31 DIE IN FIRE NEAR MELBOURNE

MELBOURNE, Australia, Feb. 15.—(United News)—Thirty-one persons are known to be dead and homeless in the fire swept district of Gilderoy and Warburton.

The fires have been burning intermittently for the past several days. The state pine reservations of Erica have been consumed by the flames. Many of the dead are fire fighters, some of the victims burned within sight of their fellows. Large quantities of livestock have been lost.

The bush fires killed 29 persons in the Warburton district alone as the flames rushed down the valley at appalling speed, enveloping the timber mills and everything else in their path. There was but little time for escape. Railroad bridges have been burned out in several places.

Between 30 and 50 persons are unaccounted for in the fire area, and it is feared that they have perished.

At least four towns have been wiped out by the flames. The dead include men, women and children. Owing to the destruction of telephone and telegraph lines communication with the affected area is difficult, but stories of the survivors are reaching here with revelations of great courage and self sacrifice. Twenty persons trapped between walls of flame sought refuge in a creek. A woman and three children perished there.

FLAPPERS' RIGHTS TESTED IN COURTS

MASON, Mich., Feb. 15.—(United News)—The rights of the modern flapper are being tested in court here.

It is admitted that she rolls her stockings, smokes cigarets, drinks, pets and wears light undies.

The question to be decided is whether she must pay for "this freedom" by surrendering her rights to chivalrous treatment.

The characters in the trial are Arthur C. Rich, defendant, son of a wealthy Battle Creek steel manufacturer and Louise King, Battle Creek co-ed, complainant. But from the standpoint of the sociologist the characters might be Miss and Mr. 1926, ultra moderns.

The state of Michigan has thrown its weight on the side of the flapper by sending an assistant attorney general to lead the prosecution. Ministers and educational societies throughout the state are discussing it as a test case of the law's attitude toward the "new morality" of the "jazz generation."

Accused of Attack.

Young Rich is accused of attacking Miss King after an automobile petting party which had adjourned to the golf links of the Battle Creek country club. Miss King was brought back to her college dormitory with a fractured jaw and a badly bruised face. Rich says she fell. She says she was struck.

It was a warm night in May and both of the young people admit there was some drinking. Louise had rolled her stockings below her pretty pink knees. She was wearing a flimsy summer dress and light undergarments.

Rich's attorneys will attempt to prove she was drunk; that she threw herself recklessly into the petting and that her face was battered by hanging over the door of the automobile on the wild ride back to the dormitory.

They will claim the ultra-modern girl has no occasion to complain if the party gets beyond her control.

A jury of farmers heard the case three months ago in Battle Creek, but disagreed and was discharged. Three of them held Louise "had no business to be on the party," and refused to vote for a conviction. The case stirred up so much public sentiment that the new trial was brought here on a change of venue.

218 TELL IT TO JUDGE

PORTLAND, Feb. 15.—(United News)—Records were shattered here today in municipal court when 218 persons responded to little yellow slips informing them to see the judge.

The crowd was the result of a campaign waged over the week-end by Portland policemen against violators of the automobile lighting law and other traffic violations.

One hundred and twenty-eight motorists were cited for driving with improper lights. Eighty-eight were cited for other violations of the motor vehicle laws.

FLAPPERS FIGHT FOR SHIEK LOVE

Heartless Wretch Enjoys Dance While Girls Pull Hair

COUNCIL BLUFFS, Neb., Feb. 15—(United News)—An argument over which should have the next Charleston with a favorite "shiek" drew two high school girls into a dance hall fist fight that was finished on a muddy country road.

After being separated by policemen at the ballroom the two girls, Melita Hansen and Dorothy Brown drove into the country, followed by 40 interested spectators.

There, mopping up the mud with their pretty evening dresses they pulled hair, scratched faces and blackened eyes until Miss Brown won on a foul when Miss Hansen choked her into submission.

Meanwhile the "sheik" who was the cause of it all continued to enjoy the company of other dancing partners at the ballroom.

Motorists Go Free as Officers Scrap

PORTLAND, Feb. 15.—(United News)—Giving it as his opinion that Portland motorists were being used as mere pawns in a traffic war between State Traffic Chief T. A. Raffety, and Captain Frank Ervin of the police traffic bureau, Municipal Judge Stadter Monday released 92 motorists arrested by Ervin's men, and 88 booked by the state officers under Sergeant H. L. Griffith. He levied fines upon 36 arrested by police of all departments on various charges under the city traffic ordinance.

Sergeant Griffith lost every case, his defeat being due primarily to the fact that nearly all of the drivers he had arrested exhibited certificates of inspection showing that the possessor had made an attempt to comply with the law.

CATHCART CASE TO BE DECIDED TODAY

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a widespread protest at the exclusion of the countess. A group of indignant women staged a mass meeting on the front steps of the building. Debate in the United States senate was interrupted while senators discussed the department's ruling.

Was Discrimination.

Word that the earl of Craven, with whom the countess lived in discreet months in South Africa had fled to Montreal did not stop members of the National Woman's party from attempting to press their claim that exclusion of the countess and the admitting of the earl was discrimination against women.

