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NEWS FROM NEARBY VALLEY POINTS

By Capital Journal's Special Correspondents

MONTREAL FIRE EATS WAY THRU ENTIRE BLOCK

Montreal, Que., Aug. 25.—An entire block of buildings in Montreal was laid waste last night and early this morning by one of the most spectacular fires the city ever experienced.

The blaze, under a half gale, spread rapidly and soon enveloped the entire block. The block consisted of 20 or more dwellings, a large apartment house and a hotel and other houses.

No estimate has been made of the damage. The casualties were comparatively few.

Most of these reported consisted of several firemen being overcome by smoke or cut by flying glass. One woman suffered a broken arm when a piece of fire apparatus in turning a corner disintegrated through the plate glass of a cigar store.

Altogether sixty one families

were rendered homeless by the fire. During the height of the conflagration the water pressure was extremely low and this gave the firemen much concern.

The firemen realizing the futility of endeavor to save the burning block, centered their efforts on keeping the flames from spreading. They succeeded and the buildings over the fire zone suffered nothing worse than a scorching.

The people in the burning district were aroused from their slumbers when the fire started and fled scantily attired. Numerous sick persons had to be carried out of their homes.

DOCTOR, 85, OLDEST ACTIVE PHYSICIAN

Seattle, Wash., Aug. 25.—Dr. John G. Byrne of this city, after whom Byrne hall in the Northern Baptist Theological seminary at Chicago was named, believes he is the oldest practicing physician in the United States. Dr. E. M. Mosher, 78, Brooklyn, N. Y., heretofore claimed the distinction. Byrne is 85. He graduated in 1872 from Rush Medical college, Chicago.

EVANS FIRST IN CYCLE RACING

Cody Evans, local motorcycle rider for Harry Scott, took first place in the major events at the Independence races held there last Sunday afternoon. The inclement weather threatened to halt the races for a while but by afternoon the track was in excellent shape and the races were run off.

Cody took first place in the three-mile event for class A in 3 minutes, 23 2/5 seconds. In the second event for the same distance led all six laps and finished in 3 minutes, 21 seconds. The five-mile race went to the local rider in 5 minutes, 35 seconds.

In class B, Elmer Smith of Eugene won first place in the three-mile event in 3 minutes, 23 2/5 seconds. In the second event for the same distance and class he again finished ahead of the others in 3 minutes, 23 seconds. "Mutt" Kelly won first place honors in a special three-mile event on a Harley, with Swenson on an Excelsior second and Pilkington, Excelsior, third.

MISSIONARIES HELD FOR RANSOM

Shanghai, China, Aug. 25.—(A. P.)—Inquiries as to the whereabouts and welfare of the eight British missionaries kidnaped by Chinese bandits on August 6, have thus far been fruitless. The party, including Bishop Mondell of Toronto, and five women, were taken while at a holiday resort but details of their capture are lacking.

They are being held by bandits in the province of Szechwan where communication facilities at present are very unreliable. It is said here that the captured missionaries were among those warned by the British consulate to leave Szechwan during the recent troubles.

(Advice from Muijing to the London offices of the church missionary society last week said all the members of the captured party were reported to be safe and receiving good treatment from their captors.)

PIRATES LOOM AS CHAMPIONS

New York, Aug. 25.—The Pirates were generally regarded today as the next champions of the National league. They have left New York after taking four out of five games in a crucial series with the Giants, thereby almost making the pennant certain.

Only 32 games remain to be played by McGraw's entry, while the Corsairs have 25 and a long stretch at home.

The final blow dealt New York yesterday by the Pirates, 9 to 2, not only left the Giants six games behind first place, but found their defense almost wrecked. The inner works cracked in the fifth. An infield fly went for a sacrifice as Cuyler stole home while Jackson held the ball. Three errors were made on easy chances.

As Pittsburgh retired, the Giants looked down the standing and Cincinnati coming along only two and one half games behind.

Washington and Philadelphia separated by only a single game at the top of the American standing, both were belted in the west yesterday.

