

FOREST FIRES STILL MENACE

Situation Becomes More and More Alarming as no Rain Arrives

(Continued from Page 1.) have been controlled today by the Falls creek blaze near Siuslaw was spreading. The latter fire caused another name to be added to the list of injured fighters. A. H. Hodson of Portland suffered from overexertion and was returned to this city.

Fighters prevented the Triangle lake fire in the Siuslaw National forest from jumping Deadwood creek. Should the blaze leap the creek it was said that valuable green timber would be destroyed. Rock Creek blaze still out of control.

The Rock creek fire, which was burned out about 4000 acres of fir and cedar in the Coos Bay district, was still out of control tonight. Another blaze out of control was that which had swept 8000 acres of timber in the Mount Hood National forest. More than 200 men were sent to the latter fire today.

Airplane patrol work has been made practically useless by heavy smoke from the many fires, Major Guthrie said.

Dr. Glen Moore of Sacramento, and his brother, Lee, were forced to land their airplane at Grave near Grants Pass because of the smoke blanket. The brothers were hurrying to Dallas, where another brother had been killed in an automobile accident.

UKIAH, Cal., Sept. 13.—(AP)—Fired by dry brush and forest fires, a series of fires were sweeping slowly upon the town of Ukiah tonight as hundreds of fighters strove to stem the advance of the flames which at sundown had burned to the top of Ukiah ridge, one mile west of the city.

Armed with wet sacks, pump tanks and other apparatus the firefighters were bunched in Fish Hatchery canyon and Doolin canyon where the flames, whipped by a brisk breeze, were burning completely out of control. Low Gap was an inferno of crackling brush and timber at sundown and another force of men was fighting to turn the fire away from the town on this front.

Seven years ago fire swept through the same gap and destroyed the western outskirts of Ukiah.

Due to the confusion and the rapidity with which the blaze advanced, fire wardens were unable to estimate the exact area which had been burned to date. One conservative estimate said at least 50,000 acres in Mendocino county were ablaze tonight.

State Forester M. B. Pratt was in charge of the large force of men. He arrived during the day by airplane from Sacramento. State Inspector R. E. Roache, detailed to the Low Gap fire by Pratt, collapsed from the intense heat and the dense smoke and was ordered to bed by his superior.

Six forest fires, most of them incendiary origin, were burning in this section of the country. Three of them were burning toward this town, the Low Gap fire, another four miles northeast of here, and a third four miles south in the vicinity of Robinson creek.

UNITED STATES OF EUROPE FURTHERED

GENEVA, Sept. 13.—(AP)—Great Britain and France today took another important step toward the realization of a European confederation of states along the lines of the United States of America, a project placed officially before the league by Premier Aristide Briand of France.

A joint resolution recommended the economic committee of the League of Nations called for a world economic conference, the principal purpose of which would be to lower tariff barriers and thus constitute "the first collective agreement for diminishing hindrances to trade and facilitating economic relations by all practical means." The negotiations are to affect both members and non-members of the league.

The resolution urged nations not to increase the present level for a period of two years nor to impose new protective duties or to create new impediments to trade during this period.

While this forward step was taken toward economic and political consolidation of Europe, difficulties in the way of reaching an agreement on a scheme for encouraging war by providing aid for the victim of aggression arose in another section of the league, the committee on disarmament.

