

Wage, Price Control Seen

Move Held As Part Of Marshall Plan Strategy

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24 (AP)—Paul Porter, former price control administrator, predicted today this country will be forced to control wages, prices, credit, meat and essential materials as part of the European recovery program.

He said the price is worth paying because if the Marshall plan is dropped "we forsake the free pro-

Lumber Pay Up Granted; Strike Off

SEATTLE, Jan. 24 (AP)—Signing of a wage pact granting a 7 1/2 cent an hour increase to 40,800 Washington and Oregon lumber and sawmill workers lifted the threat today of the Pacific Northwest's first major strike of the year.

The agreement was reached here yesterday by representatives of the Puget sound, Coast Columbia, Willamette valley and Vancouver, Wash., councils of the AFL Lumber and Sawmill Workers union, the plywood industry and the Lumbermen's Industrial Relations committee, Inc., an operator's group.

It raises the base rate in the industry from \$1.32 1/2 to \$1.40 an hour, retroactive to January 1, 1948. The union originally had demanded a 30-cent an hour boost.

Although the proposal will not go into effect until it has been ratified by individual union members and operators, their acceptance is regarded as a formality.

Strike Planned

A strike next Monday by the 18,000 Western Washington workers in the Puget sound council had been threatened unless a "satisfactory" wage increase was granted.

Earl Hartley, president of the Puget sound council, indicated however, after the 7 1/2 cent increase was accepted that the wage issue is not settled.

He said he had notified employers that the union would reopen negotiations immediately, and explained that the 7 1/2 cent offer was taken only to dissipate the strike threat.

Hartley signed for all AFL unions in the fir belt, Alfred J. Schweppe for the plywood industry and Walter A. Durham of Portland for the lumbermen's committee.

Schweppe said the same increase will be offered to the CIO International Woodworkers of America next Monday at the start of contract negotiations. The lumbermen's committee and the IWA will not begin discussions until February 24.

The 7 1/2 cent raise accepted by the AFL union was the second in less than a year. A similar wage boost was granted last April.

Rainmaker Off For California

PORTLAND, Jan. 24 (AP)—Los Angeles' drought is going to be attacked by an Indian rain-maker—chamber of commerce variety—who left Friday by air for the Southern California city.

Portland's Mayor Earl Riley telegraphed Los Angeles Councilman Don Allen that Chief Tuxhal was on the way from this rain-washed area to relieve the suffering there.

The mayor neglected to add that Portland was in the midst of its longest dry spell since July, 1946, until a "trace" was recorded today, and that the chief, a highway engineer, is from the Warm Springs reservation, noted more for its need for irrigation than its abundant moisture.

The chief carried with him a jug of Bull Run reservoir water and a box of Portland roses.

Mayonnaise Proves Effective Weapon

PORTLAND, Jan. 24 (AP)—There's nothing like a jar of mayonnaise for self-defense. Grocery Proprietor James H. Patrick decided today.

A middle-aged man entered Patrick's store last night, said "This is a stick-up," and pointed something covered with a cloth.

Patrick picked up the nearest object: a jar of mayonnaise. As he threatened to hurl it, the hand fled.

More than 250 forest camps are operated in Oregon by the United States forest service. Additional camps are maintained at Crater Lake National Park. Oregon territorial centennial visitors in 1948 are invited to use them without fee, with the exception of Crater lake where a park entrance charge is made, according to the Oregon state highway commission travel information department.

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Mrs. Palmer Takes RC Post

With years of varied experience in social work with the Red Cross and other organizations behind her, Mrs. Frances Palmer came to Klamath Falls in August, 1947, to take charge of the Klamath county chapter.

A native of Connecticut, Mrs. Palmer came West to attend college at the University of Southern California and stayed in the south with the Los Angeles chapter of the Red Cross for 14 years. She did specialized family welfare consultation work after this and spent a short while with the Children's Society in San Francisco.

In July, 1941, she was assigned to open a Red Cross chapter in Pendleton and she remained there as head of the work in five military installations until July 1944, when she was sent overseas.

Mrs. Palmer has seven battle stars. She served on the hospital ship the USS Mercy in the South Pacific until November, 1945, when she returned to the United States.

MEETING

SEATTLE, Jan. 24 (AP)—The annual meeting of the Pacific Northwest section of the Forest Products Research society has been set for February 17 at the University of Washington.

