

FIRES IN FORESTS NEARLY ALL SMALL

Oregon-Washington Timber In No Great Danger.

VIGILANCE IS EFFECTIVE

Although Areas Are Like Tinder From Dry Weather, Situation Seems Under Control.

Though many fires are burning throughout Oregon and Washington, and though weather conditions are favorable for more fires during the month of July, reports are coming in to local forest bureau to the effect that most of the fires are small and need be cause for no great alarm.

The extremely dry weather has made the forests tinder-like for blazes to spread, but thus far in the season fires in the state of Oregon have not caused the damage that they did at this time last year.

The forest protective associations are issuing precautions throughout the country to berry-pickers and campers and the fire-fighting organizations constantly are on the watch for new blazes.

Chelan Fire Under Control. Word came into the forest service bureau in the postoffice building yesterday that the fire at Lake Chelan, by Little Big creek, which has been creating much excitement during the last few days is under control.

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Private Tracts Are Burned. E. T. Allen of the Western Forest and Conservation association, said yesterday the general situation throughout Oregon is that fires are small and those which have caused trouble have been brought under control.

Lumber Companies Affected. A fire, the site of which has not been reported, is burning in Clatsop and Columbia counties in the property of the Lark & Green Timber company, operating at the Big Creek Logging company is operating.

Fire Sweeps Three Farms. Northern Idaho Timber Visited by Pierce Forest Flames.

SPOKANE, July 5.—A forest fire on Locke creek has covered eight miles on a three-mile front, since starting Monday afternoon and is now within 10 miles of the lumber town of Ione, on the Pend Oreille river, 70 miles north of Spokane, according to word received here today.

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Flames Trap Water Official. EVERETT, Wash., July 5.—R. B. Williams, commissioner of public works, left this morning with a crew of men for the Sultan basin country to effect the rescue of Carl Klapp, city water superintendent, whose return yesterday from the Everett water intake on the Sultan river was cut off by fires.

WASHINGTON SITUATION BAD

Hot Dry Winds Increase Forest Fire Hazards in State.

OLYMPIA, Wash., July 5.—(Special.)—Warmer weather today, with hot dry winds in the afternoon, brought the forest fire situation in Washington back to the acute stage it reached Monday. Fires which had been partially subdued yesterday were whipped into flames again by the wind and spread, some to new territory and some back over their old burns, with losses constantly increasing.

To prevent new fires starting Governor Hart issued an appeal to loggers not to resume operations until after rain comes.

State Forester Pape and G. C. Joy, chief warden of the Washington Forest Fire association, left tonight for the scene of the Coweman river fire in Cowlitz county, which is considered the worst fire in the state. The timber burned and burning principally is owned by the Weyerhaeuser Timber company.

The Lindstrom-Hanford fire at Rainier also escaped control Tuesday night and burned his way into green timber, where it is causing much damage. A fire which is said to have started from sparks from a Milwaukee locomotive at Chop lake and today had spread out over a front of a mile and a half long.

The Pleasant Glade fire, near Olympia was checked last night after it had burned an 80-acre slash and 15 acres of standing timber. Reports received today by R. L. Fromme, federal forest supervisor, from the Olympic National forest fires show a tremendous loss to the Webb Logging & Timber company in the Duckabush river fire. One camp was destroyed completely, five donkey engines burned, four miles of railroad with several bridges destroyed and 1,000,000 feet of logs reduced to about half their former value.

Eighteen fires in Pend Oreille county, all serious, but none beyond control, were reported to State Forester Pape by the warden today. No word was received from Stevens county, where conditions are known to be as bad or worse than in Pend Oreille.

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Another fire has been burning on Little creek, a tributary to Fall creek, for a number of days, and Ed Schuitz, fire warden in that district, left yesterday with 12 men to fight it. The fire is burning on the edge of green timber.

FIRE STARTED AT BULL RUN. Blaze Extinguished, but Another Rages at End of Reserve.

Carelessness on the part of Fourth of July campers, near Bull Run station, was held responsible for a fire that broke out in the Bull Run forest reserve Tuesday afternoon. The fire was discovered before it gained any headway and was speedily put out, according to word received yesterday by John Mann, commissioner of public utilities. It is believed that the fire started from a firecracker which had fire is raging on the edge of the Bull Run reserve, near Cameron and Hog's mill. United States forest rangers who guard Portland's water supply in the reserve are taking extra precautions to prevent the fire from spreading into the reserve.

More than 600 picnickers visited Dodge park near Bull Run Independence day, according to Mr. Mann.

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No damage was done the machinery and the fire is being held in the logged off land.

