

# HARVESTING GRAIN IN POLK COUNTY

### Good Yield in Most Fields, and Hay Crop Breaks All Recent Records

DALLAS, Ore., July 17.—(Special.)—Indications are that the grain harvest will be on in full blast in Polk county within the next week. Farmers are beginning to cut the grain in some sections, and in others it will be ready to harvest by the latter part of the week. While the grain is poor in some parts of the county, in other locations it is about the

average, and good returns are expected. The hay crop this year has been better than in former years and the farmers have had a fine opportunity in saving this crop. One farmer stated on the streets of Dallas Saturday that he cut hay mornings and that it would be ready to stack late in the afternoon. This is something unknown in this part of the country where it usually is rained on before it has cured. The loganberry crops will practically all be harvested by the end of this week. The crop has turned out to be bigger than was at first expected, and the growers have received a fair price for their crop. Prices of loganberries at the beginning of the season were four cents per pound, but this price was raised to four and one-half cents per pound during the past week. The biggest part of the

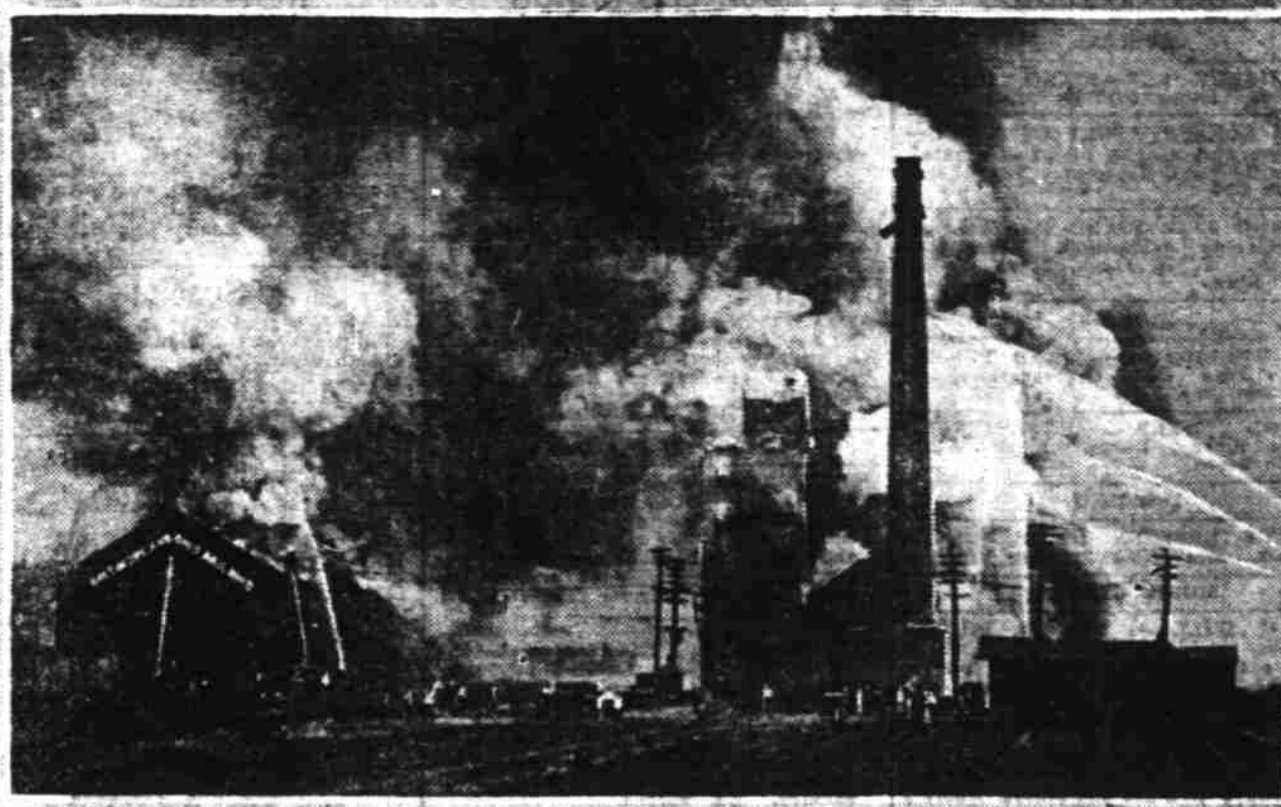
crop raised in this vicinity was taken by the La Creole Canning company of this city, who have been working nights and days in order to take care of the berries as they come in. The hot dry weather is beginning to tell on the prune crop, and unless a rain is had during the next few weeks the crop may be seriously damaged. While the outlook at the beginning of the season was for prunes of large size, the dry weather will undoubtedly cause some of the orchards to produce small fruits. The trees are loaded, but the August drop is expected to clear the orchards of many tons of fruit which if left on trees would cause them to break down under the weight when the fruit is ripe. While there is little market for prunes a present, the grower who sold at the beginning of the season looks like he was the wise man. As high as 9 3/4 cents was offered for the dried fruits, but this price has been taken off and no buying is taking place in this vicinity. A number of new prune dryers are being built to take care of the crops; yet even with these extra dryers, the growers who have no dryers will have a hard time getting their crops dried unless contracts have already been made.

