

WATERFRONT FIRE DAMAGE \$100,000

Fire Marshal Thinks Owners' Estimates High; Prosecution of Launch Owner Possible.

That the total loss in Saturday night's waterfront fire was little more than \$100,000 was the estimate this morning of Fire Marshal Grenfell. He considers estimates of owners too high. Reckoning the salvage and goods not damaged at all, he believes this figure not far wrong.

Grenfell announced that prosecution probably is facing the owner of the launch Independence, whose gasoline tank exploded and caused the fire which destroyed buildings and docks. Grenfell alleges that a tank of gasoline was standing on the dock, in violation of the fire ordinance. Decision on prosecution will be reached after conferences with the launch owner this morning.

ORDINARY REVISION PLAN Steps are to be taken to revise the fire ordinance and prohibit scows and houseboats from being under bridges because of fire hazard.

Grenfell expressed doubt that the buildings damaged in the Saturday fire will be repaired. It is considered probable that they will be condemned and supplanted by modern buildings.

"This was the third fire in that stretch of waterfront since 1894," the marshal declared, "and the buildings have been simply repaired or reconstructed after the two previous fires."

The Lilly Seed company and the Beebe company were the heaviest losers. The damage to the seed plant could not be estimated with any degree of accuracy, but will run between \$50,000 and \$75,000. The Beebe company still estimates its loss at about \$40,000. Damage to the W. P. Fuller company is not as great as first reported, and it is thought that \$10,000 will cover the damage.

STORE TO BE RESTOCKED C. E. Bicknell, owner of the launch Independence, places his loss at \$6500, which was first reported to be \$3500. The launch, which was being burned practically to the water's edge. Damage to the National hotel will not amount to over \$200, fire department officials report, while the loss on the steamer Stranger is not over \$100, in place of \$4000, as first reported.

The Beebe Marine company will immediately seek new quarters, will restock their store, and carry on their business as before, they report. The building where they were housed, which belongs to the Stephen S. Mead estate, will probably be rebuilt, and when it is completed they will return to their old stand. The building is an ancient structure and the loss through its destruction will not amount to over \$5000. Captain Robert of the fire department being burned.

Four firemen suffered slight injuries in the blaze, and all were taken to the city emergency hospital at the police station for treatment. Those injured were H. H. Erdman, H. J. Heppner, C. Games and Orville Warrah, all of engine 4.

Officer of Army Loses Life Trying To Save Soldier

Fort Sill, Okla., July 7.—A gallant but futile attempt to save the life of a private in his regiment, was made by Lieutenant Colonel Harold H. Bateman, commanding of the Fourteenth field artillery, stationed here.

Private Joe Buckley of Battery F was swimming two horses through Hoyle's hole, in Medicine creek, on the reservation, when he was thrown from his horse.

Knowing Buckley could not swim, Colonel Bateman jumped into the water in an effort to save the man. The drowning man got a strangle hold upon his commander and both went down. Captain Francis Liggett entered the water in an effort to save both, but had narrow escape. Both Bateman and Buckley lost their lives. Colonel Bateman was the son of Major A. C. Bateman, senior chaplain at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. A widow and one child survive. He was 35 years old.

Hoyle's hole has been the scene of a number of tragedies since the fort was established.

Early Postoffice Job Goes Begging

Washington, July 7.—(WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL.)—Senator Chamberlain is informed that the postoffice department has been unable to find a suitable candidate to serve as postmaster at Early, Or., where Mrs. Mabel C. Wall has resigned as postmaster. An inspector has reported that patrons may be served through the Klondike office, but the matter is being held open to permit the possible appearance of a candidate.

PLAYING LIBERTY MARY PICKFORD in "DADDY LONG LEGS"

Advertisement for Liberty Theatre featuring Mary Pickford in "Daddy Long Legs". Includes showtimes and location information.

HOW NIGHT FIRE HIT WATERFRONT



Launch Independence, virtually destroyed, and front of dock structures partially gutted by flames starting from gasoline tank Saturday night.

FUNDS TO COMPLETE ROAD AT REEDSPORT SOUGHT FROM COURT

\$5000 Requested for Highway to Summer Resort in Course of Construction.

