

FOUR CAUGHT IN MOUNTAIN STORM

Thrilling Experience Related By Men Who Climb Middle Sister Peak Early Sunday

Four mountain climbers returned to Springfield Sunday night much wiser but fortunately not sadder for their experience of the preceding 24 hours during which they were caught in a raging blizzard 200 feet from the summit of the Middle Sister which they had set out to climb.

In the party were Harry Wright, Springfield, Dr. E. P. Kremer, Paul Lafferty, and Norwald Nelson, Eugene. The three drove almost to Frog Camp early Sunday morning and at five o'clock started out for the base of the mountain on skis.

The party had not definitely decided that they would attempt to climb the mountain until they reached White Branch and found that although the mountain was covered with slippery ice crusted snow, the weather was ideal. When 3500 feet from the summit the altitude began bothering Kremer and he was left in the protection of a large rock ledge with all the surplus coats and knapsacks. The sun was shining brightly now and the men carrying their coats tied to their knapsacks.

The three then shoved off and after nearly 3000 more feet of climbing on skis reached the pinnacle where the skis were abandoned and the final climb was started on foot. It was near the summit of this precarious pinnacle of rock and ice that the three were caught in a sudden blizzard. Immediately it became necessary to chart directions by compass with all landmarks obliterated by the snowstorm and it was during the next two hours that they groped their way along the mountain ridges, at times narrowly avoiding stepping over sheer walls of ice 500 feet high. It was biting cold too as they left most of their heavy clothing half way down the mountain.

They could not find their skis and were about to leave them (they were useless, even in the descent, with practically no visibility ahead) when they picked up a track leading them to the skis. In the meantime, Dr. Kremer, who was a stranger to the mountain, worried both over his own fate and those of his companions, as the storm raged over the entire mountainside.

The storm broke near the bottom of the mountain and most of the party vow that they have learned a lesson and will never again molest the mountain peaks during their hibernation under snow and ice.

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Gets President's Help



WASHINGTON . . . Steve Yaslak is no longer sad. President Roosevelt "went to the front" for him when he was ordered to desist selling peanuts and popcorn at the corner of the White House grounds where he'd sold them for 29 years. The police say Steve can star.

BELKNAP CAMP PASSES THREE-C INSPECTION

Work Program for McKenzie C. C. Boys Includes Landing Field, Campgrounds

Camp Belknap, CCC, Feb. 8 — (Special)—At a recent camp inspection by Lieut. H. W. Killpack, district adjutant, the Belknap camp rated 29 "excellents" out of a total of 44 items graded.

There were 14 items graded "satisfactory" and only one point, the recreation hall, was classed "unsatisfactory." Within the last few days efforts have been made to bring the recreation hall up to the high standard set by the rest of the camp. New articles of rustic furniture constructed by Charlie Boucher have been installed.

All points graded in the mess hall, including food, were rated "excellent" with one exception, which was "satisfactory." The fire organization was rated "very good." Improvements in exterior police and in mess managements were particularly commended.

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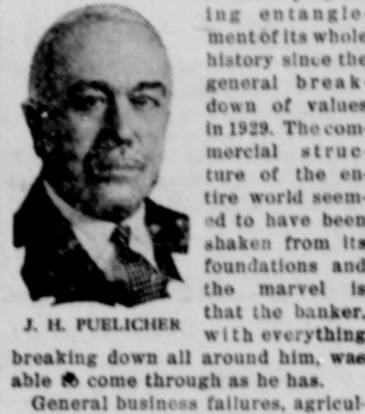
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WHAT BANKING WENT THROUGH

By JOHN H. PUELICHER American Bankers Association



BANKING in its long career has been compelled to withstand many serious shocks, but it ran into the most perplexing and entangling of its whole history since the general breakdown of values in 1929. The commercial structure of the entire world seemed to have been shaken from its foundations and the marvel is that the banker, with everything breaking down all around him, was able to come through as he has.

