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THOUSANDS TO VISIT OREGON

Exhibit Car Doing Good Work for the State

OREGON CLIMATE APPEALS TO PEOPLE

Redmond Sure to Get Her Share of Incoming Settlers

Thousands of settlers are promised Oregon next year as a result of the work being done now by the Great Northern exhibit car, containing Oregon products. F. W. Graham, Western immigration agent for the railway system, has written Manager Chapman, of the Portland Commercial Club, stating that 1000 persons visited the car at Mason, Mich., the day that he joined it. Everywhere there are extensive newspaper notices, and the visitors flock to the exhibit, and marvel at the wonders of the Oregon country. This tangible evidence of what Oregon is and can do is making a profound impression upon the people. A large amount of literature is requested by the visitors, and is being furnished by the railway people, and everything possible is done to get bona fide settlers to come to the state. The car was kept at the Chicago land show during its session, and will be at Omaha during the land show there from January 18 to 28. In a country where snow is falling and the weather is bitterly cold at this season, the car makes a great hit. Mr. Graham writes that the throng is so great at times that all cannot be admitted at once, but the visitors stand in the snow and cold waiting for their turn to see what Oregon shows. The city of Redmond and the Redmond District, which is being extensively advertised through the east, will get her share of the newcomers. The literature that has been sent out

from this section has been prepared with the idea of giving the absolute facts as they obtain here, and as soon as the Oregon Trunk and Deschutes Railroad get here in the spring the rush of newcomers will begin.

Will Soon Be a Legal Paper

After next week The Redmond Spokesman will be a legal newspaper—that is, it will have been published six months in Redmond, which the law requires before a newspaper can become of legal age and entitled to publish legals. Our friends are asked to bear this in mind and when they have any legals for publication we would like to do the work for them. We will make out their applications for proving up on the land, free for them.

IRRIGATION FIRM IS GIVEN AMPLE TIME

New Corporation Will Take Over Columbia Southern Contracts

The State Desert Land Board held a meeting at Salem last week and, on application of the Oregon-Washington-Idaho Finance Company, that corporation was granted a six months' extension of time on the preliminary contract to reorganize the Columbia Southern Irrigation Company. Representatives of the company assured the Board that the Irrigation projects in the Deschutes Valley will be rushed to completion and opened for settlement in a very short time.

Different projects controlled by this firm cover about 80,000 acres. The board made a formal order allowing the Central Oregon Irrigation Company to sell lands under the uncompleted contract with the state providing the settlers' notes were filed with the State Engineer for 75 per cent of the amount the company obtained from the sale.

Ehret Bros. stated to The Spokesman that they had an immense holiday trade this year, way ahead of former years. One reason they assign for that is that they had a complete stock of everything in the line of holiday presents, and further that they advertised the goods judiciously.

1910 PROGRESS IN THE HUB CITY

Past Year Has Been a Progressive One for Redmond in the Way of Advancement and Building—One Hundred Thousand Dollars Is the Building Record for Year—1911 Will See a Great Gain Over 1910.

To look at Redmond a year ago, and then compare the city with what she is today shows a growth that is indeed remarkable. It is not exaggerating to say that more progress has been made in Redmond the past year than in any city or town in Central Oregon; that more buildings have been built and more business houses established; that more new people have come into this locality than in any other section of Central Oregon. It is a fact.

Through the effort of the Redmond Commercial Club and the unanimous working together of the people here, who have stood shoulder to shoulder as a unit for the upbuilding of the city, the above conditions have been accomplished. All this has taken money, and plenty of it, but the Redmond citizens recognized that in order to make money or build up a town it was necessary to be generous in contributing for new enterprises and projects that would make their town a place to attract new comers and capital. The tightwad in Redmond has been a scarce article. The people have responded liberally to the calls made upon their pocket books, and the result has been that Redmond today is the best advertised city, and has made more progress in a year's time than any place in the central portion of the state.

This growth has been solid and substantial, nothing mushroom about it. Property values have been held at a reasonable figure, thus enabling capital to come in here and go into business. The

country adjacent to the city has been settling up rapidly, thus furnishing a foundation for the growth of the city.

With the coming of the railroads in the early spring Redmond will more fully realize on the publicity work she has done during the past year, for the eyes of thousands are turned this way, and the only thing that keeps them from coming here now is the lack of adequate transportation facilities. The year 1911 will see such an influx of new comers desiring to locate here, and capital anxious to invest in our realty and business, that the most sanguine person will be surprised.

During the year just closing \$100,000, at a conservative estimate, has been expended in building improvements in the city. There has been 33 business houses built during that time, principal of which is the large double two-story brick store of Ehret Bros., the Redmond Bank of Commerce, the M. E. Church, livery sales, and feed stables of Carl Woods, additions to the stables of Matt Kulesch, buildings erected by the Jones Land Co. on Sixth street, the Woodruff building, the Jackson buildings, the postoffice building, Kendall & Chapman's large store and two large lumber yards.

In the residence district a large number of houses have been built, many of them costly and substantial. The lack of lumber and building material has been a draw back to more extended building in this line.

Nearly 100 tent houses have been put up in the city during the year, most of which will average an outlay of \$100.

