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LITHIA PARK WATER SUPPLY IS EXHAUSTED

No More Irrigation Water Available to Keep Lawn in Condition

MEANS SERIOUS BLOW

Municipal Plant Also Running Low and More Regulations Imminent

Before the close of the present month, the cool, green grass in Lithia Park probably will be parched and brown. The present beauty of the city's famed public park will have faded, and its popularity, temporarily at least, will wane.

This was indicated today when Earl Hosler, city water superintendent, announced that no more water is available for sprinkling the extensive lawns in the city's park.

The remaining supply of water from the Talent Irrigation district has been exhausted, and inasmuch as the city park has been irrigated with the Talent water, no more will be available for the present summer to keep this city property in presentable condition.

Not only will Lithia Park suffer, but numerous home gardens will burn up as a result of this lack of water. In some portions of the city the gardens and orchards have been supplied exclusively through the irrigation district water, but the supply has gone.

The city water system likewise is at a low ebb and it is very likely that other limitations in sprinkling hours will be made before another week, Mr. Hosler said.

EVERETT FIREBUGS ARE NOT CAPTURED

Police Unable to Find Trace of Persons Who Set Costly Blazes

EVERETT, Wash., Aug. 5.—Fire bugs suspected of setting nine blazes here which caused damage estimated at nearly a half million dollars had not been apprehended today.

"Canned heat" receptacles were found yesterday at the scenes of several of the fires.

Man Who Sought Suicide Jailed

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 5.—William Drake, who joined his 14 year old daughter in an attempted suicide pact was held in jail today on a charge of disorderly conduct, pending an investigation.

Drake and his daughter were found Sunday in a gas-filled room. They were near death and a note left revealing that they chose to die because Mrs. Drake had left home.

Naval Recruiting Chance is Given

Any young man of Ashland or vicinity, between the ages of 17 and 35 years, who can qualify as to good, sound moral character, and who is desirous of enlisting in the U. S. Naval service may get information in regard thereto from Postmaster Wagner.

Ashland Infant Called by Death

Patrick Bronson Henry infant son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Henry died last night at nine o'clock. Funeral services will be held from the Dodge Chapel tomorrow at 2 o'clock with interment in the Mountain View cemetery.

JURY IS SELECTED IN GAINES MURDER TRIAL AT SEATTLE

Nine Men and Three Women to Decide Fate of Accused War Veteran

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 5.—(UP)—Presentation of the accumulation of evidence against Wallace "Bob" Gaines, accused of murdering his 22-year-old daughter, Sylvia, was started in superior court this afternoon under the direction of Prosecutor Ewing.

The jury finally was selected shortly before noon today and was sworn in for duty before court adjourned for the noon recess. The jury is composed of three women and nine men. The defendant has an imposing array of legal talent to put up his fight for life, and with Luke S. May, noted criminologist, advising the prosecution, the case promises to be one of the most bitterly contested criminal prosecutions ever staged in the courts of this state.

INTENSE POLITICAL BATTLE IN MANILA

Forces of Senator Osmena and Manuel Quezon Draw Their Lines

MANILA, P. I., Aug. 5.—An elaborate welcome for Senator Osmena on his return today from Washington will mark the beginning of an intense political struggle between his followers and those of Manuel Quezon, president of the Philippine senate and until now the undisputed leader of the independent forces.

By opposing congressional bills considered by the Filipinos to be detrimental to their cause, Osmena is enjoying unprecedented national prestige.

Manila streets are brilliantly decorated and the welcome will have all the features of a carnival. The event was planned principally by political enemies of Quezon who wish Osmena to replace him as the national hero.

REAL ENFORCEMENT URGED BY OFFICERS

Present Federal Control of Liquor Laws Scored by Dry Officials

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5.—With the avowed purpose of inspiring "a widespread revolt against the present control of prohibition under Andrew W. Mellon, secretary of the treasury," the law enforcement league of Philadelphia has sent out an appeal to prohibition leaders throughout the country. The league announces in its letter that it wants to focus attention "on the deplorable lack of enforcement."

Whiskey Cache is Found at Toledo

TOLEDO, Ore., Aug. 5.—(UP)—A hundred and fifty cases of high grade whiskey were found cached along the beach near here late yesterday. It was reported to the county authorities who went out and seized it. The illicit liquor is valued at \$18,000.

Another Murdered In Gangland Feud

CHICAGO, Aug. 5.—Chicago's gangland feud blazed anew today when Joseph Salvo, said to have been a nephew of James Lambert, wealthy resort owner recently slain, was shot and killed by gangsters in Chicago Heights.

