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Heavy Rains Bing Floods in the Mountains

Morrison, Colo., Suffers Heavy Flood of Business Section—Damage Estimated at \$2,000,000.

DENVER, Colo., Sept. 3 (UP)—Heavy rains sent "flash" floods roaring down streams in the Rock Mountains today, taking at least one life, inundating or isolating a score of towns and inflicting damage estimated at \$2,000,000.

Several persons were missing in flood areas. One party of 12 was stranded for several hours near Morrison, a resort town at the mouth of Bear Creek Canyon 15 miles southwest of Denver.

A six foot wall of water struck Morrison at 7 p. m. last night, it flooded business establishments and residences to a depth of from three to seven feet.

Other resort or mining towns swept by high waters were Estes Park, El Dorado Springs, Louisville, Superior, Fort Collins, Munn, Yule and a dozen small communities in Big Thompson canyon.

Scores of persons were rescued from houses tops and automobiles. Mrs. Walter Boyd, wife of a Louisville, Colo., doctor, was drowned in a swollen creek west of Denver. Her automobile was swept off the highway.

Traffic was paralyzed in the entire area west and north of Denver. An estimated 200 miles of roadway was washed out or made impassable.

State highway patrolman Patrick O'Rourke, the first officer to reach Morrison after the flood struck, said there wasn't a single dry house or person in town. He said bulldozers "almost as big as automobiles" had been washed in.

Sheriff Denny Durham said he feared persons living in cabins along Bear Creek canyon might have drowned.

"But that's only a guess," he said. Officials of the highway department said the damage might be much higher than \$2,000,000. It was impossible to make an accurate check until the waters had drained away.

El Dorado Springs, 20 miles north-west of Denver, was isolated for hours. Cole Creek swept through the mining towns of Louisville, Superior and Erie.

The Big Thompson river flooded numerous fishing cabin along its course. Fort Collins, a northern Colorado college town, reported that the Poudre river was pouring water into the town.

COMMUNITY HALL BURNED

ROWLEY, Ia., Sept. 3 (UP)—Fire destroyed the Rowley community hall and nine of the town's 22 business buildings early today at a loss estimated at \$59,000.

Heaviest loss of \$29,000 was suffered by R. R. Rosencrans, implement dealer. The fire broke out at 2 a. m. in the community hall following a wedding dance last night. It was the second disaster here in 15 months, the first being a \$40,000 tornado in the residence district.

FEEL NO ALARM

PARIS, France, Sept. 3 (UP)—The Premier's office said today that there is no cause for alarm over the German troop movements on the Rhine because they are purely defensive. French agencies were requested not to publish the reports because they might alarm public opinion.

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Coach Jones is Ready to Start Football Season

Loss of Eleven Lettermen Will Have Its Effect But Sophomores of Squad Look Very Good.

By JOSEPH W. MILLER
LINCOLN, Sept. 2 (UP)—Major Lawrence "Biff" Jones of the Nebraska Cornhuskers surveyed his 1938 football prospects today and decided the Huskers are at least a year away from first class gridiron calibre.

This does not mean Nebraska will lack its customary strength this season but it does signify that Jones is building for 1939 and 1940 with the best crop of sophomores, based on their performances as freshmen, in many years.

Jones lost 11 lettermen from last year's alert, hard-fighting crew that repeated as Big Six conference champions, whipped three Big Ten foes including Minnesota and came within an ace of beating mighty Pitt. He has only 12 veterans back this fall and is short experienced replacements.

"Playing the schedule that we are, we need a squad three deep in every position," he observed. "We are going to develop three or four teams. Last year's freshman squad was good but sophomores are unpredictable."

Starting his second year as head coach, Biff plans to pick up where he and his aides left off last year. Tricky variations of basic plays will be in order. He looks for weaker punting than last year unless the sophomore backs surprise, but is counting on an improved passing game with Thurston Phelps, quarterback, on the throwing end.

He believes every conference team will be stronger than in 1937 and refuses to venture any prediction about the Big Six race.

Bob Kahler of Grand Island, an end, is the only sophomore listed as a probable regular. Jack Dodd, of Gothenburg, an elusive ball carrier who broke up several games last year, will spark a veteran backfield operating a line built around Charley Brock of Columbus, considered one of the best of a long line of outstanding centers at Nebraska.

Other lettermen in addition to Dodd, Phelps and Brock are Bill Pfeiff and Adna Dobson, guards, both of Lincoln; Bob Mills and Sam Schwartzkopf, both of Lincoln, tackles; Lloyd Grimm of Omaha and Kenneth Shindo of Grand Island, ends; Marvin Ploek of Lincoln, Bill Anderson of Plattville, Kan., halfbacks, and Bill Callihan of Grand Island, fullback.

