

ED G. BROWN IS BADLY HURT IN AUTO SMASH-UP

As a result of a serious automobile accident Saturday night at the foot of the Blackwell hill on the Pacific highway between Gold Hill and Central Point, six well-known Medford people were injured, the most seriously being Edward G. Brown, part owner of Browns' tobacco store and pool and billiard hall who suffered a fractured skull.

The fracture is at the base of the skull and is of the compound variety. It will be several days yet before the outcome of the injury will be known. Mr. Brown is at his home in the care of a trained nurse, having refused to go to a hospital. He was reported much improved this afternoon and his many friends are confident of a prompt recovery.

The others injured are Mrs. Edward G. Brown, who is in the Sacred Heart hospital, badly bruised from head to foot; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Brown who are at their home; Miss Dolly Stowell, who has cuts and bruises and who is at the E. G. Brown home.

Mrs. Roy Brown is badly cut and bruised and her nose crushed, and her husband, besides bad bruises has a badly wrenched back.

Mrs. G. Rosseau, the other woman in the party, escaped injury, it having been her third auto accident in which she escaped unscathed.

The party were returning from Gold Hill about 10:30 p. m., in Ed Brown's big Nash car. At the foot of the Blackwell hill, because an over-head bridge is being built over the Southern Pacific railroad tracks for the Pacific highway, a detour road winds about the bridge.

It was very dark and was raining at the time, and hence Mr. Brown, who was at the wheel, and was running at a speed of only 20 miles an hour, did not see this turn in time.

The road was very slippery and the big car turned over, throwing its occupants out on the hard gravel.

William Offutt, who happened to be homeward bound from Gold Hill, was driving a hundred yards or so in the rear of the Brown car, and was the first outsider to arrive on the scene of the accident.

Other cars soon arrived and the injured were rushed to Medford in several cars, where Dr. R. J. Conroy attended to their injuries.

Mr. Offutt and others who passed over the road that night say that the sharp turn is hard to see, and that the contractors or county should maintain a light at the detour turn. He was positive that the Brown car was only going 20 miles an hour, for that was the speed at which he was running his own car.

WOOD SPEAKER AT THE NAT TONIGHT



Gen. Leonard Wood

Montavilla Flowers, well known throughout the country as chautauqua lecturer will speak at the Nat tonight at 8 p. m., on behalf of the candidacy of General Leonard Wood, under the auspices of the Leonard Wood club. Mr. Flowers is one of the leading orators of the country, and is well known in this city and county by reason of his frequent appearances at the Ashland chautauqua.

Mr. Flowers is touring the country on behalf of General Wood, and spoke at Ashland this afternoon at the city hall and high school. Mr. Flowers campaigned with General Wood for 12 weeks, is his official representative in the west, and is an author and orator of national reputation.

All republicans who are interested in nominating a real live republican candidate for president are invited.

SOLAR HALO IS MONDAY FEATURE

One of the brightest, largest and best developed solar halos ever seen in the valley surrounded the sun today and attracted much curious attention and caused not a little apprehension to timid people.

Solar halos are seldom seen here, and everyone figured that it would have some bearing on the weather.

In the eastern section of the country a solar halo is an almost sure indication of rain within two days after it appears, according to Floyd Young, who has won several halos as a frost expert, and holds good eight times out of ten.

"A solar halo is caused by very high clouds, five or six miles high," said Mr. Young, and made up of three cornered ice particles which refract the sun's light on the same principle as a rainbow except a rainbow is caused by the refraction of light thru rain drops.

SECY. DANIELS FLAYS SIMS. (Continued from Page One)

"In considering the criticisms of one of the eleven officers referred to I think it surprising and gratifying that the verdict of these officers is ten to one as to the correctness of what we did. Had there been during the war a serious difference of opinion among those charged with determining our military action as to what should be done, it would, of course have been my duty to have decided between them.

"What I feel is needed from me is not a defense, but a clear and brief resume of what has already been testified to. * * * You have heard long statements of what the navy did not do. The country's pride will be heightened by the facts of some of the great things it did do."

The portion of Admiral Sims' celebrated letter that shocked the public more than any other, Mr. Daniels said, was the statement that he had been told at the navy department "not to let the British pull the wool over your eyes. We would as soon fight them as the Germans."

HARD FROST IS PREDICTED BY WEATHER BUREAU

The joy which was generally felt throughout the valley over the "million dollar" beneficial rain that fell over Saturday night was somewhat dispelled at this morning's official weather prediction from San Francisco of a heavy frost for tonight, which, if it comes is bound to do some damage to the fruit and garden crops.

