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CLIFFORD'S BARN AND HAY BURNED LATE YESTERDAY

Between five-thirty and six o'clock yesterday afternoon the fire department was called out in response to an alarm sent in from the Harry Clifford ranch, about two miles south of town. Only a few minutes elapsed from the time the alarm was sent in before the fire boys and the truck were on the scene, but in that time the fire had gained such headway that it was impossible to save the structure or contents.

The origin of the fire cannot be accounted for, but it is believed it was caused by the ignition of a match that had at some time been carelessly dropped in the trash in the corral. The blaze apparently started near the corn crib adjoining the hay barn and spread from there up the side of the barn and to the roof and in a moment the whole building was ablaze.

The fire was discovered about 5:30 by Mrs. Clifford, who was awakened from her afternoon nap by the crackling of the burning building. Mrs. Clifford seeing four head of horses confined in the corral were in danger of being burned to death, she rushed out and opened the gate and drove them out, thus saving them from a terrible death.

One of the neighbors, Hugh Foster, who saw the blaze from his home went to the assistance of Mrs. Clifford who was at home alone. Mr. Clifford having left only a few minutes before the discovery of the fire.

The barn was a 50-foot building and contained 92 tons of hay, most of which was entirely destroyed or badly damaged. The corn crib contained about 300 sacks of corn, which was also badly damaged.

Destruction of this property is a heavy loss to Mr. Clifford, as he was not carrying any insurance on either the hay or barn.

ARRESTED FOR FIGHTING AT FRIDAY NIGHT DANCE

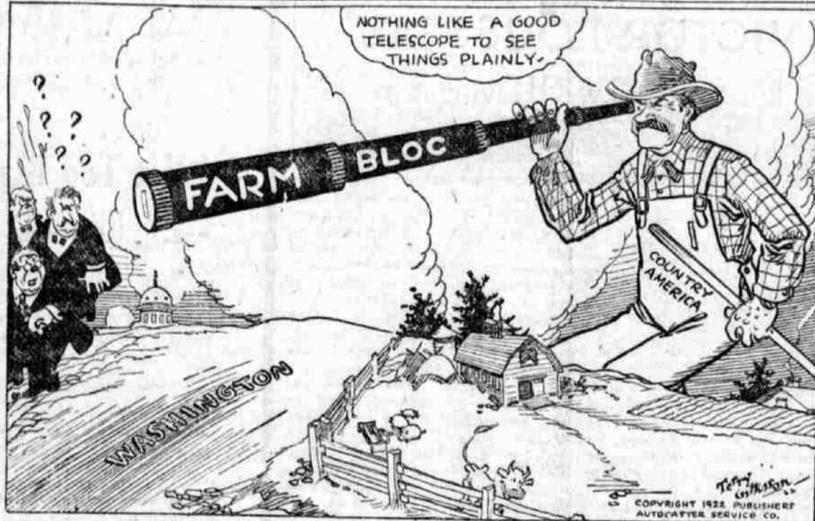
R. S. Johnson and Hugh Barton are now languishing behind the bars at the county jail as a sequel to a dance given at the Alger ranch near Sanches Friday night, with three charges placed against them—two misdemeanors and one felony.

The arrest was made by Sheriff Skaggs and Deputy Talley and was the result of a fight in which Johnson and Barton beat up a man named Dewey Head. Saturday the two men appeared before Justice Bibby and waived preliminary hearing. The judge fixed their bond at \$1500 each. The men were unable to raise the amount of their bond and are still in the custody of the officers.

TO MAKE HOME IN CALIFORNIA

Mrs. Mary Walker left Saturday morning for Ontario, California, where she will make her home with her daughter, Mrs. Mary Shipman. Mrs. Walker has been a resident of Safford for a great many years and during the lifetime of Mr. Walker established and conducted what is now the Horse-shoe Restaurant. They had built up a good business, but on account of the ill health of Mr. Walker, was compelled to dispose of property. Since the death of her husband the health of Mrs. Walker has failed steadily until now she is practically an invalid and has gone to her daughter where she will receive the best of care during her declining days.

Keeping His Eye on Things



ORDER AMOUNTING TO ABOUT 200 CARLOADS OF ARIZONA PINE TIES PLACED BY MAGMA ARIZONA R. R.

PHOENIX—Announcement that the Magma Arizona Railroad Co. has placed an order with Arizona Mills for 3,500,000 ft. of Arizona pine ties for use in constructing its new standard gauge railway from Magma Junction to Superior was made today by the Arizona Industrial Congress. The order amounts to 200 carloads and is the largest placed in the state this year. Now that the Magma order had been placed with Arizona mills followed closely on the announcement from the congress that the United Verde Copper Company had ordered 40 cars of mining timber from the state's mills. This was the first large order from the mines in more than a year. Both the Magma Railroad and the United Verde Co. are members of the Congress.