Federal appropriation of \$75,000 for dredging Siuslaw River channel, will open way for ocean ship to Acme and Cushman.

CHOIR SINGER ARRESTED IN MURDER CASE

Hall Mills Slaying Probe Results in More Action By Prosecutor

SENSATION PROMISED

Mystery of Four Years Ago Nears Solution in New Jersey Town

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Aug. 5.—(UP)—Alexander Simpson, special prosecutor handling the Hall-Mills murder mystery, ordered the arrest of Ralph V. Gorsline, vestryman and choir singer, and Mrs. Millie L. Russell, nee-great late yesterday.

Gorsline is accused of being an accessory to the murder of Rev. Edward Hall and Mrs. Eleanor Mills, choir singer, four years ago.

The negress is wanted as a material witness as the result of saying that Mrs. Jane Gibson, the "pig woman" could not have witnessed the murder as she was visiting her that night.

Further arrests and sensational developments are promised by the special prosecutor within the next few days.

ANNOUNCE PROGRAM FOR BAND CONCERT

Local Musical Organization to Give Park Program This Evening

Another splendid band concert will be staged at Lithia Park this evening by the Ashland municipal band, to which the general public and Ashland visitors are invited.

Following is the program which was announced today by Director Carl Loveland.

- March—"Los Angeles Imperial Review"—Carpenter.
- From the Land of Birds—"The Eagle"—Klein.
- Selection from "Going Up"—Tirsch.
- Popular fox trot—"Hi Ho the Merrie"—Brown.
- Baritone Solo—"Stella Polka"—Mr. Reese.
- Overture—"Light Cavalry"—Supe.
- March—"Indian Guards"—Kiefer.
- The Star Spangled Banner.

Ocean Waves Help In Making of Wine

PORT ANGELES, Wash., Aug. 4.—(UP)—And now the mighty ocean waves are being used to make three-day "purseiners' wine." It was revealed in court here.

Sparo Janovich of Gig Harbor, owner of the purse seine boat Monitor, arrested with three other purse seiners by the coast guard for having kegs of wine aboard told Judge Willard Brumfield how it was done.

"You see, Judge. We put masted 15 pounds of raisins and 40 gallons of water in a keg. The roll of the boat made the wine after three days."

The defendants told the judge they thought they should have 33 per cent wine because they "red in the papers" it was all right. The court enlightened the quartet through the extradition of \$160 from each.

Breaks Back in Dive Off Bridge

CHEHALIS, Wash., Aug. 3.—Ed. Ciera Inalaska is in St. Luke's hospital here, injured in a high dive from a bridge over the Nowakum river, near Onalaska. His back was fractured and he suffered scalp wounds. Ciera is partially paralyzed.

The Water Situation

If it serves no other purpose, the resignation this week of City Manager Malone should focus public attention on the seriousness of Ashland's water situation, which, in the belief of The Tidings, is a matter of vital importance and one which must be met frankly by the people of this city before the coming of another summer.

Ashland is in need of a more adequate water supply. On that point we believe a vast majority of the citizens of this city are of one mind. During the past three months it has been demonstrated to our discomfort as well as our loss that the existing supply of water is not sufficient to meet the needs of this city and her people.

In the opinion of this newspaper the only issue remaining to be met is how best to remedy the present condition, and on this score, the city manager, the city council and citizens generally should show that spirit of cooperation which is so necessary if civic progress is to be assured.

The Tidings is not concerned with any controversy between the city manager and the city council, if such there be. But it is concerned both as a taxpayer and as a direct spokesman for the people in getting for Ashland a complete and satisfactory water system if it is possible so to do.

It is our belief that both the city manager and the city council are endeavoring to find a solution to this problem. We agree with them that it is a matter which cannot be taken lightly. It requires the skill of engineering experts. It requires mature deliberation. It requires the expenditure of a vast sum of money. And lastly, it requires the approval of the voters of Ashland.

The water question is not one which has arisen overnight. It has been inherited from preceding administrations, but it has finally reached a point where decisive action is required so there is no excuse for any official or any citizen seeking to escape the issue.

The city council has heretofore authorized the expenditure of \$500 for a complete survey of the city's water supply. That survey is now in progress under an engineer selected by the city manager. In justice to the city manager, this survey should be completed and the recommendations of the engineer, whatever they may be, are entitled to careful scrutiny.

As this newspaper views the situation, members of the council are intensely concerned with the water problem. They are honestly and earnestly seeking some solution. But as we view the matter, they realize they are facing a gigantic task and they dislike to offer any recommendations to the voters until such a time as they feel they are absolutely right.

