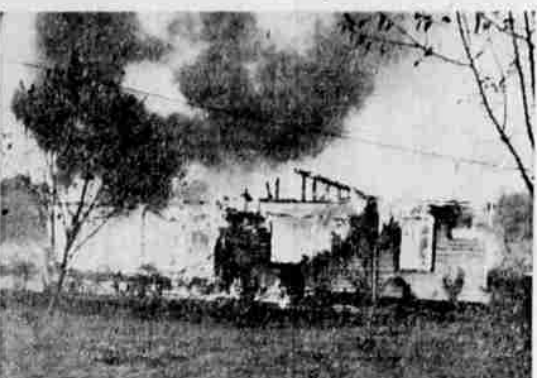


## Fire Destroys W. P. Moore Home East Of Myrtle Creek



**A HOME DESTROYED**—Fire apparently caused by an overheated stove is shown as it completes gutting the home of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Moore and their two children Friday. Furniture, clothing and all other possessions in the house were lost. (Warren Studio picture).

An \$8,000 fire destroyed the house and all possessions of the Willie P. Moore home on Neal Lane, east of Myrtle Creek Friday, reports correspondent Ruth M. Evans.

Asst. Fire Chief Tom Frenness of the Myrtle Creek Rural Fire District reported the fire apparently started at about 11 a.m. He said the fire apparently started from an overheated wood stove. No one was at home at the time, although Mrs. Moore was next door visiting some neighbors. It took less than 30 minutes for the fire to burn the house down to its foundations. Because of the

start it had, the fire department was able to save nothing. The Moores have two children, Jean, a junior, and Kenzie, a freshman, both at Myrtle Creek High School. The two and their parents are now staying with another son, Henry Moore, of Myrtle Creek, Mrs. Evans reports.

## Fullerton Boys' Girls' Chorus Concert Monday

The Fullerton boys' and girls' chorus will present its Christmas program Monday at 7:30 p.m. in the school auditorium.

The chorus is composed of boys and girls from the fourth, fifth and sixth grades. The chorus is now in its second year. It is sponsored by the Fullerton PTA and is directed by Mrs. Roy E. Hanford, a former music director for public schools in another state. Scene I will depict "Winter Wonderland." The chorus will sing "Skater's Waltz" and "Winter Wonderland" as well as "Jingle Bells," "Jing-A-Ling," "North Wind," "Over The River" and "Seasons."

Scene II is entitled "Christmas Hymns." "Sleep, My Jesus," "Sleep My Little Jesus," "Ring Christmas Bells" and "Silent Night." Solos will be offered by Sue Haman, singing "Dear Little Stranger," Kim Anderson singing "Away In A Manger" and Stephanie Fowler singing "Jesus Bambino."

A special feature during the last part of the program will be large church chimes being played by Sandra Shugart in accompaniment with the chorus in a song called "Christmas Chimes." This program, besides being staged for the regular PTA meeting Monday, will be repeated Dec. 20 for the Roseburg Women's Club. The entire program will also be scheduled for special school assemblies.

## Patrice Munsel, Opera Singer, Scalds Hands

LOCUST VALLEY, N.Y. — Opera star Patrice Munsel was scalded on both hands Friday night in a kitchen mishap at her Long Island home here.

The injury was serious enough to cause cancellation of her appearance in a Monday night production at New York's Metropolitan Opera. She will be replaced by Roberta Peters.

Robert Schuler, husband of the 30-year-old coloratura, explained the scalding this way: "It was the cook's night out. She (Patrice) went to the kitchen for tea. The kettle was on the stove, empty, even though the burner was turned on. She picked it up, turned on the tap and put it under to fill it with water."

Steam billowed quickly and scalded both hands of the opera star. Her doctor bandaged her hands and gave her an injection to relieve pain, then ordered her to bed. The bandages are to remain on until Monday.

**SPECIAL SERVICES SLATED**—Reception of members and baptism will be held during the 11 a.m. service Sunday at the Roseburg First Presbyterian Church, according to the pastor, Dr. James Millar.

