

City Is Second In State Building

Klamath Falls Soars Above Salem and Eugene in July for Building Permits.

For the first time in more than a year, Klamath Falls with a record-smashing figure for July, soared above Salem and Eugene in volume of building permits, and emerged from the July period second only in the state to Portland, it was learned from city officials Friday.

With an aggregate of \$377,450 in permits for July, building in this city for 1927 passed the million and a half mark last month, and headed for a 1927 total of \$2,000,000, which building experts declare may yet be realized.

Of this high total for the month, \$298,300 was industrial construction, \$42,980 and for residences, and \$36,200 commercial.

Eugene Is Third

While the aggregate figures for building permits totals in other cities of the state were not available Friday, reports showed Klamath Falls to be second only to Portland in the state, with Eugene and Salem third and fourth respectively, in the state.

The building permits for leading cities in the state, in point of average building cost per permit in each city, follows:

Astoria, \$2,200; Eugene, \$8,170; Klamath Falls, \$10,202; The Grande, \$193; Marshfield, \$599; Medford, \$2,876; Salem, \$5,852; Portland, \$10,534.

A total of 97 permits were issued in the state, and the average by permits was \$2,082.

Charges Thefts Caused Failures

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 12.—(UP)—Embezzlement rather than "the destructive policy of the Los Angeles water bureau" caused five Inyo county banks in Owens Valley to close their doors, leaving the section without banking facilities, Will C. Wood, state superintendent of banks, said here tonight.

Shortage in the five institutions, the First National bank of Bishop and the Inyo county banks of Bishop, Independence, Lone Pine and Big Pine, already has been checked to a total of more than \$300,000, Wood stated.

Of this amount \$270,000 is represented by a discrepancy between the actual amount and the claimed amount of money on deposit in Los Angeles and San Francisco banks.

Notes exceeding \$350,000 are missing from bank vaults, it was said. The examination has by no means been completed, Wood declared. When the institutions, all controlled by the W. W. and Mark Watterson interests, closed last week, notes blaming the Los Angeles water bureau were posted by bank authorities.

Gas Masks Used for Deep Dives

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 12.—(AP)—Fire department gas masks now are being used successfully for diving helmets.

Captain Viridita of the city fire department today was credited with having discovered the efficiency of the regulation department gas mask for under water exploration. In an experiment he remained under water in a 20-foot deep pool for twenty minutes. He reported that the mask contains sufficient oxygen to allow a man to stay under water for an hour.

The department rescue squad hereafter will use the mask for diving into rocky pools and ponds to rescue drowning persons. Captain Viridita predicted its use would save the lives of many drowning persons whereas in the past delay in locating and recovering such had resulted in deaths that might have been prevented by the gas mask aid.

SACCO, VANZETTI, LEAN FROM HUNGER TOTTER UP STAIRS

BOSTON, Aug. 12.—(U.P.)—Walking slowly, but without assistance, Sacco and Vanzetti today went from their cells in the Cherryhill section of the forbidding Chestnut state prison to the prison barber shop, where one of their counsel and Sacco's wife were waiting to talk with them.

As they ascended the stairs leading to the barber shop, they linked arms and helped each other up the steep flight. It was evident that they are both very weak, but as yet there is no sign of collapse in either man.

Vanzetti is much the stronger of the two, as he has again broken his hunger strike. Now that they are back again in Cherryhill both men are somewhat more hopeful.

Mt. Hood Snows Fail to Give Up Brownlee's Body

HOOD RIVER, Aug. 12.—(UP)—A party of five searchers returned here today from the south slope of Mt. Hood following an unsuccessful search of 13 hours to locate the body of Leslie Brownlee, who was lost on the mountain New Year's day.

The party explored all the territory in the vicinity of White River and Yokum Ridge and a number of crevasses. During the search, a blizzard came up and lasted five hours, making it difficult to continue the hunt.

After returning here, searchers said they believed the body of the youth lies somewhere near Crater rock. Snow is still quite deep, they reported, and unless it melts before the fall season sets in, his body may never be recovered.

Tule Lake Homesteaders Striding Toward Success

That the success of Klamath's newest agricultural venture, the homesteading of Tule lake, is assured, is apparent now in all sections of the vast acreage opened to entry by the government last March.

