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COMMISSIONER SMITH RESIGNS

C. H. MILLER PICKED FOR SUCCESSOR.

Member of County Court Finds Personal Business Too Pressing—New Man to Be Sworn Into Office Early In Month.

L. E. Smith, of Redmond, yesterday handed in his resignation from the office of county commissioner, to take effect immediately. The court was in session at the time and immediately appointed Clarence H. Miller, of the same city, to fill the vacancy.

Mr. Miller is manager and secretary of the Deschutes Mutual Telephone Company and was formerly connected with the Redmond Warehouse. He was born in Columbus, Indiana, in 1871, moving to Spokane, later to engage in farming and timber business. In 1910 he came to Redmond and took charge of the local telephone company. He is married and has no children.

The resignation of Mr. Smith came entirely as a surprise. He has served with the court since the formation of Deschutes county and has been actively identified with road and other improvement work. His resignation presented late yesterday afternoon is as follows:

"To the County Court, Gentlemen: Owing to the press of my personal affairs and the limited time which I have at my disposal for attending to county business, I find it necessary that I be released from the latter, and hereby tender my resignation as county commissioner, to take effect immediately. L. E. SMITH."

Commissioner A. L. Mackintosh nominated Mr. Miller, who will take up his new duties as soon as sworn into office.

MILL SCOURED GRAIN IS DAMAGED FOR SEED

Seed Coat Is Often Scratched, Causing Injury to Germs in Treatment for Smut Control.

CORVALLIS, Jan. 24.—Farmers are cautioned against the use of mill scoured grains for seed, by Prof. H. P. Bares, in charge of the smut control campaign in Oregon.

Scouring grain injures the seed coat, thus exposing the germ to unfavorable chemical action in applying the proper treatment for the control of smut. Hence all seed grain should be cleaned by running it through a fanning mill.

Treatment for smut must be thorough to be effective, and the aggregate loss due to improper treatment is much greater than is generally supposed. Full directions for treatment under Oregon conditions may be had by writing to O. A. C., Corvallis, Oregon.

CHAIRMAN FOR WAR SAVINGS APPOINTED

(From Tuesday's Daily.) For the purpose of organizing the War Savings campaign in Deschutes county, Leon Cohen, of Pendleton, arrived here this morning, spending the day at the work before leaving for Prineville where he will complete the Crook county organization. R. W. Sawyer has been appointed as county chairman for Deschutes county. Mr. Cohen is one of the leading merchants of Pendleton and is the chairman for this congressional district.

RANCHER DIES SUDDENLY.

(From Friday's Daily.) Ed. McGuire, aged 60, a rancher living five miles northwest of Tumalo, died suddenly Thursday evening after a sickness of nearly three months' duration. Funeral services are to be held as soon as a daughter has arrived from Wallburg, Washington.

Mr. McGuire came to this section about 10 years ago, opening a tailor shop in Bend. Later he removed to Redmond and from there to Tumalo where he took up a homestead. He is survived by two sons and a daughter.

Rancher Fills His Certificate Card In One Investment

The record for one day's purchase of war-savings stamps is held by Harry Fred Dobrenti, who came in yesterday from his ranch near Powell Butte and invested in \$82.46 worth, or one whole certificate card. He explained that he had recently been in the Coast Artillery and considered it his patriotic duty to purchase the stamps. J. L. Gaither told his children that every time he shaved himself he would give them money for a thrift stamp. He says they don't want him to patronize a barber at all now. A little girl, who occasionally brings her quarters in to the postoffice to exchange them for stamps, philosophically remarked the other day that she was "helping Uncle Sam and helping herself."

AGRICULTURIST WILL OPEN OFFICE IN BEND

County Agricultural Agent R. A. Ward will be found in the circuit judge's chamber in the First National Bank building at Bend on every Wednesday until further notice. If the use of office warrants its extension, it is possible that an additional day per week may be devoted to the Bend country, but for the present, Wednesday will constitute the office day at Bend. At this time, it is hoped that the farmers of La Pine, Tumalo, The High Desert and the Bend country will take advantage of the opportunity to call upon their county agent for such assistance as the office is in a position to offer.

