

FOREST FIRE DAMAGE SO FAR NEARLY NEGLIGIBLE

No Merchantable Timber Is Burned in Oregon

300 FIRES IN WASHINGTON

Timber Loss in North, However, Practically Nothing—Damage in Idaho Is Slight

PORTLAND, Ore.—Forest fire losses practically negligible so far this season is the report made by the Western Forestry and Conservation association, which is composed of practically all private, state and federal forest protective agencies on the Pacific coast from California to Montana. Although no merchantable timber destruction is recorded, though there has been some loss of logs and settlers' improvements from smoldering fires. The greatest damage is where fire has touched open areas so dry that control was not reached until some seedling reforestation was killed.

In some regions the excellent situation up-to-date is ascribed to continued favorable weather, and in others to the preparation work enabled by wet June for meeting bad conditions now prevailing. Everywhere, however, the fire season seems now definitely on, with every precaution necessary by loggers, settlers, and forest visitors.

Washington Has 300 Fires
Washington has had about 300 fires, lightning being the largest single cause, with almost no timber loss but some \$20,000 damage to loggers and settlers. Loggers have also had heavy expense for fighting slashing fires in the Grays Harbor region.

Oregon state and private expenditure has been over \$100,000, largely for improving equipment and facilities, but losses have been slight on either private or federal lands. Forest material is becoming dry, however.

Idaho reports a fair number of small fires, with lightning and careless public the chief causes.

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OREGON JADE ATTRACTS TOURISTS

Much Interest Aroused in Deposits on Coast Along Roosevelt Highway in Southwestern Oregon

The recent discovery of jade near the mouth of Rogue river on the southwestern Oregon coast has aroused much interest on the part of tourists traveling the Roosevelt highway, and many have made trips to the Macleay beach, north of Wedderburn, in the hope of securing a specimen of this rare stone of mystery and romance.

In a few cases luck has rewarded the search but the oily-smooth, iron-heavy, waxy-lustrous pieces of jade have an uncanny way of hiding from prying hands and searching eyes. It takes a thorough acquaintance with these habits of jade and a familiarity with its appearance in all of its many color variations before one becomes a successful jade hunter.

Several Oregon men, who are interested in gems and gem minerals, have conducted a systematic search for rare specimens of the jade and have been quite successful in their work. As a result of a persistent quest extending over many months, Wayne Chapman of Roseburg and Joseph L. Brogan of Portland have recovered a large number of specimens comprising a wide color variety. Their purpose has been to add to the knowledge of Oregon a rare mineral which hitherto has been accredited only to oriental countries; also to conduct a research on the gem mineral by means of study of the specimens and the locality where it is obtained.

Specimens Exhibited Here
Mr. Brogan has placed on exhibition for a few days in the show windows of Laraway's jewelry store, Willamette street, a number of specimens of the Oregon jade. Some of these stones were among those which Mr. Brogan exhibited in the Portland public library throughout the month of December last.

According to Mr. Brogan, the average color of jade is based on the mottled green specimens which come from China where they have been carved or polished into specimens in the rough mined in Turkestan or India.

As with many other gem minerals, jade is a composite of several different minerals, nephrite and jadeite, it has a wide range of color in the different pieces encountered. Shades of green, orange, yellow, gray, camphor, brown, blue, lavender, pink and black as well as other colors and shades of jade

are found. Several of these color varieties are quite rare and almost priceless, particularly emerald green, pink, lavender and mandarin yellow. The unfinished stone in its entirety most often has a mottled appearance but occasionally a piece of gem jade is found that has wonderful translucence and is of uniform coloring.

In the Oregon occurrence many rare color specimens have been found but so far no stones of any great size have been discovered, the largest stones encountered averaging only about nine points in weight. Camphor jade is much in evidence in this occurrence but the pieces are not of great size, neither are they in quantity to supply a market demand.

May Be Boulders of Them
It is thought that back in the depths of the old high-lung second beach gravel at the Macleay beach there are large boulders of jade, some, no doubt, of the rare color varieties. Some of these in time may be recovered through the medium of erosion or actual mining, by drift or hydraulically.

Stone of Mystery
There are faces in the jade. Faces Oriental, faces Occidental, Spirits of Fire, Air, Water and of Earth—Elemental mysteries that pervade Creation's realm; Inexplicable birth; Of form from out the void of Time; Embryonic life swarming upward To manhood through fantastic grime; Of Earth.

Placed you in a higher zone, Foretelling immortality of man. Faces in the jade, you're haunted; You cast a wondrous spell; Of dreams too haunting; For mortal man to tell.

their nominations by the Republican. The notification of Senator Robinson as the Democratic vice-presidential nominee will come a few days after the night ceremony here for Governor Smith.

Radio Troubles Smith
NEW YORK, July 21 (AP)—Time contracted for by commercial broadcasters has hampered to some extent selection of a date for Governor Smith's notification next month, national broadcasting committee officials acknowledged tonight.

Most of these contracts were for 52 weeks, they explained, adding that difficulty nearly always was experienced in "unwinding" hours when a big sporting event or speech was to be broadcast on a nationwide hook-up.

Smith headquarters here said the National Broadcasting company had given him "fullest co-operation" in selection of the date Josef Laro, head of the Smith radio campaign division, and Mrs. Henry Moscovitz have been negotiating with the National Broadcasting company for a date.

MEXICO QUIET BUT UNCERTAINTY RULES
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court order can be issued cancelling the foregoing.

