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FIRE PROBLEM IS UP BEFORE CLUB

REPORT IN FAVOR OF EQUIPMENT IS MADE.

Volunteer Department to Be Organized Within Near Future—Referendum Measure on Ballot for Fall Election.

(From Wednesday's Daily.) Steps for the organization of a volunteer fire department for the city and the endorsement of the committee's recommendation to place a referendum on the ballot to secure funds to provide a suitable fire fighting equipment for the city were the main events at today's Commercial club luncheon.

J. A. Eastes, chairman of the fire committee, reported on the work done by the committee since its appointment a week ago, wherein it was shown that the business interests and citizens of Bend were paying out over \$40,000 per year in excessive insurance rates because of the lack of the proper fire fighting equipment and organization. Rates at various points in the city were as high as \$1.50, according to the report, depending upon the hazards, while the lowest rate within the city, even with no hazard, was 60 cents, or nearly twice the minimum rate in Portland and other northwest cities.

While no figures were available to give the exact amount necessary for the equipment of the fire department, the cost would not exceed \$10,000. It was also advocated that a salaried man be placed in charge of the department, so that the equipment, after once purchased, would be given the proper care.

While the plans are being worked out for the referendum measure to purchase the equipment, a volunteer department is to be organized and trained under the direction of T. W. Carlson, working in co-operation with Carl Johnson and other members of the fire committee.

Assurances were given the members present that the council would co-operate with the Commercial club in securing the needed equipment. D. G. McPherson, chairman of the rest room committee, announced that the council has appointed a committee to act on the rest room, and that definite and satisfactory action would be taken before the end of the present week.

H. C. Hartranft, county food administrator, addressed the meeting on the food conservation work, outlining the necessity of food conservation and giving those present an idea of the work being done by the food administration, both in the state and county.

"I" HAVE ARRIVED —"I" AM REJECTED

And Now the Local War Board Is Pondering Over Who "I" Really Could Be.

(From Wednesday's Daily.) The local war board is in a quandary just to know who the personal pronoun "I" really is in the case of a man recently sent from this city to Ft. McDowell, California. A letter received this morning by the board reads: "This is to let you know that I arrived and I have been rejected. I am now at 211 15th street, Oakland, California." No name whatever was signed to the missive.

TOBACCO PUTS PEP IN BOYS OVER THERE

B. C. Brown, with American Expeditionary Forces, Makes Statement on Card Sent to Sottong.

"There is nothing like tobacco to put the pep in our work over here," writes B. C. Brown, of the American expeditionary forces and a recipient of a Bulletin tobacco kit, to the donor, H. J. Sottong. The card was postmarked June 4, that evidently being the date on which the kit of tobacco was received by Mr. Brown. The Bulletin tobacco fund is still open for contributions, and another check will be sent out within a few days.

REST ROOM FOR CITY IS ASSURED

COUNCIL TAKES DEFINITE ACTION AT THE REGULAR MEETING HELD LAST NIGHT—WILL DIVERT RENT TO UPKEEP.

(From Wednesday's Daily.) Practical assurances for a rest room for Bend were given by the action of the city council last night, when the matter was turned over to the building and property committee of the council with power to act. The matter was brought before the attention of the council when D. G. McPherson, chairman of the Commercial club committee, in company with R. A. Canterbury and H. A. Gosney of the Labor council, appeared before the council and placed the measure before them. It was brought to the attention of the council that there is approximately \$100 left from the Fourth of July fund which can be diverted to the maintenance of a rest room, and that sufficient furniture had been guaranteed with which to furnish the quarters. Members of the council made the statement that under the present arrangement the council is paying \$35 per month for the present quarters, and that they are used only during each meeting night, with occasional meetings during the month. It is now proposed to rent a room in the city which can be used for a rest room for the accommodation of the public with the money now being spent for the present quarters, arrangements being made for the council to use the rooms during regular council night or at any other time that it may be necessary. With this idea in view the buildings and property committee was instructed to look up such a location and to act without reporting back to the council. It is expected that the rooms will be chosen some time this week and the establishment of the rest rooms will follow shortly after.

