

SHUTDOWN OF 5000 PLANTS SEEN LIKELY

By PETER EDSON
WASHINGTON, July 31—If, slap-dab in the middle of this defense boom, someone were to rise up and prophesy that 5000 manufacturing plants would be shut down in the next six months, you would probably think him cockeyed.

Yet this very prediction is now on record and it comes from no less an industrialist than Albert J. Browning of Chicago, head of the United Wallpaper companies and a member of the advisory committee in office of production management in Washington. The prediction goes farther than that. Many of these small companies, Browning believes, face economic ruin.

That is pretty drastic prophecy, but the beginning of its fulfillment can already be seen. Only three weeks ago, Peter R. Nehemkhis Jr., one of the bright young economists in the defense contract service, said "no fewer than 10 entire industries whose supplies of materials have been either drastically curtailed or completely shut off would either have to close down or enter a new line of production."

He was ridiculed, but so fast has this situation developed that in three weeks another OPM adviser foresees 5000 plants shut down and still others are saying that in another three weeks the country will be launched on a first-class defense depression.

This is a paradoxical situation if there ever was one, but it boils down to the simple situation in which defense industries, having first call of materials, simply do

WASHINGTON BYPATHS

Production of green vegetables in U. S. would have to be doubled if everyone ate as many vitamins as he should. . . . CCC boys are 10 pounds heavier when they're discharged than when they enlist. . . . Five current Broadway hits—Life with Father, Watch on the Rhine, Lady in the Dark, Panama Hattie and Pal Joey—can't be shown on the Washington legitimate stage because they employ child labor. . . . Columbia, S. C., has put 50 park benches on the courthouse square. "For Soldiers Only," and they don't mean old soldiers, either. . . . Speaker of the House Sam Rayburn is having his portrait painted three times, once for Washington, once for the Texas state capitol, once for his alma mater, East Texas State Teachers' college. . . . Artificial silk may be used instead of the real stuff in making special paper for greenbacks.

not leave enough for manufacturers supplying civilian demand. Auto Industry To Feel Pinch

It is now possible to name names and be specific about the industries that may be hit. The aluminum pots and pans industry was the first to feel the pinch, with 3400 out of 16,000 workers in the industry laid off or resigned because the plants could not get material. For every pound of aluminum available for civilian use today, there are at least 15 manufacturers, each of whom could use that pound.

Biggest pinch may be felt by the automobile industry. Production of 1942 models would normally begin August 1, but if before that time the decision were reached to cut automobile production 50 per cent, instead of the now contemplated 20 per cent, it might mean that as many as 250,000 production workers would temporarily be thrown out of jobs, 150,000 of them in the Detroit area alone. Needless to say, every effort will be made to keep the plants going, at least until jobs are open in new defense plants, such as the Ford bomber sub-assembly plant at Ypsilanti, and others.

The radio industry is another which may have to take a major licking, turning out only 6,000,000 sets next year as against 12,000,000 sets in 1940.

Can't Stretch This Rubber

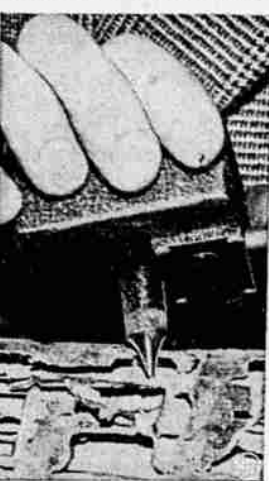
In the rubber goods field, the "big six" can, say the OPM advisers, take care of all the defense needs, but as for the 400 little manufacturers, OPMers are giving no assurances. Unless the big boys can farm out sub-contracts to the little fellows, they may find the going extremely tough.

All electric appliances—vacuum cleaners, stoves, air-conditioning units, refrigerators and washing machines, as well as radio sets—may be tremendous-



PARACHUTE CHAIR—Model Pat Strickler displays a chair designed to look like the inside of an opened parachute.

Hears Ant's Bite



Even refined termites will be permitted no mealtime privacy when this termite detector, invented by Walter Burgess and son, Walter, Jr., of Benton Harbor, Mich., goes into production for home defense. If you've bugs in your beams, this super-snooping microphone will amplify sound of their sabotage.

No Mata Hari



From the Paris Sorbonne to a Spanish jail by way of an American volunteer ambulance corps covers the recent history of Josephine Winter, 25, of St. Louis, now home again. Suspected of espionage because she was "suspiciously pretty," Miss Winter spent 11 days behind bars in Figueras before she was permitted to book passage home.

ly curtailed. Electric heating appliances will suffer particularly, owing to the shortage of the nickel-chromium alloy which goes into the heating element.

Everything from linoleum to bottle stoppers may be curtailed because of the shortage of cork, where the civilian demand is in the ratio of 10 to the supply of one. Brass and bronze hardware manufacture seems doomed. Outboard motors—all kinds of sporting goods, in fact—may be strictly limited.

The silver plate industry, with eight major manufacturers, may have to shut down completely, not particularly because of any shortage of silver, but because of shortages of nickel, copper and zinc.

Even novelty jewelry manufacturers must suffer, as their principal base metal—copper, and within six months, 80 per cent of the copper production will be going to defense.

Even (the nazis') plan of campaign looks like some teams' football schedules. The Germans took on a lot of small countries first, before tackling the big ones. — Red Dawson, Tulane football coach.

Not until he brought down five planes was a World War flier known as an "ace."

