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# FOR BETTER CITY FIRE EQUIPMENT

### Fire Chief James Fletcher Tells Rotary Club of Much-Needed Improvements

## FACILITIES INADEQUATE

### Fire-Fighting Apparatus Here Not Sufficient to Cope with Conflagration of Any Magnitude

Fire Chief James Fletcher spoke before the Rotary club today noon, impressing the members with the fact that the fire fighting equipment of Roseburg, for any conflagration out of the ordinary small blaze, is entirely inadequate to the city's needs. At this time the city is depending solely on one motor driven truck to protect the entire city, Mr. Fletcher stated, and some day the people will wake up to the fact after a fire has swept the city, that better protection should have been afforded. To bring about a stronger and more efficient department Mr. Fletcher stated the people of Roseburg would have the opportunity of passing on a \$15,000 bond issue at an early date and it was his hope that the issue would be carried. It is proposed from the issuance of this money that a pump of 1000 gallons capacity be installed for the use of the fire department, thus giving the city an unlimited supply of water at a high pressure. The new apparatus will take its supply of water from the river and be of sufficient capacity to deal with big fires, and with the present equipment now in use will give ample protection to the city. The full issue of bonds will not be spent for the pump and equipment, the estimated cost of this part of the department is something like \$13,500. Any amount over and above this sum will be expended for hose and other necessary equipment for the safety of lives and property within the city limits, or any fire that can be reached by the department.

At the present time the city has no appliances for the rescue of people from burning buildings and it is hoped out of the above sum that a life net can also be purchased. Mr. Fletcher's remarks on the city's needs in the way of better fire fighting equipment were well received, the Rotary club being mindful of the fact that this department of the city's government should be kept up to the highest standard.

### Committee Appointed

President Seely appointed a committee consisting of Fred Chapman, Bid Fisher and Omar Baker, to take charge and plan all arrangements for the attendance of the local club at the annual Rotary convention to be held at Spokane early in the coming year. These conventions are of much interest to Rotarians and President Seely is anxious that every Roseburg Rotarian attend. The committee appointed today will soon have the details of the convention before the members.

### Inter-City Meeting

On next Monday evening local Rotarians will motor to Boswell Springs where they will meet with the Rotarians from Eugene and enjoy their luncheon together. A splendid program has been arranged and the full membership of local Rotarians is expected to attend.

### Cup To Be Presented

The beautiful silver cup offered to the city schools for the best kept school grounds, it was announced at today's luncheon by G. B. Finlay, has been won by the high school, the judgment of the committee having the matter of awarding the cup making a report to this effect. G. B. was chosen by the president to present the cup to the high school on behalf of the Rotary club, which he will do at an early date. Much interest has been evident by the various schools throughout the city to claim the cup offered by the Rotary club and the gift has brought about many improvements in the way of beautification of the school grounds throughout the city, resulting in a decided change in the high school grounds.

It was also decided at today's luncheon to entertain Roseburg teachers some evening at luncheon during educational week, the exact date to be set later. This is an occasion looked forward to each year with much interest by Rotarians, who are anxious to co-operate in every way possible with the teachers and school authorities of the city to bring the schools up to the highest standard of efficiency.

## MOONSHINER DEFIES LANE CO. OFFICERS

EUGENE, Oct. 18.—"Come and get me, I haven't run away." That's the message Mark Broom, moonshiner and ex-convict, has sent to county peace officers from his "stamping grounds" in the upper McKenzie and Mohawk valleys, according to best word received here via the underground channels of communication used by lawbreakers. Broom, wanted by officers for operating two stills up the McKenzie in the past year, also sent word to the man he believes responsible for the raid on the last still near Leaburk, that he would get him for "spealing." It was learned this morning that the message was finally delivered to the alleged informant through a prisoner in the county jail. It is not known whether the same person communicated Broom's alleged invitation to

the sheriff's office.

While there is a reward of \$100 on the head of Mark Broom, and also on his alleged confederate, Williams, it is said that those living in the country where Broom and his associates make their headquarters are so in fear of the veteran whiskey maker that it is doubtful if they would "turn him in" even for the money. Officers do not seem to be of the same frame of mind, although they have a wholesome respect for the alleged outlaw. Their difficulty is not in effecting Broom's capture when they see him, but in seeing him. The old fox of the McKenzie knows the mountains like a book, and so far has successfully evaded capture. Hence, say those who comment on his invitation to "come and get me," he is not as generous as would appear at first glance. It was thought for a time he had fled the country.

