

ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOLS SHOWS CITY'S GROWTH

1015 REGISTERED ON
OPENING DAY.

GAIN IS 25 PER CENT.

706 Attended on First Day of Term
in 1918—Total Will Be Much
Greater by End of Month,
Says Superintendent.

As an indication of the percentage of growth in Bend's population which has resulted in the overcrowding of the city schools at the very opening of the term, registration figures were given out Tuesday by Superintendent S. W. Moore, showing a gain of more than 200 over opening day registration in 1918. Yesterday, 1015 applied for admission into classes, and 796 were on hand to start work at the beginning of the term last year.

Monday's total even beats the number reached at the end of the first month last year, when 885 had entered school in Bend. Mr. Moore considers that yesterday's registration is only about 80 per cent of what may be expected at the end of the first four weeks.

The only school in the city where last year's attendance was greater than now, was at the Central building, and this is readily explained by the fact that only the lower floor of that building is in use during the present school year, following a decision by the board of directors taken in order to minimize the fire risk.

By schools, registration for the opening day is as follows: Junior high, 160; senior high, 150; Central, 115; Kenwood, 215; Reid, 325; Camps, 50.

Last year's figures, while giving not an absolutely accurate basis for comparison because of the different plan on which the junior high was at first conducted, still give a general idea of the distribution of pupils at that time, and are as follows: Junior and senior high schools, 160; Central, 250; Reid, 276; Kenwood, 85; Camps, 25.

PUPILS TO RECEIVE PHYSICAL TRAINING

University of Oregon Graduate to
Handle Special Work in
Grades and High School.

Physical training in the grammar grades and the high school of the Bend public schools for the first time will be under the personal direction of a teacher specially trained and equipped with the knowledge to handle this feature of the school training.

Miss Ella Dews, graduate of the University of Oregon, will have complete charge of the physical training of the pupils in the grammar grades and the girls of the high school. Miss Dews expects to make a big feature of her department this year and will devote much time to the promotion of athletics for the girls.

The public school will have access to the B. A. A. C. gymnasium this year, where Miss Dews will hold most of her classes.

In carrying on her work she is anxious to obtain the cooperation of the parents of the pupils to insure success.

HEARING DEFERRED IN AUTOMOBILE CASE

Because of the absence of W. P. Myers, attorney for Clarence and Archie Bland, arrested in Prairie City last week on a charge of stealing an automobile belonging to J. E. Haglin of this city, no preliminary hearing will be held in Justice court until the latter part of the week, it was announced Tuesday.

BOYS AID JOB HUNTERS.
NEW YORK, Sept. 16.—National-wide machinery of the Boy Scout organization will be set in motion to get back jobs for returned doughboys, it was announced here today.

DEEP WELL IS SUNK ON STOOKEY RANCH

Drill Goes 905 Feet Before Water
Is Reached—Abundant Supply
for Stock Now Assured.

One of the deepest wells ever sunk in Central Oregon is that just completed by County Commissioner Seth Stookey, on his Horse Ridge ranch. The drill had gone 905 feet when finally a water bearing layer was reached.

Boring was started on the Stookey ranch early in the summer. The success of the drillers will insure an adequate supply of water for stock on the 3600 acres included in the property.

POTATO CROP MAY BE SHORT

OUTPUT FOR ENTIRE NATION
WILL BE 12 1/2 PER CENT. LESS
THAN LAST YEAR—OREGON
NOT UP TO STANDARD.

Higher prices for potatoes this winter are indicated by a report just given out by the U. S. Department of Agriculture, bureau of crop estimates, which forecasts that the total crop of the United States will amount to 349,194,000 bushels, as contrasted with 400,105,000 bushels, the total for 1918. This will represent a decrease of 12 1/2 per cent.

Oregon's potato crop will be 4,600,000 bushels this year, it is estimated, as against 5,500,000 last year, and 5,424,600, the average for five years. The entire state is estimated at 69 per cent of the average. In making up this forecast, Deschutes county is placed at 74 per cent, Crook at 72 per cent, and Jefferson at 50 per cent.

Washington's total output, says the report, will be 7,511,000 bushels as against 8,580,000 last year, and 8,588,200 for the five years average. The state percentage for 1919 is forecasted at 74.

