

Removal Of OPA Would Hit Farmers

Burrell Short, Will Baldwin and Ray Loosley, members of the 1946 AAA committee, and Ted Dunwoodie, assistant secretary, attended the state conference of all the AAA committees at Corvallis recently.

Farmers will be the hardest hit if OPA is not continued when the present price stabilization act expires June 30, committee men were told by G. F. Geissler, North Dakota farmer and western region director of the field service branch, USDA Production and Marketing Administration. Removal of price ceilings probably would have little effect on farm prices, he pointed out, since agriculture is geared for volume production. This is not true of industry, which is not yet ready for mass production. So removal of ceilings would bring soaring prices for farm machinery and other things farmers buy, while the prices of the commodities they sell would advance little if any.

Prices Same
Geissler predicted that average farm prices for 1946 would be about the same as the high level of 1945. He also said that through 1948, farmers can count on the 90 per cent of parity price support guarantee for "basic" crops such as wheat, and "steagall" commodities such as milk, butterfat, eggs, turkeys, chickens and potatoes. Although long-time price policy has not been settled, he predicted that agriculture will never go back to complete dependence on supply and demand. The parity concept will remain as the foundation of farm price stabilization.

Geissler also assured the committee that the AAA program as established under the Agricultural Adjustment Act can be expected to continue, though depending upon annual appropriations. Other departments and government programs operate on the same annual appropriation basis and no one should be concerned as to the stability of the program. The committee system has proven to be extraordinarily efficient in administering the program and has handled all wartime assignments for the past few years, in the quickest and most possible manner. Postwar jobs for committees will include conservation and restoration of soil fertility, water resources, adjustment of production when needed, and increasing and equalization of distribution. These are big jobs which can be handled best and most properly by committees.

Pickets Routed At Motors Plant

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 17 (AP)—Several persons were injured, three of them seriously, and some three dozen were arrested today when police used clubs and tear gas to enforce a court injunction forbidding picketing of the United States Motors plant here, where CIO electrical workers are on strike for higher wages.

Those arrested included Philip M. Connelly, secretary of the Los Angeles CIO industrial council, and Carl Brant, international organizer for the Electrical Workers union. Brant was among the more seriously injured. He declared he had been beaten with police clubs.

When police read the court order, a woman picketer shouted over a loud speaker: "Don't give way; move up close." She was arrested immediately, as was Connelly when he took her place at the microphone.

Boy Drowns In Lost River

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turned from a skating trip yesterday morning.

Bill had gone skating before going to work and had not reported back home as he usually did after skating trips. His mother was worried, fearing that he had fallen through the ice, so when Edward came home from school she sent him to look for his brother.

After Edward had left the house Bill returned from work and when the younger boy failed to return Bill was sent to search for him.

Found Spot
He found the spot in the ice where Edward had fallen through, at the point where a drainage ditch runs into the river, and immediately sent for help. Bill also fell into the stream while conducting the search.

A ranch employe brought out grappling hooks and located the drowned boy's body.

In addition to his mother and brother, Edward is survived by a younger sister, Louessa, at the home in Merrill, and by other brothers and sisters who are in Washington with his father. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor are separated and Edward came to Merrill last fall from Pasco, Wash. The body is at Whitlocks.

Two Cities Vote On Bond Issues

COOS BAY, Jan. 17 (AP)—Residents of Coos Bay, North Bend and the intervening waterfront district were voting today on two bond issues in a special election here.

One issue would authorize \$400,000 in bonds for purchase of the Peoples Water and Gas company properties. The second would issue \$275,000 for rehabilitation and repairs to the utility system.

General Visits Marine Barracks



Lt. Gen. Pedro del Valle of Washington, D. C., inspector general of the marine corps, spent Wednesday at the Marine Barracks on an informal inspection as guest of Col. Charles T. Brooks, post commanding officer. Left to right: Gen. del Valle, Col. Brooks, Captain Lowell T. Coggeshall, USNR. —Official marine corps photo.

Kimmel Never Felt Fleet Based At PH For Defense

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17 (AP)—Rear Adm. Husband E. Kimmel said today he had never felt that the Pacific fleet was based at Pearl Harbor to defend Hawaii but was there to conduct offensive operations in the event of war with Japan.

