



## PROTECT FORESTS WITH ARMY

Utilize Regular Troops to Save the Valuable Timber

I think there is scarcely a person who lives in Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana or California, who has not been aroused to the necessity for greater vigilance in the matter of forest fire protection and prevention, especially in the national forests.

The experiences we are now passing through bring home the lesson clearly. The loss of life and property, both private and national, demands immediate attention.

The writer at Spokane, Wash., on August 4th, at the semi annual meeting of the Western Pine Manufacturers' Association, introduced the following resolution, which was adopted with a view of enlisting the national government in the successful fighting and prevention of forest fires in the national forests which have been doing heavy damage in Idaho and Montana and a lesser damage in Washington, Oregon and California:

Whereas, There exists a grave menace to the timber in the national forests on account of fire, carrying with it great and irreparable damage to life and property; and,

Whereas, There are stationed in different posts in the United States, regular government troops who could be advantageously utilized in fire protection and extinguishment; now, therefore be it

Resolved, That it is the sense of this meeting that a communication be addressed to the president of the United States as commander-in-chief of the army, asking that troops located in the different states be regularly instructed in the methods of forest fire fighting and patrol, and be it further

Resolved, That said troops be placed under the direction of the Department of the Interior or other appropriate department of the government and assigned for patrol duty during the months of May, June, July, August and September of each year to the end that the timber resources of the United States be more carefully conserved.

The resolution was heartily endorsed and telegrams were sent by the association to President Taft and Henry S. Graves, Chief Forester, and also by President Flewelling of the Western Forestry and Conservation Association. President directed the Secretary of War to lend the assistance of troops whenever available in combatting fire. The troops have done effective service. With training and preparation their efficiency would be increased.

The government should make it a policy to maintain a corps of soldiers in the states of Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana and California in the national forests during the months of May, June, July, August, and September to co-operate with the forest service in patrol and fire fighting duties.

A systematic campaign of fire protection should be inaugurated and carried out by the troops. By placing sentries on the promontories overlooking the timbered area supplied with telephone communication, any information of incipient fires could be quickly transmitted. The troops could materially assist the forest service in cutting fire trails and making accessible every portion of the national forests and also maintaining a thorough and efficient patrol system. The greatest value

## CITY FATHERS IN REGULAR SESSION

Allow Many Bills and other Business of Importance Transacted

### WILL ALSO DO MUCH STREET WORK

The City Council met in regular session, Wednesday evening, Sept. 7th.

Present J. W. Mast, Mayor; Stephenson, Manciet, Windsor, Boyle and Breuer, Councilmen; Kausrud, Recorder; Holman, Marshal; absent G. Book.

Bids upon grading of Columbia avenue were opened and read and upon motion by Breuer and seconded by Windsor and carried, bids were laid on table until next meeting, as bids for this work were too high in price in the estimation of the Board.

Recorder ordered to advertise for bids to move City Hall north of street line.

Recorder ordered to publish notice of the Council's intention to improve 6th street from the east line westward to Park Reserve including therein Randolph ave. which connects with 6th street, improvement to consist of grading and sidewalks.

Also a notice to improve Spruce street in Azalea Park from the north line to south line, grading and sidewalks.

Bills were allowed as follows:

Ira Tucker, watchman	\$ 65 00
F. A. Holman, marshal	75 00
H. Dibbles, watchman	20 00
Ralph Rodgers, labor	10 00
Shields & Kennedy	3 75
Recorder Pub. Co.	33 95
Bandon Light & Water, months of July and August	66 00
E. B. Kausrud, Recorder's salary July and August	66 33
Mrs. Timmons	20 00
Bandon Light & Power Co.	83 50
Bandon Fire Department	10 00
R. A. Felty, Spruce street sidewalk	82 75
A. G. Erickson, Breuer Bldg contract	300 00
G. Book, service on survey crew	75 50
G. Koontz, " " "	33 75
Alex Scott, " " "	10 00
Geo. Stoltz, " " "	10 00
Ralph Rodgers, " " "	22 50
Neal Dressler, " " "	13 25
R. Gardner, " " "	12 50
Cash Doyle, " " "	2 00
J. E. Young, " " "	4 00
Garrouette Bros., teams, etc.	20 00
C. S. McCullough, engineer	110 00

of patrol is necessarily along traveled routes, railroad, etc. There are at present about 25,000 soldiers at the different army posts. If half of the men were assigned annually for forest duty it would practically mean the end of disastrous fires in the national forests. Lightning is one of the most serious fire menaces to be combatted. There are in the states of Montana, Idaho, Washington, Oregon and California, 18,000 forest service men. These are a mere handful covering the immense scope of territory, and this force must be augmented if results are to be achieved. The forest service has performed its function admirably, with the limited money and men at its disposal, but its efforts should be supplemented by the regular army.

—Geo. M. Cornwall, Editor of Timberman.

