

FIRE DESTROYS AURORA HOME

Hurst House, Pioneer Mansion Raged by Fire of Unknown Origin

AURORA, July 30.—An old landmark was razed to the ground Monday night when the house on the Hurst estate burned. William Moller, who occupied a part of the house, was out driving with his brother and sister-in-law from California, who are visiting here. A passerby turned in an alarm about 8:30, but the property is situated outside the city limits and there are no water mains on that side of the bridge, and the flames had made such headway the firemen could do little but protect other property.

Household goods on the first floor were saved but all clothing of the guests who were occupying the second floor was lost. The Hurst house was a large 16-room building, situated on a slight hillside across the railroad tracks. It was built about 40 years ago by John D. Hurst, who came to Aurora and bought out the old colony mill from the Wagner heirs, and operated it under the name of J. D. Hunt & Son. The family left here years ago and the property had run down. The origin of the fire could not be determined. It is not known if there was any insurance.

MRS. FISHER DIES SUDDENLY; AGED 31

SILVERTON, July 30.—Mrs. Dorothy Fisher, 31, died suddenly here last night. She had been apparently in the best of health and had been talking and laughing with her husband, who had just returned from a nearby logging camp. She suddenly complained of feeling ill; a physician was summoned, but she died ten minutes after his arrival. Her death was a surprise to her husband, who had been visiting her at her home in Eugene. She was born in Fergus Falls, Minn. Besides her widower, William, she is survived by a 24-day-old baby; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Whitson and sister, Mrs. Fred Pond, all of Berthold, North Dakota, and two brothers, Ralph of Bakersfield, Cal., and Herbert Whitson of Minot, North Dakota.

The body is at Jack and Ekman's mortuary. Funeral arrangements have not been completed.

HERE FROM ILLINOIS
SILVERTON, July 30.—After an absence of many years, Miss Florence Spencer, daughter of the Rev. J. Spencer, who was pastor of the M. E. church here 18 years ago, is visiting in Silvertown. She is staying at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Adams. Miss Spencer is teaching school at DeKalb, Ill., where her father is preaching. She came west to be bridesmaid for a sorority sister living in Eugene.

PRUNE HARVEST NEAR
ROSDALE, July 30.—Wood being hauled to the driers preparatory to an early prune harvest. The fruit is already beginning to turn ripe.

Swigarts Visit With Relatives In This County

AURORA, July 30.—Vacationists who are spending a few days in Aurora are Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Swigart and twins of Grants Pass. They are visiting Mr. Swigart's sister, Mrs. A. L. Strickland. They have spent some time in Milwaukie with the parents of Mrs. Swigart. After leaving here they will be the guests of relatives in Eugene, getting back to Grants Pass in time for the opening of the school where Mr. Swigart is an instructor.

KINGWOOD FAMILIES ENJOY VACATIONS

KINGWOOD, July 30.—Mrs. E. W. St. Pierre and her daughter, Miss Ella St. Pierre are at home following a vacation spent at a Washington beach resort. They were accompanied by Mrs. St. Pierre's son and daughter-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. E. W. St. Pierre of Portland and their children, Peter and Suzanne.

Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Smith of Salem who have been making a tour of the southern states are house guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Black.

Mrs. Sarah A. Burbank and Mrs. Lulu Mills, both of Albany were recent two day guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Yantiss. The visitors were former neighbors of the Yantiss family when they also lived in Albany.

Mrs. Nellie Campbell of Victoria, B. C., Mrs. Jessie Laird, Mrs. James Field, Dr. Jessie Brodie, all of Portland and all relatives of Mrs. Hall were house guests recently at the Robert Hall home on Kingwood Terrace.

E. E. Dennison of Long Beach, Calif., is a visitor at the home of Mrs. Edwin Dennison. He expects to remain through the summer.

Misses Luella and Merle Jones of Mist are guests at the O. B. Bittner home. The Bittner family have been visiting at Mist and the girls returned home with them.

S. V. Fuller paid a brief visit to his little ranch here Sunday. Since he left last spring he has been working at Hood River and Gresham. His house here is occupied by the Charles Priller family.

Mrs. Rollin Beaver is spending a week with relatives in Portland.

APARTMENT LEASED

SILVERTON, July 30.—The Wofford apartment house on North Water street has been leased to O. E. Rowe of this city. Rowe has started extensive renovations and within a week expects to have it opened to tenants. He will occupy one apartment. Rowe is manager of the Silvertown Box factory.

HERE FROM CALIFORNIA

SILVERTON, July 30.—Mrs. Jerry Ward of Los Angeles is here for a month's visit with her mother, Mrs. Laura Hubbs, and will also visit with her brothers, Frank and George Hubbs, of this city.

SWIMMING ENJOYED

VALSETZ, July 30.—A farewell swimming party was enjoyed by several of the Valsetz children Tuesday afternoon. They were Evelyn, Raymond Dodson, Lydia Henshman, Evelyn Green of Silvertown, Joe McDonald of Dallas.

SWIM INSTRUCTION AT AURORA CLOSED

Black Dragons Draw Large Crowds; Many Pass Various Tests

AURORA, July 30.—Tuesday afternoon the "Black Dragons," sponsored by the Willamette chapter of the Red Cross, of Salem, brought to a successful close a week of instruction in swimming, by giving an exhibition of life saving and fancy swimming, followed by tryouts of the pupils enrolled. Those who passed the tests as reported by Miss Thora Moessan, executive secretary of Willamette chapter, who had charge of the program, were:

Junior Life Savers: Sula Moshberger of Woodburn; Eunice Carmichael and Barbara Jensen of Monitor; Betty and Beatrice Abel of Canby; Hazel Ferguson and Emma Mueggel of Aurora.

