

Big Decline In Nation's Traffic Deaths

CHICAGO, Sept. 1 (AP)—The mileage death rate for the nation's traffic accidents in the first half of 1949 hit an all-time low of 6.8.

This milestone in traffic accident prevention was reported Wednesday by the National Safety Council. It was the first time in the history of such record-keeping that the half-year rate has been less than seven deaths for each 100,000,000 miles of vehicular travel.

"The goal set by President Truman in 1946 is in sight," the council president, Ned H. Dearborn, said in a statement. "At that time he asked that the mileage death rate, then about 12 deaths per 100,000,000 miles, be cut in half."

The toll of actual deaths, however, rose slightly in July. The annual fight to make a gain in lives saved remains close.

Leading cities in each population group for the first seven months of 1949 ranked according to the number of traffic deaths for each 10,000 registered vehicles included:

200,000-500,000 — Portland, Ore. 1.1; Newark 1.6; Oklahoma City 1.6.

10,000-25,000 — Kenmore, N. Y. 1.1; Richland, Wash. 1.1; Ventura, Calif. 1.1.

Hawaii Strike Negotiations Bid Accepted

HONOLULU, Sept. 1 (AP)—Hawaiian employers pessimistically accepted an invitation Wednesday to enter New York negotiations on September 7 to end the 123 day dock strike.

Acceptance of Federal Mediator Cyrus Ching's Washington request for the September meeting was voided by Chairman W. Russell Starr of the employers' negotiators.

Union acceptance is assured. A meeting of the CIO longshoremen's and warehousemen's strike strategy committee will be held today. Spokesman Robert McElrath said.

In a statement last night Starr said:

"The strike is going to be settled on the money issue because wages are the basic issue."

The ILWU struck on May 1 for a 32 cent an hour hike to their \$1.60 wage.

Aliens' Trial Open To Public

PORTLAND, Sept. 1 (AP)—The public will be admitted to deportation hearings here involving four aliens. It will be the first time in the memory of the local U. S. immigration officials that a hearing has been public.

Roy J. Norene, head of the federal service office here, said the press had been admitted to similar hearings in 1931. But he said "as far as I know there has never been a public hearing of such nature in Oregon."

Norene said the hearings were declared open after the Oregonian protested plans for secret hearings. He said the newspaper declared the closure was not in the public interest.

The four aliens are charged with having been or being members of organizations advocating the overthrow of the United States government. All have been residents of Oregon for 20 or more years.

They are now free on \$1000 bail. The hearings are to be held late in September.

Timberline Lodge In The Red

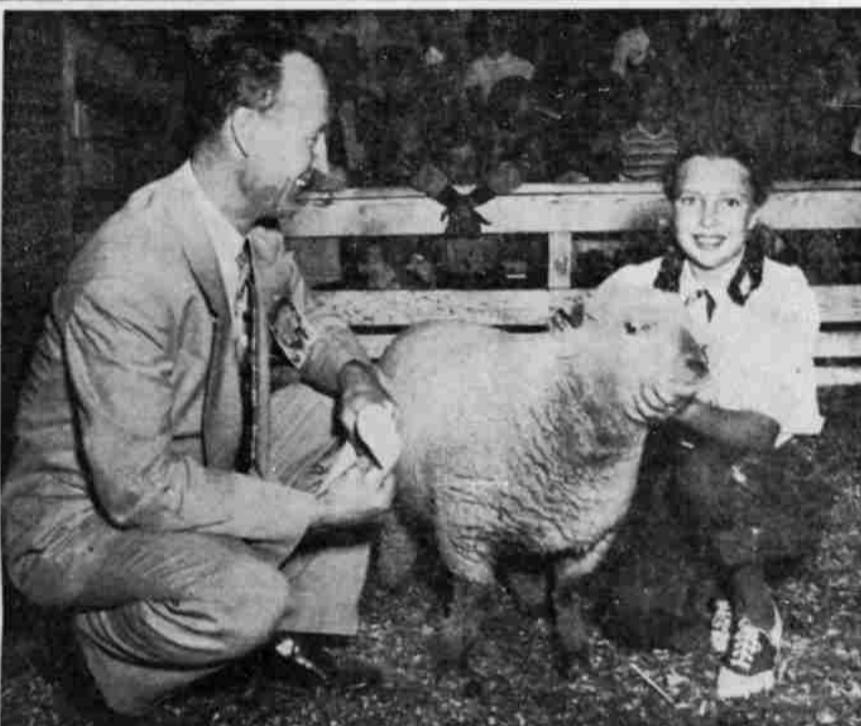
PORTLAND, Sept. 1 (AP)—Operators of Timberline Lodge on Mt. Hood reported a net loss of \$11,135.43 for the past season compared with a profit of \$9,465.35 a year ago.

