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Smiling and confident, Weston talked freely when interviewed in the county jail Wednesday, but preferred not to discuss his case or his plans for defense.

Well Treated in Prison Weston has gained weight during his stay in the penitentiary, and mentioned that he had received excellent treatment from prison authorities.

Alleged Accomplice Moved George Stillwell, who was arrested recently on a charge of complicity in the Krug murder, and who has signed a complete confession according to Sheriff S. E. Roberts, was removed to another part of the jail effectively separating him from Weston.

Stillwell's wife and baby have arrived in Bend, and will probably remain here until the case is disposed of.

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Redmond School Head Guardian To Six Pupils

In addition to his duties as head of the Redmond schools, Paul Irvine of that city, is guardian to no less than six of his pupils, according to the school census blank from Redmond on file in the office of County Superintendent J. Alton Thompson.

CHIMNEY FIRES FARMER'S AUTO

MILLICAN MAN'S CAR BURNS WHILE HE EATS—AUTOIST WRECKS MACHINE TO SAVE BUGGY IN ROAD.

MILLICAN, Jan. 5.—Sparks from the chimney of his home, lodging in a coil of rope carried on the running board of his car, parked close to the house, resulted in the destruction of virtually all inflammable parts of the auto while W. E. Sawtell was at dinner a few nights ago.

Mr. Valley Dystra and wife and two children spent Thursday with the Rosin family.

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CLASH ON FAIR MARS SERENITY OF CONVENTION

An open clash on the question of the 1925 fair tax occurred Tuesday on the floor of the State Chamber of Commerce directors' meeting, when Julius Meier demanded of President Charles P. Hall an explanation of his action in heading the opposition to the gasoline tax after the chamber had last year passed a resolution favoring the exposition.

Hall replied that he personally favored the 1925 fair, but declared that he considered the gasoline tax a vicious tax, and that his constituents as well as himself were against it.

Hamilton Director Louis Bean, who held a brief for an income tax, also discussed the matter.

R. S. Hamilton of Bend was elected to the directorate of the state chamber, and William Henley of Burns was chosen president. The plan of rendering organization service to the local commercial organizations of the state, which was advocated a year ago by the association of commercial secretaries, was adopted, and preparations for giving such service will be begun immediately.

BURNS EXPECTS A RAIL OUTLET

CONNECTION WITH DESCHUTES VALLEY LINES CONSIDERED LIKELY THIS YEAR, SAYS HARTNEY COUNTY PAPER.

General belief that railroad extension will be started this year from Crane to connect with the Deschutes valley lines is reported in the last issue of the Burns Times-Herald.

The report of prevailing rumors, which are of especial interest in connection with the forecast by George Quayle, secretary of the state chamber of commerce, made in Portland yesterday, continues:

"Some say financial conditions are not favorable to such an undertaking at this time, but there is a demand for the opening up of the vast resources of a big territory that is now dormant; with the advantages of transportation many industries that are not profitable for lack of facilities to transport products out and necessary material in, the project is sure to be of considerable benefit to the transportation lines. The connection under consideration would make a vast difference in transcontinental travel that would be a saving of much time and expense, besides giving products of Central Oregon more direct outlet to markets both east and west."

AUTO OWNERS MUST APPLY FOR LICENSE

Automobile owners who have applied for 1922 licenses, and who can produce satisfactory evidence to that effect, may drive their cars displaying the 1921 license until the new plates are received, it is announced by Chief R. H. Fox of the Bend police force.

ALLOW PETITION FOR MARKET ROAD

A petition presented by residents of the Tumalo section asking for a market road to Cline Falls, approximately 11 miles in length, was granted Wednesday by the Deschutes county court.

WANT SETTLERS FOR RECLAIMED LAND IN STATE

Adoption of President Fred Wallace's plan for encouraging immigration into Oregon, to populate the reclaimed areas, whether irrigated or drained, featured the meeting of the executive committee of the Oregon Irrigation congress at Portland Tuesday, reports L. Antles, secretary of the congress.

A committee of five will be appointed consisting of the president of the congress, the chairman of the executive committee, and one member appointed by the State Chamber of Commerce. This was stipulated in the motion made by R. S. Hamilton of Bend.

To Organize Soon The committee is expected to organize in the near future, arrange for raising funds so as to be independent of the Portland or state chambers of commerce, and put an efficient man at the head of an organization which will so present the state's new projects as to obtain suitable immigrants as soon as possible.

Wallace, Antles, Hamilton and George Jones represented Deschutes county at the meeting of the executive committee. Hamilton is still in Portland, attending the meeting of the State Tourist bureau, to which he was recently appointed as a director.

DAMAGE FROM BEETLE HUGE

ONE AND ONE-HALF BILLION FEET OF YELLOW PINE IN STATE OVERRUN BY INSECT WITHIN 10 YEARS.

PORTLAND, Jan. 3.—Over one million acres of pine timber in southern Oregon is in great danger of being killed by pine beetles, according to a report just made by A. J. Jaenicke of the Forest Service to the District Forester.

The report shows a pine beetle damage of at least one and one-half billion feet of yellow pine on the infested area during the past ten years. The report emphasizes the necessity of prompt control measures if further damage by the pine beetles is to be prevented and the extension of the damage to timbered areas stopped.

The private timber owners whose property is threatened by this beetle depredation have organized themselves for the control of the menace, to cooperate with government work. According to present plans most of the treatment of the infested timber will be carried on during April and May, 1922.

GRAIN AND CATTLE RATES ARE REDUCED

Reduced rates on grain and livestock shipments from Bend to North Portland are now in effect, announces J. T. Hardy, traveling freight and passenger agent for the Oregon Trunk. The rates are reduced 10 per cent and the 3 per cent tax is done away with, so that cars of grain or livestock may be sent to North Portland for \$12 to \$14 cheaper than at present.