Anything that the country can do to protect us against those who may be our real foes should not be hampered.—Vice Chancellor Fielder, Jersey City, denying injunction to prevent the sheriff from interfering with nazi camp Nordland.

After all, it is the human spirit . . . rather than brains or brawn alone, that will determine whether this revolutionary crisis of history is to be a dark age of destruction or a new era of reconstruction.—Dr. J. S. Bixler, president Colby college.

Well-Mannered Bees Find Haven in Wall of House

PORTLAND, Aug. 1. (AP)—Figuring they couldn't do anything about them anyhow, Maude E. and Mary McCauley of Portland are becoming attached to the bees that took up residence in the wall of their East Side home.

The bees swarmed under the bay window about a year ago, found an aperture and made their hive in the wall. They were well mannered bees and didn't sting either of the women. The McCauleys didn't bother the bees either.

But recent hot weather melted the beeswax and released the

honey in the combs. It seeped down the wall and around the foundation and all over the sidewalk. It was one sweet mess and the McCauleys about decided to burn the place down when the weather cooled, the bees rebuilt the combs and—be lieve it or not—retrieved most of the lost honey.

The McCauleys would like to get some of the honey but can't discover any way of doing it without wrecking the wall. "I guess we'll just leave them alone," said Maude. "They're very interesting and we like them."

FATAL ACCIDENTS DROP IN OREGON

SALEM, Aug. 1. (AP)—Despite a gain of 11.6 per cent in travel, Oregon's traffic fatality toll was down four per cent during the first half of 1941, compared with the first half of 1940, Secretary of State Earl Snell said today.

During the same period, traffic deaths throughout the nation increased 17 per cent. There were 155 persons killed in Oregon traffic accidents during the period, compared with 162 during the same period last year.

The death rate in Oregon for the first half of 1941 was 9.8 persons killed per 100,000,000 miles of travel, compared to 11.5 last year.

Non-collision accidents caused the largest number of traffic deaths in the state, followed by collisions, and then by automobile-pedestrian accidents. During the first half of last year, automobile-pedestrian accidents topped the list.

COMMUNISTS SHOT

BERLIN, Aug. 1. (AP)—DNB, the official German news agency, tonight quoted responsible sources in Belgrade as announcing 90 leading communists in the Serbian Banat region were shot to death today by authorities acting against sabotage.

The average speed at America's first automobile race Nov. 28, 1895, was 7½ miles an hour.

Oldster Objects To Driving Test

HALFWAY, Ore., Aug. 1. (AP)—"A fine thing," sputtered Frank Louzon, 77, Homestead, Ore., when told that because of his age his driver's license could not be renewed until he submitted to a driving test.

Louzon held that he might be a little too young to drive a car, but not too old. His brother, he said, at 82, flies his own plane. His mother lived to be 98, his father 100, his grandparents 103, 109, 119 and 123.

RANKINS VICTOR

OAKLAND, Calif., July 31. (UP)—Oscar Rankins, recognized light heavyweight champion of California, scored a four-round knockout over Private Stanley Hasrato, 178, camp San Luis Obispo, in their scheduled 10-round main event at the Oakland auditorium Wednesday night.

REDUCTION

SALEM, Aug. 1. (AP)—The Eastern Oregon Light & Power company filed schedules with the public utilities commissioner today reducing rates for its 6500 residential customers by 12 per cent, and its 1200 commercial customers by 8 per cent.

WAGNER JOINS

VANCOUVER, B. C., July 31. (UP)—Harold Wagner, 21, San Francisco tennis star, indicated Wednesday he would join the Royal Canadian air force when he completes his competition in the western Canada lawn tennis tournament this week.

Mule or Moose?



Big ears on day-old moose found abandoned in woods near Martin River, Ontario, make it look more like a mule. George Hughes, a guide, is playing nursemaid.

ROCK CLIMBED

CANNON BEACH, Ore., Aug. 1. (AP)—Formidable Haystack rock, 350-foot monolith near the coastline here, was climbed Thursday by Homer Hill, 22, Seattle. He is thought to be either the sixth or seventh person to scale the rock. Four persons have been killed attempting the climb.

Only one person in 10 in New York City's 7,649,000 population owns an automobile as compared with one of every three in Los Angeles.

M. I. A. FIELD DAY SATURDAY
AUG. 2nd
Gravel Pit—Fort Klamath
Caravan Leaves 4:30 A. M.
From Public Library

Loss of Bird Study Field Book Reported in Letter

Loss of a bird study field book while in the vicinity of Klamath Falls in May, was reported here Thursday when a letter was received from Mrs. F. A. Bartlett, 2435 N. E. 60th street, Portland. The book, Ralph Hoffmann's, "Birds of the Pacific States," is owned by Harold S. Gilbert, Mrs. Bartlett stated, that name written on the flyleaf. Field notes contained in the book are especially important to the owner and cannot be replaced, Mrs. Bartlett advised.

The book might have been lost on the Klamath Indian reservation. Anyone finding the volume is kindly asked to contact Mrs. Bartlett.

Building Figures At Portland Up

PORTLAND, Aug. 1. (AP)—Portland building figures for July reached \$1,190,545, City Building Inspector Horace Plummer said late today. Permits authorized 533 construction jobs, including 139 residences. The total for July, 1940, was \$844,100. The building total so far this year stands at \$9,100,101.

Bank clearings reached \$216,507,745 this month compared with \$167,807,015 for July of 1940.

Foreign exports, better than in July of 1940, were less than last month. Their value was set at \$2,302,358 compared with \$3,524,704 last month.

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