POST MEMBERS NOW OVER 100

BEND ORGANIZATION ENTITLED
TO TWO DELEGATES AT
AMERICAN LEGION STATE
CONVENTION IN PORTLAND.

Percy A. Stevens post, American Legion, now has more than 100 paid up members, which will entitle it to two delegates to the state convention, which meets in Portland Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, when delegates will be selected to the national convention in Minneapolis on Armistice day and a permanent state organization effected.

The local post started something in the way of a post-war check on German propaganda when it advised the Portland post to inquire into the activities of certain German societies in Portland promoting benefits for foreign aid. The local post was given credit for initiating this movement.

The Bend post is receiving the cooperation of all the merchants of the city in plans for the big Reveille week fete, to be held here during the week of October 20-26.

FOREST OFFICIAL IS STATIONED IN BEND

To spend the next six weeks in this vicinity in general inspection work, E. N. Kavanagh, assistant district forester, from the Portland office, arrived in Bend this morning. Mr. Kavanagh's visit has been made possible only by the termination of the fire season, as up to the coming of the fall rains, he had worked for weeks supervising fire fighting on the forests of eastern Oregon and Washington.

BOYS ARE HELD FOR CAR THEFT

ARCHIE AND CLARENCE BLAND
TAKE AT PRAIRIE CITY—
LONG HIKE SAID TO HAVE
INSPIRED DESIRE FOR AUTO.

Facing trial on a charge of larceny of a Dodge car belonging to J. E. Haglin of this city, Archie and Clarence Bland, aged 18 and 16, respectively, both of Terrebonne, were brought into Bend on Sunday by Ralph Carl of Canyon City deputized by Sheriff S. E. Roberts. Mr. Roberts returned Saturday night from Prairie City, where he had traced the two boys, and where he had furnished information which led to their capture and the recovery of the car by Jack Howell, marshal of Prairie City.

The car, which had been borrowed by Harry Riley of this city, disappeared from in front of the Pilot Butte annex early the morning of September 1, and Sheriff Roberts left on Thursday of the same week for Grant county, having reason to believe that the individuals taking the machine had headed that way. After passing Mitchell he lost track of the fugitives, and later learned that he had left them behind him on the road. The arrest was made in Prairie City on September 10, but tire trouble made a long trip of it for the deputy and his two prisoners. The boys are said to have admitted taking two tires and two Dodge keys after reaching Prairie, previous to their arrest.

They had agreed that they must have a car, when, during the last week in August, they tramped the long journey from Paisley, where they had been working, to Bend. Their opportunity to acquire a machine came shortly after their arrival in this city.

LOST HUNTER IS LOCATED

CLAUS ELMQUIST LOCATED IN
EARLY MORNING TWO DAYS
AFTER BECOMING SEPARATED
FROM FRIENDS.

Fears which had been felt by friends in Bend for Claus Elmquist, Shevlin-Hixon yard employee, who was lost while on a deer hunt 25 miles southwest of Crescent Sunday, were allayed today when it was learned that the missing man had been found early Tuesday. No details were available.

The hunting party, composed of Shevlin-Hixon employes, missed Elmquist after combing one of the mountain ridges for deer. All attempts to locate their comrade proved in vain and they returned to Bend, leaving Charles Ross and Henry Carter to continue the search. This morning it had been planned to send out reinforcements, as no news had been received from the Crescent country since the hunters returned to Bend Sunday night.

J. BUXTON PRICE WEDS IN REDMOND

Leaves This Morning with Bride,
Formerly Miss Olive Campbell,
on 7000-Mile Auto Trip.

A wedding of interest to both Bend and Redmond residents was that of J. Buxton Price of this city and Miss Olive Campbell of Redmond at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Campbell, in Redmond at 8 o'clock on Monday. Rev. Father Sharkey of Bend pronounced the marriage service.

Following a wedding breakfast, Mr. and Mrs. Price left for Pendleton to attend the Round-Up. From there they will drive to California, planning a 7000-mile wedding tour lasting over two months, before returning to make their home in this city.

NAME ALFALFA ROAD VIEWERS

COUNTY COURT CULLS OUT OB-
JECTORS, CHECKING CONTRO-
VERSY INVOLVING MANY RESI-
DENTS OF COMMUNITY.

