

SPRUCE PROBE REVEALS MUCH WASTEFULNESS

\$5,000,000 SQUANDERED IS CHARGE.

RAILROAD BENEFITED

Recommendations Made to War Department Mention Milwaukee Line—May Endeavor to Recover Public Funds.

[United Press Staff Correspondent.]

PORTLAND, Aug. 29.—The Congressional committee investigating the Spruce Production in the northwest during the war, resumed hearings here today. It was officially reported to Secretary of War Baker that evidence at Seattle showed that \$5,000,000 had been "squandered, misapplied, and converted to uses of Milwaukee railroad interests," in construction of the Siemsen-Carey-Kerbaugh spruce road through the Olympic peninsula.

It was stated that further investigations might "disclose conditions upon which recovery can be made against John D. Ryan and others responsible for the wasteful expenditures of public funds."

Ryan is a director of the Milwaukee road, and a former government director of aircraft.

DISQUE ASKS HEARING.

PORTLAND, Aug. 29.—General Disque, former head of the Spruce Production corporation, arrived here unexpectedly from New York today to face his detractors in the Congressional spruce probe. General Disque asks for a hearing. Representative Lea, Democratic member of the investigating committee, sent to Secretary of War Baker, as "cunningly contrived for political effect."

General Disque declared that there was not a cent of graft in the entire administration of the Spruce division.

SOLDIERS FAIL TO CLAIM TRAVEL PAY

Home Service Section of Red Cross Still Offers Assistance to Discharged Men.

The Home Service Section of the A. R. C. has been prepared for some time to take care of soldiers who wish the extra travel pay. All soldiers discharged before Feb. 28, 1919 who received 3 1/2 cents per mile from place of discharge to place of induction in service are now allowed five cents per mile from place of discharge to place of induction or actual bona fide residence, whichever is most desirable. By this arrangement many of the discharged soldiers are entitled to quite a little extra money. All that they need to do to obtain same is to apply at the Home Service Section where an affidavit will be made to secure the money for them.

Many of the soldiers who have paid on liberty bonds have not received a refund on same. This may be obtained by making out an affidavit for same. In case the bond has been paid for but not delivered an affidavit may also be made out for it.

Application blanks for conversion of insurance are here also. The government insurance may now be converted into ordinary life, 20 year payment, 30 year payment, 20 year endowment, 30 year endowment and endowment maturing at the age of 42.

The Home Service Section office is located at the first National Bank Building, upstairs. Hours 1:30 to 5:30 p. m. Open Saturday evenings from 7:00 to 9:00.

SERVICE MEN TO GATHER TONIGHT

Members of Percy A. Stevens post, American Legion, will hold a special meeting at 8 o'clock tonight at the Bend Amateur Athletic club gymnasium. Important business will come up and a large attendance is desired.

Labor Secretary is Secretive in the Mooney Case

[By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.] WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 29.—Secretary of Labor Wilson today refused to inform the house of the activities which the department of labor may be conducting in the Mooney case, in which the defendant was convicted of bomb throwing in the Preparedness day parade in San Francisco. Information was asked in a resolution passed by the house.

SAYS TREATY INSURES WAR

WILL MEAN CONFLICT WORSE THAN ONE JUST PAST. DECLARES SENATOR KNOX, IN ATTACK ON PEACE PACT.

[By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.] WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 29.—

The treaty now before the Senate is merely a "truce of Versailles," not a treaty of lasting peace. It does not spell peace, but war—a war more devastating and more woeful than the one just closed. It lays the foundation for centuries of blood letting.

This was the characterization of the pending treaty presented by Senator Knox in a speech in the upper house today. "The more I consider this treaty, the more I am convinced that the only safe way for us to deal with it is to decline to be a party to it at all," he maintained.

STRIKERS RETURN TO RAILROAD JOBS

Yardmen Back in Bay District, but Employees at Los Angeles Continue to Be Idle.

[By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.]

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 29.—Yardmen have returned to work here, and are clearing the bay district of railroad strike troubles, although the railroaders of Los Angeles continue to strike in sympathy with the Pacific Electric interurban strikers. It is predicted, however, that they will return to work before night.

STRIKERS ACCEPT SIX-CENT ADVANCE

Pittsburg Street Car Men Do So Under Protest, and Will Continue to Fight for More.

[By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.]

PITTSBURG, Aug. 29.—Street car service resumed here today, the strikers accepting the war labor board's award of an increase of six cents an hour. The men returned under protest, and will continue to fight for a greater increase. The strike lasted for two weeks.

DROUGHT IN BEND IS 39 DAYS IN LENGTH

No Precipitation Recorded Here Since Rain of July 23—Electric Storms Have Been Rare.