### Railroad Fare Drop Brings Travel Increase

Travelers to Los Angeles and San Francisco and other California points can now kiss themselves instead of their money goodbye, and grab their grips and go. The Southern Pacific has inaugurated round trip rates, for tickets on sale from July 24 to September 30, whereby the tourist can keep ten perfectly good dollars in his pocket that he had expected to squander for a bit of pasteboard if he had traveled at the regular rate. The new rate goes into effect next Monday. In general, the pick-up in railroad travel has been quite noticeable. Especially is this true in the local travel, since the lower rates went into effect. The through Pullman travel is also increasing, if one may judge by the almost crowded condition of the cars.

Why not have steel telephone poles on dangerous curves? The wear and tear of automobiles on wooden poles is something fierce. This is merely a suggestion.

# GRAIN ELEVATOR FIRE THREATENS BALTIMORE WITH DESTRUCTION



When fire broke out in the grain elevators of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad in Baltimore thousands of bushels of grain were consumed by the flames and the warehouses totally destroyed. For a time the blaze seemed to threaten a large part of the city with destruction. The damage is estimated to exceed four million dollars. This shows a general view of the big fire after the roof of elevator "B" collapsed.

# DEER DESTROY DALLAS ORCHARD

### Scarcity of Green Food in Mountains Cause Animals To Brave Perils of City

DALLAS, Ore., July 17.—(Special.)—M. H. Richardson, a local resident who aside from operating one of the trains for the Southern Pacific runs a prune orchard at odd times, reports that deer have been coming down into his orchard lately and have destroyed a number of small trees. Mr. Richardson states that in past years the deer have eaten up a number of small trees but that this year, on account of the dry weather which makes feed scarce in the mountains the deer have been more destructive than in the past. His ranch is located in the Oak Dale district and was visited by Deputy Game Warden Roy Bremmer of Salem this week, who will endeavor to devise a scheme to keep the animals out of the orchard. Other fruit growers living in the hills west of Dallas are claiming that their places are visited daily by deer in search of feed.

# FIRE DAMAGES DALLAS MILL

### Quick Work of Firemen Holds Loss to \$3000—S. P. Tracks Threatened

DALLAS, Ore., July 17.—(Special.)—Fire, believed to have started from a cigarette stub thrown carelessly along the tracks of the Southern Pacific railway at the east end of the big lumber yard of the Willamette Valley Lumber company in this city about 10:30 this morning threatened for a time to sweep through the yard and take everything in its path. Prompt work on the part of the mill fire department and the Dallas firemen kept the flames from spreading but a however, until something like 75,000 feet of piled lumber valued at nearly \$3000 was destroyed. Two hours after the fire was discovered the flames were under control, but the fire department has been kept on the job throughout the day for fear the fire might break out afresh on the smoldering piles of lumber. The entire loss is fully covered by insurance. In addition to the loss by the