Heavy snows in February and March virtually isolated the ski resort at the season's peak, dropping gross revenue from \$497,571.42 a year ago to \$347,326.75 this past season.

The directors reported the building and ski tows were in need of repair and capital investment. They said the next congress would be asked to provide capital funds for the work on the government-owned lodge and equipment.



NOT AN AFRICAN VILLAGE, but just the corner of a Klamath hay field, is shown in this picture. The view was made on the Henry Fuston ranch north of Malin on the Merrill-Malin highway, where chopped hay is put into stacks in the pictured fashion. At left may be seen a stack in the making, the circular picket fence being used to press the hay into cylindrical form as the stack goes up. This hay will be used for livestock feed.



SMILING IT OFF—All the participants except the grand champion fat lamb seem to be pleased about the transaction that last night made Sears Roebuck and company owner of the Southdown. J. R. Brewer, assistant manager of Sears, bought the animal from Josephine Colwell on instruction of Bill Knotts, new manager of Sears who at the time of the sale was meeting his family at the airport.

Acheson Raps Reds' Holding U. S. Students

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1 (AP)—Secretary of State Acheson Wednesday denounced Russia's holding of two American students in Eastern Germany as outrageous, illegal and improper.

Acheson told a news conference the Americans wandered into the Russian zone illegally but said they were doing no harm and should be released promptly.

The students he referred to are Peter Sellers, 18, of Radnor, Pa.

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and Warren Oelsner, 21, of Oyster Bay, N. Y. They have been missing since July 28.

The secretary acknowledged that the youths did not have credentials permitting them to enter the Russian zone. But, he said, no one accuses them of being spies.

Acheson reminded that the United States does not engage in the practice of holding people who have committed no crimes.

White fir lumber is being produced at the rate of 500,000,000 board feet every year.

DIES
PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 1 (AP)—John A. Stevenson, 63, president of the Penn Mutual Life Insurance company and a nationally known business executive, educational and civic leader, died Wednesday at the University of Pennsylvania hospital.

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Semi-Annual Chamber Meet Hears Stark

Charles R. Stark, Klamath county chamber of commerce manager, presented two reports at a semi-annual meeting of the Oregon chambers of commerce executives held in Eugene Monday.

He discussed a report published recently by the civil aeronautics board in San Francisco that dealt with airline trends. Stark's other report covered the activities of the Pacific Northwest Travel association, of which he is vice president.

Monday's meeting of the chamber executives was attended by presidents and managers of a 11 chambers of commerce throughout the state of Oregon.

Rebels Lose Bolivian Fort

LA PAZ, Bolivia, Sept. 1 (AP)—The Cochabamba radio reported that government forces today recaptured Cochabamba, which rebel forces had held since Saturday.

Troops under Gen. Ovidio Quiroga took control of the rebel stronghold, 150 miles southeast of La Paz, at 9 a.m. after four days of fighting, the radio announced.

The general staff said last night that most of the resistance in the city of 90,000 population had been crushed, but that actual occupation would be delayed until today to avoid "probable disturbances."

NEW AIR SERVICE
PORTLAND, Aug. 31 (AP)—Alaska Airlines plans unscheduled service from here to Anchorage and Fairbanks via Seattle.

Oregon Unit Wins Praise

OCEANSIDE, Calif., Sept. 1 (AP)—Marine corps reservists from Oregon drew praise from Gen. G. B. Erskine, 1st marine division commander at Camp Pendleton, Tuesday.

After more than a week of drills by the men from Portland, Salem and Eugene, Gen. Erskine said:

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