



FAIR CANDIDATES FOR FAIR QUEEN—These 11 attractive teen-agers are candidates for queen of the Los Angeles county fair, which opens at Pomona Sept. 16. From left, they are Christine Gill, 18, Whittier; Joan Winkelpiech, 18, Pomona; Carolyn Hough, 18, Pomona; Donna

Phelps, 18, Rosemead; Barbara Bushnell, 18, Covina; Donna Head, 18, West Covina; Lynn Fuller, 19, Pomona; Fern Thompson, 18, West Covina; Ronnie Bentley, 18, Pomona; Carolyn Bushnell, 19, Covina; and Mia Flore, 18, Whittier. (UPI Telephoto)



JACK H. WOOD Returns to West Coast

Former Supervisor Here is Promoted

Promotion of Jack H. Wood of the Washington, D. C., office of the U.S. forest service and former supervisor of the Rogue River national forest, Medford, to the position of chief of the information and education division, Pacific Northwest region, was announced today by J. Herbert Stone, regional forester, Portland.

Since 1957, Wood has been assistant director of the division of cooperative forest fire control, which is part of the state and private forestry section in the Washington office.

The position of regional I&E division chief became vacant with the death in February of Laurence G. Jolley, who had held the post since 1951. Alex E. Smith, assistant division chief, has been acting division chief the past few months.

Sales by Minors Upheld in Portland

Portland—(UPI)—The Portland City Council Thursday turned down a proposal seeking to prohibit minors from selling or distributing products involved in a labor dispute—a measure aimed at newsboys during the current Portland newspaper strike.

Railroad Presidents To Back Democrats

Washington—(UPI)—The presidents of three railroad unions representing 450,000 railway workers have pledged to support the Democratic presidential ticket.

G. E. Leighty of the Order of Railroad Telegraphers, Michael Fox of the Railway Employees Department, AFL-CIO, and Harold Crotty of the Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees made the promise Thursday after meeting with Sen. John F. Kennedy (D-Mass.).

Many Objects Left On Airliner Flights Held in Storeroom

By ROBERT J. SERLING Washington—(UPI)— Parked in a storeroom at Capital Airlines headquarters here are: 500 pairs of eyeglasses, 230 shaving kits, 47 cameras, 110 umbrellas, 38 pairs of false teeth, two radio-phonographs, one dog kennel (empty). This is Capital's current inventory of items lost or misplaced by passengers. It is typical of an underrated airline problem that is so bothersome, most carriers employ at least one full-time official who does nothing but process the items and look for their owners.

Such an official is Capital's Gene Marceron, who says his biggest headache is the fact that most people forget where they may have lost something.

Actually, Marceron adds, "but apparently many passengers actually forget they had a baby stroller or a portable radio

VA Contact Office Temporarily Closed

The contact office, Veterans Administration Domiciliary, White City, will be closed on Aug. 15, 16, 19, 22, 25, and 26. S. T. Brannock, contact representative on duty, will be on annual leave Aug. 15 to 26 and will return to duty on Aug. 29.

Clifford Fields, contact representative at the V.A. hospital, Roseburg, will replace Brannock on Aug. 17, 18, 23, and 24. Veterans and their dependents will be able to obtain service at the Domiciliary contact office during the days Fields is here.

Office hours are from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

X15 Pilot To Seek Altitude Record

Edwards AFB, Calif. —(UPI)—An Air Force pilot seeks today to set a new world altitude record in an X15 plane.

Maj. Robert White hoped to take the experimental rocketship to about 130,000 feet, 26 miles. The world altitude record is 126,000 feet set in 1956 by Capt. Iven Kincheloe in the X2.

Kincheloe lost his life two years ago in the crash of a F104 jet fighter he was testing here.

White was all set to make the altitude try Thursday when the flight had to be cancelled just 35 seconds before the X15 was to be dropped from its mothership, a B52.

Cause of the cancellation was a small valve which stuck.

Airplane Bomb Hoaxer on Bail

Carson City, Nev. —(UPI)—Reno cab driver Leonard D. Sage, accused of a false bomb report regarding the plane of Vice President Richard Nixon, was free today on \$1,000 bail.

Sage was picked up by FBI agents when the vice president campaigned in Reno. The 34-year-old suspect was charged with telling the pilot of Nixon's plane there was a bomb aboard. Sage later said he was only kidding when he made the comment.

Federal Judge John Ross Thursday ordered bail reduced from \$2,500 and the information amended to state the time and place of the alleged hoax.

"MACHINEGUN" DIES Togus, Maine—(UPI)—John D. Murphy, 68, who won fame in World War I under the nick name of "Machinegun Murphy," died Wednesday. He was acting chief of staff of the 26th Yankee division when it returned to this country in 1919.

BLM Regulations Eases Installment Pay for Timber

Portland—New regulations covering timber sales on the Bureau of Land Management's western Oregon forest lands will ease installment payments for timber on contract areas involving road construction, the Department of the Interior announced today.

The new rules will defer payment of the second installment when the operator must build a road before actual logging begins. The old rules required payment of two installments before any timber was cut. The new rules provide that before paying the second installment the purchaser may cut, remove, and pay for timber on the location over which a road must be constructed.

Requirements Eased The new regulations also ease installment payment requirements on regular O&C timber sales by permitting BLM to accept installment payment of \$10,000 on contracts having a value of more than \$100,000. The minimum acceptable installments used to be 10 per cent of the contract value regardless of total amount. Installment payments on many past contracts have therefore been much larger than \$10,000. Timber purchasers will, however, still be required to pay the entire contract price prior to 60 days before the expiration of the contract.

