FOREST FIRE KILLS 5 IN NEW JERSEY

NEW GRETNA, N. J., May 26.—(AP)—A South Jersey forest fire, in which five men lost their lives, was brought under control today after more than 750 men fought it on a wide front for 48 hours.

Only one danger spot remained near Manhahawkin and men were rushed there by truck to meet the threat. The state forest fighting service called the fire "the worst in its history," and estimated it had ravaged 15,000 acres.

The dead:

John T. LaSalle, 20, New Brunswick.
Edward F. Sullivan, 20, New Brunswick.
Stanley Carr, 22, Waretown.
Kingsley White, 38, Whitesville.
Ira Morey, West Creek.

LaSalle, Sullivan and Carr were members of the CCC camp at Bass lake. Morey was a state fire fighter. White was a civilian.

The triangular area swept by the flames lies just north of Atlantic city and neighboring summer resorts, and south of Asbury Park and other seashore vacation places to the south. The sandy plain is covered with pine woods and contains two state forests. The little hamlets in the area were saved from the flames by the fire fighters, but no one knew the fate of numerous small cottages and homes isolated in the woodlands.

PORTLAND MUST PAY FOR GARBAGE ODORS

SALEM, May 27 — (AP) —Garbage fumes are damaging, the Oregon supreme court ruled.

Plaintiffs in a suit against the city of Portland for injuries resulting from the dumping of garbage into a ravine near their property were upheld in the collection of $240 damages in an opinion written by Justice Harry Belt on an appeal by the City of Portland, defendant.

"In our opinion a city has no more right than an individual to create and maintain a nuisance on its own property, . . . but is rather acting in violation of its public duties," the opinion says.

WAR TO BE WAGED ON BLISTER RUST

PORTLAND, May 27 — (AP)—Dr. J. L. Bedwell, pathologist in charge of the northwest regional office of U. S. forest pathology, said yesterday that a fight will be made against destructive blister rust, which has appeared on the sugar pines in central and southeastern Oregon.

The control work will be done by members of CCC camps and SERA workers under the supervision of state and federal bureaus financed by emergency relief funds. However, he said a large appropriation is necessary immediately if the disease is to be effectively checked.

The infection was discovered by T. S. Buchanan and J. W. Kimmey of the division of forest pathology, on the Metolius river in Jefferson county and in the Siskiyous near the boundary between Coos and Curry counties.

Dr. Bedwell said it was the first time the rust has been seen on sugar pines within the natural range of that species and the first it has been detected on the east slope of the Cascades.

Control work is centered upon removal of currant and gooseberry bushes, which are alternate hosts to the rust fungus.

Dr. Bedwell viewed the infection as a threat to the stands of white and sugar pine in southern Oregon and California.

NORTH BEND CHURCH CALLS DR. HABBICK

The congregation of the North Bend Presbyterian church has given Rev. John D. Habbick an invitation to supply the pulpit there during the summer months. Rev. Mr. Habbick was appointed evangelist of the presbytery at the spring meeting in Medford. His duties consist of supplying churches during the interim between the removal of a pastor and the calling of a new one, as is the case with the North Bend church. His work also includes the conduct of evangelistic services in any church desiring his services. Another angle of his manifold office is the taking of weak churches and building them up until able to spport a regular pastor. Those in the presbytery who are acqainted with Rev. Mr. Habbick's record express much satisfaction in his appointment. Mr. Habbick states his headquarters will remain in Roseburg.

SOCIALITE VICTIM OF TORCH MURDER

KEENE, N. H., May 26 —(AP) — The torch murder victim found on Wantastiequet mountain was identified today as Mrs. Elizabeth Cannon Freel, 50, a socially prominent matron of Clinton, Mass., and mother of three children. She was the wife of Robert E. Freel, superintendent of the Wauchetts Electric Light company at Clinton.

A revolver and a gasoline can were found beside the body of the woman last Thursday.

Authorities sought for questioning an elderly man last seen boarding a train with her at White River junction. The slain woman had registered at hotels in White River junction and Brattleboro as "Mrs. Hurley of Boston."

LIGHTNING SETS 13 FIRES IN FOREST

MEDFORD, Ore., May 26.—(AP) —Thirteen lightning-bred forest fires were burning in southern Oregon today, according to a report of the forest service.

Five of the fires were on Elk and Trail creeks in the upper Rogue river district; three were in the Applegate section, on forest service land.

On state-owned land four fires were reported on Foots creek in northern Jackson county, and one on Santiam peak.

CCC enrollees and forest service employees were battling the flames. None of the fires were listed as serious, or beyond control.

WIFE, CHILD COME BEFORE PARENTS

CHICAGO, May 27 — (AP) — A man's wife and child, Superior Judge Joseph Sabath ruled, come before his parents in the economics of law.

A. H. Bates, 48-year old engineer, asked the jurist yesterday to reduce the $125 monthly alimony he paid his former wife and crippled child. Bates said his parents, both about 80, needed his support.

Judge Sabath denied the plea.

COIN FLIP SETTLES ELECTION CONTEST

OREGON CITY, May 27 —(AP) — A flip of the coin lost for A. Rothenburg immediate election as constable of district No. 6, Canby. He won the republican nomination and tied with C. F. Ziegler for the democratic. They flipped and Ziegler won and will oppose Rothenburg next November.

GRADUATION SET AT STATE UNIVERSITY

Graduating seniors of the University of Oregon, their parents, friends, fellow students and alumni will have a busy time at Eugene for four days, starting Friday of this week when the annual commencement exercises will be combined with class reunions of alumni. Several students from Roseburg and vicinity will be among the gradates, and a number of alumni from here are expected to attend the reunion of the classes of 1886, 1896, 1906, 1911, 1916 and 1926.

First of the traditional occasions will be held Friday evening, when senior orators will compete for the Failing and Beckman prizes of $150 and $100. This will be held in the music auditorium, and at this for the first time seniors will appear in their traditional caps and gowns.

Saturday has been designated as "alumni day" and something will be doing every hour starting at 9 a. m. when the state association of university women will hold its breakfast and meeting at the Osborn hotel. The semi-annual alumni meeting will be held at 10:30, and will be followed by the university luncheon. Dr. Frederick M. Hunter, chancellor of higher education, will deliver the address at this event.

In the evening reunion dinners of several classes will be held, after which at 7:30, the beautiful flower and fern procession will take place at the base of the Pioneer Mother statue.

The baccalaureate service will be held in McArthur court at 11 a. m. Sunday morning, with Bishop Edwin V. O'Hara, Great Falls, Mont., delivering the sermon on "The More Excellent Way." Dr. J. Duncan Spaeth, former professor at Princeton and now president of the University of Kansas City, will deliver the address before the graduating class Monday evening at 8 o'clock, speaking on "Training for Freedom."

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