily with research and was not military in nature, the school said.

Sec. McKay Clarifies Position on Proposed Beaver Marsh Project

Portland — (U.P.) — Secretary of Interior Douglas McKay today clarified his position on the proposed Beaver Marsh dam on the McKenzie river in a letter to Portland newspapers.

McKay said he had advised the Federal Power commission that he personally opposed the project because "most of the land is in the national forest which is used by the people for recreation."

Favors Recreational Use

He added in a letter to FPC Chairman Jerome K. Kuykendall: "I believe that the McKenzie should be kept in as near its natural condition as possible as it would be of much more value to future generations as a recreational stream than the amount of power that could be generated by this project."

However, McKay said the fish and wildlife service, after meeting with forest service personnel and Oregon state representatives, had made seven recommendations to the FPC should the project be built:

1. A barrier screen at the intake for Clear Lake diversion.

2. Foundations for fish ladders at both Beaver Marsh and Clear Lake diversion dams.

3. Steps shall be taken to prevent winter kill of trout in the pool behind Clear Lake dam.

Mutual Consent

4. Any drawbacks in excess of eight feet shall be by mutual consent of the licensee, the state game commission, the forest service and the fish and wildlife service.

5. No more than 40-acre-feet per day shall be released to the river channel from May through September.

6. The licensee shall bear the costs of fish salvage work resulting from construction and operation of the project and the annual cost of fish facilities.

7. All possible means shall be employed to reduce or avoid siltation of the McKenzie during construction.

Path Cleared for Aluminum Plant At The Dalles

Portland — (U.P.) — The way was cleared for construction of a \$65,000,000 aluminum reduction plant near The Dalles, Ore., by Harvey Machine company today when the company reached an agreement with Bonneville Power administration for the installation of power transmission lines.

Secretary of Interior Douglas McKay said terms of the agreement called for Harvey Aluminum to advance \$2,038,000, or the necessary amount of materials and equipment, to provide for the construction of transmission facilities from Big Eddy switching station to the proposed plant.

BPA To Construct Facilities

McKay said the facilities themselves would be constructed by the BPA, which would also retain ownership. Harvey Aluminum would meet line losses and pay a monthly charge for operation and maintenance of the transmission lines.

Congress earlier had authorized the company's use of 40,000 kilowatts of firm power and 80,000 kilowatts of interruptible power. The new agreement, McKay said, made the company eligible for standard "at site" power rates of \$14.50 a kilowatt year.

To Take 15 Months

BPA engineers estimated construction of the power lines would take about 15 months, and could be scheduled for completion of the aluminum plant.

McKay said he was "extremely pleased" that agreement had finally been reached on a program that he had supported both as Governor of Oregon and as Secretary of the Interior. He estimated the plant would provide employment for 500 persons in The Dalles area, and would produce 100,000,000 pounds of aluminum annually.

On the heights around Mount Olympus in northwest Washington State precipitation, mostly snow, attains the amazing annual total of from 200 to 250 inches, says the National Geographic society.

Pickin' Pears News and Notes From Camp White

By SID HOLLINGSWORTH

At least half of the 800 or more men living at the Veterans Administration Domiciliary Center take part in the recreational activities provided for them as part of the newly organized rehabilitation program.

During the past year an intensive effort was made by doctors, volunteers and recreation specialists to encourage disabled veterans at Camp White to engage in the numerous facilities provided, to occupy their time and attention.

The largest section of the membership had to be brought around to participation by re-awakening forgotten habits of play or of skill in a craft or vocation.

The new approach was inaugurated with the establishment of the Planning Board. This board undertook to study each case from the standpoint of what could be learned when the veteran sought admission to the Home.

The follow-up on this plan has resulted in a comprehensive program covering all recreation activities and interests provided for the members. The 10 groupings include:

1. Motion pictures three times a week.
2. Group recreational and social activities conducted daily for ambulant and non-ambulant members.
3. Instruction in music with lessons provided in piano, accordion and other instruments.
4. Modified sports program consisting of croquet, shuffleboard, horseshoes, 5 of 11 ball, pool, bowling and golf putting.
5. Photography, with facilities for developing and printing pictures.
6. Off-station trips for fishing, sight-seeing and picnics.
7. Presentation of special theater programs by neighborhood groups and veterans organizations.
8. Organization of member clubs including a fishing club, stamp club, garden club, rock club, writers club, bridge club, and jig saw puzzle club.
9. Hobbies, artwork and handicrafts daily for members interested in exercising their manual skill.
10. Radio and television with portable sets and five TV station sets placed for convenience of members.

"Recreation activities at Camp White are purposely planned to be an important phase of the institution's operations," Special Services Chief Frank Glonning states. "VA officials, cognizant of the fact that members must be kept cheerful during the long hours and days of residency, look at the recreation program as an integral part of the total medical program."

"The effort has been made to include in this program a comprehensive, well balanced and efficiently executed range of recreation activities to meet the needs, capabilities and interests of all members."

The aims are summarized: to maintain individuality promote good fellowship, provide means for self-expression, and create a sense of being a part of and belonging to the domiciliary pattern of operation while here.

"Rehabilitation does not mean that members will be able always to go out and compete with others in private industry," Dr. C. K. Todd, chief medical officer, has emphasized.

"Recreation arranged through special services tries to make life here a little bit happier," he explains in a review of the medical plan for members. "Through physiotherapy, corrective or exercise therapy and occupational therapy, it is hoped that time will not drag and the men can become rehabilitated to live here more contented than it would be without these activities."

The fall schedule of VAWS ac-

ivities, including Halloween and Christmas parties at the station, were discussed at the regular monthly meeting in the Elks temple Monday evening.

An orientation course will be held for volunteers at the meeting Oct. 10, Frank Glonning, advisory committee chairman, announced. Mary Grosch, alternate appointed by the USWV, was present.

A completed sketch of the picnic area was shown, and plans of the engineering division to start transplanting trees and working the grounds, were reviewed. Improving the grounds

Injured Loggers Get Treatment Here

Two men were being treated at Sacred Heart hospital today for head injuries received in logging accidents outside of Jackson county.

Sigwid Larson, Port Orford, is being treated for a skull fracture. Larson was brought here yesterday by private plane, and was taken from the airport to the hospital by Medford Ambulance service.

Raymond Davis, Wolf Creek, is receiving treatment for head injuries.

around the buildings is progressing through the work of the Camp White Garden club, with 15 active members at the present time.

Food, Supplies Rushed To Egypt Quake Area

Cairo, Egypt — (U.P.) — The government rushed food and medical supplies today to areas devastated by an earthquake which killed at least 20 persons and injured 89 others.

Many families were left homeless both here and in provincial towns to the north in the wake of the severe quake which rocked the Nile Delta and was felt as far away as Cyprus.

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