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THE NEW CITY WATER SYSTEM

QUICK ACTION ON C. S. PROJECT

FACTS ABOUT CROOK COUNTY

To Newcomers and Others Coming to Redmond or Central Oregon

DETAILS OF CONSTRUCTION OF REDMOND'S \$40,000 NEW WATER SYSTEM THAT HAS BEEN ACCEPTED BY THE CITY

FUND OF \$450,000 APPROPRIATED BY LEGISLATURE IS SUFFICIENT TO FINISH WORK AND GIVE RELIEF TO SETTLERS

STATISTICS TAKEN FROM THE OREGON ALMANAC AND PUBLISHED FOR THE BENEFIT OF THOSE INTERESTED

Now that the new gravity water system has been accepted by the city and is in operation, some facts in regard to the construction of the plant may be of interest to readers of The Spokesman.

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

The pump is a three-step Jackson steam 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 is 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 concrete walls, of 375 pounds pressure; 5100 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 are 27 Ludlow two-way hydrants installed, and the concrete reservoir holds 1,500,000 gallons. It is concrete lined throughout, and the entire system is equipped with all necessary gate and air valves, surge tank and drain system to make it thoroughly modern and complete.

This gives to Redmond the most complete and efficient water system west of the Willamette Valley. With 2000 feet of hose the fire department will be able to direct three streams of water at 84 pounds pressure on any structure in the business district.

This pressure will throw a stream 132 feet in a horizontal, and 100 feet in a vertical direction. One hundred feet of hose will also allow streams to be put into use on any building in the residence section of the town.

Taking all things into consideration, this water system has been secured for Redmond at a cost far below other similar systems in the state, based on the amount of pipe line and number of fire hydrants and cost of operation, or the annual cost of fixed charges.

At a meeting of the Desert Land Board held at Salem last Wednesday Governor West strongly opposed a proposition to seek the co-operation of the reclamation service in the construction of the Columbia Southern Irrigation project, for which the recent Legislature appropriated \$450,000.

The matter was presented to the board in a letter from State Engineer Lewis, who is also a member of the board. His chief reason for co-operation is that if the government could be induced to join with the state it would put up an equal sum of money, thus making possible the reclamation of a larger area than is included in the original Columbia Southern segregation and a cheaper cost per acre.

Will Mean Delay

"It would take months for us to induce the reclamation service to co-operate, even if we were successful in the end," said Governor West. "That is the trouble. These people have been waiting now for years for the project to be completed. Several propositions were put up to the Legislature. It decided to have the state do the job, and placed the responsibility on this board, and now I am ready to assume that responsibility and go ahead and reclaim the lands. I am not going to try to shift the responsibility or hide behind the reclamation service."

"After we have completed our project, if the reclamation service wants to reclaim more lands there, all it will have to do is to build our dam a little higher and extend the canals. But the Legislature decided in favor of a state project, and we should take hold of the proposition like men and make it a state project."

State Appropriation Sufficient

Engineer Lewis stated that the amount appropriated for the project will be sufficient, according to the estimates made, to complete the reclamation of the original Columbia Southern project as intended by the Legislature. If cooperation is secured the idea is merely to reclaim a larger body of land, or that which was included in a later segregation.

In his statement to the board, the State Engineer said that by cooperation 35,000 acres could be reclaimed instead of 21,300, and the cost to the settlers would be reduced from \$33 to \$27 per acre.

He says a further saving could be effected by the use of government field instruments and construction machinery and equipment which can be shipped from other projects.

"The wide experience of the board of consulting engineers of the reclamation service will be made available to the state, thus insuring greater safety in the expenditure of the state's money," he states.

He suggested that the final plans and estimates for both the small and large project could be made from

The following facts and figures regarding the resources of Crook county have been taken from the "Oregon Almanac," the official pamphlet of the state, published by the State of Oregon for the information of home-seekers, settlers and investors:

Crook county has a land area of 7,778 square miles, and compares in size to New Jersey with 7,514 square miles.

The uncultivated but tillable land in the county amounts to 1,428,218 acres.

Public lands in the county show a total of 1,502,061 acres; 282,793 acres of tillable farm land; 494,724 acres of grazing lands (partly tillable); 724,544 acres of mountainous, timbered, mineral, etc.; 1,212,073 acres surveyed; 69,020 acres unsurveyed; 229,948 acres in Carey Act segregations (not deeded).

The public lands in the land districts are as follows: In the Burns district this county has a total of 88,975 acres; 70,460 acres of grazing land, and 17,515 acres of mountainous, timbered, mineral, etc. land. In the Lakeview district the county has a total of 471,466 acres; 94,289 acres of farm land; 330,012 acres of grazing land, and 47,165 acres of mountainous, timbered, mineral, etc. land. In the Dalles district the county has a total of 942,520 acres; 188,504 acres of farming land; 94,252 acres of grazing land, and 659,764 acres of mountainous, timbered, mineral, etc. land.

The tillable lands in the county are: 282,793 acres of public lands open to entry; 257,111 acres of Carey Act irrigable; 32,160 acres school land. The privately owned land is 53,886 acres in farms; 802,268 acres unfenced and partly timbered. The total tillable acreage now uncultivated is 1,428,218; acres now under cultivation, 79,985.