Tentatively deciding the question of proposed road extension in the Alfalfa district, the Deschutes County court yesterday evening appointed viewers who will go over the route petitioned for making their report as to the advisability of construction, and on the location, in October. Because of the long program of road building and improvement on market and feeder roads within the county, the court may be unable to start work for many months on the four mile stretch asked by Alfalfa residents, even if a favorable report should be brought in by viewers.

Agitation for the road started some six months ago, and from this started a controversy which involved a large number of residents of the community. Finally when the petition was presented to the county commissioners, a remonstrance was filed to which was appended more names than has been signed by the backers of the road. To make sure of the residence and property holding qualifications of all signers, the court deferred action, and yesterday it was found that 17 desired the road, and 12 objected to it. The original remonstrance was signed by 23.

W. B. Daggett, of Redmond, appeared for the petitioners, and H. H. De Armond, of Bend, for the remonstrators, while E. O. Stadter, deputy district attorney, acted as advisor to the court.

Another road matter to come before the court, was brought up by C. F. Hoskins, R. S. Towne, and Joe Howard, jr., who were in from Lower Bridge to suggest highway construction from Lower Bridge to Terrebonne.

948 ASK DAILY FOR MAIL HERE

With the completion of a nine-day count made at the general delivery window of the Bend post-office, Acting Postmaster W. H. Hudson announced on Thursday that on an average 948 names are called for daily. This is greatly in excess of the number who have boxes rented, only 745 securing their mail in this way.

The figures secured in the general delivery count will be used by Mr. Hudson in urging that Bend be placed under the city delivery system.

APPRECIATION OF INSTITUTE SHOWN

Appreciation of the work done by speakers and instructors, thanks to County Superintendent J. Alton Thompson for bringing specialists in various lines of education for this work, and to City Superintendent S. W. Moore and the city school board for the use of the high school building, was expressed by the teachers of Deschutes county through resolutions passed yesterday afternoon in the concluding session of institute.

Other business transacted included the election of Superintendent Moore, of Bend, and Superintendent Irvine of Redmond, as members of the executive board of the Central Oregon Tri-County Athletic and declamatory association.

SULPHUR ORDER FOR BEND IS STILL OPEN

County Agriculturist H. E. Koons, while in Bend yesterday, reported that the sulphur order for the ranchers in the Bend district is still open. Two cars have already been ordered, and will be delivered the latter part of September. They will have a total load of \$1,400 pounds. The sulphur is to be used in strengthening the soil used for alfalfa culture.

WILL DEMONSTRATE IRRIGATION WORK

Check Flooding System to Be Shown
at John Park Ranch by County
Agent Koons Saturday.

Under the direction of County Agriculturist H. E. Koons, an irrigation demonstration will be held Saturday of this week at the John Park ranch in the northern part of the Tumalo project. The purpose of the demonstration will be to show the best procedure in irrigation by the check flooding system.

Strip border checks, contour checks, and level checks will be used, and water will be turned in so that visitors can see the results of actual flooding.

ASK BIDS FOR STATE HIGHWAY

COMMISSION WOULD LET CON-
TRACT FOR WORK BETWEEN
BEND AND JEFFERSON COUN-
TY LINE ON SEPTEMBER 20.

SALEM, Sept. 18.—The State highway commission Thursday asked for bids for the construction of the section of the Dalles-California highway lying between Bend and the Jefferson county line. The work which will be bid on will include 10 miles of gravel surfacing, and contractors' estimates will be opened on September 20.

WATERFOWL FOUND IN LARGE NUMBERS

Thousands of wildfowl are to be found in the country surrounding the headwaters of Crooked River, according to Clyde M. McKay, one of a party of hunters who returned to Bend yesterday morning. Others who made the trip were R. S. Dart, E. O. Stadter, H. E. Allen, and C. P. R. Short. The hunters bagged an average of 10 ducks each.

Because the birds are widely scattered over the fields, hunting is not yet especially good, Mr. McKay says, but the number of ducks is incalculable. Hundreds of wild geese were also seen. With the coming of colder weather, the birds will keep to the water courses, and hunters will have a much easier time of it, Mr. McKay believes.

