

HIGHWAY ENGINEER REPORTS TREE RUIN

Letter Sent to Governor After Investigation.

FORESTS DECLARED GONE

Crown Willamette Paper Company Accused of Building Railway Paralleling Route.

SALEM, Or., Sept. 23.—(Special.)—Personal investigation of devastation of forests along Oregon scenic highways has convinced Herbert Nunn, state highway engineer, that the conditions are "even worse than originally reported, according to a letter prepared by the engineer and submitted to Governor Olcott today.

"The first district visited was south of Bend," said Mr. Nunn. "The highway leading to Klamath Falls and Crocker lake, although not finished, will pass through a forest of beautiful pine timber and has been advertised as the route for tourists to attract tourists to that district. For a distance of ten miles not a tree has been left standing and the scenic company has gone so far as to cut the timber within the right of way lines of the state highway.

Highway Built Along Road.
"On the state highway between Seaside and Tillamook, along the Necanicum river I found the Crown Willamette Paper company building a railroad paralleling the state highway. Along this road is the finest body of spruce timber in Oregon and we have been very anxious to preserve the trees adjacent to the right of way. I noted with dismay that the destruction of this timber was completed as far as the end of their present railroad and also that the trees had been cut within the right-of-way lines on the highway. I have taken this matter up with the attorney-general with the request that all trees within the right-of-way lines on this highway be preserved by the paper company.

Tree Destruction Reported.
"Another thing which I have noticed in my inspection is the destruction of trees along the state highways by the telephone companies. This is particularly noticeable on the upper Columbia river highway between Cascade locks and Hood river, but I find it general all over the state. Last year I requested that particularly beautiful trees be preserved between Eugene and Goshen only to find later that the telephone company had destroyed all of them."

F. A. Elliott, state forester, will leave tomorrow for Portland where he will meet George H. Cecil, district forester, and C. S. Chapman of the western forestry department, preparatory to going to Seaside Saturday, from where they will make a survey of the forest along the state highway between that city and Cannon beach.

Mr. Elliott stated this morning that his party would be accompanied on the trip from Seaside by a representative of the Crown-Willamette Paper company, which owns the tract. It is desired to conserve, and members of the committee appointed recently by Governor Olcott, will be present as to how the forests along the state highways can best be conserved.

Sly, county attorney, and Eddy P. Mitchell, county auditor, have finished the official recheck of the return of the primary election and no material changes were found. For representative Walter G. Hufford of Stevenson was nominated for re-election by a majority of 122 votes over H. V. Rominger of Underwood, non-partisan candidate.

COUNTY OFFICERS TO MEET

CLERKS AND SHERIFFS TO CON-VENE AT PENDLETON.

Two-Day Conventions to Be Held Friday and Saturday—Sessions to Be in Morning.

PENDLETON, Or., Sept. 23.—(Special.)—County sheriffs and county clerks of the state will hold two-day conventions in Pendleton Friday and Saturday. Delegates will hold morning sessions, attending the Round-up and Happy canyon in the afternoon and evening. The sheriffs will hold forth in the courtroom of the county courthouse and the clerks will gather in the county library.

Most of the delegates are expected to arrive on special trains from Western Oregon Friday morning. No definite programs have been scheduled in advance, it being expected that both bodies will formulate such after their arrival. The sheriffs selected Pendleton as the place for their convention in honor of the late Til Taylor, veteran sheriff of Umatilla county, who was murdered in a jail break July 25. T. M. Hurlburt, sheriff of Multnomah county, president of the state association, and J. W. Lulle of Gilliam county, secretary, are expected in Pendleton today.

L. B. Fox, former clerk at The Dalles and president of the association of county clerks, may not attend the convention, but it is understood that J. W. Beveridge of Multnomah county, vice-president of the body, will be in attendance.