Frost Expert Young, while admitting this forecast was hopeful that as often in times past when a heavy frost had been predicted in the morning local and other conditions would unexpectedly change by night. He will be prepared to give out a local forecast about 6 p. m.

The rainfall of over Saturday night amounted to .70 of an inch and came at a most opportune time, as the ground was getting very dry. A bumper grain crop is now assured.

public, declaring that Admiral Sims read it during the investigation of naval awards although it had nothing to do with the subject under consideration.

"He could not have chosen a more ostentatious and well planned manner of securing publicity," said Mr. Daniels. "If, as he said, he had written it only for naval officers, nothing would have been easier than for him to have told Chairman Hale that he had written a letter to Secretary Daniels bearing on a totally different subject, for naval uses only, to make public which would be a violation of naval regulations and traditions and to have begged to be excused from reading it. But he had it in his pocket, evidently awaiting the opportunity which the hearing afforded him, to give his charges the widest possible publicity."

Had anyone in authority in the navy department entertained a prejudice against Great Britain, Secretary Daniels said, Admiral Sims would not have been sent to London, for Sims' pro-British "idiosyncrasies" were well known.

"In justice to the United States * * * it will be necessary to contrast the bold and audacious plans we presented and urged, with the delay in some of these great projects caused by Admiral Sims' opposition and lack of faith in the practicability of some of them by the British admiralty," declared Secretary Daniels. "This is not done in any spirit of criticism of the British admiralty or the British navy. The navy of that nation did great work. * * * It did great tasks in so great a way as to be worthy the appreciation of the whole world. * * * They made mistakes and so did the American navy. * * * You have heard many great admirals of the American navy testify that Admiral Sims' attacks upon the work of the navy during the war were either wholly unwarranted or grossly exaggerated. If you could have appeared before you similarly the great admirals of the British navy you would not find one who would admit that the American navy was responsible for the prolongation of the war four months and the unnecessary loss of 500,000 lives."

Secretary Daniels defended vigorously the administration of the office of the chief of naval operations by Admiral Benson.

EAGLE POINT EAGLETS By A. C. Howlett

In my last I referred to a deal that was on where I withheld the names of the contracting parties because all of the papers had not been signed. I always try to keep everything that I write for the press as near as possible straight. The deal to which I referred was where J. B. Jackson and

wife sold their fine farm in the upper edge of our town to Leroy A. Smith and wife, who have been living in Medford for the past year or two, but formerly of this place. Mr. Smith bought with it what cattle Mr. Jackson had. While we regret very much to have Mr. and Mrs. Jackson leave we feel that we are compensated to a great extent by having Roy and his family take their place. Mr. and Mrs. Smith are young and as steady and reliable as an old town clock and we predict that in a few years they will build up a business that will bring in quite a revenue. I understand that Mr. Jackson has not fully decided where they will go but seem to favor going to the state of Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Koontz of San Francisco and F. B. Rayburn were here Wednesday eve for supper and then went on out to Medford.

K. D. Jones was here on his way to his home in Butte Falls, while his wife was visiting their relatives in Gold Hill. He and Chris Beale were passengers on the Butte Falls stage Thursday morning.

Mrs. Fred Dutton was shopping in our town Thursday. Buell Hildreth and wife of Butte Falls passed thru here Thursday on their way from Central Point to their home in Butte Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Campbell, our new banker and wife were here for dinner Thursday, and he tells me that they have formally taken possession of the bank, and are making some changes in the management of the institution; one very important and convenient change Mr. Campbell has made is to keep the bank open during the noon hour. The way the business has been conducted before was to have the bank close at noon and not open until 1 o'clock p. m., thus forcing a person who was working by the day to lose a part of a day's work in order to do business with the bank for it does not open until 9 a. m. and close at 3 p. m., but with the bank being open from 12 noon until 1 p. m., a laborer can attend to his business and still be on time to go to work. Another change that he wishes to make is to arrange the business so that he can close the bank at noon on Saturday so as to correspond with the custom of the other banks in the country.

R. P. Nell wrote to Mrs. Howlett requesting her to be ready to serve dinner about 1 o'clock Thursday for five or six so Thursday afternoon he came in bringing with him his wife, Mrs. Wm. Denton, John Denton, Mrs. C. A. Bara and Charles Bara, all of Ashland, and after satisfying their appetites they spent some time enjoying the sights along the banks of our beautiful Little Butte creek.

