

HORN BROOK Stud Mill Damaged By Fire

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Hornbrook—The C and B stud mill, located just off the road between Barnum's Ranch and old Highway 99 was partially destroyed by fire Thursday afternoon about 3:30 p.m.
Damage to the mill, which had been in operation only about one month, was estimated at 50 per cent. There was reported to be no insurance.
Cause of the fire was not known definitely, but it was presumed to have been started when sparks from near-by smoldering sawdust were fanned into flames by the heavy winds which have blown over the valley for the past 24 hours.
Owners of the mill are Harold Brewald of Medford, and Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Barnes of Central Point, Ore.

Mrs. L. J. Rohrer of Eagle Point, Ore., and Will Hansen of Brownboro, Ore., visited their sister, Mrs. Minnie Bloomingcamp last weekend. They also called on Mrs. Florence Grieve and Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Tyrer. Mrs. Tyrer is a sister of Hanson's late wife, Susie.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Burns had all four of their children and their families together for a reunion last weekend.

Home for the get-together were Mr. and Mrs. Lester Spearin and two sons of Anderson, Calif., Mr. and Mrs. Herb Stickney and two daughters of Belmont, Calif., Mr. and Mrs. Dan Burns and son of San Mateo, Calif., and Mr. and Mrs. Leland Stickney of Medford.

The Spearins also visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Spearin, the Stickneys, their parents, and Mr. and Mrs. Vic Van de Weghe of Hills.

Friends of long standing, Mr. and Mrs. Mel Butterfield, of Oakland, Calif., have been visiting the past ten days with Mrs. Mary Cardoza.

Leonard and Ermin Bear visited last weekend in Salem, Ore., with their brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. James Mendenhall.

The Auction Bridge club was entertained Wednesday afternoon by Mrs. John Griffin at her home. Members playing, following a dessert luncheon, were Mrs. Bertha Bradley who held high score, Mrs. Frank Ohlund, Mrs. Grace Quigley, Mrs. Will Rogers of Klamath river, Mrs. Lester Nye, and Mrs. Marshall Horn. Mrs. Griffin held second high.

The Misses Kate and Maggie Bailey, who ave been at the

Vessels Collide In Panama Canal

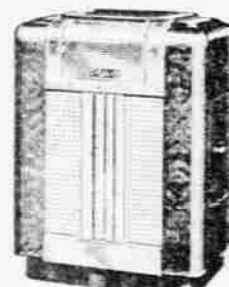
Panama City — Panama Canal officials scheduled an inquiry Friday into the collision of a British passenger liner and an American freighter in the canal.
The 21,867-ton Rangitane, bound for New Zealand with 415 persons aboard, and the 7,606-ton Hawaiian Tourist, collided near North Gamboa during a blinding rain squall Thursday.
There were no reports of injuries.

The Hawaiian Tourist, owned by the Matson Navigation Co. of San Francisco, ran aground after the collision but was refloated two hours later. She was en route to Atlantic coast ports.

FIRES HIT AUSTRALIA
Sydney, Australia — All open fires were banned in New South Wales Friday in an effort to stem the area's worst brush fires in 35 years. One little girl has been fatally burned, at least 17 homes, a factory and a school destroyed, and more than 2,000 square miles of grazing land scorched by the fires fanned by high winds.

Hillsboro — Mrs. Emma C. McKinney, co-publisher of the Hillsboro Argus, is hospitalized at Tuality Community hospital here with a fractured hip.

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Confessed Poisoner Dies in Prison Chair

Montgomery, Ala. — Mrs. Rhonda Bell Martin, 51, who confessed feeding lethal doses of arsenic to six members of her family, died in the electric chair at Alabama's Kilby prison Friday.

She was the second white woman to be put to death in the state.

The husky former waitress was executed for the poisoning of her fourth husband, Claude Martin, who died in April of 1951. But she also admitted taking the lives of her second husband, her mother and her three daughters.

Eight months after Martin's death she married his son, Ronald Martin, 28—who now is a hopeless cripple from arsenic she administered in an effort to kill him also.

The red-haired Mrs. Martin died clutching a Bible in her left hand.

