

THE WEATHER
Unsettled with showers Sunday
and cooler; moderate southerly
winds, becoming variable

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COUNTY CHARGE PREFERS DEATH TO POOR FARM

Pioneer Cuts Throat In
Early Morning

LIFE DESPAIRED OF

Jerry Haley, 73, Despondent
When Trip to Institu-
tion Promised

Declaring that he would rather die than go to the poor farm near Roseburg, Jerry Haley, 73, pioneer of Bend, cut his throat at 1 o'clock this morning at the hospital conducted by Mrs. Marion M. Lesh at East Third street and Kearney. He severed the windpipe with a razor, but did not reach the jugular vein. Little hope is held for his recovery.

Shortly before 1 o'clock Haley was turned on the light and went to his valise, which he had packed Friday, supposedly in preparation for his departure tonight for Roseburg. His companion in the ward, W. Rawling, complained about the light, and Haley turned it off and got back in bed. Rawling said, Haley did not know Haley had the razor until he heard him moaning and got up to investigate.

Mrs. Lesh has a young dog which she has trained to bark when the light is turned on in the hospital. The dog barked when Haley turned on the light, and Mrs. Lesh went to investigate, but went back to bed when she found that the light had been turned out again and that there was no sound. She would have entered the ward where the men were, but the door was locked from the inside. A little later she was called by Rawling.

Son in World War
Haley was hurried to the St. Charles hospital for all the aid which can be given him, but it was stated that there was little hope that he would live.

Until last fall Haley was working on the Naton cutoff and one of the camps near Odell lake, but he was taken ill and had to be brought to Bend, later becoming a county charge. As he has a small farm near Roseburg, it was decided that Douglas county should care for him. He had strenuously objected to going there, but little attention was paid to this as he was somewhat childish.

Haley had no relatives who could be reached. He has a daughter, who is believed to be in New York, and he had a son who enlisted during the world war and whom he has not heard from since. Haley and his wife separated 39 years ago.

Bulgar Ruler Refuses To Sign Death Orders

(U. P. Leased Wire to The Bend Bulletin)
VIENNA, May 16.—King Boris of Bulgaria, who was attacked near Sofia just previous to the cathedral outrage in which more than 200 lives were lost, has refused to sign the death warrants of communists condemned by a tribunal for participating in the plots against the throne and government.

Several of those condemned were to have been publicly hanged near the Sveti Kral cathedral which was destroyed by a bomb during the funeral services of General Georgehief.

Fish Commission Fights Dam For Priest Rapids

(U. P. Leased Wire to The Bend Bulletin)
PORTLAND, May 16.—The Oregon state fish commission will oppose the proposed construction of the Priest Rapids dam in the Columbia river on the grounds that it will interfere with fish propagation.

Governor Pierce today was asked to have the state attorney general start injunction proceedings to prevent the construction of the dam, following agreement of the fish commissioners yesterday on such a program.

Neighbors of Woodcraft To Hold Convention Here

The next convention of the 10th Oregon district of Neighbors of Woodcraft will be held in Bend, in 1927, it was learned today from the Bend delegates who are attending the convention which closes today at Hoppper. The delegates from Bend are Mrs. R. W. Van Fleet, Mrs. M. Jackson Kelley, Mrs. Vora Walker, Mrs. James Ashe and Mrs. Wesley Hill.

Liquor Found Illegally Seized Ordered Destroyed and Owners Discharged, On Attorney's Motion

Defects In Search Warrant Recognized By Justice Court
In Ruling—Knowledge, Not Information, Requisite On Part of Officer Is Opinion Given

Charges of possession of liquor against Harry Kimball and James McKee of La Pine were dismissed in justice court here Friday after it had been ruled that the search warrant under which the liquor was seized, was illegal, and that therefore the liquor could not be introduced as evidence in the case. Attorneys for the defendants had filed a motion asking that the liquor be returned to its owners or destroyed. Justice E. D. Gilson chose destruction as the better course.

COUNTY OFFICIALS LOG MARKET ROAD

New Alfalfa Route Now
Nearing Completion

The Alfalfa market road, now nearing completion, was logged and inspected Friday afternoon by members of the county court. Judge R. W. Sawyer and Commissioner J. S. Jones, and by County Engineer R. B. Gould.

Deschutes county's newest market road is 19.4 miles in length, branching off to the east from the Bend-Burns highway at a point about five miles from the center of Bend and extending to Alfalfa.