MONTREAL, Feb. 15. — (United News)—"I am glad to get away from the land of the free," said the Earl of Craven Monday, who got away by the skin of his teeth.

"They can't touch me here," he exclaimed and then launched into comment on his former sweetheart, the Countess of Cathcart, such as is not usually expected in these parts from English gentlemen.

Lord Craven fled to Canada when women of the United States, enraged because the Countess Cathcart was barred, while he was allowed to enter and remain at large, succeeded in having proceedings started against him which threatened to cause his deportation as a result of his elopement with the countess in 1922.

The escaped nobleman was bitter against the countess, Immigration Commissioner Curran of New York and the newspapers.

"Curran is an awful swine and is out to get me," said the earl. New York newspapers were "outrageous" and the whole thing just a "publicity stunt," the peer assured the interviewers.

POLICE JUDGE COLLECTS

Seventy round silver dollars, fell into the city treasury yesterday when five drunks and three auto violators were hailed before Judge Gaghagen yesterday morning.

According to police records this is the heaviest influx of law breakers that have appeared after week-end round-ups for several months, including New Years.

Although $70 was gleaned for the city's coffers the custodians of the city jail will have two guests for 26 days who failed to provide funds.

SUE FOR ACCOUNTING

Suit for an accounting and dissolution of partnership of the Aline beauty parlor was filed yesterday in the circuit court. Alin Irwin is plaintiff and Besse Brearcliffe, defendant in the action.

BIG MEMBERSHIP DRIVE TO BE PUT ON BY SPORTSMEN

A membership drive is to be undertaken immediately by the Klamath county sportsmen's association, it was announced last night at the annual meeting of the body. Ladies are to assist the sportsmen in rounding up new members. A comprehensive plan for the drive was submitted by the membership committee—A. W. Worden, Herb Savidge and E. G. Arcularius—the first essential of which is that all young ladies wishing to compete for a bountiful list of prizes send their names to the committee.

The first prize will be $25 in cash, which amount is furnished by the association itself. An annual pass to the theaters is put up by H. W. Poole, a fancy sweater by the K. K. K. Store, a vest pocket kodak with case by Currin for Drugs; a leather hat box by Lloyd Ryan; a lavish perfume set by Underwood; a quart vacuum bottle by the Gun store; 2-pound box of candy by the Blue Bird; a flash light by Roberts and Harvey; a tennis racquet by Baldwin's; a hand bag by the Star Drug company. A number of additional prizes to be announced later.

During the meeting of the association last night a resolution was adopted thanking the Klamath News for reporting all sportsmen affairs accurately and fairly.

INTEREST KEEPS UP SAYS LA DIEU

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Claims will be promptly paid through him.

The following are more recent signers:

L. E. Sullivan, fire station; A. H. West, 1321 Oregon; Mrs. Tillie Martin, 1345 Oregon; Adah Brown, Modoc Point, Ore.; O. L. Brown, Modoc Point, Ore.; Basil W. Brown, Modoc Point, Ore.; R. V. Ess, Box 1102, city; H. C. Parker, Merrill, Ore.; Mary Parker, Merrill, Ore.; F. E. Pellett, 1311 Crescent; M. T. Johnson, Corvallis, Ore.; Mrs. Stella Skillington, 223 N. Tenth; T. R. Skillington, 223 N. Tenth; E. D. Trujove, 1003 High; R. L. Oren, 317 N. Tenth; G. E. Erlandson, 1022 Wash; T. E. Myers, 133 Grant; E. F. Atchinson, 2136 Oregon; Mrs. G. G. Atchinson, 2136 Oregon.

FARMER DIES YOUNG

RIGA, Feb. 15.—(United News)—Pawel Tretley, 138 year-old farmer, is dead, despite the careful nursing of his 108 year-old daughter. Papa Tretley remembered seeing Napoleon in 1812 during the Franco-Prussian war.

Legal Notices

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, administrator of the estate of Loraine Griffin, deceased, has filed in the County court of the State of Oregon, for Klamath County the final account of his administration of said estate, and that said Court has appointed March 22, 1926, at the hour of 2:30 o'clock P. M. as the time and the Court Room of said Court as the place for the hearing and settlement of said account.

Dated: February 16, 1926.

J. W. DOLAN,
Administrator of the Estate of Loraine Griffin, Deceased.

F16,23—M2,9,16

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, administrator of the estate of Paul S. Mumford, deceased, has filed in the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Klamath County the final account of his administration of said estate, and that said Court has appointed March 22, 1926, at the hour of 2:00 o'clock P. M. as the time and the Court Room of said Court as the place for the hearing and settlement of said account.

Dated: February 16, 1926.

R. C. GROESBECK,
Administrator of the Estate of Paul S. Mumford, Deceased.

F16,23—M2,9,16

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed administratrix of the estate of Elizabeth Scanlon, deceased, by the County Court of the State of Oregon for Klamath County and all persons having claims against said estate are notified to present same to said administratrix, at the law office of R. C. Groesbeck, Klamath Falls, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice.

Dated: February 2, 1926.

