

# TWIN BLAZES SCORCH LA AREA

The Beauties of Scenic Oregon

(Oregon State Highway Commission Photo)



A solitary tree, topping a rocky dome, identifies Fogarty Creek State park 16 miles north of Newport.



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### Fighters Stop Spread of Fires In Settled Area

#### Buildings on Austry Ranch Destroyed

Los Angeles (UPI)—About 1,300 fire fighters, assisted by bulldozers and borate bombers, fought a massive holding action today against two giant brush blazes and prevented them from joining and spreading to more inhabited areas. The two blazes, which started Tuesday afternoon almost simultaneously, charred more than 16,500 acres by 9 a.m. (PDT) today, destroying a \$100,000 clinical building at Olive View sanatorium and some 30 ranch buildings including most of cowboy singer Gene Autry's famed Melody Ranch, scene of many movie and television films. The fires were 30 miles north of downtown Los Angeles.

#### Fighters Hurt

Six fire fighters suffered minor injuries such as sprained ankles and slight burns but no serious cases were reported.

Perimeters of the two fires one in the Newhall-Placita Canyon area and the other in the Castaic-Hasley Canyon area were only four miles apart but there seemed no immediate danger of a junction. A county fire department spokesman pointed out that the blazes were separated by U.S. 99, a four-lane highway, and added, "Unless things really go bad, I don't think there's a possibility of the fires joining." The perimeter of the Newhall fire was about 27 miles and the Castaic blaze encompassed a 25 mile perimeter. Bulldozers and men using shovels and sacks were concentrated on the southern edge of the Castaic blaze and set up fire breaks which averted a threat to suburban Chatsworth.

Hottest spot in the blaze during the night was at the east end of the Newhall blaze and around Los Pinos Peak.

### Soviets Propose Cut-Off Deadline For Nuclear Tests

Geneva (UPI)—The Soviet Union said today it is willing to accept Jan. 1 as a cut-off date for all nuclear tests pending agreement on a foolproof nuclear test ban treaty. Western sources said the plan was unacceptable.

Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Vassili Kuznetsov apparently made a slip of the tongue when he first told the 17-nation Disarmament Conference that Russia would accept Nov. 1 as a cut-off date.

He told newsmen after the 76th plenary session that he had not used the word November. He said he had been referring to an earlier Mexican proposal that Jan. 1 be set as a cut-off date.

But Russian-speaking members of Western delegations said they distinctly heard the word "around Nov. 1" in the first, and the official United Nations translators also interpreted Kuznetsov's words that way.

While admitting that Kuznetsov's tongue may have slipped, Western sources noted that the current series of Soviet nuclear tests end around Nov. 1. But they added that the whole question of a cut-off remains academic since the West will not accept one without iron-clad controls against cheating.

### Eagle Point Boy, Said Missing, Found

A 13-year-old Eagle Point area boy reported a runaway and missing Tuesday night was found early this morning on Butte creek, according to the Jackson county sheriff's office. After an all-night search by sheriff's deputies and Eagle Point police an unidentified man called the sheriff's office to say the boy had been found early this morning.

The missing boy, David Stockton, Avenue A, White City, left his parents a note about noon Tuesday saying he was running away. An Eagle Point youngster gave an unconfirmed report later saying he had spotted the missing youth on his bicycle in Eagle Point about 1 p.m. Tuesday.

## Fire Levels Eugene Market

### Store Loss Set At \$750,000; No Injuries Listed

#### Blaze Preceded By Loud Explosion

Eugene—A supermarket and a restaurant in the same building were completely destroyed in a general alarm fire here Tuesday night.

Flames engulfed McKay's "Big Y" supermarket within minutes after an explosion about 8 p.m. McKay's District Manager Michael Koza said the loss in the store alone would be three-quarters of a million dollars.

About two dozen customers and about 10 employees were evacuated safely.

Koza said he was working in his office on the mezzanine when he heard "a loud poof," and a cloud of black smoke filled the main level of the store.

Koza was unable to make his way through the smoke, so he returned to his office, broke out a heavy plate glass window into another department and jumped about 10 feet to the main floor where he sounded the alarm. He suffered a sprained ankle and a cut hand.

