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## NEW MOUNTAIN ROUTE PLANNED

Eugene Auto Road To Be Built Next Summer.

### COUNTIES WORK TOGETHER

Crook County Commissioners Confer with Lane Officials Who will Build Fine Road to Summit—Present Road is Repaired.

Next summer will see the opening of a first-class automobile road across the Cascade mountains from Eugene to Bend. From Portland the route will be 150 miles, the entire distance over excellent roads and through a country whose scenery is unsurpassed for diversity and beauty. Not only will the road afford Bend better communication with Willamette points but it will provide a new and much needed route across the state. From here the autoists can proceed to Burns either through the new homestead country—where even now the roads are excellent—or by way of Prineville.

Such is the promised result of a trip just completed by County Judge H. C. Ellis and Commissioner R. H. Bayley to Eugene. It appears that the McKenzie road from Sisters has had no repairing from Crook County for many years and that Lane County refused to do anything with its part of it until Crook acted. Now Charles Carson of Sisters, road superintendent for the Black Butte District, has a crew of six men on the 19 miles of the road that lie in Crook County. The Butte district, it happens, is the richest in the county, having taxable property valued at 1,078,573, and well can afford the work.

The lava fields, one mile of which lie in Crook, make the worst going on the present road. Here the big rocks are being removed, the smaller ones broken up and covered with ballast, turnouts made and the road widened two feet. All high centers and stumps are being removed. The section of the McKenzie road that lies in Lane County is said to be in very fair shape even now.

Judge Ellis and Commissioner Bayley conferred with the county court of Lane County. Judge Helms Thompson, H. D. Edwards and H. M. Price. The latter have agreed to have the McKenzie route surveyed this fall, with a view to relocating the road from Lost Creek Ranch 20 miles to the summit. It is expected that a maximum grade of 10 per cent can be obtained, and the present difficulties with wash-outs avoided. The present grade is as high as 22 per cent. The

new road will be built next spring. The auto line which now operates 65 miles from Eugene to Foley Springs, stands willing, says Judge Ellis, to operate through to Bend next summer, over the new road. The autoists, the Eugene Commercial Club and the Oregon Good Roads Association all are prepared to contribute liberally to the enterprise, it is said.

### OLD ROUTE HAS RICH HISTORY.

Tragic Death of Pioneer McKenzie, Route Mail Carrier.

The "Old McKenzie Route" well deserves its appellation of "old," according to the story of its early days that comes to light now that the road is to be re-made into a trans-state highway. It was back in the 60's that John Craig, aided by George Millican, first undertook the construction of the road across the Cascades into the then uninhabited Central Oregon regions. The route—for many years a toll road—provided access and egress to and from the big interior county for supplies, cattle, sheep and wool. Millican, alone of the pioneer road builders, survives. He is a widely known cattle man living some 28 miles southeast of Bend in the country that so rapidly is being "settled up" by 320 acre homesteaders.

John Craig, the man who planned the McKenzie road, met his death while making his way along the route so much of which he himself had built. Craig carried the mail between Eugene and Camp Polk, where now is the Charles Hindman ranch, 3½ miles northeast of Sisters. At the very summit of the route he had a cabin, where he rested halfway on his trip. Here he kept a supply of pitch wood, already for the match when he came along on a mid-winter trip, with the thermometer far below zero.

It was during a tremendously cold snap that the old mail man came to his cabin one night to find all his wood burned. No record remains of the carrier's ending, aside from the briefest note. Many weeks later his body was found near the cabin, where he had fallen and frozen, evidently exhausted as he was seeking wood.

### TO MAKE COMMISSIONS.

Board Works with Townsite—Would Have Lawrence Candidate.

At a special meeting of the Bend Realty Board held on Monday afternoon agreements were made with Manager Robertson of the Townsite Co. whereby the company was to allow all members of the Board to handle their lots, paying a 5 per cent. commission on sales. It was arranged that commission was to be paid only to the real estate man who actually completed the sale himself and received deposit money.

