LUMBER STOCK FREEZE LOOMS TO STOP DRAIN

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until the allocation quotas were worked out.

SEATTLE, May 8 (AP)—The Western Retail Lumber Dealers association notified affiliates today it had word from its national offices at Washington that a lumber freezing order, restricting sales by manufacturers to the army, navy, maritime commission or their contractors, was in the immediate offing.

W. C. Bell, secretary, who sent out telegrams to members in five states, said his information was that the freezing order would become effective Monday, and would last 60 days. He said he was informed the order had not yet been signed but that only slight changes of wording were expected.

His source, he said, was H. R. Northup, national secretary, who talked by long distance telephone to Carl Blackstock, national president, whose home is in Seattle.

Bell's telegram to members stated that for 60 days manufacturers would not be permitted to sell lumber to anyone except the army, navy, maritime commission or their contractors, but that dealers holding requisitions from any of those might make purchases.

He pointed out that the order would not freeze any present retailers' stocks and would affect only the replacing of inventories.

Klamath retail lumber yards have sufficient supplies on hand to meet normal demand here during the anticipated period when they will not receive deliveries from manufacturers, it was stated Friday by a retail lumberman.

He added that anyone having construction work planned for the immediate future should inquire of his retail lumberman rather than give it up because of the freezing order which applies to deliveries by manufacturers, only.

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• WAR QUIZ

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1. This insignia on the uniform of a navy man looks something like the doodle a man might draw while waiting for his telephone call to be put through. Just what is it?

2. For 1200 miles along the eastern coast of Australia lies the Great Barrier Reef which may serve as partial protection against the Japs. Is reef granite, lava or coral?

3. Jap agents are said to be active in Afghanistan, the buffer state with Iran and Russia on one side and India on the other. Are the Afghans Buddhists, as the many Japs, believers in the teaching of Confucius, or in those of Mohammed?

GRAIN ALCOHOL FOR RUBBER ADVOCATED

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storage space unless they can be put to use quickly."

Emphasizing the war as well as civilian needs for rubber, Wickard said that unless tires were available, particularly next year and thereafter, crop production would be considerably hampered and the movement of farm products to processors and consumers would be seriously threatened.

While Wickard was testifying Senator Wheeler (D-Mont.) charged that the agriculture department "has been asleep at the switch for 10 years."

Wickard pointed out that congress had voted the funds used in the crop control program and also governed the amount spent on experimentation.

Navy Pictures to Be Shown at Moose Meeting Tonight

Two moving pictures, "The Battle" and "Submarines at Sea," will be shown at the regular meeting of the Moose lodge, Friday at 9:15 p. m. in the Moose hall, it was announced this week. Chief Gunners Mate F R. Duncan, recruiter in charge of the local navy office, will show the pictures. The movie projector is being loaned through the courtesy of the Balsiger Motor company.

Also on the program will be Athena Lampropulos, violinist, and Constance Lampropulos, who will play several piano numbers.

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ALLIES HURL NAVAL MIGHT AGAINST JAPS

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combat vessel was sunk and two others were damaged.

The fateful struggle, still raging, appeared by all accounts to be the greatest naval battle of the new world war.

Jap Claims

It was also the biggest naval engagement in all American history and perhaps rivaled in magnitude the historic battle of Jutland, on May 31, 1916, between the British and German grand fleets.

Imperial Tokyo headquarters claimed a toll of five united nations warships, including the sinking of a U. S. battleship of the 32,600-ton California class, the 33,000-ton U. S. aircraft carrier Saratoga and the 19,900-ton U. S. aircraft carrier Yorktown.

In addition, Tokyo asserted, a British battleship of the 30,600-ton Warspite type was heavily damaged, perhaps sunk, and an Australian cruiser of the 10,000-ton Canberra type was damaged and may have gone down.

British Denial

In London, the admiralty quickly denied that the Warspite or any other British battleship had been sunk or damaged in the Coral sea.

On the basis of the Japanese claim—which completely lacked confirmation from any allied source—it appeared that at least a section of Admiral Chester W. Nimitz's main Pacific fleet, stationed at Pearl Harbor, Honolulu, was engaged in the battle.

If so, this was the first news that the United States' great Pacific squadron had set out to challenge the Japanese fleet.

Allies Silent

Silence in both Washington and Australia, after the initial announcement, shrouded the progress of the fight. President Roosevelt canceled his morning press conference and the war and navy departments announced there would be no morning communiques. The words of Prime Minister Curtin in Australia, that loss of the battle would not decide the war, were open to two interpretations — that he was warning his country of the possibility of a greater fight against an invader, or that he was preparing the ground for later announcement of bad news.

For the week, the allies had a preponderance of victorious claims, but for the period since their defeat of Monday the Japanese made claims of successes which, if true, might mean they had brought up great additional strength and, in the later stages of the battle, was recouping.

