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WATER PLANT TO BE OF BEST

REDMOND'S NEW WATER SYSTEM TO BE COMPLETED IN NINETY DAYS

After more than a year of negotiations, including two city elections, the new city water works will be completed and in operation within 90 days.

Soon after Redmond was incorporated the new city council passed a resolution declaring that the greatest need of the city was an adequate water system, to supply the city with an ample supply of pure water for domestic use and fire protection. A committee appointed to investigate ways and means, reported that it had received an offer from the Crook County Water, Light & Power Company to pump water into the city mains from their plant at Cline Falls, the city to build the system and connect at the Falls; the price to be graduated according to the amount of water used. During the time this committee was in negotiations with the Cline Falls Company, the city had employed engineers to survey a line and make an estimate on the cost of putting in the system to connect at Cline Falls.

After a report from the engineers that this system could be built for \$24,500 the council next took up the question of trying to dispose of \$25,000 worth of bonds. After several months spent in writing and answering questions about the resources of the city from about thirty different bond buyers, also including a trip to Portland to try and close a sale with a bond house there, and a visit from a representative of a Denver bond buyer, the city sold the bonds to Causey, Foster Co., of Denver, this firm having made the best offer. Some changes in the city charter were found necessary in order to make a bond issue valid, according to the attorneys of Causey, Foster Company.

An election was called and this obstacle removed. It was next re-

ported to the council by the committee appointed to negotiate with the Cline Falls Co. that in the opinion of the committee the Cline Falls Co. was not in a position to protect the city and carry out a contract, and that this company had refused to give a bond to the city to insure the city that their contract would be carried out. The city council by a unanimous vote then rejected the Cline Falls proposition and ordered the engineers to give the city a line with cost, from a point two and one half miles south of town, taking the water from the Pilot Butte canal, and the committee was instructed to enter into negotiations with the Central Oregon Irrigation Co. to transfer a part of the water contained in a contract between the Townsite Co. and the Irrigation Co. to this point, to be delivered into the city water mains instead of present point of delivery.

After considerable negotiations the irrigation company made the city a price and sent contracts for the city to sign. Under the terms of this contract it would cost the city more for water to the irrigation company and cost of pumping than the interest on the bonds would amount to. This offer received no consideration, being laid on the table after reading.

The next proposition taken up was a line from the Deschutes river to a reservoir on Forked Horn butte and from the reservoir to town. The city engineers were put to work on this proposition and reported to the council that, while the maintenance of this system would be by far the cheapest, the initial cost would be much greater. That if present plans for a distribution system in town, covering all streets in the original townsite with 36 hydrants was adhered to, the cost would be in the neighborhood of \$40,000.

The council next took up the proposition of an increased issue of bonds to cover the additional cost, and Causey, Foster Co. sent one of the firm, Mr. Smith, to Redmond to confer with the council. Mr. Smith reported to the council that he would take \$10,000 additional bonds at the same terms (par) but in doing so, he told the council that in taking the \$25,000 he was giving to Redmond a greater issue of bonds than any city in the United States had ever sold, based on Redmond's population and assessed valuation, but he was making the loan from what he had seen of Redmond's resources and future possibilities.

Messrs. Jeffery & Buffon, to whom the city had let a tentative contract for the first system proposed from the Falls, was called to Redmond and they made an estimate on the additional cost.

A new election was called to legalize the additional bond issue and an ordinance was passed authorizing the expenditure of the money for water works. A contract was entered into with Jeffery & Buffon of Portland, to construct the system complete for the sum of \$36,470, the contractors agreeing to accept city warrants for \$1,470, the amount required over and above the sum realized from the bond issue. The contract and specifications for the water system embrace the following amount of work and material:

The water wheel is a 17 A verticle turbine, with steel penstock.

The pump is a three-step Jackson class A, capable of delivering 300 gallons per minute under normal conditions, as a minimum delivery.

The flume is 2700 feet in length, built almost the entire distance thru a rock cut, and lined throughout inside.