M. Smith has purchased the oyster chop house of C. A. Cornforth and will continue to run it at the old stand. He will also continue his Vienna restaurant and bakery. Mr. Smith, by enterprising methods, has worked up a good business in the restaurant and bakery line.

See or phone L. J. Radley for all kinds of Fire Wood. 27-11

## INSPECT OREGON RECLAMATION WORK

Colonization Company to Make Extensive Improvements in State.

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 13th—Members of the Board of Army Engineers have inspected the Umatilla irrigation project during the past week and upon their report depends Oregon's chance of sharing in the \$20,000,000 bond issue proposed for the reclamation projects already under way. The inspectors declined to make any statement, but it is regarded as certain that their report will be favorable.

They went carefully over the district and saw thriving orchards, alfalfa fields from which three crops have been cut and gardens filled with fine vegetables. Reclamation Service officials told the engineers that conditions on the proposed extension of the project are more favorable than those on the district where reclamation work has already proved so successful. The extension of the project will irrigate 60,000 acres additional.

The Oregon & Western Colonization Company, which recently acquired the big Cascade wagon road grant and will open up 800,000 acres to settlement, has appointed Earl I. Marvin, formerly state land agent from Idaho, manager of the property, and the lands are now being appraised preparatory to opening them up for settlement. The possibilities of irrigation on the lands are being considered by the owners.

### School Notice.

The public schools will open for the year on Monday, September 19. Parents having children who will reach school age during the school year should start them at the beginning of school, as it is not practicable to organize a beginning class later. Those wishing to take entrance examinations for the high school will meet in the high school room at 1 o'clock p. m., on Saturday, September 17th. H. C. OSTEIN, Supt.

### To Members Bandon Commercial Club

As the Bandon Commercial Club is in debt to the tune of about \$250, an urgent request is hereby made for all members to be present at the meeting in Fireman's Hall, Friday evening September 16th, to discuss and devise means of paying the same, also to discuss the proposition of getting out some more advertising matter for Bandon and vicinity.

E. E. OAKES, President.

### Veneer Plant Running

The Perry Veneer Plant is running this week, filling an order for some cheese boxes. Mr. Perry will probably be running again at full capacity in the near future, and will have all the orders he can fill by running continuously. Since installing his new plant Mr. Perry has one of the most modern veneering plants in the northwest, and he thoroughly understands his business.

Rev. Father Keveny left Monday afternoon for a trip down the coast, and will probably go as far as Gold Beach.

## HAVE STARTED DRILLING FOR OIL

Miocene Oil & Gas Company Are now Sinking Well on Bear Creek

### HAVE GOOD PROSPECTS OF SUCCESS

The machinery has arrived and the work of drilling commenced Tuesday morning of this week. That there is every reason to hope for success in the project is held by those interested, as the formation of earth in the vicinity of the drill is exactly the same as that at Coalinga, Calif., where the great oil wells have been so successfully operated for so long a time.

Mr. Bowman has a sample of the sand at his cigar factory, which is absolutely the same as the Coalinga sand, and he also has a sample of calcareous shale, which is an oil rock and was taken out at a depth of 18 feet. These, with other indications, tend to strengthen the belief of those interested, that the prospects are good for striking oil. The drill and rigging is the very best obtainable, and has the strength and capacity to put down a well 4000 feet deep, and the company is determined to push the enterprise to a successful culmination.

### Wedding Bells

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. Bossen, last Monday, at high noon, was the scene of a quiet wedding, when Ellene Bossen was married to Walter Rydell, of Elkton, Oregon. The bride was becomingly gowned in a white silk and real lace creation, imported from China, and was the gift of Mrs. McAllister, wife of U. S. Postal Inspector.

The bride was attended by her sister Grayce, who wore a simple gown of white mull. The groom was attended by his brother Clyde. The house was prettily decorated in pink and white. Mr. and Mrs. Rydell will leave Monday for Southern California, and will be at home to their friends in Elkton after Oct. 5th.—Floras Lake Banner.

### An Old Pioneer

Wednesday afternoon of this week the Banner office was honored by a visit from one of the oldest pioneers in the state. Mrs. A. J. Thrift, of San Jose, Calif., who, in company with her son, E. B. Thrift and Miss Nettie Gibson of Langlois, paid a visit to Lakeport. Mrs. Thrift crossed the plains when 14 years old in 1844 with the first fourteen wagons of empire builders who came to Oregon. The party were the first white people to settle in Oregon City, which, at that time, was a trading post of the Hudson Bay Company. Mrs. Thrift came to Curry county in 1854 and settled on the farm where Ed now resides. During the massacre at Rogue river, they camped on "Slippery Rock" on the banks of Floras creek, so that they could get sight of the Redmen if they came northward. Mrs. Thrift is one of the oldest residents in Curry county, and this is her first visit back to her old home in ten years, and she says she can not see many changes in this section with the exception of Lakeport which she hopes will be a success in every way, as it has the country around it to make a city.—Floras Lake Banner.