The burning of the tristles will prevent the running of trains for at least a week. Both of the big Chehalis sawmills receive their logs from that source, but there are enough logs in the ponds to prevent shutdowns.

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The child was supposed to be empty, but some gasoline remained. The child was taken to a Portland hospital, where splinters of bone were removed from the brain. A telephone message today said the child had a chance for recovery.

Little Thelma Willis narrowly escaped death when a firecracker tossed by a small boy ignited her dress. A woman nearby seized the child and smothered the flame with an automobile robe.

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PORTLAND SCHOOLS MALIGNED IN SYDNEY

Weird Tale of Drunken Revelry by Students Told.

STORY PROMPTLY DENIED. City Officials Angry at Falsehood Spread in Australia by Returned Traveler.

City officials were highly indignant yesterday over an article appearing in the Sun newspaper of Sydney, New South Wales, Australia, in which it was declared that pupils in a Portland public school were dismissed for riotous drinking at the school.

The story, which was printed May 9, purports to quote a returned Australian traveler. It was sent to the municipal authorities here by F. A. Peters, an American citizen residing in Sydney. The story was as follows:

"The boys and girls at the Prince Alfred public school near Portland, Oregon, had a half holiday not long ago.

"The reason was that in the morning session five of the scholars, between 12 and 16 years old, appeared carrying bottles of moonshine. The bottles were passed around the school and the children soon became so riotous that the teacher had to dismiss them for the day.

Everyone Drinks, Says One. "One of the boys boasted that he was independent of bootleggers, as he had his own still.

"This is a story brought from America by passengers aboard the Makura today.

"One of the passengers, Mr. F. G. Brown, a mining expert of Queensland, gave it as an example of how drinking had spread in America since the introduction of prohibition.

"Everybody drinks," he declared, "from the president and the judges and the doctors to the young boys at school.

"Here Mr. C. J. Titmus, the Sydney sharebroker, who came back by the same boat, added his opinion.

"It's ruining the country," he declared. "It's making the people a nation of lawbreakers forbidden fruit, you know. The people will have it, despite the law and the high price."

"Mr. Brown explained that there were more prohibitionists than ever in America. The reason for this was that there were 5,000,000 bootleggers—all strong prohibitionists. Without them they would not be able to make fortunes.

Trust Reported at Spokane. "One interesting piece of news brought by Makura was that in Spokane, Wash., the bootleggers had formed a powerful trust to keep up the price of whisky. They called it the Associated Retail Bootleggers of Spokane.

Brown explained that the amount of smuggling on the border was amazing.

"But they were hopeful of a change. Just before they left America a number of influential men in New York started an emphatic move to force the government to repeal the law and there was a chance that it would succeed.

Vigorous action will be taken by members of city council to protest against the article.

"The story is absurd on its face," Mayor Baker declared. "There never has and never will be a school in Portland with the prefix 'Prince' before it. The article is a libel on the city and on every resident of the city. It is untrue in every reference to this city."

Mayor Takes Up Matter. The other commissioners expressed themselves in like terms. Mayor Baker complained that the article and city school boards, and learned that no school bearing a name even remotely like that of Prince Alfred existed in this vicinity.

Prunarians to Visit Newberg. VANCOUVER, Wash., July 5.—(Special.)—The Vancouver Prunarians, uniformed marching body of this city organized to boost the use and sale of the luscious prune, today accepted an invitation from Newberg to be the guests of the Newberg Berrians at the big berry festival to be held in Newberg Saturday, July 8.

In addition to other entertainment promised, there will be a banquet in honor of the visitors. P. J. Flynn is chairman of a committee to make all arrangements.

The signer is sending this to you as evidently the school referred to must be either in or adjacent to your city and I cannot for a moment believe that any such episode could have happened in any American school as is set out in the article.

Denial Is Requested. "I will appreciate, as an American, to have a very strongly worded publication in any one of our leading newspapers giving an absolute denial to the statement made—provided it is not founded upon fact, and I do not believe for one moment that it is—and if you will then send me a copy of the newspaper in which the reply appears, I will undertake to have the same published in one of the principal papers in this city.

The advocates of prohibition are having a very hard row to hoe in their efforts to bring about this condition in this country and the propaganda that is being circulated against prohibition is largely provided by and paid for by the liquor interests; but notwithstanding this the signer is under the impression that prohibition will be an accom-

Well Known Undertaker Moves. Mr. Wilson Benefiel, for many years president and senior member of the East Side Funeral Directors, East Sixth and Alder street, has severed his connections with the old firm and becomes associated with Downing & McNemar, Undertakers, at East Seventh and Multnomah streets. Mr. Benefiel succeeds Mr. McNemar as president, henceforth the new firm will be known as Downing & Benefiel.

