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The City Fire Hazard Is at Its Peak

You can look today from one high hill along the eastern limits of the city to another high hill in the west and observe a heavy cloud of smoke rolling out of the tall pines of Moore park. You can look away from this burning hill and not see another even modest forest until your eye catches the timber lines of the Cascade mountains.

It is a startling thing among ourselves, to say nothing of the guests who enter this region, to contemplate the treeless hills of a Klamath Basin built out of an industry of trees. We have so few trees along our streets and in our yards, Moore park, the only municipal park in the city, deserved sentimental affection for its woods.

But today a great part of these woods have been scarred by flames. The natural beauty of a city which has had little time to develop its beauty has been diminished. It is a poor thing to point out "what could have been done before the milk was spilled," but we join citizens of Klamath Falls in remarking that Moore park need not have been burned.

We think action in halting a fire started a week ago could have been more thorough. It was only when there was actual danger to homes and personal property the city finally mustered its forces in an attempt to extinguish the fire. It was a little late, for dry brush and pitch-pine was a delicious feast for flames.

The park has been harmed; it can't be quickly repaired.

The summer fire threat is at its peak and we can recall the sensational burning of the brush along the hills east of Pacific Terrace last year. The possibility of another fire at the same place and fire on every lot and empty tract are alarmingly great.

The administration of the city should forget for a moment what it calls the dangers of trusts and monopolies and turn its attention to a little home prevention. The city should be cleaned of its dry fields immediately or else the fire of last year and the fire of this week will be repeated with disaster.

Devotion To Learning—The Only System

The Eugene Register-Guard, a newspaper alert in the service of the University of Oregon, pushes forward a new organization known as Friends of the University. "Those of us who live in Eugene can hardly afford not to be enrolled in the Friends of the University. Constructive programs make defensive and repair programs unnecessary," the paper comments.

The purpose of this organization is described as a movement to restore confidence and support in the whole idea of higher education. And if this can be accomplished in the face of the still high feeling against the Zorn-Macpherson raid and the appointment of William Jasper Kerr, former president of Oregon State college at Corvallis, as chancellor of the system, something actual and tangible will have been won.

There is little peace in the two communities of Corvallis and Eugene where the college and the university are dominating influences. Eugene as a whole has not accepted Chancellor Kerr and it is said his once unshakable popularity at Corvallis has been reduced.

Chancellor Kerr and Arnold

WASHINGTON

NEWS BEHIND THE NEWS

The Inside Story From The Capital

By PAUL MALLON
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Sleuthing

WASHINGTON, July 25.—Those two new brain trustees, the Provenances Warren and Rodgers, have been ducking into departmental doorways here for two weeks. They do not even permit shadows to follow them. They stay out of the sun.

A thousand rumors have been conjured around their overly mysterious activities. The one most widely believed is that they are chasing dollar thieves.

That was one phase of their work, but their real job has been to devise a way to make the public works program function. What they have found is NOT encouraging.

Ickes

If you read the publicity handouts from Interior Secretary Ickes you may believe there is nothing to investigate. Mr. Ickes wants to put a million men to work by October 1; four to five million within a year.

That makes a nice headline, but those on the inside know it is easier to say than do.

The confidential figure worked out by the professional duet is three million to work if and when possible. That seems to be the maximum expectation from the public works endeavor. It would allow for \$1,000 per man.

The maximum expenditure can hardly be reached before next summer if then.

Troubles

The census of 1929 showed nearly five millions were spent on construction that year. Only \$23,686 men were employed. How they can get four times as many men to work by spending half as much money now is the inner problem. Costs are lower but not that much.

The naval building phase of the program will bring the quick-set results. The government will spend \$22,000,000 directly. But when the first man will go to work is yet in doubt. It takes two years to build a battleship. The keel is rarely laid until months after bids have been called for.

You can readily imagine the delays to be encountered with loans to states and municipalities. If they want to give three billions away, they can put men to work tomorrow.

But if a sensible plan is to be followed (and it will be) you need not expect any miracles.

Hopes

This does not mean the boys' backlogs are morose. It means only that the extravagant statements you hear nowadays are to be taken with a grain of salt.

Under normal conditions 40 per cent of the total expenditure will go for labor and 60 per cent for materials. That means the government itself is becoming a big purchasing power. This power should furnish direct employment which can NOT be measured.

The chief benefits, however, are expected from the inflationary angle. Skeptics doubt that the government could float three billions in bonds now. That is beside the point. The flotations probably will be in small bond issues at different times. The first one need not be more than five hundred millions. The whole three billions probably will not be out for a year yet.

The government can issue money instead of floating bonds. That would be direct inflation of the kind Mr. Roosevelt has been trying to avoid. It would surprise every one here if he did anything like that.

Stocks

Nobody here is weeping about the stock market except the few who had money in it.

Underneath the gloom seems to be an air of elation. The drop diminishes the probability of a collapse later. It came at the right psychological moment to stimulate business and financial cooperation in the recovery schemes the government has under way.