When the market road is completed, it will be one of the best in the county, and will make Bend easily accessible to the farmers and stockmen of the Alfalfa community. The new road will also make it possible for motorists to reach Princeton from Bend over a route which leads through the picturesque juniper forest east of this city.

The highest elevation in the market road, being constructed at a cost of about \$15,000, is Range ridge, 11 miles from Bend. From this ridge, a striking view of the mid-state skyline can be obtained, the group of snow capped peaks looming up over the forest of juniper in the foreground and the forest of pine in the distant background.

Preliminary to the trip of inspection, the county court visited the Coe road, just east of Pilot Butte, where county and city prisoners are working under the supervision of George Pardon. The work of the prisoners was commended by members of the court and the county surveyor.

Mountain Clouds Open, Bend Deluged By Rain

Clouds which were hanging low over the Cascades since yesterday afternoon "did their stuff" today, the precipitation up to 2 o'clock this afternoon measuring .30 of an inch. The precipitation last night totaled only .01.

In the past 10 days .73 of an inch of rain fell in Bend. The shower of today was the heaviest of the month, the torrential rain flooding the street water escapes in places.

Wool Movement to Bend Already Is Commencing

The movement of wool to Bend for storage in local warehouses or shipment to Portland has already started, but the heavy clips will not be coming in for a week or more yet. General shearing will start in the country north of Deschutes, in Wasco and Jefferson counties, about May 20, according to reports. Most of this wool will be shipped from Shanks, Condon and Prineville. One of the smaller clips was moved to Bend this morning. The wool market has been in a slump for the past few weeks.

Redmond vs. Shevlin-Hixon Game Is Sunday Afternoon

Although weather conditions didn't look at all favorable this afternoon, announcement was made that the baseball game Sunday between the Shevlin-Hixon and Redmond teams, the first match game of the season, will be played if it is at all possible. Fans will be safe in going to O'Donnell field if it is not raining, as the diamond dries quickly. The game is scheduled for 2:30 o'clock.

Military Honors Planned At General Miles Funeral

(U. P. Leased Wire to The Bend Bulletin)
WASHINGTON, May 16.—Burial at Arlington cemetery with all the military honors due one of the country's great soldiers was planned today for Lieutenant General Nelson A. Miles, former commander and Indian fighter who died yesterday at the age of 85 while taking his grandchildren to a circus.

BOOZE RUNNERS ON EAST COAST ARE CONQUERED

Boats of Coast Guard
Force Armada Out

DELIVERIES HALTED

Last of Liquor Fleet Pre-
paring to Leave In Face
of Blockade

By William J. Losh
(Copyright 1925 by United Press)
NEW YORK, May 16.—The north Atlantic rum fleet has literally been swept from the seas.

The coast guard's offensive against it has been successful beyond the most sanguine hopes of its directors. From Atlantic City to Nantucket Light, only 11 disconsolate rum ships remain. There were 65 when the blockade offensive started, 12 days ago. One by one, the last survivors are preparing to go, too.

So far as coast guard officers aboard destroyers and cutters out here are aware, not a case has been moved over the side of the rum ships in a week.

The first official survey of the situation, made by Lieutenant Commander Stephen S. Yeandle, aide to Admiral Bullard, commandant of the coast guard, aboard the Pequet, which the writer accompanied, has been completed and a glowing report of accomplishment will be forwarded to Washington upon arrival of the Pequet at Staten Island tonight.

Few Are Left
The coast guard actually is at war. The chief of staff is Commander W. H. Wheeler, who sits in his cabin aboard the cutter Mojave 39 miles south of Ambrose channel light ship with maps showing the location of his forces and those of the enemy. Yellow pins mark the

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Crowd of 2,000 Sees Kenwood School Pageant

New Standard Set for Outdoor Entertainments In Central Oregon By "The Promise Fulfilled"

Impressive in its simplicity and perfect in its beauty of setting and costuming as well as in musical and terpsichorean art, the Kenwood school pageant, "The Promise Fulfilled," given Friday evening before a crowd of over 2,000 people who filled the school court to the last inch of its capacity, created a new standard for open air entertainments in Central Oregon—a standard equal to that reached in the larger cities and at widely recognized festivals.

Yells "Fire," Gets Seat In Crowded Playhouse

(U. P. Leased Wire to The Bend Bulletin)
SANTA BARBARA, Cal., May 16.—Bernard Rath, 17, was in jail today charged with causing a stampede in a local movie theater.

Rath shouted "Fire" when he was unable to find a seat in the crowded neighborhood movie house. Hundreds of patrons stampeded to the doors and several were injured in the rush.

When police arrived Rath was the lone spectator witnessing the show. He was jailed on a charge of disturbing the peace.