General business failures, agricultural stagnation, income losses, capital losses, inability to meet debts and therefore inability of bankers to pay back depositors when loans were not paid, were the reasons, in most instances, for the bank failures. No profession, no department of life is without its weaker elements, but had proper consideration been given to the relatively few instances in banking, had exaggerated and startling headlines been kept in true proportion, had banking not been used as a target for political self-seeking and with vote-seeking motives, had unfounded rumors not been spread the people's confidence might have been retained and far less would have been their losses.

There were factors in our banking experience which every earnest banker deprecates — factors which many had worked years to eliminate, which it was fearfully recognized would aggravate any difficult days which might arise. One of the worst of these was due to political regulation which chartered many banks that should never have been. That there have been incompetence and dishonesty in banking is admitted. That the instances that did occur were used grossly to increase fear in the public mind, we affirm. We shall continue to strive for higher attainments in our profession and strive for laws that require competence and ability in management. That we cannot legislate honesty and unselfishness into either a banker or a borrower must be conceded, but dishonesty, wherever found, should be punished. It is as true in banking as elsewhere that no matter how good the law, dishonest and incompetent men can make it ineffective. Good laws are essential. We must strive for ever better ones, but their enforcement will come only as the public recognizes that it is a matter not of laws or codes alone but of the men who administer them.

Our people must be brought to realize that the welfare of our country depends upon its banking system, that the strength of the banking system depends upon the public's faith and understanding, that the majority of banks, because of faithful service rendered, even through the whole of this general breakdown, had the right to expect the people's trust and confidence. In every great catastrophe, no matter what its nature, no matter what its cause, someone must be crucified. The banker was this time selected. In the late '90's, political agitation started a tirade against the railroads. Some railroads may have done reprehensible things, but the agitation became so general and so violent as almost to destroy one of the fundamental factors in the progress of a country. Today the same thing has been done to the banker. In spite of all that has happened, the fact remains that even most of the banks which failed are paying out infinitely better than investments in almost anything else.

Bankers Aiding Agriculture State associations of bankers in many agricultural states are giving time and financial support to encourage practices among their farmers that will bring about better farm results.

The major activities reported from one state to the Agricultural Commission of the American Bankers Association which is nationally active in promoting this line of cooperation are as follows: 1. Drought relief work: Local banks have played a vital part in this work, being represented on the county committees for passing on all seed loans. These committees met practically every day during the spring to pass on the loans in order to get as quick action as possible. A total of 914 applications were received and handled by one committee, 533 being granted.

2. Four-H Club work: Bankers helped stimulate 4-H Club work, financing many members who otherwise could not have enrolled. They also helped finance fifteen 4-H Club delegates to the club convention.

3. Livestock feeding: The banks cooperated with the Extension Service in this state and the railroads in increasing the amount of livestock feeding. Assistance was given the feeders in securing finances.

4. Crop improvement: The bankers took part in the crop standardization program of the Extension Service and encouraged the farmers to use pure seed, and in many cases made loans for this purpose.

Heart-Breaker



BATON ROUGE . . . Undergraduates at Louisiana State University have twice elected Virginia Kilbourne the school's champion "heart-breaker." Other honors also bestowed are cheer-leader, a movie bid . . . and a newspaper job.

Kidnaped Banker



ST. PAUL . . . Edward G. Bremer, above, the kidnaped banker held for \$200,000 ransom, about whom so much national concern was felt due to early clues on a bloodstained automobile which indicated a struggle when kidnaped.

PROTECTION FOR SMALL BUSINESS GUARANTEED

Portland, Feb. 8.—Protection for the small business man who feels that the NRA code authority governing his business is dominated by larger units of the industry is guaranteed in the instructions for the adjustment of complaints received from Washington today by the Oregon NRA division of the national emergency council here.

The orders from Washington specifically state that if the small business man believes the code authority is influenced by "hostile or monopolistic interests" a complaint shall be made direct to Edgar Freed, Oregon state director of the national emergency council, who will direct a thorough investigation. Any firm operating under an approved code is guaranteed the right to appeal directly to the state director's office against alleged discrimination, and may carry his case to the national recovery administration at Washington if dissatisfied with the decision of the code authority or the state director.

