

Roads, Camp Areas In National Forest Are Now All Open

All roads and campgrounds are now open in Rogue River National Forest, according to the forest service's weekly recreation report.

The report by districts: Ashland district: Fishing at Fish Lake is poor. Week end crowds at the lake are moderate. The Mt. Ashland area and the Mt. Ashland Loop rd. are receiving considerable traffic now that the snow has melted.

Butte Falls district: A construction crew is working on the trail from the end of the Black Bear rd. to the Skyline Trail. A major facelift of the trail is being done, and the job is expected to last all summer. The trails in Blue

Canyon are now open. Four to five foot drifts still block the trail into the Seven Lakes basin with patches of snow remaining around the lakes. Fishing in both Blue Canyon and Seven Lakes basin was only fair. The number of people in the limited area has increased considerably the last two weeks.

All campgrounds are open and in good condition. Work is continuing on Willow Prairie and Snowshoe Campgrounds. The evenings are still cool and warm clothing is recommended for those staying overnight.

The roads are open and in good condition. Oiling may be encountered on the Fish

Portland Boy, 14, Admits Taking \$2,500

Portland — UPI — A 14-year-old boy arrested Wednesday for theft has admitted he stole more than \$2,500 from an office safe on three occasions.

Officers said the boy told them he "blew" the money. Only \$100 was recovered.

TRAPPED BY CAVE-IN

Portland — UPI — Phillip L. Cornelius, 40, Portland, escaped injury late Wednesday when he was trapped by a cave-in at a sewer construction project.

Lake rd. between Butte Falls and Willow Lake.

Union Creek district: All motorists are advised to use caution on the National-Wizard Access rd. because of heavy logging traffic.

Clear skies and warm weather make camping and fishing conditions ideal. Reported catches are good and many.

Minnehaha-Hurricane Trail has been reconstructed, and is now in good shape. The Loggole Trail is badly plugged by blowdown at the head of Buck Canyon, not recommended for anyone but experienced riders.

Detailed information on campgrounds, trails, road conditions, and other matters may be obtained at any time during normal office hours at:

Applegate District (Star Ranger Station) located about seven miles south of Ruch on the Applegate river rd.

Ashland District Ranger Station on the plaza in Ashland.

Butte Falls Ranger Station east edge of town of Butte Falls.

Prospect Ranger Station just north of the town of Prospect.

Union Creek Ranger Station located at Union Creek Resort area.



BEAUTIES GATHER — Twenty-two Miss Oregon hopefuls gather at Seaside for the Oregon beauty pageant which will see one of them go to Atlantic City, N. J., to compete in the Miss America contest. Miss Oregon of 1961, Jody Bourne, is standing in the center of the back row. The girls are, from left, seated, Karen Lee McPherran, Miss Hood River county; Toni Jean Etiro, Miss Astoria; Judith Anne Martin, Miss Corvallis; Vickie Diane Kinzer, Miss Umatilla county; Joset June Fisher, Miss Portland; Jody Bourne, Miss Oregon '61 (standing center); Lily V. Stanishoff, Miss Malheur county; Laura Horn, Miss Curry county; Irene Gerd Elin Svensson, Miss Gresham; Martha Louise Wyatt, Miss Rogue Valley; Joyce McCoy, Miss Springfield. Standing, from left, are Janet Kay Ward, Miss Lincoln county; Patricia Seiko Homma, Miss Milwaukie; Rintha Gae Betts, Miss Sweet Home; Linda Olsen, Miss Coos county; Mary Sue Woolfork, Miss Eugene; Nancy Rae Burgin, Miss Forest Grove; M. Lynn Jenovich, Miss Tigard; Charlotte Rowena Pyle, Miss Tillamook county; DeEtte Jerman, Miss Yamhill county; Sheila Ann Croghan, Miss Baker County; Janet Rae Burgin, Miss La Grande; and Alice Lee Berglund, Miss Salem. (UPI)

Lumber and Wood Products Industry Slated for Tax Cut

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Washington (Special) — The lumber and wood products industry will get a tax cut of from \$20 to \$25 million this year as result of the Kennedy Administration's new schedule for depreciating equipment.

When Treasury Secretary Douglas Dillon announced the new tax guidelines for business last week,

He said it would save corporations and other reporting business income about \$1.5 billion a year. The Treasury Department estimates that about \$20 million of this will be saved by the lumber and wood products industry, but the National Lumber Manufacturers Association believes it will run to \$25 million.

