

USE WATER TO QUENCH HILL FIRE

Gasoline Pump and 1,000 Feet of Hose Taken into Mountains

BLAZE CONTROLLED TODAY, IS REPORT

Five Acres of Timber Burned over by Dobbins Creek Fire Before Fighters Triumph.

COVE, Ore. (Special)—The forest fires which have been raging in the mountains in the vicinity of Cove are well under control now.

The blazes on Bald mountain and on the Mitan are practically extinguished.

The fresh fire that broke out on Saturday at the head of Dobbins creek is under control with a dozen men and a gasoline pump at work extinguishing it.

Discovered Saturday. This fire was discovered on Saturday morning and was thought to have been smoldering there for about a week—set by lightning the week before, and when first seen, had suddenly burst into action.

A hurry call for help was sent out and Superintendent Conn, Deputy Superintendent Thompson and Forest Examiner Forst, with a force of nine men, responded, bringing in a gasoline pump and carrying a thousand feet of three-inch hose that could throw a spray 75 feet.

This stream of water with the assistance of the crew of men, was sufficient to soon subdue the flames, according to P. M. Ellis, forest ranger, and it proved successful.

An acre of about five acres has been burned over by this one fire.

SMOKE PALL HANDICAP. The fall of smoke that has settled over the Grande Ronde valley and surrounding territory during the past few days is proving a handicap to farmers here in sighting any possible fires that might develop, according to information today.

So far, no fires of any consequence have broken out in this smoke, but officials feel that the smoke, in case any blazes develop, would likely permit the flames to gain a good start before they could be discovered.

The smoke drifted here from the north and northeast.

VIOLINIST TO GIVE REGITAL. Before leaving La Grande for Portland the last of next week, where he has accepted a position at the Ellison-White Conservatory as teacher and soloist, Victor DePinto, violinist, will appear in a farewell regital at the Presbyterian church here Wednesday evening, August 12, at 8 o'clock.

Helen Mack Parker, soprano, of Enterprise, will assist Mr. DePinto. She has appeared here before and her voice, which is a beautiful soprano, is well known to music lovers of La Grande. Nina Gibson, also of Enterprise, will be accompanied. She also accompanied Mr. DePinto in his last regital.

The Ellison-White company has already produced many concert engagements for Mr. DePinto. The first of which will be the twenty-sixth of this month.

Annual Wallowa Lake Caravan Is Arranged

Arrangements for the annual get-together caravan to Wallowa lake were completed over the week end by Earl Reynolds, secretary of the chamber of commerce, who made a special trip to the lake in the interests of the excursion.

The program for the caravan has been changed slightly for greater convenience of the La Grande people making the trip. Instead of a full two days the trip will not take but a little over a day.

The party will leave La Grande at 2:30 p. m., Tuesday, August 12, stop for a few moments at Lostine, arrive at Enterprise at 5:30 with dinner scheduled for 6:30 o'clock and on Tuesday evening will give a free dance at Wallowa lake. Music for the dance will be furnished by a 15-piece orchestra of La Grande.

Wheat Yield Is Estimated By Grain Men

Better Than One Million Bushels Expected to Be Harvested in Grande Ronde Valley.

Despite the hot weather of three weeks ago which cut the yield to some extent the grain crop in Union county will still exceed 1,000,000 bushels, from the latest estimates by the experts in touch with conditions. The total yield is expected to net, in round numbers, approximately a million and an eight bushels.

The yield as a whole is proving very good although not quite up to earlier expectations. The crop has dropped about five bushels to an acre above earlier estimates but is still good, from reports from the harvest fields.

The crop in the valley is averaging about 27 bushels to the acre for fall grain and about 22 bushels to the acre for the spring planting.

Harvesting Under Way. The harvesting in most parts of the valley is under way with the majority of the work being done by combine.

The labor supply seems about on an even plane with the demand. Farmers having little trouble hiring all the men needed.

Several individual crops have been noted which are expected to yield above average. At the present time the fields of Mrs. John Terry on the Knapp place near Allev give indication of being the biggest producers.

These plots are expected to yield about 50 bushels to the acre of fall wheat. The 40 fold crops are all yielding in good shape and the experiment crops of Red Federation show five indications of yielding about five bushels to the acre better than the average for the Hard Federation.