Best sophomores listed are Harry Hopp of Hastings, Edsel Wibbels of Wolbach, Roy Peisch of Scottsbluff, Herman Rohrig of Lincoln and Vike Francis of Fort Morgan, Colo., brother of All-American Sam, all backs; Leonard Muskin of Omaha, guard; Forrest Dehm of Lincoln and Paul Koetowski of Fitchburg, Mass., tackles, and Kahler, end. Jones said nine or 10 sophomores probably will find places on the second string.

In addition to the five conference games, the Huskers meet Pittsburg, Minnesota, Iowa and Indiana—a repetition of the 1937 schedule.

SAYS MUST REMOVE EQUIPMENT

YORK, Neb., Sept. 2 (UP)—York city council last night adopted resolutions notifying the Iowa-Nebraska Light and Power company that it must remove its lines, poles and other distribution equipment from streets and alleys here. Officials explained the action was necessary in order to secure a PWA grant for the construction of a municipal distribution system for which the voters gave approval last week. The city had sought to buy the existing system but negotiations failed. The company had refused to remove equipment, it was stated.

SEVER'S LEG IN BUZZ SAW

MOUNT AYR, Ia., Sept. 2 (UP)—Ed Dugan, 73, Mount Ayr, was reported in critical condition at a Creston hospital today after nearly severing his leg in a buzz saw accident.

The limb was amputated late yesterday.

Dugan's leg became caught above the knee while he was showing Marks Owens, Beaconsfield, how to run the saw.

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OTOE FARMERS SEEK REVERSAL

LINCOLN, Sept. 2 (UP)—Thirteen farmer-subscribers of the Eastern Nebraska public power district in Otoe county returned home today armed with petitions seeking a revision of a railway commission order which gave the district 10 days to de-energize 53 miles of rural transmission lines.

The line was ordered de-energized after the Unadilla Union Telephone company complained inductive interference from the system made telephone conversations virtually impossible.

The farmers made a personal protest yesterday to Railway Commissioner F. A. Good, and offered to circulate the petitions seeking to extend the 10-day deadline so that some other solution of the problem might be found.

The district is financed by the rural electrification administration which has refused to pay cost of metalizing telephone wires.

Delegation members said they had invested a considerable sum in electrical appliances and that if current is shut off the appliances will be of no value, they said they desired both telephone and electric service, but would prefer power to the telephone in event of a choice.

The delegation contended the Unadilla company had not properly maintained its lines despite recent repairs.

CROP UNDER AUGUST ESTIMATE

CHICAGO, Sept. 2 (UP)—Private crop experts today forecast a U. S. corn crop of 2,458,000,000 bushels more than 100,000,000 bushels under the government August estimate and 76,000,000 bushels less than their own estimate last month.

Drouth and excessive heat during the past month were blamed for heavy crop deterioration in Nebraska and sections of Iowa, Missouri, South Dakota and Kansas. Spring wheat production was placed at 253,000,000 bushels, only 5,000,000 less than the average forecast August 1 and 15,000,000 under the government estimate for that date.

Today's average estimated corn crop is almost 200,000,000 bushels less than the 1937 yield but still about 150,000,000 bushels larger than the 1927-36 average return of 2,306,000,000.

MONEY FOR BINDWEED FIGHT

LINCOLN, Sept. 3 (UP)—Application has been made to the WPA at Washington for a \$500,000 bindweed eradication program in Nebraska, it was announced today.

The project would supplement the present setup under which bindweed control districts may be formed in accordance with a 1937 law.

The application calls for \$209,914 in federal funds and \$276,800 from counties which may desire to cooperate. If operated fully the eradication program would employ 360 men a year. Some 400,000 acres of Nebraska farm land are infested with bindweed and also about 60,000 miles of highway right-of-way.

TO INSPECT NEW SITES

LINCOLN, Sept. 3 (UP)—Dr. O. E. May and Dr. G. E. Hubert of the bureau of chemistry and soils of the U. S. department of agriculture will arrive here September 13 to inspect proposed sites for the new federal agricultural experiment station to be located in one of the north central states.

The laboratory, one of four to be set up in the nation will, it was estimated, cost \$1,000,000. A committee here, headed by E. T. Winter, secretary of the Nebraska Farm Bureau Federation, has made plans for an inspection tour of Lincoln for the two visitors.

NEW ZEALAND PREPARES

WELLINGTON, New Zealand, Sept. 3 (UP)—Prime Minister M. J. Savage said today after a meeting of the defense council that "reasonable precautions for emergency" had been considered.

"We are hoping for the best but must prepare for the worst," he added.

