



FIRE RAZES MILL AREA AT KENTON

Loss Put at \$600,000 to \$1,000,000.

HIGH WIND FANS BLAZE

Nearby Plants Are Saved After Desperate Battle Against Odds.

THREE DWELLINGS ARE LOST

Narrow Path About Three-Quarters of Mile Long Cut by Flames.

ITEMIZED LIST OF LOSSES BY THE FIRE.

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| North Portland Box Co., \$500,000 | Standerfer Wooden Shipbuilding plant, 250,000 |
| Reynolds, Hankins & Balfour Guthrie Co., lessee of plant, 25,000 | Western Spar Co., 3,000 |
| Portland Railway, Light & Power Co., 2,000 | Northwestern Electric Co., 2,000 |
| Pacific States Tel. & Tel. Co., 5,000 | Monarch Lumber Co., 3,000 |
| Kenton Traction Co., 3,000 | Four freight cars estimated at 10,000 |
| Miscellaneous individual losses of fuel companies, etc., 20,000 | |

Damage estimated at between \$600,000 and \$1,000,000 was wrought by a disastrous fire which completely destroyed the plant of the North Portland Box company and the wooden shipbuilding plant of the Standerfer corporation in the industrial district, below Kenton yesterday. Destruction of the entire district of industrial plants was narrowly averted.

The loss estimate was made by Fred Roberts, fire captain, who spent the day in investigations at the scene of the sweeping conflagration.

There was only a hazy knowledge last night as to how much of the fire loss was covered by insurance. Swift & Co. officials said there was insurance on the box company plant but none was ready even to estimate the amount. G. M. Standerfer professed not to know whether or not the shipyard was protected by insurance.

Starting, apparently, in a mass of dry shavings in the planing mill of the box company plant, the fire was swept by the high wind to the box company's factory and the long stretch of docks along the waterfront.

Blaze Hits Standerfer Plant.

The wind, blowing at a velocity of more than 40 miles an hour, suddenly veered to the north, and before the volunteer fire fighters could concentrate their efforts at that point, the entire Standerfer shipyard plant was a mass of flames.

Several hundred feet of dockage, piled high with about 3,000,000 feet of lumber belonging to the North Portland Box company, was a total loss.

With the gigantic tongues of flame leaping toward the plants of the Monarch Lumber company, the Aladdin company, and the West Coast Box & Lumber company, Assistant Fire Chief Laudonkos, in command of engine companies, 20, 29, 13 and 8, made a last determined stand in the path of the fire.

Fire Finally Turned Back.

After a battle which lasted more than an hour, and blinded at times by the smoke and flames, the firemen finally turned the fire, but not until it had burned its way to within 100 feet of the Aladdin company's cut-up plant. Just as it seemed as if these plants also would be destroyed, the high wind again changed momentarily and assisted in blocking the flames. Had the gale continued for another 15 minutes in an easterly direction, the firemen admit they probably would not have been able to save these plants.

At the extreme western path of (Continued on Page 2, Column 3.)

2 DEAD, 3 INJURED IN FIRE AT KELSO

FLAMES CATCH OCCUPANTS OF BLOYD RESIDENCE ASLEEP.

Children Awake Too Late to Flee. University of Oregon Student and Sister Are Injured.

KELSO, Wash., May 23.—(Special.)—Two children were burned to death and three other occupants of the Henry Bloyd residence on South Fourth street burned and injured in escaping from the house early this morning when the structure was destroyed by fire.

Goldie Bloyd, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bloyd, and Lois Garnett, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Garnett, and granddaughter of the Bloyds, were the fire victims. They were sleeping together in a room on the second floor and awakened to their danger too late to save themselves.

Mr. and Mrs. Bloyd's room also was on the upper floor, and when they were aroused by the fire the entire upper floor was a mass of flames. They escaped through an upstairs window, Mrs. Bloyd sustaining a severely wrenched back in her flight from the flames.

Two other daughters were asleep in a downstairs room. The flames had swept into their room when they were awakened. Screens on the windows hampered their efforts to escape. Helen Bloyd, who had returned yesterday afternoon from the University of Oregon, Eugene, was severely burned about the arms and body. Her sister, Winifred, who is a Kelso high school student, wrapped herself in the bed clothes and was not so seriously injured.

The origin of the fire is unknown. There had been no fire in the stoves since noon.