John A. Johnson, of Johnson and Koch, the only wholesale lumber firm in the state, in commenting on the heavy orders reported that the situation in the lumber industry of the state has improved tremendously since the first of the year. This is due to the general improvement in business conditions, and to some extent to the efforts of the Industrial Congress in promoting the use of Arizona products.

The mills of the Arizona Lumber and Timber Company, the Saguaw-Manistee Lumber Company, the Flagstaff Lumber Company and the Apache Lumber Company are already operating and the Arizona Lumber and Timber Co. is

scheduled to resume operations today. These five mills produce 95 per cent of the timber output of the state, which averages 160,000,000 feet a year.

In addition to the Magma and United Verde orders the Industrial Congress reports that Twoly Brothers Construction Company, which is building Maricopa County's highway program and carrying on other work, is buying Arizona lumber through retail yards at the rate of about 60 cars a year.

The importance of the state's lumber industry is shown in figures given by Mr. Johnson. The five big mills at Flagstaff, Williams and Cooley, employ normally about 3,000 men, with 9,000 dependents. The annual payroll of the Arizona mills amounts to \$2,500,000, and total expenditures to about \$4,300,000 all practically spent in the state. The total investment of the five large mills is \$10,000,000, and proximately \$100,000 total taxes are paid by the plants, a good portion of which goes to road building.

The ties ordered by the Magma Arizona Railroad Company will form the basis of the 33-mile line which will connect the Magma mine with the Arizona Eastern line of Florence, taking the place of the present narrow-gauge road. The Arizona Mills also are turning out quantities of ties for the Santa Fe in its double-tracking program in the northern part of the state.

CHARMING HOSTESS AT BIRTHDAY PARTY

Friday evening the home of Mr. and Mrs. U. V. Walton was the scene of a very enjoyable party given in celebration of the twelfth birthday of their daughter, Miss Norma. The invited guests were the young boy and girl friends of Miss Norma and numbered about forty.

At 7:30 the guests began to arrive and were met at the door by the young hostess, who was very charming in a dress of white net and lace. After greetings and best wishes were extended to Miss Norma, many different kinds of games were enjoyed by the guests until a late hour.

The house was prettily decorated in pink and white with numerous bowls of fragrant flowers placed about the rooms. In the dining room the center of attraction was the big white

birthday cake ornamented with the twelve candles. This was cut and served with strawberry ice cream to the guests. The favors were pink rose holders filled with pink and white candy.

Miss Norma was the recipient of many beautiful presents which will long be cherished by her as reminder of a very happy occasion.

Mrs. Walton was assisted by Mrs. Weaver Brier in entertaining and serving the guests.

SAFFORD VISITORS

After spending several days in Safford, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Grossman left Monday for Phoenix, going by way of Bowie. Saturday evening they were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Eakin at dinner. Mr. Grossman was here in the interest of his company, the Aeroflectrics, and they are travelling over the country by car

STUDEBAKER CAR IS DAMAGED BY FIRE

Friday night while Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Haralson were attending the minstrel show being given in Brier's Hall their big seven passenger Studebaker car caught fire and was badly damaged.

Mr. Haralson had parked the car in front of the Ford Motor Co. across the street in front of the hall. During the latter part of the performance an alarm of fire was given and the people rushed from the hall thinking the building was burning but it was soon discovered that the alarm was caused by the burning of a car.

The blaze was soon extinguished and an examination of the car showed that the fire started in the body of the machine.

The origin of fire is unknown, but it is believed by Mr. Haralson to have been caused by a burning cigarette stub left in the machine by boys who might have been sitting in the car.

The only damage to the machine was the destruction of the seats, top and the burning of the paint on the outside, but will incur an expense of several hundred dollars to repair it.

YOUNG MAN LEAVES FOR LOS ANGELES

Robert Sales left on the morning train yesterday for Los Angeles, Cal., where he expects to secure employment until fall. He plans then to go to Chicago where he will enter the university and complete his theological studies, having chosen the ministry of the Methodist church as his life's work. At a meeting of the district conference of the Methodist church, held in Clifton this spring Mr. Sales was given a license to preach, and on Sunday evening, May 28th, delivered his first sermon from the pulpit of the Methodist church to one of the largest congregations ever present at a service of that kind in Safford, and proved himself to be a very earnest and forceful speaker with great ability for his chosen profession.