This brings us to the suggestion of the city manager that the appointment of a city water board might help to solve the question. Members of the council are busy men, each concerned with his own business or profession. In justice to themselves and their families, they feel, perhaps, that they cannot take the time away from their own affairs which would be required if a thorough study of the water situation is made. The appointment of a water board, carefully chosen and comprised of men who could give more of their time to the question, might be the wisest thing to do.

In the final analysis, it is the people of Ashland who will finally pass judgment on the water question. Whatever steps are taken to give this city an adequate supply will necessitate a bond election which must be submitted to the voters for approval or rejection.

The city manager has pledged himself to find a solution. The council has given him authority to proceed. It is only simple justice to let him continue. Let him and his engineer submit their findings and recommendations. If these recommendations appear feasible from an engineering and financial standpoint, then the council can pass them on to the voters for approval or rejection.

We are still old-fashioned enough to believe that the people are competent to settle their own problems if given a chance.

Former Resident Here For Visit

F. S. McWilliams, who graduated from Ashland high school in 1902 and left this city two years later for Spokane, returned here yesterday for the first time in the 23 years he has been away. He expressed himself as being delightfully surprised with the growth and beauty of the city of his boyhood.

Mr. McWilliams is now president of the Fidelity Loan and Savings Association of Spokane. His father, H. L. McWilliams, formerly was an attorney here and is engaged in the same profession in Spokane.

Congestion Held Explosion Cause

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5.—(UP)—Fixing no individual blame, the special board which investigated the explosion of the Lake Denmark arsenal in New Jersey found that the depot was too congested and too near inhabited areas for storage of such large quantities of ammunition as were kept there. An entire change of policy is recommended in the lengthy report made public here today.

THE WEATHER

Oregon—Fair tonight and Friday. Low clouds along the coast. Rising temperature in the interior with light winds.

VISIT LITHIA PARK

While you are a guest in our city, be certain to visit Lithia Park, a playground of many acres, with the main entrance at the Plaza, where Nature's deepest beauties are found along the walks that lead you through the forest bordering on Ashland creek.

PRIEST SLAIN IN RELIGIOUS DISTURBANCE

Town Officials Slay Clergyman When He Refuses to Furnish Inventory

ASSASSINATE MAYOR

Catholics Avenge Death in Speedy Manner; U. S. Will Not Interfere

EL PASO, Tex., Aug. 5.—(UP)—A Catholic priest at Zedotlan, Zacatecas, Mexico, was shot and killed when he refused to sign an inventory of church property, according to a dispatch which was received here. The Catholics formed a mob, says the dispatch, and avenged the death of the priest by assassinating the mayor.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 5.

(UP)—Commenting on the action of the Knights of Columbus at Philadelphia, asking for American intervention of the Mexican religious struggle, state department officials said they would continue to protect American interests but could not interfere in the domestic troubles of another nation.

LOCAL COOK GIVEN STIFF LIQUOR FINE

Bert Asher Penalized \$400 for Operating Still on Neil Creek

Bert Asher, an Ashland cook, was fined \$400 and costs by Justice of the Peace Taylor of Medford yesterday when he pleaded guilty to a charge of operating a moonshine still. Asher is said to have operated a still on Neil creek where the water ditch crosses the road from the Hyatt dam.

Chief of Police McNabb led a raid on the place and confiscated the still and a quantity of mash and liquor. Friends of the accused man came to his assistance and paid the fine, according to the police.

Pershing's Son Now in Uniform

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Aug. 5.—Warren Pershing, 17-year-old son of General John J. Pershing, is wearing his first suit of khaki at Fort Snelling, where he is just one of the 2500 embryo soldiers who started a six week training course here, along with a dozen other applicants from Nebraska.

Widow of Writer Likes This City

Mrs. Gerald Beaumont, widow of the noted California short story writer who died recently at Los Angeles, has returned to San Francisco after resting up a week at Jackson Hot Springs. She was accompanied by her children. Mrs. Beaumont expressed herself as being delighted with the resort and with Ashland and plans to return with her children for an extended visit just as soon as she finishes up some business matters which require her attention at San Francisco.

State Officials Visit in Ashland

Will Moore of Salem, state fire marshal, and deputies, James Gleason and Ed. R. Wolfe, stopped off in Ashland today enroute to the Klamath Falls and Crater Lake where they will transact official state business. At the request of federal authorities they are inspecting government properties in the state of Oregon relative to the fire situation.

AMERICAN LEGION CONVENTION GETS UNDER WAY TODAY

Local Delegates Take Part in Session Starting at Coos Bay

MARSHFIELD, Ore., Aug. 5.—(UP)—Coos Bay became a true convention city today when delegates from all parts of the state arrived for the state American Legion convention which got under way this morning.

