

The Weather

Forecast: Partly cloudy tonight and Friday; little change in temperature. Temperature: Highest yesterday 60. Lowest this morning 23.

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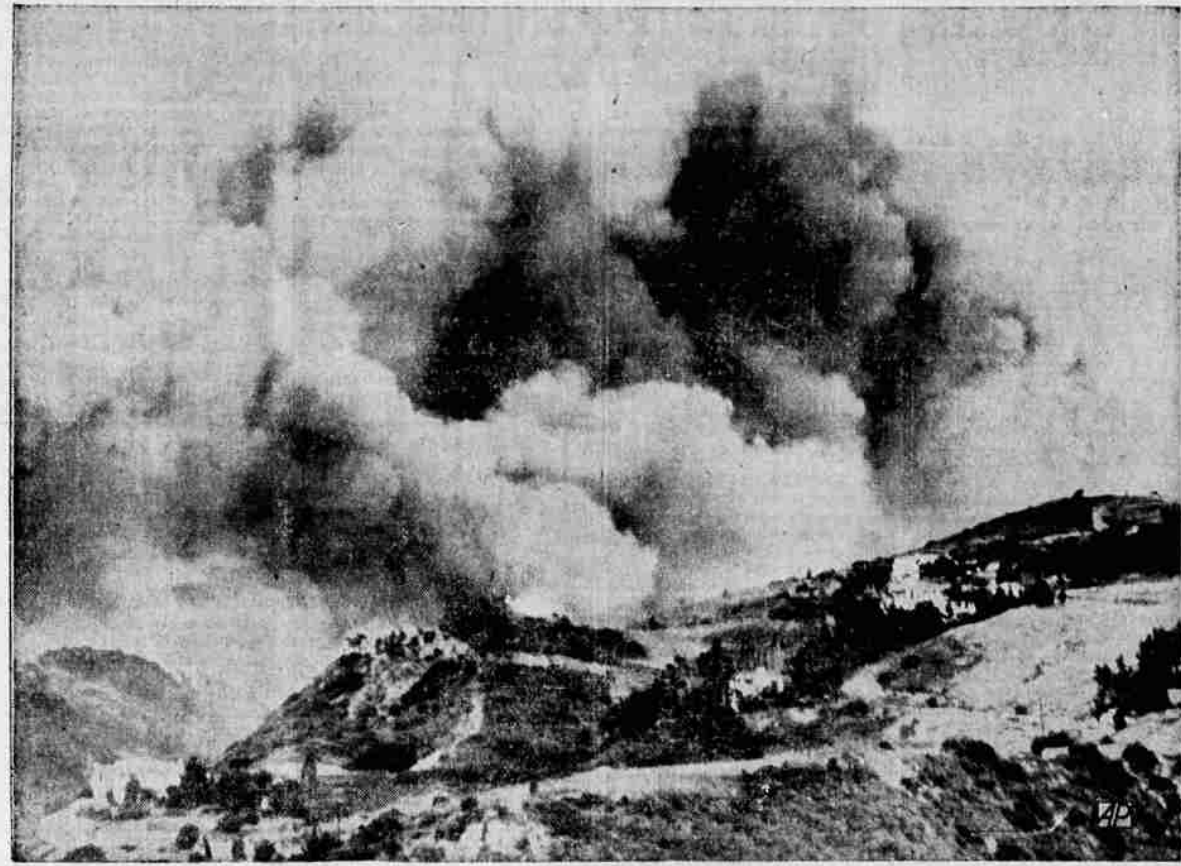
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Conflagration Leaves Palatial Hillside Homes in Ashes



The front of the raging forest and brush fire along the Pacific shore north of Santa Monica, Cal., is shown (at top) advancing toward a group of expensive hillside homes in the Pacific Palisades sector, one of the hardest hit in the fires which blazed in widely-separated areas late yesterday and last night. The blaze, called the worst southern California has ever known, consumed palatial homes of prominent motion picture personages besides numerous smaller dwellings and buildings. The buildings below were among those on the Roosevelt highway, one of the main arteries between Los Angeles and San Francisco, which were destroyed. This picture was made before night fell, but the thick smoke made the region almost as black as night. (A. P. Pictures by airmail to Mail Tribune.)

L. A. FIRES HALTED AFTER HEAVY LOSS

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Attempt of Staff to Take Pictures Thwarted by German Police—Relations Strained by Occurrence

By The Associated Press. America's Thanksgiving Day found strikes spreading in France, air bombardments of Barcelona, increasingly bitter fighting near Hongkong and Canton and a mounting number of Jewish suicides in Germany.

