

Rains Delay Crops, Shut Mills; Late Harvest Seen

PORTLAND (AP) — Rains have delayed and damaged crops, shut down lumber mills and raised the question of a late harvest for some crops next fall.

In the Willamette Valley the amount of loss in the bean and corn crops can't yet be estimated. C. R. Tulley, executive vice president of the Northwest Canners Association reported, He said there had been no excessive rotting and there still was time to re-plant where needed.

Other reports said that in many fields strawberries — especially those touching the ground — were

rotting. In wet years strawberry loss often runs high and this spring has been wetter than most.

At Prineville Thursday two lumber mill operations were reported shut down and a third was getting ready to close because they had run out of logs. Roads were so muddy the log trucks couldn't move. That stemmed from three inches of rain in 10 days.

The same problem was reported in the Oregon City area, where the closures were of small operations. In many other parts of the state small operators, waiting to build up a supply of logs for summer work, have been unable to get started.

Loss of a \$30,000 cofferdam on the Rogue River near Grants Pass this week was attributed to heavy rains that put the river level up. In addition to the loss to the contractor rehabilitating a S. A. & S. Rapids Dam, the delay in the work may be reflected in delayed delivery of irrigation water—once the rains quit and the farmers need it.

Not only Western Oregon, which is familiar with rain, but Eastern Oregon too has been wet this spring. At Pendleton, in the first 145 days of this year there was rain on 87 of them—and only 22 were wholly clear.

In Washington, D. C., Rep. Harris Ellsworth said things were just as damp there. In the first five months the Capital's rain this year will exceed the average for a whole year in the Oregon Fourth District.

Highway 62 Open to Lake

Highway 62 is open through Crater Lake National Park to the lake. The park entrance station will be open every day of the week through the summer season.

There are 119 inches of snow on the trail at the park compared with 84 inches at this time last year. Twenty-three inches of new snow fell during this week. Skiing is poor.

Work has been going on for the last two weeks toward getting the lodge ready for the expected opening date of June 15. Several days were required to clear the snow from the entrance and parking area.

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Court Takes It Easy On Veteran

HAROLD LEROY FRANK, 27-year-old disabled World War II veteran, got "another chance" late Thursday when he appeared before Circuit Judge David Vandenberg for a probation hearing.

Frank was arrested a few weeks ago after he was alleged to have taken an automobile from the McCulloch Motors and driven it to Bend. At that time he was on probation.

The County Grand Jury refused to return an indictment against Frank. After further investigation, he was ordered to appear before Judge Vandenberg as a probation violator.

The court amended the probation order and confined him to the state of Oregon. He also was ordered to go to Veterans Hospital at Roseburg for treatment.

Wheat-Growers Urged To Report

MADDOEL — Butte Valley wheat growers who have not already reported 1951 to 1953 wheat acreages are urged to do so by the county FMA committee. Reports should be turned in at the soil conservation service office at Macdoel.

Mrs. Marshall Hamilton of Dorris has been named to assist farmers in submitting their reports, according to Hans Karasson, secretary of the county FMA committee. He added that the information is needed to set equitable acreage allotments for individual farms, either acreage limits or marketing agreements for the 1954 crop. Present indications are that controls will be necessary, he concluded.

Macdoel Principal To Arrive Soon

MADDOEL — Merlin McGinnis, Mitchell, Neb., hired by the Macdoel elementary school board as principal of the Macdoel School this coming year, will arrive this week with his wife and daughter, Robin. They will live in the teacherage near the school.

McGinnis is a graduate of the Chadron State Teachers College in Nebraska and did a year of graduate work at the University of New Mexico. He holds a bachelor of science degree. He served overseas with the navy from 1943 to 1946.

McGinnis plans to spend the summer in Butte Valley.



FOUR MAYORS GOT TOGETHER here this week at a regional dinner meeting of the Oregon League of Cities. The mayors are (l to r): Robert Walker, Merrill; Paul Landry, Klamath Falls; Edwin Johnson, Eugene; and James Chipman, Chiloquin.

Tax Office Gets 2nd Shakeup

WASHINGTON (AP) — The new Republican administration has abolished 11 of the 17 district commissioner offices set up last year by the outgoing Democratic administration when it reorganized the Bureau of Internal Revenue.

Three new district commissioner offices have been established, dividing the nation and its territories, for tax purposes, into a new total of nine districts.

The sweeping revision of the tax bureau's top field services swept out of office John B. Dunlap, who as Commissioner of Internal Revenue supervised last year's top-to-bottom reorganization. Before the change of administration, Jan. 20, Dunlap was made district commissioner at Dallas, Tex., where he had spent most of his career in the revenue service.