A committee of three, Messrs. Eastes, Niswonger and Morrison, were appointed on motion unanimously passed, to wait on J. M. Lawrence and petition him to come out as a candidate for the state legislature.

## MORE RAILROADS FOR BEND

### Harriman Deschutes Road Will Build From Redmond to Crescent—South Work on Oregon Trunk Soon.

Bend will have two railroads. Construction southward from this point on the Oregon Trunk will be continued in the near future. Such is the brace of all-important announcements that this week have come from the two railroad chiefs, Judge Robert S. Lovett, head of all the Harriman system and John F. Stevens, President of the Oregon Trunk. Furthermore, the rumors and reports among the railroaders near town that work soon is to be commenced on the Hill east-and-west line from Bend are becoming more persistent.

Judge Lovett announced the extension of the Deschutes road from Redmond, to connect with the Klamath-Natron cut-off at or near Crescent. The extension will be approximately 80 miles in length. The announcement comes after a 750-mile auto trip through Central Oregon just completed by the Harriman chief. Any statement regarding further Harriman plans was withheld, as was the exact date when the work would be continued south from Redmond.

When President Stevens said that construction would be resumed shortly on the O. T. south of Bend he also announced his company's intention of building across the Cascades, in order to connect with the Pacific & Eastern, the latter road being the property of the Hill system, now extending 16 miles northeastward from Medford. This doubtless means railroad access to the Crater Lake National Park.

Today Chief Engineer Budd and Malcolm McPhee, of Henry & McPhee, were in Bend a few hours on their way to Crescent.

Word comes from Crescent that Charley Johnson is assembling a force of men to clear right-of-way for the Oregon Trunk, and the understanding there is that work on the line between Bend and the Klamath reservation will be resumed in a few days.

### OUT AFTER RUSTLERS.

Silver Lake Stock Men in Pursuit of Horse Stealers.

The Silver Lake country is in arms and citizen posses are hot upon the trail of a bunch of horse rustlers, reports J. S. Wakefield of Silver Lake. Last Tuesday the absence of much stock was noted including several mules belonging to Lane Brothers and more than 20 horses owned by the Lanes, Bill Onley, B. J. Deadmond, Dodson and Gerking and others. On Wednesday E. B. Brewer, Frank McBroom and Kinnear Buick started on the trail of the thieves. Yesterday a party of seven more joined the first, all armed and out for blood.

The pursuers have found the trail, which leads towards California. Information from a herder who saw the stolen stock shows that the rustlers have but a day or two lead. A party of men who have been camping in the mountains and who have disappeared are suspected. Evidently it is the intention to rush the stock to some California town and there sell it.

### NEAR BEER ON BOND.

Three New Establishments Are to Open Hospitable Doors.

Three more near beer establishments are about to blossom forth on Bond street. According to A. F. Shireman the building being erected by Harry Hill has been sold by the latter to a Madras party, whose name as yet is unknown, and who will use it as a soft drink saloon. The building immediately south of the old Bulletin quarters, opposite Anne's Barn, now is occupied by Dave Biggerstaff's establishment, with Jeff Blue presiding behind the bar. Sherritt & Woolley are busy preparing the old Bulletin quarters for a third near beer place, to be opened there as reported last week.

### RECORD CLOVER CUT.

Laidlaw Ranchers Have Fine Crops in Every Line.

C. W. Allen and F. R. Dayton of Laidlaw were in Bend Saturday. Both report that crops on the Columbia Southern will make a record this year. On A. D. Park's ranch 17 loads, of almost a ton each, were taken from 2½ acres of mammoth clover. It was so thick that men with forks had to go behind the mower to pitch the clover away from the machine before it could proceed. Land plaster was used on this field, as on many others where exceptional yields are recorded.

FOR SALE—Home Comfort cooking range. Apply Bulletin office.

### BEND APPLES ALL O. K.

First Crop on Experiment Farm Shows Country's Productiveness.