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Autoist Escapes Smashup Injury; Falls To Death

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 24.—(AP)—George H. Tibury, 61, Kennewick, Wash., escaped injury last night in an automobile accident on the Columbia river highway only to be blown to his death by a strong wind. His body dropped 350 feet over a cliff.

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12 ESCAPE FIRE BY LYING ON GROUND FOR THREE HOURS

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 24.—(AP)—Lying face down in a road for more than three hours to escape roaring flames that cracked on all sides of them was the terrifying experience of 12 firemen in the Santa Monica mountains late yesterday.

GRANGERS DRAFT SUBSTITUTE PLAN FOR FARMER AID

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FINAL ARGUMENTS DUE TOMORROW IN TORTURE KIDNAP

OLMPIA, Wash., Nov. 24.—(AP)—Attorneys in the Irving Baker kidnaping case spent this Thanksgiving day preparing their final arguments to be presented to a superior court jury tomorrow.

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The Capital Parade

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REICH ENVOY PROVIDES THANKSGIVING DAY TOPIC. DIECKHOFF, NOT NAZI MAN, WATCHED WHILE IN U. S. HIS REPORT ON BONDS IGNORED AT BERLIN.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—There are some who hope that, when Dr. Hans Dieckhoff gets back to Berlin, he will be able to make his Nazi masters understand the American reaction to their carnival of brutality.

MEDFORD ENJOYS THANKSGIVING IN HOMELY QUIETUDE

Medford streets were practically deserted today as business came to a halt while citizens gathered in churches and homes to give thanks for the blessings of the past year.

Clear, cold weather prevailed this morning as Medford prepared to observe the Thanksgiving holiday. Clouds obscured the sun, however, as the day progressed.

While a number of Medford residents went out of town on holiday visits with relatives, most of the citizens remained at home for family gatherings here in a characteristic home-coming observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.

Major attractions on the holiday's calendar of special events were the annual Medford-Ashland high school football game in Ashland and the yearly firemen's charity ball at Oriental Gardens tonight.

WINTRY WEATHER HOLDS SWAY OVER MUCH OF NATION

Wintry weather gripped much of the nation today with rain, snow and fog hampered holiday traffic.

An official reading of 30 degrees below zero was reported from West Yellowstone, Mont., western entrance to Yellowstone national park. Temperatures in the 20's prevailed in many other areas as a cold wave thrust east and southward.

Inclement conditions developed for major football games. With snow covering the ground and the mercury at 31, chill going was in store for both players and spectators at the Vanderbilt-Alabama game in Birmingham, Ala., a southern classic.

Knoxville, Tenn., site of a crucial clash between Kentucky and Tennessee's unbeaten and upland volunteers, had a steady, cold rain and chilly blasts were in store at three or four other "big" games.

RAIN KEEPS F. R. FROM SERVICES

WARM SPRINGS, Ga., Nov. 24.—(AP)—A cold rain that muddled the dirt roads around his mountain cottage caused President Roosevelt today to cancel plans to attend Thanksgiving day services at the little white chapel here for infantile paralysis patients.

The Rev. J. D. C. Wilson of the Episcopal church of Lagrange, Ga., conducted the services on a day the president had set aside for prayers for oppressed minorities in other lands.

In an unexpected 51-word formal statement issued last night, the president expressed the hope a report he had received that refugee migration to Palestine would be "materially increased" would prove authentic.

The president planned to make a radio talk for five minutes, beginning at 5 p. m. (P. S. T.) on the work of the foundation. Then, after dinner, the patients were to put on a few acts for their hosts.

PARSON'S STEER SHOW CHAMPION

A Hereford steer from Mountcrest ranch in northern California was declared champion and reserve grand champion over all breeds at the Great Western livestock show in Los Angeles. It was stated in a telegram received here today from Fred Bayliss, ranch superintendent.

In addition to five bulls from the Mountcrest herd made the top average in a sale conducted as part of the show, the telegram said: "Mountcrest ranch is owned by Reginald H. Parsons of Hillcrest Orchards here. Through his northern California ranch Mr. Parsons is playing an important part in the improvement of herds in Jackson county and other parts of southern Oregon."

WOMAN 113 YEARS OLD SUCCUMBS IN TEXAS

COORPUS CHRISTI, Nov. 24.—(AP)—Clara Ramirez, believed to have been 113 years old, died at her home here yesterday.

