

BAND PLAYS CONCERT FOR MUSIC WEEK

Second of Series of Programs Delights Large Crowd at High School.

BAKER SINGERS COMING TONIGHT

Music of Many Nations Will be Presented Thursday Evening at La Grande Hotel.

The personnel of a band was torn apart and analyzed instrument by instrument by Andrew Loney Jr., conductor of the municipal band and a cornetist of note, at the second in the series of musical programs presented for the observance of national music week in La Grande at the high school auditorium last night at 8 o'clock.

Mr. Loney illustrated his talks with excerpts from standard works played by members of the band, unaccompanied.

Roy Mattoon, B-flat clarinet, Candenza from "Orpheus" Offenbach, Russell Nelson, E-flat clarinet, Excursion from "Orpheus" Offenbach, R. J. Pearl, oboe, Interlude from "Chocolate Soldier" Straus, M. Reynolds, flute, Excerpt from "Fool" Sullivan, E. J. DeLoane, C. Peterson, saxophone, Solo from "In a Persian Market" Ketyelby, Elmer McManus, trumpet, Introduction from "Tannhauser" Wagner, Frank Robinson, trombone, Excerpt from "Stabat Mater" Rossini, G. W. Parker, tuba, excerpt from "Mariana" Wallace, Grover Crews, tympani, demonstration.

Roy Mattoon Applauded
Perhaps the numbers played with the greatest skill and precision was "Southern Rhapsody" by Hosmer and overture to "Raymond" by Thomas; and Mr. Loney states that the clarinet solo presented by Roy Mattoon, fantastic "Sonnambula" by Cavallini, was perfectly played. It was almost flawless with beautiful tone, showing amazing skill and precision in his execution, but did not respond to an encore.

The program included a collection of classical numbers, operatic, martial and popular. An interesting part of the program was the presentation of scenes from Victor Herbert's "Wild and the Nile." The scenes proved to be as delightful as the scheduled program, and included a variety of beautiful pieces including "Ase's

TELEPHONE CO. INVESTIGATION IS AUTHORIZED

SALEM, May 5 (AP)—Charles M. Thomas, public utilities commissioner, has ordered an investigation of the rates, tolls and practices of the West Coast Telephone company, it was announced today.

The company has its headquarters in Everett, Wash., and operates in Oregon, Curry, Walker, Klamath, Lake and Washington counties in Oregon. The date of the hearing has not yet been fixed by the commissioner.

Tennyson Speaker At Rotary Meeting

Rev. M. G. Tennyson gave a very interesting talk on "Music" at the Rotary club luncheon today, during the program which was devoted to the observance of music week. In his address he stated that music is the greatest channel for human expression. The La Grande band, in his estimation, is making a real contribution to the community because it affords the opportunity to so many to learn to play an instrument and thus bring real benefit to the individual participating.

Miss Alice Peterson, of Whitman college, played a number of exceptionally fine piano selections.

Wade Brooks, formerly of La Grande but now with a highway contracting company at Holguin, Cuba, was a visiting Rotarian.

WEATHER FORECAST
Oregon: Unsettled, showers in the extreme north and extreme west portion tonight and Thursday; cooler in the east portion Thursday.
Fresh west and northwest winds offshore.
WEATHER TODAY
7 a. m.—58 above.
Minimum: 47 above.
Condition: Partly cloudy.
WEATHER YESTERDAY
Maximum 79, minimum 41 above.
Condition: Clear.
WEATHER MAY 6, 1930
Maximum 50, minimum 28 above.
Condition: Cloudy, traces of snow.

La Grande One Of Four Picked For Track Title

Portland Coaches Fear Eastern Oregon Athletes — Woodie to Take 10 Men to Corvallis.

Sports writers and the public in general in Western Oregon are beginning to realize more and more that some of the best athletes in the state live east of the Cascades.

One thing that is heightening this feeling is the fact that for the first time in years, Eastern Oregon is threatening to take major honors for the year of 1930-31 from the western section.

In the fall, La Grande made a bid for state football honors but lost in Portland to Commerce High 14 to 0. During the winter, Pendleton was two for state basketball honors, and won, evening up the score.

Now, the final event of the year—the state football championship—finds four schools mentioned as all having a chance for state championship. These four schools are La Grande, Grant and Washington of Portland, and Pendleton—two from the east and two from the west.

