

FIRE WEATHER IMPROVES IN WESTERN AREA

PORTLAND, Aug. 21 (AP)—Fire conditions in western Oregon continued to improve today, as the humidity rose and the steady weather prevailed on the coast.

The favorable weather conditions gave hope to the more than 6000 fire fighters who have doggedly fought against the flames for more than a week.

The Meadow lake area, 16 miles northwest of McMinnville and the Mt. Hood national forest were the hottest spots in the state.

A huge stand of virgin timber in the Clackamas river watershed of the western Cascades was being menaced by the Mt. Hood blaze and crews of workmen were engaged to stem the flames' march.

In the meadow lake area, fire fighters were fighting against spread of the flames into several sections of government-owned timber outside the Stiuslaw national forest.

The huge Tillamook blaze, largest in the nation, in the coast range between Forest Grove and Tillamook, crawled within six and a half miles of the city of Tillamook at one point.

Fire lines have not been completed around the Eagle creek fire in the Clifton district, but it was virtually under control.

The 13,000-acre fire in the Columbia national forest, 30 miles north and east of Stevenson, Wash., was under control.

Flames from the Oregon-American fire near Elsie, on the new Wolf Creek highway, were moving toward the Markham operations on Sweet Home creek. No damage was reported.

An unidentified man was injured fighting the blaze in the hillside a half mile back of La Grande in eastern Oregon. The city was not in danger as the wind was blowing the fire away.

A firebug was blamed for a blaze that burned along the Toulte river, about 25 miles northeast of Longview, Wash. About 400 acres were burned. CCC youths saved several homes from burning Sunday.

Fred Southwick, supervising warden of the Douglas Forest Protective association, said a firebug was operating in the Paradise creek area near Elkton, in southern Oregon. A fire along a two-mile front was brought under control, but new fires burned in several sections.

Smoke continued to blot out the sun in many sections of the state, making lights necessary before noon.

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Man, The Pessimist

By EARL WHITLOCK

In all the world, man is the only creature who is thoroughly and permanently discouraged and disgruntled.

The birds awake every morning to pour their throbbing song of joy into the dawn breeze. Your dog starts the day by frisking exuberantly across the dew-dampened lawn and races in circles in eager gaiety. The colts and calves in the pasture lot, romp across the soft turf in frolic. All life is happy—excepting only man.

He refuses to see the promise of the new day, shuts his eyes to the beauty and gladness that everywhere surround him and glowers at the silvering eastern sky in fear of what the coming day may bring forth. Only man is so ridden with present dissatisfaction that he cannot allow himself to feel sure of the future.

He looks backward, grumblingly, to what he thinks were better times, instead of looking forward confidently to times better still. He forgets that he thought himself into every trouble that is bothering him and that, consequently, he can, if he will, think himself out of them.

Next Monday Mr. Whitlock of the Earl Whitlock Funeral Home will comment on "Something About Atmosphere."

AGED MAN ADMITS SELLING LIQUOR TO INDIAN HERE

Jose R. Ritter, 70, for more than 48 years a resident of Klamath county, is in the city jail serving a 60-day sentence and \$100 fine when he entered a plea of guilty to the charge of selling liquor to Indians.

The aged resident, who had long been on relief, is alleged to have given a silver dollar to one person who purchased a bottle of whiskey for him. Ritter, in turn, is said to have given the whiskey to an Indian in a service station toilet.

Jack Kuhn, 22, Klamath Falls, was sentenced to \$100 and 60 days in the city jail when he entered a plea of guilty to the charge of drunk driving. Kuhn was also fined \$5 or two and a half days in the city jail on a no-operator's charge. His driver's license was suspended for a period of one year.

W. H. Miller, 81, posted \$5 bail when he was arrested by city police on a no-operator's charge. He was scheduled to appear Monday night at 7:30 o'clock.

E. E. Berg of Algona forfeited \$5 bail on a no-operator's charge.

Howard O. Dodson, charged with disorderly conduct at Fifth and Main streets Saturday night, forfeited \$5 bail.

Stanley Griffin, 19, who gave his address as Reeding, was in the city jail in violation of the city peddler's ordinance.

The city's coffers were enriched by \$7.50 when traffic ticket holders appeared at the desk sergeant's window Monday morning.

In addition eight drunks appeared for sentence before Police Judge Carl K. Cook in Monday morning's court.

