

SEATTLE LUMBER YARD FIRE SAID 'VERY MYSTERIOUS'

Probe Starts, Many Warnings Ignored—Partners Argue At Blaze.

Seattle, Aug. 29.—(P)—Seattle and state fire officials were conducting an intensive investigation today into the origin of the \$370,000 fire which last night destroyed a large part of the Lumber Supply Co. and Blackstock Lumber company and resulted in injuries to three firemen.

Fire Chief William Fitzgerald described as "very mysterious" the cause of the fire, revealed a fire inspector had visited the lumber yard early yesterday and warned a company official to keep warehouse doors locked and suggested posting a night watchman. Several previous warnings have been given the company, Fitzgerald said.

Fitzgerald said one reason for the intensive investigation was that the fire gained considerable headway before fire apparatus was called.

"Months ago we gave instructions to this company on what to do to prevent a fire. Later we made several calls and, of course today gave a further warning," the chief said.

Fitzgerald and Nehemiah Blackstock, treasurer, secretary and manager of the lumber company, later argued vigorously at the scene of the blaze about the failure of the company to heed the warning of inspectors and Blackstock was escorted from the scene by police.

Inspector E. Blaine Rossman set the value of the building at \$24,000 and lumber stored in one burned at \$345,000. An insurance company representative who watched the blaze said there was about \$200,000 worth of insurance covering the stock, divided among three companies.

Working with Fitzgerald on the investigation of the blaze was William A. Sullivan, state fire marshal and insurance commissioner.

FRANKLIN LEWIS TO LAST REWARD

Franklin P. Lewis, a resident of Jackson county for the past 19 years, passed away early Thursday morning at the age of 83. He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Lenia Maxfield and Mrs. May Beagle, Ashland; and three sons, Roy R. Lewis, Rogue River and Edward E. and Charles Lewis.

Services will be at the graveside in the I.O.O.F. cemetery, Medford, Saturday afternoon at 3. Arrangements are in care of the Conger Funeral parlors.

Redmond, Aug. 29.—(P) Wade Short, Redmond, has been named coordinator of defense work in the Redmond unit.

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SIX NICKED FOR TRAFFIC ERRORS

Odis O. Chambers, 67, Gold Hill star route, was fined \$1.50 and \$4.50 costs in justice of the peace court this morning when he pleaded guilty to driving a car without an operator's license.

Other cases of alleged traffic violations were to be brought into justice of the peace court this morning as the state police round-up continued. Cases disposed of yesterday afternoon were:

Earl M. Manley, 19, Tiller, \$1, no stop light on his logging truck; Edward L. Marshall, 26, route 4, \$1.50, no clearance lights on his truck; Richard D. Eccles, 18, Klamath Falls, \$1, defective muffler; M. C. Yarnell, 35, route 4, \$1, no horn; and Lewis Lean, 61, Ashland, \$1.50, no operator's license. In each case costs of \$4.50 also were assessed. All defendants pleaded guilty.

LITTLE GIRL IS STRUCK BY AUTO

Eva Thelma Shults, 6, of 530 South Central avenue suffered bruises and abrasions late Thursday afternoon when she was struck by an automobile operated by Hans Christian Thompson of route 4 at the corner of 13th street and South Central avenue, city police reported today.

Police said they learned the Thompson car, traveling north on South Central avenue, struck the girl with its right front bumper and fender as she ran off the northeast corner of the intersection in attempt to cross the street.

General Travel
McChord Field, Aug. 29.—(P)—Brig. Gen. Carlyle H. Wash, chief of the second interceptor command, will leave from here tomorrow for the army maneuvers in Louisiana.

AUTUMN WEATHER MAKES OUTINGS IN FOREST IDEAL

The following recreation bulletin was issued today by headquarters of Rogue River national forest, U. S. department of agriculture:

"The clear, warm days and cool, crisp nights of our first fall weather are here in the forest, making ideal opportunities for recreationists over the holiday week-end. Rains have put the roads in the best condition of the year; campgrounds are again dry and ready for use; and excellent visibility increases the pleasure of motor-ing."

"Persons traveling to Lake O' Woods will be pleased with the improvement of the Dead Indian road, now that graveling has been completed."

"The berries at Huckleberry mountain have been somewhat softened by the rain so that they will keep only two or three days after picking. They are still plentiful at a distance of one to two miles from the camp, experienced pickers getting five or six gallons a day. Good picking is also found at Huckleberry lake on the Umpqua divide. At Blue Rock and Lake O' Woods there are practically no berries left. The blackberries in the Applegate district have been slow in ripening and the crop will probably continue for several weeks."

"Fishing in the Seven Lakes basin continues good. At Hyatt lake bass are being taken with rainbow and jointed plugs and on airplane type spinners. At Rocky Point the big rainbow trout are rising to Andy Reekers and trout-orino flies. At Four-mile worms and eggs are bringing good catches of bluebacks. The only stream fishing in the forest this week is in Elliott creek and the middle fork of the Applegate, both in California."

"This is the ideal time of year to visit the forest lookout stations. In addition to Ashland mountain and Dutchman peak on the Ashland loop drive, there are also, within two hours' driving distance from Medford, the Tallowbox and Cinnabar lookouts in the Applegate district and Blue Rock in the Butte Falls district. You will be surprised at the scope of the view from any of these points and will be interested in having the lookout man help you identify points of interest."

"The rains of the past week have decreased the fire hazard but September will bring a return of hot, dry, clear weather and that means a sustained vigilance once more to keep the ghastly blight of forest fire down. We know we talk about this thing a lot but it's serious. Our most disastrous fires always come in the fall on this forest. So let's make a special effort this month to keep the timber safe."

WPA WORKERS IN COUNTY LAID OFF TO AID HARVEST

Forty-five of the 117 men working on the Medford municipal airport expansion and improvement project were taken off last night and this morning to help harvest the pear crop and the 35 men working on the Ashland high school grandstand project were taken off last night for the same reason, the WPA office here explained. These were the only WPA projects in operation in Jackson county.

The rest of the men and all the equipment are continuing on the airport project, the office said. While the airport project has been given priority, there is another rule that makes it necessary to take workers off WPA projects whenever private employment is available, one regulation offsetting the other. Both projects will be resumed full force as soon as the harvesting is over, the WPA office said.

Grants Pass, Aug. 29.—(P)—Competitive bidding for the services of hop pickers forced another increase in wages today when at least one yard announced payment of 2½ cents a pound for all hops picked there beginning today.

The highest offer Thursday

was two cents with half-a-cent bonus for those who remain for the rest of the season, now more than three weeks under way. Growers opened the season with joint announcement of 1½ cents with ½ cent bonus.

Word was received here that all WPA projects in neighboring Jackson county were shut down last night to relieve the shortage of Rogue River valley harvesters. All major WPA projects in Josephine county have been closed for several weeks.

Enlarged Maneuvers Seen
Seattle, Aug. 29.—(P)—Lieut. Gen. Delos C. Emmons, chief of the army air force combat command, said today that air war exercises—with bombers, pursuit planes and anti-aircraft guns in action—might be held on a continental scale next spring.

Air Cadets Examined
Portland, Aug. 29.—(P)—Candidates for aviation cadets in the army air corps were examined here today by a board headed by Major P. O. Brewer.

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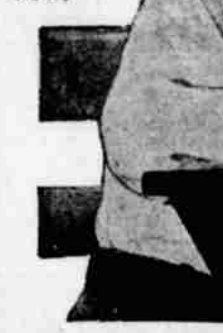
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