The leading Senators lost to Detroit, 4 to 1. Three Washington box men were shelled by 14 hits by the Tigers. Manager Eddie Collins, on crutches as the result of a strained ligament, directed the White Sox to a 3 to 1 victory over the Macks who made only four hits off Blankenship.



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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS ITEMS

FALLS CITY

Falls City, Or., Aug. 25.—Miss Marcia Dueltgen of Peedee is visiting with her sister, Mrs. G. D. Mott.

Marshall and Mrs. H. S. Zimmerman returned Thursday from their vacation trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Wellington Hill of Toledo were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mack over the week-end.

Miss Bina Lusk was home Saturday and Sunday from Monmouth, where she is attending the summer session of normal school.

Mrs. Frank Horn and little daughter are here from Vancouver Wash., visiting with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Oberman and son of Forest Grove were recent visitors at the G. D. Mott home. Mrs. Irene Mott returned with them after visiting relatives here for the past two months.

Mr. and Mrs. George Darling have moved here from Elk City and will make their future home in Falls City.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Starr and son, Paul, motored to Corvallis, Sunday, and visited with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Moyer and Mrs. Jennie M. Cobb were in Independence, Sunday, visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Moyer.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Aurland were in Rickreall, Sunday, visiting with their niece, Mrs. Harry Dempsey.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Humphreys have a son, born August 21.

Orrville Focht and Walter Kenworthy of Ballou are working on the county rock crusher near the William Lee home.

Miss Grace Ewing and Harry Rathbun from Blodgett were here Saturday evening and attended the dance at Elverside park.

Clyde Bancroft is leaving for Independence, where he will take charge of the Clayton grocery store during the absence of Dale Bell, who will have a store at one of the hopyards there.

Mr. and Mrs. Clay Courter and daughter, Lolita, returned to Portland, Sunday, after visiting Mrs. Courter's mother and brother, Mrs. Calkins and Park Calkins. While here Clay Courter, Miss Lolita Courter and Park Calkins spent several days at Newport.

Charles Sample was up from Portland and spent Sunday with his family here.

T. W. Munyon, proprietor of the Falls City bakery, has two men working for him this week putting in a new oven and making many other improvements to the bakery kitchen. While repairs are being made the Dallas bakery supplies the local shop with bread and other pastries.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Farrell and family were here Sunday and spent the day at the J. L. Shadle home.

Mr. and Mrs. William Webber and little daughter, Donalce, have returned to Tillamook after spending several months at their home here.

Mrs. David Dault and sons and Misses Mona and Thelma Barrett are in Newberg this week visiting with Mrs. Eldon Barlow and will leave the first of the week for Clifton. They have been visiting with relatives and friends in Marion and Polk counties for the past month.

Miss LaVerne Mickelson returned from Newport, Monday, where she has been on her vacation from the telephone office.

MILL CITY

Mill City, Or., Aug. 25.—Walter Vaughan of Portland, sales manager for the Hammond Lumber company, was in the city Friday on business.

Miss William Hooker of Detroit is spending a few days in Salem visiting at the home of her son.

Mr. and Mrs. Linn Faust of Pittsburg, Pa., will leave Detroit today for their home, making the return trip through California. Mrs. Faust has been visiting friends at Detroit all summer, Mr. Faust joining her Saturday.

Mrs. Captain Hanna of Fort Barrancas, Florida, is spending a few days in Detroit visiting at the home of her mother, Mrs. W. A. Hoover.

Miss Mildred Strey of Newberg spent several days last week visiting friends here.

The new tennis court constructed in the Dr. Allen park has been completed and tennis fans were out in force Friday evening.

Miss Frances Olin, daughter of F. R. Olin, manager of the Hammond Lumber company, left Sunday afternoon for Stephens Point, Wis., where she will attend college this winter. Miss Olin graduated from the Mill City high school last fall.

Mrs. Adrian M. Oaks of Honolulu, a teacher in the mission for Orientales, is visiting a few days at the home of her mother, Mrs. W. A. Hoover, at Detroit. Mrs. Oaks will sail from Seattle, August 29, for home.