Portland to Direct Singers.
CHEHALIS, Wash., Sept. 23.—(Special.)—Paul Petri, well-known Portland tenor and music director, will direct the 1920-21 season of the Chehalis Choral society and will begin his season's work Monday evening, September 27. Chehalis has a splendid line of musical talent and the choir that will be associated with the society this year promises to be stronger than ever.

Press Body to Meet.
CENTRALIA, Wash., Sept. 23.—(Special.)—A district meeting of the Washington State Press association will be held in Centralia on October 1. Fred W. Kennedy of the University of Washington school of journalism; R. T. Porte, a Salt Lake publisher, and other recognized authorities on printing subjects will be in attendance.

Redemptorist Mission Dated.
PROSSER, Wash., Sept. 23.—(Special.)—The Redemptorist fathers of the Prosser mission will be in charge of a mission to be held in Sacred Heart church here beginning Sunday, October 17.

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PEACE MAKER DISGUSTED

SAILOR RENOUNCES GOOD SAMARITAN ROLE.

Reward of Two Days in Jail for Saving Man's Life Leads to Bitter Resentment.

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 23.—(Special.)—Being a good Samaritan is not worth while, thinks E. W. Comstedt, a sailor who stayed in the city jail two days, and then had to put up an eloquent plea to Judge Gordon in police court, because he said he tried to emulate the Biblical example. "Never again," declared Comstedt, "Next time I see a man killing a fellow I'll let him go ahead and do it."

I saved a man's life and I get arrested and sent to jail, while the other fellow gets out. I'm done."

After hearing Comstedt's story, Judge Gordon told him to go. This was the yarn the sailor spun: At the foot of Seneca street there is a 20-foot drop from the First avenue sidewalk toward the west. Comstedt observed the actions of two men on the sidewalk. One was yelling lustily and the other appeared to be trying to shove him off the sidewalk. Comstedt pushed up and rescued the man who was about to be pushed over to a 20-foot fall.

The man doing the pushing—Knut Steen, a sailor—did not like the interruption and turned on Comstedt. During the row Patrolman Orser appeared. Steen appealed to the policeman, and Comstedt also told his story. Unable to decide the case, Patrolman Orser sent both men to the police station, where Comstedt was charged with disorderly conduct and Steen with being drunk. Steen put up \$10

and went his way, but Comstedt had to wait until he could explain to the court.

Montesano Shipping Clay.
HOQUIAM, Wash., Sept. 23.—(Special.)—Clay for molds in a Tacoma shop is being purchased from the city of Montesano, which owns the deposit near the old cemetery. Thirty carloads are said to have been shipped already. The company pays the city \$1.50 a carload and all the expenses in getting it out.

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FIRE VICTIMS IMPROVE

J. A. Gaisell Unable to Attend Funeral of Wife and Daughter.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Sept. 23.—(Special.)—J. A. Gaisell and Mrs. Edgar Smith, who were badly burned when the Gaisell home at Gate, west of this city, was destroyed by fire September 8, resulting in the death of Mrs. Gaisell, her daughter, Leota, and Dan Cooper, are reported out of danger in an Olympia hospital. Mr. Gaisell was unable to attend the double funeral of his wife and daughter, which was postponed on his account.

J. E. Cameron, who was recently severely burned in a boiler explosion at the Independence Logging company's camp, was brought to his home here from an Olympia hospital yesterday.

FIRE HYDRANTS DEMANDED

Pacific Power & Light Co. to Be Compelled to Furnish Protection.

PASCO, Wash., Sept. 23.—(Special.)—The city council will take legal steps to compel the Pacific Power & Light company to install fire hydrants in the vicinity of the Pasco flour mill. The council considers these hydrants absolutely necessary for fire protection.

The city has decided to buy a tractor for use in maintenance of streets.

COUNT MAKES NO CHANGES

Non-Partisans Lose Fight in Skamania County.

STEVENSON, Wash., Sept. 23.—(Special.)—Chairman Shields of the board of county commissioners; R. C.

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