

PLANING MILL SUFFERS FIRE

Dry Kiln of Cameron Plant Damaged to Extent of \$450 Last Evening.

THE LOSS IS ENTIRELY COVERED BY INSURANCE

Blaze Discovered by Policeman Rodgers; Telephone Girls Praised.

Continued from Saturday, May 11.

The timely discovery of a serious fire in the dry kiln of the Cameron planing mill, foot of Ferry street, by Night Policeman Rodgers at 6:20 o'clock last evening probably saved the total destruction of the plant or prevented serious damage to the big building. The damage is estimated at \$450 and is covered by insurance.

Policeman Rodgers was standing near the corner of Ferry and First streets when he saw great clouds of smoke curling from the building. He rushed down Ferry street and managed to effect an entrance to the building, discovering the fire raging in the dry kiln. He immediately sent in an alarm over the Home telephone and the operators deserve great credit for their prompt action in responding. When seen this morning Assistant Fire Chief Horsky was loud in his praise of the telephone girls, stating that every member of the fire department was notified of the fire over the phone before the alarm finished sounding. Four of the firemen stated that they failed to hear the alarm. The action on the part of the telephone centrals played an important part in averting what may have been a serious fire for the prompt response in sending in the alarm to Policeman Rodgers' call enabled the department to make a quick run.

The fire originated from a spark that blew out of the smoke stack of the boiler room, which alighted in the dry shavings of the kiln and when first discovered it had reached threatening proportions, having eaten its way across the floor and up the wall. It is believed that had it once gotten beyond control the whole building would have gone, as the kiln is located on the northwest corner of the building and a brisk northwest breeze was blowing, which would undoubtedly serve to have caused the flames to rapidly spread over the roof of the entire structure.

The fire engine and hose cart were used by the fire department in extinguishing the blaze. The new fire truck was brought to the scene after the fire was under control, but was not used. The reason given for not using the fire truck was the fact that it had not yet been officially accepted by the city, otherwise it would have been put into service at a real fire for the first time. It was officially given out today that the mayor and members of the city council authorized the purchase of the new apparatus.

Dr. Mary Marshall, who has been at Newport resting for the past week after a protracted illness, will return home today to resume her professional duties.

The Albany high school and Halsey high school were to play baseball at Halsey this afternoon, but the game was postponed on account of rain. Halsey was so anxious to play the boys insisted on the Albany boys going until just before the train left.

Miss Lettie Pratt has returned from Crawfordville, where she has been teaching in the high school for the past year. School closed this week with a fine entertainment after a successful year's work.

J. F. POWELL STARTS FIGHT ON 9TH STREET PAVING

Protest Is Filed With Recorder Today and Will Be Presented at Next Meeting of Council.

A petition protesting against the paving of 9th street was filed today with the city recorder. The petition is signed by a large number of property owners in that section of the city and will be presented at the next regular meeting of the council. The protest is said to be the result of a fight started several weeks ago by J. F. Powell and others against the paving of this street.

J. B. Irvine and daughter, of Corvallis, were in the city this morning. Mr. Irvine went to Portland for a visit with his son, B. F., of the Daily Journal, and Miss Irvine went to Brownsville for a visit with relatives.

A high class picture program was on the boards last night at the Empire. The singing by Crosno & Woods was also good.

COUNTY COURT APPROPRIATES \$450 FOR LINN CO. FAIR

Will Provide Sum for County Exhibit at State Fair; Adjourned.

The Linn county court appropriated the sum of \$450 towards the Linn County Fair yesterday afternoon. A large delegation of Scio people headed by President A. G. Prill, of the Fair association, went before the last session of the court in the interest of this appropriation and the court signified a willingness to act favorably in the matter as it had always been lenient towards the fair. The appropriation also goes towards the support of the industrial school, which will be a special department of this season's fair.

The Appellate petition for a road near Tangent was dismissed and before adjourning the term the court decided to provide a sum of money towards the installation of a Linn county exhibit at the state fair but the amount was not set.

O. A. C. AND WASHINGTON STATE APPEAR IN DEBATE

Prof. A. C. Schmitt, of This City to Officiate As One of Judges.

This evening two debates will be held between O. A. C. and Washington State College, one at Corvallis and the other in Pullman. The question will be the same in both cases, O. A. C. defending the affirmative at Corvallis and the negative at Pullman. The question reads: "Resolved, that all corporations doing an interstate business should be required to take out a federal charter."

The debates were scheduled to take place last night but were postponed on account of the "Military Day" festivities at the college. Prof. A. C. Schmitt, of this city, has been invited to officiate as one of the judges and he will go to Corvallis tonight to attend the contest.

Prof. A. M. Moses, of Corvallis, was in the city this noon on his way home from Salem.

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BLODGETT RANCHER WEDS LINN COUNTY YOUNG LADY

Mrs. Frederick Wilson, of Blodgett, and Miss Ethel Chute, of Linn county, were united in marriage at the Baptist parsonage this morning by Rev. Elbert H. Hicks pastor of the church.

Mr. Wilson is a well known and highly esteemed young farmer residing near Blodgett in Benton county. After a brief honeymoon to points north the couple will return to make their home at Blodgett.

A first class bill was presented last night at the Dreamland, the singing and dancing specialties being exceptionally good. The same attraction will be on the boards again this evening.

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The gun followed the camera on Paul J. Rainey's big hunting expedition in British East Africa. That is why the audience last night at the Opera House was enabled to see, for instance, a lion hunt at close range, a rhinoceros growing suspicious, then charging fiercely and shot by a bullet, or wild animals in a native state, visiting drinking places in the valley; elephants, giraffes, zebras, rhinoceri, baboons, gazelles and other animals taking refuge at the water holes. These drinking places are from sixty to eighty miles apart on the great plains, and the animals, a race in their wild shrewdness that water is necessary to life, slack their thirst in what is manifestly an established custom. They have rules of precedence, too, for the rhinoceri give way to the elephants, giraffes to the rhinoceri and pachyderms but to no other, and so on.

The pictures are to be shown again tonight at the Opera House. The performance starts at 8:30 o'clock.