

LOSS SO FAR SMALL WILL SHIP LIQUOR GOOD TIMES HERE

FIRES HAVE DONE NO MATERIAL DAMAGE YET

Oregon Has Escaped up to This Time But Woods are Getting dry

(Special to The Times.) PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 19.—Reports recently received by the Western Forestry & Conservation Association, from all protective agencies in the Northwest, show practically no loss of timber through forest fires up to the present time.

Favorable weather conditions and careful preparation for the season are the chief factors which have no far made for a clean record on the part of patrol organizations.

Following the plan of previous seasons each protective agency began, well in advance of dry weather, to get its territory into the best possible shape for successfully combating any fires which might get started.

Additional lookout points were equipped, telephone lines extended and repaired, new trails were constructed, and every effort made to secure the best possible co-operation between the various patrol organizations. These efforts are now bearing fruit in the prompt detection and suppression of all fires which become started.

Yet Time for Danger

Although the beginning of August saw conditions much more favorable than those of a year ago, there is still time for the woods to become dry and only the greatest care and vigilance will prevent fires from starting during the next few weeks.

Oregon experienced no fires worthy of mention during July. A few fires escaped as a result of slash burning but were speedily extinguished without loss of green timber. About 300 wardens are on duty outside the National Forests and their number probably will be slightly increased if rains are not forthcoming within the next few days.

The need for strict enforcement of the forest laws has been especially emphasized this season, and a campaign to eliminate the smoke nuisance has been vigorously carried on.

Washington reports some 35 fires during July, all promptly extinguished, and with small loss of timber. The Washington Forest Fire Association has 87 men on duty, and the state, through its own and Federal Weeks Law appropriation, nearly as many more.

Few in Idaho

Idaho has experienced a few small fires, none of which have caused loss of timber. Only the normal force of patrolmen are on duty, but every precaution is being taken to see that fires are promptly discovered. The Forest Service has this season constructed several emergency warehouses where fire fighting tools, available for immediate shipment to points needed, are stored. This is in addition to the tool supply which each National Forest maintains.

Montana reports a most favorable season as compared to last year. The Northern Montana Forestry Association has had no fires in its territory.

In spite of present favorable conditions the utmost care is urged by all agencies to prevent damage during the next month. August and September can be counted on to be dry and a few hot days are all that is required to produce a serious fire hazard.

COOS COUNTY HAS SEVERAL ACCIDENTS

Minor Injuries Reported to State Commission—Large Number in State in Past Week

SALEM, Ore., 18.—In the list of 179 accidents reported to the state industrial accident commission during last week, two were fatal. The two who lost their lives were Sam Hodges, killed by a train while driving an automobile at Gold Hill, and Thomas Mites, steamship operator, who fell off a vessel at Flavel and was drowned.

Of the total number reported, 108 were subject to the workmen's compensation act, 49 were from public utility corporations, 29 from firms and corporations which have rejected the provisions of the act and two were from corporations which do not employ labor in hazardous occupations.

Sawmill led in the number of accidents with a total of 31; railroad operation came second with 27; logging was third with 24; construction fourth with 23; while paper mills came next with 13.

Following is the complete list of the Coos County accidents reported: A. Delois, Powers, shoulder and leg bruised, logging.

Gust Pahlis, Marshfield, feet sprained, sawmill.

R. L. Gear, Marshfield, foot bruised, sawmill.

James B. Faubion, Lakeside, rib fractured, sawmill.

Perry Lanning, Coquille, leg cut, logging.

H. G. Reeder, Beaver Hill, leg broken, railroad trespasser.

Time want ads bring results.

MAIL ORDER FIRM PREPARES FOR OREGON BUSINESS

Redding, Cal., is Selected as Most Convenient Point from Which to Distribute

BARRED FROM MAILS

According to an official of the Postoffice Department in a statement made after the announcement of the plan to dispense booze in Oregon by parcels post, the government will not allow liquor to be shipped through the mails. This will spoil the plan of the Hornbrook promoters.

REDDING Cal., Aug. 19.—The names of 380,000 tipplers in Oregon and Washington are catalogued and arranged in an alphabetical index by a mail order house that is preparing to open for business in Hornbrook, the California town nearest the Oregon-California line. Oregon and Washington states will go dry January 1 next.

The law in both states allows, after the opening of the new year, any person in those two states to purchase three dozen bottles of beer and two quart bottles of whiskey ever four weeks.

The enterprising dealer in Hornbrook who proposes to shoot alcohol across the state line into Oregon and Washington, has built a warehouse 100 feet long and 80 feet wide, in which he will store his alcohol beverages.

A fire proof, burglar proof safe has been built, in which are kept the names and addresses of 380,000 tipplers of Oregon and Washington, who, it seems, will be likely purchasers.

The value of town lots in Hornbrook has advanced 50 per cent the last three months, or since the property owners realized the geographical advantage they have in dealing with "booze" shipments to the northern states.

A second mail order house has bought a large lot and proposes to enter into the business which promises such handsome returns from the dry states north of California.

PORTLAND WOMAN TO KNOCKOUT MASHERS

Says Male Efforts are Worst Cowards and Will Run When Slapped—Shows How it is Done

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 19.—Modern dress and the exotic fashions are not to blame for the epidemic of street "mashing" in Portland and other cities, according to the deductions of young Mrs. Anna Wade, college graduate and erstwhile girl of comfortable station, who beat off with a plank she picked up on the curbing a street "masher" who accosted her.

