## New homes in Bend needed 100 years ago

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#### **100 YEARS AGO**

For the week ending March 13, 1921

## Bend payroll in two months nearly \$200,000

From five leading Bend industries, nearly \$200,000 was put into circulation here the first two months of the new year, figures secured today show. This despite depressed industrial conditions. The exact total of the payrolls of the Shevlin-Hixon and Brooks-Scanlon mills, the Bend Juniper Products Co., the O.W. and Oregon Trunk railroads, and the Bend Iron Works, for the two months was

\$186,505.55. January total of \$95,174.44 is in reality less than the apparently smaller \$91,331.11 of the month just past. The fact that wages are for the most part on a day basis, with February three days shorter than the first month of the year, more than accounts for the seeming difference. This gradual increase is borne out by information that plans are under way for greater production in the near future. Announcement to this effect has already been made by The Shevlin-Hixon Company, and today it was learned that na increase in output, and consequent advance in total payroll, might be expected shortly at the plant of the Juniper Products Co.

#### New homes in Bend needed

That a healthy demand for houses exists in Bend today is the declaration of H.J. Overturf, local representative of the Western Building & Loan Co. which now has more than a quarter of a million dollars loaned on 152 buildings in Bend. Mr. Overturf believes that the coming season

will see the erection of many new homes, but that construction will be by the home owner, with the speculative phase noted last summer removed.

Plenty of money will be available for building from now on, Mr. Overturf considers, as the result of the recent Supreme Court decision upholding the constitutionality of the farm loan act. While farm loans were tied up unusual demands were made on loan companies, but the court decision will mean the reduction of this excess burden.

#### **New location for library secured**

More centrally located headquarters for the Deschutes county library have been secured, it was announced last night by Mrs. R.S. Dart of the library board. A lease is being secured from H.C. Ellis for the use of the north storeroom in his new brick building on Bend near Minnesota, and between April 1 and 10, the library will be moved from its present location in the gymnasium. Moving will probably necessitate closing the library for a day, but until that time the usual hours will be observed in the athletic club building.

Although the library is today one of the busiest places in Bend, the members of the board believe that in the new location, on the edge of the busiest business section of the city, the number of subscribers will grow rapidly and the institution's service to city and county will be greatly increased.

#### **75 YEARS AGO**

For the week ending March 13, 1946

#### 1 thousand seek nylons in Bend

Between 800 and 1,000 Central Oregon women were in line today for the nylons offered by the Wetle store of Bend, with the queue taking shape long before opening time and still in evidence long after the noon hour today. Extending north on

Wall Street from the Wetle store to Oregon avenue, the line doubled back on itself.

Those who waited for hours in the line passed the time in various ways, with a number taking the opportunity to catch up on reading. In passing a restaurant, various women had cups of coffee, "on the run."

Police for a time patrolled the street, to provide entrance into other stores, and at one time an officer appeared and announced warningly, "All women who have locked their children in automobiles must call from them at once."

The line was orderly through the morning and noon hour. One woman fainted. Clerks in the store felt the strain as the day wore on. "The Oklahoma land rush could never have been like this," one said.

### Warm Springs opposing valley authority

Madras — The Warm Springs Indian council has forwarded a resolution against a Columbia valley authority to the Oregon congressional delegation, it was announced today. The Indians expressed fear that provisions of the measure, the Mitchell bill, senate bill 1716, would abrogate a treaty negotiated by the confederated tribes of Warm Springs Indians in 1855.

One section of the bill providing that "the corporation may exercise any of its powers under this act, including the power of eminent domain, on Indian lands, irrespective of the manner in which title to such lands is held."

#### Work started on Lava butte road

Employing two tractors, Deschutes national forest crews today began the work of building the new roadway to the top of Lava butte, it was reported by Ralph W. Crawford, supervisor of the forest. He estimated that it would require about a month to complete the grading, follow-

ing which the road is to be hard surfaced.

