

Fire Hazard In Wallowa County On the Increase

By G. C. Meek (Observer Correspondent) WALLOWA, Ore. (Special) — The fire hazard is increasing in this county, and extreme drying conditions which have been in progress during the past several weeks together with the present high tem-

peratures, low humidity and rather strong winds during much of the time have created a critical situation. According to Supervisor Fred Furst, of the Wallowa national forest, this section has been very fortunate in the small number of fires to become started so far this season. Something like nine small fires have been reported and with the close co-operation of the members of the fire organizations and the public all have been observed and extinguished before they could gain much headway. In commenting on the situation early this week Mr. Furst expressed the opinion that under the present conditions that serious out-breaks could occur at any time and that utmost precaution will be necessary if serious fires are escaped.

More buying of lambs from some of the bands of this section has taken place recently. M. J. Sever, of Diamond Prairie, has been buying lambs from some of the local bands. The prices being paid for the most of the lambs here is reported to be from \$3.30 to \$3.50 a hundred. L. W. Mince was busy last week buying a part of his lambs out from the Pow-watka range district and according to reports these lambs were sold at \$4 a hundred to an outside buyer. This is believed to be considerably the best price paid by anyone here this year for lambs. E. S. Wolfe, of Middle Valley, recently shipped nearly 300 lambs to Portland. Lambs have been taken as low in weight as 35 and 50 pounds in some of the lots which have been sold here recently.

Huckleberrying parties have made their way to many parts of the woods here during the past several weeks. Reports from several who have been successful in securing several gallons of fine berries. Oscar Maxwell and family, of Middle Valley, returned home Sunday evening with four and a half gallons of berries. Reports from several who have made trips are that while many of the old patches have but few berries, many other places which appear better protected from frosts have excellent crops of berries.

A large crowd of people from many parts of the county were in attendance at the street dance and carnival put on by the American Legion here Saturday night. The evening proved quite cool following the extreme heat of the afternoon and was enjoyed greatly by being out in the refreshing night air.

Cecil Fisher, of Leap, reports seeing a cougar in the Whiskey creek district recently while there looking for huckleberries. He states that the animal was a large one and seemed in no hurry to move away upon being observed.

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MARKET NEWS OF THE DAY

Table with columns: Open, High, Low, Close. Rows: CHICAGO WHEAT, PORTLAND WHEAT, CHICAGO CORN.

Hay Fever Cure Not so Difficult, Experts Declare

By Sam H. Hledsoe (Associated Press Staff Writer) WASHINGTON, Aug. 10 (AP)—Symptomatic over word that Calvin Coolidge suffers from hay fever, government experts were wondering today what the former president had taken advantage of the many serums regarded as cures for the disease.

Daily Cross-Word Puzzle

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down words.

Table with numbers 1-47 in a grid, likely for a word search or similar puzzle.

CLASSIFIED ADS

THE MARKET PLACE OF UNION & WALLOWA COUNTIES (Count five average words to the line.)

FOR SALE J. I. C. CASE threshing machine; 15-30 International tractor engine.

FOR SALE — Cucumbers and beans. Call 642 W. 8-10-3 t.

FOR SALE — 7 work horses, 2 milk cows. J. M. Jones, Luther Campbell farm near Mt. Glen. 8-2-2 tp.

FOR SALE — Cheap, good Studebaker truck, or trade for car. Inquire Rex Barber Shop. 8-8-3 tp.

FOR SALE — New extracted honey. O. Volswinkler, Indian City. 8-4-9 tp.

A THRIVING LITTLE business in La Grande. Ideal for man and wife or mother and daughter. A real bargain. See G. E. Barnhill. 8-2-1 f.

FOR RENT NICELY FURN. 5-rm. house; basement steam heat. Cor. 2nd and O. Mrs. J. J. Broughton, Sacajawea. 8-10-4 t.

MOD. FURN. or unfurn. Apts. Elec. range and refrig. 1101 O Ave. Ph. 894 W. 8-6-3 tp.

FOR RENT — 7-rm. mod. house, full basement, hardwood floors. Moderately priced. Phone Main 686. 7-20-1 f.