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GUEST FOR A DAY

Miss Grace Everett, who was returning to her home in Nogales from Miami, where she taught school during the past year, stopped over in Safford for a day to visit with her friend, Miss Mary Houck. Miss Everett left on the morning train Saturday for Nogales.

MAIN AND CENTER STREETS CHOSEN FOR HIGHWAY

TROUT SEASON NOW OPEN WITH PLENTY OF FISH

Main and Center streets were chosen by the property tax-payers of the town as the route to be used as the paved highway through town. Interest in the election was keen throughout the day but excitement rose to fever heat during the late afternoon and lasted until the polls closed at 6 o'clock. The contest centered on routes number 2, 3, and 4, and the count of the ballots showed the voting on these routes to be very close.

Routes 1 and 5 each received three votes for first and five for second choice.

There were 208 votes cast and of this number one was thrown out on account of the ballot being marked twice for first choice. On routes 3 and 4 several ballots were marked in the same manner, but as the voter had further indicated his choice by writing in the names of the routes for which he desired to vote, the ballots were counted. The vote for Main street would have gone 2 to 1 if the people had stood together, but the vote was split on account of some favoring the street from end to end while others were in favor of it only to Center street.

As the result of the election the highway will be routed through town as follows:

Beginning at the old mill building on the east, it will follow the railroad to Center street; thence north to Main street; thence west to court house and thence north again to the Thatcher road.

The vote cast was as follows:

Route No. 2—60 for first choice and 15 for second.

Route No. 3—49 for first and 38 for second choice.

Route No. 4—64 for first and 19 for second choice.

RETURNS FROM BUYING TRIP IN EAST

J. Horowitz, manager of the Peoples' Store, returned Saturday afternoon from a buying trip through the east. While away Mr. Horowitz visited Chicago, St. Louis and a number of other large cities. Mr. Horowitz states that he had the good fortune to make a big purchase of job lots of shoes which he intends to place on sale at prices that will be a great surprise to the people of the valley.

SUNRISE PRAYER MEETING WAS HELD SUNDAY

Sunday morning a sunrise prayer meeting was held at the Baptist church. The meeting was well attended and the service very impressive and enjoyable.

It has been decided to make the sunrise prayer meeting a regular feature of the church work and will be held on the first Sunday in each month. The next service will be held on July 2nd and it is planned to go to the foothills for the meeting. Anyone desiring to attend are cordially invited to be present at the church and cars will be provided to take them to the mountains.

FOREST MAN HERE

S. P. Roach, timberman for the forest service station at Flagstaff, came in Sunday for a short visit with his family. As soon as Mr. Roach can arrange his business affairs here he will move his family to Flagstaff, where they will live in the future.

The season on trout opened this morning throughout the state. The calls of the pine covered mountains in Northern Arizona has for years been heard by thousands of summer resorts seekers. Yet this season, with all the streams, lakes, and rivers wide-open for sportsmen who desire to fish in Northern Arizona, the lovers of outdoor life will be given the greatest treat ever, for the mountain and rainbow trout are plentiful.

Ever since Joe Prochaska, state game warden, returned several weeks ago from an inspection trip and brought back the prettiest string of trout yet seen. Many parties are getting ready to leave for White mountains where they will spend the summer.

The favorite spots that will be visited by anglers are such places as both forks of the White river, Diamond creek, Boggs creek, Little and big Bonita, north and east forks of Black river, Coyote creek, Rock creek, Trout creek, Silver creek and practically all other streams and lakes of the White mountain district. Because of improved road conditions, these places are more accessible than formerly.

Deputy game warden Wes Hill, on a recent visit to the upper end of Salt river just below the Roosevelt Dam found that the rainbow trout were also plentiful along this stream from Mormon flats canyon to the dam. Rainbow trout have been seen jumping out of the water where the stream dashes through the big canyons. They are said to be from eight to fifteen inches in length. This means that the anglers who are unable to make the trip north will have an opportunity to catch a good mess of trout by traveling a short distance.

OBSERVE I. O. O. F. MEMORIAL DAY

Sunday morning the members of Mt. Graham Odd Fellows Lodge and Rebekah Lodge observed the annual memorial day of the order by attending in a body the service at the Methodist church.

Rev. J. L. Lyons, pastor of the church preached a very inspiring sermon on the principles of "Friendship, Love and Truth," upon which the orders are founded. Special musical numbers, including an anthem by the choir and solos by Mrs. J. A. McNeill and Major Householder, were rendered during the service.

BUY A FORD AND SPEND THE DIFFERENCE

TOURING CAR.....	\$512.20
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