Hot Weather Foods for Children

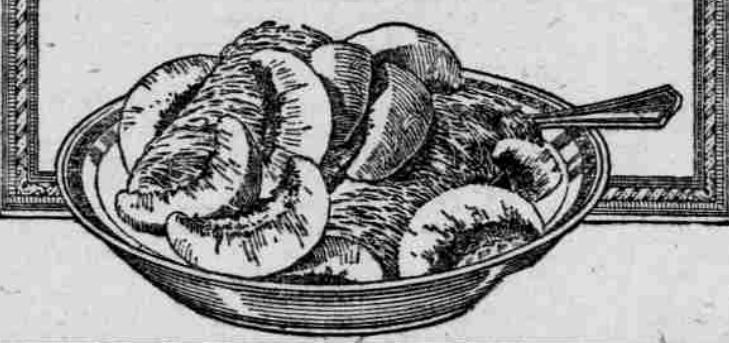
Mothers have many problems in Summer, but none so full of peril as the problem of feeding the little ones. Happy the mother who knows

Shredded Wheat

Children like the tasty crispness of the baked whole wheat. It gives them all the nourishment they need in Summer, is so easily digested and fortifies them against those distressing ailments that are peculiar to Summer. It is salt-free and unsweetened—you season it to suit your taste.

Two Biscuits with milk or cream make a complete, nourishing meal. Eat it for breakfast with sliced bananas or prunes; for lunch with berries; for dinner with sliced peaches, apricots, stewed raisins, or other fruits. Ready-cooked, ready-to-eat.

Pacific Coast Shredded Wheat Co., Oakland, Cal.



plished fact in Australia within the next five years.

A possible explanation for the designation of Portland in the story was offered last night by Mayor Baker.

"Some time ago when a commissioner from Australia was in this country studying prohibition, he received some very strong letters from this city in support of the dry laws. These letters were circulated throughout Australia and this story may have been published to counteract the effect they made."

SEARCH FOR BODY FUTILE. Day Devoted to Hunt for Arthur Sherman, Drowned at Aberdeen.

ABERDEEN, Wash., July 5.—(Special.)—An all-day search of the vicinity where Arthur Sherman, aircraft engineer, was drowned late yesterday afternoon failed to find any trace of the body.

Sherman was rushing across a raft of logs to clear the seaplane, which he had brought here earlier in the day from Seattle, from logs against which it was being battered by waves stirred up when the destroyer Delph passed on its way out of the harbor. He had crossed but a few logs when he slipped, landed in a straddling position over a log, then slid from the log into the water and disappeared.

Sherman was an airplane engineer for the Boeing company of Seattle. His father, J. M. Sherman of Seattle, reached the harbor this morning and aided in attempts to find the body.

TRADE OF FOURTH LARGE. Crowds During Aberdeen Splash Celebration Spend Heavily.

ABERDEEN, Wash., July 5.—With checks totaling \$1,353,000 cashed during the annual Fourth of July "splash" celebration, July 1 and 2, banking records were broken in three Aberdeen banks. A heavier trade than in any previous "splash" was experienced by local merchants and proprietors of cafes and confectionery stores. Restaurant owners were forced to bar their doors at times during the two-day celebration. Stores remained open Monday night for the accommodation of out-of-town visitors who are estimated at between 15,000 and 18,000.

Phone your want ads to The Oregonian, Main 7078. Automatic 540-25.

17,500 Number Changes

Our June, 1922, directory is being distributed to our subscribers. It is important that the old directory be discarded and only the new book used hereafter. There are approximately 17,500 number changes in the new book. In the interest of your own service you should consult the new directory before placing a call. Failure to do this is very apt to delay your own calls as well as slow up service to other subscribers.

Prefixed Zeros:

All numbers below 1000 in all exchanges have been built up to four numerals by prefixing zeros to the old number. For example, Main 23 is now MA in 0023. The zeros (pronounced Oh) should be given as a part of the telephone number.

New Prefixes:

Woodlawn has been changed to WALnut. Marshall has been changed to ATwater. Columbia has been changed to EMpire.

For the present there is no change in the method of using the telephone from that heretofore in effect.

Manual subscribers should call numbers as they have heretofore.

Automatic subscribers should dial numbers as they have heretofore.

Continue to use your telephone as in the past, consulting the new directory before calling.

The Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Company logo and advertisement for 5000 ATTEND ROUND-UP.

Spokane, Portland & Seattle Railway Co. Oregon Electric Railway Co. SHOPMEN WANTED

Attention ICE CONSUMERS. Effective July 6, 1922. Ice will be sold to families in exchange for coupons or cash only.

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