

Home Razed By Blaze

DUNSMUIR — Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Fitzhugh, their two children, Peter and Leatha, and Fitzhugh's mother, Mary Fitzhugh, watched their home consumed by flames on Sunday night.

Mary Fitzhugh, 77, was left alone in the house about 6:30 for a few minutes while the children were picked up at the local movie. She said she saw a light and heard a noise in the kitchen and went in to find the ceiling ablaze. She picked up her purse and stepped from the front door as the whole house seemed to burst into flame.

The rest of the family returned to find her standing bewildered in the street. The nearest neighbor was away on a trip, and finding a phone caused additional delay in summoning the fire department.

"There was nothing we could do but wet down the embers," Fire Chief Jim Lambert said. "A north wind saved the adjoining house." Lambert could not give the fire's cause nor an estimate of the loss. The two-story frame house belonged to the Shasta Retreat estate and was about 60 years old. Mrs. Fitzhugh said they lost possessions and furniture accumulated for 20 years, and nothing was insured.

This is the second recent tragedy in the Fitzhugh family. Fitzhugh, a heavy equipment operator at the Lewiston project, was formerly a commercial fisherman. He lost his boat at Crescent City during the terrific storm that swept the Northern California coast three years ago.

Weather Table

United Press International
Temperatures and rainfall for 24 hours ending at 4 a.m.

	High	Low	Rain
Albuquerque	41	22	
Atlanta	79	51	
Bakersfield	59	35	
Boise	43	19	.04
Boston	53	49	.05
Brownsville	77	58	
Chicago	56	37	
Denver	45	26	
Detroit	67	36	
El Centro	61	33	
Fairbanks	—	—	
Fort Worth	57	34	
Fresno	60	34	
Helena	41	34	
Kansas City	49	37	
Los Angeles	68	49	
Miami	80	77	
Minneapolis	38	24	
New Orleans	83	54	.02
New York	60	38	
Oakland	64	32	
Oklahoma City	62	32	
Phoenix	59	37	
Pittsburgh	76	40	.19
Red Bluff	48	30	.05
Reno	41	29	
Sacramento	54	44	
Salt Lake City	30	13	
San Diego	68	46	
San Francisco	58	50	
Seattle	53	42	1.04
Spokane	40	34	.52
Stockton	62	39	
Thermal	67	32	
Tucson	52	37	
Washington	66	50	

IT'S THE NUTS

MILAN (AP) — A Milan court has ruled that Farouk is such a common Arab first name that the former King of Egypt can't object to a candy bar called Farouk. The ex-king filed suit against a Milan candy manufacturer who put Farouk chocolate bars on the market.

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AVIATION cadet Richard G. Clark made his first solo flight recently at Pensacola, Florida Naval Air Station. Clark is a son of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Clark, 2021 Lavey Street.

AGREE ON SEPARATION

HOLLYWOOD (UPI) — Singer Erin O'Brien and her husband of seven years have agreed on a trial six-month separation on the advice of a marriage counselor, according to a spokesman for the couple. The dark-haired singer's husband, singer Jimmy Fitzgerald, moved out of the couple's home Sunday night on Miss O'Brien's return here from an entertainment tour. They have two sons.

San Diego Will Play Host To Journalism Fraternity

SAN DIEGO, Calif. (AP) — More than 400 newspaper, radio, and television journalists began registering today for the 43rd annual convention of Sigma Delta Chi, professional journalism fraternity.

Preliminary sessions for the convention, which officially opens Thursday, will continue today as the 16-member executive council meets.

Robert J. Cavagnaro of San Francisco, general executive of The Associated Press and Sigma Delta Chi national president, said today's session will be primarily concerned with convention planning.

At a meeting Tuesday of the fraternity publication committee, headed by Cavagnaro, an expanded edition of the fraternity magazine, The Quill, was approved for next November.