ELIZABETH S. DONNELLY,
Administratrix of the Estate of Elizabeth Scanlon, Deceased. F2,9,16,23—M2

What you no longer have use for may be just the thing another is seeking. News Classified Ads bring buyers and sellers together.

Longfellows Meet President Ostlind

Benjamin Ostlind, president of the Tall Men's association, was the guest of honor at a dinner meeting last night at the White Pelican hotel. Besides telling of the formation of the first long fellow's club, and how the organization has become worldwide Ostlind exhibited the new emblem of the organization—a gold pin with a giraffe on it.

The tall men have grown tired of wrapping their legs around barber chairs, and already one chair in Portland has been built to accomodate them, according to the organizer. Longer beds and raised awnings have already been promised them in Klamath Falls.

Six new members were admitted to the organization last night. They were: George Reed, M. L. Borland, W. L. Wondrie, Dr. E. Dittsche, Dr. Konrad Burchardt and O. H. Davison.

The next regular meeting of the long fellows will be held March 10. Members Reed and Foster, both officers of the law, are to tag all men over six feet, and drag them, if necessary, to the meeting.

3 PRINCIPALS TO FACE OLD CHARGES

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presence of a department of justice assistant in the grand jury room. When the new indictments were returned, E. L. Doheny, Jr., who was included in the original case, was omitted. It had been alleged that he carried the black satchel containing $100,000 in cash from his father in New York to Secretary Fall here.

The original indictments were returned while the democratic national convention was in session at Madison Square Garden in June, 1924. The charges against Doheny grew out of the $100,000 loan to Fall and the lease of the Elk Hills naval oil reserve in California. Those against Sinclair grow out of the lease of the Teapot Dome naval oil reserve. Civil cases to nullify these leases were brought against Sinclair at Cheyenne and against Doheny at Los Angeles. Sinclair won and Doheny lost his.

The trials here deal with the criminal charges of conspiracy resulting from the same transactions.

MARY GETS DRUNK

LONDON, Feb. 15. — (United News)—When "Mary Pickford's" name was called in Bow street police court, a young woman of striking appearance, with long black curls falling over her shoulders stepped to the dock.

"You are charged with being drunk," said the clerk. "I was drunk," responded the prisoner. "Very, very drunk, and I don't care who knows it."

"Take her to a cell and bring her back in a week when she has cooled off," ordered the judge.

BANK ROBBERS FACE TRIAL

SALEM, Feb. 15.—(United News)—Norman and John Moore and Emil Knorr, under arrest at Sacramento, Cal., are to be returned to this county to stand trial for robbing the Scotts Mill bank on December 24, 1925.

George Schroeder, a fourth member of the gang is now under indictment here awaiting trial. Word from federal authorities that they were willing to turn the other three over to Oregon authorities was received today by District Attorney John Carson.

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DAVID SHOOK IS CALLED BY DEATH

Another figure in the history of old Oregon, Dave Shook, died Sunday evening, following an illness of several weeks.

Dave Shook, a member of that historical family of Shooks who crossed the plains in 1864, settling in the Yonna valley country in 1868, died in the Klamath Valley hospital at the age of 73 years. For more than 50 years Shook lived on his ranch in Yonna valley.

Dave Shook was born in Davis county, Iowa in 1852, coming west when 12 years old.

At the time the family came to Klamath county the land was a veritable wilderness. Dave, who was then 17, helped his father and brothers build the home on the Shook ranch. The other brothers, Billy, John and Newt enlisted in the company of Captain O. C. Applegate during the Modoc war.

"Dave Shook stayed with the ranch, shouldering that burden through thick and thin," reminisced Captain O. C. Applegate yesterday. "He was a man mighty well known in the Klamath county and regarded universally as a square business man, and will be greatly missed."

Dave Shook is survived by two brothers, John S. and William H. of Yonna valley, three sisters, Mrs. Fannie Schuman of San Francisco, Mrs. Hattie J. Parker of Los Angeles and Mrs. Ada Roeck of Yonna valley. He had never married.

Funeral services will be held at 1 o'clock this afternoon at Whitlock's mortuary. The services will be conducted by the Klamath Falls lodge of Elks of which Shook was a member for many years.

STARS UNLOADED AND SOLD IN QUICK TIME

In record time the Hamaker Motor company unloaded a carload of Stars Monday morning. The cars were taken from the car in an hour and 15 minutes, according to M. W. Hamaker.

The shipment arrived in Klamath Falls from Oakland, California.

Three blue coupsters in the load were delivered Monday afternoon and appeared on the streets causing much comment. Those to receive the cars yesterday were Howard Tracy, Mrs. K. H. Colland and A. E. LaDieu.

CHAMBERLAIN BETTER

WASHINGTON, Feb 15.—(United News)—For the first time during his present illness physicians attending former Senator George Chamberlain omitted calling on him Sunday and Monday, reporting the patient doing well with no outward developments.

FREED OF CHARGE

MADISON, Ill., Feb. 15.—A jury found Charles Baker not guilty of murdering John Krause when witnesses testified that Baker shot to protect a dog which Krause was beating.

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