Senior Life Savers: Charles Boyle and Mary Jackson of Woodburn and Mamie Coyne of Monitor.

Advanced swimming: Eiden Harrison.

Beginners: Jean Strickland, Bruce Giesy, George and John Kraus, Gilbert Hunt, Robert Bonney, Martha Francis Brandt, and George Kraus, all of Aurora.

Members of the "Black Dragons" who gave the instruction were headed by Maxey Langford, assisted by Esther Arnold, Mark Satchler, Ethel Niles, Al Halberg and Ruth Arnold. Others who assisted were Claud Martin and Juanita Johnston, county nurse.

Great interest was displayed throughout the week. Every day the river was fairly swarming with swimmers and the banks were lined with cars and spectators.

Ridings Family Reunion Sunday

SILVERTON, July 30.—The annual reunion of the Ridings family will be held Sunday at Wing park, on the Molalla river. A number of friends of the family have been invited. The picnic will be an all-day affair, with a dinner at 1 o'clock.

Dr. Wilson on Vacation Trip

SILVERTON, July 30.—With a month's vacation in sight, Dr. C. R. Wilson, local dentist, will leave here tomorrow for Seattle, where he will board a boat for Cordova, Alaska. At the northern city, he will meet his wife who has been visiting with brothers for two months. Dr. and Mrs. Wilson will return here about September 1.

SUFFERS RELAPSE

SILVERTON, July 30.—The Rev. W. O. Livingstone, who suffered an attack of ptomaine a few days ago, suffered a relapse here Tuesday. Yesterday he was taken to the home of his daughter, Mrs. Ivan Talbot, at Hood River to convalesce.

PATIENT IMPROVING

SILVERTON, July 30.—Mrs. Harold Lamb, who underwent a major operation at the Silvertown hospital a few days ago, is convalescing satisfactorily. At yet, she is not allowed to have visitors.

Farmers Union Meet Monday

BETHEL, July 30.—An especially enjoyable meeting of the Bethel local of the Farmers' Union is anticipated for the evening of August 3. The meeting will be held at the school. The Benner family of Salem have kindly consented to furnish the program. Ice cream will be provided and each lady is asked to bring a cake. Members and their families and prospective members are invited.

VALSETZ RESEMBLES 'DESERTED VILLAGE'

VALSETZ, July 30.—Many of the remaining families are leaving Valsetz in the past few weeks. Art Ross, Walter Clark, Clenton Emra, Lott Gardner, have all moved to Fall City.

Mr. Emra, opened the meat market there for a while then rented it to Dick Lefener, also from Valsetz. Monday Mr. Lefener opened the market in Fall City.

Lester Green and family moved to Silvertown today. Pete Stoltenberg, is moving to Pendleton Wednesday.

W. D. Barnett is in Portland this week.

Mrs. Hugh Bartrom and children are moving to Corvallis Thursday.

FAMILY PICNIC ENJOYED

TURNER, July 30.—Mrs. Malinda Barzee accompanied Mr. and Mrs. G. A. McKay and children, Phillip, Wilford and Marjory of Salem Sunday, for a drive to a point near Gates where a family picnic dinner was enjoyed. Mrs. McKay is a daughter of Mrs. Barzee's. The McKay family have always lived in or near Turner, until a few weeks ago when they moved to Salem where Mr. McKay is a rural mail carrier.

HERE FROM PORTLAND

BETHEL, July 30.—Mrs. A. L. Sundborg has been enjoying a visit from her sister, Mrs. John Huber of Hoquiam, Wash. Mrs. Huber's son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Gaunt, of Portland were also at the Sundborg home for a short visit.

GRANGE OPPOSES SPECIAL SESSION

Proposed Legislature and Indiana tax Plan are Frowned Upon

SILVERTON, July 30.—The proposed special session of the legislature and the adoption of the so-called Indiana tax law were both vigorously opposed at a meeting of the Silvertown Grange last Friday night. The grange was on record as opposing both proposals.

Further plans for the big meeting here in October, when the Pomona grange is entertained, were discussed. Four members of the Silvertown Hills grange, who will assist the local committee, were present. They are Mrs. Anna Hadley, Mrs. J. Techantz, Mrs. W. Parrish and Mrs. C. Murray. A delegation from the Monitor grange were also in attendance to offer aid for the October gathering.

A letter from George Hulet, state grange master, was read, asking that the grangers patronize business firms advertising in the grange paper. Mrs. J. L. Stalker gave a report of the recent grange picnic at Champeog park.

LEGION'S PROGRAM AND DANCE MONDAY

SILVERTON, July 30.—A program and dance in the city park here at which Silvertown and surrounding community are invited is being sponsored by the Delbert Reeves American Legion post next Monday night. The program will begin at 8 o'clock, with dancing following.

Mayor L. C. Eastman will give one of the addresses of the evening. Efforts are being made to obtain Colonel Eugene Moshberger of Woodburn as another speaker. One of the features of the program will be the Salem Kiltie band. Other numbers will be an instrumental duet by Hilda and Marjorie McDowell; vocal solo, Mrs. W. F. Tate; tap dance,

GRANGE CLUB HAS ALL DAY MEET

PLEASANT VIEW, July 30.—The grange work club met at the home of Mrs. T. T. Palmer, Tuesday for an all day session. A quilt was tied for the hostess, also work done on the grange quilt.

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