FARM ANIMALS

Chicago — Cattle are grown on almost five million of the more than six million farms in the United States, according to the American Meat Institute. Hogs are grown on nearly four million farms, sheep on about 600,000 farms.

The Hollywood Scene

Hollywood — Movieland was at its shining best last week when Jerry Lewis rounded up a group of TV stars to help celebrate the ninth birthday of "Little Boy Blue," who is dying of muscular dystrophy in a Massachusetts sanatorium.

But the story behind Lewis' attempt to cheer the stricken youngster on his last birthday is as heartwarming as the show he put on.

UP Story Has Reaction

United Press set off a chain reaction when it ran a story from Boston last week telling about the lonesome boy who, for four months, had no visitors or mail. "Francis X." as he is called by the nurses, was alone in the world. His father is in prison for killing his mother.

The story came to Jerry's attention. The comedian decided to put together a closed circuit TV program for Francis Lewis heads the muscular dystrophy campaign each year.

First he called David Sarnoff, boss man of NBC-TV and RCA in New York. Sarnoff agreed to provide the cable time for the project. Next Jerry began lining

up talent for the 45-minute show.
In less than 12 hours he corralled Eddie Fisher and George Gobel—both of whom were rehearsing for their own network shows.

The word went out. Dinah Shore, also busy getting together a show of her own, volunteered to sing a song, as did Mary Costa, Eddie Cantor joined the rush, and Jerry had a major production on his hands.

Gets More Time

He asked Sarnoff for another half-hour of time—and got it. Then Hugh O'Brian (TV's Wyatt Earp) agreed to say hello to Francis and demonstrate his fancy gun twirling.

Talullah Bankhead, sophisticated and blasé, asked if she could help, too. Jerry thanked her, but said Francis was a little young for her brand of entertaining. Talullah, near tears, departed.

Disney Chips in

The show's success was insured when Disney's Mouseketeers rushed over before their own shows to entertain young Francis.

Pinky Lee, an old trouper at entertaining small fry, donned his crazy cap and checked coat to dance and prance for "Little Boy Blue" and his friends and the sanatorium. An 18-piece

Gideons Set Medford As Convention City

Roseburg — Medford was selected as the site for the 1958 convention of the Oregon Gideons at the climax of the 1957 convention here last week.

The 1957 convention, which listed about 150 registered representatives selected Ralph Arensmeier, who was vice president last year, succeeds William B. McCallum of Medford. Don Myers, Roseburg, was named secretary.

Mrs. F. A. Monroe of Medford was reelected president of the auxiliary at the convention.

The final convention meeting was held with a no-host luncheon. Mrs. Clarence Haan, Gideons international auxiliary president, spoke at the final meeting. Mrs. Clarence Holdridge of Medford presented a solo at the luncheon.

band provided the music. Unions, management, technicians, producers, big shots and "little people" donated time and money to the "party." And it was a pip.

After it was over Lewis, perspiring from his efforts, thanked his co-workers. He said "It's awfully difficult to be funny with a lump in your throat. But it's a birthday party none of us will ever forget."

Magicians Plan Two Performances in City

The "Great Virgil and Julie, Sweetheart of Magic" will present a performance in the Medford High school auditorium Nov. 4 under the sponsorship of

the Medford Junior Chamber of Commerce.

The show, "Evening of Enchantment," has been presented on a world tour by the couple. A five-year world tour was recently completed.

Julie, Virgil's lady, takes part in all important scenes and also presents her "Mysteries of the Mind." In the act she demonstrates the possibility of telepathy by calling members of the audience by initials or names and reading thoughts.

In addition to the Monday evening performance the couple plans a matinee for high school students. Tickets are available from Jaycee members and will be sold at the box office.

FARM WAGES RISE

Washington — Wages of farm laborers rose to an average of 73.7 cents an hour Oct. 1, the Agriculture Department reported Thursday. It was a record high for the date and 2.1 cents above the average for Oct. 1, 1956. A department farm labor report indicated wages of hired farm hands since the 1910-14 period have risen more than twice as much as the prices farmers received for crops and livestock.

London — Arthur L. Cranfield, 65, editor of the London Star, died Wednesday.

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