

# FIRE MARSHALS SUBMIT REPORT

## BEND SORELY IN NEED OF PROTECTION.

Advise Many Changes—Special Election Should Be Called to Provide Funds to Keep Up Fire Department.

(From Monday's Daily.)  
Fire protection in Bend has been woefully neglected, according to a 16-page report of the conditions existing here submitted to Harvey Wells, state fire marshal, by Deputies Geo. W. Stokes and Gilbert Allen, who recently spent several days in this city looking into the matter of fire protection. The report as submitted to the state office has also been forwarded to the fire protection committee of the Commercial club, H. E. Allen, Clyde McKay, president of the city council and Fire Chief E. O. Nixon, with the request from Fire Marshal Wells that some action be taken as he "views the condition as serious and should have immediate attention."

**Can Be Easily Remedied.**  
The report leads off with an introductory of several hundred words giving the location and population of the city, together with the industries, kind of buildings, fireproof and otherwise, and comments on the possibilities in the following: "Its climatic conditions are ideal. Its prospects as a commercial and industrial center are very promising, and all that prevents it ranking with the cities of the first class in every respect is the inadequacy of its fire fighting facilities, and this delinquency can, and no doubt will, be easily remedied."

"Under the provisions of sections 1 and 2 of chapter 18 of the Bend charter, it is the duty of the city council to provide ways and means for the equipment and maintenance of a fire department. In fulfillment of this public trust the city council set aside \$5,400 for the fire department, water and lights for the year 1918, or \$450 per month. During the month of April the city lighting cost \$272.88; street sprinkling, \$26.05; monthly charge for fire hydrants, \$94; a total of \$392.93. This leaves a balance of \$56.07 for fire protection, but from this amount \$25 per month is paid for housing the chemical engine in a garage, and the remainder, \$31.07, is for the upkeep of the fire department. Under the extraordinary conditions of the danger from fire, it would seem the better part of wisdom on the part of those in authority to provide immediate relief from the fire hazard delinquency, and if necessary call a special election to provide funds for the emergency, instead of courting disaster by pursuing the formalities of the budget system."

**Existing Conditions.**  
their visit here are enumerated as follows:  
First—The electrical ordinance, which requires all wiring to be installed as per the National Underwriters' electrical code, has not been properly enforced.  
Second—There is no ordinance prohibiting anyone from doing his own wiring.  
Third—The ordinance prohibiting the erecting of metal chimneys is not enforced in the residence district.  
Fourth—No ordinance regulating the use, handling or storage of gasoline or the regulating of dry cleaning plants.  
Fifth—Many places where ashes were kept in wooden boxes and cartons, defective flues, pipes and stoves. These conditions would not be permitted to exist if a system of inspection were adopted.  
Sixth—No ordinance prohibiting the parking of vehicles or the blocking of fire hydrants within ten feet of same.  
Seventh—No ordinance prohibiting sprinkling during the fighting of fire. Every garden hose in use during the fighting of fire greatly reduces the pressure, which at this time cannot be spared.  
Eighth—The city is without a fire alarm system.  
Ninth—The wooden water mains do not permit of sufficient pressure to cope with a fire of any magnitude.  
Tenth—Fire hydrants in a deplorable condition and we are unable to find whose duty it was to keep hydrants in proper condition.  
Eleventh—The city is practically without any fire prevention ordinances.  
Twelfth—We also find that the city has an energetic fire chief, but, owing to the numerous official positions he holds, and not having the backing that he is entitled to from

the city's council, he is somewhat handicapped.

**Many Frame Buildings.**  
"It must be borne in mind that Bend faces a calamity on account of many frame buildings," continues the report. "Immediate steps should be taken for the reorganization and better equipment of the fire department. The bugaboo of high taxes is invariably held up to prominence and the customary watch dog of the treasury gets busy and unfortunately the department is expected to get along with what was purchased when the town was perhaps one-fourth or one-half the present size. And why? All to keep the taxes down. This policy, experience has proven, is the worst of false economy. It is only after the citizens have paid the price over several times in fire losses that they will realize that it might be well to see about getting better equipment for the fire department."

**Recommendations of Deputies.**  
After a thorough investigation of the conditions the following recommendations are made:

1. That sections 1 and 2 of chapter 18 of the city charter should receive the immediate attention of the council to provide ways and means for the establishment of a permanent fire department, even though it be necessary for the calling of a special election.
2. That a building be erected to house volunteer firemen, fire equipment and police department, with provision made for sleeping accommodations for not less than four firemen.
3. That a volunteer fire department be organized and that when the chief and other officers of the department have been selected, the council should by ordinance give the chief official authority and that the chief of the department be held responsible to the council for the fire department equipment and that he make a written report to the council at least once every 60 days, showing the condition of equipment under his charge as well as making any suggestions for the betterment of the department that he deems necessary to make.
4. That a company be established at Linster and Hillcrest streets for the purpose of protecting the Kenwood district.
5. That a company be installed at Greenwood avenue and Fifth street to protect stockyards, roundhouse and foundry.
6. That a company be installed on Riverside, near the Bend Water, Light & Power company. This company could back up the auto company and would protect the Bend flouring mill and be within easy reach of the business portion of the city.
7. That a company be placed on Cascade street, between Wall and Bond streets, to protect the southern district, the Reid school and gymnasium.