Southern Oregon isn't given a look-in this year by the Portland dopsters, but La Grande's chances are strong. Of the quartet, La Grande is expected to have an unusually good chance to cop the title, with potential first place in six or seven events—the hurdles, the sprints, the broad and high jumps, and the javelin. Last year Grant won the title with 40 points. It is doubtful if the winning school this year will score as many, some believing that 30 points will take first place among the 53 schools which have entered the meet Saturday.

Coach Ira Woodie said today that he expected to take ten men to Corvallis, leaving here tomorrow afternoon or evening. The ten follow: Nowland, Torrence, Beery, Shepherd, Cook, Eaton, Paul, Stoop, DeLoane and Knapp.

Dick Neuberger, Oregonian writer, in a story today, says in part: "Portland's chances are good but Grant and Washington there would be unmatchable strength, but such a thing never can come to pass. The General's unbeatable grip of spring while the Colonials have several almost certain victors in the field events. If either Portland team can branch out of the regular specialties and win the events its chances will increase 100 per cent."

Last year Grant won handily, collecting a total of 40 points. Most of the 1930 runner-up pack, but the

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"Mad Pursuit" New Serial, To Begin Saturday

Jessie Douglas Fox, author of "Mad Pursuit," the Observer's next serial, does not project her own personality in the stories she writes. At least, the heroine of "Mad Pursuit" does not resemble her creator.

An insatiable desire for travel, new faces and places, was born in Miss Fox with her first sight of the geography book, "Mad Pursuit," which starts in "Mad Pursuit," which starts in Oregon, Saturday, May 9, thoroughly disliking the idea of traveling in Europe, she enters a home remote from the hubbub of cities and throngs. She marries to attain this dream-home but the bubble bursts before she has time to enjoy it.

Life for Nora becomes a succession of tragedies, climaxed by a stillborn child. Her husband, a man of romance, Miss Fox's and other popular stories.

Miss Peterson Presents Piano Lecture Recital

Miss Alice Peterson, of the Whitman conservatory of music, added a new note to the musical delights of music week when she appeared in a piano lecture recital this morning at the high school auditorium. She is the author of the Eastern Oregon Normal school. She gave a resume of the periods in music, and illustrated them with compositions of artists in the classical, romantic, dramatic and impressionistic periods.

With inimitable technique, coupled with a charming presentation, Miss Peterson played "Rondo Brilliant," by Weber, a composer of the classical period. Chopin, a composer of the romantic period, was represented on the program with a group of three pieces, while to illustrate the dramatic period she played "Toldo's Love Dream" from Tristan and Isolde," by Wagner-Liszt; "The Spinning Song" from "The Flying Dutchman," by Wagner-Liszt; and "The Little White Donkey," illustrating the impressionistic period.

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Reno's Mayor Is Returned to Post

RENO, Nev., May 6 (AP)—Mayor E. E. Roberts, of Reno, and his entire present city administration, with the exception of one councilman, were swept back into office for the next four years term at the municipal election here yesterday.

21 MILLIONS AT STAKE IN DATES FIGHT

Western Railways Begin Their Joint Battle in Federal Court.

CHICAGO, May 6 (AP)—The western railroad chief carriers of the nation's grain, today argued before the federal district court that the interstate commerce commission usurped the powers of congress and misconducted its own duties in ordering lower rates on grain June 1.

CHICAGO, May 6 (AP)—Western railroads began their joint fight in federal court today against a new grain rate scale on June 1 that they project would trim \$212,000,000 from their annual earnings.

Attorneys for 15 trunk lines and some 57 subsidiaries presented arguments in behalf of their petition for temporary injunction restraining the interstate commerce commission from making the rate effective.

Three United States district judges sat on the bench to hear the arguments, which may extend through several days. A decision on the temporary order is expected by May 15.

Frederick A. Wood, New York attorney, opened the presentation of the carriers' case. The Santa Fe, he said, would lose \$3,314,000, the Missouri Pacific \$2,142,000 and the Union Pacific \$2,000,000. Wood estimated that the average reduction of revenue was 11.29 per cent.

For two years, the attorney said, the net operating income of the railroads had been far below the 5% per cent fixed as a fair return, and in 1930 the profit fell to 3 per cent.