Thirty-nine days without rain is the record so far established this summer for drought, and according to present indications it may be considerably prolonged, for the weather man still predicts, "fair." The last precipitation in Bend was on July 23, when .23 of an inch of rain fell. While one or two storms have been noted in the mountains since that time, Bend has been absolutely bone-dry.

Electric storms have been unusually rare this season, forest officials report.

BARBER SHOPS TO CLOSE ON MONDAY

In recognition of Labor day, the barber shops of Bend will be closed all day Monday, it was announced this afternoon.

"AJAX DEFYING THE LIGHT"



DATES ANNOUNCED FOR WILSON'S TOUR

Seven Stops in the Northwest Are Scheduled—Will Speak in Portland on September 15.

[By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 29.—An official itinerary of President Wilson's tour, shows addresses scheduled as follows: September 11, Billings, and Helena, Mont.; September 12, Coeur d'Alene and Spokane; September 13, Tacoma; September 14, Seattle; September 15, Portland.

AUTOISTS FEEL GAS SHORTAGE

TANK CARS FAIL TO ARRIVE AND MOTORISTS TRY OUT DISTILLATE WHILE WAITING FOR BETTER FUEL.

For the second time this summer, Bend suffered a gasoline famine today, when two tanks which have been on the way to the Standard Oil branch here for 10 days failed to show up. As a matter of fact, the supply was exhausted yesterday morning, but the stock kept by garages lasted fairly well through the day, and the shortage was not keenly felt by car owners until today.

Redmond's supply gave out before the tanks in Bend were dry, but since then a fresh supply has arrived at the former town, and garage men sent down to get a few barrels in hopes that it might tide them over until more was received here by rail.

While gasoline is gone from many Bend cars, there is still a large supply of distillate at the Standard Oil Co. works, and a large number of autoists are mixing what little real "gas" they have left with the less highly refined product, and are finding the mixture a fair substitute.

It is expected that the first of the two tank cars ordered may arrive by tomorrow night, but no definite assurance as to this could be given.

TWENTY ARE KILLED IN BIG EXPLOSION

Munitions Barge at Archangel Takes British Monitor and Men When It Blows Up.

[United Press Staff Correspondent.]

ARCHANGEL, Aug. 29.—Twenty were killed and 40 are missing as the result of an explosion of an ammunition barge, which destroyed the British monitor, Glow Worm, it is reported.

MIXER COMMITTEE MAKES PREPARATION

Members of the committee in charge of preparations for the Banker-Farmer mixer to be given Monday, were busy today erecting stands and otherwise getting everything in readiness for the picnic and program to be given at Tumalo island.

STRIKE GAINS BUT SLIGHTLY

RADICALS WHO SEEK TO MAKE STREET CAR MEN LEAVE JOBS ARE DISPERSED BY POLICE IN PEORIA.

[By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.]

PEORIA, Ill., Aug. 29.—The threatened general strike here is gaining little headway, and police reserves are dispersing crowds of alleged radicals who had halted street car traffic for an hour.

The so-called radicals issued an order for a sympathetic strike to go into effect at 7 o'clock this morning. At that hour, groups of laborers, stationed at several points in the downtown section, waited for cars, and dragged crews from them.

The police broke up these gatherings, and traffic was resumed. Most of the conductors and motormen had refused to strike.

GOMPERS MEETS U. S. PRESIDENT

WILL GO OVER ENTIRE LABOR SITUATION WITH WILSON THIS AFTERNOON, IS BELIEF AT WASHINGTON.

[By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 29.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, asked today for an appointment with President Wilson, and the request has been granted. He will see the president this afternoon. It is assumed that he wishes to go over the whole labor situation with Wilson.

MOVIES FORMING HINDU OPINIONS

Odd Ideas Gained of Western Morals from Film Stories Seen on Screen in Calcutta.

[United Press Staff Correspondent.]

LONDON, Aug. 29.—Movies are lowering the Hindu's opinion of European women's morals, according to Miss Constance Brombley, an English girl, just returned from Calcutta where she managed a large motion picture house for four years.

"They see the white wives on the screen in compromising situations, also women clothed in many garbs, on one occasion in a long film the heroine's main costume being a bathing suit, with the result that the natives get a low opinion of European morals," said Miss Brombley.

Miss Brombley declared the natives are great movie fans and that in Bombay alone there are fourteen picture houses.