Born of well-to-do Walla Walla parents, much traveled during the nine years or more of her married life, and only recently thrown upon her own resources, Mrs. Wade is firm in her conviction that "mashing" is becoming too common and that inasmuch as policemen cannot be along every block at the same time, there is but one thing for the women who of necessity are out alone at night, to do. That thing is to take matters into their own hand, and pommel men and boys who force their attentions.

"A 'masher' is usually just enough of a coward that he will run if a girl is firm and slaps him when he is too persistent," said Mrs. Wade who is a Southern girl and a graduate of Milligan College, at Milligan, Tenn.

BIG LOAN MADE ON OREGON TIMBER

Silver Falls Timber Co. Borrows \$700,000 on Clackamas County Tract from Chicago Trust Co.

SALEM, Ore., Aug. 19.—The Silver Falls Lumber Company has filed with the county recorder here a trust deed to the Continental Trust & Savings Bank of Chicago. It covers timber lands in this and Clackamas county, and the consideration of \$700,000. According to the deed the money is to be used in paying off debts and in purchasing additional property.

WOMEN CAN'T GET LICENSES

Women are applying now to County Clerk Watson for hunting and fishing licenses. On the advice of District Attorney Lilleqvist he is refusing to grant them. But in the confused condition the legislature has left the question of licenses for women, it is probable that if one of the fair sex should be caught angling without a license no jury could be empanelled would ever convict her. To angle for bigger game than fish or deer has always been woman's prerogative; and a law which would forbid her to get after four-footed game would be manifestly absurd, in view of the axiom that the greater includes the less.

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NORTHERN PACIFIC PRESIDENT SAYS PROSPERITY IS HERE

Good Crops and Improving Business Conditions Evident Everywhere He Says

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 21.—Julie M. Hannaford, president of the Northern Pacific railway, believes prosperity is more than "on the way."

"We are prosperous," he declared recently, after several conferences with railroad men. "We have every essence of business life—plenty of money in the banks subject to loan at low interest on reasonable security. Above all, there is the crops."

Northern Pacific crop experts for months have been estimating and compiling. They had it figured out that the total crop of all sorts in all the territory east and west that is tributary to the Northern Pacific will average 15 per cent more than last year.

Prosperity in Sight

"It is easy to estimate crops," Mr. Hannaford remarked, "but the encouraging thing is that the actual thresher measurement of the grain being harvested bears out these estimates. The meaning of this should be plain to everyone—big crops, more money, more prosperity. Conditions everywhere are better than they were at this time last year."

"As a matter of fact, our earnings are getting better, I am glad to state, and with the crop movement coming on we have no reason to complain. Railroad earnings are the first to feel depression and are not always the first to revive. But they are reviving. That is one of the best signs of prosperity I can think of."

EUGENE BOYS CAUGHT ON FAKE DIAMONDS

Son of Mayor Bell Falls for Bogus Stone but Chief Bristol Proves too Wary and Arrests Vendor

EUGENE, Ore., Aug. 19.—Three Eugene boys, Gilbert Bell, son of Mayor Bell; Victor Vickers and Paul Koppe, bought "diamonds" from a faker, paying \$3 each. This morning, in the police court, their money was refunded and Israel Harvitz, dealer in bogus stones, was fined \$10, by acting Police Judge Grace Sterns. He was unable to pay and was put to work on the streets as a "white wings." He escaped later in the day.

Police Captain J. O. Bristol took Harvitz into custody, after the boys had made a complaint and after Harvitz had attempted to sell Bristol himself a "sparkler."

WHALES SEEN NEAR FLORENCE

Sight Regarded as Highly Novel by Excursionists to Light House

FLORENCE, Ore., Aug. 20.—As the gasoline schooner Relief was going up the beach to Hequeta light house recently a large school of whales was sighted. They were spouting in all directions, and the sight created considerable excitement among the passengers. The whales were sighted again on the return trip.

PUTER IS SILENT

Says He Will Not Testify Against Medford Assaultant

MEDFORD, Ore., Aug. 20.—E. J. Poole, a gardiner being held in the county jail on charges of assaulting H. U. Puter of Berkeley, Cal., is to be given a trial because he is considered a menace to public safety. Puter yesterday reiterated his statement that he would not prosecute. When told that he was going to be given a trial Poole wept. His home is in England.

ELKTON COUPLE WEDS

ROSEBURG, Ore., Aug. 20.—A quiet wedding was performed at the parsonage of the Methodist Church when William Arthur Clemo and Fannie M. Henderer, of Elkton, were united in marriage. Rev. W. R. Jeffries officiating. The groom is a prosperous farmer of Elkton, where the couple have many friends.

APPENDICITIS EPIDEMIC

GRASS VALLEY, Cal., Aug. 19.—An epidemic of appendicitis seems to have struck this section, the two hospitals here being crowded with patients. All physicians here report a long list of applicants for operations besides a constant succession of emergency cases.

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Lawn and Garden Sprinkling

Everyone who expects to use water for lawn or garden sprinkling is required to sign an application and make payment before using any water for this purpose. The rate fixed by the Railroad Commission for sprinkling is \$1.00 per month for each 5000 square feet (50 by 100-foot lot, or less, building space included. Payment of four months, or \$4.00 in advance allows use for one year in advance for lawn sprinkling, washing windows, porches, etc., but if paid by the month use is only allowed during the month paid.

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