The tax savings are possible if businesses depreciate, or write-off as tax deductions, the total value of new equipment over a shorter period of time. The government adopted the faster write-off schedule as an inducement to business to invest more capital in new equipment, which will

help industry to compete better with foreign manufacturers and will aid the national economy. Dillon noted that the steel industry expected to invest its \$40 million saving in modern equipment.

Adopted To Letter

The changes in depreciation schedules for the lumber industry were based on recommendations submitted in June by a committee of lumber industry executives. The National Lumber Manufacturers Association reports that the Treasury adopted the industry's suggestions "to the letter." Among those industry executives were the following with Northwest companies:

Mils B. Hult, Hult Lumber and Plywood Co.; Harry J. Kane, Georgia-Pacific Corp.; N. B. Livermore, Jr., Pacific Lumber Co.; Arthur McCourt, Weyerhaeuser Co.; and Harold F. Stevens, St. Regis Paper Co.

The NLMA observed that "firms in the lumber-wood products-furniture industry gained much more under the new rules than did companies in most other industry classifications, particularly wood's competitors."

Under the new Treasury rules, production machinery and equipment used in logging and portable sawmills and road building is given a

"guideline life" of 6 years, which is what the industry recommended. Previously, the depreciation life was 10 to 15 years for logging equipment and 10 to 12 years for portable sawmill machinery.

For permanent or well-established sawmills, the new guidelines provide a life of 10 years for production machinery, as recommended by the industry, compared with the old rule requiring 20 to 25 years.

Machinery used in the manufacture of lumber, plywood, veneers, furniture, flooring and other wood products is given a life of 10 years, also, compared with 10 to 25 years

in the past. NLMA said the average period in the past has been 16 to 18 years.

Among other examples of faster write-offs that will conceivably help lumber companies are these: office furniture, fixtures, machines and equipment—10 years; general purpose trucks under 13,000 pounds—5 years; and trucks over 13,000 pounds—6 years; tractor units (over-the-road)—4 years; trailers and trailer-mounted containers—6 years; and vessels, barges, tugs and similar water transportation units—18 years.

On the question of lumber coming out better than competing industries, NLMA noted that "the 10-year guideline for lumber-wood products-furniture is well below the 18 years for steel, 14 years for aluminum, 12 years for fabricated metal products, 20 years for cement, 14 years for glass products and 15 years for stone and clay products."

In presenting its recommendations to the government, the industry cited such factors as the inroads on wood's markets by competitive materials and increased competition from abroad.

EIGHT DWARFS?

Memphis, Tenn. — UPI — The Memphis Children's theater will present the story of Snow White and the Eight Dwarfs. A spokesman explained the casting committee selected one dwarf too many and expanded the cast to include "the sleepy twins" rather than hurt a youngster's feelings.

SEATED BUT...

Fairfield, Iowa — UPI — The program for Parsons College's production of the melodrama, "Under the Gaslight," announced that "latecomers will be seated but despised."

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS
Sealed proposals addressed to the City Council of the City of Medford, Oregon and endorsed "Proposal for Rogue Valley Estates Area Sanitary Sewer System" will be received at the office of the City Recorder until 11:00 A.M. on the 7th day of August, 1962, and thereafter will be publicly opened and read and will then be referred to the City Council.

The proposed work consists of construction of a sanitary sewer system including 10,200 feet of 8" concrete sewer pipe, 2,200 feet of 4" concrete sewer pipe, manholes and appurtenances, a small sewage pumping station with approximately 300 feet of 4" transite pipe.

Plans, Special Provisions, General Specifications and contract agreements may be obtained at the office of the City Manager, City Hall, Medford, Oregon.

Bids must be accompanied by a certified check equivalent to 3% of the proposal payable to the City Treasurer of the City of Medford, Oregon, to guarantee that if a proposal is accepted a contract will be entered into and its performance secured. Bidder's bond to take effect and in the amount with its corporate surety thereon, must be in writing and signed by or on behalf of the bidder.

Bidders shall pre-qualify as provided by the law and under Section 279.012, 279.014 and 279.016, Oregon Revised Statutes.

All of the provisions of Chapter 827, Oregon Laws of 1959, relating to Wage Rates to be paid on all contracts for Public Works in this state must be complied with.

The City of Medford reserves the right to reject any and all bids and accept such bids as are in the best interest of the City.

CITY OF MEDFORD, OREGON

VERNON THORPE, Public Works Director.

Date: July 20, 1962.

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