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**Another City Destroyed.**

IN LESS than twelve months two Oregon towns have been wiped out by fire. Last fall Bandon was destroyed and yesterday it was Canyon City.

It is sad to contemplate the historic old town of Canyon City in smoldering ruins. It was definitely the "old West." Founded because of the discovery of gold in 1862, there has been little physical change in Canyon City in half a century.

The courageous residents of Canyon City are already discussing ways and means for rebuilding. It will rise of modern architecture. New buildings and plenty of new paint will replace the weathered grandeur that was new when millions in gold flowed into world trade from there and when County Judge Joaquin Miller decided how county funds should be spent.

Oregon has had more than its share of such disasters. In 1922 the city of Astoria was destroyed; in 1928 Glendale, in our own county, was reduced to ashes.

Such happenings are grim warnings to the rest of us that fire is an ever present danger. Let us, therefore, give heed to fire prevention education and spend willingly for adequate fire protection—not forgetting, of course, that insurance is a breath of life if and when all prevention and protection methods fail and fire does occur.

**Comeback Tactics**

IN HIS 73-year-old aunt, whom he once banished from Spain, ex-King Alfonso apparently has a sturdy protagonist.

At least she has demanded that he be restored to the Spanish throne. The king has given nearly \$10,000,000 to aid the insurgent cause, she points out, and should be returned to his throne "as a reward for what he has done."

If the insurgents finally win, Alfonso may recover his crown. But if he does, it is doubtful if he will find the fruits of his victory to be sweet. A monarch who has helped one side or another to continue a war that drenches his country in blood certainly is not one who merits, or will get, the undivided loyalty and affection of his subjects.

An unselfish leader, one who loved the land of his fathers, would have tried without stint to end the dreadful conflict.

**Editorials on News**

(Continued from page 1.)

This isn't true.

**J. M. DEYERS**, attorney for the state highway commission, recommends lighting the Columbia highway from Portland to The Dalles, the commission to bear the cost unless cities and counties contribute. Plans are already under way to light the new Portland-Oregon City super-highway.

There has been much talk of lighting the highways at night, but little of it has been done out here on the Pacific Coast. Some tests have been made on heavily traveled highways in the East, and these are said to have resulted in material reduction of accidents at night. (Night is the WORST time for accidents.)

**L**IGHTING the highways at night sounds NOW like a far-fetched scheme. But 30 years ago paved highways sounded like a far-fetched scheme. Now we have them everywhere. So it is probable that lighting the highways at night isn't so fantastic an idea as at first it seems to be.

**O**VER near Florence, a 69-foot whale has been washed up on

the beach and forest service officials are said to be in a quandary as to what to do about it. Well, one good suggestion is NOT to get downwind from it.

**ARMY UNIT GOES THROUGH ROSEBURG**

A caravan of 150 motor vehicles, carrying men and equipment of the 39th Infantry from Presidio, Calif., to Fort Lewis, Wash., passed through Roseburg today. The regiment spent last night at Medford, where an estimated crowd of 7,500 persons heard a concert by the infantry band last night.

**CONFERENCE HELD BY 4-H LEADERS**

Approximately 75 leaders and 4-H club members met at Roseburg Junior high school last night for a local leader's conference, which was conducted by Mrs. James Hartley of Roseburg, president.

E. A. Britton, county club leader, opened the session, which was provided for the annual summer school by firms, individuals, parent-teacher associations and strangers, and through the work of the Kiwanis club in providing benefit shows in cooperation with granges of the county. He also outlined plans for the proposed summer camp, and presented two demonstrations, one by the North Roseburg Jolly Time Sewing club, which demonstrated placing patterns when cutting materials and the other by the Dusy Bee club of the Green school, which demonstrated the making of prune whip.

Three harmonica bands, were featured, the Green school group being under the direction of Mrs. Edward Smith; Tenuille school group, directed by Verne Laswell, and the Dillard school band directed by Violet Bloomquist.

**WEATHER RETARDS CROPS IN OREGON**

PORTLAND, April 21.—(AP)—Heavy rains and lack of spring sunshine after winter's record assault in January and February have retarded farm work and crops in Oregon, the U. S. department of agriculture weather bureau said today in a summary of conditions for the week ending April 20.

Winter kill in the grain fields has resulted in heavy spring seeding. Winter losses occurred in the peach buds of the eastern counties and among the strawberry plants in the west. The late season has been unfavorable for pollination and among the strawberry plants in the west. The late season has been unfavorable for pollination and among the strawberry plants in the west.