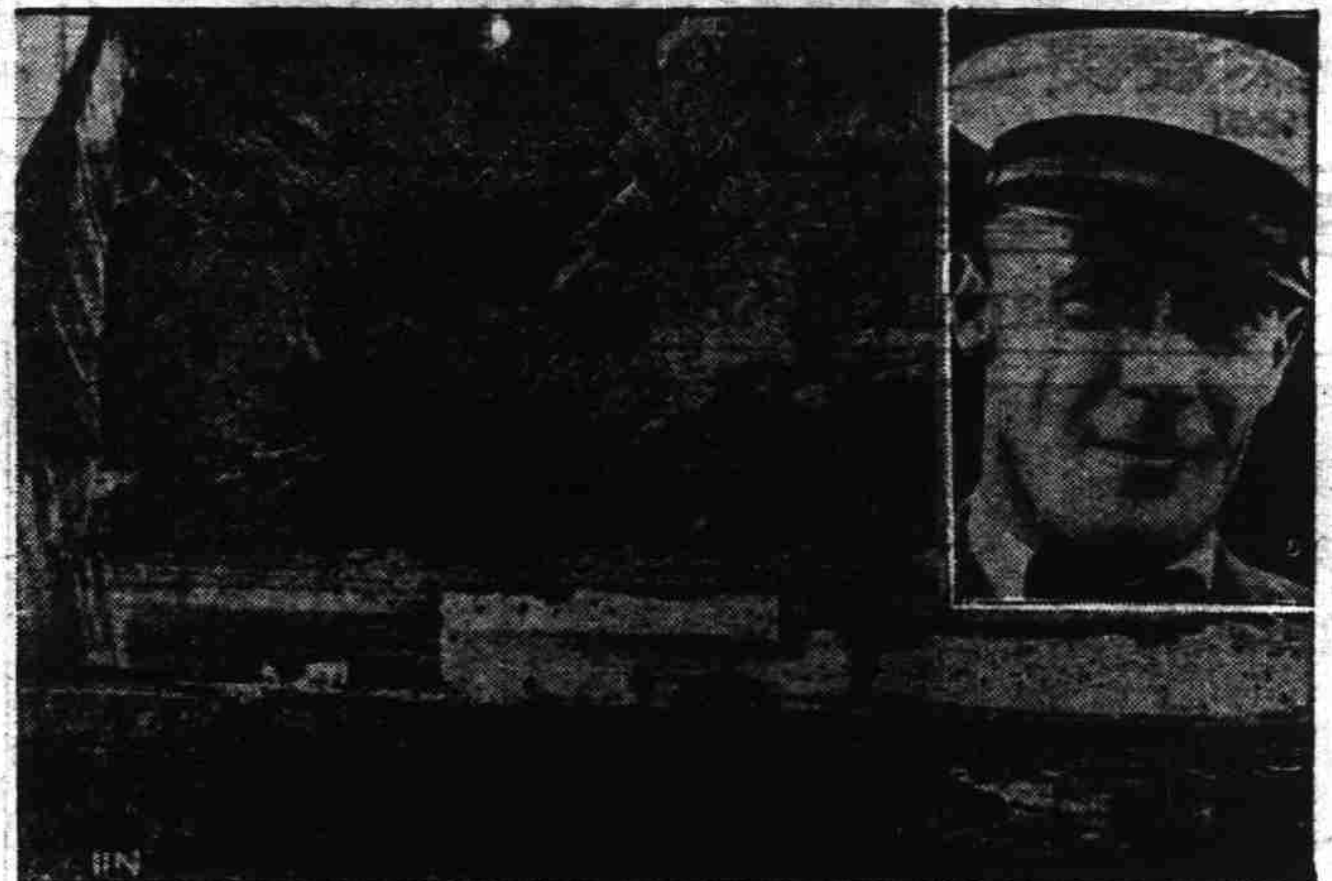
STREET CAR STRIKE IS STILL UNSETTLED

NEW ORLEANS, Sept. 13.—(AP)—The street car strike situation rested here today just where it had fallen after stumbling over the re-employment clause of the proposed settlement agreement.

Officials of both the local Car-men union and the New Orleans Public Service, Inc., said the next move should come from W. D. Mahon, president of the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electrical Railway employees, and William Green, president of the American Federation of labor, who approved a tentative settlement plan at a conference in New York with A. B. Patterson, vice president of public service.

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T.A.T. Transport Found at Last



Inset shows George Rice, Western Air Express pilot, who discovered the missing T. A. T. plane, City of San Francisco, on Mount Taylor in New Mexico. Type of country in which the ill-fated air liner crashed is well illustrated by the larger photograph.