An ordinance prohibiting the manufacture of intoxicating liquors within the city limits was also passed for the first reading, which, with the allowance of the usual bunch of bills, constituted the night's business.

BARBECUE TO BE HELD LABOR DAY

CENTRAL LABOR COUNCIL COMPLETES PLANS AT MEETING HELD LAST NIGHT—COMMITTEES ARE APPOINTED.

(From Thursday's Daily.) Plans for the Labor day celebration in this city were practically completed at a meeting of the Central Labor council which was held last night, at which committees were appointed to take charge of the entertainment.

There will be two features of the day, crowning the other events. One of these will be the parade, which will be held during the forenoon, and in which every union man in the city will be required to participate, and the big barbecue which is to be given in the afternoon at a place not yet decided upon, to which all are invited. In addition to this there will be dancing in the evening and other events, which are to be worked out by the various committees.

The following are the committees appointed by the council at last night's meeting:
Committee on Parade.—Courtley Allen, chairman; H. A. Gosney, J. A. Stevens, G. H. Baker, Ray Canterbury.
Committee on Speeches.—Ray Canterbury, chairman, A. E. Edwards.
Committee on Barbecue.—P. D. McNamee, Watkins, Lee Harding, J. Roberts, C. Allen.
Committee on Sports.—Ray Canterbury, chairman; J. A. Stevens, Orell, A. E. Edwards, H. W. Hunt.
Committee on Dance.—G. H. Baker, C. Allen, A. E. Edwards.

MOORE FINALLY JOINS THE ARMY

STATIONED WITH THE CANADIANS.

Man Who Commenced Efforts to Fight for Uncle Sam at Phoenix, Arizona, at Last Is Received by Canadian Forces.

(From Wednesday's Daily.) After being rejected by nine different enlistment offices in the United States for defective eyesight, one of which was at Bend, when he appeared before Sergeant Harvey of the army recruiting station in this city, James W. Moore has at last reached the goal of his aspirations and is now a full-fledged soldier, ready to fight for the democracy of the world. According to a letter received in this city by Lieut. Charles H. Francis, Moore is now stationed with the Sixth Canadian Engineers, in training at Vancouver, B. C. "I arrived here this morning and finally passed and have been assigned to the Sixth Canadian Engineers," Moore writes.

The story of Moore's determination to fight the Huns goes back to over a year ago. At the time the war broke out he was working in Phoenix, Arizona. He applied to the army recruiting station for enlistment and was refused. Not being discouraged, he moved to Los Angeles and was again turned down. From Los Angeles to Oakland, and another attempt and another refusal. Oakland to Reno, Nevada, Reno to Medford, Oregon, Medford to Bend, Bend to Portland, with a refusal at each point and always for the same physical defect. Moore declared he had no use for the navy or the Marines. He wanted the army, and journeyed north until his efforts brought their reward, and even though he was not granted the opportunity to fight under the Stars and Stripes, he "will be overseas in the fighting line in less than six months."

WATER COMPANY HAS ANALYSIS OF WATER

(From Thursday's Daily.) Neither gas nor coliform bacilli were recovered after 72 hours incubation of four samples of water submitted to the state board of health by the Bend Water, Light & Power company, according to word received from Robert E. Holt, state health officer, by Manager Foley this morning.

Four samples of water were submitted, with the following results:
Sample No. 1, taken from the river below plant.—25 bacteria per c. c.
Sample No. 2, taken from the intake.—50 bacteria per c. c.
Sample No. 3, taken from Greenwood main.—25 bacteria per c. c.
Sample No. 4, taken from Greenwood main.—25 bacteria per c. c. house.—50 bacteria per c. c.

