

## FOREST BLAZE CROWNS PINES IN METOLIUS

Clouds of Smoke Seen  
By Forest Guards

### HUMIDITY VERY LOW

Blaze Not Far from Burn of  
1924 When 2,500 Acres of  
Timber Was Destroyed

Fanned by a high wind, a forest fire early this afternoon was racing through yellow pine timber near the north end of Squawback ridge, in the Metolius country.

Spotted at 12:35 this afternoon by Deschutes national forest lookouts, the blaze in a short time was reported to be crowning. This was indicated by the pall of black smoke from the burning forest.

With the humidity dangerously low this afternoon, forest officials fear a repetition of the destructive fire on Squawback ridge last year when 2,500 acres of virgin timber was destroyed. The present fire is not far from the 1924 burn.

The Squawback ridge fire is in timber owned by the Allworth-Washburn interests. J. H. Haner, secretary of the Central Oregon Fire Patrol association, left for the Metolius country this afternoon, accompanied by a crew of fire fighters.

Spot More Fires  
Three forest fires were spotted by Deschutes lookouts early this afternoon within a period of a few minutes. A fire on the north side of North Paulina mountain is reported to be "smoking up," and it is feared it may spread through the yellow pine.

Another fire was reported by lookouts from near the south end of Lava Lake, not far from the Deschutes river. It is believed that this fire was caused by careless fishermen.

Aside from the Squawback ridge fire and the blaze in the Paulina mountains, H. L. Plumb, supervisor of the Deschutes forest, reports that the fire condition is fairly good.

### IDAHO FIRES RAGE

SEATTLE, Aug. 3.—High winds and dry weather added to the forest fire Monday as flames in many districts continued to sweep through green timber.

Two hundred men were fighting the fire in the Rockport area. An all day fight yesterday directed by G. C. Joy, head of the Washington Forest Fire association, temporarily subdued the flames but today more men were rushed to the scene. The Rockport section has been in flames for more than a week and the fire covers a large area of green timber.

SPOKANE, Aug. 3.—A large amount of valuable timber 20 miles east of Wallace, Idaho, was being burned in a fire which raged today in that vicinity.

Last night the flames spread over an area of 1,000 acres. The fire was out of control.

## Love Triangle Probed After Fatal Shooting

CHEHALIS, Wash., Aug. 3.—Authorities today were making a thorough investigation into the triangle love affair which ended here last night in the fatal shooting of L. J. Nicholson by Ben Napier.

Napier found Nicholson at his home in company with Mrs. Napier. He calmly drew a revolver and shot Nicholson through the breast, inflicting a wound that caused death within an hour.

It was said by police that Napier had repeatedly warned Nicholson to stay away and that he threatened to kill him the next time he found him paying attentions to Mrs. Napier.

The Napiers were well known here. They had two daughters under 10 years of age. Nicholson was the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Nicholson of this city.

## Prineville Auto Wrecked, But Does Not Turn Over

An automobile bearing the Oregon license 130-434, registered under the name of G. A. Wolke of Prineville, was on The Dalles-California highway about four miles south of Redmond Sunday, badly wrecked. The machine passed over the cement guard of an irrigation ditch, two of the wheels passing over the water, with the bottom of the car dragging on the cement. The machine did not turn over. The cause of the wreck was not learned.

## Three Officer Squads Hold Acquaintance Party, Use Clubs, Guns on Each Other, Then Finish Raid

Arlington and Grove Hotels Raided, Arrests Made, and Liquor Seized—Federal Men, City Police and Law Enforcement Leaguers All Friends Now

An acquaintance party in which the guests were uninited and did not know each other until after blows and gun play had been indulged in, was held Saturday night at the Arlington hotel. Guests were all officers of one kind or another, and after the preliminary introductions had been made they became the best of friends.

## ROAD COMMISSION PACT REAFFIRMED

Bear Creek Highway May  
Go Through Next Year

(Special to The Bend Bulletin)

PRINEVILLE, Aug. 3.—"The highway commission reaffirmed its agreement made in 1921 with Crook county, which involves a stretch of the Bear creek road to a connection with the Bend-Burns highway, beginning with the present terminus and extending for 14 miles," said N. G. Wallace, former county judge of Crook county, who has returned from Portland, where he attended the meeting of the highway commission at the request of Judge William Doby of Baker, who was in Prineville some two weeks ago on road business. Judge M. R. Biggs also attended the meeting.

