

Rebuilding at Gervais Plan

Woodburn and Mt. Angel Firemen Gain Praise for Large Saving

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stocks housed in the rear part of the buildings. Warden purchased the buildings and beer parlor business only three months ago. Origin of the blaze, discovered by Charles Vort, night marshal, remains a mystery. Woodburn and Mt. Angel fire fighting equipment was rushed to the scene, and a pumper from Salem arrived as soon as word could be sent through to the fire department. But for the aid of Woodburn and Mt. Angel fire fighters, the fire would have swept the entire block. The fact that no wind was blowing was also favorable to control of the fire, highly spectacular during the hour it was at its height. The fire started in the dressed lumber which stood on the end of a concrete bench in the Cannard warehouse. Cannard said today there was no wiring in the area where the blaze originated. The warehouse contained dressed lumber, oils and paints, twine and similar supplies. Exploding drums of oil and turpentine added to the confusion. The warehouse, of corrugated iron, and its contents were entirely destroyed, as were the other sheds along the rear of the buildings and adjacent to the alley. Some Water Damage In Bank Building The Gervais State bank, north of the hardware store, suffered some damage, mostly from water. In the main buildings, the only one completely gutted was the Gervais Star plant. The main storehouse of the hardware establishment suffered considerable damage from scorching and water. The Star, the largest blocks of stock of which are held by I. V. McAdoo and his wife, Eliza J. McAdoo, and G. J. Moisan, will continue publication at least until November 1, the McAdoos announced yesterday. Whether or not the stock company will reestablish a plant at Gervais probably will not be determined for some time. A of the newspaper equipment is held to be beyond salvage. The Star was moved to this location, remodeled for it by Cannard, last June. Cannard stated today that he would rebuild his plant. Lumber in another shed across the alley from the main warehouse where the fire started was also badly damaged from the conflagration. Contents from all the buildings in the fire area, including the postoffice which is in the building on the north end of the street, were removed but had been replaced before noon today. In the postoffice, the only damage was to the floors, occasioned during removal of the safe. Mrs. Cecil Colby, postmistress, and her clerk dispatched mail on schedule this morning in spite of the extra work entailed in moving equipment back into the building. This is the second serious fire Stevens, the barber, has witnessed in Gervais. He went through the disastrous Gervais fire of 1932, which originated a block up from the present disaster and swept the entire business section. The Cannard buildings occupy a 200 foot frontage, approximately in the center of the block, and just opposite the depot.

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Syndicalism Case Discrepancy Seen

SACRAMENTO, Sept. 28.—(AP)—A superior court jury's inconsistency today gave victory to eight Sacramento county criminal syndicalist defendants in their appeal to the third district appellate court. The latter reversed the lower court verdict and ordered freedom for the two who still remain at San Quentin, Pat Chambers and Jack Crane. The decision lifted the onus of conviction from the heads of the six other defendants who had been liberated on parole. Reversal of the case was granted by the higher court, despite "some substantial indications of guilt" because the jury which tried the defendants on a second indictment—that of actually advocating criminal syndicalism by various overt acts—had returned a verdict of not guilty.

Gore Case Non-Suited

MEDFORD, Sept. 28.—(AP)—Circuit Judge H. D. Norton today granted the motion of Jackson county for an involuntary nonsuit in the civil action of W. H. Gore for \$3446.66 for services ascertained performed in behalf of the passage of the Oregon-California land grant tax refund bill.

Courts Speeding Up Says Hughes; Needs Are Cited

WASHINGTON, Sept. 28.—(AP)—Striking what was widely interpreted as a blow at President Roosevelt's court reorganization proposal, Chief Justice Hughes reported tonight that the federal courts are making "important progress" in speeding up litigation. He asserted also that a survey made by Attorney General Cummings "affords no just ground for general criticism of the work of the district courts." His statements were contained in a report on recommendations of the annual conference of senior circuit court judges, who met at the supreme court last week. The conference recommended the appointment of four new circuit judges and 12 additional district judges to relieve congestion in certain localities.

Convict Released Here Is in Again

TACOMA, Sept. 28.—(AP)—J. Sanders, alias John McNeil and Jerome O'Neil, 28, pleaded guilty in police court on a charge of attempted larceny and began a sentence of 60 days in jail today. Sanders was released last week from the Oregon state penitentiary at Salem, where he was committed in 1933 on charges of assault and robbery.