The harvest is expected to last about 60 days yet before the entire crop is put up.

Market Encouraging. The wheat prices have taken a slight rise over the opening and quotations yesterday on the leading exchanges were encouraging.

Although there has been agitation (Continued on Page Five).

THREE YEAR OLD ESCAPES INJURY IN RUNAWAY CAR

The little three-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Colburn, who live on Main avenue, had a narrow escape from serious injury at noon today when a car in which he was sitting moved down the hill and, gaining momentum, crashed into a telephone pole on the left hand side of the Main-Cedar intersection.

The pole was dislodged from its base and the car damaged to some extent. The little boy, who hung onto the steering wheel, escaped with a fright and a bloody nose. It is believed that the boy, playing in the car, released the brake, permitting the machine to move down the hill.

War Trophy Promised To Wallowa Citizens

WALLOWA, Ore. (Special)—According to a letter received here, the efforts of the American Legion and the local commercial association toward securing a German 77 Millimeter Gun as a trophy of the great war, have been quite successful.

Of the three guns of this caliber distributed in Oregon, Wallowa is to get one. The trophy will be placed on a small triangular plot of ground at the intersection of the main highway and the Powwawka road. This tract of ground being donated for this purpose by C. A. Hunter. The exact date at which the trophy will arrive is not known but it is expected that it will be delivered here some time during the coming fall.

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TRIO SAVE GIRLS FROM DEATH TRAP

Three Young Women Rescued from Ice Near Tillamook

PORTLAND PEOPLE IN HEROIC ROLE

Rescued Group Refuses to Divulge Names; the Mother of One First Gave the Alarm.

SEASIDE, Ore. (By the Associated Press)—Three young girls, caught by the tide in "Death Trip" at the base of Tillamook head last night were rescued when tragedy seemed certain.

Ted Prier and Mr. and Mrs. Woolver, all of Portland, effected the rescue, dragging the girls up the steep side of a mountain with ropes.

Great difficulty was experienced before the rescuers succeeded in bringing up the last girl.

Before the arrival of Prier and the Woolvers, the mother of one of the girls discovered them in danger and ran to Seaside for aid.

Ten men hurried to Tillamook head with ropes but the girls had been moved before the men arrived.

The endangered girls refused to give their names.

SHEARERS DUE HERE FRIDAY

Announcement was made this morning of an organ and voice concert to be given in the Presbyterian church on Friday of this week, August 14, at 8 o'clock by James H. Shearer, Scottish organist and his wife, Annie Struble Shearer, the well known Canadian soprano.

This announcement will give pleasure to many music lovers as it will give them an opportunity to hear the two artists who were here a few weeks past. They are en route to the Mormon tabernacle in Salt Lake City where in a previous appearance, the Tribunes of that city said: "Mr. Shearer demonstrated a fluency of technique, a versatility of style and a breadth of interpretative power that made the recital memorable."

XTRA

PICK MEMORIAL SITE. NEW YORK (AP)—Clewiston, Fla. has been definitely selected as the site for a national monument to the late William Jennings Bryan. The announcement was made by Miss Dionessa Bryan Evans, his god-daughter. The monument will stand on a plot on the southwest shore of Lake Okechobee.

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Last Chapter in Sensational Romance Written in Court

FRAUD GROUNDS FOR REVOCATION

Mary Louise Spas Returns Home; Efforts to Enter Two Convents Met with Failure.

NEW YORK (By the Associated Press)—The adoption of Mary Louise Spas by Edward W. Browning was annulled today by Surrogate Noble of Queens county, on the ground that the girl misrepresented her age.

District Attorney Newcomb entered the motion for revocation.

Mary was present, as was Browning when the decision was announced. Mary showed little emotion.

A large crowd witnessed the final act in the Cinderella romance. Mary returned to her home in Astoria, abandoning efforts to enter a convent.

"I can't become a nun," sobbed Mary. "I'm going to marry a poor boy and we will work and have a nice home."

At the consent of St. John the Baptist, the girl threw herself at the feet of the mother superior and begged to be accepted for novitiate.

"Oh, I'm tired of everything," she sobbed. "Please take me, sister. Everything is ashes."