This is the substance of comment of C. A. Henderson, county agricultural agent, who returned here late Friday following a day spent among the homestead ranches in the fertile Tule lake area, which are soon to pour their share of abundant farm produce through Klamath Falls and to the markets of the world.

"Farming activity is at a peak in the homestead area at present," Henderson stated, "and the entire acreage, opened only last March, is fast acquiring the appearance of an established farming center."

"Construction of homes and other necessary buildings, is one of the features on the homesteads at present. Probably there are 50 houses now under construction on the various tracts, or already completed, allowing the owners to turn their whole attention to crops."

"Many of the homesteaders, most of whom are ex-service men were given a preference filing

Land Agent for G. N. in Klamath

G. B. Richmond, land agent for the Great Northern railroad, is in the city in connection with rights of way for the Bend to Klamath Falls extension of the Oregon Trunk, he stated Friday.

Richmond's present visit to this city is in the interests of completing right-of-way purchases for the G. N. from the south terminus of the Shevlin-Nixon line, to Chemult.

The land agent declared that work on the extension is progressing with unusual speed and that crews are engaged at several points along the line.

L. C. Gilman, vice-president of the G. N., was also in Klamath Falls Friday and will spend today here on what he termed routine business.

ROBBER SHOT IN HOLD-UP, IS DEAD

PORTLAND, Aug. 12.—(UP)—Arthur Rogers, young bandit, who was shot while attempting to hold up a gasoline station Wednesday night, died tonight at St. Francis hospital.

Rogers was shot through the abdomen by L. O. McClusky, station attendant, as he ran from the building after rifling the cash register.

German Planes Leaving For U. S.

Ambassador Says 3 Pilots Will Hop Off Saturday on Trans-Atlantic Flight.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 12.—(U.P.)—Three German airplanes will take off Saturday between six and eight p. m. in an attempt to fly to the United States, according to advices cabined the State department by Ambassador Schurman.

Two of the machines, Junker monoplanes, will leave from Dessau and the third, a Casper bi-plane, will take off from Cologne, Embassy Confirms.

The German embassy here also received confirmation of the plans.

National aeronautic officials believe announcement of the Germans' plans will cause Levine to leave Paris immediately on an attempted return flight to the United States.

The message from Ambassador Schurman, said: "Final preparations are being made for departure Saturday between six and eight p. m., of two (Continued on Page Three)

DOLE FLYER MEETS DEATH



Pilot Arthur V. Rodgers (left) who was instantly killed Friday when he was forced to leap from his Dole Hawaiian air race plane during a test flight. Navigation Leland Bryant, shown in the plane, whom Rodgers refused to take on the test flight, because of the danger involved in trying out a plane of new design.



Radical departures in design which featured the plane in which Arthur Rodgers met death Friday. Rodgers and his navigator, Bryant, are shown here standing between halves of the twin rudder, where a second motor of the "pusher" type was installed upon completion of the plane. It was the radical changes in design which are believed to have caused the fatal crash Friday.

Atlantic Race Is Off for Sometime

PARIS, Aug. 12.—(UP)—The feverish activity which centered around the trans-Atlantic planes yesterday was absent today giving rise to the general opinion that none of the expeditions planned to hop off tomorrow.

The Columbia, owned by Charles A. Levine, remained in her hangar and was visited by many tourists. John Carrel, factory superintendent for the Columbia Aircraft Corporation, kept an eye on the plane, but neither Levine nor his French pilot, Maurice Drouhin, appeared.

Leon Given, pilot of the Farman expedition, dismounted a motor of his "Bluebird" for repairs.

"Paul Tarneson's 'Tango Bird' hopped to Villa Coublay for mechanical tests.

U. S. Board for Farmers Talked

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va., Aug. 12.—(AP)—National legislation setting up a federal marketing board as the first step is needed as farm relief, the Institute of Public Affairs at the University of Virginia, was told today by President John Lee Coulter of North Dakota agricultural and mechanical college.