"Crook county agreed to do certain things and the state agreed to do another thing, that it would build that road and obligate itself to fulfill the agreement to construct the Bear creek road as soon as funds were available," continued Wallace, who added that nothing would be done this year, but possibly next.

"On the Mitchell road, connecting with the John Day highway near Dayville, which I consider of vast importance to this country, Oregon has proposed that the road from Ontario to Florence on the coast, being a part of the John Day-Ochoco-McKenzie highways, they have proposed that road as a part of the national highway system."

Judge Wallace said Roy A. Klein, state highway engineer, left last Wednesday night for Washington, D. C., to attend a meeting called by the secretary of agriculture, the purpose of which is to formulate a national highway system. Klein represents Oregon, Washington and California, and it has been agreed by the three states, at the suggestion of the Oregon commission, that the road be adopted as one of the branches of the national highway system.

"Funds are not available for the construction of the Mitchell-Dayville connection, but the commission agreed with us the other day that just as soon as they can get their program formulated, they will construct the road. It will cost approximately \$460,000 to grade that road," concluded Wallace.

While the road from Dayville to Mitchell is a dirt road, that it is an easy and safe summer road and that the people of this community are overlooking great opportunities to bring tourist travel this way when they neglect to have proper signs on the John Day highway.

## Van Winkle to Direct Klamath Prosecutions

(U. P. Leased Wire to The Bend Bulletin)

SALEM, Aug. 3.—Governor Pierce today prepared instructions to Attorney General Van Winkle asking him to assume charge of the prosecutions of E. L. Elliott, district attorney of Klamath county, William Levens, state prohibition commissioner, and L. L. McBride, special state agent, under indictment in Klamath county.

Elliott is alleged to have failed to properly account for some sugar taken in a raid. McBride and Levens are accused of larceny of a revolver taken from the premises of a Mexican laborer during a raid. Levens has admitted taking the weapon but denied any intention of obtaining it illegally.

## Brooklyn Apartment House Shaken by Bomb Explosion

(U. P. Leased Wire to The Bend Bulletin)

BROOKLYN, Aug. 3.—A bomb explosion occurred in an apartment house in the Bedford section early today. Twenty-three persons, including 13 children, suffered slightly from shock as result of the blast, which tore up floors in the front part of the building and shook down ceilings. The front door of the house was ripped off.

Police investigation indicated the bomb had been intended for Marie Digiaci, owner of the building, who was away for the week end.

When they left they took with them George Zdunich, their host, who is now in the city jail waiting another 24 hours to decide whether he shall plead guilty or not guilty to the charge of possessing liquor. The officers also carried off a small quantity of booze for evidence.

Later in the evening the augmented force raided the Grove hotel on Wall street, and there they obtained more liquor, and arrested Mike Stilnovich, who, like Zdunich, is waiting until tomorrow before pleading.

Although police, government men and law enforcement league officers knew that representatives of each of the other forces would be on hand, they were not acquainted with individuals of the various parties. Leaguers and federal officers got on chummy terms after a state man had rapped a supposed bootlegger with his billy, and put him to sleep for a moment or two. It was all in the kindest sort of spirit.

Then Officer Francis of the Bend police entered the house, reaching for a gallon bottle which might have contained anything, judging from its appearance, but which actually did hold kerosene. Francis was in plain clothes, and a special officer just behind was about to demolish him with a piece of two by four when Francis turned, whipped out his gun, and asked the man to put down his club. The request was complied with. Then the two displayed their commissions and agreed that the war was over.

There was no marked resistance on the part of the keepers of either the Arlington or the Grove, it was reported.

## HERRICK LOGGING PLEDGED FOR 1926

Will Push Work to Completion  
In Contract Time

(U. P. Leased Wire to The Bend Bulletin)

PORTLAND, Aug. 3.—Assurances that the Fred Herrick lumber mill interests will be ready to begin cutting government timber in the pine belt near Burns, Oregon, by October, 1926, have been given the United States forest service. It was learned here today.

According to information placed with the local foresters, work will be started on the Herrick mill site at Burns this fall and actual construction of the mill will begin next spring in time to be ready for operation next October.