D. L. Van Needa was on the stage going to Butte Falls again Thursday morning. He is very reticent with regard to his business but he seems to be a stirring business man and appears to be interested in the timber business around Butte Falls. Ray Watkins and Mrs. P. W. Tungate were also passengers on the stage Friday morning.

Mr. Peterson, the man who is assisting in carrying the mail from here to Perist via Trail, came out Friday morning to bring two passengers so as to catch the jitney for Medford. He and Geo. Adamson are carrying

the mail between them. Mr. Adamson runs a truck and carries the mail, passengers and freight from here to Trail, and Mr. Peterson takes what is left after passing Trail on up to Perist. Sometimes Mr. Adamson has a full load of over a ton of mail and freight besides his passengers.

Glen Owen of Central Point, and W. D. Spencer of Portland, were here for dinner Friday. Mr. Spencer represents a tank and pipe company of Portland.

T. F. McCabe was in town Friday and took out two rolls of wire fencing.

Mrs. Ed Murphy and her sister, Miss Holmes of Wellen, were shopping here Friday and visiting their brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Holmen.

Sam Courtney, our painter and paper hanger has just finished papering Roy Ashpole's house and today Saturday is doing some work for T. E. Nichols.

J. H. Cochran and wife of Medford were here for supper Friday evening. Mr. Cochran was inquiring particularly about J. V. McIntyre, Mr. Devaney, our banker who has just gone out of the bank, and Mr. Campbell, our new banker, and upon inquiry learned that he was one of the Medford insurance men and that our bankers here were handling the business for the same companies he is interested in.

D. S. Hall of Radley, Colo., came in and spent the night Friday and went on up to Butte Falls this Saturday morning. He seemed to be looking for a location where he could secure a small tract of land, get himself a few dozen hens and a few cows and live like a prince.

We had a genuine runaway in our little town, and it was not somebody's girl and boy but Wm. Perry's fine bay team. The neckyoke broke letting the tongue of the wagon drop down and as quick as a flash both horses dashed forward and jerked the driver, Leroy Smith, off the seat onto the doubletrees and at the same time jerked one of the lines out of his hand, thus leaving him helpless so far as stopping the horses, so bracing himself against the end of the wagon bed and throwing the line he held away, jumped clear from the wagon unhurt. It was a very narrow escape for in a short time wagon collided with a telephone pole breaking the wagon and harness and freeing the horses from each other, one of the horses dashing to town and the other going in an opposite direction.

Thomas Lewis, one of our young men who was taken about two weeks ago to the hospital in Medford to be operated on for appendicitis, has so far recovered as to be able to be on the streets this morning.

T. C. Gaines and wife of Trail drove out from Medford this morning, took dinner at the Sunnyside and went on up home this afternoon. Geo. Spooler of near Los Angeles, and Orville Jones of Oklahoma, were here for dinner also today. Mr. Spooler had been up to the old Obenchain place to visit his brother, and Mr. James accompanied him. They were headed for Hood River valley.

Jacob Geppert and son Horace came in from their home near Butte Falls on their way to Jacksonville. Mr. Geppert is the road supervisor in his district and was going after pow-

der to use on the road. I understand that Mr. Devaney has moved into the Wamsley house to remain until the close of our school, the 21st inst., and that Mr. Campbell our present banker has moved into his own house he bought from Mr. Devaney.

Walter Painter, who has been away from here for several months came in this evening on the Trail stage.

Mrs. Chas. Blass and Miss Hazel Spencer who is teaching the Trail school were business callers in our town this morning.

W. H. Candall motored into town this afternoon and so did Thos. Stanley and wife.

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SOCIAL UNREST IN JAPAN IS GROWING

TOKIO—Kane Ikeda, director of the Middle School of Kure suddenly disappeared a few weeks ago, leaving a letter stating that he was dissatisfied with the recent state of social conditions and determined to lead a hermit's life. Now he has been discovered in a famous Buddhist monastery leading the life of a monk.

This is an incident showing the spread of the social unrest in Japan. The old national mentality has greatly been modified since the war and the authorities find it hard to recruit sufficient officers for both the navy and army as well as officials for the diplo-

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Ma says— whenever she wants me to hurry back from the grocery store, she heads the list with Post Toasties

LEONARD WOOD MEETING TONIGHT AT NATATORIUM MONTAVILLA FLOWERS One of the noted chautauqua lecturers on the American platform today will address the meeting at 8 p. m., in the interest of Leonard Wood's candidacy for president. EVERYBODY INVITED Especially the Ladies.