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FOREST FIRE SITUATION IS BETTER TODAY

Only Two Fires Burning in the County It Is Reported This Afternoon.

WIND IS HANDICAP

Fire on Nickle Mountain Spreading, But Expected to Be Contralled This Evening.

Only two forest fires were reported burning in Douglas county this afternoon. New fires started last night on Middle creek near Kiddle, on Brush creek near Elkton, and on Nickle mountain. These were all near fires already burning. The brush fires on Middle creek and Nickle mountain are still burning. The wind is blowing in both districts, so that the fires are spreading, but it is believed that they will be brought under control tonight.

The humidity today was slightly higher than yesterday, relieving the tense situation somewhat. From all over the state reports indicate the situation to be of a serious nature, and the present outlook justifies the warnings being given to exercise extreme precautions while in the woods.

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 6.—With extremely dry weather and high winds in several districts several new forest fires in Oregon and Washington have broken out and several which fighters had hoped to control several days ago are assuming dangerous proportions, according to reports received by the forest service and the Oregon Fire Relief association.

In Clark county, Washington, fire did about \$15,000 damage to buildings and equipment of the Hasford Lumber company, and is said to be endangering Amboy. Another fire in the lake shore district threatened orchards, but is believed to be under control today.

The Tum Tum Tie and Timber company has reported a severe slash fire which is endangering fine grown timber.

In Columbia county, a fire on Rock Creek above Vernonia broke fire lines a little yesterday. It has burned over about 2,000 acres of logged over land and old burns. Private companies have about 200 men on the fire.

Three small fires were reported Wednesday near Seapooee. The situation at the Two Wind River, Washington fires and the blaze on Cedar Swamp creek, in the Mount Hood forest were unchanged.

SALEM, Ore., Aug. 6.—With the fire that has been destroying timber of the Silver Falls Timber company near Silver Creek reported under control, another bad fire has broken out in the timber at Bridge Creek, near the Silver Falls school house on the logging road of the Silver Falls Company.

The fire was started by a spark from an engine on the logging road. In addition bad fires have broken out in the Silver Falls Timber company's holdings above Mehana, having appeared in three different places, according to reports and none was under control, according to last advice. Just how extensive the damage from these (Continued on page 4.)

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6.—With thirty-seven counties complete in the recount of ballots in the Iowa senatorial contest, Steck has 140,967 and Brookhart 142,961 in uncontested votes. Steck has a challenge of 2,363 Brookhart votes, while Brookhart's challenge totals 665. The counties recounted constitute about half of those in which paper ballots were used. Brookhart's supervisor said today there had not been enough gains by Steck in the recent recount of uncontested ballots to overcome Brookhart's majority and that the outcome of the contest would depend upon final disposition of the challenged votes. Steck's supervisor declared he was not basing the contest exclusively on clerical errors in the state count, but was confident that when the committee reviewed the challenged Brookhart votes, Steck would be given the seat.

CHILD IMPRISONED IN SEWER; FATHER ACCUSES AN ENEMY

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) CHICAGO, Aug. 6.—Three-year old Bessie Dorn, missing since yesterday, was found exhausted today in a sewer catch basin where her father declared an enemy of his had imprisoned her. A heavy iron door, too weighty for a child to remove, covered the sewer entrance. A faint cry from the cavern led the father and a brother to the basin where they found the child standing in about six inches of water.

WELFARE OFFICIAL BRANDS TRANSACTION IMMORAL—INQUIRY ASKED.

ELKS TEMPLE AT EUGENE VISITED BY SAFE BLOWERS

Explosion Muffled by Pool Table Covers and Rugs—Take \$200, Also Few Drinks.

EUGENE, Ore., Aug. 6.—Ye-gemen, presumably professionals at the game, last night or early this morning let themselves into the Eugene Elks temple through a skylight and blew open the lodge safe. They obtained about \$200 in cash, leaving checks and papers. Rugs were taken from the floor, and two or three pool table covers were removed from the pool parlor in adjoining room. This material formed the muffer for the blast.

The job was neatly done, according to police, and was evidently the work of some one who understood their business. The cash register at the candy counter and near stand was also broken into and about \$5 in cash taken. Two empty bottles at the bar showed that the ye-gemen had evidently helped themselves to some of the Elks soft drinks.

