

# Fire Razes Resaw Plant In Portland

PORTLAND, April 11 (AP)—Inman-Poulsen Lumber company, whose resaw plant was destroyed by a spectacular fire Tuesday night, reopened today.

Only the resaw division, which employed 60 men, was not operating. Officials said it might take four months to replace all the destroyed machinery. Damage was estimated at \$75,000 to \$100,000.

The company said, however, that virtually all employees would be kept on the job.

PORTLAND, Ore., April 11 (AP)—A fire that sent flames several hundred feet into the sky Tuesday night razed the resaw plant of the big Inman-Poulsen Lumber company along the waterfront here.

Damage was not estimated, but company President Henry B. Van Duzer reported the entire mill would be operating within a week.

Fire Commissioner Kenneth Cooper reported firemen were aided by a southeast wind that confined the flames to the resaw plant and allowed firemen to work between the burning structure and the main sawmill. Three fire boats battled the fire from the riverside.

**Electrician Burned**  
Cooper reported the fire started when an electric motor burst into flames about 8 p. m., and within half an hour had practically leveled the building. An electrician standing near the motor, Ed Cameron, was burned and treated at a hospital. Company workmen aided the firemen.

A number of fuel carts of the nearby Holman Fuel company were destroyed and an auto belonging to an employee was burned.

Thousands of spectators jammed the area near the fire scene and the entire downtown skyline was outlined by the glow from the fire. Nearby docks and waterfront installations along the east bank were protected by the fire boats.

The mill has an annual capacity of 225,000,000 board feet, handling logs directly from the Willamette river from booms along the Ross island area.

# Music Program To Be Offered

The students of Sacred Heart school of music are presenting a fine sample of their year's accomplishments tonight, Thursday, on the stage of the Pelican theatre. Several of the choral groups are making their debut, and talented but inexperienced soloists are stepping to the footlights tonight in a sincere effort to pass one milestone in their musical journey. The newly organized string ensemble under the leadership of little Marian Newman will play the well known Bach-Gounod "Ave Maria."

A special feature is the popular "Ballad For Americans" in which the four high spots of American history are emphasized, "The Revolution," "The Growth of the Union," "The Civil War," and "The Machine Age." Vivian Kiernes sings the lead in this cantata, and incidental solos are taken by Mary Mahoney and Harriet Lavenik.

Another interesting presentation is the Mother Goose chorus, composed of little folks. The concert will close with "Hear America Singing," a cantata sung by the 90-girl glee club with Patricia O'Leary, soprano soloist.

A screen attraction is also included in the performance.

# Quiz Of Rubber Tire Industry Scheduled

WASHINGTON, April 11 (AP) Attorney General Tom Clark announced today he has authorized an investigation of the rubber tire industry as the result of alleged violations of the anti-trust laws.

The inquiry will be conducted by a federal grand jury in New York City.

Clark said in a statement that "a large number of complaints charging restraints on competition and discriminatory practices in the industry warrant a full and complete inquiry."

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# Man Snatched From Possible Death In Plunge To Street

CHICAGO, April 11 (AP)—A workman, hurtling to the street from a scaffolding rope on the 15th floor of a Loop hotel, was snatched from possible death yesterday as his fellow workmen twirled a rope around his body, breaking his fall.

The fast-thinking of Phillip Walsh, 53-year-old tuck pointer, was credited by police with saving his fellow worker, James Anderson, 29, as he hurtled to the street from the 14th floor of the Fort Dearborn hotel. Police said it was a one chance in a million rescue.

It was quitting time when Anderson swung out on a rope from the scaffolding on the 15th floor, intending to lower himself to a 14th floor window to enter and pick up his tools. Suddenly, he lost a glove and slipped. His body began to plummet to the street.

Walsh seized the rope from

which Anderson had fallen, twirled it in a wide circle and jerked. The rope, corkscrewing in the air, looped around Anderson's body. Anderson slid down the length of the rope with the loose loop around him but he apparently lost his grip at the second story and fell.

Walsh rode down in an elevator and rushed to the street where he found Anderson sitting up. At St. Luke's hospital attendants said Anderson suffered rope burns.

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**Aussie Bride Knew Husband One Week**

SYDNEY, Australia, April 11 (AP)—An unidentified Australian war bride told United States army officials today she had known her husband only a week when she married him three years ago and did not believe she would be able to recognize him in America.

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# Union Wrangle Closes Mill

COTTAGE GROVE, Ore., April 11 (AP)—A jurisdictional dispute between the AFL and CIO lumber workers unions has shut down the Row River Lumber company sawmill and logging camp here and company officials said they did not know when the mill would reopen.

The mill produced lumber for homes and other building. Edmund Hayes, president, said refusal of CIO loggers to handle logs destined for the Springfield plywood mill caused the halt here yesterday. Springfield mill workers recently voted AFL affiliation.

Hayes said his company laid off five loading crewmen who refused to handle peeler logs bound for the plywood mill, the only outlet for the company's peeler logs. He said their layoff resulted in sympathy action by the sawmill crew and it was necessary to shut down.

"We definitely do not want to suspend lumber production,"

Hayes asserted, reporting that the CIO policy of choking off the supply of logs for the AFL Springfield mill had also halted the Beltz Logging company upstream and the Powell Logging company on the McKenzie river.



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