Work is now in progress on the building of 60 miles of railroad by the Herrick interests from Burns to the timber belt. When the government originally contracted with Herrick for the sale of more than a billion feet of timber to be cut in lots of 55,000,000 feet annually for a period of 20 years, it was agreed that cutting would begin in October, 1925. The government granted a year's extension of this contract, but it is known that the Herrick interests were somewhat behind their revised construction schedule.

Herrick representatives, however, have declared that the work would be pushed forward so it would be completed in contracted time.

## New Manager Reaches Bend To Head C. J. Breier Store

Preparatory to assuming the management of the local C. J. Breier store, H. W. Richardson, connected with the Breier company for a number of years in Pendleton, and thoroughly familiar with the merchandising business, arrived here yesterday, accompanied by P. Meurer, manager of the Breier store in Pendleton. Richardson takes over the position vacated by C. E. Montague, who is going into the insurance business. Employees of the store were taking an invoice today.

## Famed U. of O. Track Coach Pays Short Visit to Bend

"Bill" Hayward, University of Oregon track coach for many years, who has developed a number of Olympic games athletes from men who have trained under him at Eugene, was in Bend Sunday and this morning, starting on the return trip by way of The Dalles shortly before noon today. Hayward has been meeting local high school graduates who will be interested in track and field work on entering the state university.

## POLE EXPLORER SENDS THROUGH RADIO PROGRAM

Aurora's Display Fails  
to Hinder

### PARTY NOW AT ETAAH

Sailors Work Rapidly Preparing for Early Take-off of Airplanes

(U. P. Leased Wire to The Bend Bulletin)

CHICAGO, Aug. 3.—Reports of complete success in breaking through the flaming northern lights and broadcasting a radio program from the polar regions streamed into the office of the Zenith Radio corporation here today from all over the world.

The MacMillan polar expedition at Etah, on the northern tip of Greenland, successfully cut through the auroral bands Saturday night and broadcast a test program. Hitherto, all attempts to break through the celestial display had been unsuccessful.

The program was plainly heard in Chicago. Reports from Grand Forks, N. D., and Milwaukee, Wis., indicated a perfect reception. Messages from London announced that the British Isles had tuned in and listened to the program of songs and instrumental music without a break.

### Planes Prepared

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3.—The MacMillan arctic expedition is at Etah—threshold of the last unexplored and most dangerous lands of the earth—preparing the navy planes for the first jump in the search for a "lost continent," according to a wireless message received by the National Geographic society here today.

While the planes will be assembled and ready to hop off within four days, unforeseen difficulties may slightly delay the start. The beach at Etah is at present unfit for landing airships.

Deep sand and pebbles on the short beach will force building of runways for the planes to keep the wheels from sinking in. Huge boulders will also have to be cleared away to make a landing field.

### Make Landing Field

Working furiously the mariners of the Bowdoin and Peary, ships of the expedition, went at the task of making a smooth track of a wind swept, rock bound shore line.

When a landing field is completed the first dash north will start. Three planes will leave the Etah base for a flight over Ellesmere island to Cape Hubbard on the northwestern tip of Axelheberg island to establish base number two of the adventure.

## Commissioner Haynes Shorn of His Powers

(U. P. Leased Wire to The Bend Bulletin)

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3.—Federal Prohibition Commissioner Haynes, director of national prohibition for over four years, today was finally shorn of most of his powers by a formal treasury department order.

Following the promulgation of plans for a complete revision of prohibition enforcement methods to be inaugurated September 1 under 24 prohibition administrators, Acting Secretary of the Treasury Dewey and Commissioner of Internal Revenue Blaid defined Haynes' status under the new regime.

"Where any authority is delegated to the prohibition commissioner or any duty is required to be performed by him under regulation or by the terms of any bond, permit or other authority, such authority shall be vested in the prohibition administrators," the order said.

"Where authority is required to be exercised or duty to be performed by state directors, with the advice, concurrence or approval of the commissioner, such shall not be required by the prohibition administrators."

The order relegates Haynes to a subordinate position in the new dry regime, from which, however, he may be elevated by the creation of new duties.

## State Permits Lacking, Stage Runs Are Held Up

KLAMATH FALLS, Aug. 3.—Temporary stopping of the operations of the Duke Brothers Stage Co., the Crater Lake National Park Co., stages and the Bend-Klamath Falls Stage Co. was ordered here last week by L. J. Cassidy, field inspector for the public service commission. Lack of state permits was the reason given.