The handle to the safe and the combination were knocked off with a hammer, and the safe was opened from the Southern Pacific yards here. The safe blowers then inserted their blasting material, according to the evidence, and muffled it. No one heard the blast.

CANNERY STARTS SEASON'S RUN ON BLACKBERRIES

The Roseburg cannery has started its season's run, and will probably continue operations steadily until the end of the present year. Work is now starting on blackberries, and pears and prunes will follow rapidly, after which will come the apple pack. The blackberry crop is larger than usual, and the cannery is buying all that can be delivered at market prices. The pack will be larger than last year, although only a small force is necessary at this time to conduct the work. Manager Goodwin says that the market outlook is good, and that a very successful year is anticipated.

CATTLE RUSTLER GIVEN TWO YEARS

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 6.—Harry Gooderham, a resident of McCleod, Cal., for the past 15 years, was today sentenced by Federal Judge C. E. Wolcott to a two-year term in the McNeil Island penitentiary following his plea of guilty to a charge of cattle rustling on the Klamath Indian reservation. Gooderham was charged with running the cattle off the reservation and murdering them to get the First National Bank of Bend for \$300. He was arrested when preparing to ship the cattle to Portland livestock dealers. In his plea of guilty he told the court, "this is the first time in my life I have ever done a dishonest act."

GERMANY ORDERS POLES TO DEPART

BERLIN, Aug. 6.—Foreign Minister Stresemann announced today that the Polish residents in Germany who choose to retain their Polish citizenship following the plebiscite of 1920-21 in east and west Prussia and upper Silesia, have been ordered to leave Germany within 48 hours under pain of compulsory deportation. New Yorkers Will Arrive—Judge J. M. Proskauer, and party of six, of New York City, will arrive tonight to be guests at the Umpqua Hotel. Judge Proskauer is a prominent jurist, and with the party plans a trip to Crater Lake and other national parks on the Pacific coast.

MILLIONAIRE'S ADOPTION POOR GIRL IS SCORED

Welfare Official Brands Transaction Immoral—Inquiry Asked.

SAYS CHILD BOUGHT

Meanwhile Browning's New Ward Revels in Finery, Gems, With Airplane in the Offing.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) NEW YORK, Aug. 6.—An investigation by the district attorney of Queen's county into the adoption of Mary Louise Spas, young daughter of immigrant parents, by Edward W. Browning, wealthy divorced father, was sought today by Commissioner of Public Welfare Coler. The commissioner said the investigation was prompted by charges that Browning had given money to Mary's parents in return for their signing the adoption papers. He added, however, that it was a violation of long established precedent for a divorced man to be permitted to adopt a child in this city.

"It is the most immoral transaction that has ever come to my notice," Mr. Coler said. "Some-where in the laws of this country there must be a statute that a parent cannot sell a child. If there is not such a law, we will make one. The adoption did not pass through his office, the commissioner explained, since Mary Louise was not a 'dependent child.'"

"We do not allow the adoption of children by foster parents of a different faith," he added, "and we never allow divorced parents to adopt children who are under our surveillance."

Mary Louise was the successful applicant for adoption out of 12,000 answers received by Mr. Browning when he advertised for a child to become a companion to 9-year-old Dorothy Sunshine Browning, whom he earlier adopted.

The girl walked from her home in Astoria to Mr. Browning's New York office and made her appeal in person, her smile as Mr. Browning said, winning her selection.

Informing Commissioner Coler's action, Browning said he had given \$500 each to Mary's father and mother at the girl's request. The money in both instances, he said, was sent at once to Denver for use in defraying the expenses of Mary's elder sister Mildred, who has been undergoing medical treatment there.

"I have a clear conscience," said Browning. "I too have received thousands of letters, but they all were of a complimentary nature. The millionaire said 'only \$2,500' had been spent in the first day of shopping for his new daughter, which he referred to as 'a preliminary expedition.'"

REVELS IN LUXURY. NEW YORK, Aug. 6.—Mary Spas Browning's dreams are beginning to come true. Whatever doubts and self-pinchings she may have indulged in when the millionaire rival, Edward Browning, pictured for her a life of ease as his third adopted daughter, the little Polish girl was convinced today.

For her suite in a Long Island hotel, her man, miles from the home of her immigrant parents, was crammed with the results of her first raid yesterday on the luxury shops on Fifth avenue where modistes, milliners and jewelers cater to the richest in the land. "Daddy" Browning was as good as his word, and Mary had carte blanche taking her pick from one glittering array after another. The shopping tour was halted only for luncheon at a Broadway hotel roof. It was enough to make any girl's head swim, but Mary, although reared in moderate circumstances, carried off her part with the dignity befitting a modern Cinderella.