Jap Shadow

The Japanese claim of three capital ships sunk, one damaged and possibly sunk and a cruiser damaged or sunk would, if verified, cast a grave shadow over allied hopes in the second phase of the battle.

The British side of the available picture lay in the reliable British admiralty's denial regarding the Warspite and in the fact that Japanese claims of ship sinkings, especially with regard to aircraft carriers, have proved totally false time after time.

The only word from Washington was a statement by Secretary Hull that American officialdom was "much elated" over preliminary reports of the battle—but he did not specify whether he referred to last night's announcement of Monday's successes or to the second and greater phase of the engagement.

Information made public up until noon today certainly gave no basis for any conclusion as to the outcome.

The running battle apparently started Monday off the Solomon islands and swept westward to the Coral sea, flaming across hundreds of miles of the south Pacific.

First reports indicated it far exceeded in scope and importance the great battle of the Java sea, two months ago, in which Japanese successes paved the way for the conquest of Java.

All Australia waited tensely for news to be flashed on the outcome, realizing that the fate of the commonwealth may hinge on allied victory or defeat.

Australia's Prime Minister John Curtin declared gravely that the action was of crucial importance to the whole conduct of the war in the far Pacific zone commanded by Gen. Douglas MacArthur.

"Nobody can tell what the result of the engagement will be at this moment," Curtin said, and left a clear implication that an allied defeat might well lead to a Japanese invasion of Australia.

United nations communiques declared a Japanese aircraft carrier, a heavy cruiser, a light cruiser, two destroyers, four gunboats, a transport and a supply ship were sunk.

Another Japanese aircraft carrier was described as so badly hit that she was a total loss, and heavy damage was inflicted on a heavy cruiser, a light cruiser, a 9000-ton seaplane tender and a cargo ship.

These figures included Japanese losses announced late yesterday in a Washington communique covering the opening phases of the battle Monday off the Solomon islands, in which United States forces sank eight Japanese ships with the loss of but three planes.

Reports of Both Sides on Naval Battle Given

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gest of announcements issued in Washington and Australia and cover a continuing action which apparently was joined Monday.

Japanese claims, broadcast by the Tokyo radio, list these allied losses:

Sunk—One U. S. battleship of the California type; two aircraft carriers of the Saratoga and Yorktown types.

Badly damaged—One British battleship of the Warspite type; one Australian cruiser of the Canberra type.

To Corvallis—Among those leaving Friday for Corvallis were Mrs. Rollin E. Thompson, Sharon and Danny Thompson and Mrs. Guy Brannan, who will spend Mother's day weekend with Sylvia Thompson, and Clifford Clayton, students at Oregon State college. They will also visit in Salem and Joyce Marie Brannan of that city will return with the group for a three weeks' vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Brannan.

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SPRAGUE OUTLINES FIRE GUARD PLANS

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enlarged program of public education and information designed to rouse the public to the dangers of incendiarism and the necessity of "keeping Oregon green."

Governor Sprague said that the manpower inventory shows there are between 70,000 and 80,000 men in the forest industries who would be available in extreme emergencies. Only as a last resort, however, would this force be called out since continuation of logging is essential. Operators have been asked to indicate the number of men who could be used for fire-fighting and still keep the logging underway.

Emergency Crews

First line of fire defense, the governor stated, will be emergency crews employed for the duration of the fire season, made up largely of students over 16 years of age. Men from forest schools throughout the nation are being recruited for Oregon service this year.

Discussing forest fire effects on the state's economy of the future, as well as its contribution to the war effort, Governor Sprague said:

"I believe it is the patriotic duty of every citizen of this commonwealth to be on the alert to all threats of fire and willingly forego the normal privileges in areas where the military authorities and forest protective agencies deem it necessary to close. By keeping fire out of our forests, it will be easier for our airplanes to keep the Japs out of the air."

The chief executive discussed the Oregon forestry program, embodied in recent legislation, and said that this program undertakes to consolidate the interests of the federal government, state government and the timber owners. He emphasized the importance of good forest management.

Civilian Defense

Turning from the forests to the general state situation and the war program, Governor Sprague said that "civilian defense means self-protection." He outlined the civilian defense undertaking, and with respect to the state guard, said:

"I have told the staff of that state guard that we fight for Oregon. There is to be no evacuation except on orders from the army."

On the question of farm labor, he said: "I say frankly it is the patriotic duty of youth to stay on the farms until called for military service. I very much fear we may have to go further and really mobilize workers for farming if this drain on farm labor continues."

Talking on industrial activity, he said: "I want to see more industry come to Oregon, but I want to see it distributed over the state for the better economic and social health of the state."