4 IN AUTO STAGE HURT

17 Other Occupants Badly Shaken When Machine Hits Pole.

ASHLAND, Or., May 23.—(Special.)—One of the Interurban Automobile company's stages struck a telephone pole near the undergrade crossing at the Ashland city limits today, severely injuring four persons and severely shaking the 17 other passengers.

Mrs. J. B. Wimer of Ashland and H. Bowwell of Grants Pass were two of the injured. The machine was badly shaken and it was feared that Mrs. Wimer suffered a fractured skull.

The stage met an old truck at the undergrade crossing tunnel and in the collision the truck overturned, making a sharp curve just beyond the tunnel and smashed into the pole.

ENGINES HURT; 5 HURT

Locomotives Go Over Embankment Near Cascade Summit.

SEATTLE, Wash., May 23.—Five trainmen were injured, two probably fatally, when two huge electric locomotives drawing a single caboose on the Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound railway plunged over a 300-foot embankment early this morning at Garcia station, near the summit of the Cascade mountains. William Coors of Tacoma, instructor, and Brakeman Roy Wells were in a critical condition in a hospital at North Bend.

The accident is said to have resulted from the roadway, weakened by recent rains, giving way under the weight of the big electric tractors.

TRAFFIC TO BE SPEEDED

Whistle to Be Used With Semaphore at Street Intersections.

The whistle will be used in conjunction with the semaphore to regulate traffic at the downtown intersections, beginning today, according to announcement made by Captain Lewis, head of the traffic bureau.

VILLA REWARD OFFERED

Mexican State Will Give 100,000 Pesos for Capture of Bandit.

EL PASO, Tex., May 23.—A reward of 100,000 pesos for the death or capture of Francisco Villa has been offered by the government of the state of Chihuahua.

This announcement was made public late today by Provisional Governor Tomas Gameros, who added that 2,000 troops left Chihuahua City this morning under orders to hunt down the bandit chieftain.

VILLA DEMANDS \$500,000

Raid on American Mining Companies in Chihuahua Reported.

EL PASO, Tex., May 23.—An unconfirmed report was received here today that General Francisco Villa had ordered American and other foreign-owned mining companies in Chihuahua to pay him \$500,000 and that he had cut the power line between Esquiillas and Parral.

M'ADOO IS VICTIM OF WILSON EDICT

Rebuked Democrats Turn on Chief's Son-in-Law.

TREATY STAND IS BOOMERANG

Organization of Forces for Nomination Disrupted.

NAMING OF JUDGE VITAL

President's Action in New York Is Regarded as "the End" by Political Machine.

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WASHINGTON, May 23.—(Special.)—It is now two weeks since President Wilson issued his Oregon telegram calling on the country to support the league of nations, and to condemn the Lodge reservations and to accept article X guaranteeing the "territorial integrity" of the other nations in the league. Enough time has elapsed to observe the effect of that call on the country and the democratic party.

President Wilson in his opinion may think that the results are satisfactory. So far as one can guess what motives may have decided him to issue the call at that particular moment, it is probable that they include a wish to arrest a rapidly growing momentum among the democratic state conventions then and now being held to ignore his previous demand in January that the party should endorse the original treaty and make the coming election "a solemn referendum."

Georgia Jotas Repudiation. Within four days, just before he gave out the Oregon telegram, two democratic state conventions, Rhode Island and New York, had met and had treated Mr. Wilson and the league cavalierly. The Illinois state convention was coming the next day and several others were scheduled. President Wilson wanted to call the run-away democratic conventions back to their duty as expressed by him in January.

Apparently and superficially, he has succeeded. There has been nothing further in the way of specific repudiation of Mr. Wilson's position except Georgia, in which the matter had really been determined already by the primaries; and two states, Colorado and Virginia, have endorsed it.

But platform planks in state convention (Continued on Page 4, Column 4.)

48 SEALERS IN FRAIL CRAFT SWEEP TO SEA

Storm Along Washington Coast Catches Indians of Clallam Reservation Unaware.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., May 23.—Forty-eight Indian seal fishermen from a Clallam county reservation may have perished Thursday in a storm off the Washington coast, according to six survivors brought here today by the McCormick steamer Multnomah. The Multnomah brought the first word of the possible tragedy, although the vessel's wireless operator had sent a score of messages asking aid for the missing men.