## Underwriters Focus Interest On New Building

Most interest at this week's meeting of the Umpqua Basin Assn. of Life Underwriters focused on a new underwriters' memorial building going up in Washington, D. C.

Almost a 100 per cent turnout of the membership showed up at the Hotel Umpqua for the session. Robert Blackwell reported on the building which is expected to be completed by September of 1956. It will cost approximately \$750,000.

Other reports were given by Ed Wyatt and Russell Cary Sr., who is currently recuperating from a heart attack. Gary reported Roseburg now has 32 life underwriters, and 23 of them are members of the association formed two years ago.

Wyatt, who is director of the life underwriters' training course, reported on the class. He said 18 underwriters are now taking the course locally.

The association also passed a resolution in favor of having regional vice presidents on the state level to help coordinate state and local activities.

## Times Reports Budget To Exceed Economy Goal

NEW YORK — The New York Times says the Defense Department's new budget will exceed Secretary Wilson's economy goal by about 500 million dollars and "extra costs" may boost the sum to a billion dollars.

A Washington dispatch by Anthony Leviero said "the conclusion on the higher figures was reached" by high Pentagon officials who are in the final stages of preparing the Army, Navy and Air Force budgets for the 1957 fiscal year, which starts next July 1.

Saying that "if the economy drive fails in the remaining months of the present fiscal year," the story continued: "The extra costs may run close to \$1,000,000,000. This would threaten the administration's effort to balance the national budget next year."

The Times said that "presumably" Defense Secretary Wilson discussed the problem in his conference Friday with President Eisenhower at Thurmont, Md.

The major factor hindering the economy drive was said to be the industrial wage increases granted last summer, with the consequent rise in the cost of steel and other materials.

A secondary factor is the higher cost of complex new weapons and equipment—the fruits of intensive research and development in the last five years.

## 'Trigger' Burke Is Found Guilty Of Killing Friend

NEW YORK — Elmer "Trigger" Burke, 38-year-old gunman, was convicted last night of first degree murder for killing a friend in a Manhattan bar three years ago.

An all-male jury convicted Burke after deliberating 30 minutes at the end of a 23-day trial. Although sentencing was deferred two weeks, the verdict carries a mandatory death penalty.

Boston authorities, who linked Burke with the spectacular \$120,000 Brink's holdup in 1950, sought unsuccessfully to have him turned over to them instead of standing trial for the New York killing.

One of Burke's four court-appointed attorneys announced the murder decision would be appealed. "This was just a barroom brawl," he said.

If the verdict stands, Burke will be sent to the Sing Sing Prison electric chair.

The defense argued that Burke was innocent because of insanity and claimed the state failed to prove that he knew the nature of the alleged crime on July 23, 1952.

On that date Burke's pal, Edward "Booey" Walsh, 23, was shot to death.

Burke testified at the trial he was too drunk to remember even having gone to the bar with Walsh. The state ridiculed the insanity plea and called Walsh's death "an execution, an assassination of one member of the underworld by another, a cold-blooded assassination."

**Six Persons Injured In Head-on Collision** (Continued from Page One)

The only person uninjured in the accident Dawson had lacerations of the forehead.

All the injured were taken to the hospital by Mohr's Ambulance. Hospital attendants said none of the injured was in critical condition. Both cars were demolished, police said.

Roseburg police investigated one minor traffic accident Friday night.

Robert A. Boggs, 22-year-old Grants Pass airman, told officers another car crowded his vehicle into a parked auto on Stephens Street, near Cass Avenue.

Identity of the parked car's owner was learned by police. Damage to the two cars was estimated at \$50 apiece. Boggs was cited for failure to have an operator's license on his person.

## Elkton Last Rites Set For Mrs. Wells

Funeral services will be held Monday at 2 p.m. in Elkton for Mrs. Elsie Lena Wells, who died at the home of a daughter in Cottage Grove Thursday.

Mrs. Wells was born near Hutchinson, Minn., on Jan. 6, 1872, and came to Oregon with her parents in 1883. She had resided within the state since. Her family located first in Salem, then in Roseburg and later in Drain.

In 1899, she was married to Francis Wells of Elkton. They resided there for many years.