County War Board Receives Orders to Make Preparations for Registering New Classes

Orders to make preparation for the registration of men between the ages of 18 and 21 and 32 and 45 were received by the local draft board this morning from the war department, the notice being sent by Provost Marshal General Crowder. The order, a lengthy one, states that while the new man power bill has not yet been passed by congress, by the time action is taken it will leave but short time for the preparations for the registration of the men and the boards are ordered to commence the preliminary work at once so that there can be no possible delay of the registration immediately following the passage of the measure. Chief registrars are to be appointed in each voting precinct of the county, 24 in all, and each of these

LOYAL LEGION HOLDS ELECTION

COUNCIL CHOSEN FROM AMONG MEN.

Purpose Is to Meet with Employers and Make Decisions for Employees on All Matters of Importance.

(From Thursday's Daily.) For the purpose of electing conference committees from the Loyal Legion of Loggers and Lumbermen, meetings were held at 4:30 yesterday afternoon at both the Brooks-Scanlon and The Shevlin-Hixon mills and at the camps of the two companies. Three men were appointed from each of the mills and the camps, and will act in behalf of the employees at all future councils between the operators and the men.

From the six men elected from each camp and mill, one man will be appointed by the rest of the members to attend a meeting of the inland district of the legion, which will meet in Spokane in the near future for the purpose of discussing the laborers' point of view and adjusting any differences which may have occurred as a result of the recent convention of the operators at the same place.

The delegates elected from The Shevlin-Hixon plant were D. A. Kelley, W. H. Bond and Tom Murphy. Those elected at the Brooks-Scanlon mill were L. A. Gasset, C. L. Simpson and John Blew.

Legion Official Knocks Rumor.

At The Shevlin-Hixon Company plant, during the course of the meeting, Lieutenant Barbazette of the sanitation department of the spruce production division addressed the men on the importance of the work in which they were engaged, giving them the history of the organization of the spruce production division and the formation of the loyal legion. During the course of his talk the lieutenant ridiculed the rumor that the men would be obliged to sign cards whereby they would agree to remain at their present employment for the term of two years. The only obligation, he declared, that a member of the organization had ever been asked to take was loyalty to the government. "A man can quit any time he wants to, go anywhere he wants to; the only thing the government asks of him is that he lose as little time as possible between jobs. An idle day is a day given to the kaiser. A day's work is a day for the boys fighting on the other side."

DR. FRANCIS TO BE GIVEN ACTIVE DUTY

Charles H. Francis, Bend optician and oculist, recently appointed a first lieutenant in the Medical Reserve corps, has been assigned to active duty, according to a message received this morning from Washington. Dr. Francis will leave for his new duties on August 17.

TRAVEL LIGHT THROUGH BEND

FEWER CARS REPORTED FOR THIS YEAR THAN FOR SEVERAL PREVIOUS YEARS—ENGAGED IN WAR WORK.

(From Tuesday's Daily.) Tourist travel through Bend this season has been much lighter than during the past several years, according to the fact that as a whole people who generally spend their summers on long tours are this year busily engaged in war work and are loath to take even a short vacation. Road conditions are good, it is explained. The one bad feature has been the Columbia highway between Cascade Locks and The Dalles. This, while not yet completed, has been greatly improved. For several months it was necessary to ferry the car either up the river from the locks or by train, either of which afforded considerable inconvenience and expense to the motorist. This can be avoided at the present time, however, by arriving at either end of the construction work previous to 8 o'clock in the morning, during the noon hour or after 6 in the evening, when the road is open to travel.

RECEIVES WORD OF FATHER'S DEATH

(From Saturday's Daily.) J. C. Kuhns, grazing examiner for the forest service, received word this morning of the death of his father at Oil City, Pennsylvania, and left on the morning train for that place. At the time the word was received here Mr. Kuhns was at Crane Prairie on government work. Supervisor Jacobson notified him and a car was sent out for him. He arrived a few hours later and made arrangements for his departure.

HUDSON TO ATTEND MEETING AT FRISCO

(From Monday's Daily.) C. S. Hudson, president of the First National bank, has received an invitation from James K. Lynch, governor of the Twelfth district federal reserve bank, to attend a meeting in San Francisco on August 9, at which time bankers of the district will determine the best ways of selling United States certificates of indebtedness and discuss the general relations of banks to government war finance. Mr. Hudson will attend the meeting, leaving here Tuesday night.