The 1941 fleet commander made the statement in telling a senate-house inquiry committee about the "war warning" he received from the navy department on November 27, 1941, 10 days before the Japanese struck Pearl Harbor. The warning, he said, added little, if anything, to previous messages.

Girl Slayer To Go To Gallows

WALLA WALLA, Jan. 17 (AP)—Joseph B. Wessel will go to the gallows of Washington state prison five minutes after midnight tonight to pay with his life for the murder of a young daughter at Tacoma in 1945.

Although efforts to obtain executive clemency have been made for Wessel, he has not denied his guilt, prison officials said today. He has spent much time with his spiritual advisor.

Officials Favor Leaving Timber In Natural State

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 17 (AP)—Regional forest officials recommended today that eight tracts of virgin timber in Oregon and Washington be left in their natural wild state.

Foresters said the 1000 and 2000 acre areas contain unusual fine specimens of sugar pine, ponderosa pine, Port Orford cedar, Douglas fir and western red cedar. Six are in Oregon and two in Washington. Location was not named until after approval by Washington, D. C., officials.

80,000 POW's Slain By Nazis

WARSAW, Jan. 10 (Delayed) (AP)—More than 80,000 American, Greek, British, Russian, Polish, French and New Zealand prisoners of war were killed or died of starvation in a Nazi concentration camp at Laminowice near Niemodlin in Lower Silesia, an official commission reported today.

Authorities said they had found a cemetery stretching many miles and deep ditches with many layers of bodies.

(The Polish press agency said the bodies of 40,000 had been unearthed in one mass grave.)

At the close of the 19th century, only 10 per cent of U. S. foreign commerce was carried in American ships.

Reads Statement



Rear Adm. Husband E. Kimmel (above), navy commander at Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941, reads the statement expected to be placed before the congressional committee in Washington investigating the Oahu disaster. The admiral is slated to be the first witness when the committee resumes its work. (AP wirephoto.)

Five Named To Direct Museum

A committee of five persons was chosen by the county court to direct the county museum, in accordance with a state law which provides that the ruling body represent a pioneer association of the county, war veterans, taxpayers, city council and county court.

Mrs. Peet Crane represents the County Historical Association; D. E. Van Vactor, war veterans; Alfred Collier, taxpayers; Paul Landry, city council, and Judge U. E. Reeder, county court.

The court also resolved yesterday to urge the federal government to relocate and construct U. S. Highway 395 from Lakeview to Alturas.

That highway is a narrow, dangerous road and is a menace to traffic several months out of the year. It is a portion of the highway system on a direct line from Seattle to Los Angeles and a direct connection between central Oregon and California.

Refinery Plant Razed By Blaze

FINDLAY, O., Jan. 17 (AP)—A large section of the Midwest refineries lay in ruins today, the aftermath of a spectacular fire which set off a series of storage tank explosions and lent an air raid atmosphere to the disaster in which three employees lost their lives.

C. A. Peterson, superintendent of the refinery plant, said 11 of some 50 storage tanks containing gasoline, kerosene, oil and asphalt blew up in the blaze and estimated damage at \$200,000.

The dead, who were trapped when the fire broke out in the refinery's cracking plant, were listed as: Carl Cramer, 35, Harold McRill, 46 and Don Winstead, 42.

Dog Pepped Up By Phone Talk

DETROIT, Jan. 17 (AP)—It could be that Signalman 2/c Harry E. Bennett's telephone talk to his dog "Honey Girl" last night has added months to her life.

Bennett's mother, Mrs. Joseph Rockwood, said so today.

When Bennett called from Bremerton, Wash., to advise that his request for leave to visit Honey Girl had been turned down, Mrs. Rockwood pressed the receiver to the dog's ear.

Honey Girl, 21 years old and a year her master's junior, is dying. The dog, a Boston terrier, licked the receiver at the sound of Bennett's voice, Mrs. Rockwood related.

Since the call, Mrs. Rockwood said, Honey girl has showed a "remarkable change" and has enjoyed her "first night's rest" since Saturday.

Hearing Asked On Bus Rates

SALEM, Jan. 17 (AP)—Oregon Motor Stages and Pacific Trailways will ask Public Utilities Commissioner George H. Flagg next Monday to hold a hearing on the new low rates ordered into effect for the Pacific Greyhound Bus system.