STRICTLY MODERN 7-rm. house on 9th St. Inquire 1405 N or phone 434-7. 6-20-1 f.

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THE NEW FANGLES (Mom'n Pop) First Offense!

Comic strip panels showing a woman talking to a man about smoking and marriage.

Milk If you want the best in Milk drive to Andrews Grocery. The most cream content in the state.

Supplies for Canning Cold Pack Canners and Canning Racks Super Sieves for making Jams, Marmalades, etc. Good Paring Knives Melville's

Jesters Shoe Shop LADIES We reglaze shoes any color to match your dress. We also dye and shine shoes. 1212 Adams La Grande, Ore.

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Hammack Auto Repair Fr & Jefferson Phone M1049 Club Auto Laundry We Wash, Polish & Simonzonize Phone us, we will call for and deliver your car.

Fred Warrior 1306 Jefferson 685W Motorcycle Parcel Delivery Quick Delivery Expert Motorcycle & Bicycle Repair Work Lockwood Cyclery Back of Fred's Main 244

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PORTLAND CAFE MEALS 25c TO 35c Coffee & Dessert Included Special Half Chicken Fried 40c Try Our Home Made Pastries 213 Depot Open All Hours

Associated Fire Chief 76 Gas Complete Line of Oil and Service OREGON TRAIL SERVICE STA. East End of Adams Ave.

Ice Prompt Delivery Coal and Kindling by the Sack Gaither & Waller Elm & Jefferson Main 528

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WOODSAWING GENERAL AUTO REPAIRING Drive to 2906 Birch St. and Save Money O. M. HUFF

Gambler's Throw by Eustace L. Adams

SYNOPSIS: Ashwood, unusual story of Emory, and the Ashwood holds prisoner has been defending his house from his gang, was turned against him. Emory's friend, Jerry Calhoun, has chosen by plane gangsters who captured his wife and her mother. Mr. Jerry's return could save the best-sold men from the gang's attacks.

Chapter 25 THREE SHOTS LEFT "LISTEN, you little fighting cock," Emory said, hitching himself closer to the other. "There's only one thing that'll keep me from kicking off with a smile on my face."

"And that is?" invited Ashwood, quietly. "I'm so curious about you that I'm itching all over. Since we'll probably both be bounced off in the next twenty minutes, won't you tell me what turned you from a good drinking partner, as you were back in London, to a hard-boiled egg such as you are now?"

The cripple glanced over the table top, then turned his vivid blue eyes toward Emory. "I owe you something," he acknowledged slowly. "So I suppose I may as well tell you. Forgive me if I spare you the details. I'm an American. Enlisted in the Royal Flying Corps in Canada. Sometime before I ran across you in London,

I met a girl who drove an ambulance for the Overseas club. Saw quite a bit of her. Asked her to marry me. Two nights after that evening of ours which ended in the fight with the military police, she stole some important papers from the pocket of my tunic.

"Some days after she took the papers, a British push was smashed to bits by the Germans. My fault, you see. On that same day, a German Fokker croaked me over the lines. Our men hoisted the engine off my leg and took me to the hospital. But that didn't prevent them from cashing her in. At the trial they blamed me for other things—things I hadn't done. I felt so low that I guess I didn't put up a decent defence. Spent a year in the Tower of London, expecting to be shot any day. Six months after the armistice I was pardoned. My friends had forgotten me, but had remembered to drop my name from my clubs.

"I drifted about like a pariah. Needed excitement. Had no respect for justice, hence none for the law that administered it. War taught me the real value of human life, which is less than nothing. Turned to crime for excitement and to keep me off the benches on the Thames Embankment. Played the 'Lone Wolf' racket for a while. Came back to America. Saw in some of the Chicago gangs that were just beginning to lift their heads a possibility for organized crime that would be highly diverting and exceedingly profitable. I recruited my own mob—who, by the way, are beginning their attack."

