

### 200 ACRES TIMBER DESTROYED BY FIRE EAST OF STERLING

Fire, of an unknown origin, one and a half miles south and east of the Sterling mine Sunday afternoon, destroyed 200 acres of timber, rated as among the best in southern Oregon. Fanned by a high wind, the flames spread over the burnt area in four hours, before it was halted. The fire was placed under control at noon today. Every available man in this city was rushed to the scene by auto Sunday night, being paid at the rate of 25 cents an hour, from the time of hiring. The forestry service says it was the hottest fire they have fought in months. All the timber destroyed was first class, except for a slight fringe of scrub growths. Difficultly was experienced in controlling the fire, which raged on the side of a steep mountain. The regular daily fire was reported today from the Butte Falls district, State Forester J. T. Eberly leaving for the scene this morning. The eastern part of the county has furnished most of the forest fires this season. As yet none of the blazes have reached the best timber, though several close calls have been reported. The smoke hung so thick over the foothills to the west and south this afternoon that the outline was not visible. Forest fires are raging on the south side of the Siskiyou, on Footh and Evans creeks, and in the Cow creek canyon country. This afternoon thundercaps appeared in the east, accompanied by claps of thunder, which gave rise to the hope that a shower would follow. Old residents of the city and valley report that the present weather is the biggest they ever experienced.

### JACKSON COUNTY FAIR PREMIUM LIST ISSUED

The premium list for the Jackson County Fair and Fruit show, September 8 to 11, has just been issued and contains many new and interesting features, and good premiums on everything. Two of the new free features will be the race relay for lady riders two and a half miles each day, changing horses every half mile, for a purse of \$250, and the ball game between Medford and Klamath Falls every afternoon for a purse of \$300. There will also be races for Jackson county steppers and gallopers, pony, hitchup and other races. The premiums on fruit are larger than offered at the state fair and it will pay every fruitgrower to look them up. The educational department this year will be one of the interesting features of the fair. There will be special school exhibits from the various schools over the county, with individual and special exhibits. Children look up this department. On Friday all children in the county enrolled in the schools will be admitted free. The premiums on stock, poultry, agricultural products, ladies domestic fine arts, culinary and other products, floriculture, manufacturing, mining, etc., are all liberal and are worthy of your careful inspection. Get a premium list at once and help make this fair the biggest of all. Merchants should talk for it and work for it every day. You should not occupy middle ground when the interest of the community is at stake. Be a booster. Don't wait for and depend on your neighbor.

### JAPAN AIDS RUSSIA

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Russia obtained a considerable amount of supplies from Japan by railroad, but this source was cut off suddenly for some time in the spring. The crisis in the relations between Japan and China became so serious that Japan, foreseeing the possibility of hostilities, devoted her energies to the accumulation of war supplies for herself.

Although Russia has placed extensive war orders in this country, she has received from the United States little in the way of guns or shells. The shipments to Russia from Pacific ports have consisted principally of supplies, such as motor trucks and other heavy equipment. France and England have found that the unexpected demand for ammunition during the war has strained their resources to the utmost, so that they have been able to lend Russia little in this respect. The inauguration of the great Austro-German movement found Russia unable to meet the emergency with any such array of guns and shells as were possessed by her opponents. Russian military officers attribute to this fact the rapidity of the Austro-German advance, stating that the fall of Warsaw, as well as the events which preceded it, was brought on largely by this state of affairs.

### STEAMER DIOMED SUNK AFTER OFFICERS KILLED BY SHELLS

QUEENSTOWN, Aug. 23.—The Lamport and Holt liner Diomed has been sunk by a German submarine. Her captain, quartermaster and steward were killed by shells fired by the submarine during a pursuit of four hours. An officer of the Diomed who landed here today with other survivors says that two submarines were sighted. According to his report, they were rigged with dummy funnels. One of them, this officer asserts, subjected the Diomed to a heavy shell fire. The liner attempted to escape, but surrendered after being pursued for four hours. Two boats were lowered and forty-nine members of the crew got away, taking with them the body of the captain. Shortly afterward one boat was swamped. Two Englishmen and five Chinese were drowned. The others were picked up by the second boat. This boat, being overcrowded, was in danger of being swamped, but its occupants were saved by the arrival of a steamship. Survivors say that during the pursuit the Chinese firemen of the Diomed refused to continue stoking and the work was undertaken by deckhands. The submarine stood off at a distance of about half a mile until the Diomed sank. The assistant quartermaster of the Diomed states that another steamer was in sight at the time and apparently was sinking. This vessel, in his opinion, was attacked by a second submarine. The steamer Diomed was a freighter of 4672 tons gross. She was 219 feet long and was built in 1895. She was owned by the Ocean Steamship company of Liverpool. She was last reported as having arrived at Swansea on July 24 from Amsterdam on a voyage to New York.

