

Townfolk Flee Before Flames of Forest Fires

Worst Residential Section of Berkeley, California, Laid Waste—3,400 Homeless.

Berkeley, Sept. 18. (A.P.)—Fire sweeping over the hills east of Berkeley last night laid waste to the Paramount and Buclid avenue districts, destroying at least 600 residences within an area estimated at 80 blocks.

One of the choicest residential sections of the city, with damage estimated at \$10,000,000, and rendering homeless approximately 2,400 persons.

No one lives in the area known to have been lost, although two students were seen to plunge into a vortex of flames when the roof of a house upon which they had climbed collapsed.

Hundreds of frenzied residents fled from the burning area as the fire swept down the slope of the hills, burning its way through the closely settled and exclusive district.

Several resorts and small towns were severely damaged or destroyed by the flames, which sprang into being in several instances almost without warning and quickly spread beyond the control of national forest rangers.

In Dorado, a small mining town in El Dorado County was virtually destroyed, and the 150 persons residing there were forced to flee.

A fire in Sonoma Valley destroyed the Boyes Springs Hotel and swept toward Petters Springs and El Yano.

In the southern part of the State, Forest Supervisor Chester Jordan called for reinforcements for the fire fighters in the Santa Barbara Forest.

The various fires have burned over thousands of acres of grazing and timber lands and hundreds of men are participating in the fight against the flames.

The Berryman reservoir district of Berkeley was completely wiped out and the flames progressed down the slope toward San Francisco Bay.

At the flames progressed and it became certain that vast destruction would result, all available fire fighting apparatus in Berkeley, Oakland and nearby cities was mobilized and hurried to the scene of the conflagration.

The utmost confusion reigned in the fire zone and in the district for blocks surrounding that laid waste by the flames.

Many households which had their posts with garden hose or buckets, striving vainly to halt the fire's attack on their homes until they were given away by the encroaching flames.

On Hearst avenue, firemen used ladders to check the flames that had approached almost within striking distance of the residence of the president of the University of California on the school's campus.

University of King's College

Associated with DALHOUSIE UNIVERSITY, Halifax, N.S. King's College will remove at once to Halifax. The forthcoming term will open on Sept. 28th. Lectures will begin on October 1st.

The Residential System for both men and women students, which has been the feature of the College at Windsor, will be maintained under practically the same discipline and regulations.

First year Lectures will be taken entirely in King's College. Higher classes will be taken jointly with those of Dalhousie University.

The combined Faculties of Dalhousie and King's in Arts and Science, whose lectures are open to all students, will constitute an exceptionally strong staff.

For all information regarding rooms etc., apply to DR. T. S. Boyle, President, Windsor, N.S. Aug. 21, 1923.

In scenic avenue, the palms lining the thoroughfare were ignited by flying sparks. Fleeing refugees were endangered by these huge torches which toppled into the street.

Love and Moon Have so Much in Common.

SAYS BEBE DANIELS, DISCUSSING PICTURE, "THE GLIMPSES OF THE MOON."

What are "the glimpses of the moon" moments in life? In Edith Wharton's novel, "The Glimpses of the Moon," pictured for Paramount by Allan Dwan, and which is at the Majestic Theatre to-day they are the moments when love first blossoms to find fulfillment, moments that bind lives together safe against temptation.

But there are other "glimpses of the moon" moments, according to Bebe Daniels, who plays the role of Susan Branch, the heroine of the picture.

"Every time you do a charitable act; every time you accomplish something worth while; every time your thoughts are tempered with magnanimity toward your fellows, you experience what I believe to be 'glimpses of the moon' moments," explained Miss Daniels. "They are the moments when you feel the ecstasy of a full life and reach mental, spiritual and physical heights that lift you above the materialism of every day living."

"There is something about the moon when it shines in all its glory that brings a peaceful calm to those who look on from the earth below. It is this same calm that comes to lovers in perfect accord and of which Mrs. Wharton wrote that explains the meaning of the title of her novel, 'The Glimpses of the Moon.' We all seek such moments in our lives, and some find more of them than others."

Moir's Chocolates at the Blue Puttee. We have just received a large shipment of Moir's in great variety. Step in on your way home to-night and get a box for your wife. She'll appreciate them just as much as she did before you married her.—Sept. 21st

Clean Up the Illicit Vendors of Poison.

Editor Evening Telegram

Dear Sir.—To those only who have a father or son coming home in a state of intoxication does the curse of drunkenness really be felt. We can have all the talk that can be done from now till the end of time, but without activity on the part of the police and bootlegging will go on. Drunkenness is rampant in this city to-day, and why we do not see those responsible for the distribution of illicit concoctions haled before the Court, is a mystery to me.