By the prescribed location of the above designated companies, they could all converge to the business center in case of a conflagration.

8. That the necessary minor equipment be installed without delay and that it consist of the following: 1,000 feet of standard 2 1/2-inch hose, three hose jackets, two shut-off nozzles, one revolving cellar nozzle, one heavy straight-way gate valve, 2 1/2-inch, one two-way plain Siamese, one Detroit door opener and same can be used as a hose clamp, two 12-foot pike poles, one trussed 50-foot extension ladder, 100 feet of 3/4-inch manila rope, one crowbar.
9. In the recommendation of the above named equipment it is the desire to show what is really essential for the department if it hopes to cope successfully with a fire.
10. That an alarm system be established by installing a whistle at the Brooks-Scanlon mill, this whistle to be large enough to be heard at all points in the city. That telephone service be connected with boiler room so that whistle may be blown immediately upon receiving the telephone alarm.
11. That the city be divided into at least four districts and be numbered 1, 2, 3 and 4 with a separate whistle signal for each district. As a suggestion, the signal for district No. 1 could be one long and one short blast; district No. 2, one long and two short blasts; district No. 3, one long and three short blasts; district No. 4, one long and four short blasts; and for a general alarm, three long blasts, repeated at intervals of a few seconds.
12. That standpipes be installed where needed, for the purpose of supplying the street sprinkling department with water and an ordinance be passed prohibiting the use of fire hydrants for any other purpose than fire.
13. That the fire hydrants be regularly inspected and kept in good working condition. That caps be kept on take-offs when not in use and that no obstruction be permitted nearer than 10 feet of a hydrant.
14. That an ordinance be enacted prohibiting the use of fire hose for any other purpose. That all equipment of the fire department be placed in the sole custody of the fire chief

and that nothing be taken from any station or used without a written order from the fire chief.

14. That all hose, after being used at a fire, be thoroughly washed and dried before being put on cart for service.

**Fire Hazards.**

15. That section 32 of ordinance 71, relating to chimney supports, be so amended as to require all chimneys to be built from the ground up.

16. That an ordinance be enacted and enforced requiring that when more than five gallons of gasoline is kept in the city limits by any person, persons or firm, except when in tank of gasoline-propelled vehicle, that it be properly stored underground, and that when less than five gallons of gasoline be kept within the city limits by any person, persons or firm, that the same be contained in an improved metal safety can.

17. That the council adopt such ordinances as are necessary to eliminate the hazards which produce fires through carelessness. (A copy of such ordinances will be forwarded upon request.)

18. That an ordinance be enacted and enforced requiring that all merchants in the fire district provide themselves with trash boxes, same to be lined with metal or one-fourth inch asbestos and provided with tight-fitting cover of like material for the keeping of their rubbish and waste matter, and that an arrangement be made that the contents of such boxes be collected and disposed of at least once each week.

19. That an ordinance be enacted prohibiting the parking of automobiles or vehicles or the blocking of fire hydrants in any manner for a distance of at least 10 feet.

20. That an ordinance be enacted prohibiting the citizens from using their garden hose for sprinkling purposes during the period that the fighting of a fire is in progress.

21. That the chief of the fire department, when necessary, exercise his authority as an assistant to the state fire marshal in the enforcement of fire prevention measures. That he also enforce the state law requiring fire drills to be held at least once each month by all schools, both public and private.

22. That an ordinance be enacted and enforced requiring modern installation of dry-cleaning establishments, especially in the fire district.

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### SHEEP STEALING CHARGE PREFERRED

Carl Crawford Arrested on Complaint of W. W. Brown—Hearing Today.

(From Saturday's Daily.)  
Carl Crawford of Stauffer was arrested yesterday afternoon by Sheriff Roberts and charged with stealing 13 head of hides, pelts, wool, furs, on a complaint sworn to by W. W. Brown. The crime is alleged to have been committed late last fall. Crawford is being held awaiting his preliminary hearing, which occurs this afternoon.

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### LEGAL NOTICES

**014743.**  
**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.**  
Department of the Interior, United States Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, May 21, 1918.

Notice is hereby given that Alva Kilpatrick of Bend, Oregon, who on April 26, 1915, made Homestead Entry No. 14743 for E 1/2 (East Half) Section 31, Township 19, South, Range 14, East Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three-year proof to establish claim to the land above described before H. C. Ellis, United States commissioner, at Bend, Oregon, on the 10th day of July, 1918.

Claimant names as witnesses:  
David C. Rogers of Millican, Oregon.  
Howard F. Dyer of Millican, Oregon.  
William A. Golden of Millican, Oregon.  
Jackson C. Clingan of Millican, Oregon.  
14-15c H. FRANK WOODCOCK, Register.

**00575.**  
**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.**  
Department of the Interior, United States Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, June 3, 1918.

