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WATER QUESTION IS TO BE SETTLED

Amicable Adjustment of the Central Oregon Irrigation Co. Project in This Section Now Almost Assured So That Company Will Be Compelled to Immediately Begin Fulfilling Contracts Entered Into With the State and the Water Users.

A Salem dispatch under date of the 23d, says: One ray of hope entered into the chances of reaching an amicable adjustment between the Central Oregon Irrigation Company, the Board and the settlers on that project, when, today, after nearly 12 hours' wrangling, the Board decided upon a proposition to be submitted to the company, the proposition including ten distinct proposals.

This came after Secretary Olcott had made ineffectual attempts by motions to reject a proposal made by the company, another to give legal notice and to foreclose on the system and still another to order all land sales to be discontinued until water is provided.

The Central Oregon project contains 240,000 acres, being the largest project in the state under the Carey act.

So far 60,000 acres, gross, have been sold, of the net there being 46,000 acres of irrigatable land. The contention has been made by the Board and the settlers that the company has sold lands for which it has no water and this developed the difficulties which have been besetting the Board, the company and the settlers. The settlers were represented by Director Richardson and Secretary Snyder, of the water-users' association.

After further discussion regarding the affairs of the Central Oregon Irrigation Company project, it was

Ordered that the following proposition be submitted to the Central Oregon Irrigation Company by the Desert Land Board.

1st. That said Company shall raise or secure the sum of at least \$150,000 within thirty days from this date, for the purpose of building a diversion dam north of Bend and a canal from the same to intersect with the Pilot Butte canal, with sufficient carrying capacity to supply all irrigatable lands to be ultimately reclaimed therefrom.

2nd. That the money so raised be placed in the hands of the trustee to be selected by the Board and approved by the company, together with all notes and the Guarantee Fund now in the possession of the Board to be ap-

plied in the construction of said dam and canal, and in re-building the flume and enlarging the Central Oregon canal, where needed, and completion of laterals; all moneys in the hands of the Trustee to be expended on vouchers approved by the Board or its representatives.

3rd. That the diversion dam and canal to the intersection with the Pilot Butte canal be completed during the year 1912.

4th. That where necessary the time will be extended on contract of June 17, 1907.

5th. That the extension of the North Canal from the intersection shall be a subject for consideration hereafter and kept as a separate proposition.

6th. That lands may be contracted for under the North Canal extension, provided all moneys shall be secured so that they can be returned to purchaser if there is a failure to build the extension of the North Canal, and all purchasers shall be notified that money will be returned if land is not reclaimed within two years, and that no water will be guaranteed before that date.

7th. That money to be used for the enlargement of the Central Oregon Canal may be used for the construction of the North Canal if the company can satisfy the Board that they have sufficient funds to complete the North Canal to the old river bed.

8th. That the company shall give to the Board a surety company bond, satisfactory to the Board, in the penal sum of \$25,000 to insure the construction of the main Pilot Butte flume and the enlargement of the Central Oregon canal; and that an additional bond in the same sum be given to insure the construction of the North Canal to the intersection and to guarantee the return of the notes and first payment to purchasers of land in segregation list No. 19, under the North Canal, in case said lands so sold are not reclaimed within two years from their sale; provided, however, that should the money realized from first payments at any time exceed the amount of \$25,000 an additional bond satisfactory to the Board shall be given by the company.

9th. That if the foregoing conditions are not complied with by the company by February 1, 1912, foreclosure proceedings under the statute will be commenced by the Board.

10th. That the company shall notify the Board on or before Wednesday Dec. 27th, 1911, whether or not this proposition is accepted by the company.

State of Oregon }
County of Marion } ss

I, John H. Lewis, State Engineer of Oregon and Secretary of the Desert Land Board of said state hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of resolutions duly adopted by the Desert Land Board at a special meeting duly held in the Governor's office at Salem, Oregon, December 22, 1911, at which meeting Hon. Oswald West, governor and chairman, Hon. Ben W. Olcott, secretary of state, Hon. A. M. Crawford, attorney-general, and John H. Lewis, state engineer, secretary were present.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Desert Land Board at Salem, Oregon, this 22nd day of December, 1911.

John H. Lewis,
State Engineer, Secretary of
Desert Land Board.
(Seal)

A large share of this proposal

GREETING

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Mendenhall's

was made by Attorney-General Crawford this afternoon and was supplemented by suggestions from other members of the Board.

The settlers expressed themselves as satisfied with the proposals, representatives of the company not being present at the meeting today, but it is believed that the proposition as advanced will be favorably met and that work will go ahead.

MANY VOTES CAST IN MENDENHALL CONTEST

Sixteen Persons Are Prize Winners—List of Votes Cast

At the voting contest instituted by J. H. Mendenhall during the month of December approximately 20,000 votes were cast. It was the first intention to give but four prizes, one to the girl receiving the highest number of votes, one to the boy receiving same, and one to the Sunday School teacher and young lady receiving the highest number. As the voting progressed Mr.

Mendenhall decided to give four prizes under each head, sixteen prizes in all. Following are the prize winners with number of votes received:

Girls—Celia Huffman 4008, Harriet Wilcoxon 3731, Gladys Bevard 3243, Cynthia Hobbs 2874.
Boys—Edwin Green 8396, W. Lauderbach 4605, Freddie McCaffery 2991, Leonard Bush 941.
Sunday School Teacher—Mrs. McGuffie 4996, Mrs. Bevard 3641, Mrs. Gotter, 3499, Mrs. Lilly 2188.

Young Lady—Miss Whitney 4181, Miss Jones 4161, Miss Snider 3621, Miss Bayn 3094.

Mrs. Pratt's Health Is Improving

A letter received by The Spokesman from E. W. Pratt, who is at Orland, Cal., says that Mrs. Pratt is gaining in health and that her cough is improving. Mr. Pratt says he likes the climate there, and can buy oranges in the orchards for one dollar a hundred weight. He still thinks Redmond is all right, and desires to have The Spokesman reach him regularly so as to keep posted on what is doing each week.

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