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11-Day State Fair Planned Next Year

Salem—(UPI)—Plans for an 11-day state fair next year were tentatively adopted at a meeting Wednesday of the state fair board.

The 11-day fair, instead of the nine-day event approved last week by the board, will get a final stamp of approval "If it harmonizes with county fairs, 4-H and Future Farmer dates," fair officials said.

At a commission meeting last week a nine-day fair from Sept. 4-12 was scheduled for next year.

Fair Manager Howard Maple said several school districts pointed out the dates would conflict with the opening of school.

Proposed new dates for the 1964 fair are Aug. 28 through Sept. 7.

Attendance at this year's fair is running ahead of last year. As of Wednesday night 225,505 had attended the fair, compared with 210,123 for the same period last year.

Today is Kiddies' day at the fair, with free admission for youngsters and reduced prices on gayways and concessions. Also slated today is the annual needle in the haystack hunt for youngsters 12 and under.

Animals Cause Many Mishaps

Chicago—(UPI)—Bears and other animals have been hunted to near extinction in this country. But the animal kingdom continues to cause humans a surprising amount of trouble, the Journal of American Insurance reports.

In one incident, a farm boy took a shot at a sparrow perched on the wheel of a farm wagon and managed to demolish the wagon, damage nearby stores and factories, break windows in 600 homes and knock down power lines serving the entire area. The wagon contained 300 pounds of dynamite.

Birds also have figured in even more tragic mishaps, including two airplane crashes.

A large whistling swan is believed to have caused the fatal plunge of a United Air lines Viscount near Elliott City, Mr., last November. All 17 persons aboard were killed. The swan collided with the plane's tail assembly and damaged a vital stabilizer.

Three years ago, an Eastern Air lines Electra crashed at Boston after large numbers of starlings were drawn into the air intakes of its turboprop engines. Sixty persons died in that mishap.

British Columbia Shipments Increase

Portland—(UPI)—British Columbia lumbermen shipped nearly twice as much lumber to markets than did the western U.S. states during July.

The Pacific Lumber Inspection Bureau said Wednesday B.C. lumber companies shipped 173.7 million board feet, compared with 98 million board feet from Oregon, Washington and California.

Approximately one-half of the Canadian shipments went to the United States' Atlantic Coast. The Pacific Northwest lumber strike cut heavily into American shipments, the bureau said.

During the first seven months of 1963, British Columbia mills shipped 648 million board feet to the Atlantic Coast. The three western states shipped 277 million board feet. Shipments to Puerto Rico totalled 6.4 million from the U.S. and 42 million from British Columbia.

Father, Son Lost Off Humboldt Coast

Eureka, Calif.—(UPI)—A Sacramento man and his son were missing and presumed drowned after their outboard motorboat capsized in heavy breakers off the coast near here Wednesday, the Humboldt county sheriff's office reported.

The victims were identified as Roy E. Knight, 43, and Michael Knight, 12. They had been fishing with another son, Gary, 16, and a family friend, George Savage, 16, also from Sacramento, when the accident occurred. The latter two made their way to shore.

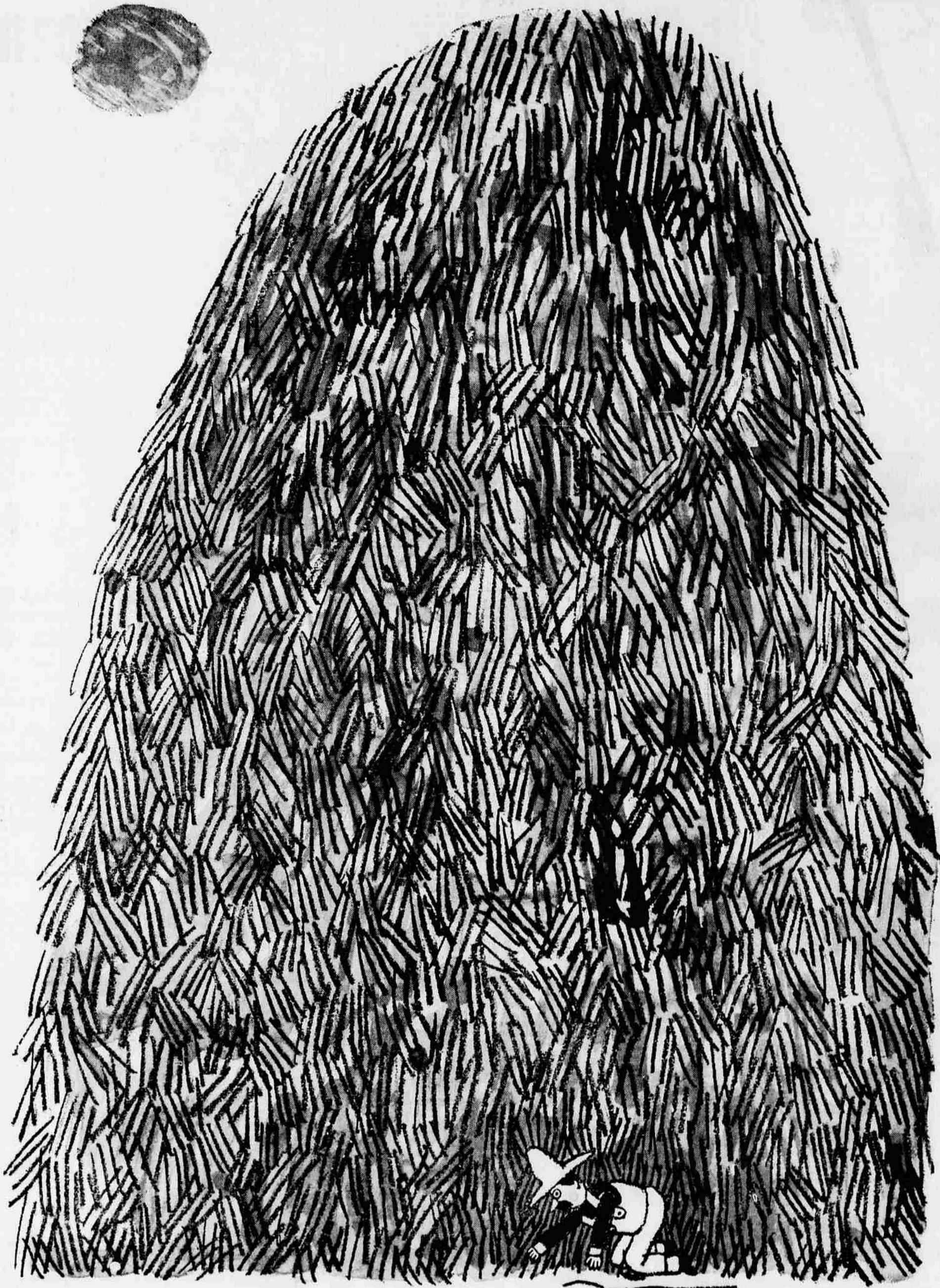
The accident occurred near Clam Beach, about 20 miles north of Eureka.

Strikebreakers Declared Hired

Salem—(UPI)—Local 280 of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers charged Wednesday that Gould National Battery, Inc., is hiring out-of-state strikebreakers at its plant here.

A plant official said that about 10 non-union workers have been hired in the past month and are being trained to keep production going.

About 50 electrical workers struck the plant in Salem and in 14 other cities July 2. Negotiations on a national scale broke off Aug. 10.



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