

Increased Fire Hazard Predicted For Coming Weeks

"The next few weeks during February and March is the most dangerous fire season of the year," cautioned Walter Dillard, Keep Oregon Green county chairman. "Don't burn fern, because ferns are now dead and they dry into highly inflammable fuel under two or three days of sun, and these fern fires once set off burn fast and hot."

"Last year more than 22,000 acres of land, much of it in valuable young forests, went up in smoke through carelessness in setting fern fires," the county chairman pointed out. "Our citizens in this country did a good job in holding down man-caused forest fires during the regular season, and we must do equally as good a job during the spring months."

The Keep Oregon Green association is posting all areas in western Oregon with placards warning against burning fern, Edmund Hayes, executive committee chairman, advised, and the cooperation of the citizens is urged because fires during war time take men away from valuable war work in the lumber and logging industry, besides doing untold damage to young and growing forests which grow in the fern cover.

State Forester Nelson Rogers stated that only 5250 acres of forest land patrolled by state and private agencies were burned in man-caused fires during the entire protected season of 1943, and most of this was slash burning, but more than five times as much as land was covered in these early spring fern fires.

Mosby Creek

Lester Rearick who was inducted into the Navy is stationed at Farragut, Idaho.

Dinner guests Saturday evening at the Floyd Jones home were Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lebow of Cottage Grove.

Mrs. Mack Tonole gave a birthday dinner Sunday for her husband and his twin brother Tony Tonole of Divide.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Lebow were called to Tacoma last week by the illness of their daughter Fay who has infantile paralysis. The attending physician reports it is a mild case.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lancaster of Eugene, Pvt. Leon Lancaster of camp Adair and son Larry of Blue Mt., were guests Sunday at the Albert Lancaster home.

Callers Sunday afternoon at the Ben Anderson home were Mr. and Mrs. Dale Carpenter and family of Cottage Grove and Mrs. Anderson's father A. E. Carpenter. Mr. and Mrs. Jay Blackmore and family were dinner guests Sunday at the Sig Nelson home. The main feature of the dinner was a roast pig.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Scott and daughter of Creswell were guests Sunday at the Floyd Jones home.

Delight Valley

The Red Cross surgical dressing class will meet at Mrs. Crick's home for an all day meeting with pot luck dinner at noon, on Friday, February 4.

Guests Sunday at the W. Gerdts home were Mr. and Mrs. Vern Keahy of Cheshire, Mr. and Mrs. H. Osborne of Eugene and Mr. and Mrs. Beryl Rose of Creswell.

Mrs. Glen Phelps of Portland spent a few days recently at the Ernest Sears home.

Mrs. Fannie Miller of Walker and her guests, Mr. and Mrs. Brad Fox of Washington were dinner guests Friday evening of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Sears.

Mrs. Rudolph Hansen was called to Corvallis Friday by the illness of her daughter, Marie.

Joe Crick visited at OSC Saturday with his daughter May and attended Dad's day program.

The C. H. Hights visited in Eugene Sunday at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Mary Paul. Sunday callers at the Oscar Flaten home were Mr. and Mrs. Cal Young and Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Ford and daughter, all of Eugene, and Wellington Gilbert of New Haven, Connecticut.

Mature Spuds Store Best
Immature potatoes do not store so well as mature potatoes because of a thinner skin which results in more rapid loss of water and hence in greater shrinkage.

DANCE
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Silk Creek

The junior class of the Silk creek Sunday school had a radio party at the Abe Hanks home Friday evening. They went on the air at 8:00 over station SCSS with Eldon Hudgins as announcer.

There was a program of truth and consequences, and quiz kids. After signing off the air, games were played and refreshments were served. Those present included the Hanks family, Mr. and Mrs. Lum Hanks of Eugene, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Hudgins and family, Mrs. O. Rider and daughters, Mrs. Alvin Allen and daughters, Dolores Meyer, Conley Overholser and Leonard, Charlotte and Darlene Layng.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Weldon plan to sell their ranch in this community and move to Eugene.

Joyce Allen was absent from school the first part of this week due to illness.

Dinner guests at the E. A. Allen home Sunday included Mr. and Mrs. Chester Allen and son, Mickey, of Harrisburg; Mrs. Flossie Stark and sons, Pete and Billy; Mr. and Mrs. Cady Miller and family, and Mr. and Mrs. John Wilson and family of Cottage Grove; and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Madly and family of this community.