# NEW POWER PLANT NOW BEING RUSHED

### Boilers Arrive and Are Being Installed—Excavation Completed

The man who ordered rainy weather for the next week did so against the sincerest wishes of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company, so far as its big new Salem power plant building goes. They have the roof almost all off the old power building, and carloads of sacked cement and electrical machinery in place that is better dry than wet. They'd prefer even the drought, if they could have it their own way. One of the big boilers, in sections, came Monday, and was unloaded in their material yard. One might easily misjudge its capacity, for it comes "knocked down" into very small pieces, indeed. It is not of the Scotch or marine type, one single shell of enormous strength and size, but is of the water-tube type that is built up of a multitude of easily assembled parts. The boilers are huge affairs in their capacity, however; they will give steam for more than 1500 horse power for each boiler unit. The trenches for the foundations are practically finished, ready for pouring the concrete. Air drills are attacking the monolithic concrete floor of the old engine house that had to be taken away to make room for the new installation. The excavation will be completed within the next few days, and then the new power house fall will be rushed to completion. The power house is to be considerably smaller than the old one, though it will house more than twice as much power machinery.

# Karam Shorthand School to Open in Salem

Mrs. Frank Rosenquest, who has been a resident of Salem for 10 years is opening a school of shorthand in the city, having investigated the Karam system and found it to fill a long felt want. She has established offices in the Oregon building and will there receive applicants for the school and explain the system, showing how it can be mastered in such a short time. While being a new departure, it is spreading very rapidly on account of it being as readily written on typewriter as well as with pen or pencil. She will establish schools throughout Oregon and Washington. The Salem office will open July 25 at 212-13 Oregon building. The school is to start about August 1.

# FORD'S SHOALS BID REJECTED

WASHINGTON, July 15.—The senate committee on agriculture refused today to favorably report a plan developing the government \$198,000,000 project at Muscle Shoals, Ala., and left the question to be settled on the floor of the senate. All proposals submitted to the committee, including those of Henry Ford, the Alabama Power company and that offered by Senator Norris, committee chairman, for government development and operation, were rejected by a majority of the committee.

# Dallas Defeats Crack Independence Team 13-5

DALLAS, Ore., July 17.—(Special.)—The Dallas baseball team added another victory to their belt Sunday afternoon when they defeated the crack Independence team on the Dallas grounds by a score of 13 to 5. The first several innings of the game were fast and furious, neither side making many scores. Toward the last, however, the Dallas boys got in some good work and made 7 runs in one inning, which put them so far ahead of the visitors that they had no chance to catch up. A return game will be played with Independence later in the season. The Dallas team goes to Grand Ronde next Sunday for a return game with that place having defeated them in this city last Sunday.