SUSPEND OMAHA OFFICER

OMAHA, Sept. 3 (UP)—Sergeant M. J. Timmins, charged with failure to investigate a bad automobile accident here, has been suspended for 15 days by Acting Police Chief Robert Munch.

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St. Louis Company Sues the General Motors Company

Asks Damages for \$48,000,000 for Alleged Infringement of Patent Rights.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Sept. 3 (UP)—The Gasifier Manufacturing company sought \$48,000,000 damages today from the General Motors corporation, Detroit, and the International Harvester company, Chicago, in two suits charging that the companies had infringed on two patents.

Attorney Orla M. Hill filed the suits in U. S. district court late yesterday. One asked \$30,000,000 from General Motors and the other asked \$18,000,000 from International Harvester.

The bills said that the companies had infringed on patents for two types of fuel vaporizer attachments for carburetors. The devices are manifolds which supply dry gasoline to cylinders and reduce gasoline consumption, Hill said.

Both petitions specified that Maurice O. Smith, Dallas, Tex., vice-president of the plaintiff firm, had received patents for the devices in 1922 and 1923.

The suit against General Motors claimed an actual loss of \$6,000,000. The damages were based on royalties set at one dollar per device for ten million used by General Motors and six million used by International Harvester, Hill said. The suits asked a judgment of \$48,000,000 because patent laws provide that damages may be trebled for infringement.

The Gasifier company's headquarters are located at Clayton, Mo.

HITCH-HIKER ROBS BENEFACTOR

COUNCIL BLUFFS, Ia., Sept. 3 (UP)—Not content with a lift across the state of Iowa, a hitch-hiker yesterday robbed his benefactor of his means of transportation and \$72.

When a blond complexioned youth about 24 years old, dressed in brown slacks, a light polo shirt and white sport shoes hailed John B. Van Haslen, Jr., of Tensley, N. J., the latter obliged. But a few miles out of Council Bluffs, the hiker pulled an automatic pistol from his pocket and demanded Van Haslen's wallet and car.

Van Haslen, an airplane pilot who was bound for the west coast, had to hitch-hike into Council Bluffs to report the incident.

IOWA CHAMPION BEEF

DES MOINES, Ia., Sept. 2 (UP)—The state fair grand champion baby beef owned by Herbert Olson of New-hall was held at auction today for \$1.00 a pound, the highest price paid for a baby beef in the history of the exhibition.

The animal was bought by the John Morrill Packing Co. Governor Nelson G. Krueger also submitted a bid.

Krueger's offer was 90c. The \$1.00 bid astonished many bystanders. The champion baby beef last year sold for 51c a pound. Olson's steer weighed 1,010 pounds. It brought him \$979.79 after 3 per cent was deducted for shrinkage.

HUBBELL OUT SOON

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Sept. 2 (UP)—The stitches in the left arm of Carl Hubbell, ace of the New York Giant pitching staff, were removed Thursday and his physicians said he would be able to leave the hospital in about a week or ten days.

Hubbell underwent an operation 10 days ago for removal of a bone chip from the elbow of his left arm.

Although Hubbell will not be able to pitch again this season, Dr. Spencer Speed said he should regain his old effectiveness next year.

IOWANS APPROVE FRANCHISE

KNOXVILLE, Ia., Sept. 2 (UP)—Knoxville residents, in a record vote, yesterday approved a 25-year franchise renewal for the Iowa Light and Power Co.

The vote was 1,404 to 608. The company announced it would build a \$143,000 direct power line from Knoxville to Des Moines.

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FAMILY TO BE RETURNED TO CASS COUNTY

LINCOLN, Sept. 2 (PU)—Mrs. R. Bishop, Lancaster county relief director said today Mr. and Mrs. Clyde C. Leonard and their six children, who staged a sit-down strike at relief headquarters Wednesday probably would be returned to Cass county.

The matter was brought before State Assistance Director Neil C. Vandemoer today. Mrs. Leonard, spokesman for the "strikers" said the family had received no food for two weeks and asked an emergency food order. Relief authorities said the family had not been residents of this county for the prescribed year and were ineligible. The Leonards have been living in an extra farm building near Waverly. County commissioners offered the family temporary lodging and meals at the city mission pending disposition of the case. Leonard, a former steel worker, handicapped by loss of a foot, said he had had 18 days of work this summer as a harvest hand. The family during the past 24 years has lived alternately in Lancaster, Cass and Antelope counties.

SORGHUM DEMONSTRATIONS

LINCOLN, Sept. 2 (UP)—G. T. Webster, assistant Nebraska College of Agriculture extension agronomist today reported findings of grain sorghum variety demonstrations in Nemaha and Richardson counties this week attended by about 60 farmers from that area. Webster said the first two meetings held at any of the 88 cooperative sorghum variety plots in the state showed grain sorghums probably would yield only about the same as corn in the two counties this year, due to abundant moisture.