LOCAL VIOLINIST HAS OLD INSTRUMENT

P. F. Thomas Uses Violin Made in France In 1620

A violin over 300 years old is the prized possession of P. F. Thomas, local instructor on the violin. It was made in Europe in 1620, probably in France. The instrument while showing its age in its style and in the wear that it has undergone, is still sweet and rich and full in tone. Mr. Thomas prefers it to newer instruments and uses it generally in his orchestra conducting.

The name of the maker is somewhat blurred, but appears to have been Gaspard Ditsoufouard. The style of the instrument is like the Gaspard du Salo played by the great Ole Bull. It was one of the violins designed for church use. It is a carved head of an apostle, and on the back a copy of the Ten Commandments was at one time inscribed. There was formerly an inlay on the back, a picture of a medieval castle.

The instrument bears the inscription in Latin: "Living in the forest I was silent; dead I sang." Drawing the bow a few times across the strings one realizes how it is so greatly prized by Prof. Thomas. Mr. Thomas obtained it from some Iowa who moved to Corvallis about 25 years ago. They had obtained it from a local merchant who had acquired it from a two old instruments, parted with one of them.

BRIBERY IS LAID TO FORMER OFFICIAL

ST. PAUL, Minn., Sept. 13.—(AP)—Charged with conspiracy to bribe a public official, Oscar Dahly, former collector of customs at Duluth, was expected to surrender to federal authorities tomorrow.

Dahly's warrants have been issued for three other men, indicted with Dahly in charges growing out of an alleged attempt to "fix" the case of a man arrested by narcotic agents in Duluth.

E. W. Beaton, former chief special customs agent in St. Paul and E. A. Peters of Duluth, former employee of Dahly in a drug store, are named in the two indictments returned against Dahly, while Thomas F. Hoban, former customs on Dahly's staff, is named in one of the indictments.

Federal authorities sought indictments against the four men following an investigation based on information furnished by E. A. Smith, Duluth druggist, who was arrested for illegal sale of drugs. Hoban was accused of approaching the druggist for money to "fix" the case. The other men indicted are alleged to have participated in the deal.

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Dean Hewitt Tells About Impressions of Journey In Orient This Summer

"My impressions of China," R. R. Hewitt, dean of the Willamette law school, said quizzically, upon being asked what impressions he had gained from the hour of the Orient made this summer and from which he returned to Salem Tuesday. "My impressions are hard to put into words, and they do not harmonize with those impressions with which many travelers return."

"The impressions one gets depend upon the way one goes into China. If one goes in on the railroad over beaten paths of tourist travel, sees the artistic ruins of the Sacred Wall, passes huts with their surroundings of cherry trees, and mountain background, goes to the best hotels, and dances on the best of gardens to the harmonious of American music, he will carry away with him, no doubt, an impression of magnificent, quaint, charming country of luxurious possibilities.

Sanitary Conditions Found Deplorable

But if he goes in with a seeing eye he will observe the trouble and poverty under the shadow of the quiet hut, he will observe that the humid, warm climate and no sanitary conveniences makes the horrors of decomposition doubly odious, and intensifies the squalor and poverty of the people. And in addition to this, he will observe the violating results of the almost unbelievable immorality of the country.

And still again, if he goes to associate with the wonderful upperclass group of intellectuals who speak English in such manner as to make an English auditor ashamed and whose philosophy is beautiful and inspirational, and whose courtesy, diplomacy, and statesmanship of admiration, then there is still another impression. You see, each person interprets according to his interests or his method of seeing China and the Orient."

Much Room Exists For Progress

"It is very difficult for a sociologist or a social scientist or a social psychologist to put into words what he sees in China. The progress that the Chinese make before they reach a level where real development may take place is tremendous.

