

Noronic Fire Toll Figure May Be Cut

TORONTO, Ont., Sept. 19 (AP)—The known dead pulled from the flame-swept S.S. Noronic stood at 121 today as divers groped below the sunken decks of the charred cruise ship in search of 84 passengers still reported missing.

Red Cross officials expressed the belief that many of those unaccounted for after the panic-spreading blaze Saturday had gone to their homes without reporting their survival. Canadian authorities had feared the death toll might reach 205.

Hope that first death estimates might have been high rose when divers reported yesterday they had not found the "30 or 60" bodies firemen said they believed were trapped in the burned-out cabins. The ship settled to the bottom of her dock slip after the early morning blaze.

Three charred forms were taken out of the submerged caftins last night, bringing the known dead in an emergency morgue to 121.

Grief in Lines
Long lines of grief-stricken relatives sought, meanwhile, to make identifications among the blackened corpses laid out in an improvised morgue, formerly used as an exhibition building.

All Toronto was deeply stirred by the catastrophe. Volunteers toiled laboriously at the task of identifying the dead, ministering to the injured and consoling the stricken relatives.

Three investigations into the disastrous fire have been opened. So far the only cause advanced for the tragedy was from K. R. Marshall, president of the Canada Steamship Lines, owners of the 6905 ton Noronic.

Cigaret Cause?
He said the blaze may have started in a cabin from a lighted cigarette.

Capt. William Taylor, 65-year-old master of the vessel, who was burned during the rescue work, told from his bed how he had passed through "C" deck where the fire originated, only a few minutes before without seeing a trace of fire.

Cow Kicked; Man In Hospital

TULELAKE, Sept. 19.—The Tulelake ambulance was called at 12:30 Sunday to the home of Calvin Dockery, 37, on the Poe Valley road near Mallin to remove him to Klamath Valley hospital.

Dockery was injured some time ago when his knee was shattered by a kick from a cow. The injury became painful and he was moved to Klamath Falls for treatment.



AN INTERESTING TRIP TO TOKETEE FALLS was made early Monday morning when representatives of Klamath Falls' women organizations were guests of Mrs. Grace Wells of The California Oregon Power company. Left to right, Mrs. Paul Buck, Eleonora Weatherford, Mrs. Vincent Lawler, Mrs. Otto Vitus, Mrs. Stephen Sabo, and Mrs. Wells.

Six Injured In Wreck At Lake O' Woods

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ford by Tom Neeley, co-owner of Lake o' the Woods resort. Mrs. Neeley received a leg fracture in addition to facial cuts, her daughter Darlene suffered a painful scalp wound and the other children also were badly cut about the face and hands.

Road Blocked
Mrs. Neeley was operating a DeSoto suburban, the Toyoker youth a 1937 Pontiac sedan. The cars held up traffic on the road and it was necessary to travel around the west side of the lake in an effort to reach Dr. Swedenborg, summer home owner living on the east side.

The Neeley family lives at Lake Mer season and in Medford during the Woods resort during the summer months.

Young Addington is an employee of Pinnacle Packing house No. 2, in Medford, and Toyoker is a farmer near Rogue river.

State police here investigated the head-on.

Mrs. Kittredge Heads County GOP Women

Mrs. Oscar Kittredge was named chairman of the Klamath county unit, Oregon Council of Republican Women, at a luncheon Saturday in the Willard hotel. Mrs. Kittredge replaces Mrs. William DeCew, resigned, who is now making her home in Portland.

Mrs. Stephen Sabo was elected to the vice chairmanship of the council, and named trustee was Mrs. Don Kenyon.

The council presented Mrs. DeCew with a gift as she opened the meeting. Speakers included Mrs. Marshall E. Corsett, Mrs. George T. Gerlinger of Portland, Mrs. Harold B. Peterson of Dallas, and Margie Bullard of Young Republicans. Mrs. Gerlinger and Mrs. Peterson spent the week-end here and attended the republican "report" sessions Saturday.