Mrs. Wells was a member of the Methodist Church for more than 45 years and also was affiliated with the WCTU, Mothers Club of Cottage Grove and the Degree of Honor Protective Assn.

She is survived by two daughters, Lena Sams, Portland, and Frances Swanson, Cottage Grove; a son, Ira Wells, Portland; four sisters, Jennie Gustafson of Newport, Laura Wire of Salem, Dollie Johnson of Ada Station and Mary Dowell, who lives near Florence; and five grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services will be in the Elkton Methodist Church with the Rev. C. E. Ecklin of the Drain Methodist Church officiating. Interment will be in the Wells Cemetery near Elkton.

Stearns & Little Mortuary, Oakland, is in charge of arrangements.

## Penniless Wife Awaits Husband, Mock Prisoner

NEW YORK — Mrs. Rosa Maria Bres DeGiovanni is sitting in a New York hotel room with her small daughter today while her husband is sitting somewhere in Louisiana, a mock prisoner of war.

The idea is to get them together or even let Sgt. John DeGiovanni know his wife is here — and penniless.

The pretty, 21-year-old GI bride arrived Wednesday by ship with three-year-old Joann DeGiovanni, 35, met and married Rosa Maria while he was stationed in Europe. He returned to the states last February and is with the First Armored Division at Ft. Hood, Tex.

The sergeant currently is embroiled in Operation Sagebrush at Camp Polk, La., in the biggest Army maneuvers since World War II.

Anybody knows is that DeGiovanni was captured two weeks ago while guarding a "disabled" tank. Under the mock war rules, his whereabouts remain a military secret.

His wife said she arrived here without funds because she was a robbed of all her money while visiting her mother on the Isle of Jersey, in the English Channel, before sailing for the United States.

The Travelers Aid Society took her in tow when she arrived and turned her over to the Red Cross, which is trying to break through the veil of secrecy on the southern "hottelfield."

Even a mock war, says Mrs. DeGiovanni, can be hell.

## Senator George Hailed As Great U. S. Statesman

ATLANTA — Sen. George (D-Ga) was hailed Friday night as one of the nation's great statesmen in messages from President Eisenhower, Harry Truman, Alben Barkley and 55 members of the U. S. Senate.

The messages were read as George addressed the Old Warhorse Lawyers Club of Atlanta and lashed out at persons who contend American arms expenditures and foreign aid should be cut. George was guest of honor.

"Some well meaning citizens say we are spending too much on national defense, but I don't think so," he said. "I would never be willing to gamble with safety and peace by spending too little."

"Others say we are spending too much over the world. I doubt that this is true," he added.

Hugh Howell, president of the Old Warhorse Lawyers Club, read excerpts from a stack of 25 letters from Eisenhower, Truman, Barkley and 22 Democratic senators. He said there were messages from 55 senators.

The President's message from Gettysburg asked Howell please to "convey my warm personal congratulations to Sen. George and my best wishes to all who meet to honor him for his statesmanship and his distinguished service to the nation."

**Kindergarten To Open In Riversdale Area**

By BEVERLY CHRISTIAN  
Mrs. Elsie Hall is planning to start a kindergarten to be held in the Riversdale area. Mrs. Hall had a kindergarten in Roseburg for four years. Anyone desiring information may call her at OR 3-6978.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Buell, Carol and Cary, Springfield, spent Thanksgiving with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Buell on Curry Road.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Bailey spent five days last week in Astoria where they enjoyed Thanksgiving with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Barr and three sons. Mrs. Barr is the former Carlisle Bailey.

Don Kruse spent Saturday in Portland on business.

## Russian Leaders Continue Selling Tour In Burma

RANGOON, Burma — Russia's two top men pushed into Burma's hinterland Saturday on their "selling tour" of Southeast Asia.

In Washington, Secretary of State Dulles joined Portugal's foreign minister in denouncing remarks made by the Soviet leaders on their Asian visit as an attempt to foment hatred between the East and West.

