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FIRE FIGHTERS CALLED FOR TO CHECK BLAZE

But little definite information was known at the U. S. forest offices in this city today regarding the forest fires situation thruout the county, but in the absence of bad news it was presumed by Assistant Supervisor H. D. Foster that the situation was at least no worse.

A jitney driver who returned from the Prospect region where he had taken some men last night reported to Mr. Foster this morning that Forest Supervisor Erickson who is in charge of fighting the two large and the smaller fires in that territory wanted Foster to send up to him all the men that he could find.

More Men Sent For.

Seventeen men were sent up by Foster on Sunday, and 15 more will be sent today. State Supervising Fire Warden Grieve is also in the Prospect district aiding in directing the fire fighters.

As to whether the fire situation in the Prospect district is worse today, or whether Supervisor Erickson needs the additional men he asked for to replace fire fighters who had to return to the city, could only be guessed at, in the absence of definite news. Supervisor Erickson sent yesterday for a dozen cross-cut saws and as many falling wedges to be rushed to him at once.

Several new fires were reported in the Elk creek district on Sunday. They were small fires, however, and Mr. Foster sent six men from this city to assist the rangers of that section in working on them.

Cougar Creek Fire.

The Cougar creek fire in the Big Applegate section is now under control, as is the fire on Anderson creek. No word whatever was received up to this noon from the many fires burning in the Butte Falls district.

In the big Mill creek station forest fire in the Prospect district Saturday the house and barn of Earl Ulrich's ranch were caught by the onrushing flames and destroyed. The barn was a large one and was filled with hay, according to reports received in Medford. Part of the hay and the household goods were hauled to a place of safety when it was seen that the spreading forest fire was going to claim the ranch as its victim.

SIXTY ADVENTISTS CHOP CHURCH WOOD

Members of the Seventh Day Adventists' church of this city, comprising 20 men and about sixty women and children, spent Sunday at Sherry Hamilton's ranch near Central Point cutting and chopping up the winter's supply of wood for the church. Twenty tiers were prepared, but this is not enough and the work will be continued another Sunday in the near future.

The working hours were from 9 a. m. until 5 p. m. The Adventists reached the Hamilton ranch from Medford in autos and other vehicles. Dinner and supper were served the workers at the home of Frank Rollock, near the Hamilton ranch.

The men chopped down trees and with the aid of the gasoline wood saw of Elder John Mohan, cut it into tier lengths. Then they split the wood to the desired dimensions. The women and children piled up the wood in tiers and carried water to the men workers. The day was very hot, else more wood would have been prepared.

MEN WANTED.

U. S. government road work for Crater Lake National park. Wages \$2.25 per day, 8 hours and board.

COURT HALL.

HOW TO SECURE PROSPERITY.

WHAT IS needed to make the Rogue River Valley prosperous?

From 5000 to 10,000 cars of fruit a year, the proportion that other northwestern fruit districts secure from similar orchard acreage, would help do it.

An annual quadrupled yield of alfalfa would aid in bringing about the desired result.

Five or six times the present acreage in sugar beets would accomplish it by securing a beet sugar factory.

An immensely increased production of berries, tomatoes and garden truck to secure canneries would bring it. Lumber mills and box factories to supply box shooks and provide payrolls would make it a certainty.

How can this increased production and these dependent industries be secured?

Only in one way—by irrigation. Without it, none of them are possible.

For many years the people of the valley have been chasing will-o'-the-wisps to secure prosperity and ignored the source before them.

They spent money to bring people in without providing occupation when they came.

They planted large acreage of orchard without water to insure the crop.

They inflated land values, to get rich quick by pulling themselves up by their boot-straps.

They voted bonds to build railroads to mines when their one gold mine lay in the undeveloped or partially developed soil about them.

They spend money in a gambler's choice to strike oil, but refuse to spend any to secure water.

The valley is not prosperous because it does not produce enough for the population, and without water it cannot produce enough. Yet every effort to secure water is met with stubborn opposition.