The six men who were taken aboard the Multnomah Thursday in an exhausted condition said that 18 Indian lahiks or hollowed log canoes, with three men in each, had been blown far out to sea by the fierce south-west gales. None of the frail boats were equipped to ride the storm and carried but meager food supplies.

The six men were picked up in two canoes in rough seas about 15 miles south of the Umatilla reef lightship. They were so exhausted they could not speak and it was an hour before they revived sufficiently to tell of the fate of their companions. By that time the Multnomah was far away from the vicinity.

Marine men here believe it unlikely that any of the canoes weathered the gale. A revenue cutter is reported to have left Tokeah in the search for them.

The revenue cutter Snohomish has started out to sea in search of them, according to wireless advices to the Multnomah from Cape Flattery.

The rescued men were taken charge of here by the Travelers' Aid society, which will return them to their reservation tomorrow.

NURSES' BODIES ARRIVE

10 Women Who Died Overseas on Duty to Be Buried in U. S.

NEW YORK, May 23.—The bodies of ten women war nurses who died overseas on duty at army base hospitals and the first to be brought home arrived here today on the transport Princess Matoika. On board also were the bodies of 418 soldiers who lost their lives in accidents or succumbed to wounds and disease. Tomorrow the bodies, claimed by relatives, will be sent to their destinations in various parts of the country, while those unclaimed will be taken to Arlington national cemetery for burial.

The women who gave their lives in the service included:

Miss Cora M. Keesh, Santa Ana, Cal., and Miss Jenora Robinson, Nampa, Idaho.

Returning to their homes in various parts of the country were 1690 Polish troops.

MOB SEEKING NEGRO ROUTED BY CAVALRY

ALEXANDRIA COURTHOUSE BESIEGED BY 1000.

WASHINGTON, May 23.—A detachment of cavalry from Fort Myer was called out tonight to disperse a mob of more than a thousand persons which surrounded the jail at Alexandria courthouse, 12 miles from the limits of District of Columbia.

The mob was attempting to obtain possession of William Turner, a negro.

The arrival of the cavalry, which had been requested by the sheriff of Arlington county, scattered the mob which had formed during the afternoon threatening to lynch the negro. The troops took up their station about the jail and late tonight the little village was reported quiet.

Turner is accused of shooting to death T. Morgan Moore, an employee of the naval torpedo plant at Alexandria, Va., and of having attempted to attack Miss Pearl Clark of Washington, Moore's fiancée, and secretary to Representative Britten of Illinois.

The negro, bearing two wounds, was arrested today about two hours after Moore was killed.

Turner later confessed, according to the authorities.

Moore and Miss Clark, according to the report made to Virginia and Washington authorities by the latter, were seated in an automobile near the Virginia end of the bridge connecting Washington and Virginia, when the negro approached them. Pointing a revolver at Moore, Miss Clark said, the negro demanded money. When Moore refused, Miss Clark said she became frightened and jumped from the machine and the negro started after her. Then Moore, according to Miss Clark, seized a revolver from a door pocket of the automobile and fired at the black. In an exchange of shots Moore was shot through the heart and the negro struck in the leg and hand. According to Miss Clark he continued to pursue her until she had given him some jewelry.

TWO KILLED IN WRECK

Engineer and Fireman Victims in Open Switch Accident.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, May 23.—George Waddingham, engineer, 55, of Salt Lake, and Edward I. Miller, fireman, of Caliente, Nev., were killed at 10 o'clock this morning when west-bound Los Angeles and Salt Lake passenger No. 3, which left here at 11 o'clock Saturday night, was derailed at Latimer, about 27 miles west of Milford.

The accident was caused by an open switch. The engine and four baggage cars were overturned.

Members of the theatrical troupe of "Miss Nelly of N'Orleans," of which Mrs. Minnie Madden Piske is leading woman, were passengers on the wrecked train.

JOHNSON RETAINS LEAD IN COUNTY

Californian Has 1122 Votes More Than Wood.

ONLY ONE PRECINCT NOT IN

Uncounted District Small and Will Have No Effect.

STATE MEASURES PASS

Capital Punishment Opinion Nearly Evenly Divided—Chamberlain Easy Victor for Place.

Complete unofficial returns from all precincts in Multnomah county, except a small one in a remote district where about a dozen votes were cast, have made no change in the nomination results as shown in Sunday's Oregonian, save the tall end of the legislative ticket.