The Russian's host, Premier U Nu, canceled earlier plans to join Soviet Premier Bulganin and Communist party Secretary Nikita S. Khrushchev Sunday in Mandalay. He will remain in Rangoon until the Russians return Monday for another two-day stay here. No reason for U Nu's change in plans was announced.

The Russians' first scheduled stop on their junket into the provinces is Heho in the Shan States. The current trip takes them into the heart of the region where armed guerrillas have long been active. Only two days ago an armed band descended on Maymya in northern Burma and seized as hostages two doctors, one Italian and the other Burmese, from the local headquarters of the U. N. Affiliated World Health Organization.

## Fire, Sanitary, Water Groups Slate Elections

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created by the recent resignation of Raymond Ashberry from the fire board. Voting time is 2 to 8 p.m. in the fire station.

Fred Burks, Winston-Dillard Ward District commissioner, is running for re-election. He will be opposed by Roy Fisher and Russell Turner for a five-year term. Polls will be open in the district office from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Roberts Creek Water District, which supplies the Winston-Dillard district, has three men running for a five-year office. They are Clyde B. Fullerton, Ralph B. Antone and Raymond Fox. Voting will be at the water office from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

In the newly formed Tri-City Water District, four men are running for a five-year term. They are: Paul Henn, Leonard Dyer, George Hessler and Ike Weaver. Voting in the Tri-City Rural Fire District will be concurrent between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. in the fire hall.

Two men are seeking election to a five-year term in the fire district. They are Phil Willis and Jack Doud.

In the Riddle Rural Fire District, C. O. Collins and Al Barnhart have been nominated for a five-year term. Voting will be 2 to 8 p.m. in the Masonic Hall in Riddle.

Russ Turner is unopposed for a five-year term in the Winston-Dillard Rural Fire District. Voting will be 2 to 8 p.m. in the fire hall.

Oscar Weeks has no opposition for a five-year term in the Myrtle Creek Rural Fire District. The election will be at the Super-V Market between 2 and 8 p.m. Owen Ledgerwood is the retiring director.

The newly formed Green Sanitary District has no election for director scheduled.

Two other elections presumably will be held in the western part of the county. They are in the Gardiner and Winchester Bay rural fire districts. No information is available here on candidates or times of voting.

## General Chamber Topics Discussed By McCreery

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have monopolies in order to make such big profits (25-75 cents). In turn, a chamber may put "the kiss of death" on a program by endorsing it. Endorsement of a plan for a new sewer system was used as an example.

One of the best ways to further economic understanding, the speaker outlined, is through sponsorship of "business education days" or "farm education days" and so forth.

Under such a plan, businesses host teachers and students, for example, for a day-long program culminated by a tour of establishments. It works best as an exchange, McCreery said.

The students and teachers would in turn host businessmen on another day. Banquets and tours alone do some good, also.

**Backgrounds Remarks**—In backgrounding his remarks, which he said he hoped "might stimulate you" in thinking and working in a way which will aid the community, McCreery explained that 3,200 member organizations of the national chamber determine policies and programs of the chamber.

There are business members and organization members. The organization members are in control, and the business members, which reap direct benefits, have a voice through the organization members. Local Secretary-Manager Harold Hickerson said McCreery is scheduled to be a forum-luncheon speaker for the chamber next March.



## FORMULA FOR SUCCESSFUL FISHERMAN

Take one four and one-half year old boy with fishing pole and one four and one-half pound fish with sensitivity toward bait—and mix. This little episode took place on the Umpqua River above Scottsburg near the mouth of Wells Creek, Wednesday. The name of the boy is David Bartley and the fish's name is steelhead. Young Bartley is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Smith of 3511 Hooker road, Roseburg. (Paul Jenkins picture.)

## Big Stolen Car Racket Cracked; 20 Men Indicted

NEW YORK — A federal grand jury has indicted 20 men on charges of running a million-dollar stolen car racket which authorities said was masterminded from a cell in a Leavenworth, Kan., Federal Prison.

Asst. U.S. Atty. Howard Gliedman said Gabriel (Blah Blah) Vigorito, 61, directed the ring from prison where he was already serving a five-year term for car theft. He said Vigorito ran the racket to make money to pay his legal bills.