Because of the dangerous conditions existing due to slides of lava rock and cinders, Crawford urged that motorists refrain from trying to drive to the top of the butte. He said that already cars have become stuck in the soft and shifting cinders, and it was with difficulty that they have been extricated.

One of the tractors being used on the work is of special design, and is on a three week's test run. If found satisfactory, additional tractors of this type will be acquired by the forest service for road work and in the construction of fire breaks through the timber, it was said.

#### **50 YEARS AGO**

For the week ending March 13,1971

## Park theater plan brings protests

Bend City Parks and Recreation Director Vince Genna, confronted with opposition to his plan for erecting an amphitheater in Shevlin Park, said today he is "willing to give up the project if public sentiment is strong enough."

But he still thinks the idea is a good one.

Objections to the proposal were expressed by Dwight B. Newton and Phil Philbrook in The Bulletin's "Letters to the Editor" column and by Mr. And Mrs. Newton and Mrs. Marion Poor at a meeting of the Parks and Recreation Department advisory board this week. A number of other local residents reportedly have joined in a crusade to halt the project, on the grounds the development would mar the natural beauty of the park and create traffic and litter problems.

Members of the advisory board, however are almost unanimously in favor of the theater. In a poll conducted by The Bulletin, only one member, Chester MacMillan, opposed the idea. He was unable to attend the board meeting.

"What's wrong with putting it in Juniper Park?" MacMillan asked. "It seems to me Shevlin is too far from town (five miles) for something of that nature. Downtown, older people and others who don't drive cars could enjoy it."

Board Chairman Clarence Bells said he thinks outdoor theaters would be great at both locations — but they would serve different purposes.

"I would like to see Shevlin preserved in its natural state as much as anyone," Bells said, "But I think that increasing its use would cut down on vandalism. It isn't used enough now to justify a full-time caretaker and maintenance man."

Most members of the board said they weren't aware the project was in the works until they "read about it in the paper" last week.

"The frightening thing is that the board took the attitude that it's all settled." Mrs. Poor commented. "Are there other plans, too, for making Shevlin just another manicured park? We have plenty of those in the city — and they're lovely — but too much development in Shevlin could unbalance the ecology. We don't want to crowd out the birds and wild animals."

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#### 25 YEARS AGO

For the week ending March 13, 1996

#### Area wins 'Tree City' awards

Bend, Madras, and Sunriver are among 27 cities to receive "Tree City USA" designation for 1995, the Oregon Department of Forestry announced on Friday

The national award program,

sponsored by the National Arbor Day Foundation, recognizes cities and towns that have adopted community forestry programs. More than 2,000 cities nationwide are being awarded Tree City USA status for 1995.

Eight of the 27 cities, including Madras, also are receiving a special "Growth Award," a recognition the cities can earn by developing innovative projects that improve their community forestry programs.

To obtain Tree City USA status, a community must adopt a tree ordinance, appoint a board or department to advise the city on tree issues, spend \$2 per resident on community forestry activities, and hold an Arbor Day celebration. Arbor Week is designated as April 7-13 in Oregon.

ignated as April 7-13 in Oregon. As the program marks its 20th anniversary, Salem is one of 17 cities nationwide to win the honor for the 20th straight year.

#### Market affects forest health

A year ago, timber companies were competing fiercely for logs that once were considered rubbish.

The price of chips used to make paper pulp and particle board, as well as for fueling boilers, had climbed to an all-time high. Some outfits were even chipping trees that could have been used for lumber.

All that has changed. The chip market has nearly collapsed, with prices falling from a high of about \$170 per "bone dry unit" last summer to \$100 to \$125 now. "It's less than what we can ship for," said Tucker Williamson, a forester for Willamette Industries in Bend.

The low prices could be a limiting factor in how much work the U.S. Forest Service can do to improve forest health in the Metolius Basin, or anywhere else. USFS officials have said more than half the trees that would be logged in the Metolius drainage may be good only for chips because the wood there is so decayed.





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