

RAIN BRINGS END TO LONGEST FIRE HAZARDS SEASON

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One of the longest and most hazardous forest fire seasons on record was brought to an end yesterday with general precipitation over southern Oregon.

Lookouts on the Rogue river national forest and the state forests in Jackson and Josephine counties were recalled and officials who had been near mental exhaustion from a long vigilance breathed a deep sigh of relief.

The lookouts had been on duty continuously from early spring. This was believed to be the longest period they had been kept at their posts.

Although a considerable volume of rain and snow is required to soak the forest floor, officials said that extreme danger for the year has been removed unless the weather should become freakishly dry and warm. It was thought that the ban on burning slashings and rubbish without a permit, extended beyond the usual terminating date of October 16 because of grave hazards, would be lifted immediately.

While the general precipitation ended forest fire hazards, rainfall in southern Oregon was not heavy enough to do the farmers much good, said R. G. Fowler, county agent. He described the rainfall as "just a heavy dew" and said two or three inches of rain are needed for ploughing and the planting of winter grains.

Rainfall in the valley, as measured by the weather bureau, was 12 of an inch from 2:45 Friday afternoon to 6 p. m. yesterday. Deficiency for the month is 43 of an inch. Rainfall for the season beginning September 1 was 48 of an inch, a seasonal deficiency of 4.41 inches.

Forecast was for continued light precipitation today.

Snow was general yesterday in the higher altitudes. Three inches of snow were reported at Lake of the Woods at 8:30 yesterday morning and it was still snowing. Two inches of snow at Union Creek and one inch in the higher altitudes of the Applegate were reported by the Rogue river national forest service. The foresters reported 26 of an inch of rain at Trail.

In addition to blocking ploughing and the planting of winter grains, the exceptional dryness brought an early end to pasturage in the Rogue valley, Mr. Fowler said. He added that a heavy rain and warm weather would restore the pasture for a time.

Two inches of snow were reported in Crater lake national park yesterday morning and it was still snowing, though lightly. When the snow started falling, the ground in the park was barren whereas ordinarily at this time of year there would be a white covering about five feet deep.

ANDRE CHOMEL OF CENTRAL PT.; WAR VETERAN CALLED

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Andre I. Chomel, well known and beloved resident of Central Point, Ore., for the past eight years, passed away at a local hospital Saturday morning at 7 o'clock after an illness of the past four months.

He was born at Saint Etienne, France, August 16, 1884, and was aged 52 years, 3 months and 19 days. He left France in 1907 and came to Canada, where he lived until the World war, entering the war serving overseas and came back to Canada. In 1921 he came to the United States, settling at Los Angeles, Calif., where he was united in marriage to Miss Valentine Menage on May 1, 1927. They came to southern Oregon in 1928, making their residence at Central Point.

In 1930 he built the Valandra hotel, which is known throughout the Pacific northwest to many tourists. Mr. Chomel's death will be keenly felt by hosts of friends throughout southern Oregon. A member of the chamber of commerce of Central Point, he was also a member of the city council. He leaves to mourn his departure his wife, Mrs. Valentine Chomel.

Funeral services will be held from the Sacred Heart Catholic church Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock. Father Francis W. Black officiating. Interment will take place in the family plot in the Jacksonville cemetery.

Recitation of the Rosary will be held at the Perl funeral home Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock.

Obituary

Arthur J. Parry
Arthur J. Parry, a resident of Medford for the past six years, passed away at his residence 2124 East Main street, early Friday evening at the age of 64 years. He is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Geo. L. Knight, of San Carlos, Cal., and one brother, Charles Parry of Rochester, N. Y., also five nieces.

Funeral services will be held from the Conger funeral parlors Monday morning at 10 a. m. Rev. E. S. Bartlam will have charge of services after which the body will be taken to Salem, Ore., for cremation.

Income Shares

Maryland fund, bid \$10.14; asked \$11.09.
Quarterly income, bid \$18.76; asked \$20.55.

Gold In Walnuts
LOS ANGELES, Dec. 5.—(AP)—California walnut growers are pocketing \$1,330,000 "Christmas present" from their association this week.

PHOENIX GIRL, 8, RUNS INTO AUTO;

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Ruby Ruth Bogart, eight-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Orville R. Bogart, of Phoenix, received a long scalp wound late Thursday afternoon when she ran into the side of a car driven by Dr. Harvey Miller of Medford. The little girl with two companions was running across the Pacific highway at Talent when she ran headlong into the Miller car, the door handle catching her above the forehead.