Wrath

If you want to see a man tear

his hair out, just tell General Johnson that his industrial recovery drive is "ballyhoo." His indignation is justified. Insiders and outsiders believe the plan is assured of a degree of success. They also believe it will make purchasing power where the public works setup cannot.

The consumption goods industries were the first to cheer it. Men who rely directly on purchasing power know the problem.

Hoarding

Department of justice sleuths are quickly investigating hoarding in gold. They have been tipped that transactions were recently made at a bootleg price of \$192 for double eagles.

The traffic is supposed to be small. Images are great and the reward not particularly attractive except for misers.

Notes

Mr. Roosevelt is almost as sensitive about governmental business as Mr. Hoover was but he seems to get away with it better. He has government officials fly down the river to see him on the Sequoia and no one hears about it. When he is confined to his room at the White House callers come and go without anyone being the wiser. In between times, however, he talks more frankly with the press.

The 15 per cent soldier pay cut was even worse than reported. The privates are supposed to get \$17.35 a month, but they do not get it. Deductions of \$1.75 for laundry and \$2.00 for athletic fees are usually taken out. This makes the minimum wage in the army about \$15.35 which is not very much purchasing power. They are not taken in under General Johnson's blanket code.

To the Editor

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore.—(To The Editor)—I saw Sunday the government canal near the Main street bridge, a sea gull flying down the canal. It attracted my attention by its loud squawking and flopping with feet and legs dangling down and falling like it had been shot. I watched it to discover the cause of its distress.

On top of the gull's neck was a small bird that resembled a ship-o-will, pecking the gull on the head and eyes. The small bird would fly off when the gull began falling and then when the gull would regain its balance the small bird would again land on the gull's neck and repeat the battle time and time again.

It seemed the small bird tried to peck the gull's eyes out, then on one side and then the other, until the gull began screaming, flopping and falling, when it would turn loose and fly all around the gull. This was repeated over and over several times. I think the gull must have been too near the small bird's nest. The small bird knew where to land the knockout blows.

A. Q. S.

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore.—(To The Editor)—I saw a demonstration of real efficiency in our local police department early Sunday morning. About 1 a. m. I was awakened by a phone call requesting me to come to the drug store and sell some medicine.

supplies. At the party calling was a stranger to me and not wishing to be the victim of a midnight holdup, I went first to the police station and requested that an officer accompany me to the store. Only the desk sergeant was on duty at the station, but he radioed the message "Klamath Falls Police Station, calling car No. 1, come to station." In about a minute Chief Shaw arrived, followed a few seconds later by two officers in Car No. 1. The chief personally investigated to assure himself that the call was a legitimate one and the two officers remained until the transaction was completed and the store again safely locked.

I wish to take this opportunity to express my appreciation to Chief Shaw and his officers for the prompt and efficient protection afforded me in this emergency call, and to tell the public that the Klamath Falls police are right on the job when you need them.

L. L. HENDRICKS,
Manager, Currier's for Drugs

Editorials on News

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Run Driver Turns Off Lights and Speeds Away.

It takes all kinds of people to make a world, doesn't it?

MOST of us, however, will insist that the world could get along very nicely without the sort of person who would hit a horse ridden by a small boy, kill the horse, hurt the boy, and then turn off his lights and sneak away in the darkness.

HERE is another headline in the news of the day: "Business Holding Up Upward Trend."

The story under the head goes on to say: "Retail sales have continued their sturdy advance, making the best comparative showing, in many districts, since three years ago."

That means more than any stock market up or down. If retail sales continue to show a sturdy advance it must be because people have money with which to buy what is offered for sale—and that is the sure sign of returning prosperity.

Some People Say

We annihilate other parties. It is not to dissolve voluntarily, we dissolve them.—Dr. Paul J. Goebbels, Nazi minister of propaganda.

I have no doubt that when prohibition is repealed, the "easy money men will make it out of kidnapping."—Senator Copeland, New York, chairman of special senate committee on racketeering.

Runaway prices would eat up consumption power while it is abundant; we will not tolerate them. Nor will below-cost selling do any good.—General Hugh S. Johnson, national recovery administrator.

One must be sane to think clearly, for one can think deeply and be quite insane. The scientists of today think deeply instead of clearly.—Nikola Tesla, veteran inventor.

It is well to keep your feet on the ground, but it is equally necessary to keep your head in the clouds if you want to accomplish more than the routine drudgery of life.—Dr. Paul Jones, Antioch college.

Langell Valley

LANGELL VALLEY.—Morton Turner is spending several weeks visiting his sister at Wood, Calif.

Mr. Mantel and Dr. Sarah Smith purchased 16 head of milk cows and Ven. J. Henry Thomas purchased four horses from the estate of Mr. Burroughs.

Bonnie Hurler has returned after spending several weeks in Lakeview visiting relatives and friends.

Georgia Gilman has left for Oroville, Calif., accompanying her aunt, Mrs. Williams.

Mr. J. Henry Thomas has purchased the A. B. Brown place. Mr. and Mrs. Brown have returned to their home in Grants Pass after spending several months here.

Frank Thompson, Jr., has returned home after a tour of the east.