TWO FATALLY HURT AS CARS CRASH HEADON

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and ankle is torn away, according to hospital attendants. The younger Mrs. Amens has bad bruises and is suffering from shock, although she will be able to return to her home within a short time.

According to Duane Amens, driver of the car, the three were en route on a vacation trip to The Dalles at the time of the crash. Amens reported his car was hit head-on by H. W. Robbins of Cascade Summit, an employee of the SP there. The Amens car was virtually demolished. Robbins was uninjured, it was reported, although Amens suffered a sprained ankle and other bruises.

A passing motorist, Mrs. J. Carey Moore, 1017 McKinley street, Klamath Falls, brought the three to Klamath Valley hospital where they were admitted at 3:19 a. m. Sunday.

Duane Amens, son of Mrs. Beale Amens and husband of June, returned to Chemult Monday afternoon to make further investigation. His car was demolished.

Four Klamath Falls young people escaped serious injury Sunday morning at 4 o'clock near Ashland when a car said to have been driven by Russell Luce, 20, struck a soft shoulder and overturned. The car was demolished.

Riding in the front seat of the Buick sedan with Luce was Jacqueline Stallings, daughter of Mrs. Mary Stallings of 824 Washington street. She is suffering from a gash in the forehead, body bruises and shock.

In the back seat were Dorothy Borgeson, daughter of A. B. Borgeson, 437 North Third street and Bob Foster, son of Clyde E. Foster, 1879 Del Moro street. Miss Borgeson suffered from bruises and a cut on the knee. Foster has body bruises.

Members of the youngsters' families returned them to their homes from Ashland Sunday. They were given first aid in the valley town. Luce is the son of R. L. Luce of Menlo Way. The four had been at a dance in the valley and were en route home. It is understood.

Keith Ellwood Williams, 20, Algona sawmill employe, told city police a man walked into his car while he was in traffic at Eighth and Main streets Saturday night. The man left the scene of the accident and walked away before Williams could obtain his name, he told officers.

Buys Meat Center.—Joseph Strikol, formerly of Yreka, has purchased the Meat Center, located at 1221 Main. In Yreka, Strikol was manager of the Brookfield Market.

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FLAMES SWEEP ON TO DESTROY FIVE RANCHES

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About 800 under the Klamath reservation officials had trailed the fire and it was successfully checked. In general, it covered the triangular strip between The Dalles-California highway, the Chiloquin secondary highway, and the Chiloquin-Agency highway.

Rumors ran through the Chiloquin area that the fire was of incendiary origin. This was based largely on suspicion rather than definite clues. Sheriff Lloyd Low said that he had made an investigation, and would continue a probe on Monday, but that he had not received any definite information that the fire was incendiary. He said, however, that such a rumor seemed general on Saturday night.

Hundreds of people crowded into the Chiloquin-Pine Ridge area Sunday to look at the ruins of the huge mill. Only the smokestacks, the water tower, and the huge concrete cube which was the filling room, still stood. Around the stacks were the twisted ruins of the mill proper. The skeletons of ten boxcars were visible in the ruins, testifying to the terrific heat generated by the holocaust Saturday night.

Flames shot into the air 200 feet high as the fire gutted the yards, sheds, box factory and planing mill of the huge lumber concern and were swept by a high wind across Williamson river and into the town of Pine Ridge.

Pushed by a steady wind which shifted to the south during the course of the fire, the flames swept into the timber beyond the town of Pine Ridge and at a late hour Saturday night jumped The Dalles-California highway at Agency landing.

The town of Chiloquin, situated a mile to the south of the lumber mill, was threatened by the fire as it spread within half a mile of the town's outskirts and carved a wide area through Indian reservation cutover land for six miles to the highway.

Traffic was blocked as the flames jumped the highway, threatening summer houses on the lake's edge.

Before the startled residents could more than drag some of their handiest household property out of the path of the flames the fire demolished the store, service building, lumber company office building and hotel of Pine Ridge and swept on in a westerly direction through the outskirts of town and into the cut-over timber beyond.

Bewildered residents of the lumber town clustered around huge stacks of household property in the fields north of the fire and watched the flames demolish one by one the light frame dwellings on the edge of the town which escaped the first sweeping onslaught of the fire.

Fire fighters, consisting chiefly of the lumber company's crew of about 450 men, were powerless to combat the flames. With no adequate water supply or pumping system to fight the flames the crew of sweating, excited men resorted to wash tubs and buckets in efforts to keep the blaze from spreading farther.