Efforts are being made to prevent meetings during Captain Carranza's funeral between the followers of Obregon and the labor followers of Morones. These groups have been instructed by their respective leaders to march in Carranza's funeral parade.

CARRANZA'S BODY RETURNS
Body of Aviator Borne With Highest Military Honors

LAREDO, Tex., July 21 (AP)—Mexico's Lone Eagle was returned today to the country from which he flew on a mission of good will that international misunderstandings might be overcome.

Between a solid wall of packed humanity that overflowed into the streets of Laredo and Nuevo Laredo, the body of the late Captain Carranza was borne to the center of the international bridge, where died Jose Amescua, chief of the aviation forces of Mexico, and a squad of picked men waited to receive their former comrade who will be laid to rest with Mexico's immortal heroes.

There was a pause of five minutes, in which 10,000 heads were bowed as "lars" sounded the final tribute to the man who lost his life in an attempted non-stop flight from New York to Mexico City after coming to this country to repay the visit of Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh to Mexico.

U. S. Pays Tribute
American Albert J. Rowley, commander of the Eighth Corps Area at San Antonio, did the last official act for the United States government when he placed the only floral offering permitted on the casket.

American troops followed the cortege to the Nueva Laredo station where brief ceremonies were held before the body was sent speeding on to Mexico City. Mexican citizens cheered softly when the Star Spangled Banner was played and again for the national air of Mexico. Fifty-two army airplanes, sweeping low in the skies and pouring down a constant stream of flowers, hovered over the international bridge as the officials of the two countries united in grief for the fallen flyer. The planes then flew across the border to drop flowers on the funeral train as it departed.

"It is what Captain Carranza would have wanted," General Amescua said of the ceremony. "His body was borne to rest by the careful hands of those who have guarded it since the berry picker found his tattered form in New Jersey. American soldiers are on Mexican soil as a simple courtesy to our country in our bereavement."

LOCAL LUMBERMEN MEET

4-L OFFICIAL SPEAKS ON USE OF WOOD

George P. Pearson of Bend, general chairman of the 4-L organization, was the speaker at the regular meeting of the Willamette Valley Lumbermen's association held last night at the Osburn hotel. Mr. Pearson gave an interesting talk on the campaign which the 4-L is putting on at present to further the use of wood products.

Emphasis in this campaign is being put on the interior substitutes which are being used today. Boxes and other forms of containers, it was pointed out, are being made of substitutes which do not serve the purpose that wood containers do.

About 20 of the association were present at last night's meeting.

BLASTING CAUSES FIRE

BLAZE AT FERGUSON CREEK IS UNDER CONTROL

A fire which got out of control yesterday afternoon at Ferguson creek burned over the logging works of Al Gray and covered several acres before it was finally brought under control. Only small damage was done, however, according to word received late last night from Frank Hooker, state fire warden.

The fire was started by workmen who were blasting stumps on the property. Mr. Hooker reported that the fire looked to be quite serious. There is no danger of the blaze breaking out again, he said last night.

MRS. ZIMMER HOSTESS

PARTY HELD IN HONOR OF CALIFORNIA GUEST

Mrs. M. J. Zimmer and daughter, Geneva, were hostesses for a dinner and party at their home in College Crest Wednesday night. Five hundred was played until a late hour.

House guest of the occasion was Miss Josephine Landru of Long Beach, Cal., a sister of W. C. Landru who has been a house guest of the family the past week. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Landru, Herschel Landru, Marjorie Landru and Mrs. Engstrom.

SYNOD NAMES SAUNDERS

LOCAL PASTOR CHAIRMAN OF EVANGELISM COMMITTEE

Rev. A. H. Saunders, pastor of the Central Presbyterian church was named chairman of the committee on evangelism at yesterday's session of the Oregon synod at Albany. This is a new committee of the synod and Rev. Saunders is the first chairman. Rev. Saunders returned to Eugene last night.

The Harold Bowman of Portland and Jean Eimer L. Spirell were appointed on a committee to investigate the proposed school of religion at the University of Oregon at the meeting yesterday. The synod voted to extend the call to Rev. John Maxwell Adams, of Springfield, Ohio, for the position of university pastor, here. Rev. Adams is expected to be here by the time school opens in September if he accepts the place. Rev. Saunders said last night.

STREET WORK IS WANTED

BUS SERVICE ASSURED IF ROADWAYS IMPROVED

If the city council will authorize the improvement of a few streets, the Chula Vista district will be given street bus service by the Southern Pacific Motor Transport corporation, according to a petition filed yesterday with city clerk George A. Gilmore. The petition is signed by 23 residents of the Chula Vista district.

Plans have already been taken up for securing right of way from the Southern Pacific company on Twenty-sixth avenue and adjacent territory, but this will take some time to accomplish and the residents believe that the city can repair roadways in the district at small cost which will enable busses to operate. They have been assured, the petition states, that the bus service will be given if the roads are improved.

The council is asked to authorize levying, levelling and placing of a small quantity of gravel on the streets, beginning at Twenty-fourth avenue and Agate street, thence south to Twenty-sixth avenue and north to that street's intersection with present pavement.

THRESHING UNDER WAY

FALL GRAIN EXPECTED TO YIELD QUITE WELL

Grain threshing in Lane county is expected to be well under way this week, according to reports from different farming sections. Early will be the first crop to be handled and then fall wheat and oats will go through the machine.

V. R. Sly started his threshing outfit near Creswell Friday, operating on the Viles farm.

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