

Brief Review Of State, National And World News During The Past Week

DISTILLERIES CLOSE FOR 60 DAY PERIOD

Washington — Distilleries making up more than 95 per cent of the country's alcohol capacity are halting production for 60 days, but one distiller said it would take Americans four years to drink up the stocks on hand.

Chairman Charles Luckman of the Citizens Food Committee announced the shutdowns. He predicted that the other 5 per cent of the industry, from which he has not yet heard, will "join wholeheartedly" in the shutdown to save grain for Europe.

But the A. F. L. Distillery Workers International Union, contending that 10,000 to 12,000 workers will be laid off, "urgently requested" employers to meet with union leaders in Chicago October 30.

PRICE OF STEEL MAY ADVANCE AGAIN SOON

Pittsburgh — Speculation on possible new advances in the prices of steel — bringing in their wake higher costs of consumer goods — mounted in this steel capital following new blows to the harassed industry. Struggling to keep up with de-

MAINE FOREST FIRES ARE UNDER CONTROL

Portland, Me. — While Maine authorities intensified precautions against pyromaniacs, dog-tired fire fighters managed Sunday for the first time in a week—to hold the line against far flung New England forest blazes which already have caused damage upwards of \$32,000,000.

As the death toll held at 20, "under control" reports came in from nearly all areas.

In Maine — hardest hit with eight communities wholly or almost obliterated, 13 dead and scores injured — Governor Horace Hildreth estimated damage in that State alone was "in excess

mestic demands for steel, the nation's mills have been confronted with these recent developments:

1. New higher emergency freight rates mean it's going to cost more to ship steel and foreshadow a withdrawal from more distant markets.
2. Foreign and American officials are working out a program of European allotments of steel which will run into millions of tons annually at a time when demands at home aren't being met.

Pres. Truman Calls Special Session Of Congress Nov. 17

Washington — President Truman last Thursday hailed Congress into special session November 17 to consider a possible billion-dollar program of stop-gap foreign aid and to throw a Federal halter on runaway prices at home.

He did not name his figure on Winter aid. But other Administration officials said it has climbed from his \$580,000,000 estimate for France, Italy, and Austria, made a few weeks ago, and now looks like this:

About \$642,000,000 for France and Italy alone; up to \$30,000,000 for occupied Austria; and a possible \$400,000,000 for occupied Japan, Korea and Germany — a total of \$1,072,000,000 to last until March 31. The officials who supplied the estimates to reporters withheld the use of their names.

The day crackled with developments;

First the call for the extraordinary session, itself, after talk of one had somewhat faded; then the disclosure of the unexpectedly early date for it; and, finally, the inclusion of a call to Congress to "put an end to the continued rise in prices" as well as to deal with Europe's crisis.

President Truman's news conference followed immediately an hour-long session with the congressional leaders whose committees are the first hurdles in the path of Winter aid for Western Europe.

Representative Martin (R-Mass) the Speaker of the House, broke the news first. "The President did it on his own," he told newsmen who asked whether the legislators of both parties were sharing responsibility for the decision.

52 ARE KILLED IN BIG AIRLINE CRASH

Bryce Canyon, Utah. — A United Airlines transport plane carrying 52 persons smashed against a sloping hillside here scattering the shattered bodies and wreckage over a wide area.

The four-engine craft, trailing smoke and flames for at least 10 miles before it crashed, virtually disintegrated. A strip of sagebrush over 200 yards long and 50 yards wide was burned.

The four engines, scorched and twisted, were thrown 200 to 300 feet beyond the burned area.

The largest piece of the plane was a section of the tail, only 15 or 20 feet long. It was near the forward portion of the burned area.

All the bodies were mangled and burned. Most were unrecognizable.

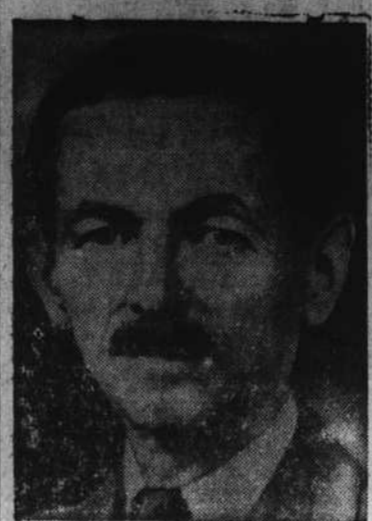
The transport was en route from Los Angeles to New York city with only stop—at Chicago—scheduled.

of \$30,000,000." This was five million dollars higher than previous estimates.

