

BLAZE THAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN SERIOUS

Fire Destroyed Storeroom, Wood Shed, Fuel and Portion of Fence at The Catholic Church Wednesday--High Wind Endangers Adjacent Proper- ty, but Heroic Work Saves Homes

About 1:20 Wednesday afternoon an alarm was turned in and the fire department turned out to a fire that had started at the rear of the Catholic church between the toilet and the wood shed which gained such headway in the heavy wind that was blowing that it destroyed the wood shed, considerable amount of wood, a small store room and a portion of the board fence surrounding the back yard.

It is not known how the fire originated, but in the course of a few minutes it had spread to considerable proportions and we understand a small quantity of gasoline in the store house added to its fury. The church is considerable distance from the main portion of town therefore the water engine could not be used. The hose was strung from the cistern on the corner by The Times-Herald building and reached up something like three blocks but it was still short two blocks and more. The chemical engine was put to work and a big crowd of volunteers worked hard to keep the flames from the church and residence, at the same time others were busy with buckets and water soaked blankets keeping the residence of Mayor Clevenger on the opposite side of the street from igniting and the L. M. Brown residence in the same block. The water systems of the

CANADA DISAPPOINTS; RETURNING TO OREGON

Emigrants Who Went to Western Canada, Send Inquiries To Portland Asking About Oregon Lands

Many Americans who emigrated to the western provinces of Canada, attracted by the promising statements of agents of the Canadian government, are returning to the United States, so says The Evening Telegram, and almost daily letters from dissatisfied land seekers there pour in to the Portland Chamber of Commerce. They requested information about Oregon land and many tell of the misrepresented conditions found in Canada. A letter from an American in Alberta was just received and says: "Before coming here, I wrote and asked for information from the Canadian Government agent at Spokane as to the wheat yield in Alberta. He replied that the average was 25 bushels. Since coming here I have looked up the official crop reports for the past twelve years and I find that in that period it has been less than 12 bushels. For the last two years it has been even less than that. Last year was almost a complete failure and this year the yield will be very short."

In the same mail were letters from two other Americans who had gone to Canada, and after investigating the land and farm situation there, decided to return to the United States. They expressed their intention of coming to Oregon and desired information about the different communities of the state.

COUNTY FAIR GETS GENERAL SUPPORT

General Spirit of Co-operation is Mani- fested Among the People Indicative of Most Successful Fair--Exception- al Crops for Exhibition and the Best Speed and Amusement Program

The county fair has been given good support by the people this season and with a spirit that will count very materially in making it more successful than in recent years. There has been a disposition upon the part of some to be more or less indifferent in the past, but this year every individual has taken a hold with a spirit that indicates success in every detail.

One particular feature that will bring more interest and good results is the school children's industrial fair in connection with the regular exhibits. Many special premiums have been given by the business men of Burns, besides the Fair Association has given liberal cash prizes for these exhibits.

The people have come to the realization of the importance and real good accomplished by the fair and are now ready to help in any way possible. The local business men have roused themselves and are taking an active interest, lending not only moral, but also financial support to the Association in advancing such new features as they wish to carry out, with a view of making the fair more beneficial and of greater interest to those who attend.

The speed and amusement program has been enlarged upon and should create a greater interest in the sports that naturally go with a county fair. All the amusement and entertainment program has not been worked out in detail but will be published in the papers later from time to time as new features are added. One matter that will be of more or less in-

SAYS THAT UNREST IS WORLD WIDE

Theodore P. Shonts of New York Says Weakening of Home Ties and Loss of Church Influence The Cause

Declaring the spirit of unrest is world wide and that "the weakening of home ties and the loss of church influence have been accompanied the world over by increasing discontent, lessening of individual effort and a growth of paternalism," T. P. Shonts of New York, today argued the people of New York get back to the individualism of our forefathers," Shonts delivered the annual commencement address before a class of more than 200 at the Drake university, Des Moines, Iowa.

His theme was "The Development of Individualism, the Duty of the Schools," reciting the manner in which the industrial development in the last hundred years had weakened home ties, he said the American people had become a community of cliff dwellers in large cities, dwellers in cliffs is accessible to the neighbor, where the individual is apt to regulate his conduct from standards of selfish desire, and not from a standard of public opinion.

Discussing the growth of paternalism Shonts said: "In our breath the laws themselves are denounced, and in the next new laws demanded the seeking of intervention and support of the government in all of the ordinary affairs of life. The cry is for universal governmental activity, whether it be called socialism, collectivism, communism, municipal operation or government ownership, the result is the same."