**OREGON EVENTS FLASHED FROM WIRE SERVICE**

PORTLAND, April 21.—(AP)—Dr. Francis E. Townsend, founder of the Townsend pension movement, will speak at Portland on May 2. John A. Jeffrey, district leader, said today it will be Townsend's only Oregon appearance during his nationwide tour.

LAKEVIEW, April 21.—(AP)—Letters sent to the treasury department asking an earthquake structure have delayed construction of the new federal building here. The city, however, has been jarred by a quake only once in ten years.

**BEER PARLOR UNION PROPOSED BY AEBI**

PORTLAND, April 21.—(AP)—Ernest H. Aebi, president of the Oregon Food and Beverage Dispensers, Inc., called a meeting here today of beer tavern and restaurant operators to discuss the unionization of small beer parlors.

Aebi asserted that it was necessary for dispensers to present a united front to unions so they might negotiate on "some reasonable compromise basis."

Many parlors are operated by the owner and his family and under present union regulations they would be forced to close, Aebi claimed.

**OUT OUR WAY**



HEROES ARE MADE - NOT BORN

**MURDER ON THE BLUFF**

**SYNOPSIS:** A storm breaks and every thing starts happening as Michael, his sweetheart Gay Palmer and I (Jim Wells) reach his aunt's home, Farrington Bluff, for a February week-end. In the night, Mike awakens me as a chimney crashes, shouting that Judy Blinnhop, the fourth guest, and the Skipper, his tall and tweedy younger aunt, have disappeared. With William, the chauffeur, a gun and flashlight, Michael and I start to search the island. At the boathouse, Michael slips over the wet rocks in his eagerness and falls into the black, churning surf.

**Chapter Five**  
**The Body on the Bluff**  
Even as I realized that the dark object was Michael, William made a short work of what was left of his clothes. The gash in his head was wide, but not too deep. His knees and shins were merely scraped, but the arm was a different matter.

"It ain't broke, sir. I think it's his shoulder."  
I nodded. We patched him up as well as we could and brought him around. It took him only a second to collect himself. His voice was hoarse.

"Did you find them?"  
I shook my head. In the midst of our efforts to keep him in bed, Gay appeared behind me.  
"The wire's down," she said dully.  
"Well, I had expected it. Listen, Mike," I said. "You're staying right here. If you promise to do it, we go on hunting. If you don't, we'll stay right here and hold you down."

Once or twice a year I succeeded in convincing him that I mean just what I say. I did it then. He stared at me for half a minute.  
"All right. Only hurry, for God's sake!"  
"I'll get them," I promised.  
**The Sound of Shriek Sobs**  
Downstairs, Annie and Cook between them had managed to remove M. Farrington to the library. Whence the sound of her shriek sobs was distinctly audible. William and I climbed into dry coats and tested the Skipper's Scotch. It was good Scotch.

"I suggest, sir, that we go on the west door. If you was to go round the front and me round the back, we could cover quite a lot of ground, meet at the east side, and go on to the garage."  
"O. K.," I said. "For God's sake don't fall off the bluff!"  
So we parted. Either the gale was gathering force or we were losing it. Going was hard and thinking was worse. Where the devil was the Skipper? And Judy? What was that girl up to anyway?

I thought nothing of reaching the end of the house ahead of William. Going, I reasoned, would be harder for him on mushy soil with no protection against the wind. But by the time I had been there several minutes, it was beginning to get me. And then I heard something—a faint shout in the distance, calling my name.  
It was coming from the direc-

**HILL BILLY STAR TO BE HEARD HERE**

Joe Bishop, singing comedian, featured for the past eight years with Bill Hatch's KXN orchestra



Joe Bishop

and better known to the Barn Dance listeners as the Great International Hill Billy, will make his first personal appearance at the Indian theatre in Roseburg Thursday, April 22, with the original star of KXN and the Hollywood Barn Dance. Bishop has been featured on many KXN shows, writing his own songs, and original sketches.

tion of the bluff. I forgot the danger of dashing over the edge in the darkness. I forgot everything and began to run toward that voice. Long before I could see anybody I could see the light, and I belloved at the top of my lungs as I came. William was standing not 20 feet from the edge of the bluff, and I was still some distance from him when he turned his light downward.

There, without hat or coat, face downward in the mud, lay Judy Blinnhop, still clad in her light blue dress and silver slippers. (Copyright, 1937, Esther Tyler)

The Skipper explains her absence, tomorrow.