The police force fully manned, then why the sudden inactivity that seems to have crept in lately. Three stores on New Gower Street are openly spoken of by the police as sellers of intoxicants, and judging by the large number of men who drive up to them, and hang around these stores, there is something more than ginger ale being peddled out there.

Women can be met on New Gower Street, drunk and using obscene language. I have heard that half the fine, which was the policeman's share, has been discontinued. If this is true then it may be the cause of the sudden inactivity.

Are the citizens of the decent class going to stand back with their mouths closed and allow our young men to become drunkards and worse, without making an effort to protect them? Are we becoming a spineless people, afraid to make a move because we may tread on some one's corns? Let us enforce the Prohibition Law or cancel it. Don't let the community become a mass of sneaking hypocrites.

Let the police work overtime until those dens on New Gower Street are cleaned up. Let the police get hot after these shameless women and clear the thoroughfare of them. The time for decisive action has arrived, now let us have it.

Yours truly,
WATCHMAN.
St. John's, Sept. 25th, 1923.

At the Blue Puttee you can get the same service as you would get in a New York or Montreal ice cream parlour. And above all else the most exacting standards of cleanliness are observed in preparing and serving your refreshments. Get the Blue Puttee habit if you want the best.—Sept. 21st

Was She Waiting at the Church?

A Western bachelor, who lived some distance from his bride-elect, on the eventual morning set off for the station in good time, but he met one friend after another, with the result that he missed the train. Naturally he was very much annoyed, but he thought himself of the telegraph office. This was the message he sent: "Don't marry till I come.—Tom."

MINARD'S LINIMENT FOR DIS-TEMPER.

Too close a shave? **Mentholatum** comforts and heals.

MINARD'S LINIMENT FOR WARTS.

Would any man or woman refuse to give some small help to a child bereft of father or mother? NOT ONE!

On Sunday next the unselfish sisters of Belvedere Orphanage ask the Catholic people of St. John's to help a little in the upkeep of

172 FATHERLESS INNOCENTS

who must have food and clothing—the bare necessities of life. After the pulpit announcement on Sunday, a few close friends of the institution have arranged to extend this appeal to

ALL OUR CHARITABLY DISPOSED PEOPLE

no matter what class or creed, who would like to do something for those helpless little ones. Remembering the precious treasure your own little ones enjoy, don't refuse an extra dollar to the orphans' fund. Fathers and mothers, grown-up brothers and sisters, think kindly of the Belvedere Orphans next Sunday. The prayers of lisping little lips will reward you.

"FRIENDS OF THE ORPHANS"

A Plea for the Fatherless

If there be any annual call that should meet the most considerate attention of our citizens generally, but of Roman Catholic readers in particular, it is the pathetic appeal of over one hundred and seventy lisping little motherless girls of Belvedere Orphanage as expressed in the pulpit announcements on last Sunday, emanating from those good ladies who so devotedly and unselfishly administer the affairs of that institution. Unlike several similar institutions who have large numbers of workers ceaselessly active in their interests, the Belvedere Orphanage has stood practically alone all these years and endeavored to maintain their little charges with the least publicity possible. We can have several prominent city ladies banded themselves into an organization to help this good work and show the Belvedere Ladies' Association is the most effective ally. In the matter of the annual collection however, there is no such special effort and this must depend entirely on the generosity of our citizens. We use the word citizens advisedly, as heretofore, the Sisters have been given splendid assistance and appreciation from those of other denominations as well as from the Catholic friends. From the former it is a courtesy that they cannot begin to repay; from the latter it is a duty, well and nobly done heretofore, and we have no doubt at all, but that next Sunday's collection for those innocent little orphans will tend to remove the anxiety of the good Sisters who are responsible for the upkeep of that home. All the orphans' friends are requested then to remember Sunday next, and to give generously to the good cause.

Better Health for Women

Any woman who will stop and consider the result of a questionnaire recently sent out by the Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co. of Cobourg, Ont., will in all fairness admit the value of this old-fashioned root and herb medicine, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. Fifty thousand replies were received, and 88 out of every 100 women stated they had been benefited or restored to health by its use. This means better health for women in America. It will surely pay any woman who suffers from any ailment or weakness peculiar to her sex to give Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound a fair trial.

Card Party and Dance.

A card party and dance, which was largely patronized, took place last night in the T. A. Hall, under the auspices of the T. A. Ladies' Auxiliary. Prizes in the card games were won by Miss Myron and Mr. J. Costello. The dance which proved most enjoyable did not conclude until 2 a.m. Preparations are now under way for the Annual Father Matthew celebration, October 10th, and the ladies anticipate making the affair a greater success than ever.

Why a Shoe is Thrown After a Bride.