A petition to intervene was filed by a group which included the Central of New Jersey, Baltimore and Ohio, Boston and Maine, Delaware and Hudson, Delaware Lackawanna and Western, Erie, Grand Trunk, Lehigh, New York Central and subsidiaries, New York, Chicago and St. Louis, New York, New Haven and Hartford, Pennsylvania and Pere Marquette.

The states, asking that the railroads be enjoined from making the new rates effective.

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E. O. STOCK SHOW TIME IS NEARING

Association Making Preparations—New Exhibitors Are Listed.

By Mrs. L. Z. Terrill (Observer Correspondent)

UNION, Ore., May 6 (Special)—With a month to go to prepare for the Eastern Oregon Livestock show which will be held here June 10, 11 and 12, association members report high speed in every angle of the preliminary work.

A meeting is scheduled for tonight at the city hall with President Herbert Chandler, of Baker, presiding, and some important matters are expected to be decided.

According to Tony D. Smith, secretary of the association, the group for this year, including the Holsteins from Plymouth farm at Hot Lake, which have not been displayed here during the last few years, and other exhibitors include W. E. Chapman, of Joseph with entries in herd; and Riley & Son, of McEwen, Ore., with an exhibit of purebred Aberdeen Angus cattle.

Rube Daniels, formerly of Cove, and Andy DeLoane, both of Rock Creek, will enter a joint exhibit of Holstein cattle. Mr. Daniels, when at Cove, took several prizes with his entries in the Union show.

With an exhibit of both La Grande and Baker business firms and individuals have donated several premiums.

Butler to Visit Oregon In Plane

SALEM, May 6 (AP)—Governor Julius L. Meier announced today that he will visit Oregon in a private plane.

Butler over the state upon his visit here. Butler is expected to arrive in Portland May 15 upon invitation of the governor to direct the organization of the state police.

Observer Cooking School Begins Next Wednesday at High School

The Eastern Oregon Light & Power company and many local merchants are co-operating with the Observer to make this year's cooking school bigger and better than ever. A model kitchen will be constructed on the stage of the auditorium, where Miss Leslie will show how quickly and easily a modern meal may be prepared. Classes will be held from two to four o'clock each afternoon and will be open to all interested parties.

Miss Louise Leslie, a graduate of the school of economics of the General Electric Appliances department, will conduct the demonstrations. She is thoroughly qualified for the work, for several years has been conducting cooking schools in cities throughout the western states. This week Miss Leslie is conducting a cooking school in Baker. She has the ability to make her explanations abso-

lutely clear, and to hold the interest of her classes from start to finish.

L. A. Wright, of Union, Passes During Morning

Long Illness Proves Fatal to Druggist — Was Son of Early Pioneers of East Oregon.

Lucius A. Wright, about 60 years of age and a native son of Union, died this morning, according to word received here. Mr. Wright has been in ill health for many months and returned to Union from Portland only a short time ago. He had been in the Western Oregon city for treatment and for a rest.

Mr. Wright, proprietor of the Wright Drug store at Union for many years, was a former member of the Oregon state game commission, resigning several months ago. He was active in community affairs and in politics, serving the Republican party for state and precinct commitments for many years.

He was the son of one of the early pioneers of the Eastern Oregon country, John Wright, and is survived by a brother, Claud Wright, of Portland, and a sister, Georgia, of Union, besides other relatives. Another brother, Ed Wright, passed away about two years ago.

Friends throughout the state were saddened today by news of his death, as he had a wide acquaintance.

At Union he was known as one of the leading business men of the community.

Funeral services will be held in Portland, but the time has not been announced, it was reported from Union today.

Straw Hat Day Will Be Held Here Thursday

Starting tomorrow the 1931 straw hat season in La Grande gets under way.

Merchants hopeful that the summer season will be a profitable one, have prepared and are preparing their windows today for the occasion, although some fear wet weather. It seems that such events as "straw hat days," district track meets, stock shows, etc., often attract a large crowd.

Others are much more optimistic. Straw hat styles are similar to last year in most cases, but the merchants have a wide variety of fine summer hats to offer. One of the favorites, however, is the straw hat with a white panama, which has led the straws down through the year.