**EDDIE CANTOR TO BE DADDY-IN-LAW**

HOLLYWOOD, Calif., April 21.—(AP)—Eddie Cantor, poney father of five daughters, is due to acquire a son-in-law next month.

**BICYCLE LICENSES REACH 215 TOTAL**

The city has licensed 215 bicycles under the provisions of its new bicycle ordinance, while 275 riders have been registered, City Recorder A. J. Geides reported today. Approximately 140 riders who passed the examinations have not yet made application for their registration certificates.

**REED DIVORCE SUIT OPENS AT SALEM**

SALEM, April 21.—(AP)—Eva L. Reed's divorce suit against Robert Reed, former world amateur professional wrestling champion, will start in circuit court today. Mrs. Reed charges cruelty and asks \$75 a month for the support of a minor daughter and \$15,000 alimony.

**SPRING HAT SPECIAL**

A special clearance purchase of milliners' fine models enables Carr's to offer you regular \$2.00 to \$4.00 hats at \$1.98. Fine qualities and distinctive styles. Also a large assortment of exceptional values in smart styles at 98c, \$1.25 and \$1.49. Others at 59c and 79c. Inspect our large stock. More than 200 styles to choose from: whites, pastels or dark shades; newest flower and veil trims; plain or novelty straps, crests and felt; all head sizes. The largest line of ladies' hats in Roseburg, at Carr's Store.—Adv.

**PAGE Lumber and Fuel Company** sells machine and carriage bolts, builders' hardware, cave gutter and down spout, reinforcing steel, etc.—Adv.

**BOY SCOUT TROOP FORMED BY LEGION**

Umpqua Post Also Decides to Sponsor Boys' Ball Club This Year.

At the regular meeting of Umpqua post, No. 19, American Legion, Tuesday night, the Boy Scout committee reported that the Legion Scout troop had been organized. Jack Saunders is scoutmaster and Pete Motechenbacher assistant scoutmaster. The committee has arranged for a meeting place for the boys. Capt. Edw. Hines, manager of the post drum corps, stated that regular practices are being held weekly in preparation for appearance at the state convention at Albany. Bill Myers of the hospital visiting committee reported on visiting the veterans' hospital. A. W. Ruhl was appointed chairman of committee on Decoration day observance, to meet with committees from the other veterans' organizations.

**Behind the Scenes in Washington**

By Rodney Dutcher

WASHINGTON, April 21.—Although the administration continues to belabor the supreme court, it is secretly grateful for the Wagner act decisions.

Even if it should be conceded that those decisions made Roosevelt's attempt to reorganize the judiciary somewhat more difficult, the new dealers received a big break when they were given a constitutional interpretation which will enable the government to handle the labor problems.

Now the administration — perhaps with little semblance of gratitude — can blame recent labor crises on the courts. Federal district and circuit courts had tied up enforcement of the Wagner act for nearly two years by rulings of unconstitutionality, which they based on arbitrary court rulings handed down in days when Justice Roberts was voting with the conservatives.

The supreme court's Wagner decisions have made it possible to have a national labor policy and have left the country with seasoned, experienced machinery in the form of the national labor relations board.

**Bitter On Conference Call**  
Some confusion and mystification has followed the action of Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins in calling a conference of industrial and labor leaders for the purpose of stabilizing industrial relations under collective bargaining.

The NLRB, recalling how strenuously Miss Perkins sought to get the board under her wing when it was created, and suspecting she still hopes to get it there whenever the president's reorganization program goes through, is rather bitter about it. The board believes that it is at least an attempt to assign industrial labor department, and advertise its conciliation services. Labor leaders privately stress their ignorance as to what the conference might be expected to accomplish.

Industrialists naturally would emphasize their claims that the Wagner act is entirely one-sided, and demand legislative guarantees of equality of contracts with labor unions and against "illegal stoppage of work." The administration is not unsympathetic to such proposals, but has no intention of supporting such far-reaching programs as, for example, compulsory arbitration or compulsory incorporation of trade unions. It is virtually certain that there will be no amendments to the Wagner act, such as are proposed to "balance" it for the sake of employers, this year. Present administration attitude is: "Let's let it ride on the basis of the Wagner act for awhile."

Numerous problems remain in the labor field, and only actual events, it is held, will demonstrate just what new legislation might be needed. One obvious fact is that there still will be strikes if employers, having obeyed the law by bargaining collectively, are unable to reach agreements with their employees.

