

The Weather
Forecast: Cloudy with showers to-night and Friday. Moderate temperature.
Highest yesterday 71
Lowest this morning 47

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Comment on the Day's News

BY FRANK JENKINS
YOU can't stay long in Burns, where these words are written, without hearing some version or other of the finding and losing of the famed Blue Bucket mine—especially in these days when gold mine talk is in the trail over this Western country.

THE commonest version runs something like this:
An emigrant party, heading for the Willamette valley, camped one evening on a creek, somewhere in Eastern Oregon. During the evening, a member of the party who had been scouting around, came into camp carrying a blue bucket practically filled with heavy yellow metal which he had picked up.
The story goes that the emigrants, who were looking for land and not for gold, weren't much excited. One of them took a piece of the metal and hammered it into a pin for his pocket.

They were practical-minded people, you see.
THAT night, the tradition runs, the party was attacked by Indians, but succeeded in beating the red men off. They departed hastily, forgetting all about the yellow metal.
Later on, the memory of it returned, and in the succeeding half century many expeditions were organized to hunt for the Blue Bucket mine.

It was never found, the location of that evening camp remaining one of the mysteries of the desert.

MRS. PARKER, for whom Parker mountain, on the Green Springs highway, is named, was a member of this emigrant party, and was one of those who went back and searched for the site of the camp, but unsuccessfully. She couldn't find even a familiar landmark.

PHIL METSCHAN, of Portland, whose parents were pioneers of the Canyon City country, and who is here in Burns for the celebration, thinks the Blue Bucket mine was located somewhere along Canyon Creek. When Phil, by the way, was only a few months old, there was an Indian raid up through the Canyon City country. His father hid him and his mother in a mine tunnel up behind the city, which was one of the big mining camps of the early days, while he went out with the other men to fight off the Indians.
Those were stirring days in this country.

BILL HANLEY, of a family in the Warner valley that was warned of an approaching Indian raid. They loaded all their valuables into a wagon, and at the last moment the man happened to think of a valuable Kentucky jack. He dashed to the barn, got the animal, tied it to the back of the wagon and started out in haste.
Arriving at the fort, someone called to him: "Hey, you've got a dead jack- ass behind your wagon."
Investigating, he found it to be true. The jack was dead. "I thought this load pulled mighty heavy for the size of it," the owner commented.

CELEBRATION over, and on the road again—headed for Bend, over the Central Oregon highway. Off to the left, Wagonville mountain, of waterhole fame, and in the dim blue distance, back to the rear, the Steens. On every hand, endless vistas of rolling high desert, clothed in sagebrush, not a tree in sight. Nor an inhabited house.

WE PASS a car stranded on the highway. The judge stops, halts the driver, asks cordially: "Anything we can do to help?"
On the main highways, in the thickly settled country, we would have whizzed by, without a thought of stopping.
There really is something about these great open spaces that brings out the desire to be friendly and humanly helpful.

Perhaps that's the reason the people who live over here are such hospitable people.
PILOT BUTTE, at the edge of Bend, the signal that led the ox wagon trains to the banks of the Deschutes, which here are low and grassy, whereas elsewhere they are high and rocky, making the water difficult of access.
That is why the emigrants liked to stop at the present site of Bend. Grass and water were two prime requisites of their lives, and here they found both in abundance—and welcome, after the long journey over the desert.
They called the spot Farewell Bend

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WILL SEEK \$1000 FROM COUNTY TO AID R. R. PROJECT

Delegation to Call On County Court for Financial Backing to Send Gore and Owen to Washington

A delegation of representative business men of the city and county were scheduled to call upon the county court this afternoon, and request the appropriation of \$1000 to finance a trip of W. H. Gore, banker, and James H. Owen, lumberman, to Washington, D. C. in the interests of the proposed railroad to Crescent City.
The matter was presented to the county court yesterday afternoon, but that body deferred final action, until they were given "guarantees" as to a step met with general approval and civic accord.
Meeting Tomorrow
The county court will hold a regular session tomorrow, when it is expected some definite action will be taken.
Members of the county court are understood to view the plan with favor as individuals. County Judge C. B. Larkin said this afternoon, that personally he had been in favor of a coast railroad for years, but that no action would be taken until all the court were present.
W. S. Bolger, president of the Medford chamber of commerce, said this afternoon that the chamber had taken no action as an organization upon the matter, though many members and directors favored the plan. A board of directors meeting was held this morning.
The general plan is for the city to borrow \$6,500,000 from the Reconstruction Finance corporation and also to operate under the provision of the relief bill, providing for federal loans in liquidating public utility projects.
Early Action Needed
Early action upon the plan is held vital by its sponsors, so that the matter can be presented before the present session of congress adjourns.
Gore is well acquainted in Washington, D. C. through his contacts secured when at the national capital in the interests of the O-C. tax refund, and is also highly versed on all matters pertaining to the rail project, and the country it would traverse.
The Oregon delegation in congress is in close touch with the situation.