Besieged French Outpost Saved From Riff Forces

(U. P. Leased Wire to The Bend Bulletin)
RABAT, Morocco, May 16.—A French outpost at Oulez, which had been encircled and beleaguered by Riff warriors of Abd El Krim for a fortnight was relieved by French troops which encountered sharp fighting, according to an official communique. Reinforcements are being rushed to the aid of the besieged Harka tribe on the east of the miniature Moroccan war zone.

In the center where Colonel Freydenberg is in command, the situation is unchanged.

May Station Surveyors At La Pine, Is Learned

That a surveying party to work on the location of the Oregon Trunk extension between Bend and Klamath Falls will be stationed at La Pine, was the information left at that town by members of one of the earlier parties now at work farther south on the announced route. There will be about 12 men at La Pine, and it is expected that they will work south along the right of way established years ago.

New Claim Set Forth For Hoard of Hermit

Rhode Island Woman Says
She Is Daughter

William Pitcher Disappeared Soon
After Death of Wife, At-
tests Town Clerk

Belief that she is the daughter of Uncle Billy Pitcher, hermit of McKay creek, near Prineville, whose death chamber was found last winter to be literally lined with money, is held by Mrs. Luella E. Matteson of North Kingstown, Rhode Island. This is the second woman to claim in the past few months that she is the daughter of the hermit, in whose room was found more than \$3,000 in gold and currency.

"Soon after the Civil war, William Pitcher and Mary E. (Brown) Pitcher, drove to Riverpoint in this state and declared they had just been married," writes George A. Loomis, town clerk of East Greenwich, Rhode Island, in making inquiries for Mrs. Matteson. "The wife died in or near Central Falls, R. I., in 1867, leaving her husband and her daughter, an only child."

"Soon after the death of the mother, the father left the baby with relatives and disappeared," continues Loomis. "The daughter is now Luella Augusta (Pitcher) Matteson. I will state that I have known Mrs. Matteson's husband for the past 30 years, that he is a reputable citizen and that Mrs. Matteson appeared to be thoroughly honest in the statements she made to me."

Mrs. Matteson desires to know what steps she must take to prove her relationship to Pitcher. Uncle Billy Pitcher of McKay creek was a civil war veteran. He came to Central Oregon about 40 years ago. He was 86 years old when he died. In February a woman wrote from Kansas, saying that her father, William Pitcher, was a civil war veteran and had disappeared many years ago.

The United Press story that went from The Bulletin office to all parts of the United States contained no reference to the fact that Pitcher is supposed to have a daughter. Peculiar to note, close friends of the old hermit believed that Pitcher had a daughter.

BEND MAN KILLS ESTRANGED WIFE THEN ENDS OWN LIFE WITH GUN; GIRL BY MOTHER'S SIDE UNHURT

HALF MILLION IS LOSS
FROM WIND AND FLOOD

(U. P. Leased Wire to The Bend Bulletin)
OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., May 16.—High winds and near-catastrophic over an area of four counties southwest of here during the night caused damage estimated today at more than \$500,000.

Five business buildings and a dozen residences at Tribbey, near Shawnee, Okla., were destroyed. Although several persons were slightly injured by falling roofs and walls, no deaths had been reported today. Tribbey was isolated from communication today, the wind snapping telegraph and telephone poles at their base. Damage at Tribbey was estimated at \$200,000.

Small dwellings were demolished and several larger residences were unroofed when a near-catastrophic, accompanied by high winds, swept Norman, 26 miles from Oklahoma City. Nearly a mile of the electric power line which feeds the city was torn down, leaving the city without electric power.

PROBLEM OF DEBT BEING CONSIDERED

Negotiations With Four Nations Under Way

(U. P. Leased Wire to The Bend Bulletin)
WASHINGTON, May 16.—Foreign nations whose unfunded debts to the United States total half a billion dollars have been informed that this government expects them to arrange a settlement at the earliest possible moment.

WASHINGTON, May 16.—Actual debt negotiation between this government and Italy, Belgium, Czechoslovakia and Roumania are in progress. It was learned in authoritative circles here today.

Negotiations for funding the French debt have reached a point where this government is hopeful that a French commission will be sent to Washington with a definite offer in the near future, according to a high official here.

Pressure has been brought to bear by this government upon the five chief countries which have not funded their American debts. "Not only France, but Italy, Belgium, Roumania and Czechoslovakia have been informed that it is this government's earnest desire that debt negotiations be brought to a satisfactory termination at the earliest possible moment. Although the state department is handling the negotiations in the various countries for the world war foreign debt commission through its ambassadors and ministers the commission itself is issuing all instructions and keeping close check upon the negotiations.