The net result was fifty smart frocks, most of them lavishly trimmed in lace, for which Mary admits a fondness, twenty pairs of delicate silk hosiery, ten pairs of slippers and pearl's and other trimmings that a princess might envy. And yesterday was but the beginning. Today Mr. Browning planned to let his new daughter select a motor car, while he sought to insure her for \$100,000 and make arrangements for marking an airplane on the outskirts of New York. Mary will meet Dorothy Sunshine, the foster child for whom she was chosen as companion at Crystal Lake, Vermont, when her wardrobe and other purchases have been completed. There were some shadows on (Continued on page 8.)

COUNTY COURT PROMISES \$500 APPROPRIATION FOR LAND PRODUCTS SHOW

The committee appointed by the Roseburg Chamber of Commerce to finance the Home and Land Products show in September, today secured from the county court the promise of an appropriation in the sum of \$500. This sum will be sufficient, it is believed, together with such other funds as will be raised from various sources, to meet the needs for the premium list. The show committee has endeavored to keep the costs as low as possible, and estimated that an appropriation of \$500 from the county would be sufficient to meet the needs. The money was taken from the fair fund.

AMERICAN HELD BY CHINESE BANDITS IS WELL TREATED

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) PEKING, Aug. 6.—Dr. Harvey J. Howard, of the Peking Union medical college, who was captured by Manchurian bandits on July 29 when Moran Palmer, an American, was killed, is held by the bandits at a place about 20 miles from Fuchow-Hsien which is the nearest station to Palmer's ranch on the Sungari river. This information was contained in a telegram sent to Harbin by Samuel Sokobin, the American consul at Harbin, who is attempting to obtain Howard's release. The telegram said that Dr. Howard was being well treated. Officials of the Manchurian province of Fuhow-Hsien are ready to begin negotiations with the bandits for Dr. Howard's release. Other members of the party which were at the Palmer ranch when Palmer was killed and Dr. Howard captured, including Palmer's mother and Dr. Howard's son, James, are expected daily at Harbin.

10 MACHINE GUNS FOR SHENANDOAH

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) WASHINGTON, Aug. 6.—The dirigible Shenandoah, has been ordered equipped with machine guns, the first armament of any kind planned for her. Work of installing the batteries will begin at Lakehurst, N. J., this week and be followed by the training of gun crews. During the week beginning August 17, the craft will engage in gun training exercises and target practice. Ten machine guns of the standard thirty calibre type will be installed. No such installation is planned for the airship Los Angeles, a sister dirigible, which was constructed under an agreement providing for its use only as a commercial carrier.

PLANE FALLS WITH TWO; ONE IS KILLED

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) DAYTON, O., Aug. 6.—Lieutenant James F. Tilton of Pershing, Ind., was killed this afternoon and Lieutenant Leo L. Burch of Perryville, Ind., was seriously injured when their biplane crashed there and a half miles northwest of Osborne, near Wilbur Wright field.

CATHOLIC SISTERS FOR CITIZENSHIP

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Aug. 6.—First papers for naturalization have been filed here by seventeen Sisters of Providence, all teachers at St. Mary-of-the-Woods. Some of the sisters were born in Germany, Ireland and England. All of the applications were made in the family names of the sisters, who also signed the applications with the names in the order. The applications are made because of a law requiring a teacher to be citizen of this country.

EX-BANK CLERK IS FACING CHARGES

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) NEW YORK, Aug. 6.—Alfred Sandovall, Jr., former bank clerk of Nogales, Ariz., was arrested today on the steamship Sinaloa as the ship arrived from Panama. Sandovall was charged with a \$1200 defalcation by the First National Bank of Nogales and with larceny by banks in Los Angeles.

OFFICIAL SLAIN BY HIS PORTER

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) CHICAGO, Aug. 6.—Otto Berndt, 63, secretary-treasurer of the Lindsay Light company, was shot and killed today by Joseph Piche, 45, a porter, as he entered the company's office today. The cause was not learned. Berndt was the father of three children and had been with the company for 15 years. Piche was smiling when arrested and refused to believe he had killed Berndt. L. W. Barker, who has been visiting at the W. A. Burr home, left today for his home at Los Angeles.

