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COL. BELCHER ENJOYS VISIT

Back to Old Home at Randolph, Mass.

TRAVELED OVER A LARGE TERRITORY

Pioneer Settler of Redmond Seen City Grow Out of the Sage Brush

Col. Belcher of this city, who recently returned from an extended visit in the east, had quite a swing around the circle going and coming on his trip. He went out by way of the Canadian Pacific to Montreal and from there he visited in Boston, and his at old home. From there he went to New York City where he met old friends, and on the return trip he went to New Orleans and took the Southern Pacific north, stopping at Los Angeles, San Francisco and other coast cities. He thinks he covered the country pretty well on the trip.

The colonel had not been back to his old home in Randolph, Mass., for twenty years, and he found a vast number of changes. The old swimming hole at his boyhood home was still there and other landmarks had not passed away.

It is interesting to hear Mr. Belcher tell of the early days

when he came to the western country. He came overland to San Francisco in 1861 and remained there two years, when he went to what is now Lewiston, Idaho, where he located on 80 acres where the city now stands. In those days placer mining was the main industry in that section, and the colonel says that in 1863 the Wells-Fargo Express Co. carried out \$8,000,000 in placer gold. He was the first treasurer of Nez Perce county and also the first treasurer of Whitman county.

Colonel Belcher came to Redmond about five years ago, soon after the Redmonds arrived here, and has been actively identified with the growth and upbuilding of the city ever since. He says the way to make a town is to be liberal in your ideas, contribute your money freely, and it will all come back to you either directly or indirectly, but you are sure to reap the benefit of your outlay. No tightwads ever made a new country prosperous, says the colonel.

It is a pleasure to meet a man of Colonel Belcher's stamp, for he is always looking on the bright side of life, and though he is getting along in years he is as hale and hearty and pleasant as a young man with the whole world before him and his fortune to carve out. The colonel has always had great faith in the future of Redmond and has been one of its enthusiastic boomers, and now he is beginning to see his predictions realized of Redmond becoming an important city.

A Large Turnip

Ellinger & Ehlers have on exhibition in a window in the real estate office a monster turnip that weighs 10 pounds. The turnip was grown on the J. O. Hanson place near the city, and is an object lesson of how root crops will thrive in the soil in the Redmond district.

LATER RETURNS FROM ELECTION

Prohibition Lost in State by Over 10,000

WOMAN SUFFRAGE MEASURE IS LOST

Democrats Carry the Eastern States By Large Majorities

Prohibition Defeated

State-wide prohibition has apparently been defeated by a majority that may range from 10,000 up. The striking feature of returns so far indicate that the Prohibitionists have lost at least 13 of their "dry" counties so far as the state-wide prohibition vote is concerned, while they have not gained one "wet" county.

In all probability, Lane county, which rolled up a majority of 770 for the Prohibitionists two years ago, has gone "wet" on the state vote, but turned a majority of more than 700 against the home rule bill. Umatilla county, which gave the "drys" 694 majority and Union county, which favored the "drys" by 690, both went into the opposite column.

The "dry" majority in Douglas county appears to have been cut by half and Josephine county switched from 363 "dry" to a similar majority for the "wets." Crook county switched from 2 to

1 for "dry" two years ago, to 3 to 2 for the "wets" this year.

Wet Counties

Counties that voted "wet" were Baker, Clackamas, Clatsop, Coos, Crook, Gilliam, Harney, Josephine, Klamath, Lake, Lane, Malheur, Marion, Morrow, Polk, Sherman, Tillamook, Umatilla, Union, Wasco, Washington and Multnomah.

The only counties known to have voted "dry" are Benton, Douglas, Linn, and Yamhill counties.

Women Cannot Vote

Woman suffrage has been overwhelmingly defeated throughout the state. In returns, complete and partial from 20 counties, not one has given a majority for the amendment. The vote reported from these 20 counties, as totaled, gives 19,664 for woman suffrage and 35,527 against, or a majority in opposition to the measure of 16,193. At the same ratio the amendment in the total vote throughout the state has been defeated by about 20,000.

Home Rule Leads by 3000

The home rule liquor amendment is nearly 3000 to the good in a total count of 89,000 votes. The vote on this measure and the prohibition amendment will probably run up to a total of 95,000 to 100,000. On the home rule bill, therefore, approximately nine-tenths of the vote is represented in the figures that give the present majority of 3000. This majority will probably not be far different when the full count is completed.

New York state elects a democratic governor by a plurality of 65,000.

Democrats will control the next house of representatives, having 221 members to the republicans' 157.

New Jersey, Connecticut and Oregon elected democratic governors, and in Ohio a democratic legislature has been elected.

GOING DOWN DEEP AT CULVER FOR WATER

Townsite Owners Propose to Drill at Least 1,500 Feet

E. Wagoner, the well known well driller of this city, is now engaged in drilling a well at Culver for the townsite people. He recently consolidated his business with the Madras Well Drilling Co., and is now in a position to sink wells to any required depth as the company has heavy machinery especially adapted for that purpose.

Mr. Wagoner said that the well at Culver was now down about 710 feet and no water had been struck yet. The townsite company, he said, would go down as far as 1,500 feet in an endeavor to get a suitable flow of water. At Hillman he went down 330 feet and found water. Mr. Wagoner said, and by going to a depth of 359 feet a practically inexhaustible flow was obtained.

Have You Bought Your Dance Ticket?

