



MILLIONS OF DAMAGE is estimated loss by fire which swept Vancouver, B. C. waterfront "grain row." More than 400 firemen were on lines in this scene at United Grain Growers' terminal, largest structure destroyed by wind-fed flames. (International)

13-Year-Old Boy One of 16 Named For Hero Medals

Pittsburgh—(U.P.)—A 13-year-old boy was one of 16 persons from nine states honored by the Carnegie Hero Fund Commission for outstanding bravery in rescue attempts.

John H. Sherrod, 13, Washington, D. C., was one of the youngest award winners ever cited by the commission. Two of those honored lost their lives.

Saved Young Boy

Sherrod was credited with saving the life of a nine-year-old boy who had fallen into the South River at Edgewater, Md., last July 22.

Also presented with bronze medals were:

A young Illinois farmer who beat off a hunger-crazed tiger with an automobile drive shaft and saved a man's life, a Philadelphia man who disregarded his own safety to rescue two fellow workers from a deadly sulphuric acid spray, and three Pittsburgh men who dragged two injured women from an explosion-charred building.

Family Refuses To Allow Transfusion for Daughter

Odessa, Tex. — (U.P.) — The scripture-quoting family of a critically injured 20-year-old girl defied a court order, blocked her hospital room and refused to permit a doctor to administer a blood transfusion Saturday which could mean her life.

They quoted from the Old Testament, Leviticus 17:10-12: "... you that eateth any manner of blood; I will even set my face against that soul... and will cut him off from among his people..."

Hurt in Auto Crash

Inside the hospital room lay Marie Oliff. She has been there since Sunday when she suffered a compound skull fracture, fractured right pelvis, dislocated right hip and fractured leg in a head-on automobile crash.

A weary and angry doctor, who refused the use of his name, "reluctantly" remained at her side.

The girl's family refused to release the physician from the case because no other doctor will take it. Consented to Transfusion Marie's father, William Oliff, one of the three militant members of her family guarding the

hospital door, consented to a blood transfusion that saved her life when she was first brought to the Medical Center hospital at Odessa from the accident scene in a state of extreme shock.

"We gave her two pints of blood at the time," her doctor said. "It saved her life, I feel."

"At the time, her father was quite willing for her to have the blood; he went out and got a donor, in fact."

Changed His Mind

"He since has changed his mind," the physician added.

Marie "is holding her own fairly well," but her hemoglobin has dropped to 64 per cent of normal.

"I have reason to believe she is developing pneumonia," the doctor said. If she does, he said, she has a slim chance for survival in her present condition.

Ships are designed generally so that they will right themselves after a list, or tilt, of somewhat less than 90 degrees. There are cases on record where they have listed even more than 90 degrees and recovered.

Business Machine Firm Opens Bigger Office

Alan Jewett of Business Machines company has announced the opening Monday of an enlarged office machine sales and service store at 16 South Bartlett street.

The store will feature sales and service of Dictaphone dictating machines and will do repair and overhauling on all makes of typewriters and adding machines.

Jewett has been in the office machine business in Medford for 13 years. For the past year he has been sales representative for the Dictaphone corporation, covering southern Oregon and northern California. His office has been at 14 South Bartlett street. He will continue as representative in the new location.

Previous to opening the Bartlett street office, Jewett was foreman for the Remington Rand sales agent here, gaining training on all Remington machines. He also spent four years as a mechanic for the Underwood corporation, acquiring training on typewriters of that make and on Sundstrand adding machines.

HE WAS ROBBED Melbourne, Australia—(U.P.) Things are tough in this Australian port city, a Moslem seaman discovered. Watched by a fascinated

crowd, the seaman stopped in a downtown street, faced Mecca, removed his shoes and knelt to pray. When he got up someone had stolen his shoes.

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Mars Again Brilliant

By J. HUGH PRUETT
Astronomer, Extension Division
Oregon Higher Education System
A high school boy who recently interviewed me wrote in an essay for his journalism class, "Almost always when Dr. Pruettt writes on Mars, the god of war, somebody gets mad." Restraint of temper is urgently requested in case you care to read what follows here.

The planet Mars is now a brilliant object, and tonight will be rising in the east southeast approximately 1½ hours after sunset. By May 8, it will be at its nearest approach to us, a distance of almost 52 million miles, and will be rising shortly after sunset. It is decidedly red and non-winking.

Once in Two Years
Once in a little over two years Mars gets relatively so near to us that it is very brilliant. But only once in 15 to 17 years are these "approaches" at their least distance. In 1939 our warlike planet was only 36 million miles from us and in 1941 38 million miles. It was then as bright as Jupiter, or about 2½ times brighter than it will appear this year. The next very close approach will occur in 1956.

The diameter of Mars is only about one-half that of the earth; its average distance from the sun, 1½ times ours; its year 22½ of our months; and its day 24½ terrestrial hours. Small telescopes show the polar snow caps, the large blue-green sections which are generally thought to indicate vegetation, and the redish desert areas.

The so-called canals of Mars

cause endless controversy. Some astronomers have never seen them even though the largest telescopes; others, using smaller instruments, claim to detect them clearly at moments of "best seeing." Dr. Edison Pettit of Mt. Wilson in 1939 studied the red planet carefully through 6-inch and 20-inch telescopes and mapped 40 of these fine lines. Dr. H. N. Russell of Princeton has written that "there is now no doubt regarding the real existence of these finer details, but the drawings and descriptions of them by different observers are remarkably discordant."

Elaborate Network Shown
The late Dr. Percival Lowell and his followers claimed the surface of the planet showed an elaborate network of fine lines. These they interpreted as artificial ditches constructed by intelligent beings to carry water from the spring-melting of the polar snow caps to equatorial regions and "way points." Or more probably they could be wide stretches of vegetation on both sides of the canals.

Many others agree there are multitudes of dark lines visible at times, but they are not certain they have regular forms, so decidedly do not favor Lowell's interpretations. Some go so far as to assert there is no indication of these lines and that belief in them is purely a "figment of the imagination."

Whatever the facts, we can enjoy the splendor of this ruddy planet in our spring skies.

Dead line Sunday Classifieds at noon Saturdays

Insurance Agency Observing Birthday

Medford housewives were getting their milk from a buggy operated by John Snider's father and mother when the R. A. Holmes Insurance Agency was founded April 9, 1909, according to Cole Holmes. The agency was started by his father, R. A. Holmes.

The Holmes agency, which is celebrating the beginning of its 44th year in business in Medford, is still owned and operated by members of the Holmes family, Mrs. R. A. Holmes and Mr. and Mrs. Cole Holmes. Mrs. R. A. Holmes, the wife of the founder, still takes an active interest in the business.

The firm was started on the second floor of what is now Mann's Department store. The office was about where Mann's elevator is now located. It was later moved to the Jackson County Bank building.

It is now located at 116 South Central avenue and employs five people. Cole Holmes entered the business in April, 1920. The owners of the pioneer firm have never deviated from the policy of the founder which was to sell insurance only, he said.

Portland (U.P.)—Portland State defeated Lewis & Clark 8-3 in a baseball game here Friday. It was the Vikings' second victory over the Pioneers this season.

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