RUSSIAN ADHERENTS OF EVOLUTION START JOHN SCOPES FUND

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) MOSCOW, Aug. 6.—As an expression of sympathy with John T. Scopes, science teacher convicted at Dayton, Tenn., of violating the Tennessee anti-evolution law, the Executive committee of the Soviet Irreligionists society has begun the collection of a fund to be devoted to the publication of natural science literature for the Russian peasantry. The Russian newspapers, which gave considerable space to comments on the Scopes trial, have begun a campaign for contributions under the slogan "John Scopes fund."

STORY OF PLOT TO KIDNAP IS TOLD IN PICKFORD CASE

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) LOS ANGELES, Aug. 6.—Further testimony that Louis Geey, a police informer, was the first to mention a plot to kidnap moving picture celebrities and later described the alleged plan to assist police, was offered here today where three men are on trial charged with plotting to kidnap Mary Pickford, screen star. C. Z. Stephens, one of defendants on the stand in his own defense, declared that Geey sought him out early in 1923 and suggested kidnaping a daughter of Carl Laemmle, a picture producer, as a means of making "easy money." Stephens said that at that time Geey said he was "broke, out of employment and ready for anything." The defense and prosecution frequently engaged in legal wrangles during the morning session, but the former held their ground on the contention that "we intend to show that the alleged conspiracy is an entrapment for further a publicity scheme on the part of Detectives George K. Home and Harry Raymond to reflect glory on themselves."

SPOKANE GOLFER BEATS EASTERNER

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) GARDEN CITY, N. Y., Aug. 6.—Johnny Wall of Spokane continued his march through the second round of the national public links golf tournament at the Salisbury Country Club today, eliminating William Bath of Newark 3 and 2.

For six hours the battle was the tightest yet fought, both turning in near golf to stand off his opponent. Then came the break and Wall took the lead, never to be headed. The Newark man won only one hole in the eighteen. Dick Walcott of New York also survived the second, beating down a strong opponent in Walter Murray of St. Louis, who stood third in the qualifying list, by two and one.

OREGON LAD SHOWS SOME REAL NERVE

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) BEND, Ore., Aug. 6.—Although but 9 years old, yet helping his father "punch" cattle, last night was thrown from his horse, sustaining a dislocated elbow. In spite of having to come 19 miles to Bend for medical attention, the little fellow never whimpered. After his arm was attended he set out with his parents for his home expressing a wistful wish that "his arm had busted when the circus was here."

MAYOR AND POLICE HEAD IN RUM NET

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) BOSTON, Aug. 6.—The federal grand jury, which has been investigating an alleged "ring" in Chicago, today reported indictments against 44 persons, including Mayor Lawrence F. Quigley and his brother, Thomas Quigley, a police inspector. Two sergeants of police also are in the list of those indicted.

8TH DEATH FROM MINE EXPLOSION

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) WILKESBARRE, Pa., Aug. 6.—The name of Albert Becovsky, 19, Kinzston high school football star, today was added to the list of dead as a result of an explosion in the Dorrance mine last Monday, bringing the total to 8. Two men were killed instantly in the explosion and the other man died in a hospital since. Becovsky's father was in the same explosion and died Tuesday.

LEWIS-CLARK TRAILERS ARRIVE IN ILLINOIS

PEORIA, Ill., Aug. 6.—Three men making a trip in an 18-foot motor boat from Astoria, Ore., to New York over the route taken by Lewis and Clark in 1805, are expected to land at Peoria this afternoon on their way up the Illinois river. The men are Frank Wilton, Val Woodbury and John Edwin Hogg. A reception has been planned here by the Ivy Club.

UNITED STATES TO INDEX ROADS FOR GUIDANCE

50,000-Mile Network Over Whole Country Will Be Dotted With Signs.

ROSEBURG IS ON LIST

Pacific Highway Among the Routes Chosen by Board—Another On Coast From Florence.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) WASHINGTON, Aug. 6.—An index of highways for tourists in valley sections and byways of the country will be afforded in the marking of the vast system of United States highways as selected by the joint board of interstate highways. A network of roads stretching from the Atlantic to the Pacific and from the Canadian border to the Gulf embraced in the fifty thousand miles of highways to be designated with uniform markers to tell the motorist exactly what road he is on and where it will take him. In carrying its work to this point, the joint board has left to a sub-committee the actual grouping of the selected roads into main arterial highways. In this routing of the highways the sub-committee is making tentative designations to be submitted to the various states for approval, will bring out the purpose of bringing within the system all of the nation's larger cities, state capitals and resort and points of general interest.

