

SOCIETY and CLUBS

By Janet Wray Smith

Young Couple Stop Here En Route to Klamath Home

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Prentice, nee Barbara Coolidge, stopped in Medford yesterday en route to their home in Klamath Falls following a short honeymoon on the coast. They stopped here at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Prentice. The bride is the daughter of Mr. H. E. Coolidge of Spokane, Wn.

Miss Hanscam and F. W. Dunn to Wed

Of interest to their many friends is announcement of the coming wedding of Miss Ruth Hanscam, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Hanscam, and Fred W. Dunn, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Dunn, which is to be solemnized Wednesday evening at 8:30 in the First Methodist church. Rev. Joseph Knotts will perform the ceremony.

The ceremony was read by Rev. Frank Thomas, formerly of La Grande and now of Berkeley, Calif., before a fireplace banked high with white stock and white chrysanthemums combined with white taper. A reception followed the wedding. Witnessing the ceremony were members of the immediate families and about 20 intimate friends.

The groom is a Medford boy and has been residing for the past few months in Klamath Falls, where the young couple will make their home. The bride, formerly of La Grande has visited here several times and has a number of friends and acquaintances here. Both attended the University of Oregon, she being a member of Kappa Alpha Theta sorority and he of Phi Kappa Psi fraternity.

They will be at home to their friends at the Evans apartments in Klamath Falls.

Mrs. Thrasher To Attend State Meet

Mrs. Ellen Thrasher, president of the Jackson County W. C. T. U., will represent the local group at the state convention to be held in The Dalles September 29 to October 2. The convention, which will have as the principal speaker Mrs. Margaret C. Munns of Evanston, Ill., national treasurer, is attracting considerable interest among local members.

Daughters to Meet At Armory Tonight

Announcement was made today that Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War will meet this evening at the armory. All members are particularly urged to be present as plans are to be completed for a rummage sale in the near future and other fall activities.

Hermanns Return To Home in South

Leaving on the evening train yesterday were Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Hermann, of San Francisco, who were returning to their home. They have spent the past several days vacationing on the Rogue river, where they were guests of friends.

Smucker's BUTTER IN GOOD TASTE

LADIES! Bartlett's Fur Shop Now Open for Business 42 South Central

ADDITIONAL TOWNS DOOMED IF WINDS CHANGE DIRECTION

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and its sister town, North Bend, with their combined population of 10,000.

But at Coquille, 25 miles to the southeast and inland, a logging town of 3,000, and Myrtle Point, 15 miles farther on, a village of 1,500, the situation was grave.

About the two towns the citizenry worked en masse with logging bulldozers to clear protective circles of brush and timber, throwing up emergency fire breaks, which, they hoped, would stop advancing flames.

They realized, however, that the hours of grueling labor they put in would be but an idle gesture if a strong east wind sprang up, throwing out from the flaming tree tops for distances as great as three or four miles red-hot embers.

So tense was the population of the two towns, each surrounded by flames, that few would speak of the danger. For the most part, the citizens went grimly about the job of creating as much protection as possible, their eyes sore and red-rimmed from the dense smoke and their throats raw as beefsteak.

Lights burned throughout the day and in the worst sections it was impossible to see more than 50 to 100 feet. Only the dull red glow high in the skies told of the nearby menace of fire.

Bandon was a shambles. Between 350 and 400 buildings lay in ruins, skeletons of partially collapsed walls sticking grotesquely above the mass of blackened brick, wood and steel. Through the debris, CCC enrollees and federal and state officials picked their way, looking for bodies.

Captain Lee Bown, of the state police, said nine had been recovered and that six more probably lay beneath the ruins. All that was left of the town was a bakery, three milk, a lumber yard about 20 houses and the high school.

The identified dead were: John Rieder, Mrs. Ida Hill, Daniel Koonits, 70, Mrs. Charles McCulloch, 65, George Williams, Mrs. George Williams, Jack Bailey, killed by falling tree.

Forester Brundage said many of the fires probably were incendiary, from the standpoint that they were started to clean up pasture or clear hunting ground and swept into conflagrations before the rising wind.

Two in Jail Two men were held in jail here without charge. Chief of Police Matt Coy said he was investigating reports of the finding of kerosene-soaked rags both here and at Bandon.

Of the refugees who escaped to the beach and the harbor jetty Saturday night, all but about 40 were gone from Bandon today, some quartered here, others traveling to the homes of relatives.