In other counties where drouth has been a factor the early sorghums promised to mature in time for good yields due to quick growth and in spite of interruption of growth by drouth. Webster said he believed only enough sorghums will be planted in southeast Nebraska in the future to prevent complete crop failure in event of drouth.

HAS SPEECH RESTORED

IOWA CITY, Ia., Sept. 3 (UP)—Maurice Arcoren, 20, half-breed Sioux Indian youth from Rosebud, S. D., was enjoying the power of speech today after being unable to talk for two years.

He suddenly recovered his voice, astounding University of Iowa speech clinicians. He had been under treatment here for three months, but all efforts of the experts to cure him failed.

They said they believed the shock the youth suffered when told his case was hopeless if he did not exert himself more, goaded him to talk.

"God did it," Arcoren said. He had been a stutterer since childhood, and gave up talking to resort to sign language and writing.

WILL BAR THOSE NOT FILING ELECTION EXPENSE

LINCOLN, Sept. 3 (UP)—Secretary of State Harry L. Swanson said today 73 persons nominated at the August primary election will be denied a place on the general ballot if they fail to file campaign expense statements.

Sixty-five of the 73 are public power nominees, seven are legislative candidates and one is a nominee for the University of Nebraska board of regents.

Certificates of nomination have been mailed to all other nominees. Acceptance must be returned within ten days.

ASSIGN JURGENSEN CASE

LINCOLN, Sept. 3 (UP)—The supreme court, in its call of cases today tentatively assigned the appeal of former Lieutenant Governor Walter H. Jurgensen from an embezzlement conviction for a hearing the week of October 3.

RIOTING BY INDIANS

BANGON, Burma, Sept. 3 (UP)—Troops were called out for emergency patrol today after a renewal of rioting by the Burmese and Indians. Four Burmese were killed and many wounded in rioting yesterday.

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Every Nebraska Worker Should Have Number

Nebraska Unemployment Compensation Division of Social Security Urges Account Number.

LINCOLN, Sept. 3.—One social security account number for every Nebraska worker, regardless of age, employed by a firm subject to the Nebraska unemployment compensation law, but only one number, is the objective of a renewed drive of the Nebraska unemployment compensation division.

Behind this campaign lies the story of numerous delayed claims for unemployment benefits in twenty-eight states now paying benefits. In the majority of cases these delays were due solely to the failure of eligible claimants to provide themselves with social security account numbers while they worked in covered employment, when wage credits were accumulated on which unemployment insurance rights are determined.

V. B. Kinney, commissioner of the Nebraska state labor department has ruled that every worker in this state who is covered by the Nebraska unemployment compensation law must secure a social security number. When benefit payments start after January 1, 1939, it will be absolutely necessary for every claimant to produce his social security number at the time he files his claim for unemployment compensation with an office of the Nebraska state employment service.

It is also the Nebraska division's aim to end for the future, as far as possible, delay in ascertaining benefit rights growing out of the fact that certain eligible workers' recorded earnings are filed under two or more social security account numbers. Nebraska employers and Nebraska workers have been asked to cooperate in this official drive so that every one of Nebraska's 130,000 covered workers' whether under or over sixty-five years of age, will have a proper social security number, with his wage credits filed under that number, when the time comes to pay benefits to unemployed persons who are covered by the Nebraska law.

REMOVE PURCHASE BARRIER

YORK, Sept. 3 (UP)—Another obstacle in the path of the acquisition by the city of York of its own electric light plant was removed today when District Judge H. D. Landis dismissed an injunction suit brought by Wilbur G. Liggett.

Liggett sought to have the special election authorizing the proposal set aside. He alleged that a contract made with special engineer Robert Fulton of Lincoln was in accord with the mandate of the voters. The city council modified the contract and the court upheld the revised contract. Judge Landis decreed cost of the suit shall be divided evenly between Liggett and the city.

CHARGED WITH ASSAULT

IOWA CITY, Ia., Sept. 2 (UP)—John Lewandowski, 19-year-old farm hand, faced charges of assault today after his capture by a posse of 50 farmers armed with pitchforks and shotguns.

Lewandowski, whose home is in New York state, was accused of choking Mrs. Leonard Novak, by whose husband he was employed.

He was captured when he ran from a barn where he had been hiding beneath some straw. Mrs. Novak was not injured seriously.

WILL AUCTION GUNS

LINCOLN, Sept. 3 (UP)—The annual auction of guns confiscated from violation of Nebraska game laws will be held at the state fair grounds September 17 the state game commission announced today. Sixty-six guns will be sold.

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