The highway markers to be used in addition to bearing the shield of the United States, the number of the road, the state and the letters "U. S." will be variously shaped and colored under a code of warning to motorists approaching curves, railroad crossings and other road conditions. Designation of the system, which includes every federal aid highway in the United States involves no new road construction other than roads now planned under the federal program. The board also has power as to maintenance or alteration of highway systems, its funds to be solely for purchase of the designating signs.

Pacific roads designated include the coast route beginning at Port Angeles, on Puget Sound and skirting the Pacific coast through Washington and crossing the Columbia river by ferry at its mouth to Florence, Ore., thence along the Oregon coast to Crescent City, Cal., Eureka, Ukiah, San Francisco, Santa Barbara, Los Angeles, San Diego and Tia Juana. The Pacific highway beginning at Blaine, Wash., on the Canadian border, to Seattle, Tacoma, Olympia, Vancouver, Portland, Eugene, Roseburg, Grants Pass, Redding, Davis; Sacramento, Truckee by Teana, Bakersfield, Los Angeles, Riverside and El Centro.

Other roads in California to be incorporated are those from Crescent City to Grants Pass, Ore.; San Jose to Hayward; to Manteca; San Diego to El Centro; Holtville to Riverside in the direction of Yuma; Arizona line to Barstow to the Nevada line; San Francisco to Davis; Sacramento, Truckee by way of Donner Pass to the Nevada border in the direction of Reno. Another road to be included in Oregon, runs from Portland along the Columbia river to its mouth. Others extend from Portland to The Dalles and continue along the Columbia river into Washington to Wallula; from The Dalles to Redmond; Klamath Falls to Ashland; from Redmond either passing through or near Mitchell, on the border; from Umatilla to La Grande to Ontario.

DAWES TO SPEAK AT OLD HOME CITY OF BRYAN

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo., Aug. 6.—Vice-President Dawes and party arrived here today after a week spent at the Wagon Wheel Gap ranch of Col. A. E. Humphreys of Denver. After spending the day here the party will leave tonight for Lincoln, Nebraska, where the vice-president speaks tomorrow night. While here Mr. Dawes will be the guest of Miss Ann Douglas, his cousin, and the Reverend James Douglas, who was chaplain in his army regiment during the world war.

TRAIN MEETS AUTO, 3 PERSONS KILLED

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) EL PASO, Tex., Aug. 6.—Automobile accidents took a toll of four lives in this region last night. Mrs. Rita Hysatt and her two daughters, Catherine and Georgia, were killed when a Santa Fe train struck an automobile near Deming, N. M. Juan Perez, five, was killed, when he ran in front of an automobile in El Paso.

ANOTHER CHANGE DUE ON FISH COMMISSION; ASS'N AGENT SLATED.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) PORTLAND, Aug. 6.—Albert C. Ross, master fish warden, is to be replaced at the next meeting of the state fish commission by Edson I. Ballagh, former mayor of St. Helens, according to report that was not denied by John Veatch, commission member. Ross was appointed master warden when Carl G. Shoop-maker left the post and the status of both the commission and of its staff entered a period of rapid change, which has continued ever since. Ballagh is a former member of the legislature, in which he served on the fisheries committee of the house. He is now field agent for Columbia River Packers Association.

REWARD POSTED FOR ARREST OF C. H. SCHWARTZ

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) MARTINEZ, Cal., Aug. 6.—A personal reward of \$100, which he will ask Governor Richardson to increase by \$1,000, for the arrest of Charles Henry Schwartz was announced here today by Sheriff R. R. Veale. Schwartz was arrested at first believed to have perished in an explosion at the plant of the Pacific Cellulose company at Walnut Creek, but investigation of the police has convinced them that Schwartz is not dead, but a fugitive and that the body found in the laboratory is that of some one who was slain and placed there to defraud insurance companies out of millions of more than \$100,000. The tracing out of any clues in an effort to identify the body has yielded no tangible results. The authorities have tentatively accepted various identifications ranging from a New York "tramp" to an unknown member of a southern California religious cult only to find the clue disproved and the identification false in each case. Mrs. Schwartz, wife of the chemist, is preparing her attorney said, to start legal action against the insurance companies to force payment of policies carried by Schwartz. She is satisfied the dead man is her husband. District Attorney A. T. Finlin stated after conference with representatives of insurance companies that the companies would not offer a reward for the apprehension of Schwartz, being unfavorably disposed to such a procedure as a matter of business principle. Letters left last November by Schwartz to be opened in the event of his death are said to have expressed the wish that his three children be educated in England.