R. N. Hammond of Longview, section chairman, announced election of officers will follow the presentation of several technical papers.

There are approximately 1200 fur farmers in Wisconsin.

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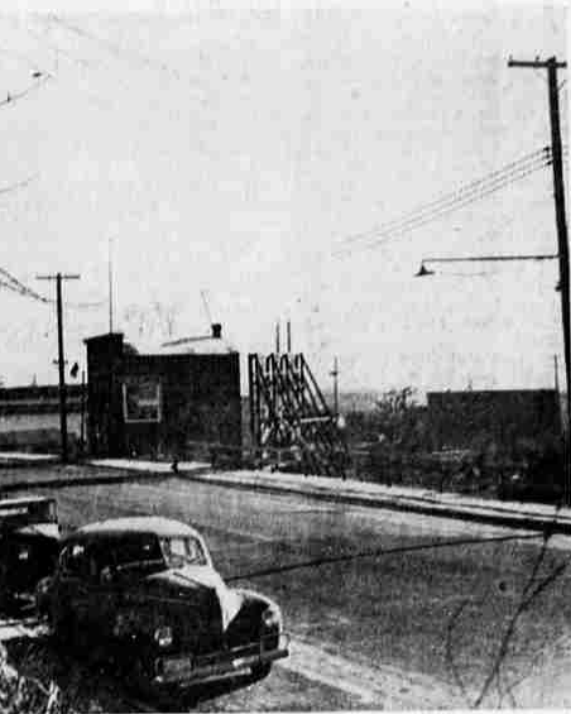
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Centennial Of Gold Strike Held

COLOMA, Calif., Jan. 24 (AP)—The pageantry of a gold centennial drew thousands of persons today to this tiny mother lode community where James W. Wadsworth discovered the yellow metal 100 years ago.

It was a huge celebration—with Hollywood trimmings. Details were so complete that water actually ran from a replica of the sawmill tailrace where Marshall picked up a small trip of gold on January 24, 1848.

There were so many automobiles that parking arrangements extended eight miles to Placerville, from where buses took the crowds to the centennial scene.

The program included: A display of gold mining exhibits at Gold Discovery park in Coloma. Dedication of a memorial plaque at Sutter's mill.

Presentation and acceptance of centennial commemorative stamps and issuance of first day cancellations at the post office.

A historical, costumed parade, led by Roy Rogers riding Trigger. Rogers was accompanied by his bride and leading lady, Dale Evans.

Talks by Gov. Earl Warren and Joseph K. Knowland, chairman of the centennial commission.

The gold discovery pageant, beginning at 3 p. m. (PST) which will be broadcast coast-to-coast by the American Broadcasting company.

Hollywood actors will portray the characters: Alan Hale as Marshall; Donald Crips as Captain John Sutter, on whose land the gold was discovered, and Gene Lockhart as Sam Brannan, who was Marshall's co-worker. Gregory Peck will narrate.

Natives of this region and many of the visitors wore mining day costumes. A colorful gold discovery dance is scheduled tonight.

The observance will continue Sunday.

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Reclamation Bill Blasted

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24 (AP)—Rep. Jackson (D-Wash.) said today that the reclamation bill which the house passed this week will cost power users in the Pacific Northwest a million dollars a year in increased rates if it becomes law.

The measure requires payment of two and one-half per cent interest on all money appropriated for power units of reclamation projects. Two per cent of the interest would go to the reclamation fund.

"The result of the bill, if it finally becomes a law," Jackson said in a statement, "will be the destruction of western reclamation institutions and it will hamstring new development."

"In raising the power rates, it is obvious the house... struck a body blow to the economy of the Pacific Northwest," he added.

Under the present practice the power revenue is used to pay for irrigation projects and return the cost of the power projects to the government.

Forest Experiment To Be Launched

PORTLAND, Jan. 24 (AP)—Establishment of an experimental forest on Simpson Logging company lands near McClary, Wash., was announced today by the company and the U. S. forest service.

J. A. Hall, director of the Pacific Northwest forest and range experiment station, said silvicultural methods, wood utilization, thinning,

and other research would be carried out on the tract of second growth Douglas fir.

The company and the forest service have a 100-year sustained yield cooperative agreement.

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