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FOREST FIRE THREATENS MILL VALLEY'S FINEST HOMES TODAY

Conflagration Starting at Mt. Tamalpais Spreads With Great Rapidity.

GOVERNMENT TROOPS SENT TO CHECK IT
Over 2000 Men rushed From Forts and Naval Stations to Stay Advance.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]
SAN FRANCISCO, July 9.—Two thousand soldiers, sailors and naval prentices were detailed today by the U. S. government to fight the fire still stubbornly eating into the brush covered sides of Mount Tamalpais. Eight companies of Coast Artillery were on duty in the brush, a thousand sailors were held at Sausalito in reserve for relief duty and 176 prentices from the naval station on Sausalito Buena Island joined them this morning.

RAILWAY MAN ON THE GRILL

Resignation of Head of Big Eastern Road Precipitates Sensation.

MELLEN QUILTS.
[By Associated Press.]
BOSTON, Mass., July 9.—Chas. S. Mellen resigned the presidency of the Maine Central railroad at the monthly meeting of the directors today. The Maine Central is the subsidiary of the Boston & Maine, the presidency of which Mellen resigned yesterday.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]
WASHINGTON, D. C., July 9.—The financial operations of the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad, its ownership of trolley lines and control of allied New England railroads are condemned in unmeasured terms by the Interstate Commerce Commission in report of its investigation made public here today. The commission's conclusions are that the outside financial management has been wasteful in the extreme and that had the New Haven confined itself to the actual railroad under the same conditions that prevailed in other respects it could have paid dividends of 8 per cent for the fiscal year 1912 and carried to its surplus account \$1,700,000, instead of showing a deficit of \$930,000.

"That the New Haven's agreement with the Boston and Albany is violative of the spirit of the statute against restraint of competition and should be cancelled."
"That the New Haven should divest itself of its trolley lines, not because the present ownership is in violation of law, but because such ownership might be used to prevent the building of competing lines in the future."

MELLEN USED FUNDS.

Former President of Line Criticised for His Actions.
[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]
WASHINGTON, D. C., July 9.—The transactions of President Mellen in giving his personal notes for his own company for stock were criticised at length by Commission-er Prouty. On the transactions in New Haven stock bought with such profits of \$192,000, but the New Haven books do not show to what use the money was put. Prouty continues: "Mellen's statement was that the amount had been used in the campaign expenditures during the fall and summer of 1904 by direction of his directors, and that they had subsequently ratified his acts. A special account shows payment to Mellen of \$50,000 in cash which he passed over to the Republican National campaign committee. It shows a second payment of \$65,000, which was turned over to the Republican state committee."

ALONG THE WATERFRONT

The Fifield and Grace Dollar sailed yesterday from Bandon for San Francisco.
The Breakwater is due in early tomorrow morning from Portland.
The Adeline Smith will sail this afternoon for Bay Point.

Times' Want Ads bring results.

BANK TROUBLE WAS OLD ONE

Acting Comptroller Kane Says Pittsburg Institution Was Impaired Months Ago.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]
WASHINGTON, D. C., July 9.—Thomas P. Kane, acting comptroller of currency, who returned today from Pittsburg, where he closed the First-Second National bank, declared the First National should have been cleaned up or closed up at the time of its merger with the Second National several months ago. The merger was authorized by Lawrence O. Murray, former comptroller of currency. At that time, Kane declared today, the First National's capital was seriously impaired, and the bank was notified last December that its impaired capital must be restored.

Leak Caused Closing.
Details of the causes which induced the U. S. Treasury Department to close the First-Second National bank of Pittsburg became known today. Acting Comptroller Kane said that information concerning the government's surveillance of the bank had leaked out, and one of the big depositors withdrew \$200,000 last Saturday.

Government officials then learned that other big depositors were contemplating making heavy withdrawals Monday. To prevent the larger depositors from gaining an advantage of saving their deposits at the expense of the little depositors who were not aware of the circumstances, the government refused to let the bank open.

NAMES LOBBY COMMITTEE

House Will Start Investigation of Charges of Mulhall and Others.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]
WASHINGTON, D. C., July 9.—An investigation of the Mulhall charges and all other charges of lobbying was authorized by the House resolution passed by the House today. In the face of determined opposition by Representative Levy of New York, a provision allowing a committee of seven to employ counsel was retained in the bill. The investigation is expected to begin at once. Speaker Clark appointed the committee as follows: Garrett, of Tennessee, chairman; Cline, of Indiana; Russell, of Missouri; and Rodenberry, of Georgia. Democrats; Stafford, of Wisconsin; and Willis, of Ohio, Republicans; and Nolan, of California, Progressive.

