

FOREST FIRE THREATENS RAILROAD

Power Lines of Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul's Electrification System Menaced by Flames.

Town of St. Regis Again in Serious Danger; 120 Fires Reported in the National Forests.

Missoula, Mont., July 28.—(U. P.)—Power lines of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad's electrification system were menaced today by the Gold creek fire, which was fanned by high winds during the night. This fire is sweeping over the entire Coeur d'Alene district.

FOREST SERVICE REPORTS

ON FIRES IN RESERVES Two fires are still burning uncontrolled on the east side of the mountains in the Rainier national forest, representing the most serious fire now existing in district No. 6. A. O. Waha, assistant district forester, said this morning.

SERIOUS FIRE BURNING IN UPPER NACHES BASIN

Yakima, Wash., July 28.—A forest fire raging in the Upper Naches basin, above the Nile, is driving out cattle, seriously burning, and stockmen, forest rangers, campers and farmers are being called upon to fight the flames, which, fanned by a high wind, are threatening to wipe out much valuable timber and several sawmills built in that section to saw shooks for fruit boxes.

Senate Passes Bill For More Officers

Washington, July 28.—(I. N. S.)—The senate this afternoon passed a bill giving the secretary of war authority to increase the commissioned personnel of the army to 18,000 during the fiscal year 1920.

GREEKS KILL TURK TROOPS NEAR SMYRNA

LONDON, July 28.—(I. N. S.)—Fifteen hundred dead and wounded Turks were left on the field after two clashes with Greek patrols near Smyrna and Aidin, in Asia Minor, said an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Athens today. Greek reinforcements were rushed up when the fighting began.

BOY IS FREE ON PAYMENT OF RANSOM

WASHINGTON, July 28.—(I. N. S.)—Phillip Thompson, the 14-year-old American boy, who was kidnaped by Mexican bandits last week, has been returned to his father's ranch at Miraflores, following the payment of the 1500 peso ransom demanded by the bandits, the state department was advised today.

CHANGES MADE IN JUVENILE COURT

T. J. Hewitt and Dr. Samuel C. Kohs Appointed; Several Present Employees Released.

Announcement of the appointment of Theodore J. Hewitt to be chief probation officer of the juvenile court and Dr. Samuel C. Kohs to be assistant probation officer was made public this morning by Jacob Kanzler, judge of the juvenile court, following a session with the Multnomah county commissioners. The appointments will take effect August 1. Salary attached to each position is \$2000 a year.

BOYS RANCH DISCONTINUED

Owing to the fact that the housing facilities at the boys' ranch were recently destroyed by fire, Judge Kanzler said that it had been determined by him to discontinue the operation of that institution entirely. Arrangements have also been made to move the quarters of the juvenile court from the fifth floor of the courthouse to rooms occupied by the bureau of public welfare on the fourth floor.

DR. KOHS EXPERT ON DEFECTIVES

Dr. S. C. Kohs is a graduate of the College of New York and has spent practically all his time since graduation connected with various eastern institutions in research work along the lines of psychological study of subnormals and defectives.

ON REED COLLEGE FACULTY

Last year Dr. Kohs came to Reed College as an assistant professor in psychology, gave courses in psychology to the reconstruction aides in psychotherapy and in occupational therapy and to two groups of students in employment management and in delivery of lectures at the Central Library on "Psychology in Daily Life." During the past summer he has lectured at Willamette, N. J., at New York university and Stanford university and this summer delivered a course of lectures on "Educational and Recreational Activities at St. Marys Academy in this city. He is the organization of the new Oregon Society for Mental Hygiene, of which he is secretary.

Chicago Streetcars Collide; 40 Injured

Chicago, July 28.—High up on top of the Palisades, about a quarter of a mile north of Palisades Park, two trolley cars of the public service corporation collided this afternoon in a head-on collision, injuring about 40 persons, 17 of them so seriously that they were removed to the Englewood hospital.

Cow Danced on the Green Paid Piper With Her Milk

"Keep Off the Grass." The cow pranced about, doing a sort of shimmy. The cow rolled over on her back. The cow misbehaved generally. "Come here, cow," said Mrs. Dilley, and led the naughty animal into her barn. There she tied her up. There she milked her every morning and every evening since the trespass.

PRESIDENT TO START IN 10 DAYS

Before Leaving on Tour Wilson Will Hold Conferences With Leaders Regarding Legislation

Some Expect Statement of Attitude Toward Reservations to Be Made Before Trip Begun.

Washington, July 28.—(U. P.)—Before starting his tour of the United States, President Wilson will probably have a number of conferences with Democratic leaders in both senate and house, to advise with him regarding important pending legislation. During his absence the house will be whipping measures into shape. In the senate the treaty and League of Nations debate will be continued.

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GRAY FLEET NOW IN PACIFIC OCEAN

Armada of Warships on Last Lap of Voyage Through the Panama Canal.

PASSES INTO PACIFIC

Slowly and majestically the great gray fleet of warships moved down the stretch of the canal waterway late Sunday, passing out into the ground swell of the Pacific while the sailors cheered.