Vigorito, known as the "king of car thieves," relayed his order to the ring through his son, Sabato, 37, who would come to the prison to visit him, Gliedman said.

The government attorney said the cars were brought to New York from surrounding states where they were stolen. The ring then painted the cars, changed the engine numbers and parts and forced new papers.

The indictment, returned by a jury in Brooklyn, said the ring worked mostly on Long Island where it maintained used car lots to dispose of the altered cars.

Gliedman said the ring had operated for about a year and a half and was finally cracked by keeping close tabs on some of its members.

## Most-Wanted Criminal Taken

CHICAGO — John Allen Kendrick, 53, one of the FBI's 10 most-wanted men who has served most of the last 32 years in prison, was arrested by FBI agents in a Loop hotel last night.

Kendrick, identified by FBI agents as a "hardened gunman" involved in a number of shootings and with a record of escapes from two prisons, was not armed when arrested.

Donald S. Hostetter, agent in charge of the Chicago FBI office, said Kendrick refused to admit his identity, claiming he was simply "Mr. None." He was not registered at the hotel, which Hostetter declined to identify.

Hostetter said Kendrick, who had served seven years in Alcatraz Prison, was wanted in connection with the shooting of George A. Clainos, of Washington, D. C., in a robbery attempt in December, 1954. He also was wanted for violating terms of his conditional release from Leavenworth Penitentiary in March, 1954.

**HONEYMOONING**—LAS VEGAS, Nev. — Movie director Anatole Litvak, 52, and French model Sophie Bourdein, 30, are honeymooning.

They were married Friday by Justice of the Peace John Mendoza at the Sands Hotel. It was the second marriage for each.

## Political Party Heads To Woo Newly Merged AFL-CIO Union

NEW YORK — The newly merged AFL-CIO today faced an almost immediate struggle by leaders of the two major political parties for the support of its 16 million members.

Three 1956 presidential possibilities will address the unionists attending the first AFL-CIO convention here next week.

While the speeches are not billed as "political," they can be expected to reflect whether the Republicans can woo some of the traditional Democratic strength away from the labor movement.

The GOP will lead with its ace President Eisenhower — in convention speechmaking.

Eisenhower, who may or may not be a candidate for reelection, will address the delegates Monday by telephone from his Gettysburg, Pa., farm.

Democrats will get their chance later in the week to hold or strengthen their position.

Gov. Averell Harriman, a potential candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination, will address the convention Tuesday. Adlai Stevenson, an announced Democratic aspirant, will get in the last word with a speech Thursday.

The AFL and CIO completed their individual conventions yesterday, after ratifying the merger, and the delegates were marking time pending the combined session Monday in the 71st Regimental Armory on Park Ave.

Eisenhower, recuperating from his heart ailment, intended originally to send a written message to the convention. The telephone was decided upon Wednesday.

Top unionists took this as a cue the President is backing his secretary of labor, James P. Mitchell, in favor of a friendly approach to the unions.

## Worthington Funeral Scheduled On Monday

Funeral services for Victor Worthington, 62, well-known resident of Roseburg and lifelong resident of southern Oregon, who died Dec. 1, will be held in the chapel of Long & Orr Mortuary Monday at 1 p.m.

The Rev. Newell Morgan of the First Christian Church will officiate. Concluding services and interment will follow in the IOOF Cemetery at Myrtle Creek.

He is survived by three sisters, Miss Eva Worthington, Roseburg, Mrs. Ida Burroughs of Boise, Idaho, and Mrs. Gracie Schrader of Canton, Ohio; and a number of nephews and nieces.

There had been unconfirmed reports of tactics being sprinkled in the area by flight engineers who are picketing United here, sheriff's deputies reported.

The motorist ordered Charles E. Bodasky, 34, of Seattle, one of the pickets, to fix the flat tire.

Bodasky refused, and the man struck him. Bodasky was taken to a hospital for X-ray examination.

No charge was filed against the motorist, identified by the sheriff's office as an off-duty UAL employee. It was the first disturbance here in the nationwide strike of flight engineers against United.

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