"At the present time as in the past for centuries, the family tradition has a seriously ramifying influence of the country's development. A family, which in China means the whole family tree, with all its branches, both living and dead, will sacrifice everything to give one promising member a chance to attend a foreign school, perhaps, or some such adventure. The favored member is expected to pay back with good interest all that has been done to aid him. If after he becomes educated for instance, he gets a government position, it is expected that he will reward his 'family' and one can see easily how conducive to graft his position would be."

Family Worship Is Criticized

Mr. Hewitt continued, "It is the worship of the 'family' in its broad Chinese meaning which is causing the deplorable birth rate in China, and which is responsible for the degrading position of women." One of the best things going on in China today, and what he considers one saving grace for China is the open, receptive mind of the young Chinese students with special reference to his growing respect for the young women of China.

From an economic standpoint the possibilities of China are tremendous. But it should be realized soon that the protective tariff must be abandoned in order to enhance the economic development which should mean so much to the United States. Dean Hewitt believes that every business man should take some time out and visit the Orient in order to realize what it could mean to use it if it were properly treated.

Education Held Key To Gain Access

"In speaking of trade," said Dean Hewitt, "a pertinent aspect was stated to me by a Chinese official. Said he, 'Britain may expend money building, advertising and sending representatives to us, but the country which will get our trade is the country which gives our youth its education.' The official was educated in America following his Chinese education."

Politically, Dean Hewitt feels, there is not such disunion as there is a philosophical attitude toward both national and social life. "The response of an old mandarin to a question put to him by one of our party speaks the attitude to which I refer. He was asked how a certain faction got in government control. Said the mandarin, as he squatted on the hearth of his ancestral home, 'The rabbits run over the hillside and compete only with the squirrels for the grass that grows thereon. My people have cultivated themselves only in poetry and literature. I give my time to the philosophy of China.' That was the greatest interest in politics that could be displayed by what was supposed to be one of the wisest men of China."

Little National Feeling Is Found

The report of the aggression of the Russians made no flutter in the rank and file of the Chinese. Japan is different in this respect. Here the very religion, Shintoism, is primarily patriotism, and there is a high degree of concentration on the national development of Japan by even its common people.

China needs progress. While there may be beauty and romance in the age old culture and artistic developments of the cultured folk, yet the appalling mass of the Chinese are surrounded by such general conditions as one may imagine from the description of one tiny corner which Dean Hewitt described and said as he finished, "Draw your own conclusions as to what my impressions of China may be after having encountered this condition in many places."

Houseboats Line Small River

"Sochow is just an ordinary creek in China up which one may travel in a launch. Here side by side for a distance which took us two hours to traverse, there is one houseboat after another as close as they can lay, each moored to the bank. The water is quiet. On the house boats we saw chickens, pigs, and ducks, the latter tied with a string and allowed to swim for exercise. We also saw coffins on some of the boats. Children are born on them and grow up and die on them. All refuse is thrown into the river—remember I said the river was quiet—the refuse stays, the humidity causes such a stench to arise from all this filth that one must have smelted it to get any idea of what it is like. I saw women cooking before they charcoal burners, on the open decks of these houseboats. As they worked and need a clean dish they would wash it down into the river where all the filth of the years had been dumped and "wash it. So likewise when they wanted water for tea, they turned to the river upon which they floated. Perhaps not more than one houseboat away, unbearable filth would be in the process of being thrown into the river."

"My impressions of China and the Orient," Dean Hewitt smiled, "I am afraid they are not for newspaper print."

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OPEN BREAK IS AGAIN LIKELY

Moscow Reports Show Dissatisfaction With Recent Chinese Note

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which is at the bottom of the present suspended relations between the two countries, many Soviet citizens vanished without a trace thousands of others were in insubstantial Chinese prisons or concentration camps without sufficient food, shelter or medical attention. In some cases according to the reports, typhus, dysentery and other diseases had developed among the prisoners.

Medical Attention Is Claimed Refused

In one instance, according to the Soviet authorities, Russian citizens who had been bitten by mad dogs were denied medical attention; women prisoners who were recent mothers or who expected to become mothers were denied admission to hospitals.