### COURT HOUSE NEWS

Reported by Jackson County Abstract Co., Sixth and Fir Sts.

**Real Estate Transfers**  
Walter G. Proper et ux to H. Godfrey, lot 5, block 7, Medford \$ 500  
F. R. Bellinger et ux to Joanna M. Jones et vir, land in sec. 24-37-2W, 10  
J. Greshaw et ux to L. A. Bratt, lots in block 10, Medford 10,000  
H. H. Helms et ux to First National Bank, Ashland, 8 acres in twp. 38-1W, 1

### DETAILED CAUSES

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tion, in the adjudication and in the administration of the law.

"4. Denial of the right and opportunity to form effective organizations." Remedies are suggested.

On the same subject the Commons report says:

"The greatest cause of industrial unrest is the breakdown of the labor laws and the distrust of our municipal, state and national governments on the part of a large portion of our people." The report outlines a plan for remedying conditions through the institution of a permanent "industrial commission and advisory council" with comprehensive powers.

**Weinstock Dissents**

The Weinstock report dissents from the recommendation that the secondary boycott should be legalized, finds that employees have many just grievances and are thoroughly justified in organizing. It explains the prime objections have to recognizing and dealing with organized labor as follows: Sympathetic strikes, jurisdictional disputes, labor union politics, contract breaking, restriction of output, prohibition of the use of non-union made tools and materials, closed shop, contests for supremacy between rival unions, acts of violence against non-union workers and the properties of employers and apprenticeship rules.

The full text of the three reports, which contain an aggregate of more than 200,000 words, is in the hands of the printer and probably will not be available to the public for several days. For this reason summaries were prepared for publication.

The commission conducted hearings during 151 days, and heard 740 witnesses. Of the latter, 240 were affiliated with the employers, 245 with labor and 205 were not affiliated with either group.

In addition, there were reports of field agents and investigators of the commission.

### ABRAHAM RUEF LIBERATED FROM SAN QUETIN CELL

SAN RAFAEL, Cal., Aug. 23.—Abraham Ruef, once a prominent political power in San Francisco politics, was liberated from San Quentin prison today upon parole. He had served four years, five months and fifteen days of a fourteen-year term for offering a bribe to J. J. Furey, supervisor of San Francisco.

Motion picture operators and newspapermen stood guard since daylight in a drizzle at the main gate. Ruef left through a side gate without receiving the attentions prepared for him.

A clause in his parole, requested by Ruef, compels him to remain in Mendocino county for ninety days so that he may not be charged with activity in San Francisco politics, where a municipal campaign is under way.

Ruef will remain on his ranch near Ukiah, Cal., at least for that period. In addition to his prison term, Ruef spent three years in jail in San Francisco after indictment upon a charge of extortion in 1906, which later was quashed.

He was sentenced to fourteen years' imprisonment March 7, 1911, which was reduced by good behavior credits to eight years and ten months. A previous request for parole was denied because no parole may be granted until a prisoner has served half his term.

### ROCKEFELLER FOUNDATION

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By letting its huge funds revert to the state, if the founders, as they claim, have parted with the title to the money.

Then the Walsh report recommends that the state use these millions of dollars to establish public works that will lessen the great evil of unemployment, the creation of sickness and accident funds for workers and for other purposes that will directly benefit the laborers from whom the money originally came in the form of withheld wages.

The report also scores, in scathing terms, the use of private armies and points out that employers in every part of the country maintain "private

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### GERMANS LOSE NAVAL BATTLE

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Duma announced that the German battle cruiser Moltke had been sunk by a British submarine there still appears to be some doubt whether it was the Moltke or a vessel of that type which was sent to the bottom.

The only other German battleship of this type, according to 1915 naval records, is the battle cruiser Goeben, sold to Turkey in 1914 and renamed the Sultan Selim.

### Do You Know?

The mayor of Terre Haute, Indiana serving a term for bribery, has been put to washing in the Leavenworth prison laundry because he kicked against the way his shirts were done up?

A wedding took place recently at Boise Valley, Idaho, at which Mr. Korn married Miss Cobb.

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### INTERURBAN AUTO CAR CO. Time Table

Leave Medford daily except Sunday for Ashland, Talent and Phoenix at 8 a. m., 1:15, 3:00 and 5:15 and 10:15 p. m. (Saturday at 11:15 p. m.) Sunday leave at 8:00 and 11:00 a. m., 1:00, 5:00 and 9:30 p. m.

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