The dwelling house on the ranch owned by Dr. L. L. Trux was completely destroyed by fire last week.

Funeral services for the late Mr. Burroughs were held in Klamath Falls Wednesday, with members of the Masonic lodge in charge of the service. P. H. Thompson was appointed administrator of the estate.

The Welder logging camp has opened on Bryant mountain with Jim Lind in charge. He is employing local men as far as possible.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Johnson are the parents of a baby daughter born July 17. Mrs. Johnson before her marriage was Alma Brown and is well known in this community.

WEAK WOMEN

Take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound

Have you ever felt that you were too weak to do anything... that you did not have the strength to do your work? Women who are weak and run-down should take a tonic such as Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. Headaches and backaches that are the result of a tired, run-down condition often yield to this marvelous medicine. We get out of every 100 women who report to us that they are benefited by this medicine. Buy a bottle from your druggist today... and watch the results.

SIDE GLANCES—by George Clark



"Except for that good looking fellow at the soda fountain this whole resort is a failure."

PASTURE AREA CONDITIONS REACH BEST

FORT KLAMATH, Ore.—Pasture conditions for cattle were never better in Wood River valley due to the large amount of moisture as a result of the unusually deep snows of last winter.

From the present outlook more hay will be put up this summer in the valley than in many years, the crops being the report from all the ranches.

Charles Noah and his haying crew have finished the first cutting of timothy and clover hay at the former Old Fort Dairy ranch, property of Mrs. William Zumbrunn, and another cutting is expected on the same property.

One hundred acres of grain hay will be ready for cutting the latter part of August on the Zumbrunn property in addition to the timothy and clover crops. Other local ranchers are getting ready for haying operations, all reporting exceptional stands.

The beef cattle grazing on the pasture lands are showing steady gain in weight with excellent pasturing conditions. The valley cattlemen are optimistic over the outlook of the cattle market this year and it is believed much better prices will be received for stock this fall than last year when cattle prices dropped to an unprecedented low level.

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FT. KLAMATH

FORT KLAMATH.—Frank Edwards and John Taylor were business visitors in Klamath Falls Saturday.

A sum-up of local men are working on the highway at Sand Creek, including Albert and Ben Brisco, Harold Moon and Leon Bishop. Elmer Zumbrunn is employed at the construction camp near the east entrance of Crater Lake, and spent Saturday evening and Sunday at Fort Klamath.

Mrs. Edith Moon, Mr. and Mrs. Loran Moon, Miss Betty Cecil Moon and Mrs. Ruth Williams were in Klamath Falls Saturday.

While assisting Ernest Bennett in the hayfield Friday, Rudd Vigue had the misfortune to jab a pitchfork in his left foot, causing a very painful injury. The young man is forced to get about with the aid of crutches as a result of the accident, but stated that his foot is getting better.

A group of local people, including Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Copeland and daughter, Maxine, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Bratlain and two sons, and Mr. and Mrs. W. McFarling, spent Saturday night and Sunday at Diamond Lake enjoying a fine outing of fishing, boating and swimming.

The party reports that the fishing was not so good as usual, owing to the fact that the fish did not bite quite so avidly as on other fishing trips to the resort.

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on to Klamath Falls to shop in the late afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Varnum's mother, Mrs. Edith Moon, from Polkman Bay camp near Quartz mountain.

Dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Horton Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. George Louiey and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Louiey, all of Fort Klamath, and old-time friends of Mr. and Mrs. Horton.

Loran Miller of Roseburg is a business visitor in Fort Klamath in connection with his extensive cattle interests in Wood River valley.

Ed Hoyt left Saturday for Eagle Point after spending a few days in Fort Klamath looking after his affairs and property in Wood River valley. The condition of his wife, Mrs. Millie Hoyt, who has been seriously ill at the home of her mother and sister in Eagle Point, is reported as steadily getting worse.

Miss Florence Edwards accompanied Anton Fossen to Bend Saturday, and will spend a few days visiting with Mrs. Fossen and children in Bend.

WEATHER

The Cyclo-Stormograph at Underwood's Pharmacy registered a rising barometric pressure during the early hours today, and continued warm weather, and clear skies is probable.

The Tyco recording thermometer registered maximum and minimum temperatures today as follows:

High 92; Low 65.

Forecast for next 24 hours: Fair and warm.

Fined At Merrill—Horace Earl Hamaker, pleaded guilty to a charge of violating an automobile with improper license plates, and was fined \$5 and \$3.75 costs in Justice of the Peace Dodson's court at Merrill.

I do not believe there will ever be an opportunity for women in flying the mails.—Mrs. Phoebe Omlie, aviator.

Bathing beach visitors have observed that the modern girl has a perfect back. Yes, and usually a perfect come-back.

Rich in energy and easy to digest



Kellogg's for Koolness!

Mr. Merchant:

Would you have your show windows in a shabby, ill-lighted building on a side street? No! You want the most up-to-date and pleasing display, situated where customers leisurely pass.

Remember that when you place your advertisements... your show window are sent out to your customers.

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