Drunk Driving Charges Land Four In Jail

Four persons accused of drunk driving were jailed here over the week-end, three at the county lock-up and one in the city jail.

In municipal court this morning Marvin O. Edd, 2713 Alamo, pleaded guilty and was sentenced to 30 days in jail plus a \$100 fine. Police said it was his second conviction in the local court, the other coming in 1941.

Elmer Loudon, 35, a Chiloquin Indian, was brought to the county jail from Chiloquin to serve a 30-day sentence on the charge. He was also fined \$154.50 yesterday in Wood River justice court.

Johnny Benny Kellywood, a 31-year-old Arizona Indian, was arrested by state police Sunday night at Chiloquin and probably will be turned over to Portland authorities for prosecution on a bad check count.

Earl Durfee, 39, of route 2, was arrested by state police Sunday afternoon on highway 66, he second time in six months Durfee had been jailed here on a drunk driving charge.

H. W. Conger, Medford, Dead

Friends here learned of the death of H. W. Conger, 65, Medford funeral director, in that city Sunday night.

Mr. Conger was well-known throughout the state. He came to Portland in 1903 and worked in funeral homes in Portland, Salem and Albany from 1913 to 1920.

He moved to Medford 29 years ago and started the Conger Funeral home there. Later, Carlos Morris became his partner, and the name of the funeral chapel became the Conger-Morris funeral home.

Mr. Conger was a past president of the Oregon State Funeral Directors association, was a member of the Medford chamber of commerce, the Lions, Eagles, Elks, Masons, Hillish temple of the Shrine, IOOF, and Knights of Pythias.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday at 3 p.m. from the Conger-Morris chapel. The Masons will be in charge.

Survivors are his wife, Mabel Conger and a sister, Mrs. Minnie Robinson of Ashland. A daughter, Beatrice, preceded him in death.

State Forester Rogers Dead

SALEM, Oct. 19 (AP)—Oregon State Forester Nelson Rogers, 58, died last night in a Salem hospital where he had been a patient since April 18. Death was attributed to cancer.

He had been state forester since 1940. Rogers' state service began in the tax commission office. He later shifted to the forestry department, became a deputy and then chief forester.

Mrs. Mary R. Hogue's Death Reported

Word was received here today of the death of Mrs. Mary R. Hogue, former Klamath Falls resident, who died September 16 at the age of 91 years in Berkeley, Calif.

She was the widow of Charles Chester Hogue who lived here in the early days of the Klamath reclamation project and was one of its officials. He also served on the school board during his residence. The family left for the south around 1913.

Mrs. Hogue was the sister of the late Associate Justice Percy R. Kelly of the Oregon supreme court. Survivors include three children, Charles E. Hogue of Honolulu, Faye Hogue of Berkeley, and Hortense Polivka of San Francisco, all well-known here.

Man Hospitalized After Wreck

Clarence Loudon, 28, employee of the Liskey Poe valley ranch, was admitted to Klamath Valley hospital Sunday night for treatment of slight injuries received in an automobile mishap on the Poe valley road.

He was brought to the hospital by Mrs. Davidson, another ranch employee. Earlier in the day Loudon had been stopped by police on suspicion of drunk driving and released after being given an intoxication test. He posted \$5 bail for driving without an operator's license.

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Evergreen Club Meets Monday

The Evergreen Garden club will meet Monday night in the Altamont junior high school gymnasium at 8 o'clock.

Directions will be given on the making of corsages and those attending are asked to bring their own blossoms. Wire and other necessary materials will be furnished.

Scout Heads Meet, Plan '50 Jamboree

Twenty Boy Scout officials from Klamath Falls, Prineville, Redmond, Bend, Lakeview and Alturas met yesterday in the Klamath Medical Clinic in a huge pow-wow, with the laying of initial plans for the 1950 jamboree the main order of business.