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Roseburg Woman Seeking Custody Of Daughter, 10

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Marshall Hands, Choctaw farmer, informed Judge George H. Giddins, his wife had taken the child to Fort Smith, Ark., on a vacation.

Mrs. Hatfield said she gave the child, Bettie Louise Rose, to Mrs. Hands because she was unable to support her, but with the provision she could have her back again. She is seeking custody through habeas corpus proceedings.

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until too late to avoid the accident. Coming to Baker county in the 80's, Messick taught school at Wingville and Northwest Baker before being admitted to the Oregon bar. He had practiced here since that time, and was an active democrat. He became mayor for the second time in January, 1935, having served a previous four-year term prior to 1930. He was a member of the Methodist church and of the Masonic lodge. His widow and a daughter, Claudine, both of Baker, survive.

Hitler, Mussolini Agree on Policies

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against no other state, with "obscure but well identified forces" that are "at work to project war from inside to outside." This was understood as a reference to the Spanish civil war in which II Duce declared Italy was playing "a justified part."

Sale of Student Cards Is Record

EUGENE, Sept. 28.—(AP)—Sale of 1667 student body cards during registration week at the University of Oregon set a new high mark since the purchase was made optional with students, Zolie Volchok, Salem, assistant manager of educational activities, said. The cards entitle holders to admission to athletic events, concerts and other student activities, subscription to school publications and voting privileges.

The Call Board

- CAPITOL Today—Double bill, John Barrymore in "Bulldog Drummond Comes Back" and Jack Holt in "Outlaws of the Orient." Wednesday—Double bill, Kenny Baker in "Mr. Todds Takes the Air" with Gene Autry in "Public Cowboy No. 1." STATE Today—Charles Boyer and Jean Arthur in "History Is Made at Night." Wednesday—Double bill, Barbara Stanwyck and Joel McCrea in "Internes Can't Take Money" and "We're Not Dressing" with Bing Crosby and Carole Lombard. Friday—Eastern circuit vaudeville. GRAND Today—Sonja Henie and Tyrone Power in "Thin Ice." Wednesday—"Think Fast Mr. Moto" with Peter Lorre. Saturday—"Lost Horizon" with Ronald Coleman. HOLLYWOOD Today—Norma Shearer and Leslie Howard in "Romeo and Juliet." Wednesday—Edward G. Robinson in "Thunder in the City." Friday—Double bill, Scott Colton and Jean Rogers in "T. B. Wildcatter" and Buck Jones in "Smoke Tree Range." ELSINORE Today—Robert Taylor and Eleanor Powell in "Broadway Melody of 1937" and "Bad Guy" with Bruce Cabot. Wednesday—Marlene Dietrich in "Knight Without Armor" and "The Lady Fights Back" with Irene Hervey. Saturday—"Variety Show" with Dick Powell and Fred Waring.

Learn to Fly \$80 Course

Salem Flying Service SALEM AIRPORT

President now At Trip's Goal

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We in America are wiser in using wealth on projects like this which will give us more wealth, better living and greater happiness for our children." The president talked of power as a boon to decentralized population. "That is why in developing electricity from this Bonneville dam, from the Grand Coulee dam and from other dams to be built on the Columbia and its tributaries, the policy of widest use ought to prevail," he said.

Hospital Request Opposed by Heirs

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Beltz, Cherokee, Okla.; Matilda Kummerfeld, Wasco, Calif.; Ida Wedemeyer, Cordell, Okla.; Fred Knopf, Salem; Malvina Koch, Oklahoma City; Hulda Bremer, Lorinda, Texas. The Deaconess hospital on or about December 31, 1936, caused its attorney, unknown to plaintiffs, to interview Gustaf Knopf and prepare for the alleged will the petition charges. The hospital's counsel and an official employee of the institution both witnessed the will, it is asserted. To disinterested witnesses Knopf had stated "that he did not intend to give any more money to Salem Deaconess hospital because it was amply paid for its services during his lifetime," the petition asserts. As a matter of law, it is maintained, the will is invalid because it was witnessed by disinterested persons.

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