After noting some of the tendencies of what he termed this "ever growing movement," particularly citing individual outbreaks against established order he said:

"We must get back and the schools must get back to the fundamentals, to the old fashioned notion that respect for property constituted authority is one safeguard for the individual and state. The schools must help us arrest further progress toward a form of government which has benevolence for its aim, but which can only result in perpetuation of weaklings, dependents and the disorderly at the expense of the strong, the law abiding and the self-reliant."

"Our forefathers fought for freedom; despotic monarchy and their descendants must not replace it with tyranny of meddlesome state. Development of individual initiative and responsibility will prevent this."

DRILL NOW BELOW OIL STRATA IN WELL

Mr. Swain is Told by Experienced Men That Oil Sand Was Passed Several Feet Above Present Depth of Well ---Indications of Oil Even More Pro- nounced Now Than at First Find

A. S. Swain was in the city the other day from the well being sunk in the Red S field of the P. L. S. Co., where indications of oil were found several weeks ago. They are again at work on the well but had not yet removed the sand bucket which had been lost in the hole before discontinuing work before. They intend to put in a blast of powder to remove the sand bucket but have found that the fuse will not work that distance under water. It will be necessary to arrange an electrical appliance to set off the blast.

Mr. Swain states that the oil indications are even more pronounced now than before but they have learned from experienced men who have visited the well since that they had passed through an oil sand of perhaps eight feet considerably before reaching the depth at which they first noticed the oil. It was not found in the shale formation as at first thought but at a depth of about 700 feet.

According to men of experience it is not likely the drillers will strike another vein in the 1000 feet they are under contract to go, but in all likelihood another 1000 feet would bring some very decided information respecting the amount of oil that may be found in that territory. The first oil found is superior in quality to the average, in fact it is said but three oil wells have ever been discovered that produced oil of such a quality. However, it is understood that the first vein would not produce oil in paying quantities, even though of finer quality, therefore nothing has been lost by the drill passing that point.

This discovery has attracted wide attention and will be the means of great exploration by competent and reliable people who will soon find just what the prospects are for an oil field in this section. It is generally thought by those who have made it a study that we have oil here in paying quantities and it will soon be known definitely.

It's Catching To Everyone

Smile and the world smiles with you, "knock" and you go alone; for the cheerful grin will let you in where the kicker is never known. Growl, and the way looks dreary, laugh and the path is bright; for a wholesome smile brings sunshine, while a frown shuts out the light. Sing and the world is harmonious; grumble and things go wrong, and all the time is out of rhyme with the busy bustling throng. Kick and there's always trouble brewing; whistle and life is gay, and the world's in tune like a day in June, and the clouds all melt away.

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Turned Young Fry Out

The young fish hatched out from the eggs recently sent in by State Game Warden Finley have been turned out with every indication that they will thrive and make good. The eggs were planted in Cury Garden Creek, a small tributary of Silvie's River, where conditions were ideal for the hatch and later for the young fish, as it was free from enemies and food conditions were the best.

These fish have been under the direct care of Dr. Hibbard, H. B. Mace and other members of the Rod and Gun Club, who have given them the best possible attention from the time they were turned over by Mr. Forest, the gentleman who accompanied the shipment in. These gentlemen feel that the venture has been a success and estimate that at least 75 per cent of the eggs have hatched and were turned out. This is a good showing and very gratifying since it has given us a stock of fish heretofore unknown to our streams. They were the big spotted trout of Montana, a fine game fish that will do well in the streams of this section.

While this shipment was more or less an experiment it has proven to those who have observed the situation that such shipments are a success and others may follow at a later date; however, it is possible no attempt will be made in this line on any extended basis until the railroad has come nearer to us. The fry turned out seemed to be a lively bunch and according to Mr. Finley, the little creek where they were liberated will be their home for at least a year when they will come out into the larger streams and be able to care for themselves. Mr. Gemberling and wife, H. B. Mace and Dell Dibble went up Tuesday and liberated them and stated that the little fellows averaged not over three-quarters of an inch long but they at once adapted themselves to the surroundings and began to feed. It is not always the customary thing to turn such small fry out but as these gentlemen were not accustomed to caring for fish and feeding them, they followed the advise of Mr. Finley and turned them out to secure their own food. They feel confident they will survive and thrive.

Mrs. Miller is at the I. Schwartz Busy Corner with a full line of spring millinery and is constantly adding to the stock which will be kept up all during the season.

Gov. West from a photo taken by W. R. Heck a few miles out from Burns at the time of his trip across the State on horseback.



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