The county court has considered the matter of a part time office at Bend for some time and this is the first step in that direction. An average of 250 people a month called at the Redmond office, but owing to distance, very few of these were from Bend, La Pine or Tumalo sections.

ONLY FOUR PUPILS PASS EXAMINATIONS

(From Tuesday's Daily.) Four out of the 27 pupils who took the eighth grade examinations in Bend last week passed in all subjects. They are Frank Leight, Margaret Inabnit, Beryl Carr and Cecil L. Young. Conditions in single subjects were given to 14 others, who must take another examination in May.

COUNTIES ACCEPT PLAN.

CORVALLIS, Or., Jan. 24.—With only a few exceptions, all the leading agricultural counties of Oregon have accepted the government plan of establishing and maintaining county agricultural agents for the year 1918.

DEMENT PLANS NEW BUILDING

BEND HARDWARE COMPANY CONSIDERS ERECTION OF A BRICK STRUCTURE ON PRESENT LOCATION.

(From Friday's Daily.) Plans for the erection of a new brick store building on Bond street are now under consideration by the Bend Hardware Company, the recent purchase of the lot adjoining the company's present building having been a preliminary step toward the enlargement of its quarters. Just when the new building will be put up is still undecided, according to Floyd Dement, but it is expected that construction will begin in the spring. According to tentative plans, construction will be begun on the recently purchased 25-foot lot and when that portion of the building is sufficiently complete the present 50-foot frame building will be removed and the structure completed over the whole lot, making a full 75-foot frontage, and giving room for the large stock carried by the company. A warehouse was built by the company in the rear of the present store in 1916.

IRRIGATION IS TO BE STUDIED

REDMOND IS TO HAVE SHORT COURSE.

Subject of Irrigation Will Be Covered In Week of Lectures and Demonstration—Ward and Wallace Announce Affair.

(From Friday's Daily.) (Redmond Spokesman.)

Through the efforts of Fred N. Wallace, County Agent Ward, and others interested in irrigation matters, an Irrigation School has been planned for the second week in February. The course has been so arranged as to cover the entire subject of irrigation in a thorough and practical manner.

An excellent staff of instructors has been secured and more are to be added later. The committee assisting Mr. Ward in bringing the school here consists of J. H. Upton, of Prineville and Fred Wallace, of Tumalo. The Redmond Commercial Club committee assisting in the work is composed of Messrs. Daggett, Hobbs and Mohler.

A letter which is being sent to one thousand irrigators in Central Oregon by the County Agent follows, together with a copy of the proposed program:

"This is the only school of its kind that will be held in Oregon this season and is equal or superior to short courses held elsewhere, as it will deal primarily with Central Oregon.

"With the construction of the Oa-o project in progress, the Central Oregon Irrigation district already formed and the North Canal and the Jefferson county project under consideration, irrigation should occupy a prominent place in all our affairs. I feel sure that a more thorough knowledge of irrigation law, water measurements, ditch construction and irrigation of our principal crops will be a benefit to all of us. A glance at the program will show you that all these subjects are adequately covered, as well as many others. You will also understand that men prominent

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COMMITTEES ARE ASSIGNED

CLUB ACTIVITY IS PROVIDED FOR.

Discussion of City Finances Occupies Meeting—Unwilling to Approve Refunding Unless Shown How City Will Be Run.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

Before the Commercial club will give its approval to the proposition for refunding outstanding city warrants it wants a statement from the ways and means committee of the city council as to how it proposes to bring the city through the year with the tax revenue now in sight. A decision to this effect was reached at today's meeting, following a long discussion of the city's existing situation, and the ways and means committee was requested to bring such a statement before the next meeting of the club.

The discussion was precipitated by a statement made by Floyd Dement that he felt himself not fully in sympathy with the refunding plan, and that from such investigation as he had made he felt that the bond issue would not carry unless the people could be satisfied that the city this year would live within its income. Speakers following Mr. Dement made the same report saying that it was doubtful if more money would be voted until an opportunity had been given to select new city officials.

H. A. Miller was appointed a member of the committee to cooperate with the council in place of C. S. Hudson, whose unwillingness to serve because warrants were held by the First National Bank, was reported to the meeting.

Preceding the discussion of city affairs, committees for the year were announced and the statement made that hereafter on Monday the mail received by the club during the preceding week would be open to members for their examination.

