



C. (Bill) Dalton and C. M. Kirkpatrick. (Seated, l to r), Mrs. Emma Wilson, Mrs. C. M. Kirkpatrick and Ben Pickett.

Douglas fir loggers, sawmill and plywood workers born on strike and among the highest paid industrial workmen in the nation, three prominent northwest lumbermen, E. C. Dwyer, Hillman Lueddemann and C. H. Wheeler declared today.

Fir loggers, with an average hourly wage of \$2.52, are the highest paid workmen in the U. S. in a basic manufacturing industry, E. C. Dwyer stated. Average hourly wages of \$2.06 for sawmill and plywood workers place them well up among the top paid manufacturing employes, he said.

Dwyer cited comparative wages of other industries which are in direct competition with Douglas fir lumber and plywood. He said southern pine is the principal competitor of Douglas fir in the east, and in the midwest and workmen in that industry receive \$1.94 average hourly earnings. Canadian Douglas fir workmen receive \$1.83 average hourly earnings, and Canadian-cut Douglas fir regularly undersells lumber from this region in our main markets.

Sweden's large industries in the nation which manufacture materials which compete with Douglas fir products for the building material dollar have lower wage rates.

He said average hourly earnings in the brick and hollow tile industry is \$1.45 and gypsum board and plaster boards pay \$1.53. Aluminum rolling mill workers receive \$1.94 and aluminum refining \$2.07.

These are Bureau of Labor statistics through March, 1954, Dwyer said.

Dwyer said a telephone check with the Bureau of Labor Statistics in Washington, D. C. Wednesday showed average hourly earnings for the steel industry ranged from \$1.90 to \$2.15. These were April closing figures and do not reflect the settlement made this week.

He said especially important were earnings figures for steel workers engaged in manufacturing metal doors, sash, frames, moulding and trim which directly competes with Douglas fir production. These men receive average hourly earnings of \$1.91.

Hillman Lueddemann added a grim note to the economic picture of the Douglas fir industry when he stated that at least 300 sawmills had quit business in this industry in 1952 and 1953. He said these included large as well as small mills, and communities throughout the fir region were affected by these closures.

Lueddemann said a check of the Douglas fir industry shows that a considerable number of operations

By BESSY, The Basin Bossy

One of the most colorful, gay and exciting fashions of the season are "squin" dresses. Old Navaho and Mexican combined with a touch of the new New York and Paris. It is a tradition applied to modern taste.

It's a casual fashion, to be sure, but one with true versatility. Squin dresses have their own varied details, too, so the style remains but the designs are many. Some have long sleeves, some have short. They can be V-necked, or they can have high or bare shoulder lines, or a myriad of other possibilities. The color is where they get you anything under the rainbow (and in it) goes. Usually there is one overall color, with a crackle trim in laviah, wilder colors.

With flaring skirts, they are comfy and comfy, cool and sexy in the hottest weather.



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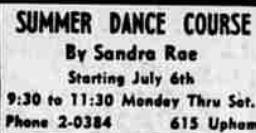
No matter what the weather—hot and muggy, cool and chilly, or just a light—a sparkle of good health adds that touch of charm to any personality. No good reason to hang around a gal whose mood is fitting the weather—be it muggy or cool. He wants a gal who looks and acts good because she feels good.

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NEW YORK (AP)—Emperor Haile Selassie of Ethiopia has been found in "perfect health" by doctors at Presbyterian Hospital.

The monarch left the hospital yesterday after a general checkup. He's been in the United States for the past four weeks.

NAPLES, Italy (AP) — A slightly left-of-center bloc spearheaded by ex-Premier Amintore Fanfani took the upper hand Thursday in Italy's dominant political party, the Christian Democrats.

FRANKFURT, Germany (P) — The anti-Communist NTS organization reports one of its members has been kidnapped by Russian agents in the Soviet zone of Austria.

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WASHINGTON — Republican Sen. Hugh Butler of Nebraska died at the age of 72 last night, the fourth U. S. senator and the second from his state to succumb this year.

Butler, who had been elected to his third six-year term two years ago, suffered a stroke Wednesday night. He was taken to the naval hospital at nearby Bethesda, Md., yesterday morning and died there about 11:30 p.m. last night.

The day before he had been active in the Senate, apparently in good health.

A former grain dealer, he was a strong campaigner who defeated several governors in his various campaigns for the Senate. He was active in Rotary and the Congressional Church.

His wife and two children preceded him to death.

Sen. Eva Bowring (R-Neb) announced his death in the Senate, working late on a big tax revision bill, and it immediately recessed.

NEW YORK (AP)—A detective's race saved a middle-aged woman who, for an hour and a half, perched on a fifth-story hotel window ledge and threatened to jump.

Some 500 officers showed up as Mrs. Marion Oakes, about 50, was coaxed to safety last night. She said she was dependent over the death of her husband.

But she said she had no other success as she sat on the ledge of the Hotel Endicott screaming, "Gangsters are after me."

Finally, Detective Bob McDermott, on a white shirt back ward, which in the darkness resembled a doctor's tunic, and kneeling up a stream of pseudo-medical talk, persuaded her to step off the ledge "only for one minute."

She was then grabbed by another policeman. The woman was taken to a hospital for observation.

Griawold was 60.

Two other senators have died this year: Clyde R. Hoey (D-NC), 76, and Lester C. Hunt (D-Wyo.), 61. Hoey suffered a heart attack; Hunt shot himself.

And three Senate members of the 83rd Congress died last year: Willis Smith (D-NC), 68, Charles W. Tobey (R-NH), 65, and Robert A. Taft (R-OH), 63.

Butler's death will not affect the Senate lineup, now 47 Republicans, 47 Democrats and 1 independent. Gov. Robert Crosby of Nebraska

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CHICAGO (U) — Motorists able to get ahead of the crowd hit the highways early today for the long July 4 weekend.

Other thousands went to work with grips packed with sports clothes, ready to catch evening trains, buses and planes for summer resorts.

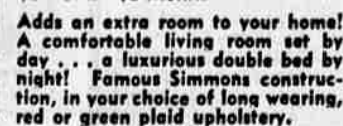
The National Safety Council estimated that with good weather 40 million cars will be on the nation's highways Saturday, Sunday and Monday. The peak volume of travel will occur Monday afternoon and evening when the tourists head home.

For some 430 of the highway travelers, this may be their last July 4 holiday weekend. The council estimates that number will be killed in crashes between 6 p.m. today and midnight Monday.

SANTIAGO, Chile — The "Chilean anti-Communist movement" declared Thursday the Kremlin has directed its followers to make Chile a Communist beachhead in South America.

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