Throwing a shoe after the bride is the survival of a custom based upon ancient symbolical usages in connection with sandals or shoes. Delivery of a shoe was used as a testimony in transferring a possession. A man plucked off his shoe and gave it to his neighbor, and this was a testimony in Israel.

Throwing a shoe on property was a symbol of new ownership. From these ancient practices came the old English and Scottish customs of throwing an old shoe after a bride on her departure for a new home, symbolizing that the parents gave up all right or dominion over their daughter.

In Anglo-Saxon times the father delivered the bride's shoe to the bridegroom, who touched her on the head with it to show his authority. In Turkey the bridegroom is chased after marriage by the wedding guests and pelted with slippers.

This Watch Winds Itself. London, Sept. 24.—British inventors have perfected a self-winding wrist watch. The constant movement of the hand of the wearer effects the winding by means of an oscillating slide in the movement, fitted with bearings which, it is claimed, prevent over-winding.

The watch, the inventor says, will stand the hardest day's golf.

MINARD'S LINIMENT FOR WARTS.

Wrecks That Sink Ships.

FLOATING DERELICTS ARE A MENACE TO SEA TRAFFIC.

There is nothing so dangerous to navigation as a floating derelict. The loss of many a good ship is attributed to such wreckage. Only a few weeks ago the Empress of Scotland, a 20,000-ton liner, was disabled through striking a submerged object, thought to be wreckage.

A floating wreck is naturally much more dangerous than one which has lodged on a reef of rock or a sandbank, as the former is carried about by the wind and waves, so can never be buoyed or marked in any way.

When a big coal-steamer was abandoned in mid-ocean, she did not sink, as expected. Instead, she drifted across the Atlantic, right in the main shipping route.

Several vessels had narrow escapes of running into her, and such an outcry was raised that the Admiralty finally sent a squadron of seven cruisers to track her down and destroy her.

The schooner W. L. White, was adrift as a derelict for nearly a year. She was abandoned in a waterlogged condition seventy miles from the American coast. Just over ten months later she came ashore on one of the Hebrides.

A famous derelict was the English barque Siddartha, which sailed from Florida on January 16th, 1899. She met with very bad weather, and was abandoned in mid-ocean three weeks later.

She did not sink, but moved about the centre of the North Atlantic. She was sighted fifty times and set fire to on three occasions, but all to no purpose, her timbers being too waterlogged to burn. Eventually a cruiser was sent to find her and tow her into port.

The Rule of Law.

Sydney Bulletin. What the citizen requires, for his own comfort and the peace of the country in which he lives, is a set of more or less static rules which have been drawn up by people very like himself, which he understands and reveres, and which he cheerfully abides by for those reasons. It is these rules that the bureaucrats who are despots of the modern world are continually striving to overcome and discredit. Many of them mean well, as kings such as Charles I. did. But inevitably the attempt to substitute kings' rules or Ministers' rules for the law, which embodies the equity sense of the nation, must lead to disaster. Let Australia's public men forget the glittering despotism of W. M. Hughes, and get back to strict legality. Only therein does national safety lie.

60 BRITISH LAW SNUBS 'EM. London, Sept. 24.—Performing fleas on the English stage—in fact all fleas whose lives are consecrated to the drama—must go through their acts without the possibility of protection in the case of maltreatment.

This slight to the fleas is contained in an anti-flea clause of the government's new Performing Animals Bill which has passed the committee stage in the House of Commons.

When the question was debated, it was decided that reptiles and fleas should be included but fleas must fight their battles alone. An amendment was carried to this effect.

The real reason for the discrimination was that the difficulty of using the flea as evidence.

Parcels by Mail.

THREATEN TO SWAMP POSTAL SYSTEM.

MANILA — (A.P.) — Collect parcel post packages to the amount of \$515,000 were sent in 1922 from the United States to the Philippines; the business has grown so in the present year that its total for 1924 is estimated at \$6,000,000.

This would mean the handling and delivery of something like 2,000,000 separate parcels, and the Philippine postal authorities are wondering how they can meet these demands. Increased postage appropriations will be necessary and the idea has been advanced in some quarters that the collect service should be discontinued.

Dancing Class every Monday and Thursday, 8.15 to 10.45 p.m. — MAX COLTON, — Sept. 25, 1923.

Money Loaned for Divorce.

PITTSBURGH, Sept. 24.—(Can. Press) — A. M. Custer, of Johnstown, connected with a banking institution, in an address here before the Retail Credit Men's Association, announced that his bank was extending credit to couples seeking divorce and that not a dollar had been lost through such loans. Mr. Custer stated that many divorces had been made possible by the bank advancing misdated couples the funds with which to pay attorney fees and court costs.

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