

BLAST DESTROYS LYONS BUSINESS



Firemen are shown extinguishing last embers of fire caused by explosion of a gas truck at the Sam Bridges agency in Lyons Friday night. Flames from the blast seriously burned Bridges and three of his children, gutted his home and burned his office, and truck.

3 Children Burned In Propane Gas Blast

Lyons—An exploding propane gas truck Friday evening seriously burned Sam Bridges and three of his children, destroyed his office and badly damaged his home.

Albany Reports Building Boom

Albany—Estimated value of construction inaugurated in Albany during August is \$134,800, according to building permit records of City Building Inspector Paul Ashton. In all, 32 permits were issued.

This brought to \$2,230,650 the total of construction costs authorized for the year thus far, still further shattering a long since all-time high construction cost record for Albany.

HEADS PACIFIC



Charles V. Armstrong, who has been appointed president of Pacific University at Forest Grove.

Pacific Gets New President

Portland (AP)—Appointment of Charles Johnstone Armstrong, 42, to be president of Pacific University at Forest Grove was announced here late yesterday by the board of trustees.

Armstrong, vice president and dean of the faculty at Whitman College, will succeed Walter C. Giersbach who resigned in April after the board placed him on leave of absence. Armstrong's appointment becomes effective Oct. 1.

He was chosen from 40 candidates and received unanimous endorsement by the board, according to Justice George Rossman, president of the board.

Armstrong will be the 11th president to direct the affairs of Pacific University in the 100 years of its existence.

Pilot Missing in Crash of Five Jets

Tokyo (AP)—Five F86 Sabre jets, on a routine training flight from Kisarazu near Tokyo, ran out of fuel and crashed today near Itatsuki Air Base in Southern Japan, the U. S. Air Force announced.

One pilot was missing. The other four were reported alive. About two-thirds of U. S. adults use eyeglasses.

ART FILLS STATE FAIR GALLERY



Mrs. C. H. Rundell, curator of art at the State Fair for the past 18 years, has never before had so many art pieces to hang for judging and public exhibition. She, alone, brought 195 pieces from Portland artists to the fair. The exhibition also included photographs of a quality and interest not heretofore observed among entries.

Woodburn Sets Swim Festival

Woodburn—The annual free program of swimming races and contests at the Woodburn war memorial swimming pool in Settlemier park will be held next Monday, Sept. 7, with Miss Norene Wells, life guard and instructor, in charge.

It also has been announced that the Woodburn pool will remain open on a limited basis through Sunday, Sept. 13, instead of closing on Sept. 7 as previously announced.

Monday's program will get underway at 1:30 p.m. No charge will be made for spectators and every one is invited to participate.

Two races are planned for beginners, a race across the pool for beginning swimmers and one length of the pool for advanced beginners. There will be three events for intermediates, crawl, breast stroke and back stroke the length of the pool.

In the advanced division the races will be for two lengths of the pool, one event being crawl stroke and the other back stroke. Open to all classes will be a three length medley race, one length of each of the three strokes.

Novelty events will be an inner tube race for intermediates and under, a balloon race for beginners, a penny dive for all ages, and a surprise race for boys and girls intermediates and over. Another feature will be the annual watermelon polo game, the winning team receiving five cold watermelons in the park. In all events but the watermelon race and penny dive prizes will be awarded to the first three place winners.

The diving exhibition and water ballet, originally planned have been cancelled due to the recent rainy weather and limited practice.

Beginning Tuesday the pool will be open to the public from 1 to 6:30 p.m. through next week Friday and from 1 to 7 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

Lifesaving classes for juniors will be 6:30 to 8 p.m. Tuesday through Friday. The decision to keep the pool open through Sept. 13 was made by the city recreation and park board due to the fact that schools will not open until Sept. 14 and that the pool was closed most of last week because of rain.

Powered Flight Banquet Held, but Conrad Absent

"The show must go on," they said last night at the banquet in which Max Conrad, guest of honor, failed to show.

The 50th anniversary of powered flight observance, sans Conrad, was held in the Capitol room of the Senator hotel at 7:30. Lt. Col. Julian Crow, commanding officer of the 497th Fighter Squadron at Portland Air Force Base, was the principal speaker, discussed the psychological aspects of flying fighter planes, and showed a 20-minute Korean combat film.

Conrad, who has been flying to each of the state capitols in the past three weeks, had trouble with his Tripacer plane yesterday and will not arrive at Salem until 4:15 p.m. today.

