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Fire Rages Wrangell

Planes To Drop Hay To Cattle

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Air Force cargo planes fly to Nevada Saturday to team with snow-battling Army bulldozers in efforts to save 600,000 starving cattle and sheep.

Hamilton Field, north of San Francisco, ordered the cargo planes to rendezvous at the Elko, Nev., airport. There they were to pick up bales of hay and ranchowners to guide the pilots to drop areas.

Aground, 25 U.S. Sixth Army bulldozers cleared lanes toward isolated herds. Behind them came hay-laden trucks.

Newton Crumley, an emergency director, called for the haylift after he flew over northern Elko County in Nevada and spotted cattle on relief funds has been covered by snows for two months.

Hamilton Field officials said that big C-124s and C-82s would duplicate the dramatic haylift of 1949 which saved the lives of thousands of marooned livestock.

Nevada's Gov. Charles Russell estimated that his state faced a 10 million dollar loss unless the 200,000 cattle and 400,000 sheep could be saved.

But loss of sheep seemed inevitable because ewes must lamb on winter ranges without the protection of shelters.

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Sam Coon In Klamath To Campaign For Congress

Sam Coon, of Baker, candidate for Congress from Oregon's 2nd district, is spending a few days in Klamath County furthering his campaign for the Republican nomination.

He is one of three Republican Congressional candidates who will be on that party's May 16 primary ballot. The others are Giles French of Moro, State Representative who visited here about two weeks ago, and Lt. Ernest Hinkle of The Dalles who is stationed in New York with the Air Force and probably won't be able to campaign locally.

Coon, 48-year-old rancher, is a member of the State Senate, the 1951 session his first in the Legislature. He's a native of Boise, Ida., but has ranched in the Baker area 23 years.

Coon is staying at the Winema Hotel and plans to be in Klamath Falls through Monday. He is to go to Bend Saturday.

One of the big background problems on this area's problem of land, water and power and promises for agriculture and for power development on the Klamath River, preferably by private enterprise.

He also has come out for lowering of federal taxes, abolition of waste in government spending and a halt to the trend of lessening individual freedom and enterprise.

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QUITTS

WASHINGTON (AP)—John Foster Dulles, top Republican foreign affairs expert and the man who put over the Japanese Peace Treaty for President Truman, is cutting his ties with the Truman administration this week end.

With the presidential campaign heating up, Dulles reportedly wants a completely free hand to attack the administration's foreign policies, where he disagrees with them, and to influence as far as he can the shaping of Republican party proposals in this field.

Car Smacks Into Truck

James Thrasher, 26-year-old Ely hotel operator, made an appearance on the Oregon State Police radio program, "You Never Know," Thursday night.

Friday he wound up in Klamath Viley Hospital with a sore head. The two incidents are directly related.

Thursday night Thrasher was arrested by a State Patrolman for not having an operator's license. Capt. Walter Lansing recorded the arrest for the department's accident prevention program.

Friday afternoon Thrasher, followed by his wife in another car, was enroute to Klamath Falls to get a driver's license.

Spud Tax Fine Paid

The Oregon Potato Commission finally caught up with William Dingler, Mt. Laki farmer, this week after two years and charged him with failing to report potato sales and to pay the tax thereon.

Dingler is accused of not paying the tax on 3303 hundred-pound sacks of spuds grown by him in 1950. Dingler said he sold the spuds to the federal government and then bought them back for feed.

Dingler pleaded guilty this morning to the charge filed in District Court by Ben Davidson, administrator of the Oregon Potato Commission, and paid a \$50 fine.

WASHINGTON (AP)—A former assistant to Sen. Wayne Morse (R-Ore) is the new member of the National Labor Relations Board. He is Ivan H. Peterson, a resident of Arlington, Va. He was sworn in Friday to succeed James J. Reynolds, resigned, Peterson at one time was general counsel for the NLRB.

Business Section Is Burned Out

WRANGELL, Alaska (AP)—A wind-fueled fire wiped out more than half of Wrangell's business section early Saturday destroying 20 frame buildings and a residence perched on pilings along the town's main street.

Losses was estimated by Fire Chief William D. Grant as close to one million dollars.

Eighty-five persons were made homeless before the fire was brought under control 3 a.m., 4 hours after the fire mushroomed from a hardware store.

Firemen said a boiler explosion apparently was the cause. One casualty.

Only one casualty was reported. Op. Darrell Miller (home town not available) stationed here with the Alaska Communications System was hospitalized after being hit by the head by a timber sent flying by a dynamite explosion.

His condition was not serious. Dynamiting of buildings in the path of the raging blaze failed to stem its advance. Not until collapse of the only hotel in this Southeastern Alaska community of 1,250 persons was the fire controlled.

The entire water side of the town's single business street was a scene of destruction.

For four blocks the narrow beach was littered with the smoldering remains of the buildings, all of which were built on pilings because the steep hillside on which Wrangell is situated slopes sharply toward the water.

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McKinney Denies Any HST Battle. MIAMI, Fla. (AP)—Democratic Chairman Frank E. McKinney said Saturday no difference exists between him and President Truman.

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McKinney, who boarded a plane for Washington, was quoted Wednesday as saying the President "may not choose" to run in a satisfactory peace is arranged in Korea.

The President next day said Korea does not enter into the politics of this country at all, and had no bearing whatever on what he may decide to do.