A splendid apple crop has been harvested on the Experiment Farm, this being the first bearing year. Unfortunately it was necessary to pick the apples before they had entirely matured, so rapidly were they disappearing after dark. The apples are large, smooth and firm, and the trees bore heavily. Undoubtedly next year will see a big crop.

This is practically the first of the orchards near Bend to come into bearing, and the rather remarkable results of this first yield indicate very clearly what may be expected of the country as a fruit producer.

### LIBRARY IS PROPEROUS

Many Use Growing Institution—New Volumes Are Added.

The scope of the Bend Library's work is becoming broader each month, more people are taking advantage of it and more books are being taken out. The librarian's records show that during July 500 visitors used the reading room and 250 books were borrowed.

Last week the Library received an addition to its shelves from J. M. Lawrence, which included volumes of Scribner's magazine from 16 to 22, volumes 61 to 68 of Harper's, 2 volumes of the Californian magazine, and 11 volumes of the Census Report, the latter useful as a book of reference.

### Fines Are Imposed.

At a hearing before H. P. J. McDonald Monday three men who were arrested Sunday by Policeman Chapman were fined as follows: Tom Kearney, on a drunk and fighting charge, \$10; G. Commer, fighting, \$5; John Stanley was excused.

### Fighters Are Training Hard.

"Kid" Morrissey has been training hard and getting into fighting shape with headquarters at Kulp's. Oren Ward has headquarters at Rowlee's. Both men will be in fine shape for their fight next Monday.

### Registration Statistics.

Thus far 51 Republicans, 14 Democrats and 5 Independents have registered in Bend precinct in Deschutes 27 Republicans, 4 Democrats, 3 Socialists and 4 Independents.

NOTICE—We are opening a real estate & insurance office in this city. Our eastern connections give unexcelled opportunities for the quick sale of property listed with us.—We represent some of the strongest insurance companies in America. We will be pleased to meet those having property for sale or insure also prospective buyers.—Respectfully LATTIN & HERRINGTON. 21-22.

## PIPE FOR MAINS NOW ON GROUND

Over Three Thousand Feet of Pipe Arrive.

### WILL BE LAID AT ONCE

South Wall Street, Park Addition and Deschutes will Have Water Mains—Last of Lighting Plant is On the Road.

Some 25,000 pounds of pipe to be used by the Bend Water, Light & Power Co. in the enlargement of their water system has arrived, while 10,000 pounds more now is on the road from Shaniko. The shipment includes 3393 feet of wooden pipe, 4, 6 and 8 inches in diameter.

The workmen who are now engaged on the dam will be through there probably today, and at once will begin the construction of ditches for the new mains. The pipe will be laid south along Wall Street to Washington Street, on Washington to Bond and north along Bond to connect with the present system. A branch main from Wall street will be laid west along California to Congress. Hunter & Staats own some 600 feet of the pipe which is being brought in, which will be laid from the corner of Washington and Bond south along Third street, the center-street of Deschutes, now known as Bond, of which street of Bend it is a continuation. From this 6-inch pipe, 4-inch laterals will be laid down the side streets of Deschutes, says J. N. Hunter.

The waterwheel, the last of the equipment for the electric light power plant, left the shops at Springfield, Ohio, on August 2nd and daily is expected in Shaniko. All the rest of the power-producing equipment is now in Bend; the preparatory work for the wheel's installation practically is completed, so that but little time will be required to get it into action.

All the poles for the electric light wires, about 100 in number, have been set up, and crossarms and insulators put in place. Wiring now is in progress.

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Notice. All people interested in water in the Central Oregon Canal: There will be a meeting the 1st Saturday in September at 1 o'clock at Linster's Opera House in Bend to form an association important to all settlers. Come. 23-25

### For Rent.

One hundred and sixty acres on both sides of Deschutes River 16 miles south of Bend, for \$200 a year. 90 acres inclosed with fence in four lots, for hogs, sheep, cattle, etc. Good ranch for butter, chickens, meat, etc. Six-room house, barn and sheds, boat and boat house, cold storage room. Inquire of Hunter & Staats. 11

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