Reedport, July 7.—Business men and all industrial interests of Reedport are waging a stubborn fight with the Douglas county court to secure aid in completion of the road from Reedport to Winchester Bay, a summer resort at the mouth of the Umpqua river. The road, when completed, will be four miles long, through a beautiful country.

The road is partially built, but \$5000 or more will be needed to complete it. The court has been asked to appropriate \$4000, and that it was useless unless finished.

This will be the only road out of Reedport. For more than 50 years that part of the county has paid taxes for road building. This is the first road that the lower Umpqua district has asked of the county court.

A delegation of Reedport business men will go to Roseburg to plead before the court. If the appropriation is not granted the refusal promises to make a bitter rift in county politics.

ANCIENT PISTOL UNearthed AT SCENE OF SHIP MEETING

Reedport, July 7.—In an excavation for building purposes in Reedport an old relic which recalls one of the early day stories of the Umpqua river has been unearthed. Men were taking out the gravel at Brandy bar, six miles up the river from Reedport, when they found the remains of an old pistol of the "pepper box" variety. There are six barrels. The hammer is over a powder box. Evidently the pistol was loaded with powder and ball in each of the six barrels and then reloaded. It was necessary to fill the powder box each time the pistol was discharged.

RICHER DAIRY RANCH SOLD TO LAKEBIDE MAN FOR \$17,500

Reedport, July 7.—One of the big real estate deals of the month was the sale of the ranch owned by C. E. Richer, 14 miles from Reedport on the Smith river, to James Roberts of Lakebide. The ranch consists of 200 acres and is one of the best dairy farms in this part of Douglas county. The consideration was \$17,500. Mr. Richer sold his dairy herd

SHIPYARD WORKERS ON WAY TO WORK INDUCED TO QUIT

Tacoma, Wash., July 7.—(U. P.)—The first big demonstration in the Mooney strike in Tacoma, came at 7 o'clock this morning when 1000 shipyard workers employed in the Todd Steel Shipyards, refused to go to work on the first work day since the strike call. The workers, all carrying their lunch pails, got as far as Eleventh and A streets where the municipal cars leave for the yards, and then stopped after the Tacoma Mooney defense committee had started a demonstration. Workers who had braved the crowd and went to work were hooded. The Todd yards at 9 o'clock reported that 80 per cent of the workers were on the job, and that the gates were closed to the remaining 20 per cent. There was much grumbling among many of the workers. The report went broadcast that as the result of the strike action the Todd Construction & Drydock company would close down the big plant for 60 days and after that reopen on an "open shop" basis. This could not be confirmed at the Todd yards, although it was stated that the gates had been closed.

ALBANY PLANT WILL BE REBUILT THROUGH ISSUANCE OF BONDS

Nebergall Meat Company Decides Upon Mode of Financing New Structure.

Albany July 7.—To rebuild its packing plant which was recently destroyed by fire and to enlarge and extend its business, stockholders and directors of the D. E. Nebergall Meat company decided Saturday night to issue 10-year bonds. A subscription list will be circulated at once and the issue made as soon as the details can be arranged.

The corporation was organized about 4 years ago, and has enjoyed a remarkable growth. During 1917 it handled a business of over \$300,000, and had prospects for a greater business this year until its packing plant was almost entirely destroyed by fire two weeks ago.

PRICES CUT HALF TO STOP RIOTING

Pilaging of Houses Continues in Milan, But Reduced Food Cost Stops Bloodshed.

Milan, July 7.—(I. N. S.)—Pilaging of houses continued in the city throughout Sunday, but only a few persons were injured in clashes between the looters and the police. Many arrests were made. Crowds seized stores of meats, cheeses, shoes and clothing. In an effort to allay the disorders the municipality reduced all prices of necessities reduced 50 per cent.

10,000 ARE IN LOCAL SYMPATHY WALKOUT

industries will be halted until July 14. They report that a number of unions have reported back for work, but because of the cessation of work for the present, most are being turned away. According to Archie Allison, secretary of the Brotherhood of Boiler-makers, other unions aside from those represented by the Metal Trades council have heeded the call for a strike in this district. It is admitted that much persuasion was used to interest the streetcar operators in the walkout as an effective means of impressing the seriousness of the strike, but such a plan is said to be a failure.