The Misses Shirley Owens and Darlene Castle of Cottage Grove were visitors at the Hathaway home Sunday.

Mr. Layng underwent a major operation at the Sacred Heart hospital last Saturday.

Wayne Hansen, formerly of this community, and Miss Darlene Davis of Cottage Grove are to be married Sunday evening at the S. D. A. church in Cottage Grove.

The Elder Lay will perform the ceremony.

Miss Zelda Darnell was a guest of Mrs. Walta Cook Saturday night and Sunday.

G. L. Moxley was confined to his home with the flu the first of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lum Hanks of Eugene were visitors at the Abe Hanks home the latter part of last week.

Saturday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Clifton were Mrs. E. R. Darnell and daughter, Zelda, Mrs. E. M. Wheeler, and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Juntti and daughter Ellen of Cottage Grove.

Mrs. Ollie Conklin, who has been visiting at the E. A. Conklin home, left for her home in Arlington, Washington, this week.

Mrs. V. E. Garner of this community has arrived safely at the home of her daughter, Ruth Garner, of San Jose, California.

S. A. Waite of Paradise, California, arrived last Tuesday for a visit at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Arthur Hodegers.

"LIFE TO MATCH THE STORMS," THEME OF CONCLAVE

"Life to Match the Storms" was the theme of the two-day convclave held Friday and Saturday by the Oregon Methodist Youth Fellowship at McMinnville at which time four chosen delegates of the local Methodist church, Miss Alma Vick, Miss Phyllis Miller, Miss Dottie Ann Clark and Miss Mildred Collier attended. The Rev. and Mrs. Frank E. Brown also attended the convclave, where approximately 250 young people from various Methodist churches of the state assembled for this meeting. They had the privilege of having as their guest speaker the Rev. John L. Knight, assistant professor of religion, at Willamette University, who gave three challenging and inspirational talks to the young people.

COURT UPHOLD ANTI JEHOVAH LAW

WASHINGTON—The supreme court upheld by a 5-4 vote Monday the constitutionality of a Massachusetts law prohibiting a parent or guardian from furnishing literature to a child for sale in any street or public place.

"Parents may be free to become martyrs themselves," Justice Rutledge said in the majority opinion, "but it does not follow they are free, in identical circumstances, to make martyrs of their children before they have reached the age of full and legal discretion when they can make that choice for themselves."

Validity of the law was challenged by Mrs. Sarah Prince of Brockton, a member of "Jehovah's Witnesses," who was convicted of supplying literature of this organization to her eight-year-old niece, for sale.

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Price Supports On Farm Produce Reviewed by OSC

Several announcements about support prices for 1944 farm products have been received from the War Food administration by the agricultural extension service at Oregon State college recently via the market news leased wire. Several of the announcements are of particular importance in Oregon, including those pertaining to wheat, corn, eggs, says L. R. Breithaupt, extension economist.

With regard to wheat, non-recourse loans at 85 per cent of the parity price as of July 1, 1944, will be made available to farmers on wheat stored on farms or in warehouses. The loans will be available until December 31, 1944, and will mature on April 30, 1945, or earlier upon demand. Loans on corn are also to be at 85 per cent per cent of the parity price as of October 1, 1944, but will not be available until December 1, 1944.

The War Food administration will also buy wheat at the loan rates from farmers who are unable to ship to their normal markets, provided local storage is not available and the administration owns bins in which the purchased wheat may be stored.

The egg price support program puts major emphasis on the procurement of dried eggs, but a nation-wide carlot program for shell eggs has also been announced. These activities are expected to be the chief means of supporting egg prices to farmers at the levels to which the War Food administration is committed.

The commitment previously announced was "not less than 30 cents per dozen in the spring and early summer and an average price of 34 cents per dozen, basis United States average farm price." The backbone of the shell egg purchase program is to be the establishment of carlot prices for designated grades of eggs for 64 cities covering the United States. These prices are to be set periodically. The actual price the farmer receives for eggs may vary, however, according to the quality of the eggs and the area in which they are produced.

LITTELL TO WEST AFRICA

(By wireless from Natal)
NATAL, BRAZIL—Walter B. Littell of Culp Creek, Oregon, a rubber forester with the Firestone Plantations Company, has arrived here from Miami by Pan American Clipper plane on his way to the Firestone rubber plantations in Liberia, West Africa, where Littell expects to be employed for the next two years.