HIGHWAY ENGINEER LOOKS OVER ROADS

Looking over road conditions in this section preparatory to the beginning of state improvement work, Highway Engineer Herbert K. Nunn spent the better part of the weekend in the Bend vicinity, going over the state highway south as far as Harper, accompanied by W. C. Birdsall. Mr. Nunn was not enthusiastic over this stretch of road, and gave it as his opinion that it should have been dragged immediately after the recent rainstorms.

Two auto trucks will be available for highway work in this vicinity, he stated.

IRRIGATION EXPERT IS VISITOR IN CITY

John T. Whistler, well known irrigation engineer, who was in charge of the Deschutes survey and other co-operative work done in Oregon by the state and the Federal government arrived Monday from Burns and spent Tuesday here. Mr. Whistler is now engineer adviser to the Federal Farm Loan Board with headquarters in Denver and is making a trip over the Twelfth farm loan district.

BODY OF RANCHER IS SHIPPED NORTH

The body of Matthias P. Smith, rancher who died here Sunday night, was sent on Monday to The Dalles, where funeral services were held yesterday. Mr. Smith, who with his brother, J. A. Smith, owned the Millican ranch, was 63 years of age when death came as the combined result of paresis and arterio-sclerosis. Other relatives reside in California.

CASCADE ROAD MOVE CHECKED

RESOLUTION TABLED
BY BUSINESS MEN.

Menace to Success of The Dalles-
California Highway, Is Feared
—Club to Cooperate in En-
tertaining Labor Men.

Whether or not the Bend Commercial club shall advocate a Cascade mountain highway connecting the Crater Lake and the Mt. Hood National Parks, was the subject for lengthy debate at the weekly meeting of the club yesterday, when resolutions in favor of such a highway, proposed by H. J. Overturf, of the roads committee, were halted in their passage by C. S. Hudson, who declared that he considered such a movement to be most dangerous to the welfare of Bend. Mr. Hudson explained that the construction of a mountain route of the kind might seriously injure chances for securing a hard surfaced north and south highway passing through Bend, and that it would moreover, detract from the tourist travel through here, instead of adding to it. He suggested that the more nearly ideal plan would be for a series of roads to radiate out from Bend, connecting with the points of chief scenic interest thus making Bend headquarters for tourists.

Resolution Tabled.
Mr. Overturf and W. C. Birdsall spoke in favor of the Cascade highway, but a motion by J. P. Keys was carried, tabling the resolution until next week, during which time a thorough investigation is to be made. A Whisnant declared that opposition to the proposed highway is ill-advised, maintaining that sufficient support is already behind the movement to insure its success.

Continuing his report, Mr. Overturf moved that the club urge the county court, in attending the next meeting of the state highway commission, to request maintenance funds for the south highway from Bend to the Shonquist ranch. The motion was carried.

Labor Convention Coming.
D. G. McPherson mentioned the coming state convention of the Federation of Labor and on his motion it was decided that a club committee be appointed to cooperate with the Central Trades council in regard to the entertainment of the delegates.

E. L. Payne spoke of the Prineville fair to be held early in October, and urged that a good delegation be sent from Bend on at least one day of the four day exposition.

THREE DAYS GIVEN TO FATTEN HORSE

William South Admits in Police
Court That One Bushel of Grain
Fed Animal Two Weeks.

After he was arrested under the name of John Doe, and arraigned under the name of William Smith, hearing in police court was held Tuesday for William South on a charge of providing insufficient food for his horse. The animal, hitched within a block of Recorder D. H. Peoples' office, showed little indication of having been fed within the last week, the court decided.

Neighbors appeared as witnesses to testify that the horse was receiving a scanty ration of inferior feed, and the defendant himself admitted that in the two weeks that he had owned the horse, the only purchase of feed made, had been a bushel of barley.

A jail sentence was suspended for three days, during which time South will be expected to add noticeably to the weight of his emaciated steed.

ACREAGE PURCHASED NEAR EDGE OF BEND

The Gilson Land & Investment Co. Tuesday purchased from the Niswonger estate 40 acres of land just north of Kenwood, lying on the west slope of the Deschutes and running down to the river bank. The consideration is not known. It is the intention of the new owners to plat the tract and place it upon the market in the near future.