MACHINE SHOP IS SOLD TODAY

Ross Smith, for the past few years one of the head mechanics in the C. A. Smith company's machine shops, and Wm. Wade today closed negotiations for the purchase of the Bradshaw and Kimball machine shops and will take possession tomorrow. They will continue the business and enlarge it.

Arrangements are being made to make the machine shop one of the most complete and best in southern Oregon. Bradshaw and Kimball had installed the latest and best types of machinery and to this will be added the equipment which Mr. Wade had in his auto shop.

They will be prepared to handle all kinds of machinery and will be especially fitted for gas engine work, both auto and marine.
Ross Smith and Mr. Wade are two of the best known mechanics on the Bay and will doubtless win the success of friends will wish them.

Messrs. Bradshaw and Kimball are retiring to devote their time to the manufacture of the new gas engine which Mr. Bradshaw recently perfected. They are now arranging to start a factory in Portland for the manufacture of the marine engines.

MISS NAN BROWNING left today for a short visit with Mrs. J. W. Bennett, at Ten Mile.

LET US TALK IT OVER

A BANDON publication, miscalled "Justice," but which is a travesty on justice and an affront to decency, in its last issue makes a vicious and vilifying assault on The Times and the business men of Coos Bay. The Times will not bore or burden its readers with the long, disgusting diatribe which this degenerate doctor, who is said to be a hybrid horror, belonging to no particular branch of the profession he disgraces, but has taken a putrid path between the naturopaths, chiropraths, or some other peculiar paths, to prey upon the public. The opening paragraphs of the nauseating and vilifying article are sufficient to indicate its foulness and falseness. Here it is:
"Marshfield, the town of the Straw Mayor and Open Graves, has again distinguished herself."
"Last Wednesday a mob of six hundred grafters, saloon bums and pimps, calling themselves business men, but who to the last man-jackass of them, were only a bunch of guzzlegushers for \$mith-powers, seized two members of the I. W. W. and deported them beyond the city limits. The two men so treated were I. W. W. local secretary, W. J. Edgeworth and local organizer, Wesley Everest."

"The Times is therefore the logical mouth-piece of the lawless mob that glorified that seat of anarchy and \$mith-powerism last Wednesday."
I had not intended to quote or notice this villainous attack, but as copies of the vile publication have been secured by some of the Marshfield sympathizers of the anarchistic agitators of the I. W. W. who are attempting to spread the foul slander for the evident purpose of frightening some of the timid ones with their base scandal I think a little additional publicity may be worth while.

The Times has no apology for the part it has played in the recent upheaval in this community. On the contrary, it is proud of any influence it may have exercised in expelling from this community agitators whose pernicious preaching of anarchy, sabotage and syndicalism would destroy not only the prosperity of this community, but the very foundation of civilization itself.

This fight is not The Times' fight. I can fight my battles now as I have fought them in the past. No scoundrel and no set of scoundrels can terrorize or intimidate me. Neither is it a Smith-Powers fight. Conditions that developed here were beyond the personal equation. Anarchy is something more than that. It is a community matter and as such has been honestly and fearlessly handled by the workmen, citizens and business men of this community. Practically every line of labor, business and profession in Marshfield was part of that splendid demonstration of decency. The false and foul slanders which this Bandon degenerate seeks to spread abroad only emphasize the lying and unscrupulous methods of the I. W. W.

What do you think of it, citizens?
Everyone in Marshfield knows the character and class of the men who joined in that demonstration to which this Bandon bushwhacker applies names almost too foul for human utterance.

This man says he is a Socialist.
He is more.
He is a liar.
He is also an I. W. W.

I do not believe that this foul and slanderous sheet is representative of the business community of Bandon. I think that the business men of that community will resent the action of this scandal monger the same as the business men of Marshfield would not permit the promulgation in this city of wholesale slander of the business men of Bandon.

I understand that some of the Marshfield sympathizers with the I. W. W. are responsible for the statement published in the Bandon publication.

The last time I talked with Dorsey Kretzer he told me my account was overdrawn \$68.48. I think, however, that I still have some credit and I hereby offer the pervert publisher of the pernicious Bandon paper a reward of \$50.00 for the name and proof of any Marshfield man who made the statement on which this publication is based.