Open business sessions were held this morning by both the legion and the auxiliary. Reports of officers and standing committees of both state organizations will feature the session this afternoon.

John R. Quinn of Los Angeles, past commander delivered the opening address of this morning. Ashland delegates to the convention are John E. Enders, post commander, and Dr. C. E. Shinn. Both are taking a leading part in the deliberations of the convention.

WORKMAN KILLED IN FALL AGAINST WIRE

Power Company Employee is Electrocuted in Strange Accident

NILES, Mich., Aug. 5.—Jack Seager, 33 years old, of Jackson, Mich., was electrocuted here this afternoon when he slipped and fell against a high tension wire while working on a pole near the main distribution station of the Indiana and Michigan Electric company.

Seager was the second victim of electrocution here within a week. Joseph Mozalaf, also of Jackson, having been killed in a similar manner t almost the same hour last Tuesday.

AMERICAN TOURISTS INSULTED BY FRENCH

Police Action Necessary to Protect Sightseers This Morning

PARIS, Aug. 5.—(UP)—Police action was necessary today to protect six auto bus loads of American and English tourists from the insults of Frenchmen and women as the tourists came out of the historic catacombs in the Latin quarter. The women especially were abusive.

Mexican Boycott Hurting Business

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 5.—(UP)—Predictions that the boycotts of Mexican Catholics are hurting business are given in commerce reports from Mexico, showing the downward trend of business and trade. The boycott was started when the new church laws became effective.

Mexican Officers Fired From Army

MEXICO CITY, Aug. 5.—One thousand Mexican officers, charged with overstaying their leaves and devoting their time to other matters than their duty, have been dismissed from the army. The list of those dismissed includes three colonels and 28 lieutenant-colonels.

Oregon Mechanic Commits Suicide

SACRAMENTO, Aug. 5.—In ill health, William Blake, a mechanic, hanged himself at an auto camp just outside the city. His body was discovered this morning. He was about 60 years of age and had arrived here recently from Oregon.

ASHLAND CLUB DENIES RUMOR ABOUT STRIFE

Medford Baseball Fans Have Report That Local Team is in Bad Way

FAST GAME ASSURED

Finances in Good Shape and Boys Are Showing Real Pep This Week

Medford baseball fans are chuckling today because of unwarranted rumors that the Ashland baseball club is on the financial rocks, but the Medford fans will have the gleeful smiles wiped off their faces next Sunday when they see a revamped Ashland club take their own pets down the line.

This is the assurance of local club supporters after seeing the team work out for the past few nights. With Walter Hughes at the helm, and with the new infield showing a world of speed and fight, ball fans are going to see some real baseball next Sunday at the fair grounds. It is promised.

A Wild Rumor

Last evening's Mail Tribune printed a wild report to the effect that the local club is \$600 in debt; that the team is torn by internal dissension and that four or five of the so-called "money players" have deserted the club.

Instead of being in financial straits, the team has all its bills paid and has something over \$100 in the bank, with considerable sum of money pledged not coming in within the next few days.

Only one player has left the club. That is Red Watts, shortstop and ex-captain, who decided to leave after a mutual understanding with the club directors. Stan Pillette, third baseman, is out of the game with a badly wrenched ankle and should be back in the lineup within two weeks. Peterson is still with the club but was replaced at first base by Ray O'Brien because the team management thought the change would strengthen the club.

Mohler to Stay
Morgan, who played second base was given his release because he would not keep in condition but his absence has not been missed due to the fine work of young Charley Curran.

That in a nutshell is the "internal dissension" of which Medford fans are getting their unfounded rumors. Sunny Mohler southpaw pitcher heard street reports that he might be released. Instead of sulking he went straight to the directors and offered to quit if they felt they didn't need him. Instead the directors denied the street rumors and assured Mohler they wanted him to remain for the rest of the season despite the fact that, at least two other teams including Medford were bidding for his services.

Davis Back

Emory Davis the old reliable pitcher will be back in an Ashland uniform next Sunday while Winters the new pitcher will hold down third base during the absence of Pillette.

The local club is on firm financial footing and with the generous support of local business men it will complete the season out of debt and at the top of the league according to all present indications.

Gets Damages For Peculiar Injury

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 5.—Damages of \$433.66 have been awarded Mrs. Elizabeth Schroeder by the industrial accident commission because a rose "stood up" and plunged its thorns into the woman's hands. Mrs. Schroeder was working in a florist's shop at the time of the unusual accident.