

Russian Fishing Fleet Seen 250 Miles Off Coast

Seattle - (AP) - Samuel J. Hutchinson, regional director of the U. S. Bureau of Commercial Fisheries, revealed that a fleet of 20 Russian fishing vessels passed the Washington-Oregon coast about 250 miles at sea Friday.

Hutchinson said the fleet consisted of a huge Soviet mother whaling ship and 19 catcher boats enroute from South America to Vladivostok.

Hutchinson said the Russian ships were following accepted shipping lanes and violating no law.

He said it was the closest such a large group of Russian fishing vessels had ever come to the Washington-Oregon coast.

He identified the mother ship as the Sovietskaia Bostiya.

If the Russians continue on their present course they will pass near U.S. and Canadian halibut fleets in Alaskan waters.

Hutchinson said the vessels appear to be making no attempt to fish, but are probably on their way to their home base in Vladivostok after completing operations in the Antarctic.

Hutchinson said the catcher boats were numbered from B-1 through B-20 but observers have not been able to account for vessel B-2, which did not appear to be with the fleet.

Flyway Biologist Starts North for Annual Bird Count

"This old beast is a fine airplane for what we do. I think she will outlast the crew," with this salute to his 1943 model Grumman Goose, Robert H. (Bob) Smith, flyway biologist with the department of interior, fish and wildlife service, took off from the Medford airport Thursday afternoon.

The wild geese have flown into the Canadian marshes. It's nesting time in the far north, and Smith will soon be there to make the annual bird count.

The Grumman Goose is the amphibian plane he flies from the Mexican tropics to the Arctic circle to count the birds on the Pacific flyway.

Standard Procedure

The same standard procedure has been used for the past 8 to 10 years, he explained shortly before his departure from his home on the Old Stage rd. The only thing new this trip, he added, will be his observer, Joe Matlock, game agent for the fish and wildlife service. Matlock, also is a pilot. And this is new.

On all past flights (Smith has been counting birds for 27 years) he has gone with an observer, who could not fly the plane. A new ruling requires that the observer be a pilot, and Smith admits it must give the observer a much more comfortable feeling. It gives Smith a more comfortable feeling, too, to know that in case something happens to him the observer will be able to keep the Grumman Goose flying.

The flyway biologist has experienced engine trouble in the land of the midnight sun. That's why he wanted to be sure that the plane had all its worn parts replaced before he took off this time. He had planned to go several days earlier but the unfavorable weather and repair of the plane necessitated the delay.

Smith planned to clear customs at Lethbridge, Alberta, just across the line from Culbuck, Mont., then continue to Edmonton to be met there by Matlock, who is coming from his home in Victoria, Tex.

They will continue to work their way north to the most remote nesting grounds of the waterfowl, spending three weeks or a month, depending upon the weather, counting the birds.

Their findings form the basis for annual game regulations and lay the ground work for the preservation of game.

Local Residents To Attend Union Meeting

J. Vernon Marshall, secretary-treasurer and business agent for Medford Local 597, American Federation of Musicians (AFL-CIO), and Ally Maple, member of the executive board of the local, plan to attend the 68th annual convention of the Musicians' Union at Miami Beach, Fla., starting June 10.

Approximately 1,200 delegates are expected to attend and hear reports from Herman Kenin, president; Stanley Ballard, secretary; and George V. Clancy, treasurer. Business will include election of international officers.



ORVIL E. DRYFOOS
Publisher Dies

New York Times President Dies Of Heart Ailment

New York - (AP) - Orvil E. Dryfoos, 50, president and publisher of the New York Times, died early Saturday of heart failure at Columbia Presbyterian hospital.

Dryfoos had been in the hospital's Harkness Pavilion since April 15 for treatment for a heart ailment.

A spokesman for the newspaper said Dryfoos had been vacationing in Puerto Rico after the New York City newspaper strike when he learned of the ailment and decided to enter the hospital.

Dryfoos married Marian Sulzberger, daughter of Times Board Chairman Arthur Hays Sulzberger, in 1941. He was a member of the New York Stock Exchange and was associated with an investment firm before he joined the Times as assistant to the publisher in 1943.

Dryfoos was elevated to vice president and director of the Times in 1954 and became president and publisher of the paper in 1961.

House Approves Public Defender Plan

Salem - (AP) - A foot-in-the-door public defender system was approved Friday by the Oregon House.

The bill went to the Senate. It provides for a public defender at the state level to give legal assistance to convicted persons. His primary work would be post-conviction and appeal cases.

H also could study and report on whether there is a need for a broader public defender system throughout the state.

The U. S. Supreme Court earlier this year broadened the range of cases where an indigent accused person must be provided with legal help. More precise lines are yet to be drawn.

The House passed and sent to the Senate one of the bigger state budgets: \$106.7 million for public welfare. It includes \$41.9 million from the state, \$13.8 million from counties, and \$49.8 million in federal money.

The House also passed and sent to the Senate a bill that would let the State industrial Accident commission reduce already-published employer rates by about \$6 million next year.

Hearing Clinics Scheduled in Area For Preschoolers

All preschool children, ages 2 to 5 years, may have their hearing checked Thursday, June 6, at the Eagle Point library and Friday, June 7, at the Medford Junior Service League's Kindergarten for Hard-of-Hearing Children, McAndrews rd. and Columbus ave.