Conrad will present several scrolls to representatives of the state board of aeronautics, the Civil Air Patrol, and the Junior Chamber of Commerce in ceremonies at the capitol building.

Col. Crow, who was a fighter pilot in the early days of the Korean war, declared that we didn't get anywhere in Korea. "It was a costly effort and a waste. Each hole we made in the ground with our bombs cost the American taxpayer about \$1,000," the colonel said.

"It was something we don't want to see in aviation—a backtracking," Col. Crow continued. "About the only good the conflict did militarily was to create a nucleus for an effective air force. We went into a 1951 war with 1941 tactics."

Col. Crow explained that what kept the American pilots inspired in the Korean conflict was the sense of unit integrity, psychological readiness and the competitive spirit.

The colonel concluded his talk by stating that "we could bank on the American spirit."

"Tell the pilot where he's going, give him something to go with, and then just rely on the American fighting spirit," the colonel concluded. "He'll get the job done."

CANBY MILL SOLD—The sale of the R. M. Mann feed mill at Canby, Ore., was announced here Thursday. John Todd of the Aurora firm said the two plants would be operated together, and a basement would be added to the Canby building.

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Advertisement for ED'S MARKET featuring various food items like CANNED MILK, HEINZ Baby Food, EGGS, POWDERED or BROWN SUGAR, PURE GROUND BEEF, BEEF SHORT RIBS, BEEF POT ROAST, BEEF STEAK, and BEEF STEAK. Includes prices and contact information.

Ladino Clover Seed Crop Low

With acreage only about half that of last year and yield per acre up only about a fifth, this year's Ladino clover seed crop is indicated to be 60 per cent of the record 1952 crop, according to the Crop Reporting Service.

The 1953 production is forecast at 7,313,000 pounds of clean seed, compared with 12,251,000 pounds last year and the 1942-51 average of 3,027,000 pounds. A smaller crop this year than last is indicated for each of the producing states—Idaho, Washington, Oregon and California.

The estimated 34,800 acres of Ladino clover seed harvested this year compares with 71,300 acres in 1952 and the 10-year average of 34,686 acres. The large reduction from last year's near-record acreage was due chiefly to the fact that the price of seed of the 1953 crop was not supported by the government.

Yield per acre is expected to average about 210 pounds of clean seed, compared with 172 pounds in 1952 and the 10-year average of 96 pounds. There was a tendency to harvest seed from only the better-yielding fields because at current relatively low prices many growers did not think it would be profitable to harvest seed crops from low-yielding fields.

It is believed that donkeys were first domesticated during Neolithic times in northeast Africa.

Labor Threat in Long Week-End

Growers of seasonal crops as well as processors are a bit fearful of what will happen to the labor supply over the long week-end, reports the Willamette Farm Labor Council.

Faced with Labor Day and the state fair, it is anticipated there will be a slackening off of interest in the picking of beans, hops, peaches, pears, blackberries and other crops that need considerable hand labor.

"There are a lot of beans to be picked, even though most growers were fairly well caught up by mid-week," stated Al Hoeroff, coordinator for the council. "We do not know how many extra hands we will need following Labor Day, but we wish people would keep it in mind over the week-end."

It was suggested that persons wishing to assist in the harvest of crops keep in touch with the Salem employment office. Then, too, it was pointed out that a trip to the bean patches or the orchards during the early hours of the day might provide sufficient funds to take care of expenses while visiting the fair during the afternoon.

Woman Dies After Newberg Accident

Newberg, Ore. (AP)—Mrs. Kathryn L. Jenkins, 73, Portland, widow of former police chief L. V. Jenkins of Portland, died in a hospital here Thursday night of injuries suffered in an automobile accident Sunday.

A sister, Mrs. May E. Mackenzie, injured in the same accident, remained in a critical condition at the hospital.

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Advertisement for SHOPS MITH demonstrated At State Fair. Features a 5-in-1 Shopsmith saw and other tools. Includes contact information for GEORGE E. ALLEN HARDWARE.

Registration Sept. 14 At Victor Point

Silverton—Mrs. Larry Carpenter, principal of the Victor Point school, is announcing registration will be Monday, Sept. 14, with students to return for regular class work the following day.

Other teachers are Mrs. Lee Port, Salem, Mrs. Will Magee, Scotts Mills, and Mrs. John Amort, Salem, will prepare the hot lunches.

Richard Patton, Salem, and Del Taylor, Silverton, will drive the buses.

Farm income per capita in North Carolina rose from \$61 in 1932 to \$884 in 1950.

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