Fire Chief E. L. Smith said the cause was undetermined, but the fire apparently started in an attic. All available equipment from Eugene and several volunteer fire companies from nearby areas fought the fire.

M. O. Bessonet, Medford contractor who held the lease on the Eugene Big-Y Market, was unavailable today and it was presumed he had gone to Eugene.

The building was owned by a Eugene business man and was leased to Bessonet, who in turn leased the building to the McKay store chain in Eugene, according to local Big-Y officials.

At one time the Eugene Big-Y was under the same ownership as the Medford Big-Y, the Oakdale market and the Eastside market.



BURNS TOWARD TOWN — This aerial photo shows the town of Sylmar, Calif., as Tuesday. The fire so far has burned more than 5,000 acres north of here. (UPI) an out-of-control brush fire burns toward

### Talent Residents To Vote Thursday On Water Bonds

Talent residents Thursday will vote on a proposal to authorize bonded indebtedness of up to \$185,000 for water improvement bonds.

Voting will be in the Talent city hall between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. City officials have asked that all registered voters in Talent turn out for the election in the interest of city development.

A sample ballot reads: "Shall the charter of the City of Talent be amended to authorize the enlargement and improvement of the city's water system, the issuance of general obligation bonds in an amount of not to exceed \$185,000 to pay for the system, exempting said bonds from all debt limitations and providing for a tax levy to pay such bonds."

The amendment to the city charter is being submitted by the city council.

Talent's present water supply is from wells. Because of increasing use of water by consumers and an increase in the number of consumers, the wells have become inadequate to meet the city's needs, according to city officials.

The proposed plan calls for constructing facilities to take water out of Wagner creek, purify it and deliver it to homes in the Talent area.

### Boy Treated for Hand Burns After Rescue

Herman Ore Cannon, 12-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman C. Cannon, 2388 Howard ave., Medford, was treated and released at Sacred Heart hospital Tuesday afternoon for burns on his hands suffered when he rescued a pet goat from the vicinity of a burning building at the residence.

According to the Medford fire department, the boy was attempting to burn a wasp's nest off the side of a workshop at 2388 Howard ave. The fire got out of control, and destroyed the workshop. Also damaged were the north wall and roof of an adjacent garage.

### SPRAGUE RE-APPOINTED

Salem (UPI)—Ex Gov. Charles A. Sprague was re-appointed chairman of the O and C Lands Advisory Committee for the Bureau of Land Management here Tuesday. He has been chairman 14 years.

### Union Fight Likely Over Endorsement Of Gov. Hatfield

Salem, Ore. (UPI)—A floor fight over AFL-CIO endorsement of Gov. Mark Hatfield for reelection shaped up today in the state labor convention here.

The height of the battle likely will come Thursday afternoon when the AFL-CIO executive board reveals its recommendations—made in private a few days ago—to delegates.

It's almost certain that Hatfield's name will be among the blessed candidates.

Opposition to the idea already is coming from many sides.

Three proposed resolutions

Fluoridation To Be On Ashland Ballot

Ashland—Ashland voters will again be faced with the question of fluoridation of city water when they go to the polls in November.

Petitions bearing 789 signatures were filed with the city recorder's office before the Tuesday deadline. Required to put the measure on the ballot are the signatures of 532 registered voters.

Five candidates will contest for three vacancies on the city council. Arthur M. Peters, David Kerr and Donald Lewis, incumbents, and former councilman Glenn Revel and George L. Jones are seeking office.

There will be no contest for city recorder or city treasurer. Both W. E. Bartlett and E. E. McLaughlin have filed for reelection.

The three park board commissioners, Archie Fries Jr., Jean Eberhard and John Colton, also will be without competition.

### ESCAPEES CAUGHT

Salem (UPI)—Two inmates who fled MacLaren School for Boys Tuesday were caught by state police in Aurora early today.

### Bulletin

Washington (UPI)—President Kennedy today announced the retirement of Supreme Court Justice Felix Frankfurter and the selection of Labor Secretary Arthur J. Goldberg to replace him.

### Italian Consul to Be Representative At Alba Ceremony

The government of Italy will be officially represented at Saturday's observance of Alba Day in Medford.

Dio DiGregorio, Italian consul of Oregon, together with about 30 members of the Italian Businessmen's club in Portland, will fly to Medford Saturday to participate in the several events that have been planned.