The hours for both days will be from 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m.

The clinic is sponsored by the Maternal and Child Health Section of the Oregon state board of health under the auspices of the Jackson county health department and the Medford Junior Service League.

This is the first time such a service has been available to Jackson county residents.

The tests are conducted by an audiometric team consisting of two audiometrists and an audiologist. Principal object of the survey is to find unsuspected cases rather than concentrating primarily on known or suspected cases of hearing loss.

It was explained that early training of a child with hearing loss is easier and often more successful and aids the youngster in keeping pace with his age group.

There is no charge for the examination. Additional information may be obtained from the county health department office in the county courthouse.

Influenza Tops List Of County Diseases

Influenza continued to top the list of communicable diseases reported to the Jackson county health department last week, according to Dr. A. Erin Merkel.

The 31 cases reported were in Medford 13, Shady Cove 5, Phoenix and Jacksonville 4 each, Central Point 3 and Ashland 2. Pneumonia accounted for four cases. They were reported in Ashland 2 and Central Point and Medford 1 each.

Other diseases reported were measles Medford 6, Sams Valley 5, Gold Hill 14 and Central Point 1; mumps, Medford 2 and Central Point, Gold Hill and Shady Cove, 1 each; infectious mononucleosis, 4 in Medford; and 1 case of German measles in Ashland and one case of gonorrhea.

Strout Realty Has Office in County

A branch of the Strout Realty, the largest real estate corporation in the world, has opened in Jackson county, according to the firm's Los Angeles headquarters.

Manager for the local office is M. H. Shollenburg. The company is a multiple sales organization with offices from coast-to-coast dealing in ranches, farms, homes and businesses, both town and country. Its operations cover most of the western states. There are 24 branch offices in Oregon.

The office is located at 3509 South Pacific highway, telephone 535-4084.

Modern Lumbering Methods Discussed At Society Meeting

Yreka - Mel Barron, superintendent of the Fruit Growers Supply company of Hilt, spoke before members of the Siskiyou County Historical Society recently on "Modern Lumbering Methods."

The topic was a continuation of a recent talk given by Tom Bigelow on "Old Time Lumbering Methods" before the society.

The speaker discussed four areas of logging: roads, falling, loading and transportation.

Logging was started in the Hilt area in the late 1850's on the west branch of Cottonwood creek.

John Hilt, who had made a lucky gold strike in Rocky Gulch and the Klamath river, bought the mill in 1877 and moved it one half mile up Cottonwood creek where he purchased a mountain glade, later known as the C. P. Ranch. Here he pastured his logging oxen.

He operated the mill until 1902 when he sold to a group of Grants Pass lumbermen, and the Hilt Sugar Pine company was formed. In 1910 the Fruit Growers Supply company acquired the mill and it was moved to its present location in 1912.

Thus the Hilt area has a history of more than 100 years of logging operations. Barron said California's logging industry is ranked second in the nation being surpassed only by Oregon. Ten per cent of California's annual pay roll comes from the timber industry. In Siskiyou county, it forms a major part of the economy.

Barron also commented on the present experiments of logging by helicopter, which he stated is a marvelous idea if it can be developed. This would eliminate the need for building roads into an area and would save much timber.

The business session was conducted by the President, James McNeill who read a letter from Ab Evans thanking the members for the party arranged for his 90th birthday even though he was unable to attend. The museum curator, Mrs. Hazel Pollock, reported over 600 visitors to the museum in April, a large increase over April a year ago.

Eighty-seven school children also visited the museum. She asked that anyone having a picture of the old mill at Hilt and also of Thrall to loan them to the museum that copies could be made.

A large bouquet of flowers arranged in an old cast iron tea kettle was the center of attraction honoring all mothers, and Mrs. Pollock read a poem written by Mary Bond Wagner, who was born in Yreka and now lives in New York.

Mrs. Myrtle Parrott told of the desire to form a colony of the Mayflower Society in Siskiyou county and asked that all who were descendants of Mayflower passengers to contact her.

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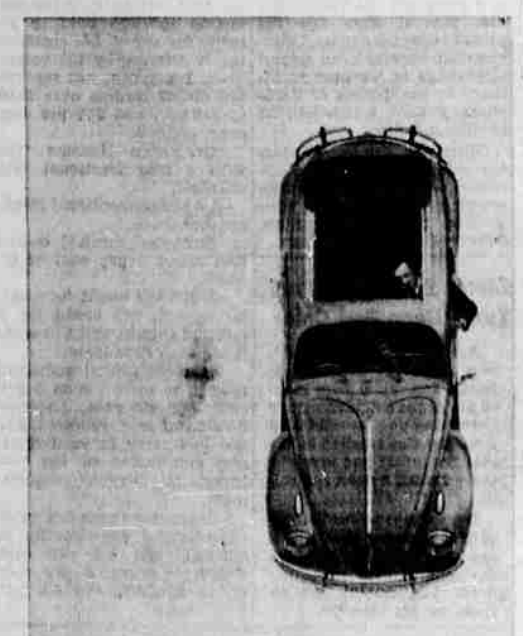
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