

## Southern Oregon Pulp Mill Survey Under Way Here

A survey to determine the suitability of a pulp mill operation in southern Oregon is underway in the valley by Sandwell and Company, Inc. Vancouver, B.C., according to Don McNeil, manager of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce.

The company has been employed by the chambers of Jackson and Josephine counties and the Oregon Development Commission to make the survey in order to determine the economic feasibility of establishing such a mill. McNeil said.

**First Step**  
"First step of the study is completion of pulpwood resources available in the area particularly wood residue from existing sawmills," the company said. Work which can be done from public records in Portland already is under way.

"The second step," the company wrote, "is analyze the pulpwood resources data to determine how large an operation the area can support from a raw material standpoint. We will then determine whether an economic unit can be established."

**To Have Information**  
"If raw material appears to be economically available, we will proceed to a study of other considerations including site suitability, water supply, effluent disposal, air pollution and transportation factors. If these considerations can be successfully resolved, we will proceed with estimates of capital costs, manufacturing costs and gross return on investment for the most suitable type of development for each area."

McNeil said the chambers have asked to have information ready on possible sites when the company sends men here for field work this summer.

Relevant general data on industrial locations already is available at the chamber.

## Russia Exploits American Delay

London — The Soviet Union today exploited a delay in presenting a new American disarmament plan with propaganda statements aimed at casting in on worldwide fear of further nuclear weapons tests.

The United Nations five-nation disarmament committee was meeting this afternoon when Harold E. Stassen, the American disarmament representative, may present the new U.S. plan.

Russia, via Moscow Radio, sent out a stream of statements to Europe and Asia affirming Moscow's willingness to dispense with further atom and hydrogen bomb tests.

It was understood the Stassen proposal calls for a halt to nuclear test explosions and suggests a system of aerial reconnaissance by Soviet planes over some eight Western European nations as part of President Eisenhower's original "open skies" inspection plan.

## Turkey Growers Warned by Benson

Washington — Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Taft Benson warned today turkey growers to stop depending on the government to bail them out of low-price markets.

He told them to curtail sharply the hatch of turkey poult to avoid production of a crop in excess of consumer demand at reasonable prices to producers.

"The Turkey industry cannot count on government buying in every year as a part of its market outlet," Benson said. "Instead, all operatives in the industry—breeders, hatcherymen, and turkey growers—should make every effort to avoid overproduction for better returns in the open market."

The department bought about 26 million pounds of surplus ready-to-cook turkeys in 1956 in an attempt to bolster market prices for live birds. The turkeys were used in the school lunch program.

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**HARMONY LUNCH**—President Eisenhower and House Minority Leader Rep. Joe Martin (left) exhibit smiling approval as they dig in to a \$1.19 chicken and potato box lunch in the House Caucus room in Washington. Martin was host at the harmony lunch designed to improve relations between the chief executive and the Republican rank and file.

## Continuing Nuclear Tests Said To Give Nation Basic Choice

Washington — Atomic Energy Commissioner Willard F. Libby said today the basic choice on continuing nuclear tests is: Run the "very small" risk from radioactive fallout or risk annihilation by an enemy.

Libby told the House-Senate Atomic Radiation Subcommittee that "testing constitutes a small risk—very small compared to ordinary risks which can be tolerated."

But the famed scientist stressed in his prepared statement that "it is not contended that there is no risk."

"Are we willing to take this very small and rigidly controlled risk?" he asked. "Or would we prefer to run the risk of annihilation which might result if we surrendered the weapons which are so essential to our freedom and our actual survival?"

Libby traced the history of AEC sponsored research on fallout aimed at getting "truth, scientific truth," about it. He said the commission's "Sunshine" project on fallout is "one of the most impressive scientific investigations ever made."

He said there is general agreement on the amount of radiation received from the fallout, the amount of the long-lived fission product strontium-90 deposited in the human body and the amount still in the stratosphere.

## Manila Investigates Red Tape in Drugs

Manila — President Carlos P. Garcia today ordered an immediate investigation of the charges that government red tape was holding up release of anti-influenza drugs from the United States.

The drugs, a gift of the World Medical association, arrived here Tuesday to help combat the flu epidemic that has claimed 586 lives at latest count and made some 400,000 others ill.

The Philippine Medical association, an affiliate of the world body, charged that the shipment of 267 pounds of drugs was being held up at Manila airport.

## Britain Warned of Risk in Shipping

Taipei, Formosa — Nationalist China warned Britain today that British ships will enter Chinese Communist ports at their own risk.

The warning coincided with the lifting of the British trade ban with Peiping, effective today.

A Nationalist military spokesman, Read Adm. Liu Ho-Tu, said there is no change in Nationalist China's seven-year-old determination to seal off Red China ports.

Nationalist vessels and shore batteries on Matsu and Quemoy have been able to maintain partial blockade. Several British and other foreign vessels have been damaged.

## Five-Cent Hourly Pay Raise Seen In Lumber Industry

Portland — A pay raise of five cents an hour appeared to be shaping up today for lumber industry employees on the Pacific Coast.