Troutdale Laid Waste By Devastating Flames

(U. P. Leased Wire to The Bend Bulletin)
TROUTDALE, Ore., May 16.—Half of the business section of this little highway town was in ruins today and 10 families were homeless as a result of a \$75,000 fire here late yesterday.

It started as a shingle fire on the roof of the Larson garage. High winds sweeping down the Columbia river soon spread the blaze, and fire fighting equipment was called from Portland before the fire was controlled.

Plant Foundations Laid For Shell Oil Company

Foundations for the new \$15,000 wholesale plant of the Portland Lubricating & Gasoline Co., Shell oil distributors, have been laid. The 20,000 gallon gasoline tank was to be shipped from Portland today. Electrical pumping equipment is already on its way here. The new plant will be ready to deliver gasoline and motor oils in 15 days, President George H. Gage announced.

WOMEN DIE IN FIRE
HILSDALE, N. J., May 16.—Mrs. Henry S. Wise and Mrs. Henrietta Dunfield were burned to death early today when fire destroyed the former's home at Woodcliff Lake near here.

Tragedy Follows Petition For Divorce

BROKE BOOZE LAWS

Chester Brooks, Former Operator of Beer Garden—
Inquest Is Today

After killing his estranged wife by shooting her through the breast as she lay in bed beside her 11 year old daughter, Chester Brooks shortly before midnight last night turned the shotgun on himself, blowing off the top of his head.

Brooks, who has been in local courts frequently in the past few months on various liquor violation charges, entered the home of his wife at 104 Colorado by unlatching the back door. After cutting the telephone wires, he stole into the room where his wife and daughter were sleeping.

The murder and the suicide took place in the dark of the room, in the dim light of the street lamp, it is the belief of the police. When Night Officer Henry Selders entered the death chamber he found the incandescent bulb partly screwed out of its socket. The body of Mrs. Brooks was in bed. That of her husband was in the narrow space between the bed and wall of the room.

When the small daughter was awakened by the shots which made her an orphan, she rushed out of the house to a nearby building where a cook was sleeping. Mrs. Brooks' home on Colorado avenue was being operated as a boarding house. After the occupants of the house were awakened by the shots, the police were notified.

Divorce Suit Filed
The tragedy of last night is the culmination of family trouble which on more than one occasion has been brought into the local courts. Only yesterday Mrs. Brooks filed divorce proceedings. It was this act which was the direct cause of the murder and suicide, it is believed, for Brooks told his wife that he would kill her if she left him.

One of the boarders in Mrs. Brooks' rooming house last night was J. Imman, her brother in law. Imman was expecting his wife, Mrs. Brooks' sister, to arrive in Bend last night. Other roomers were E. K. Euler, H. W. Giddings, J. P. Montgomery, Andrew Foss and O. D. Alingham.

Brooks used a single barrel shotgun, No. 12 gauge, in killing his wife and himself. Mrs. Brooks was killed from close range, the barrel of the shotgun having been placed against her right breast. In shooting himself, Brooks placed the gun barrel between his eyes. The little girl was not touched by any of the shots. Immediately after the shooting she was taken charge of by Mrs. Ethel V. Johnson of the women's protective division.

Mr. and Mrs. Brooks had been separated and reconciled on several occasions, the latest separation having occurred in the past few days, according to information obtained from the police. Until about two weeks ago they had lived in the "Chiff House" on Congress street, just north of the mills. From this place they moved to Colorado avenue. In the past few days they apparently had further trouble, for Brooks moved to Newport avenue.

Ran Beer Garden
Brooks operated a beer garden south of town for some time, and was arrested on several occasions, charged with the sale and possession of alcoholic drinks. He formerly owned several houses in Bend. Only a few days ago he was arrested by the local police, charged with being intoxicated. He was fined \$10, which he paid.

Records in Justice E. D. Gilson's court reveal that C. H. Brooks was fined \$100 and costs on a charge of possession of liquor, on August 14, 1923, following a raid on his "beer garden" by the sheriff's force, and again on September 16, 1924, he was fined \$250 and costs in the same court. In the first case a jail sentence of six months was suspended on payment of the fine, and in the second a two months' sentence was suspended.

Mother in Portland
In the complaints in these cases Brooks was named as "Lester" Brooks, but he indicated when he appeared in court that his name was C. H. Brooks and that the name Lester was used to prevent relatives from learning of his whereabouts.

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