It was said prisoners were given only bread and water, while whipping, solitary confinement and other forms of cruelty were practiced. For rendering medical aid to interned Russians at Bukhaidu, D. Ivan Alexieff was severely beaten. In the same town a Soviet woman telegraph operator was arrested for sending telegrams to the German consul, who is handling Russian interests, describing brutal treatment of arrested Soviet citizens.

In connection with an assault on a Chinese police employee the Chinese authorities arrested all blond Russian young men and women and submitted them to cruel treatment because the policeman was reported to have been shot by a blond youth.

Pictures of 12 Headless Bodies Are Shown

It was charged that photographs had been shown in Harbin of 12 headless bodies of Soviet citizens which had been found in that district.

Thousands of children were said to be in pitiable conditions because of the necessity of either remaining with their parents in prison and concentration camps or in open fields without shelter.

Houses of Soviet citizens had been looted and the tenants driven out and the Soviet officials said there were many cases along the border where peaceful villagers, including women and children had been killed by unprovoked Chinese attacks. Chinese firing on small Soviet river boats had claimed victims in several instances. According to the announcement, the hands and feet of the imprisoned Russians had been so tightly bound with wire that they bled freely. In other cases the prisoners were denied water and their friends were forbidden to send food to them.

EIGHT COMMUNISTS PUT UNDER ARREST

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today that only Saul is affiliated with the communist party.

Shed in a ministerial student and last year attended Duke university.

While events in connection with the men were proceeding rapidly Gastonia police, staging a series of liquor raids, searched the home of Perry Lodge, where several communists and union leaders had been boarding and claiming to have found a pint of whiskey in the room of Caroline Drew communist and union organizer. Miss Drew was in Charlotte today and a warrant was issued for her arrest.

MRS. PANTAGES' COUNSEL ATTACKS

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besides here, but on cross examination could not identify it, saying the accident attracted all his attention.

Deputy District Attorney James Costello tried desperately to break down Estery's story. His cross examination pointed out that Estery had gone to Alexander T. Pantages, husband of the defendant with his story but had not contracted the district attorney's office.

SHUTTLE PLANE STARTS WICHITA, Kan., Sept. 14.—(AP)—The Shuttle monoplane "City of Baltimore" took off here at 1:15 a. m., today for Los Angeles.

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Con Seeks To Defend Pantages

HOT SPRINGS, Ark., Sept. 13.—(AP)—A telegram from Alexander Pantages Los Angeles theatrical magnate, was delivered to W. J. Scott, 44, who claims Los Angeles as his residence, in the city jail tonight, asking him to rush details of his claims to have information in connection with the alleged attack of Pantages on a 17-year-old dancer.

Scott landed in jail here after he wired Pantages for "expense money." Officers said they were waiting to hear from Los Angeles to determine whether he was wanted there as a witness in the case. Scott told the local officers that he was in Pantages' office at the time of the attack on Eunice Pringle dancer, who was alleged to have taken place, and saw the girl run out of the room.

He was not a witness at the preliminary hearing of Pantages, he said.

The telegram signed by Pantages read: "Write me by air mail what you know and it will reach me in two days."

LACK OF LOOKOUT HINTED AT PROBE

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 13.—(AP)—The possibility that the passenger steamer San Juan was without a lookout when the vessel was rammed and sunk by the tanker S. C. T. Dodd off Pigeon Point August 29, was injected today into the trial of three officers of the two steamers before Federal Steamboat Inspectors Joseph Dolan and Frank Turner here.

More than 70 lives were lost when the San Juan went to the bottom. Captain H. C. Blumchen and Third Mate O. V. Saunders of the Dodd and Third Mate Robert Pappenfuss of the San Juan have been charged with inattention to duties as a result of the sinking. Charles Tulce, first officer of the passenger steamer, was kept on the stand all day by the inspectors who questioned him closely as to the allotment of San Juan's men to the watches. Appearances did the federal officers direct their inquiries to the number of men on watch when the crash occurred.