The NLRB's toughest problem probably will be found in disputes between the A. F. of L. and the C. I. O. The A. F. of L. has been demanding the right to bargain for craft unions. And the board must decide, in many instances, whether collective bargaining arrangements shall be decided by courts, or by entire plant personnel. Under the Wagner act it can use its discretion — which gives it power to be a great help either to the Lewis or the Green group in specific cases.

**Could Plant Agents**  
Inspired reports that the administration favors incorporation of unions so that they may incur greater legal liability may be entirely discounted for the present. Key officials are inclined to agree with labor leaders that it would be simple for unfair employers to plant agents in incorporated unions and have them commit acts for which the unions could be held financially responsible. There is no compulsion on employers to incorporate, and the essential functions of a profit-making corporation and a trade union are entirely different.

**ENGLAND INCREASES ARMAMENTS TAX**

LONDON, April 20.—(AP)—Chancellor of the Exchequer Chamberlain introduced Great Britain's first "rearmament budget" today with the unwelcome news of an increase in the standard income tax rate to 25 per cent, but with a prospective surplus of \$25,000,000 pounds sterling (\$31,250,000).

**KRRR Program (1,500 Kilocycles)**

- REMAINING HOURS TODAY**
- 4:00—The Editor Views the News.
  - 4:15—Novelty Orchestration.
  - 4:30—Ted Lewis' Band.
  - 5:00—The Monitor Views the News.
  - 5:15—Salon Suite.
  - 5:45—Gems From Mikado.
  - 6:00—Dinner Concert.
  - 6:30—Sheep Fields in Rippling Rhythm.
  - 6:50—News Flashes.
  - 7:00—Men of Vision, Dr. Bubur and Church.
  - 7:15—Roy Smeck, Wizard of the Strings.
  - 7:30—The American Family Robinson.
  - 7:45—Our Grab Bag Program.
  - 8:00—Sign Off.

**THURSDAY, APRIL 22**

- 6:45—"Early Birds."
- 7:00—Classified Column of the Air.
- 7:30—News-Review Newscast.
- 7:45—Alarm Clock Club.
- 8:15—Fagbonds of the Prairies.
- 8:30—Full Gospel Church of the Air, A. Harold Persing.
- 8:45—Mills Bros.
- 9:00—Chas. Vagabond & Orch.
- 9:30—Western Ballads.
- 10:00—Music & Flowers.
- 10:15—A Few Wheezes From the Accordion.
- 10:30—"Radio Rendezvous," Copco.
- 10:45—Homemakers Harmony.
- 11:00—Variety Show of the Air.
- 11:30—Roseburg Senior High School Program.
- 12:00—"Time Signal," Knudtsons.
- 12:00—Brooklyn Symphony.
- 12:15—Rus Morgan Music.
- 12:30—Lopez & Orch.
- 12:45—News-Review News.
- 1:00—"Odds & Ends."
- 1:30—Modern Dance Rhythms.
- 2:00—"World Book Man."
- 2:05—Organ Interlude.
- 2:15—Rhythmical Recollections.
- 2:50—News Flashes.
- 3:00—Travel's Radio Review.
- 3:15—Marimba Melodies.
- 3:30—Kiddies Request Program.
- 4:00—The Editor Views the News.
- 4:15—Organ Melodies.
- 4:45—Girls of the Golden West.
- 5:00—The Monitor Views the News.
- 5:15—Jan Garber in Memories.
- 5:30—Modern Vocal Favorites.
- 6:00—Dinner Concert.
- 6:30—"The A. C. of Diamonds," Wilder.
- 6:45—Salon Interlude.
- 6:50—News Flashes.
- 7:00—Chevrolet's Musical Moments with Rubinoff, Irene Beasley and Bill Perry.
- 7:15—March Time.
- 7:30—Your Grab Bag Program.
- 8:00—Sign Off.

