

Timber Tech Sale Reported

LEBANON—Timber Tech corporation will cease operations within the next 90 days, and the big laminated arch manufacturing firm is up for sale, it was learned Monday. At peak payroll period last year the firm employed 175 persons, now it is about 145.

It was learned from a reliable source that the firm is in the process of being sold and that Lawrence Warehouse, which owns more than 90% of the stock, may have an announcement to make within the next 10 days.

Louis E. Tippett, vice president of Lawrence Warehouse at Portland was quoted as saying that a reduction of the Lebanon plant staff is underway, mostly men. He said the firm will complete present contracts and cited a 60 to 90 day estimate for this work.

Tippett said "every effort is being made to assure continued operation, and we have reason to believe it will be successful."

The firm was established here two years ago and has been furnishing laminated roof arches and supports for many major construction jobs throughout the nation. Contracts have been fulfilled for churches, schools, large stores and auditoriums.

Berry Picking Nearing Peak

LEBANON—More than 800 strawberry pickers were in local fields Monday and the need for 300 more will be felt if weather causes a quick peak in the ripening of this year's crop.

Employment office reports that growers are furnishing transportation to most fields, but there is no housing for pickers at the fields.

Raspberries picking is now slated for July 11, with blackcaps to follow soon after.

Experienced help is wanted in the woods, and there is demand at the Lebanon employment office for head riggers, cut skimmers from 18 to 24 years old, and loading engineers. All applicants must be experienced in their line, it was emphasized.

Vandals Smash Clinic Window

LEBANON—Vandalism at Dr. Robert Dougherty's clinic now under construction on north Main street continued over the week end. Another highly expensive glass window was broken by a section of heavy pipe being tossed through it. The discovery was made Monday morning and reported to city police.

It marked the third time glass has been broken, and a fourth time it was marred beyond use.

The special glass is coated on both sides to reflect both heat and light, and is of special construction. Replacements have to be ordered from the factory, police were told.

Other vandalism was reported by Nathan Mitsch. He told police that a tool house had been broken into at a home he is building at the east end of Elmore street. Sacks of cement were broken open and tools scattered.

Antarctic Explorer Dies at Age 64 Years

SOUTHPORT, England (AP)—Frederick John Hooper, antarctic explorer who found the body of Capt. Robert Scott near the South Pole, died yesterday at his home here. He was 64.

Hooper sailed around the world three times before joining Scott's last expedition in 1912. At the age of 18. When Scott failed to return from an advance exploratory trip, Hooper went out with a search party. Spotting a small bamboo pole sticking out of the snow, he unearthed Scott's last camp.

VIES FOR CROWN!



Jerri Mahoney of Salem, a Patricia Lee Model, will be among the 14 Oregon beauties scheduled to compete for Miss Universe of Oregon in the state finals to be held under the sponsorship of Radio Station KGAE at the Elsinore Theater Friday night at 9 p.m. Winner of the Friday night event, will be sent to Long Beach, California, on July 14 where she will appear in judging against nearly 80 of the world's most beautiful girls in the international finals sponsored by the city of Long Beach, California, Inc. and Universal-International Pictures, and offering thousands of dollars in prizes and motion picture contracts.

75-Year Count Weds Girl, 14

PONTRESINA, Switzerland (AP)—Count Aubry William Tealdi, wealthy 75-year-old Italian, has arrived in this mountain resort with his 14-year-old bride Princess Lidia Maria Antonia Caracciolo di Torrello.

The couple were married in a secret night ceremony at Lucca, Italy, last week. The aged groom declined to discuss his marriage when reached by telephone at his hotel here.

It could not be learned how long the couple planned to remain at this quiet resort, only a few miles from the glittering international resort of St. Moritz.

Contract Awarded on Ross Island Ramp

The Oregon Highway Commission awarded a contract Monday to Manson Construction and Engineering Co., Seattle, for \$419,580 for a new ramp between the east end of Ross Island bridge and McLoughling Boulevard on Pacific Highway East in Portland.

PLANE DROPS LEAFLETS
TAIPEI, Formosa (AP)—A Nationalist plane dropped 100,000 leaflets Tuesday in a flight over coastal areas of Communist China's Fukien Province. Air force headquarters said the leaflets reported on progress in Free China.