Throughout the State yesterday fire reports were "good" or "under control."

Hildreth's office authorized a statement that authorities are "watching closely" the movements of all persons who they have reason to suspect might be firebugs.

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MARK OF ARAB EXTREMISTS . . . When two women employees of the American consulate in Jerusalem were injured when Arab extremists bombed the building, Robert MacAtee, Washington, D. C., the American consul general, was out of the building.

TAFT ANNOUNCES FOR CANDIDATE FOR PRES.

Columbus, Ohio. — U. S. Senator Robert A. Taft, opened a cellophane-wrapped surprise pack—an announcement that he was a candidate for the Republican presidential nomination.

Most of his friends and a part of the public had suspected this for months.

The 58-year-old Cincinnati lawyer, son of the late President and Chief Justice William Howard Taft, was quickly assured the support of Ohio Republicans leaders, and said he would leave to them most of the work of getting the nomination.

Business in the senate, where he has represented Ohio for nine years, will demand most of his attention Taft explained.

Stratford News

Interesting sermons were delivered at Antioch church Sunday by Elders Walker, Sumner and Williams.

Edgar Mabe and Dorman Atwood made a business trip to Taylorsville during last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Douglas and family, of Sparta, recently visited Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Richardson.

Mrs. Franklin Hendricks and children visited Mrs. J. R. Watson, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hines and daughter, Glona, visited Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Lyons, Cherry Lane, Sunday.

Recent dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Mabe were Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Mabe, of Galax, Va., Mr. and Mrs. Jess Sexton, Twin Oaks, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Mabe and family, also Mr. and Mrs. Mack Mabe and Charlie Leonard.

Mr. and Mrs. James Musgrove and baby expect to move this week to their new home which has recently been erected near Edd Williams' place.

Opal Mabe, of Furches, is spending this week with Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Mabe.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hampton visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Edwards last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Leonard and family, who have lived in

Whitehead News

Mrs. Charlie Brinegar and family, of Pleasant Grove, moved to Martinsville, Va., last week where several members of the family will be employed.

Mrs. Peggy Ann Edwards returned to her daughter's, Mrs. Gilbert Atwood Sunday, after spending two weeks with Mrs. W. M. Edwards.

Mr. Glen Edwards, of South Charleston, Ohio, is spending sometime with his mother, Mrs. W. M. Edwards who has been in ill health for several months.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Dean Hayes and daughters, of Low Gap, visited Mr. and Mrs. Mack C. Edwards, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Hamm had as their Sunday dinner guests; Rev. Fred Bleivins, Rev. and Mrs. W. M. Hamm, Mrs. J. T. Fender, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Hamm and sons, Misses Georgia Ruth Caudill and Bertaa Brooks, Mrs. M. C. Edwards, also Mrs. Carrye Jones and son, Jimmy.

Obituary BERRY C. MOXLEY

Berry C. Moxley was born August 27, 1863 near Sparta, North Carolina, departed this life October 9, 1947 at his home at Chatham, Pa., making his stay on earth 84 years, 1 month and 12 days. He was first married to Rosa Fender February 14, 1887. Unto this union was born one son and one daughter. She preceded him to the grave, July 25, 1916.

He later married Nannie Reynolds on December 29, 1920 and unto this union was born one daughter. Those living to mourn their loss are a loving wife, two daughters and one son. Mrs. Oscar Duncan of Darlington, Md., Mrs. Hale Truitt, Chatham, Pa., and Everett E. Moxley, Chatham, Pa. Also one granddaughter Margaret Duncan, Darlington, Md., two brothers, T. A. Moxley, Sparta, and C. A. Moxley, state of Washington.

He professed a hope in Christ in early life and joined the church at Landmark and in later years moved his letter to New Bridge, Md., and lived a faithful member until death.

He had been in ill health for seven years and confined to his bed for the past thirty months, but bore his afflictions with patience. It was so hard to give him up and his absence has caused many heartaches and tears, but we feel our loss is his eternal gain, and that he is resting in heaven with the Angels above where all is peace and infinite love.

Funeral service was held at his home and Eastburn Funeral Home, Avondale, Pa., on October 10, 1947 with Elder G. R. Killon and Rev. Walker Burcham officiating. He was laid to rest in Oxford Cemetery, Oxford, Pa., under a mass of choice flowers and in the presence of a large crowd of sorrowing relatives and friends.

A loving friend from us is gone A voice we loved is still, A chair is vacant in our home That never can be filled, Thou art gone precious husband and father,

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