This rebuttal, coming a little more than a week after Truman's defeat in the New Hampshire primary, raised doubt whether McKinney would be Democratic chairman much longer.

McKinney said his comments at the Wednesday press conference "have been misinterpreted."

He went over the reported conflicting points one by one in this manner:

Drunk Charge Jails Woman

Baseball season came early to Sears-Roebuck Co. sports department Friday afternoon.

And in Municipal Court this morning 17-year-old Alex Foster of Beatty was fined \$25 for being drunk. He allegedly hit 15-year-old Maxine Nelson with a baseball bat over the head with a baseball bat.

The girl got her lumps in court, too, as well as in the store yesterday.

She was fined \$100 and sentenced to five days for being drunk and given another \$100 and 20 days for disorderly conduct.

Death Wins In Race To Save Stranded Hound Dogs. DARRINGTON, Wash. (AP)—Death beat several expert mountain climbers up the sides of Mt. Pugh and took the lives of two of the three cougar dogs which had been marooned at the 4,000-foot level for 15 days.

Budget Bill Moves Ahead

WASHINGTON (AP)—The biggest non-military budget bill of the year headed for the Senate Saturday, cut by the House \$724,471,415 below the \$8,978,887,043 total President Truman requested.

It finances for the fiscal year 1953 more than a score of so-called independent offices including the Veterans' Administration, the Tennessee Valley Authority, the Atomic Energy Commission and the Public Housing Program. The budgets of all were cut.

If history repeats itself, some of the cuts made by the House will be restored by the Senate, which last year added almost 70 million to the amounts voted by the House for the same agencies.

House leaders want to have all regular 1953 budget bills out of the way by April 10, when a 10-day House Easter recess starts.

No New Cell Block At Prison

SALEM (AP)—Warden Virgil O'Malley, who has called the state prison overcrowded, said Saturday he does not intend to ask the Legislature for another cell block.

Instead he plans to increase the number of trustees assigned to the prison farm, southeast of Salem.

One additional cell block already is under construction. It will give the prison individual cells for 1,700 prisoners.

Beginning Monday. A series of five articles in the conservation districts in the Klamath country, by Hale Scarbrough. These are a continuation of the Herald and News program of careful economic assessment of the resources of the Klamath Basin.

DON'T MISS THEM.

214 Dead; Flood Adds To Damage; Five States Hit

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP)—Tornadoes and flood blitzed five Southern states on the Mississippi River with a terrible fury Friday and left 214 dead and more than 1,000 injured.

Rainstorms swirling on the perimeter of the storms, the Washington Weather Bureau warned that fresh tornadoes might hit this afternoon in Tennessee, Kentucky and Alabama.

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221 INCHES—That's what the gauge measures above as recorded by Asst. Chief Ranger Bernie Packard at Crater Lake National Park yesterday morning. This is the deepest snowfall ever recorded in the 26 years of checking in the park. Previous record was set March 29, 1938, when snow depth hit 208 inches.

Bureau Of Prisons Takes Over Site Of Old Jap Camp

By HALE SCARBROUGH. "This area's newest penal facility—called the Newell Prison Camp, for want of an official name—is in surprisingly good state of repair and C. F. Craig, who will supervise reactivation of the camp, says it might be ready for occupancy in a very few months.

The Bureau of Prisons, a branch of the U. S. Department of Justice, has taken over the military area of the World War II Jap camp below Tulelake for the announced purpose of establishing a standby stockade for detention of subversives.

The military area covers about 11 acres and contains something like 40 buildings, including barracks, mess halls, administrative buildings, dispensary, cold storage room, fire house, equipment sheds and the like.

During World War II that area was used by Military Police keeping watch on the thousands of Japanese interned on the 700-acre government reservation.

Since the war virtually all the buildings on the internment camp have been moved off—given to homesteaders, sold and otherwise disposed of. But the military area was left almost intact and was leased to the Tulelake Growers Association for a labor camp.

ONLY RESIDENTS. The last occupants of the camp were moved off a few weeks ago and Craig moved in. So far he's the only resident of the new prison camp.

Craig was an officer at McNeill Island Federal prison before being detailed for duty at Newell. He is a construction man and has the job of supervising repair and re-activation of the camp.

Day's News

I'm sure you must have followed, as I have, the dramatic story of the cougar dogs that were trapped on a dangerous ledge on the snow-swept side of a mountain up north of Seattle.

Yesterday MEN braved the mountain's wintry hazards to SAVE THE DOGS. They arrived too late. The two animals marooned on the ledge were dead—victims of cold, not hunger, veteran woodsmen of the region said.

That is a minor matter. The big story is that American men risked their lives to save the lives of the dogs.

This morning's story speaks of a MISTAKENLY. I think of their VALUE. Let's not fool ourselves. It was no property consideration that led those men up that icy mountain.



ON THEIR WAY to work this morning were the Hardman sisters, Jeri (left) and Cora. Jeri works at Penney's and Cora at Newberry's.



THE NEWEST COLORED SIGN downtown has gone up at the Willard Hotel, calling attention to the hotel's new cocktail lounge, the Ponderosa Room. The installers were Carl Newbill, on the truck, and Pete Sheehy, on the boom. Pete works for Leach Service Company. Newbill is with the Electrical Products Corp., Portland.