TALK HOP ROOT CONTROL TO LIMIT PRODUCTION

L. S. Cristofferson was re-elected president of the Lane County hop growers at their annual meeting held at the Eugene Chamber of Commerce Saturday. Clinton Murphy was re-elected vice-president, and Stewart Hurd, secretary, at the meeting. Ivan Anderson was elected delegate to the state meeting to be held at Salem on February 17.

A lengthy discussion of the California plan of refusing sale of hop roots as a production control measure was held but no action was taken. The plan provides for the sale of only a limited number of hop roots, thereby preventing the sudden increase in hop acreage beyond the absorption ability of the market.

IUKA PLANS COOKED FOOD SALE IN MARCH

Plans for a cooked food sale to be held at Eggmann's March 31, were made at the regular meeting of Iuka circle, Ladies Auxiliary of the G. A. R. last Thursday evening when they met at the home of Mrs. Walter Paxton. The Past President's pin was presented to Mrs. Nellie Carr.

The meeting of the sewing circle to have been held this afternoon at the home of Mrs. Alice Doane has been postponed. Iuka circle will meet February 15 at the home of Mrs. H. O. Dibble near Santa Clara.

Upper Willamette

Mrs. Andy Olson who underwent a major operation at the Eugene hospital last week is reported to be doing nicely.

Mrs. Ralph Laird has recovered enough from a recent operation at the Eugene hospital to be moved to the home of a friend in Eugene. Mrs. O. H. Wangelin, mother of Mrs. E. B. Tinker, has been ill the past ten days and is confined to her bed.

Mrs. E. Giustina entertained the Thimble club of Dexter last Thursday at her home at Pleasant Hill.

Mrs. Jacoby gave a surprise birthday party last week for her son Edward. The evening was spent playing five-hundred and making small booklets concerning the future of the guests. The Pleasant Hill basketball teams took all the three games from the Lowell teams at Lowell last Friday.

MCDONALD TO FEATURE "DESIGN FOR LIVING"

Famous Stage Play By Noel Coward is Opening at Eugene Theatre on Sunday

Ernst Lubitsch's brand new Paramount picture, "Design for Living" is starting at the McDonald theatre Sunday for four days.

It has for its leading players Fredric March, Gary Cooper, Miriam Hopkins and Edward Everett Horton and was brought to the screen by Ben Hecht from Noel Coward's sensational stage success of the same name.

On a Paris-bound train, Miriam Hopkins, vivacious young artist, first meets the two men who are to change her life. They are George Curtis, also an artist and Tom Chambers, playwright, played by Cooper and March respectively.

Tom and George both fall madly in love with her. To further complicate matters, Miss Hopkins falls in love too. Only she is too fond of Tom to tell him she loves George and she loves George too much to hurt to tell him about Tom.

SHOW HOW TO PRUNE FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

Proper pruning methods for young peach and cherry trees will be demonstrated Saturday morning at 8 o'clock at the J. B. Endicott farm at Cedar Flat. The demonstration will be conducted by O. T. McWhorton, extension specialist at Oregon State college and the demonstrations are being arranged by O. S. Fletcher, county agent.

Saturday at 10 o'clock walnut pruning will be demonstrated at the H. W. Eyer farm near Thurston. Young filbert pruning will be demonstrated at the H. W. Dunn farm at Riverview the same afternoon at 1:30.

On Friday Montmorency cherries will be pruned at the Wilmar Walton farm at Santa Clara at 8 o'clock. Twelve year walnut and prune trees will be demonstrated at the Ernest Danner farm near Santa Clara at 10 o'clock, and young apple trees will be trimmed at the James Gardens on Goodpasture Island at one o'clock.

FIRE DESTROYS HOME; MRS. WINFREY BURNED

Mrs. Wilbur Winfrey of Unity, a short distance above Fall Creek, was badly burned about her two arms, her face and head Monday when the Winfrey home was burned to the ground. Mrs. Winfrey was injured in carrying personal belongings from the house. Most of these were saved.