Four dry years, with deficient rainfall, ought to convince the most stupid of the need of irrigation. Even in the most favorable years the moisture does not come at the needed season. It is inequitably distributed and seldom a drop falls at the time needed. Water is crop insurance.

Another effort is under way to start preliminaries for irrigation. It is hoped that it will meet little opposition. The land-owners have stood in their own light long enough. They have not only impoverished themselves but their neighbors. They have depreciated their own property and stagnated the growth and development of the valley.

Without water, conditions will steadily grow worse. The prosperous sections today are those belts under irrigation. With the entire valley irrigated, there will be prosperity for all.

TIME TO SPRAY FOR CODLING MOTH SAYS PATHOLOGIST

The high and uniform temperature of the past few weeks has caused a rapid development in the larval and pupal stages of the codling moth. We find that some of the second brood moths are and many more will emerge within the next two weeks, therefore the fruit should be thoroughly sprayed between now and the first of August. The first eggs will be hatched about the first of August, and the maximum amount will come on during the following ten days or two weeks and will then probably string along for the balance of the season.

Due to the lateness of the fruit ripening season it will probably be necessary to make an additional application on Bartlett's and other pears about 15th or 20th of August. Keep fruit thoroughly covered with spray after the first of August.

I would like to suggest that some applications be made with double strength arsenate of lead in comparison with the regular strength. Due to the rapid growth of the fruit at this time, it may be that double strength arsenate of lead will be more effective. The regular strength of arsenate of lead paste is 2 lbs. to fifty gallons of water, or 1 lb. of the powdered lead to 50 gallons.

CLAUDE C. CATE, County Pathologist.

Dated July 23, 1917.

KERENSKY RUSSIAN DICTATOR

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menical council of the Russian-Orthodox church will meet at Moscow Assumption day, August 28. The meeting which will be the first one since Peter the Great, having abolished the patriarchate, forced the church under the control of the autocracy. The event is awaited with

All Choked Up With Catarrh? Why Continue Makeshift Treatment?

Sprays and douches will never cure you. Catarrh is annoying enough when it chokes up your nostrils and air passages, causing painful and difficult breathing and other discomforts. But the real danger comes when it reaches down into your lungs. This is why you should at once realize the importance of the proper treatment, and lose no time experimenting with worthless remedies which touch only the surface. To be

impudence by church reformers, more than 200 of whom are expected.

Crowd Lynches Rioters.

PETROGRAD, July 23.—Three occupants of a motor car dressed as sailors and soldiers shot at a group of officers and soldiers on the steps of the people's palace. Two soldiers were wounded at the first shots from the revolvers of the assailants. The guard of 150 soldiers rushed from the building and fired on the three men who attempted to escape but who were lynched by the crowd. Fifteen civilians were wounded in the firing, some seriously.

Admiral Arrested.

PETROGRAD, July 23.—The newspapers announce that Rear Admiral Verdevski, commander of the Baltic fleet, has been arrested for communicating a secret government telegram to sailors' committees.

Why Minister Resigns.

PETROGRAD, July 23.—M. Perfevoiseff, who resigned as minister of justice, has sent to the press a letter regarding his resignation. He said all of his activity against law-breakers was paralyzed by the general line of conduct of the coalition government.

PETROGRAD, July 23.—Lieutenant Dashkevitch and another executive committee member of the workers' and soldiers' council have been arrested. Lieutenant Dashkevitch is charged with inciting the Petrograd troops to remove the provisional government.

Uprising at an End.

LONDON, July 23.—Despatches received by the Russian embassy here state that the uprising in Petrograd may be considered as definitely suppressed. The regiments which participated in the disturbances are being disarmed and disbanded. Those soldiers report, and the city is being patrolled by troops. Isolated cases of shooting from windows have occurred, but order is being energetically restored and all suspects arrested. It is added, while drastic measures are being taken to prevent any further insubordination of criminal agitation.

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