She was brought to the Osteopathic hospital here for treatment, and was ordered to bed. She is now confined to her home in Phoenix.
Dr. Miller said that he did not see the girl until she had run into the car. A truck, headed south, was just meeting the Miller machine when the girl ran out from behind it. Dr. Miller said.
Yesterday afternoon Mrs. Orville Shores, 844 Dakota avenue, received a wound on her head and a bruised leg when she was struck by a car while crossing Main street at the Bartlett street intersection. She was knocked against a companion, Rena Collier, 232 South Grove street, and both women were knocked down. Mrs. Shores' coat was torn in several places but her injuries were not considered serious.

XMAS SEAL SALE CASH PURLOINED

H. W. Gustin, principal of the Jackson school, reported to city police Friday that sometime Thursday night a thief or thieves had entered the school basement and stolen about \$20 in cash, money collected from the sale of Christmas seals and from the lunch fund.

Police were making an investigation but said yesterday that no arrests had been made.

Dr. Standard Buys West Main Property

Sale was announced yesterday of the five-room dwelling at 1105 West Main street to Dr. Susie V. Standard and Lottie May Watkins. The residence is being remodeled and otherwise improved by the new owners. Dr. Standard is moving her office from Phoenix to Medford.

The sale was made by the Tengwald Agency for the World War veterans state aid commission. It was the fifth recent sale announced by the Tengwald agency.

Penal Costs Increase

SALEM, Dec. 5.—(AP)—Expenditures for Oregon's state penal, custodial and medical institutions mounted from \$1,533,677 in 1914-1915, the lowest figure in the past 24 years to \$3,410,399 in 1930-1932, the state planning board reported today.

PORTLAND GIVEN CHANCE TO KEEP WOOLEN FACTORY

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PORTLAND, Dec. 5.—(AP)—Prospects for reopening the million dollar Oregon worsted plant, strike-bound for several weeks, was termed "bright" tonight by Walter W. R. May, manager of the Portland chamber of commerce.

May said a proposal developed at a conference of employer and textile union representatives whereby Roy Bishop, principal owner and general manager, would resume operations as soon as possible, "possibly Monday or Tuesday."

The offer has been sent to the union's executive committee.

May said the proposal included re-hiring of former employees without discrimination, withholding of the labor relations board vote to determine if the union represents a majority of employees, acceptance of Gust Anderson, labor official, as liaison officer between employer and employees.

The firm normally employs about 400 workers.

MONTANA GRIPPED BY ICY BLIZZARD

BUTTE, Mont., Dec. 5.—(UP)—Snow continued to fall over more than half of Montana tonight, accompanied by blizzard conditions which drove the mercury down to a minimum of 28 degrees below zero at Chester, north of Great Falls.

Snow and warmer temperatures are forecast in the southwest; fair weather predicted for the east.

The snow began falling Friday in northern and western areas, reaching a maximum depth tonight of six and a half inches at Hegdam dam near West Yellowstone. Three inches were recorded at Butte, where the snow continued to fall in a low below zero temperature. In many localities stinging winds whipped the snow and paralyzed traffic. Plane flights were postponed in Butte today.

SALEM POSTOFFICE CONTRACT GIVEN

WASHINGTON, D.C., Dec. 5.—(UP)—The treasury today awarded a \$255,000 contract to L. H. Hoffman, Portland, Ore., for construction of a post-office at Salem, Ore.

The contract calls for construction of the building with an exterior of granite and marble, to harmonize with Oregon's new statehouse.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Special Sermon—A special sermon will be given in the Phoenix Christian church this evening.

Scout Court—Boy Scouts of the Medford district will hold their monthly court of honor at the county courthouse tomorrow evening, at 7:59, with Don R. Newbury acting as judge.

Scout Meeting—Scouters of Medford district will hold their annual meeting tomorrow evening following the monthly court of honor in the county courthouse auditorium, Seth Bullis, vice-chairman, announced yesterday.

Scout Board Meet—Executive board officers of the Crater lake area council, Boy Scouts of America, will hold a special meeting at the Hotel Medford this afternoon at 3 o'clock. An informal fellowship dinner will be held at 5:30, Larry Schade, council president announced.

Wife Dies—Medford friends were grieved yesterday to learn of the death of Mrs. M. J. Melchior, in Salem. Mr. Melchior, whose home is in the capital city, is a frequent Medford visitor. He is field agent for the World War veterans state aid commission.