The pipe line is as follows: From the pump there are 300 feet of 6 in. wrought iron pipe to the top of canyon walls, of 375 pounds pressure; 8700 feet of 6 inch pipe of 200 head pressure, and 2000 feet of 6 inch pipe of 50 pounds head pressure, to the reservoir.

From the reservoir there are 2,100 feet of 10 inch pipe to the town limits of 100 foot pressure, and 8,700 feet of 200 pounds pressure.

In the city there are 4400 feet of 10 inch pipe of 200 foot head pressure, 8800 feet of 6 inch pipe of 200 foot head pressure, and 7320 feet of 4 inch pipe of 200 foot head pressure.

There will be 27 Ludlow two-way hydrants installed, and the concrete reservoir will hold 1,500,000 gallons. It will be concrete lined throughout, and the entire system will be equipped with all necessary gate and air valves, surge tank and drain system to make it thoroughly modern and complete.

This will give to Redmond the most complete and efficient water system west of the Willamette Valley. With 1000 feet of hose the fire department will be able to direct 3 streams of water at 84 pounds pressure on any structure in the business district. This pressure will throw a

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YEGGS ROB SAFE IN A SALOON

BOTTOM CUT OUT AND THIEVES GET AWAY WITH OVER \$100 LOOT

Safe crackers at 3 o'clock last Friday morning broke the padlock on the front door of A. G. Allingham's saloon here and burglarized the safe by cutting out the bottom with two and a half inch cold chisels. Sixty-seven dollars and twenty-five cents in money was taken, and jewelry and other articles carried off, bringing the total up to over \$100. Several checks in the safe were not taken. The yeggs drank a couple of bottles of champagne and some beer.

People rooming near the saloon the Redmond Hotel Annex and also across the street in the Hotel Oregon, heard the noise in the saloon, but supposed it was some of the employes splitting wood. A truck belonging to the Oregon Trunk railroad was taken from the depot supposedly by the yeggs, and brought down town, where it was later discovered.

The robbery was a particularly daring one as the safe was located in the private office of the saloon within a few feet of 6th street and a large plate glass window. There are no clues to the robbers. Mr. Allingham has offered a \$50 reward for the apprehension of the yeggs.

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OLD OFFICERS RE-ELECTED

COMMERCIAL CLUB HOLDS HARMONIOUS ELECTION FOR NEW OFFICERS

At the regular meeting of the Redmond Commercial Club last night officers were elected for the ensuing year. It was a very harmonious election, and all of the old officers with the exception of one member of the executive board, were reelected. Following are the officers elected:

President—J. W. Brewer.
Vice Pres.—W. S. Rodman.
Secretary—A. J. Haney.
Treasurer—G. M. Slocum.

Executive Board—R. A. Bush, J. F. Hosch, H. F. Jones, H. Palmer. Matters in connection with the Potato Show were taken up and freely discussed and active preparations entered into for holding the event on Friday and Saturday, Oct. 11th and 12th.

The different committees having road matters in charge reported progress and were instructed to keep at the good work and push it to completion.

A. G. Allingham was admitted to membership.

Arrangements are under way to secure the building again that the Club formerly used as a meeting place and exhibit room.

H. A. Chappel of Fremont, Neb., a representative of the Northwest

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HOW TO CARE FOR POTATOES

SUPT. POWERS GIVES TIMELY ADVICE ON THE SUBJECT ABOVE

Harvesting and Marketing Potatoes
With the large acreage of potatoes this year it seems very necessary that we give careful attention to the most economical and efficient methods of harvesting, grading, storing and marketing. It seems imperative that we should make an organized effort to put a high grade product and secure a special market if the crop is to be fully successful.

Harvesting
Potatoes should not be harvested until mature, and irrigated potatoes should be allowed about 50 days to mature in dry soil. It is a good plan to leave them in the soil as long as can be safely done without danger of freezing or heavy rains. In the larger fields the potato harvester can be used to good advantage where reasonably free from stone. The 4-horse digger is a good type for large fields. Where several acres are to be dug, a shaker digger with two-wheel forecarriage is inexpensive and fairly good. Thorough harrowing and close picking is important to avoid volunteering later.

Grading
The potatoes should lay on the ground surface a few hours or until they become thoroughly dry on the

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