For president, Johnson has carried the county, leading Wood by 1122 votes. Johnson received 16,922, Wood 15,800. Lowden 7588 and Hoover 4565.

For United States senator, democrat, Chamberlain leads Starkweather by 2552.

For United States senator, republican, Stanford 29,168, Abraham 9495.

Johnstone Vote Highest.

Delegates to the republican convention, Ed Higgins, are Johnstone 19,118, Walker 18,821, Dunn 13,844, Kelleher 12,002, Miller 10,736, Northrup 10,005.

Delegates at large, republican convention, the leaders are McCamant, Olson, MacDonald and Carey. The vote stands: Compton 3679, Harrison 12,885, Hickey 9245, Kollock 9129, MacDonald 15,060, MacLean 7945, Marie 3856, McCamant 17,670, Olson 15,892, Stand 11,009, Stewart 6590, Boyd 5088, Butler 8122, Cameron 15,500, Carey 15,322.

Per vice-president—Lodge 24,401, Washington 652, Webster 6421.

Five presidential elector leaders are George Richardson, Lockwood, Hotchkiss and Hume. The vote: Hume 24,092, Ivanhoe 14,927, Lockwood 24,192, Richardson 26,591, Robb 20,363, George 27,763, Hendee 19,095, Hotchkiss 24,213.

Representative in congress, republican—McArthur 21,984, Sweeney 14,242, Smith 5912.

Supreme court justice—Bean 33,120, Benson 30,803, Harris 30,371, McBride 31,092.

Koser Lead Heavy.

Koser carried the county by a heavy lead for secretary of state. The vote: Jones 5249, Koser 12,778, Lockley 8364, Parsons 4516, Schulderman 5307, Wood 2325, Coburn 1498.

State senators nominated are Joseph Moser, Farrell, Staples and Hume. The vote: Joseph 18,006, Moser 17,590, Farrell 17,133, Staples 15,583, Hume 14,939, Cellars 14,694.

The representatives nominated and their vote are: Wells 21,925, Leonard 19,750, Kubli 18,824, North 17,378, Lee 17,117, Richards 16,068, Hoarford 15,950, Gordon 15,556, McFarland 14,704, Hindman 14,148, Korrell 13,908, Lynn 13,881, McArthur 12,984, Sweeney 14,242, Phelps 12,635, Katz 13,442, Lonergan 12,099.

For joint representative McDonald 15,712, Logren 14,899, Crans 6112, McDonald elected, including the figures from Clackamas county.

State dairy and food commissioner—Hawley, 25,407.

Public service commissioner—Buchtel, 29,227; Cousin, 11,156.

EVANS IN VICTORY

Judge of circuit court, department No. 6—McCourt, 26,507; Cason, 7064; Bard, 7022.

District attorney—Evans, 23,490; Myers, 17,605.

Judge of district court, No. 1—Bell wins. The vote: Appleton, 2732; Bell, 17,828; Mears, 9839; Wilhelm, 3386; Alexander, 7377.

Judge of district court, No. 2—Delch wins. Jones, 14,059; Delch, 17,378; McDougal, 9223.

Judge of district court, No. 3—Hawkins, 27,750; Kauffman, 11,574.

Judge of the court of domestic relations—Kannler, 29,023; Nielsen, 10,112.

GOVERNOR ON FLIGHT DOWNED BY STORMS

EXECUTIVE PLANE FAILS TO REACH STOCKTON, CAL.

Start Made From Blaine, Wash., for Long Trip; Stop Made at Eugene for Night.

SEATTLE, Wash., May 23.—(Special.)—Lieutenant R. M. Kelly and Governor Olcott of Oregon, forced by heavy head winds to land at Camp Lewis, abandoned their effort Sunday to fly by airplane from Blaine to Stockton, Cal. After a three-hour delay they flew to Eugene, Or., from which point they will complete their trip Monday.

Adverse weather conditions hampered the flyers almost from the start. When they hopped off at Blaine at 4:55 o'clock this morning they were to reach the Pacific coast where the air was clear, but they soon ran into a violent head wind which so retarded their progress that they reached Camp Lewis only with great difficulty.

Although Camp Lewis is only about 150 miles by air from Blaine, they took nearly two hours to make the flight, battling almost constantly with the heavy wind.

They hopped off again from the camp in the middle of a rain storm at 9:30 o'clock, and going through hail, rain and clouds most of the way, flew to Eugene, Or. There it was discovered that the propeller had been damaged by hail, making it impossible to continue the flight until Monday.