Relief was mobilized on every hand under the direction of Governor Martin. Major General George S. Simond, commander of the ninth corps area, conferred with the governor at Salem and left for the fire area. The general already had furnished trucks, supplies and national guardsmen for the stricken area.

Grants Pass and Roseburg were turned into concentration camps from which supplies were dispatched. All night long fleets of trucks traveled westward to the danger zone, carrying food, medical equipment and firefighters and tools.

Hunting Stopped. In western Oregon, the governor ordered all hunting stopped. The whole countryside had the appearance of a battleground.

A story of fortitude and of tribute to the 1900 residents of Bandon who saw their life accumulations swept before a raging fire came from John Fasnacht, city manager of the stricken city.

The flames struck suddenly Saturday night after efforts to control a blaze several miles from town failed. The flames leaped from tree to tree to send burning embers crashing atop roofs and into streets.

Fasnacht, with his wife and three children, arriving in Salem to stay temporarily with relatives, related: "California tourists, whose camps were burned along with the homes of residents, said they never had seen such calm. People were laughing and joking as the flames leveled their homes."

He told of aiding in fighting a fire at Bear creek, five miles east of Bandon, late Saturday; of subsequent and futile attempts to save the city's reservoir; and then of the rush for the beach and safety when firemen finally were forced to abandon their equipment and leave their truck to the destructive flames.

The sick and invalid people from the hospital (Bandon) were taken across the Coquille river by the light-house tender Rose and placed in safety at the Bandon lighthouse. Many others drove through the fires on the highway to escape the zone.

"I heard of one woman who was saved, but insisted on going back for her pet goats. She was burned to death. I don't know how many people were trapped."

Sunday morning, he said, several cows came to the beach and fresh milk was available for the children who had not been evacuated.

Residents saved nothing but that which they could carry, he said. His own family was uninjured.

FIRE AND SLIDES HAMPER TRAFFIC

ROSEBURG, Ore., Sept. 28.—(AP)—Fire and slides near Bridge resulted shortly before noon today in closing the Roseburg-Coos Bay highway to all except emergency travel, state police headquarters here reported. Rocks and falling trees made the trip through the burning sector extremely hazardous, and state police guarded the highway junction eight miles south of Roseburg and turned aside all traffic except that of emergency character. The road between Coquille and Bandon was reported passable today, but cars were allowed on the highway only upon state police pass, due to danger from falling slides.

Markets

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 28.—(AP-U. S. Dept. Agr.)—Hogs: 1,100, direct 1,000. Steady to strong with last Friday, top and bulk 170-215 lb. California 10.75; odd lots 295 lb. averages 10.25; packing sows mainly 7.75, few good light sows 8.00. CATTLE: 1,000, direct 350. Moderately active, generally steady, seven loads 830-1100 lb. Idaho and northern California grass steers 6.50-7.25; good light fed steers absent, quoted around 8.00-8.50; few plain grass heifers 4.50-5.50; bulk low-cutters 3.00-4.00; of 12,000 lb. dairy cows 4.25; odd bulls 5.00-5.50. CALVES: 10. Norminal; good-choice vealers quoted around 9.00-9.50. SHEEP: 1,700, direct 360. All classes very slow; lambs opening 35 to mostly 50 lower than last week Friday, short-deck medium-good 75 lb medium-pelt California lambs 8.00, sorted 15 per cent; half-deck 73 lb. weights 7.50, sorted 25 per cent; no woolled lambs sold, asking above 8.00; ewes in liberal supply, no early sales, undertone weak.

ASHLAND WOMAN GRAVELY INJURED IN AUTO SMASHUP

Mrs. George R. Moffat of Ashland was in the Community hospital here today suffering from a broken pelvis, fractured collar bone, several fractured ribs, abrasions and contusions following a three-way auto crash at Voorhies crossing three miles south of Medford at 3:15 p. m. yesterday. Six others, riding in two passenger autos and a freight truck involved in the smash-up, escaped with minor injuries.

The refrigerator truck of the tractor-trailer type, was owned by the J. Hendricks company of Seattle, and was driven by Thomas A. Hall, Wilt Hall was Kenneth Schons, a retail driver, who was asleep. The truck was loaded with fish livers in large tins, being freighted from southern California to Seattle for processing of their vitamin content.

According to state police, who investigated the crash, the truck was coming toward Medford, and had pulled over to pass a Buick sedan driven by Helmer O. Moen of Route 1, Medford. Moen signaled for a left turn and swung into the Voorhies crossing side road. The driver of the truck told police he saw the hand signal but that Moen turned so soon after that he had no chance to stop or turn back.