## SURVEY DOWN ROGUE RIVER

Hill Interests May Build from Grants Pass to Coos Bay

It appears that the Hill interests are making a race with the Southern Pacific to come up the coast of Curry county to Coos Bay. The plan seems to be to reach the coast by extending from Grants Pass down the Rogue river to the coast. The following press telegram in the Oregonian was printed under a Grants Pass date line:

"That Hill interests are in the field opposing the Grants Pass & Western Railroad from this city to the northern part of California is evidenced by a crew of surveyors, who admit they are working for the Hill lines. It is believed the opposing railroad will follow Rogue river to near the mouth and thence strike up the coast to Marshfield, practically a water grade. In this instance, the Hill line will follow the Applegate and Rogue with the same conspicuous survey as mark the Eastern Oregon line.

It is announced now that the franchises secured in Medford, Ashland and Grants Pass will be used immediately, and as the time limit did not exceed one year for construction work to begin, the situation points to rapid railroad developments in both steam and electric roads.

Every surveying crew is well supplied and both sides are assembling tools and implements. Each company has an attorney who is looking after the legal interests, and nothing is being left undone that will give an advantage to either side."

### Millinery Opening.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17. The public is cordially invited to visit the "Morrison Millinery Parlor's," First and Wharf Streets, and see the handsomest display of stylish, up-to-date hats ever shown in Bandon.

### Death of Al Willard

Al Willard, who lived near Prosper, died at his home, Monday, September 5th. He was born in Shannahon, Ill., Oct. 23, 1870, and was 39 years, 11 months, and 22 days old at the time of his death.

Deceased leaves a wife, formerly Miss McCue, two sons, a mother, Mrs. O. R. Willard, and two brothers, Capt. O. R. Willard and T. M. Willard, also a sister, Mrs. A. G. Miller. Interment took place at Coquille, Wednesday, Sept. 7th.

### G.A.R. and W.R.C. Entertain

The Bandon G. A. R. and W. R. C. entertained the G. A. R. and W. R. C. of Coquille to a beach picnic and dinner last Saturday. About 50 came down from Coquille on the morning boat and were met at the wharf and escorted up town by the Bandon people, where a sumptuous dinner was served, there being about 100 present in all. In the afternoon the entire party took a walk to the beach on the new sidewalk, and after returning the Coquille visitors were again escorted to the boat by the Bandonians.

The River Transportation Co. very kindly held the 2:30 boat till 5:00 o'clock so as to give the visitors plenty of time to enjoy themselves.

## CANNON WILL NOT BE SPEAKER AGAIN

Many Staunch Supporters are Dropping Him.

### CAMPBELL'S DESERTION BLOW

Washington, Sept. 11. — Every day as the campaign approaches, sees some name added to the list of Republican members of Congress who will not again vote to elect Joseph G. Cannon, of Illinois, to the Speakership. Already a goodly number of former supporters of the Speaker have come out against him, probably a sufficient number, added to his enemies in the republican party, to make certain his defeat if he again asks a republican caucus to indorse him for the highest office in the House of Representatives.

It has been noted that a number of very staunch "standpatters" who in times past have been very close and very loyal to Speaker Cannon are now arrayed against him, all of which must have been gall to the fighting old Roman.

The bitterest dose he has thus far had to swallow was the announced desertion of Representative Phil Campbell of Kansas, the man in whose behalf he first took the stump during the hot months of last summer. Campbell, of Kansas, heretofore reputed to be a died-in-the-wool Cannon man, and one who never would desert his friend, the Speaker, found it advisable to change his mind, in the hope of longer holding his seat in Congress.

There have been more prominent Republicans than Campbell who have deserted the Cannon standard, however. Thus far the most conspicuous of the old Cannon machine to announce his purpose to vote for another than Cannon for Speaker is Walter I. Smith, of Iowa. Smith has been one of Cannon's trusted lieutenants, and one of the most active leaders on the floor of the House.

But Smith is enough of a politician to be aware that Cannon can never be re-elected Speaker and therefore deemed it good politics to conform to his own use such benefits as might accrue from the early renunciation of his old friend. And then, be it remarked, Walter I. Smith is a candidate for the Speakership in case the next House is Republican, so there was double method in his madness.

### The Red Rose Sextette

This aggregation of talented singers will appear at the Grand Theatre Friday and Saturday, Sept. 16th and 17th, in a Musical Program that will surely delight you.

### WHO IS THE RED ROSE QUARTETTE?

Perhaps you know some of them. Maybe you do not. At any rate you will be delighted with the singing if you attend. In the meantime you will be kept guessing as to who this mysterious Red Rose Quartette really is.

An exceptionally classy bill of Motion Pictures has also been arranged for to round out the entertainment, making this program a pleasing one for the patrons of the Grand.

Remember the date, Friday, Sept. 16th, and Saturday, Sept. 17th. Admission 15 cts. children 10 cts. Two shows each night, beginning 7:45 p.m.