One son, Authuron Winfrey, received burns on both hands, and Oscar Drury was also burned in salvaging household belongings. The Winfrey family is now living with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gibson near Fall Creek.

TED PURSLEY INJURED WHEN CAR HITS BRIDGE

Ted Pursley of Eugene was severely injured Friday evening when the automobile which he was driving struck the railing on a culvert on north Fifth street and turned over. His left arm was badly cut, severing several ligaments and muscles. He was given first aid at a local doctor's office and taken to the Pacific hospital in Eugene.

Struck fog was blamed for the accident. The driver becoming confused about the bridge railings and thought he should be on the left hand side which took him off the road.

McKenzie Valley

Rev. D. A. Thompson, Portland, executive official of the Presbyterian synod, preached at Waltherville church Sunday morning.

The Worker's society is meeting with Mrs. Gina Momb Friday afternoon.

The Ladies' Aid society is having its monthly business session at the social room of the Waltherville church Thursday P. M. with all day quilting.

The McKenzie Valley Consolidated Telephone lines held annual meeting at Thurston Wednesday evening.

Maurice Richardson returned home a few days ago from a four weeks' cruise in the navy.

Thurston

Mrs. Roberta Baugh is visiting relatives at Shedd and Junction City for several days.

Miss Grace Rhodes motored to Salem last Sunday morning and spent the day at her home there. She was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hart, Joe Hart, Mrs. John Edmiston and Shirley Bonney. Miss Norma Hart spent the day with relatives in Harrisburg.

Mae (Herself) West



LOS ANGELES . . . Glamorous Mae West's appearance in court to testify against Edward Friedman, alleged to have "done her wrong" in theft of jewels and cash amounting to some \$15,000, was the occasion for picture fans to pay her high personal tribute.

BAPTISTS TO HEAR OF BURDENS AT SERVICE

"A Message of Hope and Cheer to Bearers of Burdens" will be the theme of the morning service at the Baptist church Sunday according to announcement made by Rev. R. E. Rolens, pastor.

The evening service will be preceded by the Mission school classes starting at 6:30. The Arctania Guild will have charge of the devotional period for this service. For the evening service at 7:30 the pastor will speak on "The Women of the Orient."

S. S. Board Meets — Monthly meeting of the Sunday School board of the Methodist church will be held at the church Tuesday evening of next week.

HALL GETS C.C.C. SHOE CONTRACT

Repair Work of Six Camps Comes to Local Shoemaker; To Employ Two Workers

W. A. (Bert) Hall, Springfield shoemaker, was low bidder for the shoe repairing work of six C. C. C. camps in this district and will begin his work as soon as the contract has been approved at the San Francisco regional offices.

The contract calls for the repairing and rebuilding of all shoes of the men in the camps affected. No minimum number of shoes to be repaired each week was set, but a maximum of 180 pairs was listed according to Mr. Hall.

Winning of the contract by the local shoemaker will mean the employment of two additional workmen in the shop here as soon as the shoes start coming in. Mr. Hall says. He has already placed an order for additional supplies and contemplates the addition of new machinery to accommodate the increased staff in the future.

THREE-YEAR CONTRACT FOR LOCAL HOPS SIGNED

James W. Seavey last week announced the signing of a contract with an English hop buying firm for 50,000 pounds of hops annually for three years starting in 1935 at a price per pound of 25 cents. Mr. Seavey has already signed a contract for 75,000 pounds of hops from the 1934 crop with the same concern.

Expected Home Soon—Mrs. Lum F. Anderson is expected to be able to return to her home here Friday or Saturday of this week. She has been convalescing following an operation at the Pacific hospital.

Valentine's Day
February 14

A large assortment of comic and art Valentines are here to help you observe this old custom. It's an occasion you should not overlook to spread good cheer.

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Goes to Portland—P. J. Bartholomew made a business trip to Portland today.