The governor closed his address as follows:

"I cannot paint a rosy picture of our war prospects. . . . But for Americans there can be but one answer and that is to press forward to victory at whatever cost. . . .

"I want to express my deep appreciation for the never-failing loyalty of the people of Oregon. They have responded faithfully to every call to duty. It is a source of supreme satisfaction to me that we have such a spirit of unity and patriotism among our people. Let us lay aside factional strife, let us lay aside mere partisan differences in this hour of national peril. Let us, in unity of action as well as purpose press forward to complete victory."

Walter Wiesendanger, chairman of the Stop Forest Fires committee, presided at the banquet, and the governor was introduced by W. E. Lamm of Modoc Point. Several government and forest protective agency officials were introduced, as were prominent local men. Singing was led by Mayor John Houston, and special music was provided by Eddie Burroughs and Mr. and Mrs. Emile Buzaid.

A color guard, composed of representatives of the army, navy and marines, presented colors at the banquet table.

ACADEMY SENIORS GIVE PLAY TONIGHT

The annual play given by seniors of Sacred Heart academy will take place at 8 o'clock tonight in the auditorium of the school. The public is invited.

Members of the teaching staff at the school directed the play, "All Grown Up," and the following students are taking part, Bill Sawchuck, Ben Lemire, Barbara Peterson, Annie Zupan, Billy Krueger, Madeline Mahoney, Julia Denault, Joe Mahoney, Sadie O'Keeffe, Mary Corrigan and Viola Gurtle.

Crews Reduce Flood Danger In Vale Area

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to about 1500 second feet this morning.

"If our luck holds out," Ketchum said, "there'll be no serious flooding. But if the stop planks let go there'll be trouble. However, I think we've got her licked."

Ketchum said about eight or 10 farms covering approximately 1000 acres in the north fork Malheur valley were flooded but there was no loss of life nor livestock and damage was nominal.

OBITUARY

EZELDA JESSIE KIRK

Ezelda Jessie Kirk, a resident of Williamson River, Ore., passed away at the family residence on Thursday, May 7, 1942, at 10:10 a. m. Deceased was a native of the Klamath Reservation, Ore., and was aged 18 years, six months and four days when called. She is survived by her father Jesse Kirk of Beatty, Ore.; her mother, Lauretta Kirk; one daughter, Leittia of Williamson River; two brothers, Jesse Jr., and Stephen enry Kirk of Beatty; two sisters, Estella of Chiloquin, Ore., and Lydia of Tillamook, Ore; and four uncles .The remains rest in Ward's Klamath funeral home, 925 High street, where friends may call. Notice of the funeral arrangements will be announced later.

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battered and SENT FOR REINFORCEMENTS.

We must keep in mind that the Japs are operating out of bases that are relatively close, whereas our ships are operating far from their main base at Pearl Harbor.

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LONDON naval and military experts agree today that the naval battle of the Coral Sea is the beginning of the battle for Australia. It is safe to assume that the immediate objective of the Jap fleet was to cut the Australian supply line from the U. S.

Whether they will go on and attack Australia itself must depend upon the battle that is now being fought. If the Japs win decisively, they will have naval command of the Pacific and it is to be assumed that they will attack Australia at once, before the allied forces there have time to get stronger.

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WHY the Japs took no part in the Madagascar affair is now fairly plain. They were gathering their forces for the battle now being fought.

The Jap mystery fleet that appeared for a few days in the Bay of Bengal may have been sent there in the hope of leading American naval forces away from protection of the Australian supply line.

Feints and fake plays are nowhere more important than in naval warfare.

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THE battle in the Coral Sea is the biggest naval battle we have ever fought. It is one of the great naval battles of modern times, ranking already with Jutland in the first world war.

And we must remember that it is NOT YET OVER.

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REUTERS (British news agency) quotes Chinese reports today to the effect that the Japs are rushing troops into Manchuria. The Chinese reports add that the Japanese hope to move against Siberia some time next month.

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OTHER dispatches today assert that the Chinese army has stopped the thin Jap spearhead that was penetrating into China by way of the Burma road.

The British have landed reinforcements on the island of Ceylon. These are described as veterans of the fighting in Ethiopia.

It is rather interesting to learn that the British feel they can spare men from Africa. That might mean either that the menace to Egypt is not as grave as it has been or that the menace to India is SO GRAVE that help has to be sent there at any cost.

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THIS is a good time to remember that the U. S. navy, which depends entirely upon voluntary enlistment, can use EVERY MAN who wants to see action against the Japs.

Sermon Topics—At the First Christian church services, Sunday, May 10, Mother's day, the minister, Arthur Charles Bates will have as his sermon subjects, "A Mother's Task" for the 11 o'clock hour, and "The Gospel of the Holy Spirit," for the 8 o'clock service.

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