A high wind shifted about 8 p. m. and turned the flames southward, destroying part of the Ted Savage ranch and menacing several other buildings in the Klamath reservation along The Dalles-California highway.

Charles Coons, office manager of Forest Lumber company who was in charge of the company in the absence of General Manager A. T. McDonough, collapsed from exertion and was taken to Chiloquin where his physician said his condition was not serious. He was kept in bed and was unable to return to the fire.

First on the scene of the blaze as it started was W. L. Thompson, shipping clerk, who rushed into the yard when a watchman spread the fire alarm by a whistle blast. When Thompson, followed closely by Coons, reached the spot where the fire broke out, he said the flames had enveloped three stacks of lumber.

Before anything could be done the flames swept swiftly through the dry stacks of pine lumber, fanned from the start by a strong westerly wind.

Lumber company employes were helpless in their efforts to keep the flames from spreading. The fire quickly reached the crane shed, destroying the lumber there and sweeping to the adjacent sawmill, boiler room and dry-kill.

The box factory, planer shed and shipping shed were laid waste in a matter of minutes, and the fire jumped Williamson river, which was no barrier to the sweeping inferno.

The store, service station, lumber company office and the hotel were demolished and the flames continued their path over a knoll on the outskirts of the town where houses belonging to officials of the lumber company were flattened.

McDonough's house and the house occupied by Coon were spared, as the flames leaped to other frame buildings on the knoll and continued on into the timber. A house furnished for officials of the mill owners, Exchange Sawmills Sales company of Kansas City, Mo., was completely destroyed. It was valued at approximately \$4900.

Several box cars belonging to Southern Pacific were destroyed by the fire and long strings of other freight cars which had been standing on sidings near the mill caught fire. Trainmen estimated the damage to Southern Pacific rolling stock and other equipment at approximately \$50,000.

Southern Pacific officials said that from seven to 10 cars which were standing at the loading platform in the mill were demolished. They were completely buried by the mass of flaming debris.

A string of 25 flat cars standing near the mill caught fire and were hauled to a nearby water tower where the flames were put out before the cars were seriously damaged.

Several Great Northern box cars were afloat but were also saved from serious damage. Great Northern train number 387, a southbound combination passenger and freight, was held up for more than an hour one mile north of the fire while the burning boxcars were hauled from the mill sidings onto the mainline. Two sections of the southbound passenger train "Klamath" were delayed 10 minutes at 6 p. m. but were allowed to pass through the scene of the fire.

A Southern Pacific fire train from Klamath Falls arrived at the mill at 7:30 with two water cars which were used to pump water on flames which had jumped to telephone poles along the Southern Pacific and Great Northern right-of-way.

A. H. Sullivan, general clerk for Southern Pacific and Great Northern at Pine Ridge, was in charge of moving freight cars away from the fire.

It was believed that most of the office equipment and papers from the lumber company's vaults were saved. Four lumber wagons were wheeled out of the mill and parked in a neighboring field safe from the flames, but little other equipment was saved.

Several explosions shot flames high into the air during the course of the fire. Witnesses said that within 30 minutes the entire lumber mill had been consumed, and inside of an hour's time the main buildings in the town of Pine Ridge had been reduced to the level of the ground.

Approximately 100 houses were believed to have been demolished. The first onslaught of the fire left a fringe of dwellings untouched on the south edge of the town, but a shift in wind direction later in the evening burned most of these one after the other, leaving only four or five houses standing.

The Astrologer

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ing only four or five houses standing. Bricker Stowe, chief engineer for the lumber company, was in charge of the crews of fire fighters. The crews consisted of mill employes, and men from the Klamath Indian agency sent to the fire by Victor Sisson, agency fire dispatcher.

The swirling wind, which spiraled the smoke and flames skyward in whirlwinds from time to time during the fire, picked up huge embers as large as planks and carried them to untouched sections of the mill and yards as the fire spread.

After the blaze swept into the timber beyond Pine Ridge the wind carried flying embers farther to the west ahead of the flames, starting spot fires in several localities and quickly reducing a large area to blackened tree trunks and ashes.

Telephone lines from Chiloquin to Klamath Falls and other points were out of commission and Copco power lines were damaged by the fire. Phone service was disrupted over a large area in the Klamath basin.