Large numbers of people continue to make their way to the huckleberry patch, about 12 miles southeast of the city and large quantities of berries are being brought out. The berries are plump, bright in color and of splendid size. Large quantities of evergreen huckleberries are also being picked and delivered at collecting stations for the canneries.

The first automobile accident on the newly constructed road between Niagara and Detroit happened several days ago when a large truck and trailer got too close to the edge and the soft dirt gave way. Upping both machines over the bank. The driver escaped unharmed.

RICKREALL

Rickreall, Or., Aug. 25.—Rev. and Mrs. Paul Poling of Monmouth called at the E. A. Stenson home one day last week. Mr. and Mrs. Poling were recently married in Alaska and are being given a reception at the Evangelical church this evening where Mr. Poling is pastor and to which the Rickreall people are invited, since he was formerly pastor here.

The rain having put a stop to all highway construction for a couple of days, Mr. and Mrs. DeWayne, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Dempsey and Harry Dempsey came home from Alsea, returning Monday.

Will Rowell and family called on Mrs. Rowell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Byers, at Independence, Sunday. Mr. Byers returned home with them for a few days' stay.

Falls City callers at the Harry Dempsey home Sunday were Mrs. Esther Montgomery, Mrs. Howard and grandson and Mr. and Mrs. O. Aurland.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Fuller are visiting at their old home in Grand Rapids, Minn. It is 25 years since the Fullers had been there.

Miss Margaret Sporkman is among the number here who are making plans for hop picking. Miss Sporkman expects to pick in the Stoper yard near Independence.

Visiting at Pat Burns' Sunday were Gayle Fox, mother and nephew, of Salem.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Jack, Mr. and Mrs. B. Burns of Carlton and Elmer Burns returned to Carlton with the latter for a short stay.

Mr. and Mrs. Lowry and Mrs. Viola Hill and daughter, Virginia, visited relatives in Monmouth, Sunday.

F. B. Southwick was a business caller in Dallas, Monday.

Rev. Mr. Plummer, who has been preaching here during the last two months, has discontinued services here to go to Portland to fill a pulpit there.

Mrs. Vaughan, Mrs. Will Hill and children and Mrs. E. A. Stenson were Dallas callers Monday.

Visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Southwick, Sunday, were Mrs. Southwick's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Nesmith of Salem, and Mr. and Mrs. William Gerstine of Brush College.

Mr. and Mrs. George White of Salem visited Mrs. White's parents Mr. and Mrs. Otis Waite.

SILVERTON

Silverton, Or., Aug. 25.—(Special.)—Mrs. Ernest Palmer, who is prominent in club work at Silverton, leaves this week for Santa Monica, Cal., where she will spend the winter. She will be accompanied by her three children, Claire, Marion and Barbara Jean. Victor Madden and Harold Larson took over the Kivness grocery store, which they bought last week, Monday morning. Both the young men are former students of the Oregon Agricultural college where they were members of the Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity. The store will be known as the L. & M. grocery.

Mrs. Harold Craig, who has been spending the past week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marion Palmer, returned to her home at Portland, Sunday. Mr. Craig, who was in San Francisco on business during Mr. Craig's stay at Silverton joined her at Silverton, Saturday.

Miss Corrine Moberg of Scotts

ROSEDALE

Rosedale, Or., Aug. 25.—The Trick and Blinston families returned from Manhattan and the Trick family has gone over near Newport for work.

The Blinston and Kime families are away at the hop yards.

Mrs. Way spent the week-end with her sister in Salem.

At a quiet home wedding on the evening of August 15, Miss Marjorie Alexander was married to J. Verne Chandler, Rev. Achesson of the Jason Lee church officiating. The best wishes of their friends here go with them. Mr. and Mrs. Chandler are in Salem for the present, but will go to California in a few weeks where Mrs. Chandler will resume her position there as domestic art teacher in a high school there for this year.

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