TUNNEY-WILLS BOUT NOW PROBABILITY

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) NEW YORK, Aug. 6.—An offer for a 15-round match between Harry Wills and Gene Tunney, leading heavyweight title contenders, at the Polo Grounds September 23 or 25, was taken under advisement today by Paddy Mullins, manager of Wills. Mullins expressed himself as well satisfied with the offer, the terms of which were not disclosed, but said he desired to communicate with Wills, now in Germany on an European tour, before making any decision. Mullins promised to give promoters of the Polo Grounds athletic club a definite answer by next Monday.

3 GUNMEN LESS AS RESULT OF A RAID

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) NEW YORK, Aug. 6.—One gunman was killed and two others same today. The three were shot by police as they attempted to escape after lining seventy men against a wall and collecting several thousand dollars in money and jewelry.

QUITTS OFFICE RATHER THAN QUIT OREGON

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) PORTLAND, Aug. 6.—Tom Word, special investigator in the United States Department of Justice and former sheriff of Multnomah county, announced this morning that he had resigned. Several days ago Word received notice that he was to be transferred permanently to Phoenix, Arizona. He at once wired the department that he could go to Phoenix for a temporary assignment, but that it would be difficult to go permanently, as his home and property are here. All his family reside here, and since he has lived in Portland for more than 36 years, it would be hard to "pull out," as requested. Back came the reply from some department clerk: "Go to Phoenix, Arizona, permanently or send in your resignation at once." The resignation was sent.

TRUCK ROBBERS ENTER WILDER AND AGEE STORE

Merchandise Worth More Than \$1500 Taken by Two Men.

TRACKS ARE FOUND

Believe Lee Duncan's Companions Responsible for Robbery of Store Last Night.

Truck robbers last night entered the Wilder and Agee clothing store, and looted the place of merchandise valued at more than \$1,500. Suits, shirts, underwear, shoes, and many other articles of clothing were taken in wholesale lots, and carried away in an automobile. The robbers secured a small amount of cash from the money drawer. News of the robbery and a description of the stolen goods have been broadcast through the state, and officers hope to locate the thieves. This is the second time the clothing store has been robbed this year, and the third time since the business has been established. Because of the location, the dark alley in the rear, and the ease with which the building can be entered the store offers an easy mark for robbers, and losses in late years have been very heavy. It is evident that last night's crime was committed by two men, both small in size, and experienced in their work. They reached the roof by means of a small shed on the northwest corner and then broke out a pane of the skylight. A knotted, quarter-inch hemp rope was swung from the roof into the store building, and they evidently dropped through by means of the rope, about ten feet long, to a table from which they could easily reach the floor. It is indicated that they were in the store room for a considerable period of time, as the goods taken were carefully sorted for sizes. Tracks were found where they backed their car up to the rear entrance of the building, and in the ashes the prints of their feet were plainly found, showing where they had made several trips, back and forth, carrying out the loot which they had gathered up inside the building. They took thirty or more suits of clothes, sizes 36, 37 and 38, and several pairs of shoes, size 7. Two piles of silk shirts were removed, the sizes being 14's. The men also took four dozen pairs of gloves, several sweater coats, ladies' silk hose, two auto robes, hats and caps, four suits of pajamas, neckties, socks, suspenders, belts, and other articles of clothing. Naturally the proprietors are unable to say definitely how much has been taken, but from what they have checked the loss will run well over \$1,000. Two suspicious looking characters were noticed yesterday in the vicinity of the store, and a good description of them was obtained and given the officers, and an effort is being made to locate them. A description of the goods stolen is also being sent broadcast through the state. Officers feel that it is possible that the robbery was performed by the four men who were seen in the store, who is now confined to the penitentiary for participation in a number of robberies in this city. When Duncan visited the city in the spring he robbed the Wilder and Agee store. At that time he was known to have had help, and (Continued on page 8.)

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