Baptist Meeting—Baptist women will meet Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home of Mrs. C. A. Willcock on the Old Pacific highway, with the Busy Band in charge of the program. Topic will be "The Road of Peace" with a discussion of Christmas around the world.

Seals Brighten Mail—"Brighten your holiday mail with a really jolly Santa Claus this year, one that means something." This is the request of the Jackson County Public Health association "When you buy Christmas seals you protect your home, as well as others, from tuberculosis. No other holiday seal does this," association officers said.

Here For Week-End—S. A. Moore, chief lumberman of the Rogue river national forest service, arrived yesterday to spend the week-end at his home here. He is in charge of the Pelican Bay Lumber company timber sale northeast of Crater lake. He reported snow all the way from the company's operations to Prospect, the snow so blinding along the Diamond lake highway that he could not see through the windshield. Snow was piled four inches deep in spots along the highway, he related.

Bazaar-Card Party—St. Mark's guild will hold a bazaar and card party in the guild hall next Friday. The hall will be opened at 12 noon and card playing will start at 2 o'clock. Tables may be reserved by calling 661-Y or 701-J, committee in charge stated.

Return to Portland—Miss Adelyn McIntyre, secretary to Federal Judge James Alger Fee, and Glenn G. Foster, secretary to United States Attorney Carl C. Donough, returned to Portland last evening by United airtliner. They were here all week for the session of federal court that ended last night.

Attorney Leaves—Carl C. Donough, United States attorney for Oregon, returned by train Friday night to his Portland headquarters. He was here all week to represent the government in prosecuting cases in federal court. He left his assistant, J. Mason Dilard, in charge of the final case on the calendar for this term of court here.

Former Resident Dies—J. L. Read, for several years manager here for the C. J. Brier Sample store, died in Eugene of a heart attack Monday, November 30. It was learned here yesterday by friends. He died while at work. Funeral services were held in Eugene. The Reads went to the northern city from here about 15 years ago. They had many friends in Medford. Mrs. Read, a son, and four daughters survive.

Kiwanis Debaters—Elmer Welsburg and William Strang will engage in a debate at tomorrow's weekly luncheon-meeting of the Kiwanis club in the Hotel Medford. Members of the senior high school debating squad, they will argue the question: "Resolved, that the government should own and operate electric utilities." The club's program also includes several musical numbers. A. R. Puchner is program chairman.

Plan Yule Party—At yesterday morning's meeting of the Degree of Honor juvenile club plans were made for a Christmas party to be held in conjunction with the adult group Thursday evening, December 17. Marianne Casper acted as president at yesterday's meeting and Meredith Benbow and Frances Bentley were guests of the group. Announcement was made of the next meeting, January 2, which is to be a New Year's party.

Lecture Tuesday—Mrs. Walter Clifton will lecture on "The Power of Love" at a meeting in the Medford Truth center at 204 North Ivy street at 8 o'clock Tuesday night.

Transfer Prisoners—Leo McLain, United States deputy marshal, left for Portland by train last night with ten federal prisoners. He was accompanied by Fred H. Norman, federal court bailiff, and L. J. Walton, of the Jackson county sheriff's office. Six of the prisoners had been convicted in federal court here. They were Roland Hicks, Indian, convicted of involuntary manslaughter and sentenced to three years in prison and fined \$1000; Bennie Adamec, convicted of extortion and sentenced to three years; McKinley Davis, Indian, convicted of selling steers without the written consent of the superintendent of the Klamath reservation and sentenced to six months in a federal road camp; Cecil Brink, Negro, sentenced to ten months in a road camp and fined \$100; and Joe Lewis and William Stanton, each sentenced to eight months in a road camp and fined \$100, the last three having been convicted of selling liquor to Indians. Four of the prisoners were brought here by Mr. McLain from Klamath Falls yesterday for transfer to Portland where they are to face the grand jury on charges of selling liquor to Indians. They were Peter Johnson, 37, Patrick Murphy, 53, Clyde H. Toler, 28, and John H. Willhoest, 58, all of Klamath Falls.

Tragedy
SALINAS, Calif., Dec. 5.—(AP)—An estranged, middle-aged couple were found dead in their automobile near here today in what authorities pronounced a murder and suicide. The skull of the wife, Mrs. C. E. Smith, 33, had been crushed.

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