"All farm leaders will agree," he said, "that the farmers have for years been operating at a disadvantage compared with the industrial, financial, labor and other groups in the country. As a matter of wise public policy, agriculture must be preserved as an important branch of our American life and national legislation if not the most important step is at least a very essential part of any program."

Showers Help To Put Out Blazes

Fire Fighters in Washington Are Aided By Rains; Some Major Blazes Unabated.

PORTLAND, Aug. 12.—(A.P.)—Showers yesterday and last night, which proved a blessing to fire fighters in several Washington districts, passed up the Rock creek fire in Yacholt burn completely. This was shown by reports to district forest service headquarters here today. Forty more men were sent out this morning to supplement the large crew already at work there trying to keep the fire out of the Wind river watershed.

Cloudy weather prevailed over the Rock creek district in Columbia forest yesterday and the humidity was high in the afternoon, but the change was not great enough to hinder a fire of such proportions. No news of (Continued on page eight)

TALE OF BULL AND LUCKLESS RANCHER RELATED BY "DOC"

COQUILLE, Aug. 12.—(U.P.)—Price Robinson, Norway rancher, is recovering from injuries sustained in the side and back Monday afternoon, when a full grown bull attacked him.

Robinson was taking the bull to pasture. The day was one of the warmest the valley has experienced for some time, and the bull, angered by the heat, rushed at the rancher, tossing him in the air with such force that the bull's horns did not penetrate Robinson's body. As Robinson fell, he struck the bull on the neck. The bull was breathing and lived until late that night. Although Dr. Gillis is not positive as to how the bull was injured, it is thought the animal's neck was broken with the impact of Robinson's body.

Prospects for Bumper Crop of Grain Realized

PORTLAND, Aug. 12.—(UP)—Early prospect for a bumper wheat crop in the Pacific Northwest this season has been realized, according to a bulletin issued today by the Department of Agriculture.

The crops for the three northwestern states will amount this year to 108,425,000 bushels, it was estimated, as compared with 84,480,000 bushels last season.

The respective state yields were estimated as follows: Washington, 51,320,000 bushels; Oregon, 27,245,000 bushels, and Idaho, 30,148,000 bushels.

Increase in production of oats was also indicated.

Young Girls Spurn Rules of School and 30 Strike

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 12.—(UP)—Sweeping investigation of alleged "peep show" set up at El Retiro, county constructive home near San Fernando was promised Friday night by Judge Shontz, acting referee of juvenile court.

Thirty of the girls of the home, all under 18 years of age, Friday rebelled against the asserted "reform school methods" introduced a week ago by Mrs. Rosemary Goode, newly appointed superintendent, and walked out of the school.

They started on a long hike to Los Angeles to present their

Rotarians Stage Big Time at Fort

Fort Klamath had a Rotarian celebration last night that marks an epoch in the history of that little city, for Rotarians and their wives and guests journeyed from Klamath Falls and enjoyed a delightful evening in the historic community.

Sixty-seven Rotarians and guests were seated at the banquet table at the Fort Klamath hotel at 7:30 o'clock in the evening and enjoyed a great dinner prepared by Mrs. Taylor. Few places in the nation could serve a more bountiful repast than did the Fort Klamath hotel last evening.

President John Boyle started the fun after dinner by requesting a few three-minute speeches, and in this contest Fred Fleet, immortalized by Mayor Baker of Portland on one occasion when he gave Fleet the title of village poet, was declared winner of the short speech contest and Boyle presented him with a coffee pot. Mrs. W. O. Smith acted as judge of the oratorical flights of the speaking Rotarians.

As it was ladies' night, the ladies of Rotary were not spared by Bert Hall when President John Boyle turned the program over to him. Hall called on almost every Rotary-Anne to give good and sufficient reasons why she lived with her husband, the answer to which request were exceedingly amusing.

John Carlin, Medford, speaker of the Oregon legislature, was guest of honor, and responded to the toast "Civic Clubs" in an entertaining manner. He told how the civic clubs had changed since the war, and how now they had become an essential factor in our scheme of life. He paid a high tribute to Rotarians and to the Klamath country.