Now here is an opportunity to help the hellish work in which he is engaged. If we still have some anarchist agitators of the I. W. W. strike here let us find it out and act accordingly.

The Times is not dismayed. It will be found on the firing line wherever human covets gather; will be found fighting for what is good in this community; attacking anarchy, hypocrisy and demagoguery in whatever form it manifests itself, standing staunchly for good men, for patriotic public service, an exponent of progress and a champion of the city and county which its editor loves and in whose growth and prosperity he is as deeply interested, as he is in the affairs that are his personal concern alone.

PORTLAND GRAFT CASE IS STARTED

County Superintendent Armstrong Charged With Having Got Rakeoff From Civil Service Applicants.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]
PORTLAND, Or., July 9.—The grand jury today heard witnesses concerning charges that A. H. Armstrong, now County School Superintendent and for four years civil service commissioner, had collected a graft of \$15 to \$20 each from the applicants for positions on the

police force, and that in return for payments, the applicants had received higher ratings on taking the civil service examination.

Armstrong denies receiving any money. Captain of Detectives Baty, Detective Sergeant Craddock and Detective Klingsmith were before the grand jury today. Craddock, who is charged with having been the go-between for Armstrong, was in the jury room several hours. Ten men of the class who passed almost letter perfect examinations after having, it is alleged, obtained the examination papers prepared by Armstrong, have been subpoenaed.

BUD ANDERSON UNDER KNIFE

Light-Weight Pugilist Undergoes Operation for Appendicitis at Los Angeles.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]
LOS ANGELES, July 9.—Bud Anderson, the light weight pugilist who was operated on last night for appendicitis, is improving today, and his speedy recovery is expected.
Anderson was knocked out July 4 by Leach Cross in the twelfth round. It is believed that the appendicitis developed subsequent to the fight and that it did not affect Anderson's condition in the ring.

Noted Actress Here.—Mrs. Keiser of Salem arrived on the Bay today to visit her husband, Dr. Keiser, who is spending the summer at Lakeside for the benefit of his health. Mrs. Keiser is a star on the Orpheum circuit, being known on the stage as Dorothy Harris, a singing comedienne and receives \$150 per week.

North Bend Road.—The Coos county commissioners were yesterday to take final action on the new road from North Bend to Empire. Dr. Bartle had the matter up with them the day before and they promised to arrange to start the construction of the road as soon as the work on the Bastendorf road is completed.

TARIFF BILL NEARLY DONE

Senate Finance Committee Expects to Report Measure Late Thursday.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]
WASHINGTON, D. C., July 9.—The Senate finance sub-committee today continued checking up the schedules of the tariff bill. If possible, the bill will be reported to the Senate late Thursday.

North Bend Weddings.—Miss Inez Anderson, for some time office girl for Dr. Bartle, and Frank Maszus, manager of the Gamble meat market in North Bend, were married in Coquille Monday. The Rev. C. H. Cleaves officiating. Their marriage was a surprise to their relatives and friends who were not expecting it until after the marriage of the bride's sister, Miss Ellen Anderson, who will be wedded to Fred Kruse next Tuesday. Warren Murphy and Miss Maude Crosby, another well known North Bend couple, were also married in Coquille Monday, the Rev. C. H. Cleaves officiating.

ARNO MEREE and daughters, Misses Edith and Doris, and Miss Edith M. Dunning, left on the Adeline Smith today for Berkeley.

BULGARIANS NOW READY TO HAVE POWERS INTERVENE

WHEAT CROP IS BELOW NORMAL

Crop Report Shows This Year's Yield Will Be Below the Average.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]
WASHINGTON, D. C., July 9.—The U. S. Department of Agriculture's crop report issued today shows the condition of all wheat to be 78.6 per cent of normal compared with 87.2 per cent June 1, and a ten year average of 81.9 per cent for July 1. The indicated yield is 14.1 bushels per acre compared with the five-year average of 14 1/2 bushels. The total production is estimated at 701,000,000 bushels compared with 730,000,000 bushels last year. The condition of apples is 59.4 per cent of the normal compared with 67.1 per cent on June 1, and 67.9 per cent last year.

FAIL TO LET STREET WORK

North Bend City Council Postpones Opening Bids—Other Things Discussed.

At a meeting of the North Bend City Council last night, the opening of bids on about \$70,000 worth of street improvements there was postponed until July 17. Only one bid was filed, that of Hugh McLain, and the Council wanted to get others. A telegram from the Federal Construction Company, of Spokane, stated that they had just heard of the work and wanted time in which to bid on the work. Mr. McLain was allowed to withdraw his bid without its being opened.