Quality Market Leads Bowling Tournament

The Quality Market continues to lead the winter bowling tournament at the Cottage Grove Recreational Alleys and at the end of the third week had won eight games and lost one. Honors for highest number of total pins in one game goes to Vincent Bricher for the men with a score of 235, while the highest number of pins for the women goes to Betty Bone. For the men, Lester Gates holds the highest number of total pins in three game series and Betty Bone for the women with 419.

Standings at the end of the third week:	Won	Lost	Pct.
Team Quality	8	1	889
Capital Lumber	6	3	667
Standard	6	3	667
Texaco	6	3	667
Daugherty	5	4	556
Shell	4	5	444
Gustafson's	4	5	444
C. G. Cleaners	3	6	333
Safeway	2	7	222
Irish & Swartz	1	8	111

NEW LUMBER PRICES

WASHINGTON—Striking at reported price ceiling violations, the OPA January 26th invoked stringent new regulations covering producers' maximum prices for Douglas fir, white pine and hemlock lumber.

Under the new rules, the seller either must apply to the OPA to fix specific price ceilings or invoice at the lowest grade all lumber shipped without specific ceilings. The lowest grade is \$15 per thousand.

Ceiling price additions for scaffold planking were limited to lumber nine inches or wider. Additional surfacing charges of \$12 to \$3 per thousand were made applicable to all types of clear lumber to prevent pyramiding of surfacing charges.

Rough lumber definitions were fixed to require that rough lumber be of sufficient size to surface on four sides to specified dimensions.

656 LOG BRANDS

Salem.—In the seven months of 1943 that the log branding law was in operation, the Commissioner of Public Utilities, George H. Flagg, has been able to complete registration of 656 brands, and in his annual report to Governor Snell he will also advise his excellency that he is reserving 180 additional brands for woodsmen, millmen and contract cutters of the big trees who ask prior usage rights.

The Commissioner has received a few filings from the lower Columbia, Astoria, Tillamook and Marshfield areas, but the vast majority were tendered by loggers who use the Willamette River and its tributaries.

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50c Pepsodent Antiseptic	39c
75c Fitch's Shampoo	59c
\$1.00 Hind's Honey & Almond Lotn lge	59c
75c Bayer Aspirin, 100's	59c
Valentines	1c to \$1.50

CIGARETTES

Wings, Avalons, Dominoes 12c, \$1.15 ct. Camels, Lucky, Chester., etc. 14c, 1.29 ct.

TOBACCO

P. A., Velvet 1/2 & 1/2, etc. sm. 10c, lb 73c
Geo., Granger, Model, Beech Nut, etc. 9c, 3 for 25c
Bull Durham, Dukes, Golden Grain, Buffalo, etc. 4 for 15c

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Brown Mule, Spark Plug, Honey Cut, etc., 5c, 2 for 9c

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HELP FOR TRUCK OWNERS

Owners of farm trucks and other truck operators are requested by the office of defense transportation to cooperate in a reporting system which the ODT has established to help truck and bus operators with their tire procurement problems. Any operator eligible for tires but unable to obtain a tire certificate from his local rationing board because of exhausted quotas or other reasons, is asked to report that fact to his district ODT office, stating the reason given by the board for the denial of the certificate. This information will enable the ODT to determine the kind of action to be taken, if assistance is warranted.

TO DETERMINE THE TAX YOU OWE

As soon as wage earners get their wage and tax receipts from employers they should make out their annual income and victory tax returns to determine how much if any tax they must pay

by March 15, the deadline for filing, the treasury department advises. Some wage earners will owe a substantial amount, many will owe a small figure and others will get refunds.

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POTATO CHIPS, Daintee	1 lb. bag 49c
HILLS COFFEE, Blue can	25c lb.
TOMATOES, Dundee quality	2 for 25c
SWEETHEART SOAP, Quality plus	4 bars 25c
CLEANSER, Old Dutch	2 for 15c

Purex 1/2 Gallon Jugs **22 each**

Oxydol or Duz Large Package **22c**

KELLY'S MARKET

PURE LARD	SHORTENING
Snow Cap	White Cloud
4 lb. pkg. 85c	4 lb. pkg. 85c

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SMOKED PICNICS	SMOKED JOWLS
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33c lb.	26c lb.

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