Members of her family produced records to show she was born in Mexico City in 1825, and came to Corpus Christi 95 years ago, when the present city was a Mexican village.

Find Aged Traveler Dying Near Railroad

THE DALLES, Ore., Nov. 24.—(AP)—Either struck by a train or injured in a fall from a cliff, Michael Michal, 70, of Cleveland was found dying yesterday by the railroad tracks a mile west of Arlington.

The aged traveler was reported missing last Tuesday after he left his bus during a brief stop at Arlington.

Thankful Americans Pray For Peace and Tolerance For Oppressed of World

By The Associated Press. Many an American family, gathered around its Thanksgiving dinner table, offered a quiet prayer today . . . for peace . . . for tolerance . . . for freedom of all peoples from oppression.

In public religious services throughout the nation there were special prayers and appeals for an end to attacks on Jews and Christians in foreign lands.

The residents of Plymouth, Mass., birthplace of Thanksgiving day 317 years ago—chose 26-year old Rabbi Samuel P. Friedman to address a union church service as "our answer to anti-Semitism."

Contracting conditions in Nazi and Fascist lands and in the United States, Rabbi Friedman said: "We are blessed in living in a country where law and order abide for the welfare of its inhabitants, where its people enjoy liberty, and the right to pursue happiness."

FLEISHACKER SEEKS BANKRUPTCY RECESS TO MARSHAL ASSETS

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 24.—(AP)—Herbert Fleishacker, California capitalist against whom civil judgment totaling more than \$1,388,000 have been returned recently, sought today to invoke the federal bankruptcy law to get more time to marshal his assets.

The financier said that his holdings were worth \$4,928,798 and his liabilities \$3,831,101, but he was unable to pay his debts at they matured.

Fleishacker's petition, filed yesterday in federal court under the bankruptcy act section relating to the composition and extension of debts, asserted he was obliged to seek court relief because of the judgments against him.

His schedule of liabilities listed a judgment for \$735,872, based on a 1919 steel transaction in Portland, Ore., and another judgment for \$653,000 obtained in Los Angeles by French heirs of Kern county oil lands. Fleishacker also set down as a liability a tax lien for \$309,074 filed by the commissioner of Internal Revenue.

The financier declared his total assets would be increased to the extent of \$2,500,000 if the disputed claims were found in his favor.

Pastor Selected. PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 24.—(AP)—The First Baptist church selected Dr. Weldon M. Wilson, pastor of the First Baptist church at Tacoma, as its minister last night to succeed Dr. William G. Everson. Dr. Everson was recently appointed president at Linfield college, McMinnville.

Football Scores

Final: Columbia 27, Brown 38.

Dr. Dieckhoff's difficulty arises from a situation which also exists in the Soviet union. In Russia and the Reich, the new ruling castes boast few members fit to serve as reporters and negotiators abroad. The Julius and Ethel Rosenberg and their Russian counter parts are all very well for home consumption, but scarcely exportable.

Farmer Thankful One Turkey Left. CHARLOTTE, N. C., Nov. 24.—(AP)—Homer Hagler, farmer, used to have five turkeys but was thankful today for one. He told the sheriff a trespassing hunter bagged four of the flock and wounded the fifth. The wounded bird limped home in time for Thanksgiving dinner.

Boatman Returns. COQUILLE, Ore., Nov. 24.—(AP)—Haldane (Buz) Holstrom, Coquille gasoline service station operator and boatman, returned home today from his second conquest of the Colorado river, a 1350-mile ride down its rapids and falls, and said he was going to take it easy for a while.

night for the crippled children and their families. Mr. Roosevelt will give a five-minute radio talk at 5 p. m. (PST). Vice-President Garner, at home in Uvalde, Texas, was one high official who didn't have a holiday turkey. He chose wild duck, which he himself shot on a hunting trip Tuesday.

There were 40,000 turkeys, however, for the young men in CCC camps throughout the United States. It took 1,500 bushels of cranberries to accompany the main dish, with vegetables and pumpkin pie in proportion. Charitable organizations were trying to make certain, too, the unfortunate in every community had a substantial meal. Missions were filled with men, women and children enjoying regular Thanksgiving dinners.

Snow gave a holiday touch to the day in several northern states, although rain in some sections threatened to spoil football games for thousands of fans. Fog and rain also hampered auto and air traffic for home-ward-bound crowds in the east.

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