Another section of the rule changes substitutes a \$2000-value limit annually, regardless of the number of individual sales involved. The old limit on the number of sales did not work out well, BLM Director Edward Woolley explained, because of inequities obvious in situations where one man obtained two \$1000 sales during a year but another man with two \$50-sales could not obtain even a third \$50-sale in the same year. The new rules permit under certain conditions any number of non-competitive sales (less than 100,000 board feet of \$2000 in appraised value) up to a total purchase value of \$2000 in any 12 months.

Permittees Relieved A fourth change in the O&C regulations relieves O&C logging road right-of-way permittees of fire protection responsibility except when the permittee is responsible for the start of a fire or is actually constructing or using the road. Director Woolley said former permittees responsible for fire protection on road rights-of-way even during long periods of nonuse, which may stretch over several years.

The regulations were proposed and published in the Federal Register on June 22, 1960, following which the public had 30 days to submit any comments. None was received, and the regulations have been adopted without change.

The new rules relating to Part 115, Title 43 of the Code of Federal Regulations will be published in the Federal Register.

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Forestry Men Step Up Research To Retard Fires in California

Los Angeles—(UPI)—Forestry officials in Southern California have stepped up research designed to retard fires which each year destroy much of the brush and timber covering the area's watersheds.

Cost of fighting the fires runs into millions of dollars each year, and the watershed loss is even greater. This summer more than 100 square miles of Angeles National Forest have been blackened by a series of major fires. The burned area represents more than one-tenth of the forest, which forms the northern boundary of the Los Angeles metropolitan area.

The research program, termed Fuel Break, is a joint effort of the U.S. Forest Service, California Division of

Forestry and the Los Angeles County Fire Department. Prime objective is to break up large areas of heavy brush into manageable units by planting cover such as grass between them. The grass holds soil in place but provides a poor fuel for a fire.

Mans Role Obvious "Bulldozers cut wide swaths in brush which rises 10 to 15 feet from the ground, and the strips are sprayed to prevent natural reseeding. Then the new cover is planted.

But it will take more than the Fuel Break program to save the watersheds from periodic devastation by fire, according to Sim Jarvi, supervisor of the Angeles Forest. "Most of our fires are started by careless smokers," Jar-

vi said. "We maintain patrols and post warnings, but the task is overwhelming since more than seven million persons visit the forest each year.

"Other causes of fires include lightning, children playing with matches and arson," he continued. "Man's role in fire prevention is obvious."

Recent developments in fire-fighting equipment have helped cut the acreage of fires and saved many lives, the supervisor said. Most spectacular of these is use of aircraft to support ground crews.

Fire Season Never Ends In recent fires, approximately 30 war surplus airplanes were used to drop a borate solution onto flames. These tankers were guided to "hot spots" by smaller planes and helicopters.

"The operation is expensive and not without hazards," Jarvi said. "Two pilots were killed last week when their converted B25 crashed into a mountain."

Jarvi estimated the cost per hour of flying the aerial tankers at between \$250 and \$400. The planes and pilots are retained on a contract basis and operate in various parts of the West.

"The tankers bomb hard to



Small Worlds Around Us

By Lynn M. Watkins

The small boy looked with shining eyes and, with mouth watering, moved the big ice cream soda closer to his waiting spoon. A lady, noticing the youngster, said to her companion, "Look, Sadie, that boy is in 'hog heaven'."

The remark wasn't original with this lady. It has been used on many occasions and is supposed to indicate extreme joy, happiness or contentment, such as a hog would register in a nice cool, very wet mud-puddle. A hog would enjoy such a situation and would give evidence of bliss when the mud is soft and cool.

As far as the hog is concerned, there is a very good reason for this, as this animal is classed as a "pachyderm" or thick-skinned; and so of course are its relatives, the hippo, the elephant and the rhino.

Nature overdid it a little when she insulated these animals with thick skin and a heavy, fat-layer. The fat is a protection, of sort, against the cold and the bite of venomous snakes, but it's sure murder when the weather is hot; the poor guy can't keep cool. To add somewhat to the hog's troubles, some stock breeders have developed hogs with more fat so that the production of lard will be better.

So Tired The poor hog would seem to have more than enough to need or comfortably carry around. Now, with careful selection, some hogs grow to pork chops and roasts, and while the poor fellow is alive

he is so tired all he does is eat and lay around, and thereby hastens his ultimate end. He can't win for losing.

The hog was probably descended from the wild boars of Europe, but it has been a rather long time. Because the flesh could absorb a great deal of salt and be kept for long periods of time, it was the first meat carried by slow-moving sailing ships on long voyages. In the days before mechanical cooling, salt was the only way of preserving meat.

Given any kind of chance the hog would not be dirty from his mud-bath, but the puddle is about the only way he can keep his body temperature from boiling over. He just about has to put himself in hog-heaven to keep from blowing his top.

Tail is Indicator Someone some years ago may or may not have known what they were doing when they "bled" hogs for certain ailments by cutting off the tip of the animal's tail. Many raisers of hogs maintain they can tell the physical as well as the emotional state of a hog by the way the tail is carried. If the tail droops or hangs in sort of a dejected way without the perky curl, or twitches constantly, the hog is supposed to be sick, discouraged or dejected: To put it more aptly, the animal is NOT in hog heaven, even though he may be sick enough to be headed in that undesirable direction.

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reach parts of the fire with a chemical that clings to brush and evaporates slowly," he said. "They also have created escape routes for trapped firemen."

Greatest enemy of fire fighters is the weather that each year attracts millions of tourists to Southern California. Desert winds dry the brush and timber, then fan flames after a fire starts.

"The fire season never really ends in Southern California," Jarvi said. "In 1958 we had at least one fire each month."

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