PORTLAND, July 14.—(AP)—Railroad men here today saw little chance that the Reconstruction Finance corporation could be persuaded to extend funds for construction of railroad facilities between Crescent City and the Rogue River valley. A request for aid in obtaining money for this purpose was placed before Senator Charles L. McNary in Washington, D. C. yesterday.
Some road already has been built from Grants Pass in a southerly direction toward Crescent City. W. H. Gore, who signed the petition to Senator McNary on behalf of the Medford chamber of commerce, said \$6,500,000 of Reconstruction Finance corporation funds would enable completion of the road and would put hundreds of men to work.
Railroad operators here believe the potential earning power of such a road at this time would be so small, and the investment so relatively large as to dictate non-compliance with the request by the corporation. Added to this, they say, as a further deterring circumstance is the generally disheartening condition in which the first-class roads of the country now find themselves.
One railroad official, who did not want to be quoted directly, said private or public financing of the Crescent City-Rogue River line now was impossible and that the reconstruction finance corporation undoubtedly would take a similar attitude.

MECHANICVILLE, Md., July 14.—(AP)—A number of persons were wounded early today when a band of men shot into a group of carnival employees here. State Patrolman J. R. Miller said he estimated the number wounded at 25. No arrests have been made.
The carnival employees were dismantling the show shortly after midnight when the men, six or seven of them, Miller said, began taking "shots."
LONDON, July 14.—(AP)—It was officially stated today at number 10 Downing street that there is no truth in any statement that the new Anglo-French treaty is applicable to the matter of British debts to the United States.
The statement said:
"In connection with reports which have been put into circulation as to the interpretation of the Anglo-French declaration, to which other governments have been invited to adhere, there is no truth in any statement that it is applicable to the question of British debts to the United States of America."

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Singer Weds



Associated Press Photo
Marion Talley of Kansas City, concert singer and former Metropolitan Opera company soprano, was married in White Plains, N. Y., to Michael Rauchelsen, German pianist.

NEW YORK, July 14.—(AP)—Complete reorganization of official personnel was announced by the Southern Pacific Railroad company today.
Dale Holden, chairman of the executive committee, was elected chairman of the company, a newly created office. He will be the principal officer in control and management of the company's business. The chairmanship of the executive committee will be abolished.
Another office abolished is that of chairman of the board, formerly filled by H. W. DeForest. DeForest will continue to look after finance as a director and member of the executive committee.
Paul Shoup, president, has been elected vice-chairman, a newly created office. He will be in general charge of maintenance and development of traffic.
A. D. McDonald, formerly vice-chairman of the executive committee, has been elected president. His old office has been abolished.
Another salary reduction of 10 per cent for all employees receiving an excess of \$10,000 a year was announced.

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RELIEF MEASURE PUBLICITY PHASE BRINGS DEADLOCK

Conferees Unable to Agree On House Section Providing for Reporting of All Loans Made in Future

WASHINGTON, July 14.—(AP)—The house today voted to insist upon its amendment to the \$2,122,000,000 relief bill providing for publicity to all reconstruction corporation loans.
WASHINGTON, July 14.—(AP)—Congressional conferees hit a deadlock today over the new unemployment relief bill and decided to disband while the house group asked further instructions from the house as to how to proceed.
The conferees were able to reach no agreement on the house section providing for publicity on all future loans through the reconstruction finance corporation.
Representative Rainey, Democratic leader of the house, and chairman of the conferees, said he would ask the house for further instructions tomorrow.
Individual Loan Adopted
Senator Wagner (D., N. Y.), senate sponsor of the relief legislation, expressed the hope, however, that Rainey would act today.
Other controversies between the two houses were completely ironed out. The Glass provision for loans to individuals through the 12 federal reserve banks was adopted.
Reorganization of the reconstruction

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FLAWS IN STORIES REYNOLDS SUICIDE ARE INVESTIGATED

Strange Disappearance of Death Gun Unexplained—Chum's Actions On Tragic Night Not Cleared Up

WINSTON-SALEM, N. C., July 14.—(AP)—The strange four-hour disappearance of the death gun, and possible discrepancies in testimony of witnesses at the coroner's inquest held the attention today of officials investigating the death of Smith Reynolds.
An apparent bullet hole through a window screen of the sleeping porch where young Reynolds was found dying by his wife a week ago also was being considered as possible new evidence.
The county grand jury met yesterday, but did not consider the case. It convenes again July 25.
Chum's Actions Unexplained
Meanwhile, Sheriff Tansou Scott said he did not see how Ab Walker, chum of Reynolds, could have done everything he testified he did in the 10 minutes between the time an ambulance was called and the time Walker arrived at a hospital with Reynolds in a private car, after deciding the ambulance would be too slow.
Nor did he understand the screen

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PRESIDENT GIVES MEDAL TO AMELIA



Associated Press Photo
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The merger measure will be voted upon at the November election. Prior to the filing of petitions July 7, reports of a "theft" of petitions was circulated in Portland. Zorn stated that the petitions would be placed in a Portland bank, but instead were left in Sloum's office over July 4, the time of the alleged robbery.
Sell-Out Offer
In commenting upon the campaign for signatures, Zorn referred to an alleged deal to sell-out, involving friends of the university, as revealed by Brownell. The alleged offer of cash was turned down, Zorn said, "because they were fighting for a principle, not money."

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