The heavy truck crashed into the left rear of the touring sedan, and sent it spinning and skittering down the highway. In the car was Mrs. Moen, and their daughter, Marada Della, who were thrown onto their backs when the back of the front seat was torn loose from its moorings by the impact. The Moen car slammed head-on into a Chevrolet coach headed south, and driven by Jack B. Baiding of Ashland. The car was owned by George R. Moffat of Ashland, who with his wife and a boy named Ralph Stubblefield, were passengers. The two passenger autos were badly damaged by the collision. The truck, still travelling north, swung to the left as the two autos hit. The driver told police that he cut the wheels to the right to avoid shearing a telephone pole on the left of the highway, slanted to the right across the pavement, and that the truck-trailer had jack-knifed into the ditch where it turned over and ended up headed south.

Fish livers, fruit, and other produce being hauled in the truck was scattered over the highway as the refrigerator body was split open. Hundreds of people flocked to the scene of the crash as soon as word was learned here, and state police had to direct traffic around the wreckage. It was several hours before the scene was completely cleared, although traffic was routed past the spot immediately. All of the occupants of the machines escaped serious injury except Mrs. Moffat, although all received bruises and scratches. The Stubblefield boy was cut on the head in two places so severely that stitches had to be taken.

The truck driver, Hall, told police that his truck was speed-governed at 40 miles an hour, but that he had not been travelling over 35 when the accident occurred. Officers were still investigating the case today.

Alabama's legislature is composed of 141 members, 35 in the senate and 106 in the house of representatives.

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CRATERS COP COIN WITH BIG ENTRY IN PARADE AT YREKA

Medford Crater club's entry in the Yreka, Calif., pioneer parade yesterday was awarded the first prize of \$50, according to notification received by the Jackson county chamber of commerce this morning. Twenty-three members of the club, in Daniel Boone uniform, took part in the parade. The club's entry consisted of a covered-wagon and pack train, including 12 mules, which depicted the discovery of Crater Lake by John Hillman in 1853. Jerry Jerome took the part of Hillman due to the absence of J. H. Fletcher, who was originally scheduled to portray the central figure.

Using the slogan "Yreka peaches-Medford pears", five young ladies from the California city, distributed 50 lb boxes of Medford pears and 12 boxes of Delicious apples for the club. The fruit was donated by the Pinnacle packing company.

The Medford club's delegation, headed by Big Eruption Larry Schade, was enthusiastically received at the celebration, which also attracted a large number of other Medford and valley residents. Further official representation of this city was made by the Elks band, under the direction of F. Wilson Watt.

RAILROAD PROJECT GIVEN BACKING AT G. PASS HEARING

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forms a new empire of great social and economic value to the two states, this section and the whole of the United States," Henry J. Kaiser, Oakland contractor, testified before Frank C. McCulloch, presiding at the hearing for construction of the line.

PWA Administrator Griffith testified that he had approved the Grants Pass application for \$1,923,350 grant for construction to the Oregon border on belief from investigation that the development justified the expenditure. He declared his approval was simultaneous with that of the California WPA administrator for the portion of the line from the state border to Crescent City.

James Twohy, head of the Twohy Brothers Co., and the C. and O. C. railroad, presented his conclusions from engineering investigations of the route over a period of 23 years.

The hearing will probably conclude tomorrow. Representatives from many interested Oregon and California cities are present.

5 NATIONS JOINED IN MARCH TOWARD CURRENCY LINEUP

NEW YORK, Sept. 28.—(AP)—Five nations were joined today in the break up of Europe's gold bloc and the march toward currency adjustment, led off by France under the protection of a "monetary equilibrium" agreement with the United States and Great Britain.

While the Socialist government of Premier Leon Blum won a majority in its first parliamentary test of the French devaluation program, Switzerland, the Netherlands, Latvia and Greece were listed as embarking on new currency stabilization programs.

Meanwhile, from Moscow came denials by the Russian State bank that sales of British pounds were intended as an effort to force down the British currency rate. The sales were "ordinary banking transactions," the bank declared.

The series of financial developments sent the price of bar gold up 75 cents an ounce on the London exchange

\$500 to Bandon H. L. Hathaway, district sales manager for the Standard Oil company left today for the scene of the disastrous Bandon fire to offer the assistance of his company in the emergency. A check for \$500 will be presented to Bandon officials as the Standard Oil company's contribution in caring for homeless residents of the ill-fated community.

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