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HILLS IN THE FIELD

Surveyors Said To Be Busy Near Sisters

ANOTHER PARTY IN THE MOUNTAINS

Supposed to Be Locating a New Route Into This Section

Word was received here last Thursday from Sisters, twenty miles west of here, from a reliable source, that a crew of five men in charge of Billy Mason, had been located at Sisters for several days taking elevations and reconnoitering. It is stated the party is working in the interests of the Hill people, as Mason is known to be connected with Porter Bros., contractors for building the Hill line in this section. All of the party are very reticent as regards the object of their work and their destination, but the quiet visits of a number of men from the outside to the Mason camp lends significance to the idea that the party is on important business. It was learned from one of the Mason party that a full surveying crew was in the mountains near Sisters working east, and that that party was also working in the Hill interests.

The Corvallis & Eastern railroad, which is now controlled by the Harriman interests, had three surveys run into this section several years ago for the purpose of building a road into Crook county to connect up with the Southern Pacific road at Albany. It is the opinion of those who have been keeping in touch with railroad affairs in this section, that if the Hill people contemplate bringing a route over the mountains into the Sisters and Redmond country it will force the hand of the Harriman people and compel them to extend the Corvallis & Eastern road from its present terminus on the other side of the mountains and build through to Redmond to form a junction with the Deschutes railroad at that point.

New Voting Precinct Been Created

The City of Redmond was taken out of the old Redmond voting precinct, and what is left of the old precinct will be called Tetherow precinct, with the voting place at the old Redmond ranch.

Had a Pleasant Outing Trip

Mr. and Mrs. Tichenor returned last week Thursday from an outing and fishing trip in the Blue Mountains, and report having had a most enjoyable time. Fishing was excellent, and they made a number of good catches.

Getting Exhibits For the Fair

Those interested in the fair to be held in Redmond this fall are being means to secure exhibits all kinds for the event. It is expected the fair will show some

of the best exhibits grown in the Redmond District. All kinds of crops in this district show an excellent growth this season, and the exhibit will be a surprise to even people who live here and are in touch with what can be grown here.

Weather Has Been Pretty Warm

Last week and this the weather man has been giving the people in the Redmond District a touch of hot weather. The thermometer has been hanging around the nineties, and during the middle of the day it made a person wish he could "take off his flesh and sit around in his bones". It is the best kind of growing weather for the crops.

NEW BANK BUILDING

Home of Redmond Bank of Commerce Nearing Completion

The new building for the home of the Redmond Bank of Commerce is now nearing completion and it is expected the bank will be enabled to move into its new quarters in a few weeks. The building is 25x50, two stories, and of attractive design. The lower floor will be occupied by the bank, and the upper floor has been made into offices. The building has been wired for electricity and a system of plumbing put in to connect with the city water system. The furniture and furnishings for the bank will be the finest in this section of the state. A safety deposit vault is one of the accessories of the institution, and some of the safety deposit boxes have already arrived.

ORCHARDS LOOK WELL

All Kinds of Fruits Promise An Abundant Yield This Season

Fruit of all kinds looks remarkably well in the Redmond section and the prospects are favorable for a very satisfactory yield. On the C. N. Ehret five acre orchard tract the four year old apple trees are loaded this year. On the J. A. Wright place, two miles southwest of Redmond the trees are so heavily laden with apples that it is necessary to prop up the branches to prevent their breaking off. Small fruits will bear abundantly this year, as the weather conditions have been all that could be desired.

Ready to Open Next Week

J. W. Woodruff will have his new store building on sixth street completed this week and will open next week to do a cash business, with a complete stock of furniture, household furnishings and groceries.

New "Head" Did Not Arrive

The "head" for The Redmond Spokesman did not arrive from Portland in time for this week's issue and a different "head" had to be substituted.

BUILDING ACTIVITY

New Buildings Are Being Put Up In All Parts of the City of Redmond---Remarkable Growth In Past Few Months---Scarcity of Lumber Retards Operations---Many Build and Live in Comfortable Tent Houses

There is more building going on at the present time in Redmond than any in other town in Central Oregon. More lumber is an absolute necessity here. If the necessary amount of lumber could be secured contractors state that over 50 new buildings would be commenced at once. It is stated a new saw mill will soon be started in operation a few miles from Redmond to relieve the immediate needs.

Many of the newcomers are building tent houses, ranging all the way from 10x12 to 20x32 feet. These houses are boarded up three to four feet from the ground, have board floors and double flies on top of the tent, which keeps the inside of the tent cool. A tent house of this kind makes a cool summer residence, and as most of them are located near a juniper tree there is plenty of shade during the hot days. There are about 75 of these tent houses in Redmond now and some of them are quite elaborate.

The Redmond Bank of Commerce is building an attractive building on the northwest corner of Sixth and D streets. The building is 25x50 feet, two stories with 12 foot ceilings on the first floor and 9 1/2 foot ceilings on the second floor. Modern improvements throughout will enter into the construction of the building.