CLERK'S FEES REACH SUM OF NEARLY \$400

(From Friday's Daily.) Nearly \$400 in fees was collected by the county clerk's office during the month of July, divided as follows:
Recording fees \$188.90
Circuit court 132.50
Probate and county court 47.50
Marriage licenses 15.00
Anglers' licenses 9.35
Total \$393.25

TO MAKE FOOD PRICES PUBLIC

(From Tuesday's Daily.) H. C. Hartranft, county food administrator, this morning announced that full data had been received on the price fixing program of the federal food administration and that before the end of the week the price fixing committee will have been organized and the first prices on food products in the county made public. The work of the committee will be to determine the price of food commodities from the wholesaler to the retailer, and make these prices, with the necessary freight and handling profit added, public each week. It is hoped in this manner to prevent profiteering on the part of the merchants and jobbers.

PRISON BREAKS ARE NUMEROUS

CHANGE IS LIKELY TO COME IN SYSTEM.

Gang Is One That Cannot Be Handled by the Honor System—Conditions at the Prison Are Not of the Best.

(Special to The Bulletin.) SALEM, Aug. 5.—Convicts are funny guys. In fact, the ordinary convict has a line of whims and peculiarities as long as the yellow streak down the spinal column of a conscientious objector. This has been brought forcibly home to a few thousand people around Salem who have been living among convicts all their lives, as it were.

What do you think of a poor simp who has a nice house all fixed up for him, with lots of good grub, a nice place to sleep, plenty of ball games, moving picture shows, shower baths, hot and cold water, and real live finkies to wait on him at table—with his clothes, shoes, hats, shirts and ties all furnished, and the fat of the land to live upon—what do you think of a poor simp who would skip out from under such an arrangement as that into the cold, cold, discouraging and heartless world? And further, what would you think of a beanless boob like that who would skip when all of the aforesaid luxuries are not costing him a solitary simoleon or an isolated centime?

That's just what a convict will do, because he and his messmates have been demonstrating it the past few weeks around these here parts to the best of their ability. Consequently the remark is made that a convict is a funny guy. Under the original scheme of things, when our forefathers drew up the good old constitution away back in the '50s, the plan was that when a man was stuck into prison he should stay there until his time was elapsed. While he was there he was to be busy at some little operation like making stoves, or keeping the lawn mowed, or the warden's horse curried.

More recently the situation has changed considerably, however, and what was once intended as a house of correction sort of developed into a play house and beauty parlor combined.

Honor Gang a Failure.

But apparently the thing won't work, because Governor Withycombe declares that the experiment of the honor gang and the trusty gang is a failure, and he knows, because three years of experience have been accorded it under his administration. The honor gang plan was first adopted back in the West regime, and it must be said that at first bluish it acted fairly well. It had a better chance then because a better class of men were serving under it than now.

Then came a gradual change of plan until, under Warden Minto, the stern arm of discipline descended upon the convicts like a mailed fist. There were rumors of hosing and heroic treatment of convicts and as an upshot a convicts' strike was staged, something that could happen in no place under the sun where the Oregon system doesn't prevail, and Minto lost his job.

Then Charley Murphy came into the limelight. And here is a word

KILL 50,000 SAGE RATS IN CAMPAIGN

Successful War Waged Against Pests Has Saved Nearly \$60,000 in Three Counties.

(From Wednesday's Daily.) The results of a war waged on sage rats and jack rabbits in Crook and Deschutes counties in July are now in evidence, according to a report from the county agent, R. A. Ward, to Paul V. Maris, state leader of county agent work at the O. A. C. It is estimated that the campaign saved nearly \$60,000 worth of crops. Fifty thousand sage rats and 6,000 jack rabbits were reported killed. It is estimated that each sage rat will cause a farmer a loss of more than \$1 in a season.