Here are a few of the improvements made during the year:

The city has acquired a water works system that for the present has ample water to supply the needs of the city for domestic purposes. An electric light system is installed and almost ready for operation, and the principal streets of the city have been graded and put into good condition. A fire department has been organized and fire apparatus bought. A good musical organization, the Redmond Concert Band, has been organized, and a lodge of Owls numbering over 100 has been instituted. The Commercial Club has increased its membership over the century mark, and a new newspaper has been established here, The Redmond Spokesman.

These are some of the important improvements and additions made in 1910, not counting the many new business enterprises that have been established here. All kinds of business is now represented in Redmond, and all of the firms are doing a good business. The different lines of trade are not overdone.

Every citizen of Redmond has reason to feel proud of the showing the city has made during the past twelve months, and by sticking together in the future as in the past, Redmond can be made the most important city in Central Oregon.

We take off our hat to Redmond and the Redmond people.

TO INVESTIGATE THE SEWERAGE AT BEND

The State Board of Health Called Upon to Relieve Present Situation

Dr. Calvin S. White, of Portland, secretary of the State Board of Health, received a communication from Bend last week asking that something be done in regard to the pure water problem which is serious to the residents of that territory. The Deschutes River, from which Bend and other small towns and farms below that place obtain their water supply, is being contaminated with refuse, it is stated.

On account of the rock formation in the ground and the great depth to water wells cannot be dug in that vicinity, and the only source from which the population can get its drinking water is the Deschutes River.

Dr. White left for Bend this week, and an effort will be made to have the sewers run the other way and after being put through a purifying process the refuse will be emptied out upon the desert.

Several parties from here went to Bend Monday to see the Bend-Prineville football game and attend the dance in the evening.

ROTTEN MAIL SERVICE TO STILL CONTINUE

Postal Department Refuses to Grant Patrons the Needed Relief

Postmaster Norwood has received notice from the postoffice department that there will be no change in the present mail service from Shaniko to this point and other points further south, as petitioned for by all the residents on the west side of the river. Redmond and the other towns that would benefit by a new routing of the mail will have to plug along with the present service and receive mail from one day to a weeks time late, as has been the custom for the past several years. The postoffice department is a great help to the people—not. When the railroad gets in perhaps this section of the state will get what is coming to them and obtain relief from the rotten mail service that now obtains.

Several times the needed relief has been promised, but nothing ever materialized, and now the department has put the kibosh on the whole thing.

Vern Gist of Sisters, attended the dance here Monday night given by the band.

We wish you all A HAPPY NEW YEAR

and also wish to remind you that during the year 1911 we will carry a larger and better stock of

CLOTHING, FURNISHINGS, ETC.

than ever before shown in Redmond, and we invite your patronage in this line.

E. L. RAPP

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

REDMOND BAND IS HIGH CLASS

Best Organization In This Section of State

THE MEMBERSHIP IS INCREASING

Entertainments By Band Have Been Drawing Card This Season

Though less than three months old the Redmond Concert Band now ranks as one of the best musical organizations in Central Oregon.

The band began rehearsing in the latter part of October. At that time nine of the twelve members were beginners, having never played a wind instrument in their life. But by constant practice and frequent rehearsals the band has been brought up to a position where it now plays a class of music that professional bands play.

The band has a set of the best instruments that are manufactured, which cost in the neighborhood of \$600, and nearly \$500 of this amount is being paid by the

band members themselves by giving dances, entertainments, ect. A little over \$100 was donated by citizens for the purchase of the instruments.

The band now numbers sixteen members, and is under the leadership and instruction of H. H. Palmer, who has used his best efforts to bring it up to its present state of efficiency.

The band is now rehearsing selections, and overtures and concert pieces so as to be in readiness to play open air concerts on the street the coming season. New members are being added to the organization, and by spring it is expected the organization will have a membership of over twenty.

Following is the instrumentation of the band:

Solo Bb cornet and director—H. H. Palmer,
Solo Bb cornet—Ashley Forrest.

First Bb cornet—Lee Zumwalt.
Eb clarinet—Wm. H. Hobbs.
Solo Bb clarinet—S. J. Hamilton.

Second Bb clarinet—J. A. Norwood.

First Alto—A. J. Haney.

Second Alto—J. C. Williams.

Third Alto—J. P. Doherty.

First Tenor—Dave Miller.

Second Tenor—Ray Golden.

Baritone—E. R. Tichenor.

Tuba—H. J. Love.

Bass Drum—Frank Zumwalt.

Snare Drum—George Golden.

J. H. Rederer has opened a shop one door west of the Pioneer Meat Market where he is prepared to do all kinds of work in the sign writing, and wood and metal. His is a novelty shop and Mr. Rederer can fix you out with almost anything you desire to have made.

A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

We wish all our customers and friends the compliments of the season, and extend thanks to them for their liberal patronage during the year 1910. We shall endeavor in the future, as we have in the past, to merit a continuance of your trade by giving you the best goods for the least money possible.

EHRET BROS.
BIG DEPARTMENT STORE

Post Cards

We are showing the Largest Line of Post Cards in the city, both local view and a general stock of the latest designs. Come in and see them.

Everything in Confectionery, Stationery, Periodicals and Smokers' Goods

J. A. NORWOOD, Postoffice Bldg.