Charles C. Clayton, Quill editor, and Victor Bluehorn, business manager, were instructed to combine the annual convention issue with a golden anniversary edition marking the fraternity's 50th year. James S. Copley, president and publisher of the San Diego Union and Evening Tribune, is executive chairman of the convention. Copley will entertain the delegates at a cocktail party and buffet tonight.

Speakers for the three-day convention include Adm. Arleigh A. Burke, chief of naval operations; Maj. Gen. Eugene P. Mussett,

commander of the 3415 Technical Training Wing at Lowry Air Force Base, Colo.; and Benjamin M. McKelway, editor of the Washington, D.C., Star and president of The Associated Press.

ILLITERATE THIEVES

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI) — A sign on the safe in the Lazzari Fuel Co. office said there was no money inside, just papers.

Thieves broke it open anyway, found \$1,000 and took it.

On the sign they pencilled: "We can't read."

EVERY CENTURY

NEW HAVEN, Conn. (AP) — Yale officials wonder who the Ohio boy will be who will graduate with the Yale class of 2037 and wind up in the U.S. Supreme Court. Here is the pattern to date: In the class of 1837, from Ohio, was Morrison R. Waite. He became Chief Justice. In the class of 1937, from Ohio, was Potter Stewart. He was recently appointed to the high bench. The pattern may have started two centuries ago. In the class of 1737 was Philip Livingston who signed the Declaration of Independence — which created the Supreme Court.

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Beck Admits Taking Funds To Construct Patio Awning

TACOMA, Wash. (AP) — Ex-Teamsters Union President Dave Beck Sr. told newsmen Tuesday he took \$798 of union funds to construct an awning over his patio because he used the area to entertain union personnel.

Beck's corridor comment came after government attorneys introduced evidence showing that amount taken from a Teamsters' legal fund at the same time the awning was purchased.

The government continued to present testimony concerning Beck's purchases in an effort to

prove that his tax returns for 1950-53 did not represent his true income. Beck, 64, is charged specifically with evasion of \$240,000 in income taxes.

Beck's grocer, Percy Peters, told the federal court jury the union president's food bill rose from \$1,871 in 1950 to \$2,238 in 1953.

Asst. U.S. Atty. Jack Obenour then introduced evidence to show some of the bills had been paid by Fred Verschueren Sr., auditor for the Western Conference of Teamsters.

Verschueren has been charged with conspiring with Beck to avoid payment of Beck's income tax. He is to be tried later.

Other witnesses testified about numerous improvements Beck made to his luxurious Sheridan Beach home on Seattle's Lake Washington.

George Strom of the Cyclone Fence Co. said he had installed about \$2,000 worth of fencing around the grounds.

The government introduced a note allegedly from Beck to Nathan Shefferman, Chicago labor relations man, asking Shefferman to pay an overdue bill for the fence.

Testimony concerning clothing costs in the Beck family took up a good share of the day's proceedings.

The superintendent of a Seattle women's apparel store told the court Mrs. Beck had charged \$496.34 in December 1952.

Government evidence was introduced to show that a check for that amount was withdrawn from Verschueren's account and paid to the store.

Chiang Notes Red Buildup

TAIPEI (AP) — The Chinese Nationalists charged the mainland Communists today with building up their fortifications opposite Quemoy in preparation for an attack.

A communique said 1,400 Communist soldiers were observed constructing fortifications.

"The whole pattern of construction is for offensive purposes," the chief military spokesman, Rear Adm. Liu Hsi-tu, told newsmen.

The Communists resumed their shelling of Quemoy. Only 27 Red rounds were fired before dawn, and the shelling continued very light and fitful in the afternoon.

TO MARRY PRINCE

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI) — A blonde, 20-year-old San Francisco photographer's model announced Tuesday she would marry Prince Abol Bakhtiari, a cousin of the Shah of Iran. Sharon Daugherty said she met the 30-year-old member of the Iranian royal family at a party here more than a year ago.

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