

MANY FLEE HOTEL IN NIGHT CLOTHES

Glenwood Is Swept by Fire in Early Morning.

WARRANT OUT FOR OWNER

Nick Raptakis Charged With Hiding Back Door Locked in Way to Prevent Escape.

Fire which started in the elevator shaft of the Glenwood hotel, 25 North Sixth street, presumably caused from defective wiring in the elevator motor, swept up the shaft and then spread out in the attic above, doing about \$7500 damage to the building and contents before it was finally put out by the fire department.

The fire was discovered about 4.50 o'clock yesterday morning by Patrolmen Payne and Talbert who turned in the alarm and then roused the residents of the hotel. In a few minutes smoke was pouring from every window in the structure and the residents were compelled to flee into the street, many of them in their night clothing.

Warrant Out for Proprietor. If it had not been for the fact that the elevator shaft was enclosed, preventing the fire from spreading on the lower floors, the blaze probably would have been a replica of the Elton Court hotel fire last Saturday in which four persons lost their lives, say firemen.

A warrant for the arrest of Nick Raptakis, proprietor of the hotel, on a charge of having the back door of the hotel locked in such a manner that it could not be opened from the inside, was issued out of the municipal court yesterday on complaint of Captain Roberts, assistant fire marshal. The assistant fire marshal, who made an investigation of the fire, said that the locking of the door might have meant loss of life if it had been necessary for residents of the hotel to make their escape by that exit.

A large percentage of the fire loss was due to smoke and water damage. It is a four-story structure.

Enclosed Shaft's Value Seen. Practical demonstration of the value of enclosed elevator shafts and stairways in hotels, apartment houses and rooming houses was given in the Glenwood fire, according to City Commissioner Bigelow.

This fire, like the one in Elton Court, began at the base of the elevator and shot up the elevator shaft. But the enclosed shaft prevented the fire from spreading on any of the floors.

"Had the elevator shaft been open," Commissioner Bigelow told the council yesterday, "it is almost certain that the fire would have been even more difficult to handle than the Elton court fire and loss of life undoubtedly would have resulted."

Inspectors Are Named. Fire Marshal Grenfell and Building Inspector Plummer were yesterday named as a committee to make an immediate investigation of buildings in which elevator shafts and stairways are not enclosed and to report to the city council on recommendations for legislation which will correct such conditions.

Mayor Baker yesterday filed a report to the council recommending the investigation. In this letter, Mayor Baker related that the results at the Elton Court fire demonstrated that the city council, although having passed much legislation to prevent the loss of fire through improper conditions, had left some things undone.

Strong opposition has always developed in the past when members of the council attempted to pass legislation providing the enclosing of elevator shafts and stairways in buildings built prior to the enactment of the building code. It is generally believed that such opposition will not appear when this revision is next considered by the city council.

TIMBER EXPERT IN TOWN

Head of U. S. Forest Products Laboratory Portland Visitor.

John Newland, in charge of the section of timber mechanics at the forest products laboratory of the United States forest service at Madison, Wis., is in Portland on a trip to look over the timber stands of this district. Chester Hogue, New York representative of the West Coast Lumbermen's association, is making the trip with him. They are examining the timber from the standpoint of a trading rule adopted a year ago designed to give greater uniformity in tests of strength for building materials. Mr. Newland and Mr. Hogue have come to Oregon after investigating the timber in British Columbia and Washington.

W. H. Gibbons of the local office is accompanying them on their trip in Oregon.

Buying with vision

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MOTION PICTURE NEWS



ETHEL CLAYTON, STARRING IN "THE LADDER OF LIES," NOW RUNNING AT THE LIBERTY.

ETHEL CLAYTON has another of those attractive domestic roles which have characterized her last few pictures in "The Ladder of Lies," now running at the Liberty.

The star is Edith Parrish, a magazine illustrator, who meets Peter Gordon, a friend, marry a shallow feminine creature, Dora Leroy. In an endeavor to keep the information from Peter that his wife is carrying on an affair with another man, Edith draws suspicion upon herself. Thus she is under a cloud when Blaine, whom she really loves, comes along. However, a decent street develops unexpectedly in Dora's admirer, Brent. He tells Blaine the truth and paves the way for Edith's happiness.

Ethel Clayton brings a charm and winsomeness to "The Ladder of Lies" that makes it excellent entertainment. The other members of the cast are extremely well chosen. Clyde Fillmore playing the part of Peter and Irving Cummings as a suitor as ever in the role of the "heavy." Charles Meredith is the leading man and Jane Acker is the leading woman.