The committee appointments as made by President Foley are as follows:

Entertainment—H. W. Skuse, J.

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PRESIDENT'S FOOD PROCLAMATION.

"Many causes have contributed to create the necessity for a more intense effort on the part of our people to save food in order that we may supply our associates in the war with the sustenance vitally necessary to them in these days of privation and stress.

"The reduced productivity of Europe, because of the large diversion of man power to the war, the partial failure of harvests and the elimination of the more distant markets for foodstuffs through the destruction of shipping places the burden of their subsistence very largely on our shoulders.

"The food administration has formulated suggestions which, if followed, will enable us to meet this great responsibility without any real inconvenience on our part.

"In order that we may reduce our consumption of wheat and wheat products by 30 per cent—a reduction imperatively necessary to provide the supply for overseas—wholesalers, jobbers and retailers should purchase and resell to their customers only 70 per cent of the amounts used in 1917.

"All manufacturers of alimentary pastes, biscuits, crackers, pastry and breakfast cereals should reduce their purchases and consumption of wheat and wheat flour to 70 per cent of their 1917 requirements, and all bakers of bread and rolls to 80 per cent of their current requirements.

"Consumers should reduce their purchases of wheat products for home preparation to at most 70 per cent of those of last year, or, when buying bread, should purchase mixed cereal breads from the bakers.

"To provide sufficient cereal food, homes, public eating places, dealers and manufacturers should substitute potatoes, vegetables, corn, barley, oats and rice products and the mixed cereal bread and other products of the bakers, which contain an admixture of other cereals.

"In order that consumption may be restricted to this extent, Mondays and Wednesdays should be observed as wheatless days each week, and one meal each day should be observed as a wheatless meal.

"In both homes and public eating places, in order to reduce the consumption of beef, pork and sheep products, Tuesdays should be observed as meatless day in each week, one meatless meal should be observed in each day; while, in addition, Saturday in each week should further be observed as a day upon which there should be no consumption of pork products.

"A continued economy in the use of sugar will be necessary until later in the year.

"It is imperative that all waste and unnecessary consumption of all sorts of foodstuffs should be rigidly eliminated.

"The maintenance of the health and strength of our own people is vitally necessary at this time, and there should be no dangerous restriction of the food supply, but the elimination of every sort of waste and the substitution of other commodities, of which we have more abundant supplies, for those for which we need to save, will in no way impair the strength of our people and will enable us to meet one of the most pressing obligations of the war.

"I, therefore, in the National interest, take the liberty of calling upon every loyal American to take fully to heart the suggestions which are being circulated by the food administration and of begging that they be followed.

"I am confident that the great body of our women who have labored so loyally in co-operation with the food administration for the success of food conservation will strengthen their efforts and will take it as a part of their burden in this period of National service vice to see that the above suggestions are observed throughout the land.

(Signed) WOODROW WILSON.
The White House, 18th January, 1918."

TEACHERS OFFER AID TO LOCAL WAR BOARD

Many Promise to Assist in Work of Cataloguing Registrants For Selective Draft.

(From Monday's Daily.)

In response to the call issued for school teachers to assist in the cataloguing of data concerning draft registrants, a number of local instructors have communicated with the war board office their willingness to their share. One teacher telephoned in last week and said herself and nine others were ready to report for work at any time.

No difficulty is anticipated by the board when it comes time to prepare information as to each man's accomplishments so that it may be held in readiness for reference at any time.

Just at present the board is busy with physical examinations and until these are over nothing further will be done.

FOOD SURVEY IS MADE FOR ADMINISTRATION

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

For the purpose of obtaining estimates of the food supplies of the section, Mrs. J. D. McComb, of Corvallis, representing the Food Administration, is now here and will spend several days assisting in the preparation of questionnaires. She has already visited Prineville, Redmond and Tumalo.

In order to obtain some idea of the amount of food now on hand, representative homes in every part of the county are being called upon to give estimates of the amount of food on hand on certain dates in the past and at the present time. Eight Bend housewives will be asked to fill out blanks giving this information.

INTERNAL REVENUE MAN COMING SOON

James S. Hogg, representative of the internal revenue office of Portland, will be in Bend from February 8 to 29 to advise people on rendering statements of their incomes. Any single person receiving an income of more than \$1000 per annum or any married person supporting a family or dependents receiving more than \$2000 must report this. Mr. Hogg may be found through inquiring at the postoffice.