They were to have arrived in Stockton coincidentally with the caravan of automobiles that left Blaine a week ago to go to the Pacific Coast Advertising club's convention in the California city.

STOCKTON, Cal., May 23.—Army Aviator Kelly and Governor Olcott did not arrive in Stockton today to attend the Ad club convention opening today, according to schedule.

A telegram received here tonight stated the plane hopped off at 4:20 o'clock this morning from Blaine, Wash., and fought a hard head wind all the way to Camp Lewis, Wash., where the plane made a landing.

They were delayed three hours at Camp Lewis and landed at Eugene, Or., too late to finish the flight to Stockton today. Bad weather and hailstorms slightly damaged the propeller blades. Kelly, aviator and Governor Olcott will make another try tomorrow and are expected at the Ad club convention in the afternoon.

GUARD SLAYS CARRANZA

Personal Vengeance Believed to Have Caused Murder.

MEXICO CITY, May 23.—(By the Associated Press.)—Juan Sanchez Azcona who is in charge of the foreign office, today at noon sent a communication to all the foreign diplomats in Mexico City which said in part:

"President Carranza was assassinated on May 21, in the village of Tlaxcalantlan, state of Puebla, where accompanied by 46 persons, he was delayed three hours at the night in his flight through the Neocra mountain range. The assassin, Rodolfo Herrero, belonged to a small force of General Alvaro Obregon, follower of Carranza. Herrero commanded the escort charged with guarding Carranza, the same night. After his crime, Herrero fled into the mountains with his followers."

"Everything indicated personal vengeance."

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JOHNSON'S LEAD IS CUT TO 510

Wood Vote Creeps Up As Count Progresses.

RESULT YET IN DOUBT

State-Wide Margin Is Reduced as Multnomah Gap Is Shortened.

MANY VOTES STILL MISSING

Cold Figures, However, Still Point to Californian as Oregon's Choice.

With all but one small precinct in Multnomah county accounted for in the returns and with numerous other counties incomplete, Hiram Johnson is holding his lead over Leonard Wood for the Oregon presidential preference by the narrow margin of 510 votes.

Johnson's lead as shown on the first returns that had been received yesterday was cut down materially in the all but complete count in Multnomah county. One basis on which he had a lead of more than 1700 in the state at large was a lead of more than 1600 in Multnomah. But the missing precincts in Multnomah as they came in gradually ate into this lead until the count closed with Johnson leading in the county by only 1122.

Marion Change Small. There was also a small change in Marion county. Whereas figures Saturday gave Johnson a lead of 93, returns from all but one small precinct yesterday gave Wood the county by a majority over Johnson of 56. A revision of figures obtained from a complete count in Yamhill county also materially affected the result.

Some of the counties where numerous precincts are yet to be heard from have given indications in the incomplete figures of being for Wood. On the other hand, two counties that have reported but a small portion of the vote are considered fairly strong for Johnson. These counties are Lake and Klamath. Voters there, due to their remoteness from other centers of Oregon and to their proximity to California, receive a reflection of the California spirit, and it is believed that both counties are fairly strong for Johnson. A large block of votes is still missing from Umatilla county, another from Malheur, one from a number of precincts from both Jackson and Douglas, all of which are showing Wood indications on the partial returns.

Wood Supporters Encouraged.

Wood's gradual gain on Johnson put courage into the hearts of his supporters yesterday. It is argued that in the counties where returns are far from complete that the figures are generally from town and city precincts where it is contended that Johnson's best strength lies. It is predicted that as the country precincts come in they will show a stronger Wood leaning. On this basis, while no help is expected by the Wood forces from Lake and Klamath, they do not expect Johnson's lead to be increased by later returns from such Johnson counties as Clatsop.

Thus the second day after the primary election closed with the result on presidential preference still in some doubt but with the cold figures still pointing to Johnson as the choice of or plurality choice of Oregon republicans, but with a bare chance that the indications may be upset or the final result postponed until the final canvass or official canvass has been made.

The count now stands, including Multnomah county: Presidential preference—Wood 40,109. Johnson 40,619. Hoover 13,036. Lowden 14,487. Johnson's lead 510.

Additional figures received yesterday on delegates at large to the republican national convention did not change the previous line-up. The (Continued on Page 6, Column 2.)

