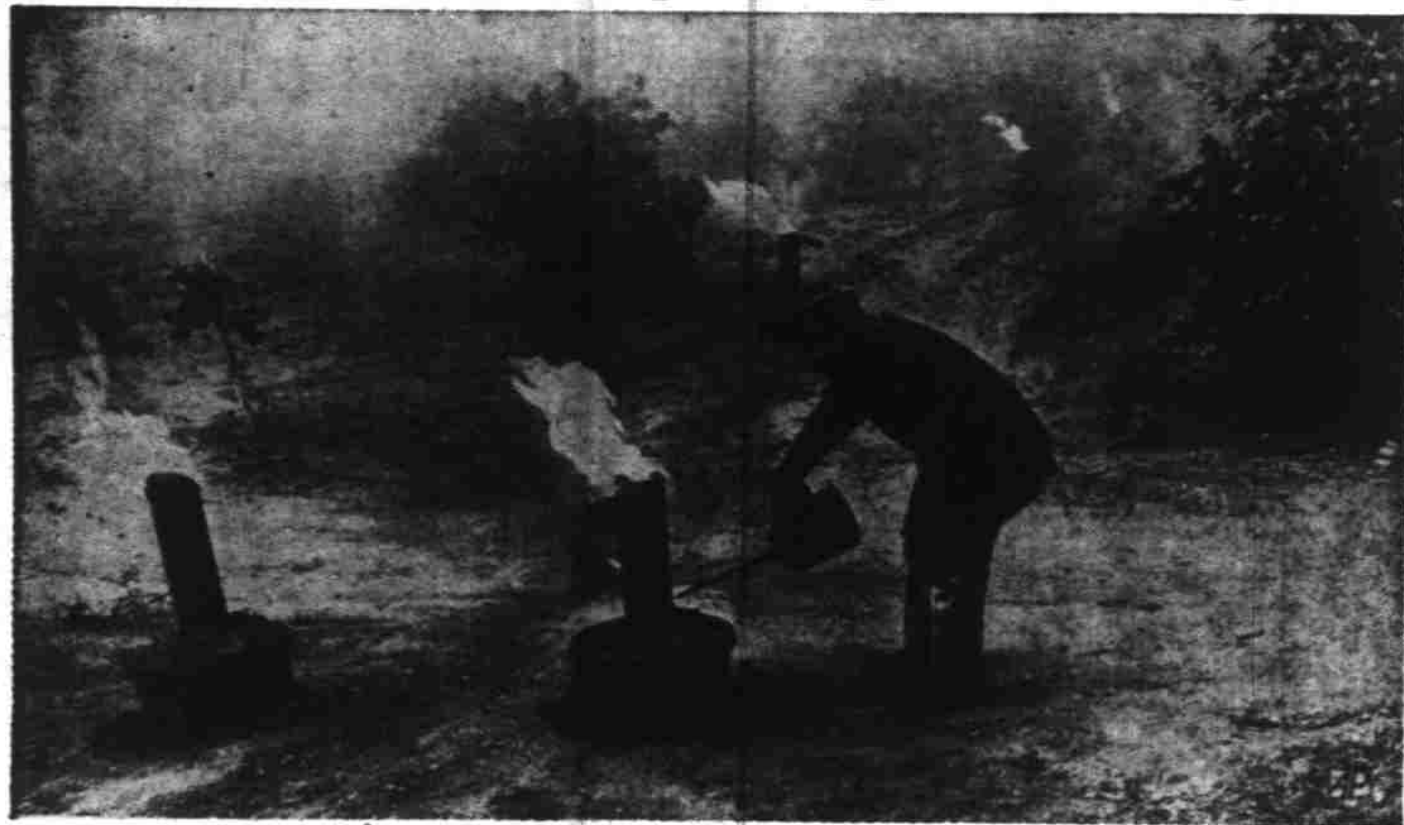


Californians Keep Smudge Pots Going



COVINA, Calif., Jan. 5.—An orange grower, Earl Bosworth, adjusts smudge pots in his orchard at Covina, Calif., during Southern California's record cold wave. Many orchardists kept the pots burning until late morning in an effort to save their fruit. Lowest temperature recorded so far in Covina was 22. (AP Wirephoto to The Statesman).

Angell Asks 6-Year Term For President

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—(AP)—A campaign to limit the presidency to a single six-year term as launched by Oregon's Rep. Homer D. Angell again today.

Angell introduced a resolution proposing a constitutional amendment on the presidential term. A similar bill proposed by Angell last year failed to get a committee hearing.

Local Union Men To Attend Building Trades Conclave

Approximately 30 members of unions affiliated with the Salem Building Trades council, headed by F. D. VanSwearingen, executive secretary of the council, expect to attend the state building trades convention in Coos Bay next week.