The Crusade Jamboree will be held June 20-July 6 at Valley Forge, Pa., and plans are to send upwards of 80 Boy Scouts from the four-district Modoc area to the educational outing.

Chet Hamaker, head of the jamboree committee, named Bill Ely and Harold Ashley of Klamath Falls and Leo Herbing of Bend as the jamboree committee. Hamaker will appoint four additional members soon.

The organization and extension committee, of which Ted Durment is area head, also met with the executive board, as did the finance group, headed by Arnold Gralapp.

J. T. McDonald of Lakeview was elected to trusteeship replacing the late Ernest Fetach. Lakeview, thus filling a vacancy that has existed since Fetach's death more than a year ago.

In other business before the executive board, Floyd A. Boyd of Tulelake and O. C. Lorenz of Klamath Falls were named to the board.

District organization and extension chairmen present for the conference Sunday were Bob Johnson, Fremont district, and Al Longe, Klamath district.

The Boy Scout area office will be moved from the Greer building to 1111 Walnut, it was decided at the meeting. The move is scheduled for September 30 and the new site will offer 100 square feet more office space and improved parking facilities.

Dr. F. Cecil Adams, council president, was in charge of the board meeting.

Death Claims Pioneer Gard Van Riper, 74

Death came late Saturday night to a well known Klamath county pioneer, Gardner Pringle Van Riper, 74. Death was attributed to a heart ailment.

Mr. Van Riper died at 11 p.m. at his home, 2227 Orchard. He is survived by his wife, Angia, and several nephews and nieces including Garrett K. Van Riper of this city and Mrs. Oscar Campbell of Lorelia. Final rites will be held from Whitlock Memorial chapel Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. with vault interment in Klamath Memorial park. Masons will conduct graveside services.

Mr. Van Riper was born May 2, 1875, one of five children of pioneer homesteaders, Mr. and Mrs. Garrett B. Van Riper on the Seven Springs ranch in Poe valley, now known as the Frezer ranch. Mr. Van Riper was the last of his immediate family.

On January 8, 1896, he was married to the former Angia Mullin, member of a pioneer Rogue River valley family living in Ashland. The Van Ripers moved to Klamath Falls in 1906, and "Gard" and his brother, the late Garrett K. Van Riper, established a grocery business at the present Main street location of Castleberry's Drug. Later they moved to the corner of 6th and Main, where Rudy's Mens store is now located.

Kitchen Damaged By Paraffin Fire

The kitchen of the Ralph Brisson home, 2504 Reclamation, was damaged from flames caused when paraffin on the range caught fire at 8:30 a. m. today.

The small blaze was extinguished by the time the city fire department arrived. Firemen said damage was to an area around the range, including a window sash, curtains and venetian blinds.

Employment Office Closed Saturdays

The Oregon State employment service office will be closed all day Saturday, starting October 1, Manager Jack Almeter announced today.

Harvest placements will be handled when necessary Saturday and Sunday mornings, Almeter said, but no other business would be transacted.

The local office has also opened a farm labor office in Merrill for the first time in several years for the convenience of farmers seeking harvest labor.

W. H. Anderson, Merrill, is in charge of the new office. The number to call is Merrill 1001.

Exchange Club Meet Tomorrow Noon

The regular meeting of the Exchange club on Tuesday at the Winema hotel is slated for 12 o'clock noon with Jack Elliott chairman of the day.

There will be a program following luncheon.

SCHOOL HEADS MEET
SALEM, Sept. 19 (AP)—The annual conference of Oregon school administrators will be held here October 17 and 18. About 600 principals and superintendents will attend.

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Big Birthday Celebration For 'Ruth'

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Sept. 19 (AP)—An elephant and an estimated 12,000 persons ate cake together yesterday.

The throng showed up at the Little Rock zoo to give Ruth, the elephant, a birthday party.

Ruth was permitted to go off her strict diet to taste the first piece of cake eight by seven feet square, five feet tall and weighing about 800 pounds. Then youngsters and adults alike filed by for their pieces.