The two companies oppose the lower rates, asserting they can't compete with them. The new rates vary from 1.25 to 1.5 cents a mile.

Klamath chamber of commerce is on record endorsing the Greyhound rate change. The hearing will be held next Monday, January 21.

America-Russ Mum On Korea Meeting

SEOUL, Korea, Jan. 17 (AP)—The American-Russian joint commission on restoration of independence for Korea held its second meeting behind closed doors in the governor general's building today but a hoped-for communique on results failed to materialize.

Col. Gen. Terenty Shitkov and Maj. Gen. A. V. Arnold presided as co-chairmen. There was no indication when the press would be given news of developments.

Tonight the Russian delegates were guests of Lt. Gen. John B. Hodge, American occupation commander, at a formal, colorful banquet.



EM 1/c Hugh G. Holte, USNR, served for more than three years in the navy and army.



Merrill L. Wynnant, 24 years old, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Holte, 22 High. (Kennell-Ellis picture.)

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MILL RACE EMPTY
EUGENE, Jan. 17 (AP)—The mill race was empty this week, a casualty of the recent flood.

A revetment, weakened by flood waters, broke. Repairs are expected to cost \$8000.

Nebraska Man To Head Guard

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17 (AP)—President Truman today nominated Brig. Gen. Butler B. Miltenberger of North Platte, Neb., as chief of the national guard bureau of the war department with the rank of major general. The term is four years.

Miltenberger, who would succeed Maj. Gen. John F. Williams, is an infantry officer in the Nebraska national guard. He commanded the 134th infantry, 35th division, in the last war and was deputy commander of the division toward the end of the conflict.

This is the division in which President Truman served as an artillery captain in the first World War.

Vanport City Firebug Nabbed

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 17 (AP)—A 17-year-old youth confessed setting a string of blazes which cost nearly \$200,000 in Vanport City because he "liked to see fire," officials said today.

Deputy sheriffs said the red-headed youth signed a confession saying he started a \$140,000 blaze in the shopping center last month, a \$40,000 fire in a school building January 6.

They quoted him as saying he set fire outside an apartment building yesterday, and might have started others that he could not remember. The boy was arrested at his home in Vanport today.

Vanport City, the nation's largest housing project, has had 12 incendiary blazes during the last five weeks. For five days, a new minor incendiary burst out every day. There have been no injuries.

Deputy Sheriff Dave McMillan asked why the boy wanted to set fires.

He answered, McMillan said, that he has red hair "like fire" and "I like to see fire." The youth was turned over to the FBI, which comes into the case since the project is federal property.

Two Children Perish In Fire

PORT ANGELES, Jan. 17 (AP)—Patrick, 6, and Gertrude Irene, 5, children of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gibbs, died from a fire which burned their home last night.

Their mother was away and their father, recently discharged from the army, is somewhere in the east.

Neighbors found the little girl burned to death in her bed, about 11 p. m. The little boy, carried out unconscious, died at 9 a. m. today.



Slain: A young girl, Gertrude Irene Gibbs, who perished in a fire.

Large Timber Holdings Sold

COTTAGE GROVE, Ore., Jan. 17 (AP)—Sale of the J. H. Chambers and Son timber holdings, largest in the Willamette valley —to W. H. Daugherty was announced here today.

Price of the transaction, which includes 275,000,000 board feet of Douglas fir timber, two mills, and 25 miles of railroad, was not disclosed, but was known to exceed \$1,000,000.

Daugherty, Cottage Grove lumberman, yesterday announced the sale of his wholesale lumber firm and mill to four employees.

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Seattle Faces Dairy Strike

SEATTLE, Jan. 17 (AP)—Already suffering from curtailed milk supplies, Seattle faces a dairy farmers' strike starting Sunday unless prices are adjusted, Mayor William F. Devitt warned today. He asked the OPA for aid.

The mayor's telegram, to OPA Deputy Administrator Geoffrey Baker said: "I have just been informed by the Milk Producers association that, unless satisfactory price adjustments for milk are made here, Seattle will be deprived of the greater portion of its supply for January 20. 'This appears imminent, but must not happen. I urge immediate steps be taken to assure Seattle of its necessary milk supply.'

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