Among the slated discussions to come up at the convention are proposals to place the building

trades crafts on a state-wide system and a measure to establish a full-time representative of the state council in the field to visit locals over the state.

William Fitts, Farmer, Dies; Rites Saturday

Final rites will be held Saturday at 1:30 p.m. for William H. Fitts, 82, Hayesville district farmer for the past 40 years, who died Wednesday. Concluding services will be in Belcrest Memorial park. Fitts was born in Wisconsin, Nov. 18, 1886. Orphaned at the age of 17, he went to Iowa where he farmed for 19 years. He married Elizabeth McFarland at Cherokee, Iowa in 1893. The couple operated farms near Sioux Falls, S.D. and in Eastern Kansas before coming to the Salem area in 1909. Mrs. Fitts died two years ago.

Survivors are a daughter, Mrs. Edna Nation, Salem, two sons, Frank C. Fitts, Salem, and Joseph W. Fitts, Brooks; nine grandchildren and five great grandchildren.



LEADER — Dr. Frances Scott of Northampton, Mass., president of National Federation of Business and Professional Women and a physician for 30 years, poses during N. Y. visit.

Bush Fined \$250 For Drunk Driving

Edgar Amos Bush, 3195 Silverton rd., was fined \$250 in municipal court Wednesday following his arrest earlier on charges of drunk driving.

Action Asked in Trans-America Monopoly Suit

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—(AP)—Counsel for the Federal Reserve board told the board today it should go ahead with a hearing on civil anti-trust charges against the Trans-America corporation of San Francisco.

The corporation, the nation's biggest bank holding company, has filed a motion that the board drop its charges. The complaint is that the firm maintains a monopoly on credit in five western states.

J. Leonard Townsend, solicitor for the board, sought in a 35-page brief to knock down Trans-America's assertions that the board has no right to try it.

The board will now take up for consideration both Trans-America's motion to dismiss the charges and Townsend's reply.

If its decision is to go on with the case, taking of testimony is expected to begin around February 10, unless Trans-America again seeks a court injunction against the proceedings.

The maximum penalty that could be assessed against the corporation would be to require that it get rid of its stock holdings in some 600 banks in California, Washington, Oregon, Arizona and Nevada.

Briton Horrified at Thought of Britain Being '49th State'

SLOUGH, Eng., Jan. 5.—(AP)—Should Britain become the 49th state of the U. S. A.?

"It would be quite horrifying," Laborite member of Parliament Benn Levy said tonight.

Levy, British playwright and husband of American-born film actress Constance Cummings, gave this answer when asked at a labor meeting if Britain could solve her economic problems by joining the United States.

"The possibility of being ruled by the U. S. congress, the possibility of finding ourselves dominated by their vastly inferior constitution, and the possibility of finding ourselves submerged in a country which is at least 25 or 30 years behind ourselves are quite horrifying."

Production of broiler chickens in the south Atlantic region is now five times as large as it was in the period 1935-39.

Wednesday morning after a long chase. Arresting officers reported Bush drove on the left side of the road, forcing an oncoming car into the ditch, then weaving back and forth across the street and ignoring the police siren.



LIGHTS UP—Philosopher Bertrand Russell pauses to light his pipe at reception in his honor in Berlin. He lectured at the British Information Center in the German capital.

Flax Fire Cost Set at \$50,000

CORNELIUS, Jan. 5.—(AP)—Damage in the spectacular fire that destroyed the Washington Coun-

ty Flax corporation's warehouse was estimated at \$50,000 by the corporation president today.

The fire roared through the plant shortly before midnight last night, destroying 400 tons of de-seeded flax. Glenn Ritchey, president of the firm, said he thought spontaneous combustion was to blame.

Firemen from Cornelius and Forest Grove battled most of the night to keep flames from spreading to adjoining buildings that housed expensive processing machinery.

First National Bank Reports Earnings High

PORTLAND, Jan. 5.—(AP)—The First National bank of Portland announced today that 1948 was its third best year on record for earnings. President Frank N. Belgrano, Jr., said the net after taxes and before dividends was \$3,722,277.58 or \$10.34 per share.

The earnings boosted capital funds of the bank to a new high of \$30,520,735.86. During the year the firm acquired two new branches, one in Portland and the other at Klamath Falls, and became affiliated with two banks. The First National bank of Lebanon and the Monroe State bank.

Belgrano said the deposits, loans and resources of the institutions made the group first in the state. Total resources of the main bank and its 44 branches and 15 affili-

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ated banking offices were listed at \$636,884,017.83.

Fire Chief Roble Conducts Lecture

Fire Chief W. P. Roble conducted the lecture at the weekly police school Wednesday in the city hall, describing fire equip-

ment and fire protection facilities. The school is being conducted to acquaint police officers with city facilities and strengthen cooperation of the various city departments in furthering police protection.

Since 1900 total life insurance owned in the United States has increased 20 times, while the population has not yet doubled.

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