He turned abruptly and fired three shots as fast as he could pull the trigger. Emory, getting into action, saw two men stumble and fall. The battle became general, but to Emory it was a matter of himself, alone, against half a dozen. He was conscious that the fighting was sweeping toward and around the house like a prairie fire. That was incidental. The only matter of importance was his own individual effort to keep that little group of men from reaching the porch. The leader charged desperately, zigzagging as he galloped ahead of his com-

rades. Emory wished to stand up and shoot it out with him but from the shelter of the palms the machine-gun sprayed his window with bullets. It was almost suicidal even to raise his head for a quick pot shot. A dozen more steps and that chap with the contorted face and staring eyes would be able to dodge behind the overhanging ledge of the porch. Now! Emory's gun snapped against the palm of his hand. The fellow crashed full against the porch.

Emory heard Mallory cursing in a monotone, on and on, endlessly, flatly, interrupted only by the heavy bark of his automatic. Ashwood was silent, his mouth set in a twisted grin, firing slowly, carefully, wasting not a single shot.

Running men were falling in the sand, some to get up and resume the charge, others to drag themselves away. The two machine-guns hammered relentlessly, monotonously. Their whining bullets irritated Emory like persistent mosquitoes on a hot, sleepless night. It would be, he thought, those two machine-guns that would eventually turn the tide of battle against the defenders. Their slugs splattered through the thin sides of the house. Only the heavy barricades stopped them.

The TINNITES

STORY BY HAL COCHRAN PICTURES BY JOE KING



(READ THE STORY, THEN COLOR THE PICTURE)

THE Tinnies circled 'round and 'round, but still poor Duncy was not found. Soon Scouty, who was all alone, cried out. "Hey! Come here quick."

"Course Windy heard him. Copy, too. They both exclaimed, "We'll soon join you." They scrambled through the thick brush, which was quite a tiresome trick.

"I think," said Scouty, "that we'd best all take a little snooze and rest. In searching for friend Duncy we should not get all tired out. We'll sit down here a little while and we'll like another mile. You two sleep first. I'll stay awake to hark for Duncy's shout."

the Pacific coast division of the Farmers National, who was in Spokane to confer with Mr. Ruff of the Washington, Oregon and Northern Idaho wheat crop this year was set at an estimated 68,000,000 bushels. Department of agriculture forecast figures for July 1 set Washington's crop at 46,000,000 bushels, Oregon, 21,000,000 bushels, and Northern Idaho, about 10,000,000 bushels. Mr. Collins declared the Oregon crop would not go more than about 15,000,000 bushels, and estimated the Washington crop would not harvest at more than 44,500,000 bushels. He also discounted the Idaho crop figures. With a 68,000,000 new crop and about 10,000,000 bushels carryover, according to federal estimates, the North Pacific area will have stocks on hand for the year of 78,000,000 bushels.

PORTLAND PRODUCE PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 10 (AP) — Onions — Selling price to retailers: New Walla Walla 80¢ per cental; Casaca bark — Buying price 1932 feet, 1 1/2¢ lb. Butter, butterfat, live poultry, eggs and country meats unchanged. Mohair, nuts, hops, potatoes, strawberries, wool and hay quotations unchanged.

No Stabilized Grain Remains Unsold In N. W. SPOKANE, Wash., Aug. 10 — G. E. Huff, president of the Farmers' National Grain corporation of Chicago, who was in Spokane in connection with the new wheat crop of the Inland Empire, announced that 3,000,000 bushels of this already had been sold for export. He added that not one bushel of stabilization wheat remains unsold in the Pacific northwest, and that the stocks of such wheat throughout the nation have been reduced from 257,000,000 to 25,000,000 bushels. According to Henry Collins, Portland, vice president and manager of

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YES, BUT DIDN'T HANK INVITE ME TO THE S'CKER? I TELL YOU GIRLS AREN'T ALLOWED AT SMOKERS! HOW LATE WILL IT LAST? OH, I'LL BE HOME AROUND MIDNIGHT, PROBABLY! SUGAR HONEY, WHAT'S THE MATTER? OH, CHICK, DARLING, IT'LL BE THE FIRST M-N-NIGHT A-A-APART SINCE WE WERE MARRIED. AW GEE, HONEY, I FEEL LIKE A DOG