Number of farms in county 1,255; average acres per farm 421.8; value of farm property \$14,134,843.00; per cent increase 1900-10, 182.7; average value all property (per farm) \$10,432; average value land per acre, \$33.41.

The irrigation in the county is as follows: Land in farms, 571,600 acres; improved land in farms, 138,354 acres; acreage capable of irrigation, 1910, (in segregations) 111,360; acres included in projects, 452,811; cost of enterprises (to July 1, 1910) \$1,961,817; estimated final cost of existing enterprises (July 1, 1910) \$4,842,082; average cost per acre included in projects, \$10.67.

Summary of Carey Act (irrigation) lands in county: Deschutes Reclamation & Irrigation Co., 1,280 acres; lien fixed by board, \$5,000; annual maintenance per acre, 50c; gravity system from Deschutes river, Central Oregon Irrigation Co., 139,204.63 acres; lien fixed by board, \$2.50 per waste acre, \$40 per irrigable acre; annual maintenance, 80c;

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WEEKLY WEATHER REPORT

Daily weather report taken at 5 P. M. at the Redmond Demonstration Farm by T. G. Stevens, co-operative observer.

Date	Max.	Min.	Weather
19	49	29	Pt. Cl'dy
20	48	34	Pt. Cl'dy
21	45	33	Clear
22	58	42	Pt. Cl'dy
23	60	48	Pt. Cl'dy
24	56	44	Cloudy
25	50	39	Pt. Cl'dy

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MANY PEOPLE COMING HERE

RAILROAD OFFICIALS SAY THEY HAVE WORD THAT THIS SECTION IS TO SEE MANY NEW LANDSEEKERS THIS SPRING

A SUCCESSFUL BUSINESS FIRM

LYNCH & ROBERTS BY SQUARE DEALING AND JUDICIOUS ADVERTISING HAVE BUILT UP A LARGE BUSINESS HERE

CELEBRATION AT LAIDLAW

MANY PEOPLE ATTEND THE BIG EVENT AND ARE WELL TAKEN CARE OF—SPEECHES MADE—FINE DINNER SERVED

The advent of newcomers into this section this spring is already beginning to be seen. During the past month quite a number of people from Washington, Idaho and other states have arrived in Redmond with the intention of locating in this district.

Many of these people have bought land and gone onto their purchases already. One store in the city fitted out seven different new locators Tuesday with groceries, etc. This is only an instance of one day.

F. W. Graham, Western Industrial agent of the Great Northern railroad, recently informed J. W. Brewer, president of the Commercial Club of this city, that his road had assurances that many people from eastern states where the Great Northern demonstration cars have exhibited, have expressed their intention of coming to Redmond and this part of Central Oregon this spring on the reduced colonist fares.

These rates are in effect from March 15th to April 15th, and during that period this section of the country may look for a large number of newcomers who are desirous of locating on irrigated land, and the showing made by the Redmond District has appealed to them.

The Spokesman is in receipt of letters from people in this state and other states, asking if there are vacant houses in Redmond for rent, saying in their letters that they are coming here with their families to look for land and want to keep

In January, 1910, two Portland young men, M. A. Lynch and J. R. Roberts, arrived in Redmond and bought on the E. L. Iverson grocery store on the corner of 6th and E streets. Their store at that time was a small concern, and the stock of goods was far from being large. Both these men were hustlers and wide awake business men, and saw the opening here for a store that would, if conducted on right business principles, be a benefit to the town and surrounding country.

Immediately upon buying the store Messrs. Lynch & Roberts began a systematic campaign of judicious advertising to get in touch with the buying people and let them know they were in business, and what they had to sell to the consumer. This advertising has been kept up persistently week after week in the columns of The Spokesman, and the result has been that today Lynch & Roberts' store is the largest one in Central Oregon and carries a stock of goods seldom found outside of a large city.

Not alone has advertising been the means of growth and success for this firm. They have catered to the wants of the people and have made prices such that trade from many miles in all directions comes to their store. They have been up-to-date in all lines of goods, and their name has become a household word in Crook county and this part of Central Oregon. They have realized that it is up to the store keeper to

Last Saturday the little town of Laidlaw, 12 miles south of here, was the center of attraction in this county. The occasion was the "Jollification" meeting pulled off by the Laidlaw Development League to commemorate the action of the late Legislature in making an appropriation of \$450,000 to complete the irrigation work of the old Columbia Southern project in which the farmers in and around Laidlaw are vitally interested, and who have been waiting for the completion of this project about seven years.

Invitations to the doings had been sent broadcast over the state, and there was a large attendance to help the little town work off its enthusiasm. Redmond turned out a large delegation and Bend and other towns in the county did likewise. The band from Bend furnished music for the occasion. J. N. B. Gerkins, president of the Laidlaw Development League, was master of ceremonies and saw to it that everything went off as smooth as oil, and that all visitors were welcomed in an appropriate manner.

The exercises of the day were conducted in the Presbyterian church. After an eloquent and appropriate invocation by Rev. F. Harvey of this city, speeches were made by J. W. Brewer of Redmond, Editor Putnam of the Bend Bulletin, Representative Forbes of Bend, J. E. Sawhill, secretary of the Central Oregon Development League, H. E. Lounsbury, general freight agent of the O.-W. R. & N. Co., and others.

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