## LAUNCH CAPTAIN HAS CLOSE CALL

LONGVIEW, Wash., Oct. 18.—The launch Eaden, a 55-foot craft in towing and passenger service from the Washington Dock to the lower Columbia river activities of the Long Bell company, was completely destroyed by fire last night as a result of an explosion aboard the craft. The accident happened below the Greenwood Landing near Coffin Rock at about 11:45. Captain Nutting, the only man aboard barely escaped with his life. He was slightly burned. Nutting's clothes caught fire and threatened to consume him. He was forced to jump into the river to extinguish them. As soon as this was accomplished the captain's thoughts were for his craft. He climbed aboard the blazing boat and with an axe attempted to cut a hole in her hull to sink her before the blaze had got in its damage, but a high wind was blowing which blew the craft onto the beach before he could affect his purpose and the Eaden burned to a crisp.

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## UTAH MAN WHO SLEW WIFE, THEN BURNED HER, TO FACE DEATH FOR BRUTAL CRIME

SALT LAKE CITY, Oct. 18.—Unless his brain paints a mental picture of the most atrocious crime ever committed in Utah, a picture of eager flames leaping about the charred and blackened body of his wife lying on a benzene-saturated bed, local officers assert that the justice of man-made laws will have been defeated when Omer Woods, convicted murderer, pays the death penalty. Under the Utah laws Woods must face an executioner's squad of rifle men with a target over his heart or swing from a hangman's noose at the state prison before October 24. He is permitted his choice of the two.

For more than a year Woods has forestalled the penalty, but the State Supreme Court has spoken and the arch criminal of Salt Lake City police records, veteran officers declare, must die for his crime. Woods, a native of Tennessee and employed by the United States Internal Revenue Service at the time of his arrest for murder, asserts his innocence. When he sits, tightly bound with five rifles pointed at his heart, should he choose this form of execution, those familiar with the case believe he will confess, provided a confession is not forthcoming before then. When firemen rushed into the suite occupied by the Woods at the Pauline Apartments, in this city, on January 9, 1922, they found the body of Mrs. Maretta Woods lying on the flaming bed. She was bound hand and foot, while a handkerchief had been used as a gag. The odor of smoke had attracted the attention of Mrs. H. S. Catrell, proprietor of the apartment, to the rooms occupied by the Woods. As she opened the door leading to the hall, Woods toppled out and fell to the floor apparently unconscious, or almost completely overcome by smoke.

### Loosely "Bound"

A strand of electric-light wire which had been wound around Woods' wrists fell off as he was carried to another floor of the apartment. There were slight abrasions on his head and one eye was blackened. Upon being revived Woods told of a sudden attack by two robbers, who entered the suite as he and his wife were seated at a table eating lunch. After being ordered to hold up his hands, Woods contends, he was struck on the head with a club in the hands of one of the men and rendered unconscious.

He told the police he had a faint recollection of coming to in the bathroom, with his hands bound behind him and of staggering to the door leading to the hall. A police investigation brought out sufficient contradictory facts to warrant Woods being held. Later a coroner's jury returned a verdict of murder, contending at the same time that evidence of guilt pointed toward the husband.

At the trial in July, 1922, it was brought out that Woods had made inquiry at offices of life and accident insurance companies regarding policies for his wife. Pointed Evidence. One policy for \$10,000 was taken out on her life, and on December 21, 1921, he took out a second policy, this time for \$3,000, but carrying double indemnity in case of death by burning. No premium was paid on the smaller policy until January 8, 1922, three days before his wife's tragic death.

Although Woods told the police the two alleged robbers had taken \$15 from him, nearly \$100 in cash was found in his pockets. No jewelry or other articles of value in the rooms had been disturbed.

Nobody in the apartment, notwithstanding the fact that it was shortly after the noon hour, had seen two strange men enter or leave the room occupied by the Woods.

Evidence was introduced showing that Woods had purchased a quart of benzene at a nearby drug store a few days before the murder. There was no evidence that Mrs. Woods had made the slightest effort to free herself from the burning bed. Physicians declared that she had been killed, either by a blow on the head or strangulation, before being placed on the bed and the match applied. She was a frail woman and said to have been suffering from tuberculosis. Two of her front teeth had been knocked out.

While this point was not brought out at the final trial, the police believe Woods struck his wife with a milk bottle while they were eating lunch. This bottle was found on the table, and there was evidence of a struggle having taken place in the room.

### Remains Calm

Woods displayed no emotion at the time of his arrest nor during any of the proceedings leading up to his conviction by a jury on July 4, 1922. The same may be said of a daughter, Mrs. Lee Woods, so far as the tragic death of her mother is concerned. She was absent from home attending the University of Utah at the time of the crime. She has remained firmly convinced of the innocence of her father, but was unmoved by the verdict of guilt.