Tom Forman, one of the screen's best-known juvenile leading men, makes his debut as a director in "The Ladder of Lies."

Screen Gossip. Marshall Neilan, accompanied by his "Dinty" company, has just returned from Catalina Island, where the troupe has been staging a number of new airplane stunts. It is expected that "Dinty" will be finished within the next week and will be released via First National in the early fall. In the cast are Wesley Barry in the title role, Pat O'Malley, Colleen Moore, Marjorie Daw, J. Barney Sherry, Newton Hall, Walter Chung and Aaron Mitchell. Tom Held and George Dromgold are assisting Mr. Neilan in the production of this film.

The only damage resulting from a slight earthquake shock felt at "Universal City" recently was strangely enough to a setting representing a San Francisco apartment house, used by Tod Browning and Priscilla Dean. A slab of marble in the lobby was shaken loose, but was soon secured so that production of "Outside the Law" was practically uninterrupted.

According to the best information obtainable an enormous diamond ring on Naomi Childers' finger was paid for by Luther Reed. He doesn't deny it.

She was about to go up for a flight. But when they asked Mildred Davis to sign a slip releasing the aviation company from all responsibility her enthusiasm died suddenly. She decided that she would be content with just having her picture taken as a aviatrix. No high life for Mildred!

TIMBER CRUISERS BUSY

146,000 ACRES SURVEYED BY FORESTRY OFFICIALS.

Inventory Made of Big Sections in Oregon, Washington and Forests of Alaska.

Cruisers working under the direction of the district forester have cruised and mapped 146,000 acres of national forest timber within the past 12 months as part of a general inventory of forest resources. Of this amount, 87,000 acres are in Oregon, 31,000 in Alaska and the remainder in Washington. The cost varied from 10 to 25 cents an acre, depending upon the character of the country and timber.

To date in this forestry district 2,272,000 acres have been cruised and mapped, but with the amount of money now available for timber cruising it will take nearly a century, it is estimated, to take an inventory of all the timber in the 13,000,000 acres within the commercial timber zone of the national forests in Oregon and Washington, aggregating about 32,000,000 acres.

Coal Beds in Two Counties May Be Developed.

Lack of Railway Transportation Only Drawback to Marketing Product—Natives Dig Own Fuel Out of Ground.

LEWISTON, Idaho, Aug. 11.—(Special.)—The presence of coal deposits of considerable size in parts of Anatin county, Wash., and Idaho county, Idaho, has recently led to activity looking toward development of the coal beds. In the region surrounding Anatin and Cloverland, Wash., it has been known for many years that coal of good quality was awaiting the pick and shovel, but as there is no railroad point nearer than Lewiston, about 25 miles away, it was believed that there was no use attempting to open the beds.

One settler not far from Cloverland has dug his cellar out of a coal vein, and secures fuel by merely digging it out of the cellar. The present agitation for opening up coal deposits has resulted from the increased use of motor trucks, and it is thought by interested parties that transportation can be arranged in this way so that the cost of mining and marketing will be much less than that of coal from distant mines. One favorable factor is the fact that there would be a down grade haul all the way from the deposits to Lewiston and Clarkston.

It was recently reported that another large deposit of bituminous coal had been discovered a few miles from Grangeville. A trial of the quality of this coal has been made and indicates that it will prove satisfactory for all purposes. As Grangeville is difficult of access by rail, owing to the long, steep climb over the mountains, it is evident that development of such a project would be to greatest local value to residents of the Grangeville region.

SIDEWALK HELD MENACE

City Contends Linnton District Work Is for County.

Repair of sidewalk along the county road in the Linnton district should be paid for by the county board of



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MONEY FOR MILK TIED UP

COURT GRANTS INJUNCTION AGAINST DISTRIBUTORS.

Oregon Dairymen's Co-operative League Only Ones to Be Paid Funds Under Order.

Thousands of dollars due farmers in Multnomah, Washington and Columbia counties for milk shipped to Portland is being withheld because of an injunction served upon the Portland milk distributors by the Oregon Dairymen's Co-operative league, according to C. M. Gregory, representative of the distributors.

According to Mr. Gregory, milk distributors have no business agreement or contract with the dairymen's league, and through the court's order are restrained from paying money direct to the milk shippers.

It develops that on July 1 the Portland milk distributors were served with a notice from league officials that all money for milk shipped by league members must be sent to



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