CAMP FIRE IS LEFT BURNING

M. E. MILLER, RETURNING TO CAMP, FINDS FOREST MAN WAITING TO ARREST HIM—\$25 FINE IS LEVIED.

The second arrest of the season for leaving camp fires within the forest, without first carefully extinguishing them, was made yesterday, when Douglas Johnson, of the Deschutes National Forest, took Monroe E. Miller, of La Pine, into custody near East Lake. The defendant was tried before Justice of the Peace E. L. Clark, at La Pine, and fined \$25.

The fire was discovered in the early morning, Miller having made his camp and started on foot for La Pine to secure repairs, when his auto broke down. Finding the auto, the forest service man waited for nearly three hours, when Miller returned, and the arrest was made.

Miller's fine was remitted, as he contended he had drained his radiator in the effort to secure enough water to extinguish the fire before leaving.

FIRE HOUSE IS NEARLY READY

WILL BE USED BY DEPARTMENT IN TWO WEEKS, AND AS MEETING PLACE FOR CITY COUNCIL BY OCTOBER 1.

Building is progressing rapidly at the new fire station on Minnesota avenue, and with the floor in and the tower already up, the structure will be ready for occupancy by the fire department within the next two weeks. Chief Carlon declared this morning. By that time, he believes, the roof will have been completed.

By the end of October, the City council will have moved from its present meeting place in the Sphler Building, and will make the firehouse its new headquarters, Mayor J. A. Eastes states.

STEEL PIPES HERE FOR CITY'S MAINS

Two Carloads to Be Used to Replace Mile of Wooden Pipe—Three More Loads to Be Ordered.

Two cars of eight and six inch steel pipe arrived in Bend this morning, and are being unloaded at the Bend Water, Light, & Power Co. tracks on the river front. The pipe will be used in replacing wooden mains now in use in the business districts, and the laying of the new mains will start as soon as a compressed air drill to be used in preparing for blasting in necessary trenching, arrives.

The pipe already here will total about a mile in length, and will for the most part be laid by the end of October. Three more carloads will be ordered later to extend the improvement.

OVERSEAS MAN MURDERS WITH RAZOR STROKE

HEART OF VICTIM IS CUT IN TWO.

SEEK ONE-ARMED MAN

San Francisco Bartender Killed by Soldier He Had Found in Park and Taken to His Room in Early Morning.

[By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.]

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 29.—With his heart practically cut in two, Otto Wunderlich, bartender, died here early this morning following a desperate battle with a one armed soldier who wore an overseas uniform. The soldier calmly walked from the Hilledale hotel after killing Wunderlich, and disappeared.

Wunderlich was killed with his own razor. The night clerk heard his cry, went to his room, and found him clasp his breast.

Before he staggered and fell dead, the injured man said: "I want mother to have all my things," then added, "I met him in the park."

Wunderlich and the soldier entered the hotel at 1 o'clock this morning. The soldier was his friend, Wunderlich said. The latter left about 3 o'clock. He is alleged to have said in a restaurant: "I've quarreled with this fellow. He's top handy with a bottle. I'm going up now to get him."

UNPATRIOTIC TO BE STRONGLY OPPOSED

Persons of Doubtful Loyalty Will Lack Votes of American Legion When Seeking Office.

PORTLAND, Aug. 29.—Persons of doubtful loyalty and especially those whose disloyalty has been established who seek legislative or other public office will be vigorously opposed by The American Legion, the national organization of American veterans of the Great War. This action is urged upon the entire membership of the Legion through 3,000 Posts already organized, in a resolution adopted by the National Executive Committee in session at National Headquarters, 13 West 44th Street, New York City.

Through investigation of the alleged abuse in military prisons of the American Expeditionary Force, prompt punishment for the individuals responsible for these alleged wrongs, regardless of rank, and legislation to prevent their recurrence, are demanded by the Executive Committee. Resolutions were unanimously adopted endorsing the effort of the Congressional Investigating Committee to place responsibility for the brutalities alleged to have been practiced by military prison authorities in France and pledging co-operation of local posts throughout the country to make the assistance of the legion effective.

NEW SOUTH WALES BARS IMMIGRATION

[By United Press to The Bend Bulletin.] SYDNEY, Aug. 29.—The state of New South Wales has informed the Commonwealth government of Australia that it will not permit any immigration for one year, in order to more successfully cope with the problem of repatriating its soldiers and sailors. This ban against immigration includes the British Isles, despite the fact that all other states of the Commonwealth have opened their doors to emigrants from England.

REPATRIATION COST HIGH IN AUSTRALIA

[United Press Staff Correspondent.] MELBOURNE, Aug. 29.—The Commonwealth of Australia has spent more than \$2,500,000 in the past fiscal year in aiding returned soldiers and sailors and their dependents, according to the first annual review of the Repatriation Department. Nearly 90,000 persons benefited by the work of the department.