**FRIDAY, APRIL 23**

- 6:45—"Early Birds."
- 7:00—Classified Column of the Air.
- 7:15—Morning Organ Reveries.
- 7:30—News-Review Newscast.
- 7:45—J. M. Judd Says "Good Morning."
- 7:50—Alarm Clock Club.
- 8:15—Dixie Memories.
- 8:30—Rudy Vallee & the Yankees.
- 8:45—Sheep Fields in Rippling Rhythm.
- 9:00—Jan Garber Music.
- 9:15—Chick Bullock & Orch.
- 9:30—Golden Voices.
- 10:00—Dorsey Bros. Orch.
- 10:30—"Radio Rendezvous," Copco.
- 10:45—Homemakers Harmony.
- 11:15—Variety Show of the Air.
- 11:45—Mountie Music.
- 12:00—"Time Signal," Knudtsons.
- 12:00—Charles Vagabond & Orch.
- 12:15—Singing Strings, Radio Music Store.
- 12:30—Manhattan Concert Band.
- 12:45—News-Review News.
- 1:00—"Odds & Ends."
- 1:30—Modern Rhythms.
- 2:00—"World Book Man."
- 2:05—Organ Interlude.
- 2:15—Orville Knapp & Orch.
- 2:30—South Sea Serenade.
- 2:50—News Flashes.
- 3:00—Gus Arnheim & Orch.
- 3:15—"Your Highway to Happiness," Dairies of Roseburg.
- 3:30—Kiddies Request Program.
- 4:00—The Editor Views the News.
- 4:15—Louis Kaufman & Orch.
- 4:45—Glen Gray & Orch.
- 5:00—Monitor's Views of the News.
- 5:15—Roy Eldridge & the Swingers.
- 5:30—Songs of the Range.
- 6:00—Hansen Motors Program.
- 6:15—Eagles Lodge.
- 6:30—Dinner Concert.
- 6:50—News Flashes.
- 7:00—Farm Bureau Forum & News.
- 7:15—Victor Herbert Melodies.
- 7:30—Your Grab Bag Program.
- 8:00—Sign Off.

**CANNERY RESUMES WITH WAGE BOOST**

HILLSBORO, April 21.—(AP)—Washington county's largest industry, the Ray-Maling cannery has resumed operations with more than 150 employes at work handling asparagus.

**3 TRAINMEN HURT AS COACH UPSETS**

PORTLAND, April 21.—(AP)—A passenger coach being used as a bus was overturned on an S. P. & N. branch line between Goldendale and Lyle, Wash., Tuesday, injuring three trainmen, one seriously.

Thomas Wheaton, 63, conductor, Goldendale, suffered head cuts; J. W. Hall, 54, brakeman, Vancouver, Wash., left wrist injuries and bruises, and George Berry, 41, brakeman, Vancouver, Wash., chest injuries. They were brought to a hospital here.

The railroad was investigating the cause of the accident, which occurred when a box car ahead of the coach went off the track, dragging the coach after it.

**MORE FUNDS ASKED TO FIGHT PINE RUST**

WASHINGTON, April 21.—(AP)—The house appropriations committee asked congress today for more funds to cooperate with states and counties to fight blister rust in the white pine forests.

It recommended the agriculture department's share in the 1937-38 battle should be about \$300,000. This is an increase of \$45,000 over the present fiscal year.

In approving the forest service request for additional funds to carry on the control work, particularly in the Pacific northwest, the committee went \$5,000 beyond the amount set aside in the budget.

**RELIEF WORKERS REQUEST CLOTHING**

A request for further contributions of used clothing and shoes for relief purposes is being made by Dr. L. A. Dillard, commander of Umpqua post, No. 16, the American Legion. There is especial need for underwear for men and boys; also "old ladies" underwear and children's shoes. "During spring housecleaning, housewives will find articles of used clothing that are not needed and these will be of great assistance if sent to relief headquarters," Dr. Dillard said. "Phone 316 and articles will be called for or leave them at 439 North Jackson street."

**REGISTER FOR JOBS, VETERANS ADVISED**

World war veterans desiring employment are requested to register with Frank Chubb, manager of national employment office at the court house, states Roy Young, employment officer of Umpqua post, No. 16, American Legion. "Workers for the various construction projects in prospect will be selected from lists furnished by the employment office," said Young. "Veterans who have not registered are advised to do so at once."

**EX-GOVERNOR OF CALIFORNIA DIES**

BERKELEY, Calif., April 20.—(AP)—James Norris Billie, 76, governor of California from 1907 to 1911, died here today.

**BARBS**

"Trained flocks that just arrived in Boston from England can walk a wire." In fact, they were probably reared on wire-haired terriers.

"The medical name for cross-cyes is strabismus," suggesting a new yell for the puns: "Hey, nmp, you got no business out there with strabismus."

Klamath Falls, Ore., lumbermen discover eggs laid 100 years ago, too far back to have been vaudeville turns of the Cherry sisters.

Perhaps Il Duco sent his top-notch soldiers to Ethiopia, and only the backward goes to Spain.

An Arkansas hen eats cotton seeds. Maybe those aren't hairs in our restaurant omelets, but threads.

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