TEMPLETON IN NEW YORK

Albany, July 7.—A. M. Templeton, an overseas veteran, has arrived at Camp Merritt, N. J., according to word just received by his father, A. M. Templeton of Brownville.

Scouts Camp Out

Albany, July 7.—Father Lane, scoutmaster, and 13 boy scouts of St. Mary's church spent three days of last week in camping trip on the North Santiam. The campers were taken to and from the camp by an auto truck.

SEATTLE WHISPER HEARD ON RATES

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ance in eastern Washington road building plans. Interruption of credits in a way to embarrass business in the Washington section of the inland Empire was more or less overtly threatened. Political advantages, it was intimated, might be monopolized on the west side of the Cascades to the disadvantage of the Washingtonians east of the mountains.

So far as possible Eastern Washington interests were made to feel that subterranean influences would operate against them if they championed the right to gain a lower rate by way of the Columbia water grade than over the mountains to Puget Sound. And on the Oregon side, the inland Empire endeavored to convince the growers, shippers and business interests that they had nothing to gain should a lower rate be granted between the inland Empire and ports of the Columbia.

SENTIMENT FOR COLUMBIA

"From all this campaigning there is an honest, courageous opinion in favor of the right inaugurated by the Inland Empire Shippers' league," said former Governor Oswald West, "and of the whole district. The committee, shippers, the business interests and the growers are standing firm. They are not going to give up the right of the content and they realize how much it means to them."

COOPERS IN REUNION

Albany, July 7.—E. W. Cooper, accompanied by several other members of the Cooper family, left Saturday morning for Independence to attend the thirtieth annual reunion of the six Cooper brothers and their families. The brothers are all pioneers. Originally seven, the following are still living: J. C. of Canby, D. J. of The Dalles, J. C. of McMinnville, R. D. of Chehalis, Wash., E. W. of Albany, and J. S. of Independence.

SWANK-GLEASON NUPtIALS

Albany, July 7.—Miss Nancy Gertrude Swank became the bride of Adley Ray Gleason last Wednesday afternoon at a very pretty home wedding at the Swank farm near Albany. The Rev. Albyn Eason officiated. More than 100 friends were present.

CHILD HIT BY AUTO

Albany, July 7.—But for the quick action of D. Bussard in stopping his car, 6-year-old Maxine Howard would probably have been killed Thursday when she suddenly darted across the street in front of the Bussard auto. Mr. Bussard applied his brakes, and the wheels slid on the pavement, but checked the momentum of the car so much that, although the child was knocked down she was unhurt.

FRUITS PRICES GOOD

Albany, July 7.—Fruitgrowers are being offered big prices this year. Twenty cents a pound has been paid in camping trip on the North Santiam. The campers were taken to and from the camp by an auto truck.

LEAD FOR CAPTURE OF CONNOR URGED

Governor to Recommend \$100 For Arrest of Paroled Man Who Duped Aged People.

Salem, July 7.—Governor Olcott will issue a proclamation recommending that the legislature appropriate \$100 as reward for the capture of John Connor, wanted on a charge of mauling Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Branson of Grand Ronde out of \$225, with which he was to secure the release of their son, serving a life term in the state prison for the murder of William Booth near Willamina.

According to letters received by Governor Olcott from the Bransons, Connor's scheme involved the payment of \$2000, with which he was to arrange for the release of both Branson and Jessie Webb, who is also serving a life sentence for murder. Connor, according to the letter, had agreed to make up the difference between the \$2000 required by the mysterious Portland lawyers, who were to engineer the parol, and the amount the Bransons had offered \$225. The Bransons had been conned \$225, which they borrowed from neighbors with the understanding that the sum was to be returned in the event his release was not secured.

SECRETARY DANIELS SENDS GREETING TO DIRIGIBLE CREW

Washington, July 7.—On the arrival of the R-34 at Mineola, L. I., yesterday, Secretary of the Navy, Daniels sent the following message of greeting to Major G. H. Scott, commanding the dirigible.

"The American navy extends its greeting to you and to the heroic crew of the R-34, and congratulates you on the success of your great flight across the ocean. The arrival in America of the first lighter-than-air craft to cross the Atlantic marks another decided advance in navigation of the air."