Notice is hereby given that Mary L. Rosin, assignee of Clifton M. Rosin, of Bend, Oregon, who on October 23, 1911, made Desert Land Entry No. 09575 for Lots 1, 2, Sec. 4, T. 20, S. R. 16, E., and S 1/2 SE 1/4, Sec. 33, T. 19, S. R. 16 E. Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final desert land proof to establish claim to the land above described before H. C. Ellis, United States commissioner, at Bend, Oregon, on the 26th day of July, 1918.

Claimant names as witnesses:  
Alwyn F. Lee of Bend, Oregon.  
John Holland of Millican, Oregon.  
Louise Fleming of Bend, Oregon.  
Arthur Fleming of Bend, Oregon.  
14-15p H. FRANK WOODCOCK, Register.

### NOTICE.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Deschutes County.  
In the Matter of the Application of Gus E. Stadig, Geo. F. Cyrus and John W. Gotter, the board of directors of the Squaw Creek Irrigation District, for a judicial examination and judgment of the court as to the regularity and legality of the organization of said Squaw Creek Irrigation District, and the regularity and legality of the proceedings and acts of the Board of Directors of said Squaw Creek Irrigation District, and of the proceedings of the Board of Directors of said Squaw Creek Irrigation District pertaining to the election authorizing the issue and sale of bonds, and of the regularity and legality of said bond election in the sum of \$125,000.00.

To the Squaw Creek Irrigation District and to all freeholders, legal voters and assessment payers within said district, and owners of title to land within said district, and to any person or persons interested in the proceedings of said district or in the issue and sale of bonds and any other indebtedness incurred by said district, and to each of you:

In the Name of the State of Oregon: You and each of you are hereby commanded and required to appear and answer the petition of the petitioners, the Board of Directors of the Squaw Creek Irrigation District, filed herein against you, and each of you, in the above entitled court and cause on or before the 12th day of July, 1918, in the court room of the above entitled court in Bend, Deschutes county, Oregon, and if you fail so to appear and demur or answer, or otherwise plead within said time, said petitioners or plaintiffs will apply to the court for the relief prayed for in the petition on file herein, to-wit:

For a decree of this court to the effect that the said district is duly and legally organized under and pursuant to the laws of the State of Oregon; that all elections held in said district, both for the formation and organization of the district and for the issuance of bonds, have been held in the manner provided by law and are valid, and that the acts and proceedings of the Board of Directors in connection with said district have been regularly and legally performed and are valid, and that all indebtedness incurred and all warrants issued and obligations entered into by said district are legal and binding upon said district, and that the authorization by said district of the issuance of bonds in the sum of \$125,000.00 for the purpose of acquiring control and ownership of the Squaw Creek Irrigation system, including all lands and water rights necessary to be acquired in connection therewith is in all things legal and regular, and for

any other and further relief as to the court may seem just and equitable in the premises.  
J. H. HANER,  
12-15c County Clerk of Deschutes County, Oregon.  
H. H. DE ARMOND,  
Attorney for Petitioners,  
Bend, Ore.

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Deschutes County.  
In the Matter of the Estate of Mrs. Bertha Stowell, Deceased.  
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned was on the 8th day of May, 1918, appointed administrator of the estate of the above named deceased by the county judge of Deschutes county, Oregon.

Therefore, all persons holding claims against the estate of said deceased are hereby notified to present the same duly verified according to law at the office of H. H. DeArmond in the O'Kane building, Bend, Oregon, attorney for the administrator, within six months from the date of the first publication hereof.  
Date of first publication, May 16, 1918.  
R. D. STOWELL,  
Administrator of the estate of Mrs. Bertha Stowell, Deceased. 11-15c

**012490**  
**014775**

**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.**  
Department of the Interior, United States Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, May 3, 1918.  
Notice is hereby given that George S. Roberts of Millican, Oregon, who, on February 2, 1914, made Home-

stead Entry 012490 and April 23, 1915, made Additional Entry No. 014775, for SE 1/4, Sec. 8, NE 1/4, Sec. 17, Township 20 South, Range 15, East Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three-year proof to establish claim to the land above described before H. C. Ellis, United States commissioner, at Bend, Oregon, on the 26th day of June, 1918.

Claimant names as witnesses:  
Vernon Clevenger of Millican, Oregon.  
Peter B. Johnson of Millican, Oregon.  
Ivan L. Owen of Millican, Oregon.  
Frank Spencer of Millican, Oregon.  
11-15p H. FRANK WOODCOCK, Register.

**015222**

**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.**  
Department of the Interior, United States Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, May 3, 1918.

Notice is hereby given that Thomas W. Vandever of Bend, Oregon, who, on March 13th, 1911, made Homestead Entry No. 015222, for W 1/2 NE 1/4 Section 19, Township 20, South, Range 11 East Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final five-year proof to establish claim to the land above described before H. C. Ellis, United States commissioner, at Bend, Oregon, on the 26th day of June, 1918.

Claimant names as witnesses:  
M. J. Main of Bend, Oregon.  
Peter Seggling of Prineville, Oregon.  
Joseph Hoffman of Bend, Oregon.  
Ralph Caldwell of Bend, Oregon.  
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