Bryan Untied To Start Scout Troop

LAMAR, Colo., May 6 (AP)—Bryan Untied, school boy hero, who turned yesterday from Washington where he was the guest of President Hoover, was planning today the organization of a Boy Scout troop in the Pleasant Hill community.

Untied, who is a member of the group, said today that he intended to use some of the money derived from sale of stories of his trip in promoting a Boy Scout troop.

Mrs. Roosevelt, Mrs. Hoover Speak

NEW YORK, May 6 (AP)—The wife of the president of the United States and the widow of a former president united today in urging the real observance of Mothers day this year by promoting the welfare of mothers in the home to come.

Mrs. Herbert Hoover and Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt Sr., mothers themselves, addressed 400 men and women at a meeting of the Maternity Center association.

Protesting that the death rate among mothers in the United States, 16,000 of whom lose their lives in childbirth each year, is the highest in the civilized world, Mrs. Kermit Roosevelt presiding, urged the group to cooperate in a nationwide campaign to promote better maternity care.

ROASTING TURNS MUSTY SALT TO SALABLE PRODUCT

NEW YORK (AP)—Like peanuts, salt now may be roasted for commercial purposes.

Fifteen minutes' roasting drives out gas pockets too small to be seen with a microscope, but too tiny to give a musty smell.

The roasting process opens another source of American salt supply in the brines of arid portions of the west where the musty odor has handicapped commercial use of the salt made from brine.

The success of the roasting process is reported to the American Chemical society by T. B. Brighton, of the University of Utah and Carl M. Dice, of the U. S. Bureau of Mines, Utah.

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TULSA, Okla., May 5 (AP)—J. T. Dickey, motorist in connection with, was shot and wounded mysteriously as he watched a stage coach robbery scene in a circus here last night. Surgeons said his condition was serious.

A bullet struck Dickey over the heart soon after the stage coach reached into the arena leading a band of masked raiders who fired into the air. He collapsed in his box. Col. Zack Miller, owner of the show, said he was unable to explain the injury.

Police expressed the opinion some player had loaded his revolver with real cartridges instead of blanks.

"PLAYFUL" LION CLAWS GIRL

The young lion shown above with its owner and trainer, William Harwood of Dayton, O., attacked Vivian Lieschner, 6, inset, at an exhibition in a Cincinnati public school. The child fell screaming and was hurried to a hospital where she was treated for severe scalp wounds. "The lion just playfully pawed at her," said Harwood. The near-tragedy is being investigated.



Police Discover Blood Stains on Garrison's Bed

SAN DIEGO, Cal., May 6 (AP)—Police announced today blood stains on the sheets of M. E. Garrison's bed in his apartment had been discovered.

The stains apparently were deposited less than a week ago, Garrison, in his story to police, said that he slept in the bed early Sunday morning after he arrived home from escorting Miss Hazel Bradshaw, murder victim, to her home.

Miss Bradshaw's horribly mangled body, bearing 17 knife wounds, was discovered Sunday morning inside the walls of the Indian village in Balboa park.

Garrison, her avowed sweetheart, surrendered to police Sunday after he read in the newspapers of Miss Bradshaw's murder.

One "large blood spot" deposited on the underneath side of the sheet was overlooked by the police and its presence was not made known until today.

An analysis of the blood was ordered immediately to determine if it corresponded with the blood from Miss Bradshaw's body.

H. A. Bloodhounds were brought from Lexington to assist in the search. Bryan Burcham, 21, was arrested.

KENTUCKY CO-ED SHOT TO DEATH

JACKSON, Ky., May 6 (AP)—A posse of sheriff's deputies and citizens today searched the hills south of here for persons who fired on a passing automobile last night, killing a young woman.

Miss Tessie Patton, 18-year-old co-ed at Lee's junior college here, was killed. George Daniels Jr., driver of the car, and Thomas Meadows, another occupant, said a group of men stepped out onto the road and fired four or five shots at the automobile. One of the bullets struck the girl in the head. The youths took her back to a hospital at Jackson, where she died.

Daniels and Meadows, also students at the junior college, said they were on their way to Quicksands to get another girl and bring her back to a party at Jackson.

Sheriff Lee Combs said he expected to have those responsible in custody today. Bloodhounds were brought from Lexington to assist in the search. Bryan Burcham, 21, was arrested.

