

United Front Is Urged for Flood Control Measures

Grants Pass — F. I. Bristol of Rogue River told the Rogue Basin Flood Control and Water Resources Association Wednesday, residents of the basin should provide a united front to obtain flood control measures.

Bristol recently returned from Washington, D.C., where he conferred with representatives of Army engineers, and the interior department.

He said it was the general consensus of opinion that the entire basin present a united front and send a delegation to Washington, D.C., advocating flood control. He told the association that residents are urged to write congressmen relating individual flood damage information along with photographs if possible.

Letters from Morse

Bill Bert, representing Sen. Wayne Morse, who was unable to attend the meeting because of business in Washington, read communications from Senator Morse. One was a statement made to the appropriations committee for funds to be made available to Army engineers and the bureau of reclamation to make a comprehensive survey of the basin.

Also at the meeting, articles of incorporation were signed by directors present. The next meeting was scheduled for 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 15, in Rogue River.

Boy Kills Father For Refusal of Car

Minneapolis, Minn. — (U.P.)—Michael Abbott, 14, killed his father with a rifle shot last night because he wouldn't let him use the family car.

The boy gunned his architect father, Loren, 44, in the kitchen of their suburban Edwina home, police said. Then he smashed his father's rifle against the floor, breaking the stock, and went to his room to await police.

Officers said the eighth grade student told them "I was tired of being scolded."

Michael went into a frenzy when his father refused to let him drive the family car because he was too young, police said.

He smashed all the windows in his room and then raged into his father's room and grabbed the rifle.

When his mother and two brothers saw him coming with the gun, they started to flee to the basement. They were still on the basement stairs when Michael leveled the rifle at his father from six feet away and shot him, police said.

Playground Area Fight Goes To Court

New York — (U.P.)—A brigade of mothers dried their eyes and went into Supreme Court today for a legal fight to keep a grassy play area in Central Park from being turned into an asphalt parking lot.

The mothers moved their baby carriage battle lines from the play area to the courts Thursday and gained a temporary victory.

Work on the parking lot was ordered stopped. Bulldozers and construction crews abandoned their work after the tearful mothers went before Justice William C. Hecht Jr. to seek a temporary injunction to preserve the play area.

Opposition attorney John P. McGrath promised Hecht that no more work would be done on the parking lot until the whole matter was decided in court.

The mothers' case is based on an 1853 decree which said "no encroachments would be tolerated," in the then brand-new park.

Springfield Man Dies in House Fire

Springfield, Ore. — (U.P.)—Orville Fandrem, 54, died in flames that destroyed his one-room home on South Second st. here yesterday.

Fire Chief Harry Krieger said the cause of the fire had not been determined.

A neighbor, Mrs. Edith Rogers, saw the blaze about 3 p.m. First she tried to get through the door to aid Fandrem but the flames were too fierce. She ran to a neighbor's house to summon firemen, but by the time they arrived the small house was engulfed in flames.

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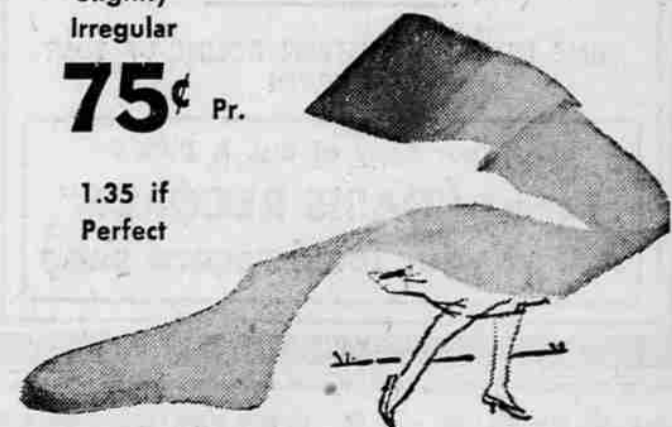
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