Tulce testified that it was customary for the lookout to call the midnight watch a few minutes before that hour. While this duty would have been taken by the lookout from his post but a few minutes, Tulce said, it was possible that the man had remained away from the bridge long enough to jeopardize his ship.

Referring to a poker game in the crew's messroom on the night of the collision, Tulce denied that any arrangements existed whereby men were permitted to leave their watches for any purpose and least of all to amuse themselves.

SCHMELING NEARLY KILLED SONDRERHAUSEN, Thuringia, Sept. 13.—(AP)—Max Schmeling, German heavyweight boxer, narrowly escaped death or serious injury today as a new racing car the boxer was driving crashed into a brick wall.

Claims totaling \$1316.70 have been paid to Statesman readers by the North American Accident Insurance Co. in the past year. These claims were paid on the \$100 policy issued to Statesman subscribers.



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AUSTRALIAN FLEES WITH YANK CHILD

International Complications Appear Probable Following Divorce

LOS ANGELES, Calif., Sept. 13.—(AP)—Reported flight of Ger-ald C. Mumby, former British army colonel, to Australia aboard the freighter Parrakoola, with his seven year old daughter whose custody had been awarded to the colonel's wife, Mrs. Gladys S. Mumby, today appeared about to raise international complications.

District Attorney Burton Fitts cabled Brisbane authorities requesting the child be held for deportation, and Attorney William J. McNichols, counsel for Mrs. Mumby, filed felon charges against the colonel.

Mrs. Mumby was awarded final decree of divorce from Mumby in superior court today. She had testified that her husband had spent several thousand dollars upon an actress, and upon schooling for the actress' son, while she herself had been forced to call upon her parents for a financial aid.

Mumby was reported to have sailed from San Francisco aboard the Parrakoola on August 26, the freighter arriving in Brisbane on September 6. Since then British consular authorities have been exchanging telegrams with District Attorney Fitts in an effort to determine the legal status of Mumby and the child.

Mrs. Mumby said her husband, who posed here as a film director, previously was married to Adele Covert of New York; they were divorced in 1920.

HOT FIGHT STAGED AT PRINTER'S MEET

SEATTLE, Sept. 13.—(AP)—Delegates from Indianapolis precipitated a lively controversy on the floor at the convention of the International Typographical Union here today when they protested acceptance of the Typographical Journal committee report giving full approval to the management of the publication.

The attack centered upon Wood-ruff Randolph, secretary-treasurer, of the Journal, who was charged with violating union principles in discharging two mailers employed by the union. Matters, a wing of the union, have been at differences with the typographical men, it was said, and the controversy today added another skirmish to their differences.

Randolph was defended by Charles P. Howard, president of the International organization, William Green, president of the

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WAGGONER BOND IS FIXED AT \$1,000,000

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Sept. 13.—(AP)—If C. D. Waggoner, president of the closed bank of Telluride is to be released pending his trial in connection with the deal whereby he obtained half a million dollars from New York banks through faked telegrams sent from Denver, he may have to post bond of \$1,000,000. Federal authorities here today declared they would ask the court to fix that amount when Waggoner is arraigned on a warrant from New York.

Had in a jail at New Castle Waggoner today issued a statement in which he admitted he had hired two women in Denver to send the telegrams which set up the half million dollar credit in the Chase national bank against which he presented drafts for \$495,000. He insisted the girls had no knowledge of the contents or purposes of the messages.

American Federation of labor, came in for censure under one resolution adopted which condemned him for making a radio talk for "Collier's Hour of Labor," sponsored by the Crowell publications, which the delegates declared were at variance with the printing trades.

Another resolution adopted asked Governor C. C. Young of California to investigate the case of Thomas J. Mooney, who has served 13 years at San Quentin prison for a "labor war murder."

The delegates asked that a committee be appointed to investigate advisability for the removal of the international offices from Indianapolis to Washington, D. C.

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