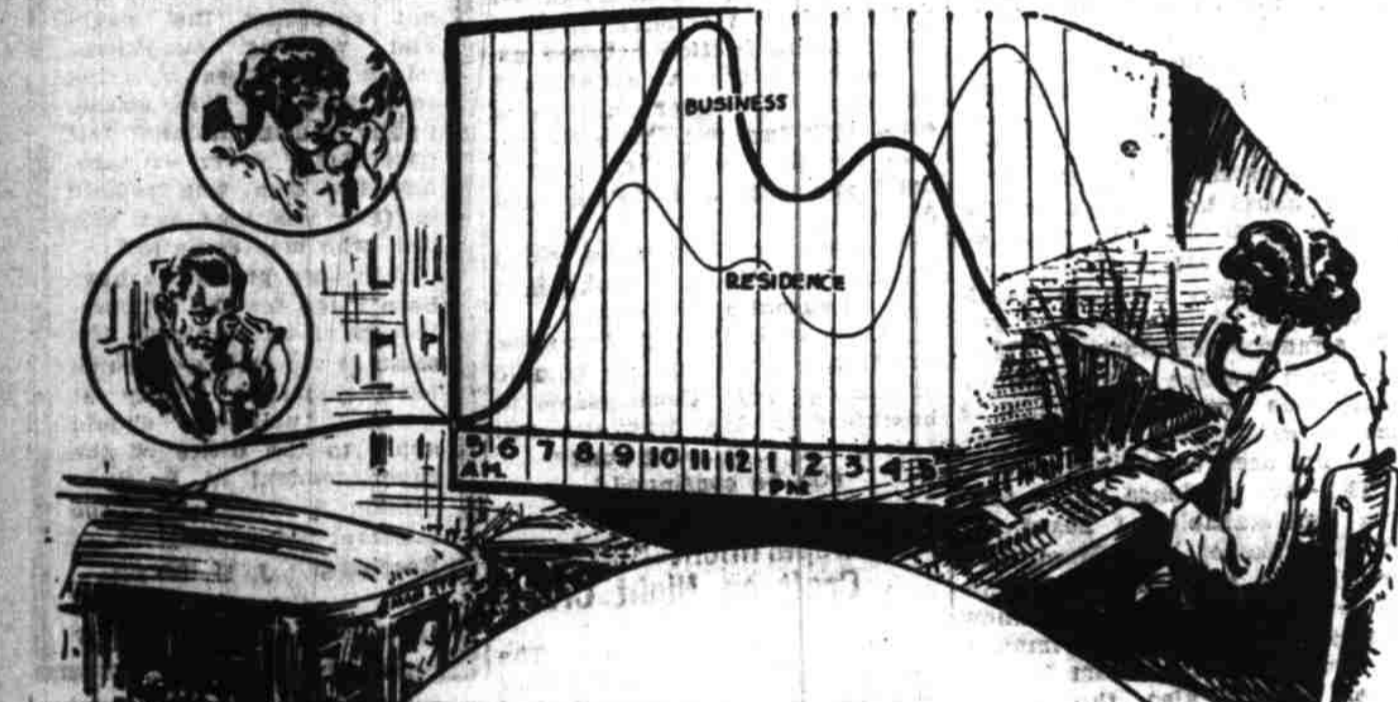
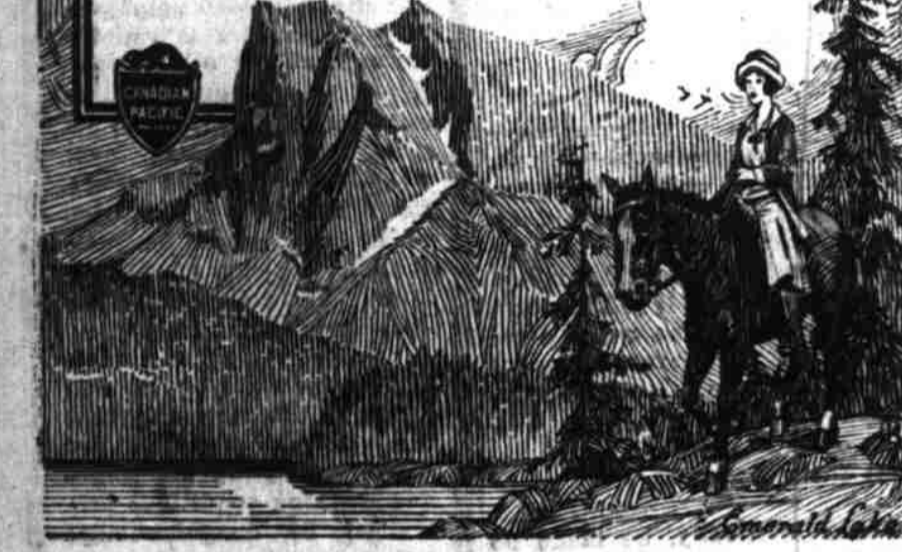
# Strawberry Grower Advises Irrigation

Roy Blodgett, of The Statesman force, has just returned from a sojourn at his ranch out beyond Silverton. He had put out a lot of strawberries, which were of a late enough variety and a high enough elevation to get caught by the hot sun of the past few weeks; and they gave up their frizzled little strawberry ghosts without a struggle when the hot wave hit them. "But I'll fix the weather next year," says the observing Blodgett. "I have water there for irrigating my place, and I'm going to use it. The man who has a water supply right at hand hasn't a kick coming if his crops do dry up and blow away, or burn up, or fail to grow at all because of the

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summer heat. It's his own fault if he doesn't use the moisture that's fairly begging him to use his head and make a real crop. I shall irrigate my crops, and they won't ever again go dry."

# Australians Again Take Tennis Honors

ROEHAMPTON, July 15.—(By the Associated Press.)—The Australians today defeated the representatives of Czecho-Slovakia in the Davis cup trials by winning all the remaining matches of the series, the Australians thus qualifying to meet the French players in Boston on Aug. 10. Gerald L. Patterson had Wert-

helm as a partner in place of O'Hara Wood, as Wood's shoulder had been strained at Wimbledon and this combination defeated Ardel and Rohrer 3-7, 6-0, 6-0.

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