Sheriff Lloyd Low and Deputy Sheriff Dale Mattson were supervising fire fighters and relief work.

The plant of the Forest Lumber company which was completely destroyed by flames Saturday after noon was owned in 1925. The mill, one of the largest in the Southern Oregon pine area, had a capacity of 130,000 board feet per eight-hour shift. The units in the plant included: a two hand head rig saw sawmill, 16 dry kilns, a planing mill, and box factory. The box factory was added to the plant in 1934.

Logging operations of the company have been carried on in the North Marsh unit in the northwest corner of the reservation since the completion of the Calmus Marsh unit in 1926. The logging operations have been conducted about 40 miles from the mill site.

The products of the Forest Lumber company are marketed under the name of ESSCO through the Exchange Sawmills sales co., of Kansas City, Mo. R. B. White, of Kansas City is the president of the company. A. T. McDonough is resident manager at Pine Ridge.

Bus Crashes Fire Truck; 29 Hurt

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 21 (AP) A Greyhound bus from the World's fair and a fire engine answering a false alarm collided today in a pre-dawn mist, injuring 29 persons.

The bus was en route from New York to Washington. The collision occurred at an intersection on Roosevelt boulevard, which carries U. S. route one through Philadelphia.

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AID MUSTERED FOR REFUGEES

The disaster committee of the Klamath county chapter, American Red Cross, went to work before the embers of the Forest Lumber company fire at Pine Ridge had cooled.

Notified of the fact that 600 inhabitants of the town of Pine Ridge were left homeless, the disaster committee, headed by Harlan P. Bosworth and assisted by George J. Walton, secretary of the Klamath Red Cross chapter, reached the fire refugees and immediately made plans for their relief.

Ann Carter, Oregon state field representative of the Red Cross, arrived here Sunday at 9 a. m. and continued to Chiloquin with Walton. She established headquarters in the Chiloquin high school and set to work registering persons that needed help and issuing requisitions for such immediate necessities as clothing, bedding and food. To alleviate the food situation, requisitions were issued on restaurants.

Mrs. Carter, assisted by Mrs. Howard Boyd, junior Red Cross chairman, advised officials she would prepare a list of necessary articles needed by the refugees, the list to be published Tuesday.

Huddled around stacks of household belongings in the fields near the still blazing inferno, the fire refugees made a picture comparable to scenes at a European war or a midwest flood.

Scores of men, women and children stood along the Southern Pacific and Great Northern tracks and watched the flames lick into the sky from the debris which marked the site of their demolished homes and the mill which had given them their livelihood.

Despite the wild excitement which spread through the community as the flames ate into the frame buildings, no injuries were reported among either the firefighters or those who hurriedly evacuated their homes.

Dr. Marvin Nerseht and L. J. McClure of Chiloquin were appointed members of the disaster committee at the scene of the fire to take charge of relief work. Arrangements were made to house the refugees in the new gymnasium of the Chiloquin high school, where those who are unable to find shelter with friends or relatives were provided sleeping accommodations for the night.

Truckloads of food and blankets were sent from Klamath Falls by the Red Cross and

Rummage Sale—Members of the Ladies Aid of the Immanuel Baptist church will sponsor a rummage sale Saturday, August 26, at Ninth and Main streets. Money derived from the sale will be used in the building fund. Those having rummage to give for the sale are asked to call Mrs. Charles Fraley at 2291, it was announced.

At School—Beretace Griffin, teacher in the Altamont school and president-elect of the Klamath Falls Business and Professional Women's club, is attending the second session of summer school at the University of Oregon.

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PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 21 (AP) A first-degree murder complaint was issued today by Deputy District Attorney Sidney Hayes against Allen Brumfield, 24-year-old escaped Washington convict.

Brumfield, the complainant charges, shot and killed Mrs. Hattie Hooker, 60, hospital attendant, when he attempted to escape Saturday from Good Samaritan hospital.

Dr. C. H. Manlove, hospital superintendent, and Sam C. Worrell, police patrolman, were slightly wounded.

The convict was being held in the city jail hospital today. A bullet was lodged in the base of his skull when he attempted to escape his police guard at the hospital.

Brumfield was being treated at the hospital for another bullet wound inflicted by a policeman.

Dr. C. H. Manlove, who was slightly wounded in the shooting at Portland, is a brother-in-law of Mrs. Godfrey Blohm of Klamath Falls, wife of the United States National bank official here.

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