Toastmaster Hall then presented each lady with an individual bouquet, while Earl Whitlock adorned each Rotarian with a cap which was jokingly called the "morgue" offering.

troubles to juvenile home authorities. San Fernando police refused to obey Mrs. Goode's demand to halt the exodus and Van Noy's police withdrew after answering a riot call and finding no riot in progress.

When juvenile officials learned of the crusade, police cars were sent to meet the girls who already had walked 18 miles of the distance.

After hearing the girls' version of the case, Judge Shontz said an investigation would be pressed immediately; that the girls would not be forced to return to the school under present administration there and they would not be punished for their revolt.

According to leaders among the girls, trouble started last week when they returned from an outing to find that a juvenile court probation committee had supplanted Miss Alma Holzuh as superintendent and put Mrs. Goode in her place.

Mrs. Goode, it was said threatened to abolish student government and to send many of the girls to the Ventura state reform school.

Fire Chiefs' Meet Offers Pointers

Filled with new ideas on fire-fighting and the prevention of property loss by flames, as well as emergency life-saving, Keith Ambrose, head of the Klamath Falls fire department, returned from the state, national and international conventions of fire chiefs held in Portland the past week, Friday.

The most interesting phases of the convention were those in which practical demonstrations of fire prevention and life-saving were conducted. Ambrose stated, including instantaneous quenching of oil flames, and the use of gas masks under water.

While much of the discussion was devoted to topics practicable in large cities only, there was also much of benefit for all fire fighters, he declared.

WOMAN DRIVER TO FACE MURDER JURY

SALEM, Aug. 12.—(UP)—Mrs. Ruth Lockwood, Salem matron who ran down and killed Maynard Sawyer, druggist, on State street about a month ago with her automobile, was indicted Friday and will face a charge of involuntary manslaughter.

Mrs. Lockwood was said, at the time of her arrest, to have been under the influence of liquor. Two pint flasks of liquor were found in her car.

Another Dole Hop Aviator Is Killed

'Angel of Los Angeles' Falls on Trial Flight, While Pilot Rodgers Leaps to Death.

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 12.—(U.P.)—The tandem motored monoplane "Angel of Los Angeles," an entrant in the Dole Hawaiian race, crashed to the ground near here late Friday, carrying to death, Captain Arthur V. Rogers, who was to have piloted it across the Pacific.

The craft, an innovation in aviation, had been in the air just seven minutes on its initial test flight when it started a dizzy descent from an altitude of 500 feet that ended with the death of Rogers, sole occupant, and the complete wreck of the plane.

Jumped from Plane. Spectators said the plane wobbled, side-slipped and then went into a nose dive. Rogers righted the plane about 300 feet above ground but when it fell into another nose dive, he jumped.

Rogers' parachute failed to open and he was crushed as he struck the ground about 500 feet from his wrecked plane. The cords of his parachute were wrapped around his body.

His wife, Mrs. Anna C. Rogers, witnessed the crash and reached her husband's body within a few minutes after it hurtled to the ground.

Wife Collapses. She collapsed but was revived a few minutes later.

The "Angel of Los Angeles," something distinctly different in aviation, was built here under the supervision of Captain Rogers.

Its two English Lucifer three-cylinder motors were set in tandem. (Continued on Page Three)

Chaplin Intends Fight to Finish

CHICAGO, Aug. 12.—(AP)—Chas. Chaplin today was enroute to Los Angeles from New York prepared for a "fight to the finish for the sake of my name and the future of my two babies" in the divorce suit brought by his young wife, Lita Grey Chaplin.

The screen comedian backed here between train last night just long enough to make known that he had definitely instructed his attorneys to withdraw all offers of a settlement out of court and arrange for the court fight set for August 22.

Chaplin said he had made many offers to settle the suit, but ridiculed reports that he had offered his wife \$1,000,000.

"I am weary of it all," he said, "and have decided to go back to Los Angeles and fight for my name and fortune. I do not care for the money but I want my name cleared so my babies will be proud of it."

"I am ready to go into court and face all the charges my wife has brought against me. There I shall let the public decide my fate for I am sure I shall be vindicated. I can easily disprove the charges."

FLAPPER FANNY SAYS



The girl who catches some boys may get a sugar daddy.

This Bird Seems to Have Quite a Family