A later appeal to the Dominican sisters also failed.

"I don't think you are capable of making a judgment now," a father of the order told her.

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PRAYING STRIKERS



Above, soldiers and strike-breakers stand quietly as union men pray at Henryetta, Okla., for their protection and guidance. Below, left, a group of women in the Union ranks singing hymns. Right, the leader of the union group carries a hymn book instead of a weapon.

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Golden Rule Coal Strike Is Under Way

Strangest Walkout on Record Takes Place in Oklahoma; Prayer Is Miners' Weapon.

HENRYETTA, Ore. (NEA Special)—The strangest strike that ever was seen is being conducted in the Henryetta coal fields here.

It is a strike in which union pickets sing hymns and pray for the welfare and guidance of strike-breakers and mine owners in which daily song services at the mine entrances have taken the place of the abusive threats that usually are hurled at men who will not join the union.

You might call it the "golden rule" strike.

Say It Works Well. Further, officials of the United Mine Workers say this strange strike is working out so well that these "Christian" tactics will be continued all summer, if need be.

There are five mines here employing 4,000 men. The union has more members between 1915 and 1920, quit work rather than accept a wage cut to the 1917 level.

Trouble was feared, as factoring ran high. The state militia was ordered out.

But this "golden rule" strike has left the soldiers with little to do except point their rifles and practice the ritual of guard mount.

Here is a daily scene at each mine entrance.

Sing National Anthem. At 4 o'clock in the afternoon the men quit work. On the road outside in a crowd of union men, with their wives and children, between them and the mine is a row of soldiers with rifles. The workers look out apprehensively.

The crowd of union pickets carries many American flags. No plectra, no clubs, no bluffs—just flags. They group close together and then they sing the "Star Spangled Banner."

AUTHORITIES ON NEW LEAD

OAKLAND, Cal. (By the Associated Press)—Authorities today are trying to find a man and woman believed to have been confederates of Charles Henry Schwartz, at least to the extent of visiting him between the time he killed G. W. Harde and his suicide Sunday.

One insurance policy carried by Schwartz had a suicide clause which expired August 2. If it proved that this policy was payable it probably will be only one of a half dozen totaling more than \$100,000 that will accrue to his wife.

NEW YORK (By the Associated Press)—Glen Tunnay, light heavyweight champion, today signed a contract for a match with Harry Wills at Yankee stadium probably September 25 under the direction of Tex Rickard.

Tunney to Fight Wills; Mickey Walker in Mess

NEW YORK (By the Associated Press)—Mickey Walker, writer-sight champion, will be suspended within the jurisdiction of the New York State Athletic commission Friday unless his manager signs an agreement to box Dave Shute, California title challenger.

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MOST FIRES CONTROLLED IN OREGON

Conditions Greatly Improved by Cooler Weather and Fog

NEHALEM DIVIDE FIRE CONQUERED

Four Men, Forest Fire Fighters, Missing in Big Bend District in British Columbia.

PORTLAND, Ore. (By the Associated Press)—Forest fire conditions in Oregon were greatly improved today, the result of cooler weather and low hanging clouds.

The air, which was thick with smoke, was clearer, and at other points which yesterday reported a heavy haze.

Fires on the Nehalem divide were reported controlled today. Most of the smaller fires in other sections are out or else under control.

Itain and heavy fog checked serious fires in the lower Columbia district.

FOUR MEN MISSING. REVELSTOKE, B. C. (By the Associated Press)—Four men who fought forest fires in the Big Bend district near this city are missing today.

Cooler weather relieved Revelstoke which yesterday was hard pressed by approaching fires.

BAKER GIRL IS HURT BY DIVE

BAKER, Ore. (Special)—Miss Cassidy regained consciousness last night about a o'clock, but is still in a serious condition. She is in much pain and is unable to move. Several doctors have been called, but the extent of her injuries is not yet known.

BAKER, Ore. (Special)—Miss Jessie Cassidy, local girl, was severely injured yesterday afternoon at the municipal natatorium and fears that she will not survive are held.

Miss Cassidy and three other girls were diving through a tube in the shallow water at the end of the pool when she struck her head on the bottom, knocking her unconscious and spraining her neck.

The water was but four feet in depth where she dove. She was taken to her home immediately.

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