All of the new lumber rates recently announced are now in effect, Hardy stated.

CLUB OPPOSES FOREST CHANGE

AID IS ASKED FROM OREGON SOLONS

Directors Fight Move To Put National Forests Under Interior Department—Endorse Hamilton As State Director.

Going strongly on record as opposing the King bill introduced in the United States Senate, having as its purpose the changing of the national forest service from the control of the department of agriculture to the department of the interior, directors of the Bend Commercial club, in session last week, instructed Secretary L. Antles to write to members of the Oregon delegation expressing the views of the directorate and asking their opposition to the measure. It was decided to use every means possible to secure the cooperation of other commercial bodies of Central Oregon in this movement.

The directors appointed R. S. Hamilton as delegate to attend the state chamber of commerce annual meeting in Portland on January 3, and recommended him for election as a member of the directorate of the state chamber for 1922. During his stay in Portland, Hamilton will represent President Fred N. Wallace of the Oregon Irrigation congress, attending a meeting of the executive committee of that organization, to be held on January 2.

J. A. Melvin was named as the club's member of the commission of six from the three Central Oregon counties which will have charge of potato exhibits during the coming year.

MOONSHINER IS GIVEN \$300 FINE

HENRY ANDERSON SAYS STILL IS HIS—COOK AND HOUSTON PLEAD GUILTY TO LESSER CHARGE—ASSESSED \$50 EACH

Pleading guilty to a charge of moonshining, and claiming that the still found Saturday just across the Klamath county line near Crescent creek belonged to him and not to his companions, Henry H. Anderson was fined \$300 Tuesday by County Judge R. W. Sawyer. Willis Cook and Frank C. Houston were fined \$50 each for having liquor in their possession. The three were arrested by Officers Stokoe and Nixon and brought to Bend Saturday night.

Twelve gallons of first run liquor were found with the still. Many bottles and jugs were also in the vicinity. These the officers destroyed. The still had been in operation about three weeks, the officers stated.

BARNES TO LOCATE AT PHOENIX, OREGON

Pioneer Central Oregonian, And First Judge of Deschutes County Plans Move For Near Future.

With a deal completed for the sale of his residence property here to Mrs. A. Edwards, W. D. Barnes, for the past 18 years a resident of Tumalo and Bend, and the first judge of Deschutes county, will leave shortly with his wife and children to locate at Phoenix, Oregon, in the Medford country. The exact date of departure has not been fixed.

Barnes has purchased a home at Phoenix, but is uncertain as to what line of business he will take up. He mentioned that he is retaining his home at Tumalo in case he wishes to return to Deschutes county.

M'GUIRES PARENTS OF NEW YEAR BABY

Mr. and Mrs. Harry McGuire of Tumalo are the parents of an eight pound baby boy which is, so far as known, the only New Year's baby born in Deschutes county. He was born at 11 o'clock New Year's night.

TOURIST CAMP MUST SUPPORT SELF IS TREND

OPPOSITION TO BOND ISSUE SHOWN

PLAN IS BEFORE CLUB

"Merry Go Round" of Opinion As To Sites and Financing Continues—Standardization Plan Current Through Northwest Favored.

Indications of a trend toward the idea of a self-supporting tourist park, financed originally by the Commercial club or by a holding company rather than by a bond issue on the part of the city, appeared through the gloom of the old "merry go round" of conflicting opinion as to sites, financing and management which characterized yesterday's discussion of the subject at the forum luncheon.

Almost every site discussed last summer and earlier was again advocated by someone, including the present camp, the city park, city owned land east of the railroad track and Shevlin Park.

That a bond issue for the purchase and improvement of a park for this purpose would be defeated in an election was stated by Councilmen Gilbert and Fox. Gilbert favored the improvement of the south half of the city park, while Fox discussed the possibility of a camp paid for by subscription and supported by a charge.

Standardization of accommodations and charges throughout the northwest, with the tourist paying upkeep at least, is the present movement, Secretary Antles stated. Conventions for discussion of this subject are scheduled at Spokane, January 7 and at Roseburg in February. A plan for a centralized bureau of information, classification of camps as to accommodations and fees fixed accordingly, will be brought up, he stated. The tendency is to insist that the tourist shall pay for maintenance at least, and possibly for a sinking fund which will eventually pay the initial cost of the park.

H. H. De Armond, chairman of the meeting as well as of the auto park committee of the club, outlined the situation, and stated that the new committee agrees with the last one, that the present site is the only one feasible. The tract now used, belonging to the Bend Company, may be purchased for \$3,500, he said, and an adjoining tract for \$2,000. At least \$7,000 would be required to improve the park.

Mayor Gilson, when called upon, stated that he considers a camp ground an absolute necessity, and promised his personal assistance in securing one. E. P. Mahaffey declared that the plan of using the city park would greatly deteriorate the values of land in that part of the city. T. H. Foley declared that he was opposed to saddling the camp ground on the taxpayer, and endorsed the plan of having it provided by subscription and supported by fees from the tourists.

REPAIR BUILDINGS DURING VACATION

Housecleaning Is Rule At Bend Schools—Classes Reopen Today For Last 3 Weeks of Semester.

General housecleaning was the rule at all of the Bend school buildings during the vacation which ended when classes were resumed Tuesday morning. Floors were scrubbed with oil, boilers, fans and other heating apparatus were repaired, and motors and plumbing were overhauled. Stoves pipes were cleaned, ashes removed from the stoves, broken windows replaced, and other repairs made, reports Superintendent S. W. Moore.

School opened with all of the teachers and most of the students in their places, ready for the final three weeks of school before the semester exams, which are scheduled to be held January 18 and 19.