## "THE BUNK"

"All this stuff you have been reading is the bunk." So reads a sentence in an advertisement appearing in this paper on Saturday advocating the voting of the \$600,000 water bond issue next Thursday. We assume the reference is to the matter that has been appearing in this space against the bonds.

Now suppose we shout as loudly as we can, "It is not the bunk. It is the truth," where have any of us gotten? Nowhere at all.

In this series of editorials discussing the water question we have made numerous definite statements. They are not answered by the cry of "Bunk." If those who cry "Bunk" will get down to brass tacks and show that what we have asserted to be facts are not facts at all, point out where our reasoning is faulty and our conclusions incorrect then we will all be getting somewhere.

If this is not done—and so far no one has controverted any of the matter that has appeared here—it is fair to assume that it is not possible to do so.

When you cannot answer your opponent's arguments the stock thing to do is to abuse him and them. That, we assume, is the reason why the assertion is made that "All this stuff you have been reading is the bunk."

Is our assertion bunk that Tumalo creek, except for the South Fork, has been found to be unsuited for a water supply because of contamination and a cloudy summer condition? The assertion is based on statements made by engineers employed by the city.

Is our assertion bunk that there is not sufficient data as to the quantity of water in the South Fork to justify an expenditure of \$300,000 for the purpose of bringing it to Bend? Let those who would go to the South Fork produce records of stream flow for every week or even for every month in one year. It is only on such records that such an expenditure can be justified.

Is our assertion bunk that the engineer's maps of the Tumalo basin are not correct and that therefore his conclusions as to the water available are erroneous? We engage to demonstrate on the ground to any who wish that the map in the published report is wrong.

Is our assertion bunk that the council has contracted to pay \$15,000 to the North Canal Company for water that it does not need? Let those who would assert the contrary tell the people why it was necessary to get water from the North Canal Company, why necessary to pay it \$15,000.

Is our assertion bunk that the cost of getting water from Tumalo creek must include a payment to the Tumalo district in an amount which is not now known and which has not been figured in any estimate? Let any who think so talk with the directors of the Tumalo district and ascertain what they want for this water. Let them talk with any attorney and get his opinion whether or not the city will have to pay.

Is our assertion bunk that the lowest cost shown for securing suitable water (i. e. water from the South Fork) that has been so far submitted to the people is thousands of dollars in excess of the amount of the bond issue? If so show us what the correct figures are.

Is our assertion bunk that no plan for the proposed water development has been placed before the people showing just where it is proposed to get this water, about what it will cost and who is going to manage the business? If so show us the plan and tell us who set it forth, and where and when.

Is our assertion bunk that if the \$600,000 water bonds are voted Bend will be responsible for a bonded debt of over \$1,000,000, or nearly half the assessed valuation of the city? If so show us what the true figures are.

Is our assertion bunk that if this bond issue is voted Bend will have difficulty in getting any sort of proper terms for future bond issues that may be needed for school houses or other needed improvements? If so trot out your bond experts to tell us what the true situation will be.

Folks, it's a big thing you are asking the city of Bend to do. Don't stand off and call names and shout words. Come on with the argument and the evidence to back it up.

If our line of argument was like that of the advertisement referred to we would cry "Bunk" to the assertion that "Forty working men are sick from Deschutes rotten water." It is not. We are therefore ready to discuss the assertion.

The state board of health makes a weekly analysis of filtered Deschutes river water drawn from a tap in the city. Uniformly it reports the water free from contamination and absolutely safe. The state board says the Deschutes river water is not "rotten." That is one kind of evidence that makes it seem unlikely that any are sick from drinking filtered Deschutes water.

Then it is to be taken into account that this is the time of year when green vegetables, new fruits and berries are abundant and are more freely eaten than at any other time of year. Germs from the soils where the vegetables were grown may cause sickness or fruit that is over ripe may be the cause. That is one kind of evidence to suggest that something else besides Deschutes water may be at fault.

We hear of no epidemic in the irrigated sections where Deschutes water is used without treatment of any sort—water taken from the river below as well as above town. We hear of no epidemic in Redmond where water that is chlorinated is used. That is other evidence that Deschutes water is not to be blamed for such sickness as may exist.

Don't decide about the water bond issue on catch phrases and unverified assertions.