SAILING ORDERS RECEIVED

Official sailing orders were received late Saturday night. The dreadnaughts were to proceed northward in close formation, followed by the smaller craft, but it was announced that the sailing procedure into San Diego harbor would be led by Admiral Rodman's flagship, the New Mexico.

Enforced Vaccination Favored by Druggists

An article in Wednesday's Journal of the drugists' association, in opposition to the proposed compulsory vaccination plan of Dr. George Parrish, city health officer. The protesting organization was the Oregon Druggists' and Apothecaries' Association. A typographical error attributed the remonstrance to the "druggists' association." The druggists declare they are in sympathy with Dr. Parrish in his efforts to stamp out communicable diseases and have entire confidence in his ability.

BIG METEOR BLAZES ROAD ABOVE CITY

A BRILLIANT meteor flying above the city was observed by thousands of Portland citizens Sunday night. The meteor, first seen in the southeastern sky, sped toward the north, where it disappeared in a shower of sparks.

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EXCEPTIONS ARE GIVEN BY HUGHES

Former Candidate for Presidency Indorses League Ratification if Certain Reservations Made.

REPUBLICAN STAMPS INTERPRETATIONS ON COVENANT ARTICLES IN RESOLUTION OFFERED TO SENATE

Washington, July 28.—(U. P.)—Charles E. Hughes, in a letter to Senator Frederick Hale of Maine, made public today, declared in favor of a league of nations, but maintained that certain reservations and interpretations to the present covenant were necessary to protect American interests.

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NOVELIST'S WIFE PLEADS GUILTY TO SHOOTING HER SON

By George R. Holmes. Pittsfield, Mass., July 28.—(I. N. S.)—The trial of Mrs. Gladys C. Dunn for the murder of her 3-year-old baby boy came to an unexpected and abrupt ending today, when the young mother pleaded guilty to manslaughter and was sentenced to one year at hard labor in the Pittsfield House of Correction.

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STATEMENT AT HEARING IS THAT STATE IS INTERESTED IN SECURING BENEFIT OF DECISION

Over precipitous mountain grades, down river gorges with a minimum of operating difficulties, J. P. Newell, consulting engineer of the Oregon Public Service commission, this morning traced the routes, the costs and the causes of such costs in the Columbia river basin rate hearing.

J. P. NEWELL CONTINUES TESTIMONY SHOWING THAT IT IS CHEAPER TO HAUL ALONG RIVER THAN UP HILL

Following the Oregon engineer on the stand this morning, Leonard Wray, rate clerk of the public utilities commission of Idaho, presented in brief an argument of the commission's petition in intervention filed when the hearing was opened in Portland. Mr. Wray explained some slight discrepancy in the rate structure and asked, in effect, that whatever rate basis is established between the Inland Empire and Portland and Puget Sound be made to reflect in the through rates, eastbound and westbound, in Idaho. He presented the information that six billion tons of freight originate annually in the Idaho region.

LEWISTON BUSINESS THREATENED

That Lewiston will suffer to the extent of being "forced out of business" if rates are established on any other basis than of equal distance because of Lewiston's close competition with Spokane was Mr. Wray's statement.

EQUIVALENT RISE COMPARISON

Using the Pendleton comparison again, Mr. Wray levelled his attack on the statement that the equivalent rise, which is a theoretical measurement of resistance to be overcome in a mile of haul, is 2544 feet between the Sound and Pendleton, as against 7268 feet between Pendleton and the Sound. This gives Portland an advantage of 4324 feet over the same distance.

SUN OF COSTS SHOWN

The sum of the road and indirect costs between Pendleton and Portland, westbound in 38 cents and the same total to the Sound is \$1.01, or a difference of 63 cents in favor of Portland. The actual distance between Pendleton and Portland is 216 miles, against 505 to Seattle, or a further 289 miles, making a total distance of 86 miles in favor of Portland.

FUEL COSTS CONSIDERED

Mr. Newell went at length into the matter of fuel costs, upon which the defense has put much emphasis, especially on the matter of electrical energy. The "regeneration" of electrical energy in rail equipment so operated over declines has been touted as highly important. Mr. Newell showed that probably less than 15 per cent of the fuel cost which, on the whole, is relatively small as compared with other operating costs, is saved by "regeneration" of electricity, he stated.

ROUMANIANS CLAIM VICTORY OVER REDS

London, July 28.—(I. N. S.)—Roumanian troops have launched a successful counter offensive against the Hungarian reds. The Hungarians have been driven out of all the positions they captured in the Theiss sector and have been driven across the Theiss river, said an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Bucharest today, quoting an official statement issued by the Roumanian war office.

25 STEAMERS TO LOAD FOR ORIENTAL PORTS

San Francisco, July 28.—Recent allotments of ships to the Pacific coast by the United States Shipping board include 11 steamers of an aggregate tonnage of 95,200 to San Francisco; 10 steamers of an aggregate tonnage of 81,200 to Seattle; four large steamers to Portland; and four smaller steamers for local trade to Manila. All these vessels are on the berth from the various ports, according to a dispatch from the shipping office here Sunday and up to October 15, for oriental ports.

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