HOUSE BURNED BY INCENDIARY

ED. HANSEN HOME DESTROYED LAST NIGHT AFTER TWO PREVIOUS ATTEMPTS TO FIRE IT HAD FAILED.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

Successful at last after two previous attempts to fire the home of Ed. Hansen, in Kenwood, the incendiary, who kindled the front porch of the house shortly after 12 o'clock last night was responsible for the blaze which completely destroyed the dwelling. Dr. Connarn, passing the house about 12:30, saw the front porch in flames and turned in an alarm. Owing to the fact that there was no extra chauffeur at the garage at the time, the hose cart arrived too late to save the building. No chemical was sent.

About 10 o'clock last night a passerby saw a stack of kindling burning on the porch and put out the blaze. He notified Mrs. Hansen, who was in the rear of the house at the time, and she became very much frightened, as on January 21 a similar fire had been set. She decided to go over to the home of her parents and pass the night there, as Mr. Hansen has been away from home in order to be near his work at the Pine Tree mill.

It was after she had left that the last fire was set. Neighbors managed to save a few articles from the house, but otherwise it was a total loss. The structure was worth about \$600, partially covered by insurance.

Police are now investigating the motive of the crime. A week ago Monday when Mrs. Hansen had come home from a neighbor's in the evening she opened the front door and found a fire burning just inside of it. This was put out before much damage had been done.

SUICIDE IS FOUND ON HOMESTEAD

MAN THOUGHT AFRAID OF DRAFT.

DISAPPEARED JAN. 4

Alex Gustovson, In Doubt As to How He Should Fill In His Questionnaire, Believed to Have Taken Own Life.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

Because he was afraid to fill out his questionnaire, it is believed that Alex Gustovson, an employe of the Brooks-Scanlon mill, took his own life on January 4. His body was discovered in a small ravine on the homestead of Ole Erickson, one-fourth of a mile northeast of the brickyard late yesterday, when Mr. Erickson was engaged in cutting wood.

Coming upon a light colored overcoat hanging on a fallen tree over a ledge, the homesteader investigated and discovered the body lying at the foot of the ledge, which is about 12 feet high. It was in a frozen state and this is probably responsible for it being so well preserved. Some small animal had gnawed the wrists, but otherwise only bruises and what appears to be a bullet wound were found. Erickson, badly frightened, notified the sheriff and an investigation was immediately put under way.

It was learned that Gustovson had received his questionnaire from the local board at Emmett, Idaho, his former home, on the morning of January 4. He told his landlady that he was going to call on the war board and get assistance in filling it out and probably would not be back in time for lunch. This was the last anyone saw of him until the body was brought to light yesterday.

Search Previously Made.

Friends had searched for him as far as Cline Falls and reported his disappearance to Sheriff Roberts. Later they informed him that a card had been received from Portland saying he was there and would remain in the city until drafted. At this, no further thought was given to his whereabouts.

Gustovson had been worried about the way in which he was to fill in his questionnaire, as he had registered as an alien. Upon seeing the questions regarding date of arrival in this country, means of getting here and others, he discovered his mistake and that he was really a citizen of the United States. This confused him and he was at a loss as to what to do. He probably sought the quickest way to end his doubts.

Erickson said he had not known of Gustovson's presence on the homestead. The land is comparatively level with the exception of the ledge, which is at the opposite end of the property from which Erickson had been working. A dead tree had fallen over the ledge and Gustovson had hung his overcoat there. His hat was thrown underneath it. A .32 caliber revolver and a small mirror were found just at the top of the embankment. One chamber of the former was empty. There were four remaining shots. The man had apparently taken his life while sitting on the ledge in such a position that he would drop off onto the sharp broken rocks below. The head is badly bruised, but a dark spot on one temple is supposed to be where the bullet entered.

Money Still On Body.

From general appearances the body must have lain in the ravine two or three weeks. It was frozen solid. In the clothing was found the questionnaire, which had not been filled out, \$19 in silver, a watch which had fallen from its pocket, and a jack knife.

No relatives have yet been traced, although it is understood that a sis-

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