STUDY THE WHOLE BUSINESS WITH AN OPEN MIND. IF YOU DO WE THINK YOU WILL DECIDE TO VOTE "NO." OR AT LEAST YOU WILL DECIDE THAT THE PLAN IS SO VAGUE, THE COST SO UNCERTAIN AND THE RESULTS FROM TUMALO CREEK SO DOUBTFUL THAT THE CITY IS NOT JUSTIFIED IN INVESTING THE \$600,000 AND MORE THAT WILL BE NECESSARY AND YOU WILL VOTE "NO" FOR THAT REASON.

"The Company income last year was \$58,753.83 from water rents. This will pay off the entire bond issue and not add one cent to taxes."

There is a statement from the Saturday advertisement that comes pretty close to being the bunk. THE MEN WHO MAKE THAT STATEMENT DO NOT KNOW WHAT THE TOTAL COST OF THIS WATER BUSINESS IS GOING TO BE. UNTIL THEY DO KNOW THE COST IT IS IMPOSSIBLE FOR THEM TO SAY WHAT THE REVENUE WILL DO BY WAY OF PAYING FOR OPERATION, MAINTENANCE, INTEREST AND RETIREMENT OF PRINCIPAL.

## NATIONS READY TO FUND DEBTS OF WORLD WAR

Payments to be Made U.  
S. Over Long Period

### EMISSARIES ON WAY

Nearly Five Billions Owing  
to America—Will Accept  
Reparations Money

(U. P. Leased Wire to The Bend Bulletin)

WASHINGTON, August 3.—The American world war debt funding commission this week will enter a final drive to clean up the \$7,500,000,000 of unfunded debts owed this country by foreign nations. By January 1, officials predicted today, funding agreements of all delinquent nations will be completed and in the hands of congress.

Members of the commission began to arrive here today in response to a call by Secretary of the Treasury Mellon for a formal meeting of the commission Wednesday. Five countries—Great Britain, Finland, Hungary, Poland and Lithuania—have already lined up at the treasury "collection window." Their indebtedness has been funded and the United States, over a long period of years will collect interest and installment payments on the principal of \$1,749,458,412.50 owed by these nations.

Belgium, France, Italy and Latvia may complete their parleys with the American debt commission by October 1 and other debtor nations are expected to follow in line.

### Belgians Due Soon

The Belgian debt commission will arrive in New York Wednesday. The United States, it is understood, will hold Belgium as the debtor country and not accept assignment of reparation from Germany, as has been proposed. The Belgians will be told, however, that America will accept reparations money provided they collect it from Germany.

While it is planned that all debt funding agreements should be based on the British settlement, Belgium, it is believed, will be granted easier terms.

Minister Seyte, Latvia, has started negotiations with the treasury for payment of \$5,132,287 his country owes America. Latvia lost 40 per cent of its population during the war and Seyte is seeking new terms until his country is restored to normalcy.

No word has been received by the treasury as to when the French debt commission will arrive to discuss France's obligation of \$3,340,516,043.

Italian Ambassador De Martino has held a number of conferences with Under Secretary of the Treasury Winston recently and expressed a willingness on Italy's part to pay her debt of \$1,647,869,197 to the United States.

## PRUSSIA SEEKING RELIEF FOR CAMP

Five Million Marks Given to  
Assist Banished

(U. P. Leased Wire to The Bend Bulletin)

BERLIN, Aug. 3.—The Prussian state government, faced by bitter complaints of herded German men, women and children, massed after the flight from Poland in desolate and squalid quarters at Schneidemuhl, started today to relieve the misery of the expelled.

Five million marks have been appropriated hurriedly to meet a situation in the concentration camp in which Germany's war famed "organization talent" had completely broken down, leaving a mass of sorry, suffering fugitives cluttered in wretchedness, some of them sleeping in a cold, drizzling rain and mingling curses with their cries for the water-land.

Prussian Interior Minister Severing, sometimes known as the czar of Prussia, hastened to the camp. With a torch he went about through this peace time army of fugitives—Germans turned out of Poland because Poland and Germany voted in the post war Upper Silesian plebiscite to go back to the water-land.

Severing accomplished some relief for the herded folk, with their dogs, cattle, goats, horses, pigs and meager belongings, when he opened a new camp at Zossen.

But it is feared, nevertheless, that 10,000 or more will be compelled to camp at Schneidemuhl until employment can be found for them.