

WOMEN AID FIGHT ON FOREST FIRE

Former Service Men in Sanitarium Menaced by Flames Sweeping Jersey

RIVER HALTS BLAZE

After a long, hard battle in which hundreds of men and women joined, New Jersey's big forest fire was extinguished early today. The towns in the vicinity of Barnegat Bay were threatened with destruction, but the flames were finally stopped by the Manasquan River. Tubercular patients at the Allenwood Sanitarium, mostly ex-service men, were threatened by death by fire and suffocation when the flames swept almost to the walls of the hospital. The buildings were saved, and the patients are not believed to have been seriously injured by the smoke.

Inmates of the sanitarium were reported on the point of frenzy before aid arrived, but quickly calmed when the flames in the vicinity of the building were got under control by fire companies from Spring Lake and Manasquan. The sanitarium, a two-story frame building, nurses under the direction of Miss Elizabeth Hynes, the superintendent, had all they could do to prevent a panic on several occasions, as the flames crept about the building and several times threatened to set it afire. Seven nurses were on duty in the hospital at the time.

The brush fire started at 11 o'clock yesterday morning, and spread so rapidly that by 2 it had swept the underbrush and scrub completely over a two-mile square tract in the center of which the hospital stood in a clearing.

The hospital clearing of slightly more than an acre was on a narrow, sandy road more than a half-mile back from the Lakewood road. It was the country road that the automobile party, led by Fire Chief Vernon Neuberger, Assistant Chief Jefferson Mount and Dr. Robert L. Leighton, all of Spring Lake, traversed while, according to Miss Hynes, the woods bordering the road on each side were viciously aflame. She paid high tribute to the automobilists.

Though none was injured and the patients were quieted after a time, the dense smoke caused very intense suffering for hours, and some of those whose cases are most serious were, it was said, adversely affected.

At Ortley one hotel and four bungalows were destroyed. Cottages were burning at Cedar Grove, Silverton and Lavette.

Dr. Rodney Lord owned the Ortley Inn, of 120 rooms, and three of the bungalows destroyed soon after the fire broke out. Dr. Rodney lives at Mount Holly, N. J.

Atlantic City, April 27.—A colored settlement near Abscon remained up through the night warring battle against the threatening sweep of flames which was driving down the village before a high wind. The blaze was sighted yesterday morning by State Fire Warden Murray from his tower in Mokee City, a few miles from Mays Landing.

The fire originated in a cranberry bog near the city water works reservoir, and cut across fire road directly to the colored settlement, where thirty families live. Most of the men were away at their employment and the women and children joined in the fight to protect their homes. Fire Warden Hansenstein, who lives nearby, is directing the fight.

Another blaze started in the woods at Gravelly Run, on the Mays Landing road, which was conquered last night by Warden Hancock and nearly 100 men. The fire devastated a considerable area of land. There were no buildings in its path.

Many farmers engaged in spring cleaning are burning up trash. The sparks are probably carried by the wind into the woodlands.

TO PROBE FIANCE'S DEATH

Miss Stitzel to Conduct Private Inquiry of Van Houten's Demise

Miss Irma Stitzel, of 2542 North Sixteenth street, a student of the Girls' Normal School, who expressed the belief yesterday that her fiancé, Philip Van Houten, of Grand Rapids, Mich., found shot to death in his room at the Claridge Hotel, New York, last Sunday evening, had not died by his own hand, has left the city.

According to word received here from Mrs. Hobart Van Houten, of Grand Rapids, mother of the dead youth, Miss Stitzel is to conduct a private inquiry into his death at New York. She said yesterday she believed Van Houten came to his end through foul play, although the medical examiner in New York said it was a case of suicide.

Dr. H. C. Bennett, of 2542 North Sixteenth street, a student of the Girls' Normal School, who expressed the belief yesterday that her fiancé, Philip Van Houten, of Grand Rapids, Mich., found shot to death in his room at the Claridge Hotel, New York, last Sunday evening, had not died by his own hand, has left the city.

BAXTER QUITS JOB AS DANCE CENSOR

Asks Mayor to Be Relieved—Is Succeeded by Director Warburton

HITS MR. McHENRY'S STAND

Harry T. Baxter, head of the committee appointed by Mayor Moore to supervise public dance halls, was relieved of that duty today when it was turned over to Major Warburton, Director of Public Welfare by the Mayor.

Mr. Baxter, who is chief of the Bureau of City Property, was recently laxity by the Rev. H. Cresson McHenry, a vice chairman of the committee, with intent in suppressing the dance hall evil, and with refusing to call meetings of the committee.

"I asked the Mayor to be relieved," said Mr. Baxter, "because I think it is a task that belongs to the Warburton Department. But I will continue to serve on the committee and I will cooperate with Mr. Warburton."

Mr. Warburton will make a study of the problem at once. He said new members would probably be added to the committee.

In turning over the supervision of the dance halls Mr. Baxter replied to charges made by Mr. McHenry.

"Mr. McHenry," he said, "wanted drastic and spectacular action. He wanted to see violators of the rules and dance hall managers dragged right out of the halls. He wanted to send a square of inspectors of the Society to Protect Children from Cruelty to the halls to enforce the rules."

"This could not be done. Dancers could not be ousted from a hall for a violation, and managers were not legally responsible, nor should they lose a license if a couple happened to get into a corner and dance cheek to cheek."

"As the result of what we have done every dance hall manager has three or four supervisors on the floor seeing that the rules are enforced. They are co-operating with us."

A letter has been drafted by the committee and sent to every dance hall manager. In the letter some of the dances banned are:

Close body and face dancing, especially close contact of bodies; all suggestive shoulder and hip movements.

Prizes for art windows. Artists to give medals to best Chestnut Street Displays.

Prizes consisting of a gold, a silver and a bronze medal will be awarded for the best windows in Chestnut street in the Philadelphia Artists' Week Association exhibition.

That announcement was made today by Richard T. Dooner, president of the association. Awards will be announced Saturday, and will be made by the Exhibition Committee, consisting of George Walter Dawson, Charles Grafy, Hugh H. Breckenridge, George Harding, Juliet White Gross, Henry McCaffery, Fred Wagner, John Dull and Alfred Hayward.

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