If you are interested in helping to maintain a good brass band in Redmond you can now do your share toward that organization. The band is going to give their initial ball Wednesday evening, Nov. 23d, in order to raise money to be applied on the balance of the purchase price of the new set of instruments recently bought. The band is getting along nicely now and playing a good grade of music, and instead of circulating a subscription paper and asking for donations take this method of raising the money to put them out of debt—by giving dances. Tickets are one dollar, and every one is asked to buy one and show their good intention toward the band. The dance will be given in Fallgatter's hall.

BIG IMPLEMENT HOUSE FOR CITY

Will Be Installed as Soon as Ry. Gets Here

REDMOND TO BE HEADQUARTERS

C. P. Judge Pins His Faith to Redmond for New Enterprise

Redmond is to have a large implement and mill supply house before many more months roll around.

C. P. Judge of Prairie City, who has a number of business enterprises in different parts of the state, will be at the head of the concern to locate here. Mr. Judge who is an experienced man in this line of business, after looking over the different localities in Central Oregon, decided upon Redmond as the most promising point for the business, both in point of trade to be secured and as a distributing point to other sections of Central Oregon.

Mr. Judge stated to the Spokesman that his house would carry a full line of agricultural implements, road machinery and mill supplies, both light and heavy, it being the intention to make Redmond the supply depot for the central part of the state.

While on a recent visit here Mr. Judge bought some irrigated land near the city. He says he can see no reason why the Redmond District should not become the most famous in the state.

HOTEL IS NOW UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT

H. F. Jones Takes Charge of the Popular Hotel Redmond

H. F. Jones is now the boniface at the Hotel Redmond, having taken charge of that popular place since the first of the month. Mr. Jones stated to the Spokesman that the hotel would be refitted throughout and a number of improvements made to add comfort to the wants of the traveling public. The Annex that has recently been completed will double the capacity of the hotel, and the traveling public will be shown every attention.

Under the management of F. M. White, who conducted the hotel up to the first of the month, the house has gained in favor with the traveling public and become noted as one of the best caravansaries in Central Oregon.

If you want to invest your money where it will bring you Good Returns see LOU A. REED and have him tell you about the Banana Land he is selling

OVERCOATS

AND

Rubber Goods

We have received our line of Overcoats for this season's wear, and they are the finest line of goods ever shown in Redmond. We have priced these goods very moderately.

We Have a Complete Line of Rubber Goods

E. L. RAPP

"The Head to Foot Clothier." Redmond, Or.

EHRETS MOVE TO NEW STORE

Pioneer Firm Is Located in New Quarters

STORE COMPLETE IN APPOINTMENTS

The Firm Carries a Complete General Merchandise Stock

Ehret Bros., pioneer general merchants of Redmond, this week moved from their old location on the corner of Sixth and Estreets, to their large brick double store building on the corner of Sixth and C streets, two blocks north of their former location.

The new store is the first brick building built in this section of the county, and is complete in all its appointments. The building is 50x75, two stories, constructed with all modern improvements. The store occupies the whole lower floor, which, with its large show windows and high ceilings, makes an ideal mercantile establishment.

The Messrs. Ehret have arranged the interior of the store for the convenience of their patrons. On the south side is the dry goods department, in the center the notions and furnishing department, and the grocery, crockery and glassware department occupies the west end of the building. The north side is devoted to clothing, men's furnishings and shoes.

A cozy "rest room" for the ladies has been provided, which, no doubt will be greatly appreciated by the feminine shoppers.

The firm intends to have an opening to dedicate the new store, notice of which will appear in The Spokesman next week.

Gone to Buy a Bowling Alley

R. K. Potter who has been conducting a moving picture show here for some time, left last week for Portland. He stated to The Spokesman that he had gone out to buy two regulation size bowling alleys which he would install here as soon as they could be shipped in.

ELECTRIC LIGHTS WILL SOON SHINE IN CITY

Contracts Let for Placing Poles and Stringing the Wires

H. F. Jones, secretary and treasurer of the Crook County Water, Light & Power Co., informs The Spokesman that his company is all ready to install an electric light system in Redmond as soon as the lamps arrive.

A contract has been let to C. R. McLellan for placing the poles and doing the wiring, and the work will be pushed forward as rapidly as possible. All the material for the system is here on ground except the lamps and it is expected they will arrive in a short time.

All of the new buildings built during the summer have been wired for electricity, and as soon as the plant is in operation the stores and residences and the city will be well lighted.

A mask ball is to be given at Prineville Thanksgiving night under the auspices of the Commercial club. Music by 5-piece orchestra, and liberal prizes.

Unnecessary Red Tape

Men often say there is too much red tape about passing title to land. If we could cut it all out we would be better off.

But when you reflect that land is the most permanent, and hence the most certainly valuable property man can possess, is it unwise to guard such possession by rules and regulations?

Centuries of experience and wisdom are behind the rule that to transfer title there must be some writing. Written deeds, wills and other instruments being necessary, they must be in proper form.

Even if technical, it is the law of the land, and we must abide by it.

An abstract of title helps to understand these forms.

Has your land been abstracted? Crook County Abstract Co. (Inc.) Prineville, Oregon.

(We photograph the records.)

When you want the best of PURE, FRESH CANDIES go to Buckley Drug Co.

Watch this space for our **OPENING ANNOUNCEMENT** next week **EHRET BROS.**