9 Philadelphia Reds Given 2 to 3 Years Jail

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—U. S. District Judge J. Cullen Ganey yesterday sentenced nine Philadelphia area Communists to two to three years in jail for violation of the Smith Act. This law makes it a crime to teach or advocate the overthrow of the government.

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Damage Suit Lost by Oil Co.s

SEATTLE (AP)—A federal court jury last night awarded a former service station operator \$240,000 in damages against seven of the nation's largest oil companies.

George F. Moore had charged in the civil action that the companies ruined his business in 1952 by agreeing to refuse to sell him gasoline because he cut his prices.

The suit, filed under federal anti-trust laws which provide for treble damages, had asked damages totaling \$275,000. The jury found Moore had suffered actual damages of \$90,000 and gave him three times that amount.

Named in the suit were Standard Oil of California, Tidewater-Associated, Union, General Petroleum, Richfield, Texaco and Shell.

The companies contended throughout the three-month trial that there had never been an illegal agreement among them as Moore charged. An oil company attorney said there will be an appeal.

Joint Installation For Optimist Clubs

New officers of the Salem Optimist club and its auxiliary, the Opti-Mrs., will be installed at a joint meeting of the two groups Thursday night at the Marion hotel.

Al Pfeifer will be installed as the new president of the Optimists. Fellow officers will be Earl Jaeger, first vice president; Charles Terry, second vice president; Darwin Caspell, third vice president; Harry Cronn, sergeant-at-arms; Fred Russom, secretary; and Paul Everett and Russ Barker, board members.

Officers to be installed in the Opti-Mrs. club are Maxine Russom, president, and Marge Caspell, secretary. The meeting will be at 7:30 in the Coral room of the Marion hotel.

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Youth Killed in Auto Crash, Three Injured

KLAMATH FALLS (AP)—Joe Parazzo, 15, of Chiloquin died Monday night when an automobile plunged off a highway and overturned.

Three other youths in the car, Lawrence Mose, 16, Chiloquin; Dale Moe, 17, Silverton; and Gordon Copeland, 16, Silverton, suffered minor injuries.

The mishap occurred on the highway between Chiloquin and Sprague River north of here.

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Death Comes To Edgar Loop

HOPEWELL—Charles Edgar Loop, 70, a resident of Hopewell for 26 years, died Sunday, June 19, 1955 at the General Hospital in McMinnville, following several months' illness.

Mr. Loop was born April 22, 1885 at Lone Mountain, Tenn., son of Adam and Amanda Loop. He came to Polk county, Ore., in 1901, and was married March 22, 1908 to Miss Josa M. Bones, at Crowley Station, Polk county, Ore., and they had made their home in Polk and Yamhill counties since.

He had been a member of the Baptist church since 1910, and at present of the First Baptist church of Dayton.

He is survived by his wife,

Josa, three daughters, Mrs. Horace Edwards, Toledo, Ore.; Mrs. Guy Freshour, Pleasantdale; Mrs. Harry Capron, Toledo, Ore.; two sons, Delmer of New Orleans, La.; Charles William Loop of Toledo, Ore.; and 14 grandchildren. Also surviving are four brothers, Samuel of Lone Mountain, Tenn.; Claude of Willamina, Ore.; Robert of Netarts, Ore.; Thomas of Toledo, Ore.; and one sister, Mrs. Cornelia Damewood of Carlton.

Funeral services will be held at Macy and Son, McMinnville, on Wednesday, June 22, at 1:30 p.m. Rev. James Soden of Dayton will officiate. Interment will be in the Evergreen Cemetery in McMinnville.

Mr. Loop was a member of the American Milking Shorthorn Association and an outstanding breeder and exhibitor of Milking Shorthorns.

There are 237 eclipses of the sun or moon in the average century.

Fire Fighters to Meet Here, '56

BEND (AP)—Donald H. Stormer of Roseburg is the new president of the Oregon State Fire Fighters Assn.

Others elected at the organization's annual meeting here last week end are: E. H. Whelan, Portland, first vice president; Charles Patterson, Salem, second vice president.

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