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**BOND ISSUE
AGAIN HEARD**

PROS AND ANTIS MEET AT
COVE YESTERDAY.

Hall Meeting Adjourns to Open-Air
Affair—Both Sides Heard

Pro and anti bond issue entissaries invaded Cove and Union yesterday afternoon. At Cove both sides of the question were discussed at length, first in a hall meeting, and when that meeting adjourned to meet on the streets, the question was further discussed in open air. Walter M. Pierce and C. D. Huffman each spoke against bonds and C. C. Chapman of Portland was the chief speaker for the bonds. A considerable crowd was present to listen to the arguments, which went much along the lines previously heard.

The anti returned home from Cove but the pros went on to Union when Mr. Chapman was again the chief speaker in an open-air meeting.

MR. STODDARD ANSWERED.

M. L. Carter Goes Into Bonding Question Minutely.

Cove, May 13.—(To Editor La Grande Observer)—I have delayed for several days, answering Mr. Stoddard's communication on the bonding question for the reasons: 1st that it would seem rather presumptuous in me to take issue with such a gifted writer as the "profound" J. B. and 2d because it would seem like imposing on the good nature of the Observer for me to come so often. There is no doubt but what bonds have filled an important place in the development of many enterprises—and served a good purpose in the world, but good things can be overdone and then they become detrimental. Water is a good thing and we cannot very well get along without it. Yet Heppner, Galveston and Johnstown bear witness that there is such a thing as an over-supply. We can go a little farther back to the time when all the human race was destroyed by water except a few floaters, and they were prepared to beat the game as usual, while those who paid the debt got soaked.

Fire is a good thing but it has to be handled with judgment and care, and the floaters will have a hard time to beat the finishing game of the series. Air is an important thing in the world, but when it goes on a rampage, jerks a town out by the roots and scatters it over the adjoining country, we are again reminded that there is such a situation as getting too much of a good thing, and so on down the line, and just because bonds have served a good purpose in the world in certain cases is no reason why we should rally to the support of every promoter, who lives in, or comes into the community. You will find in the hard surface road builders and assistants some who do not pay much taxes and a class of people who are very reckless about running in debt, and let the other fellow do the worrying after they are in debt. If you put it up to them to pay cash for what they were to receive, there would be nothing doing, but just offer the benefit and place the paying time somewhere in the dim vista of the future, when there might be a chance to stick some one else to pay the bill, they will invest every time, and imagine that civilization is rapidly advancing. The question is asked "Would the people of La Grande want to go back to muddy streets, etc?" Perhaps not, but some of her citizens are strenuously objecting to paying for the improvements, and have been in the courts for years.

But it would be better than going to the poor house.

Some of them have been forced to sell their holdings and move away because they could not make a living and pay 40 or more mills on the dollar in taxes and they had to sell for less than they could have got during the muddy street period. How many people in La Grande are more than making a living? At the present rate of taxation it would take but twenty-five years to absorb all the present worth of the city of La Grande, in taxes.

Other Oregon counties have bonded for good roads says the correspondent but gives no results. That puts me in mind of the man who had a sick horse and knowing that his neighbor had, on similarly affected, he hurried over to his place and asked the neighbor what he did for his horse when he was sick. Upon receiving the information he hurried home and doctored his horse like wise, but the animal died. Upon meeting the neighbor he said, "I doctored my horse as you told me, "but he died". "Well the neighbor says "mine did too".

J. B. tells of hauling a load of hay through the Sam Boothe lane and wasting more time and horse flesh than it would take to pay his share of the interest on the bonds for a year. That might be very true and he might not have to waste much time or horse flesh either. Last winter was an unusually hard one for traveling. I took a trip to La Grande with a fairly good team and it took me six hours to go twelve miles and when I reached the city with a played out team I found the people trying to dig out their hard surface streets. Now in conclusion I want to say that Mr. Stoddard gave us quite a learned dissertation on bonds and finance in general, but still it would be well to keep in mind the experiences of the man with the sick horse.

M. L. CARTER

An Open Letter.

La Grande, Oregon, May 16.—(To the Voters of Union and Wallowa Counties)—It is only fair to the electors to know where every candidate stands and especially those on

the legislative ticket. My first endeavor will be to correct and repeal some of the corrupt and vicious laws which have been placed on our statutes instead of trying to enact more, thereby adding to the people's burdens in having the Supreme court declare them unconstitutional.

We all favor good roads and all public improvements and especially our public schools.

As to the various commissions which are costing the taxpayers of the state over \$2,000,000, the pruning knife must go to the hilt. This amount can be cut in half. For illustration: The fish commission was given \$58,000 and in addition it received in fees \$395,053.89. With a business administration of the state fisheries at least one-half this amount should have been returned to the state. Inefficient handling not only of this branch of the state's business but all others have suffered in like manner.

I believe that the waste of public moneys by the various commissions should cease. Things of this nature need attention more than selfish interest.

Our unreasonable taxation is confiscating city properties, thereby adding an extra burden to the common people and the wage earner. This condition is true not only of city taxation but of farms, also. Farmers and tenants are being crushed through this exorbitant tax. Union and Wallowa counties are no exception; these conditions are true from one end of the state to the other. Then what is the solution? Reduction of court expenses and useless commissions.—Adv.

SAM HAWORTH.

County News.

(From Union Republican)
Mrs. Alice Glover returned this week from a trip to Portland, Salem and Willamette points.

W. B. Davis of Chicago is expected in the city soon, and will probably remain here permanently.

J. B. Weaver donated a fine lot of shrubbery to the library grounds this spring and the same is being cared for by the Woman's Club members.

The oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Gates, formerly of Union was operated upon for appendicitis in Boise last week. They recently moved to Idaho.

Peter Goyette, of High Valley, was in the city Saturday, the first time in eight months, having been out of commission through the effects of partial paralysis.

Robert Withycombe is the owner of a two-year-old King colt that is about the best in the section at the present time, and by another year will make the best of them go some for the blue ribbon.

Dell Blancett, of Pendleton, was in the city Saturday last, conferring with the Sports committee of the Union stock show with a view to furnishing some of the attractions for the 1916 show.

W. C. Ross and wife, of Baker, were in the city Sunday, visiting Frank Ross and family in High valley, returning via Cove and Union Monday. Mr. Ross was driving a new auto and giving it a try-out.

The members of the Woodmen Circle gave Mrs. E. D. Kennedy a reception at the lodge hall Monday evening, prior to her departure for her home in the Prineville section. Mrs. Kennedy is a member of the local lodge and expects to return to Union to live next fall or in the spring.

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