The Council passed an ordinance ordering Sheridan avenue improved from Washington street to near the ball park. This will require a large amount of filling and the estimate of the cost is \$15,935.55. The grade was established on Connecticut, Montana and Florida between Sherman and Sheridan.

The Council passed the ordinance providing for the payment of \$50 per month from July 1 to the North Bend band.

City Attorney Mullen was instructed to negotiate with the Coos Bay Water Company and try and adjust the claim of the company against the city of North Bend for hydrant rentals. The company filed suit for \$984.50 and costs and a letter from Manager Corey of the company stated that they would drop the suit and pay the costs if the city would pay the bill. The Council instructed Mr. Mullen to see the best terms the company would make.

The ordinance providing for saloonkeepers to permit men to go into their places at 4 o'clock in the morning to clean out, was passed. The saloons will not be permitted to sell liquor before 5 a. m.

City Attorney Mullen was also instructed to take action to collect all delinquent street assessments. Most of the outstanding ones are for Marion avenue in Bangor over which there was a squabble because the elevated roadway was built on one side of the street instead of in the center.

Let Sewer Contract.
A special meeting of the North Bend City Council will be held tonight to let the contract for the big main part of the new sewage system. The part to be let is across the flat which is to be filled by the Southern Pacific and by putting in the sewer now, the cost can be greatly reduced.

COL. ROOSEVELT TALKS.

Delivers Short Address at Limar, Colorado.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]
LIMAR, Colo., July 9.—Colonel Theodore Roosevelt, on his way to Arizona, stopped here a short time this morning and made a brief speech.

\$50 REWARD!

We will pay the above sum for the name of the party or parties who are circulating a Bandon paper and other I. W. W. literature in this city or for information and positive proof as to their identity.
CITIZENS' COMMITTEE.

Sends Note Appealing to European Nations to End War in Balkans at Once.

HEAVY LOSSES AND CHOLERA CAUSE ACT
Fear Epidemic of Dread Disease Is Getting Beyond Control in Armies.

INVADE BULGARIA.
[By The Associated Press.]
LONDON, July 9.—The Roumanian diplomats here say that a Roumanian invasion of Bulgaria will begin forthwith, if Bulgaria gains an advantage over Servia.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]
VIENNA, July 9.—The Bulgarian government is reported to have sent a circular to the European powers expressing its readiness to negotiate for peace. The Bulgarian and Servian commanders-in-chief are stated here to be already negotiating armistice, as the losses of both armies in killed and wounded are so immense. It is also feared that an epidemic of cholera which has broken out among the troops may get beyond control.

GREEKS ARE WINNING.

Capture Town From Bulgarians and Attack Scaport.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]
BELGRADE, July 9.—The town of Sere, about 45 miles north of Saloniki, was captured today from the Bulgarians by the Greek army. The Greek fleet is reported to be bombarding the seaport of Kavala, on the Aegean sea, now in the hands of the Bulgarians.

SIX SOLDIERS DIE IN WRECK

U. S. Troopers Killed by Flat-Car Overturning Near Manila Yesterday.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]
WASHINGTON, D. C., July 9.—Six soldiers were killed in Manila yesterday when a flatcar jumped the track and overturned. They were Privates Boyd Manes of the Quartermaster's corps, Louis D. Koenig, Elmer Neitzinger, John Paul, Albert R. Wells and George Hughes. All belonged to the 95th company of the coast artillery.

CUBAN POLICE HEAD IS DEAD

General Riva Succumbs to Pistol Wounds Inflicted by High Officials.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.]
HAVANA, Cuba, July 9.—General Armando Riva, chief of the Cuban National Police, died today of wounds received Monday evening during a pistol fight on the Prado, after he had raided the gambling club. General Ernesto Ariberta, governor of Havana province, Senator Viddal Morales and Representative Arias are under arrest awaiting trial in connection with the crime.

STARTS WORK AT SUNSET BAY

L. J. Simpson Begins Construction of Eight Cottages and Restaurant There.

L. J. Simpson of North Bend, was in Marshfield today arranging to send carpenters to Sunset Bay to start the construction of the eight summer cottages and restaurant which he will build near Shore Acres, his fine summer home. The lumber for the buildings has been hauled there and work was to start today.

The number of cottages to be erected will depend on the demand for them from summer outing parties. The cottages will be simply for sleeping and living quarters and will not be provided with means of housekeeping, a restaurant supplying eatables.