Heading the list of activities for the day will be the official dedication of a city park, now known as Maple Grove park, as "Parco d'Alba" or Park of Alba.

Ceremonies Are Set

Dedication ceremonies are scheduled to begin at 2 p.m. in the park, which is located at Stewart ave. and Barnett rd.

William Mansfield, Medford city attorney, will act as master of ceremonies for the event.

All interested persons are invited to attend the dedication ceremonies, as well as the no-host luncheon at North's Chuck Wagon, 1016 North Riverside ave., at noon.

At its last meeting, the Medford city council passed a resolution calling for the renaming of Maple Grove park Alba, Italy, earlier renamed one of its major streets after Medford.

Medford and Alba affiliated as sister cities about two years ago.

By United Press International

Sea-born weather violence plucked parts of the East and Dixie today.

A tornado cut a path of death and destruction through the southern Louisiana coastal town of Cameron Tuesday night. Two persons were reported killed and 15 to 20 others injured by the twister, which smashed houses and trailers and knocked out most communications except radio.

The tornado was believed part of a general weather disturbance in the gulf.

### Caretaker Planned At Emigrant Lake

A caretaker will be established at Emigrant lake as soon as a trailer site can be prepared for him, County Parks and Recreation Director Neil Ledward said today.

James E. Hutchinson, caretaker, will enforce new closure hours at Emigrant as soon as the camping season is over, Ledward said.

The recreation area will be closed at dark and the morning opening will depend on recreational use, Ledward explained.

"We hope this will stop the beer parties held at the lake last year," Ledward said. "A number of cut feet have been reported from broken beer bottles tossed into the water near the shore Monday, a crew gathered two boxes full of the broken bottles."

### FUNDS ALLOCATED

A total of \$1,270,000 of Hill-Burton Act funds was allocated to Sacred Heart hospitals in Medford and Eugene, according to the Oregon state board of health. The Medford hospital must meet its \$623,000 share with \$1,246,000, the board said. Shown above is the architect's drawing of the new Sacred Heart hospital

### WEATHER

FORECAST: Generally fair and mild through Thursday with afternoon northwesterly winds to 20 miles per hour. Low Friday 45, high Friday 48.

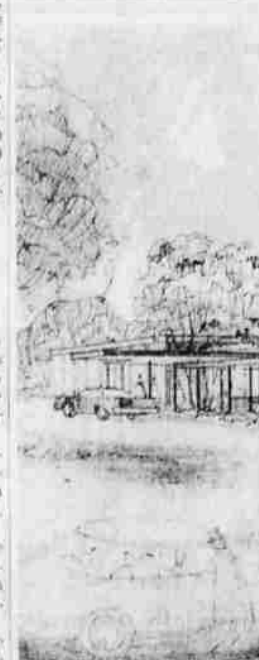
Highest Yesterday 45  
Lowest This Morning 45

### Sun Skies Tonight

Sunset today 6:57 p.m.  
Sunrise tomorrow 5:34 a.m.  
New Moon tonight 2:09 p.m.

### PROMINENT STARS

Vega, high overhead 8:17 p.m.  
Jupiter, in the south-east 8:25 p.m.  
Saturn, due south 10:13 p.m.  
Mars, high in east 1:55 a.m.



## NEWS BRIEFS

SHOOTING BREAKS OUT IN ALGERIA  
Algiers, Algeria (UPI)—Shooting broke out in the Casbah and several other parts of Algiers today as rival Algerian groups maneuvered for control of the country with threats of civil war.

The shooting plunged this tense Algerian capital into confusion. The gunshots appeared to have been exchanged first between Algerian army soldiers in the Casbah.

SOBLEN TAKES CASE TO COURT  
London (UPI)—Convicted Soviet spy Dr. Robert A. Soblen today took his fight to escape a life prison term in the United States before Britain's Court of Appeal.

XIS BLAZES THROUGH HOT TEST  
Edwards AFB, Calif. (UPI)—Temperatures up to 1,100 degrees Fahrenheit played a fiery game on the XIS's special metal alloy skin today as Air Force Maj. Bob Rushworth blasted the rocket ship through one of its hottest heat tests.