Following the conviction and sentence of death in the lower court Woods' attorney appealed his case to the supreme court, alleging errors on the part of the trial court. The illness of a justice delayed the death verdict of the higher tribunal. The supreme court not only found nothing prejudicial to the defendant, but added that the evidence pointed very clearly to his guilt.

Under the court's order a date again be set for Woods' execution and at sunrise on that day a firing squad will do its duty, if this part of a justice delayed the death verdict of the higher tribunal. The supreme court not only found nothing prejudicial to the defendant, but added that the evidence pointed very clearly to his guilt.

How was it known thirty years before that the end of the world would begin in 1914? Hear E. C. Miller-Moose Hall, Sun, 8 p. m.

## TURBINE BROKEN ON SMITH SHIP

MARSHFIELD, Oct. 18.—On her last trip south with a cargo, the Johanna Smith met with an accident that resulted in the destruction of one of her turbines. The accident occurred about 100 miles north of San Francisco. Whether she broke a shaft or dropped a wheel is not known but it resulted in one of the turbines running wild and an explosion wrecked it. Luckily none of the crew were hurt, and consequently no injuries resulted. The C. A. Smith was following her closely and took her in tow to San Francisco. It will take about three months to secure a new turbine and in the meantime she will be used as a barge. The E. A. Warner will tow her up this week. The Warner and the C. A. Smith will alternate in towing her.

## See Demonstration Opposite NEWS-REVIEW

## ADVICE TO THE ELORN

Dear Mrs. Ellsbury: I want to buy a new dress for school affairs this year, but I do not know just what kind is the best to get. I am at attending high school and am five feet four inches tall. Will you please tell me what is a good style and what color to get?  
JUNIOR.  
Some of the very best styles for both wool and silk dresses that are being shown are those with accordion or knife pleats, either as a flounce around the bottom of the skirt, panels, apron effect of the whole skirt. Any of these styles you would be able to wear. I should advise a silk dress as it is more dressy. Brown, black or blue are very good dark colors and almond green is one of the best lighter shades.

## Shows at Pacific International



one of the splendid features of the Exposition. The latest show to come to the Pacific International is the fine Northwest Grain and Hay show, hitherto held in Pendleton. This is going to be a 1923 feature. The Industrial Exhibits department affords a show that for beauty and value would be hard to surpass. This great department is filled with fairy-like booths, showing costly furs and other raiment, beautiful furniture, every convenience a housewife needs, machinery of every sort to save labor and increase profits. Everything has its demonstration for the public. The sense of sight and the sense of smell are both appealed to, for the flour and other food products companies are doing their best to show the merits of their goods. The Night Horse show is one of the four great horse shows in the United States. It is brilliant, exciting and delightful. Horses are coming from the Eastern states this year to show their paces in the arena and struggle for the big prizes offered. One kind of a show isn't at the Pacific International, and never will be—the gambling concessions and other questionable amusements that rob children and sometimes grown people and leave nothing but a bad taste. The Exposition does not need that kind of shows.

## MISSING SPRINGFIELD RESIDENT IS LOCATED

EUGENE, Oct. 18.—Where is George R. Smith? In the Eugene hospital! Mystery surrounding the disappearance of this elderly and well-known West Springfield resident was dissipated today when Henry Schwering, local barber, informed Sheriff Stickels that Smith was in the Eugene hospital and had been a patient there since October 3. This was about the time his neighbors found him missing and started their inquiry. Smith was seized with a sudden illness October 1, suffered two days at home, and then, at a time none of his neighbors happened to note, slipped over to the hospital and has been undergoing treatment there in room 9. This was one time he failed to tell his neighbors where he was going, and their anxiety led them to start search. One of them telephoned all the hospitals in Eugene and Springfield, but it happened that a new employe, or one unaware of Smith's case, said that Smith was not at the Eugene hospital. It was then the sheriff's office was notified.

## Now is the time to feed your chickens. International Poultry Tonic.

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## GHOUTS EXLOIT BURIAL GROUND OF GEM EATERS

(International News Service.) DEFIANCE, Ohio, Oct. 18.—Diamond hunters discovered that convicts, working in the South African mines, were in the habit of swallowing diamonds and that death sometimes resulted from such misconduct. Aetiae upon this information the hunters for this gem sought an entire cemetery where bodies of such convicts were buried and made a fortune by removing the diamonds from the carcasses, according to H. H. Mollenup, local jeweler, addressing members of the Defiance Exchange club.

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