KING'S REIGN CELEBRATED IN GREAT BRITAIN

WINDSOR, England, May 6 (AP)—The ringing of bells in the royal chapel and Windsor church reminded the people that today was the 21st anniversary of the accession of George V to the throne of England.

The king, recuperating from a recent attack of bronchitis, spent the day quietly within Windsor castle. With him was Queen Mary who has been his constant companion through an eventful reign which began with the death of Edward VII on May 6, 1910.

King George's solitude for his subjects has been recognized by high and low. His people have demonstrated their affection on many occasions, notably when the monarch was signed and after his recovery from a serious illness in 1928.

In London and in naval and military centers throughout the British empire the occasion is being observed with the customary gun salutes to the monarch.

Murder Charges Prepared; Four In Family Dead

GREELEY, Colo., May 6 (AP)—Four separate charges of first degree murder were prepared for filing today against James V. Foster, 49-year-old salesman, in connection with the deaths from burns yesterday of his wife and three children.

E. T. Snyder, assistant district attorney of Weld county, said he would file the charges some time today. Snyder said Foster would be charged with the murder of his wife, Margaret Foster, 40, the wife and mother, and the three children, Mildred, 11; Darline, 19 months and Geraldine, three. Snyder said Foster, who is held in jail, continued to maintain his innocence today.

Two Pilots Die When Mail Plane Crashes In Fog

Art Starbuck and Charles Parmalee, of Pacific Air Transport Company, Are Dead.

BURBANK, Cal., May 6 (AP)—Heavy fog over the city, plane by radio shortly after for Art Starbuck and Charles R. Parmalee, pilot and co-pilot, respectively, of a Pacific Air Transport mail plane, whose bodies were found today in the wreckage of their plane on a mountain side eight miles north of here.

Parmalee was for four years a flier for the Pan American Airways.

Both pilots were married and each had one child. Starbuck lived in Los Angeles, Parmalee in Oakland.

Officials of the Pacific Air Transport company here said they were in the land with the wreckage of their plane only before the all-fated ship crashed. The plane was flying at about 2500 feet, they said, and the pilots did not report they were unable to find the landing field, although a dense fog shrouded the city.

Flying at 2500 Feet
The plane left San Diego at 10:15 o'clock last night for Los Angeles and shortly before midnight officials at the company's airport here heard the drone of the engine as the plane circled Burbank in a vain effort to locate the land field.

Officials said the ship carried a radio and that they were in touch with it for a moment, the pilots reporting they were flying 2500 feet. After circling for a few moments, the ship headed toward the north.

Because of the dense fog, scouting planes could not take up the search and locate the last ship to its base.

At the first streak of dawn, however, two planes took off. The fog had lifted somewhat and shortly afterward the mail plane was sighted on the mountain side, a complete wreck.

As soon as the plane was found, automobiles and ambulances started for the scene, the latter in the faint hope the fliers had bailed out and were alive, although injured.

Instant Death
However, the hope was dashed when the rescuers arrived. Both pilots were strapped in their seats, and both had died instantly. The ship did not catch fire.

Starbuck, who began with the transport company four years, while Parmalee had been with it a similar time.

VETERAN PILOT OAKLAND, Cal., May 6 (AP)—Arthur Starbuck, Los Angeles, killed at Burbank today in an airplane crash was the first pilot of the Pacific Air Transport.

He flew between Oakland and Medford, Ore. His first flight was in 1914.

In 1917 Starbuck joined the army and served in the Philippines.

Kidnaper Shoots Policeman Who Stopped Flight

NEW YORK, May 6 (AP)—A young man stepped out of a car parked in a lane at North Merrick, L. I., early today and shot and killed Patrolman Frederick Hirsch as the policeman who had stopped and impounded the car.

"You're Francis Crowley!" He then leaped back into the car with a girl, who was kidnaped from her escort an hour before, and sped away as Hirsch's fellow officer emptied his revolver after him.

Crowley, who reported conviction for the slaying of Virginia Brauner, a dance hall hostess from Bangor, Maine.

John McCallin, escort of the girl, said he had been kidnaped from him, identified Crowley from photographs as the kidnaper. The girl is 17. Police withheld her name because they feared Crowley might retaliate to avoid recognition. Hirsch and his companion were searching for a truck loaded with tires, believed to have been stolen, where Crowley's car parked in the outskirts of the village.