Ruth—who had been given a special bath, pedicure (polished toenails) and since for the occasion—provided the entertainment. She went through a routine of tricks she learned in a circus years ago.

Ruth is 38 years old.

KF Policemen Spread Eagle Shoot Field

Klamath Falls city policemen won all the hardware put up yesterday during a pistol shoot at Ashland in which law officers from all over Southern Oregon participated.

The shoot was staged on a new range built for use of the Ashland police department. Events included rapid and slow fire with both .22 caliber and heavier service pistols.

Klamath Falls shooters took all eight prizes. Jim Brown won three first, Bud Adkins won a first in rapid fire and two seconds; Jack Tilman and Oscar Gerleve tied for the last remaining second place in rapid fire.

Ashland merchants served a barbecue for the 83 contestants and Colonel Waterbury acted as rangelmaster to keep the shoot moving.

E. T. Larson Died Today

Ernest Theodore Larson, 59, a resident of Klamath Falls for the past 20 years, died after a few days' illness early Monday.

Mr. Larson had been an employee of the Weyerhaeuser Timber company for the past few years and before that time was with Baisler Motor company.

He is survived by his wife, Maude, of 3941 Mack, two daughters, Mrs. Charles Foster Jr. of John Day; two sons, Ernest T. Jr. of Chicago, and Rodney of Klamath Falls; a brother, Axel of Long Beach, Wash., and sister, Mrs. Hilda Manson of Sweden.

Mr. Larson was a native of Tranos, Sweden. He was a member of the Klamath Falls arm of the Fraternal Order of Eagles.

Funeral arrangements will be announced by Ward's Klamath Funeral home.

GUSTAF NOT WELL

STOCKHOLM, Sept. 19 (AP)—King Gustaf V of Sweden today cancelled, because of failing health, his scheduled participation in tomorrow's traditional royal moose hunt. A court announcement said the 81-year-old monarch is suffering from increased shortness of breath, weariness and cough.

Two Couples Nabbed After Car Theft

Two young men and two teen-age girls were taken into police custody here early Sunday morning after theft of a car from 4th and d Main, and the men may be prosecuted for violation of the Mann act.

City police identified the two as Ray Morris, 21, of Jeanette, Ark., and Gene Arthur Miller, 22, Kellogg, Ida., both believed by police to be ex-convicts.

The girls, both 17 years old and both from Kellogg, Ida., were placed in juvenile custody.

Miller was caught by a city patrolman in the act of stealing a license plate from a car parked in the Rose Motor company lot, and on questioning admitted he was taking the license to put on a car stolen earlier and left parked around the corner on 4th.

He also said Morris had been acting as his "lookout" while he was lifting the license plates, and told police he and Morris had been staying at a Main street hotel with two girls.

The girls were taken into custody at the hotel and admitted they had registered at the hotel with the two men, coming from Kellogg with them through Washington and into Oregon.

Morris eluded officers at the hotel but was located later in the Southern Pacific yards where he reportedly resisted arrest and had to be brought out at gunpoint.

He and Miller were placed in the county jail, booked for car theft and contributing to the delinquency of a minor. The automobile they admittedly stole was owned by Margaret Ann Leppert, 1004 Bismark.

Ford Workers Talk Strike

DETROIT, Sept. 19 (AP)—The CIO-United Auto Workers today gave the Ford Motor company the equivalent of a 10-day strike notice. Unless the pension-insurance-warehouse dispute is settled by September 29, said the union, the Ford-UAW contract automatically will be terminated.

This was interpreted by both company and union sources as the equivalent of a strike notice.

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Let's Go Fishing On Lake Mead!
LAS VEGAS, Nev., Sept. 19 (AP) Fishing was extra good today in Lake Mead.
Ray Ryan, Evansville Ind., oilman, took a deck nap aboard a lake cruiser. A circular gust of wind or "dustdevil" neatly plucked nine one-hundred dollar bills out of his pants pocket and scattered them on the lake.
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