The pay hike was attained Tuesday for workers of two large companies with widespread operations in Oregon, Washington and California.

The AFL-CIO Lumber and Sawmill Workers and the AFL-CIO International Woodworkers of America reached the settlements in separate negotiations with the Georgia-Pacific Corporation and the Willamette Valley Lumber Company.

**Vacation Provisions**  
The new pacts call for five-cent hourly raises effective June 1 and some minor improvements in vacation provisions.

They also provide for re-opening of wage talks next October 1.

The agreements are subject to ratification by union members. About 5,000 LSW employees are covered in the Georgia-Pacific settlement and nearly 1,000 in the Willamette Valley operations. Figures were not immediately available on the number of IWA members affected.

The pay hike sets the new minimum wage scale in the industry at \$2.03 an hour and the average scale at \$2.37.

## Painter Unwillingly Performs Circus Act

New York — A building painter unwillingly did a rope trick today which outdid most circus acts. He hung upside down 10 stories over Times Square from a rope twisted around his neck.

Milton Hinden, 35, of Brooklyn, escaped with only rope burns on his neck after his painting scaffold collapsed.

He grabbed one of the scaffold pulley ropes while falling and managed to hang on until rescued by firemen and fellow workers.

Hinden was one of a crew giving the Astor theater at Broadway and 45th st. a facelift. When he fell, the rope he grabbed twisted around his neck and body and left him dangling upside down.

As morning rush-hour crowds watched, fellow painters rigged a scaffold below him. Firemen arrived, reached Hinden from an aerial ladder and freed him.

Hinden took the rest of the day off "to settle my nerves."

## Brewster Aparent Winner in Revolt

San Francisco — Frank Brewster, apparent winner in an East Bay move to oust him as president of the Western Conference of Teamsters Union, is expected here Thursday for a top-level meeting concerning his reform program.

The 33-member policy board will hold a two-day session preliminary to the conference's annual meeting June 24-28 in San Diego.

Brewster averted a full-scale revolt of San Francisco Bay Area teamsters Tuesday night by recommending a reform program in a letter from Seattle to the Bay Area Joint Council of Teamsters.

## Churches United, Graham Points Out

New York — Billy Graham brought the first three weeks of his New York Crusade to a triumphant close Tuesday night with the comment that "not in 40 years have the Christians and their churches been so gloriously united to save their fellow men."

"Never before in my ministry have I seen God move so wonderfully, so gloriously to save His children," the 38-year-old evangelist said.

More than 17,500 persons heard Graham's sermon on covetousness in Madison Square Garden. The sermon was to have marked the midpoint in the crusade, but Graham announced Monday the revival will run three weeks longer than planned, until July 21.

Attendance at the sermons in the first 21 days has run over the 374,500 mark, or an average of 17,800 nightly. Tuesday night's 536 "decisions for Christ" brought Graham's total of conversions to 12,148 or an average of 578 each night.

## Crew Swim Ashore After Fire on Ship

Sydney, Australia — Seven crewmen swam ashore from the 870-ton Panamanian freighter Sea Pearl which caught fire Monday off the northern coast of New Guinea. It was reported today.

The American skipper, whose name was not available here, and 14 other members of the crew took to the lifeboat. A search plane spotted the lifeboat just off shore and dropped a message directing the seamen to a nearby mission.

## U. S. Said To Have No Long-Range Policy

Indianapolis, Ind. — The United States has no long-range foreign policy to match Soviet Russia's well-planned blue-print for action, a South American statesman said.

Galo Plaza, former president of Ecuador, told the 72nd annual meeting of the Holstein-Friesian Association of America Tuesday that the people, not the government, of the U.S. are responsible.

"This is not the fault of your government; you cannot put the blame on the President or on the Congress or on the State Department," Plaza said. He said the people were to blame.

Plaza is president of the Holstein-Friesian Association of Ecuador.

## OLDEST POLICEMAN DIES

Greenville, Tenn. — G. I. Biddle, 90, believed to have been the nation's oldest active policeman, died Monday night.

## Merlin Company Buys BLM Timber

One of two tracts offered for sale by the Medford district of the bureau of land management at an oral auction timber sale on June 4 was purchased by Fate Lumber company, Merlin, Ore.

This tract contained an estimated volume of 650 thousand board feet and sold at the appraised price of \$14,238.90. The sale was held for the purpose of removing trees that are hazardous to travel on the newly constructed Galice access road. The no bid sale consisted of fire-killed timber in the Sykes Creek area. This tract will be held open for bids for 90 days.

On June 13 eight tracts containing an estimated 30,203,000 board feet will be offered for sale. Four of these sales are located in Jackson county, two in Josephine county and one each in Douglas and Klamath counties.

Seven more tracts with a volume of approximately 27,700,000 board feet will be offered for sale on June 20. Three of these sales are located in Jackson county, two in Josephine county and one each in Douglas and Klamath counties.

## Additional information regarding the no bid sales or the proposed sales for June may be secured by contacting the bureau's district office in the Medford city hall.

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