J. W. Woodruff has nearly completed his store building on Sixth between D and E streets. The building is 25x52 feet and has a deck built on the first floor that increases the capacity of the building fully one-half. Mr. Woodruff will put a furniture and grocery store in the building.

I. L. Osborne is building a 24x50 building on 7th between D and E streets. He will install a wood working plant for the manufacture of furniture, kitchen cabinets, sash, doors, etc.

Theo. R. Herkner, the well known harness maker, has built a 24x44 building with a 16 foot addition on his property on Sixth between E and F streets. Contractor Ben Gotter states the building will be ready for occupancy next week.

The Redmond Commercial Club is making a number of improvements on their two story building on E street.

The Lamb building, 24x30 feet, on Sixth between F and G streets, was started this week. This will join the present building on the front and be used as a seed and feed store.

Part of the lumber is on the ground for building the new city jail.

One of the important buildings that has been completed in Redmond the past few weeks is the garage, repair and machine shop

of O. C. McDowell on south Sixth street. The building is of sufficient size to accommodate the demands made upon it.

C. Ehret is having plans prepared for an addition to his residence in the northeastern part of town.

W. Caughey is considering plans for a new modern residence he contemplates building on his property in the southern part of the city.

The Courtright house in the western part of the city is nearly completed. This is a 22x24 building.

Mrs. Louderbeck is building an attractive bungalow cottage on North Sixth street that Contractor Gotter has nearly finished.

Dr. Rhodemeyer has recently completed a residence in the Ehret addition.

J. O. Hanson, one of the progressive ranchers living 3 miles north of Redmond, is making a number of substantial building improvements on his place.

W. B. Smith is building a comfortable residence in the southwestern part of the city.

P. L. Smith has built a 32x50 building on the corner of 6th and F streets which will be occupied by a restaurant, tailor shop and soft drink place.

Harry Key last week completed a building on 6th between E and F streets that has been rented for a modern barber shop, and soft drink place.

The above are some of the

buildings that are now under construction or nearly completed, and does not include the large number that have been built since April.

Better Mail Facilities Urgently Needed

Redmond needs a direct daily mail service from Shaniko via Madras and needs it at once to properly expedite the postal business at this place. The business at the Redmond postoffice is increasing daily and an improved service on the arrival and dispatching of mails is an absolute necessity. It is understood that the matter of the betterment of mail schedules for Redmond is being considered by the postal department, and it is hoped that satisfactory results will soon be obtained.

CITY COUNCIL ORGANIZED

First Meeting of New City Government Is Held Tuesday Night

The first meeting of the newly elected city council of Redmond was held Tuesday evening, and an adjournment taken until Wednesday night. At the first meeting the city officials took the oath of office, three ordinances were introduced, and an organization partially perfected.

A license ordinance introduced provides for an annual license of \$400 for near beer establishments.

At the Wednesday night meeting Mayor White appointed the various standing committees, the names of which will be printed next week.

The regular meeting nights of the council will be the second and fourth Tuesday nights of each month.

Publication Day of Spokesman

The Redmond Spokesman is published Thursday of each week. The inside pages go to press Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock. The paper will be mailed Wednesday night so as to reach all subscribers the current week.

BIG TANK ARRIVED

And Being Placed In Position at Water Plant

NEW ENGINE ALSO ON THE GROUND

Work at the Redmond New Water Plant Going Forward Briskly

The 10,000 gallon tank for the Crook County Water, Light & Power Co. of this city, arrived here last week and is being placed in position. The large gasoline engine is also on the ground, and will be used to pump water from the company's well that was recently sunk to a depth of 445 feet, and which produces an unlimited supply of excellent water.

The company has the pipe on the ground to pipe the whole city, and the work of digging mains and laying the pipe will soon begin. The dynamo for the electric light plant is in Shaniko, and it is expected the lighting system will be completed in time to turn on the juice in about six weeks.

The company is now working on their power project at Cline Falls where they will ultimately develop a capacity of 25,000 horse power. This power will be utilized in units, and the first unit will be 7,500 horse power and ready in the spring.

Cline Falls is four miles from Redmond, and it is the purpose eventually to also get the water supply for the city from the Deschutes river at that point.

Three hundred lights will be installed in Redmond at first, 200 for sale, and 100 Tungsten lights will be used by the city in lighting the streets. The Crook County Water, Light & Power Co. is composed of Redmond men and was all financed here, and it is the intention to push forward the projects of the company as rapidly as possible.

The Store That Can Serve Your Wants

AT OUR STORE we carry a complete and well selected stock of GENERAL MERCHANDISE that fills the wants of the people in this section. Our prices are always as low as possible consistent with good goods, the only kind we sell. We want your trade and invite you to come in and place your next order with us, feeling assured we can satisfy you with goods and prices.

Highest Market Price for Butter, Eggs and Cream

EHRET BROS. Redmond