"Coming so soon after the flights of Reed, Alcock and Hawker it completes a remarkable series of achievements in aviation in which the British and Americans may take a just pride, and which have served to increase the cordial relations and comradeship of the two navies which have prevailed throughout the war."

"America joins with Britain in honoring you and the services you represent."

KING GEORGE CONGRATULATES MEN OF R-31 ON THEIR FLIGHT

London, July 7.—Immediately upon hearing of the safe landing of the R-34, King George sent the following wireless message to Major Scott and the crew of the big dirigible.

"Earliest congratulations to yourself and the crew of the R-34 on your great achievement and best wishes for your safe return."

"Four flights marks the beginning of an era in which the English-speaking people, already drawn together in war, will be even more closely united in peace."

AIR MINISTRY SENDS THANKS

Mineola, L. I., July 7.—(I. N. S.)—Brigadier General Clariton, on behalf of the British air ministry, today sent the following message to Secretary of the Navy Daniels: "The air council desires to express its most cordial and sincere thanks for the cooperation and assistance the United States navy rendered to his majesty's airship R-34."

BOOTLEGGING GANG SHOOTS WATCHMAN

Night Peace Officer of McMinnville Loses Arm as Result by Attack by Booze Peddlers.

McMinnville, July 7.—Jeff Clark, night watchman of this city, was shot through the arm at 3:15 o'clock Sunday morning by unidentified men traveling through the city by auto. They were in a light-colored automobile, and had stopped under the trees near the city hall. One man stood on the sidewalk and three men were in the automobile.

A woman in a nearby residence heard the remark, "Here he comes." As Clark approached the men asked him the road to Millbrook. Clark then and they immediately told him to hold up his hands. He did so and the man on the outside shot him through the wrist with a shotgun. Clark ran in the direction of the city hall, and 12 other shots were fired at him, both with shotgun and revolvers. Clark's hat was shot through twice and his coat once, as he ran, and many shots lodged in the wall of the city hall. Clark ran to the Hotel Yamhill, where his arm was found so badly dressed in a light suit to be amputated. He describes the man who did the shooting as being dressed in a brown suit and cap. Another man was short and dressed in a light suit. The party at once left, going in the direction of the bridge leading to Dayton. The presumption is that they were drunk and perhaps were transporting liquor and were fearing arrest. The city has offered a reward of \$500 for the apprehension of the parties and evidence leading to conviction.

DIRIGIBLE IS CLOSE TO AN ESCAPE

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CLEVELAND CAR SERVICE TIED UP

Company Said to Be Planning To Bring Strikbreakers From Other Cities.

Cleveland, Ohio, July 7.—(I. N. S.)—Cleveland entered the second day of the streetcar strike which has completely tied up all electric railway traffic in the city limits, with no settlement in sight.

Although, according to statements by officials of the Cleveland railway company, 600 strikbreakers are ready in

other cities to come here, and a large number of conductors are available, no effort will be made to run cars today. President Stanley of the streetcar company said that the decision not to run cars was made as a result of the refusal of Mayor Davis to assign two policemen to ride each car run.

Efforts Sunday to run a limited number of cars resulted in disorder, during which six were injured and eight arrested. Cars were stoned, switches applied, high tension wires pulled down, tracks grazed and feed wire short-circuited. All car barns were picketed by union men. All effort to run cars was abandoned at noon.

Widow on Trial for Murder Chicago, July 7.—(I. N. S.)—Mrs. Vera Trepagnier, 60 years old, a widow from New Orleans, went on trial here today for the murder of Paul F. Volstead, a Chicago publisher whom she slew as the climax of a two year wrangle over the possession of a small miniature of George Washington.

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FEDERAL IMMUNITY Does Not Legalize Storage of Liquor

Marshfield, July 7.—The possession of liquor in Marshfield residences is illegal. City Attorney Brand has announced. A rumor had grown popular that liquor could be kept in private homes lawfully since the federal prohibition law does not have such a clause. The state law, Mr. Brand declared, goes farther than the federal law in this respect. He said the federal measure has no effect on the state's own prohibition regulations.

FIRST ACCIDENT SLIGHT

The R-34 was also slightly damaged early today while she was being refilled with hydrogen gas. "With all the mysterious and high buildings, it might be dangerous to fly over New York. We have our business to attend to, and that we get the R-34 back as soon as possible."

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