THEY IN WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON, May 6 (AP)—There has been a thief in the White House, right at the presidential breakfast table.

Algie, reporter for the National Broadcasting company, has told over the radio that a puppy playing with Mr. Hoover and his grandchildren pliffed a fried egg from the presidential plate.

Baseball Today

American League R. H. E.
Washington 7 13 2
New York 10 14 2
Batteries: Fischer, Marberry, Brown and Spencer; Johnson, Weiner, Sherid and Dickey. (Babe Ruth hit fourth home run of season in the fifth, scoring Reese).

National League R. H. E.
Boston 2 1 0
Philadelphia 10 18 1
Batteries: Russell, Lisenbee, Kline and Connolly; Ruel, Hommel and Cochrane.

R. H. E.
Chicago 4 9 2
Detroit 9 11 0
Batteries: Carraway, Braxton, Moore and Tate; Bridges, Herring and Schang.

Cleveland at St. Louis, postponed; cold weather.
National League R. H. E.
Cincinnati at Chicago, postponed; rain.
New York R. H. E.
Brooklyn 1 4 1
Batteries: Walker, Heving and O'Farrell; Hogan; Phelps, Quinn and Pichard.
R. H. E.
Philadelphia 3 4 1
Boston 1 7 0
Batteries: Collins and Davis; Sherid, McAfee and Spohrer, Cronin.
Pacific Coast League
Portland; Seattle-Portland baseball game postponed; rain. Double-header Saturday.

Employment Problem Up To Industry

Gerald Swope Gives His Views at Chamber of Commerce Session

MEYER, LUXEMBURG, DISCUSSES WAGES

Sempell, Chairman of German Steel Cartel, Defends Mass Production Methods.

WASHINGTON, May 6 (AP)—Gerald Swope, president of the General Electric company, told the international chamber of commerce today that the responsibility for regulation of employment rests on industry.

"The more completely regularization of employment is effected," he said, "the less necessary is it for unemployment insurance, either on the part of industry or charitable and relief measures on the part of the community."

"Therefore, the most complete regularization of employment becomes, the less in proportion is the necessity of providing for unemployment, both instances, the co-operation and responsibility of the employe should be enlisted so that the solution for the industry may be joint as between management and employe."

Wages Also Discussed
Employment shared interest with wages and production problems on today's program.

Aloyse Meyer, of Luxemburg, president of the European steel cartel, discussed wages and their relation to the economic balance, drawing a distinction between nominal wages or the amount of money paid, and "real wages" representing the amount of goods that can be bought with the pay.

In European countries of the American system of high nominal wages would be dangerous.

"It is of little consequence to a wage earner if his income be increased or decreased provided that the cost of living increases or decreases in the same proportions. Even if the cost of living were unchanged, that which is really important to him is to see his real wage increased."

DEFENSE MASS PRODUCTION

The chamber heard a defense of mass production methods from Oscar Sempell, chairman of the German steel cartel, who said that "a strong in favor of rationalization of production in spite of 'some doubts resulting from the present world market'."

The technical progress made possible by mass production, Sempell said, is especially necessary in view of the approaching war.

Sempell's top issue with the contentions mass production has brought about the economic crisis in Germany. He said while there was no doubt that mass production would be needed if production were carried on under old methods, the products would be so expensive that exportations would stop and imports could not be excluded, which would result in even more unemployment.

Swope said the first problem in (Continued on Page Five)

LEWISTON FIRE CAUSES LOSS OF \$175,000.00

LEWISTON, Idaho, May 6 (AP)—A downtown fire that "stole the show" from a street carnival here last night destroyed two buildings, damaged a third and caused a loss estimated by owners at \$175,000.

The blaze started in the basement of the Fashion Book shop early last night, quickly destroyed that building and spread to the F. W. Woolworth store next door. By midnight, this was destroyed and the Salsberg building, housing a clothing store, a book shop and office, was reached. The fire was checked, however, before getting headway in the latter building.

Pennant Martin, a fireman, was overcome by smoke and cut by a falling plate glass window, and a dozen other firemen were overcome by smoke. They all recovered quickly.