PTA NOTES

SHASTA

By Mrs. John W. Insley
Highlight of the May 20 meeting of Shasta PTA was a talk by Dr. Loren Messenger, of Southern Oregon College, in conjunction with the showing of the film, "Preface to a Life."

Presiding at the meeting was Mrs. John Insley, president, who thanked the members for their support and cooperation during the past two years.

Mrs. D. L. Dunkeson gave a report on the PTA convention at Medford; and Mrs. William Kaffon, historian, read a history of the past year's activities.

The following committee was appointed to audit the treasurer's book: Mrs. Gladys Morrison, chairman; Mrs. Ronald Phair; Mrs. William Kaffon; Mrs. Herman Lapo was appointed Summer Library Chairman.

Mrs. Hagan Moore, County Council president, installed the following officers for the year 1953-54: Mrs. Harold Gredsel, president; Mrs. D. L. Dunkeson, 1st vice president; Mrs. R. T. Hemon, 2nd vice president; Mrs. D. L. Pickett, secretary; and Mrs. Imogene Boothby, treasurer.

The next meeting is scheduled for the fourth Wednesday in September.

Municipal Problems Talked At 4-Hour Get-Together

Several municipal problems were discussed this week as officials of three Klamath County communities met with consultants of the Oregon League of Cities. It was a dinner meeting at the Willard Hotel.

Represented from Klamath were Klamath Falls, Merrill and Chiloquin. It developed that each municipality had pressing problems and the get-together lasted more than four hours as the issues were talked over.

Eugene's Mayor Edwin Johnson, president of the League of Cities, headed the visiting delegation. With him were Ray Coulter, league attorney, and Mark Westling, special league consultant.

BIG ISSUE

Klamath Falls' main issue concerned the possibility of extension of the city limits. In particular, the city is concerned with the approximate 13,000 people living in the south suburbs outside the city limits.

It was told at this meeting that there are now two methods of annexation (1) by consent of the voters in both the city and the affected area; and (2) by consent of all property owners in the affected area and approval of the City Council.

On the matter of the south suburban area's sewage problem, Coulter, the league attorney, said it would be far easier for the area to obtain a sanitary sewer system if the area was inside the corporate limits of the city.

Merrill's problem was street maintenance funds. Coulter told the Merrill contingent that cities now had practically a free hand in use of the gas tax funds allotted to municipalities for street work.

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3 Indicted In Abortion Conspiracy

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — A grand jury indicted three persons here Wednesday on charges they conspired to fly women to Portland for abortions.

Richard H. Chamberlain, chief assistant district attorney, said one of the persons indicted testified that she had taken about 25 women there in the past four years.

He identified her as Miss Geraldine Aydelotte, 25, Oakland, a soda fountain worker. He said she testified she took the women to Dr. George H. Buck in Portland, paying him fees up to \$250 for abortions. He quoted her as saying she usually sat in his waiting room, but once watched him use instruments in an operation.

Buck was convicted at Portland in 1951 of manslaughter by abortion. Fined \$1,500 and sentenced to five years in prison, he appealed to the State Supreme Court. He is

free on bond.

He has been at odds with the State Board of Medical Examiners since 1936, when the board first tried to revoke his license on the ground he had performed an illegal operation.

Appeals and legal battles allowed him to stay in practice, after the board did order his license revoked in 1947. That case also is pending before the State Supreme Court.

Buck told a newsman in Portland that he had no connection with those indicted in Oakland, that he had performed no such operations and that he had no idea why his name was mentioned in the case.

Chamberlain said California did not plan any prosecution of Buck, since a California Supreme Court ruling held that a person could not be charged with abortion here if the operation were performed in another state.

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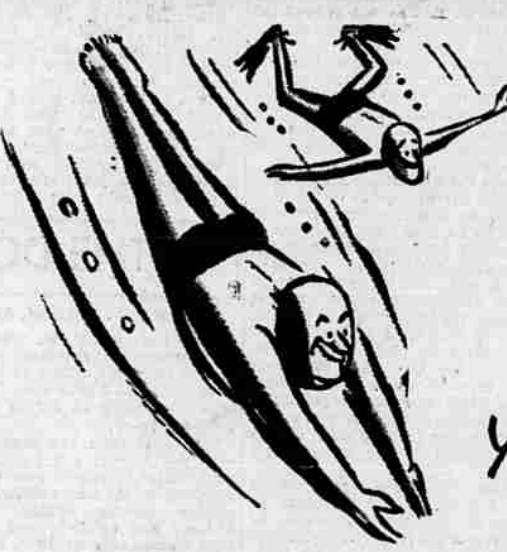
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