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COMMERCIAL CLUB HOLDS AN ENTHUSIASTIC MEETING

MUCH IMPORTANT BUSINESS TRANSACTED AND 67 NEW MEMBERS JOIN THE CLUB—D. C. FREEMAN OF THE S. P. & S. RY. GIVES A SERIES OF LAND SHOW AND CENTRAL OREGON VIEWS TO THE CLUB IN THE SPARKS THEATER—OCCASION CONCLUDES WITH A BIG BANQUET AT THE REDMOND GRILL WHERE SPEECHES ARE MADE BY DIFFERENT MEMBERS

The Redmond Commercial Club held an enthusiastic meeting on the night of January 21. There were 69 members of the club present, and several visitors. All through the meeting the get-together spirit prevailed and taken all the way through it was one of the best and most interesting meetings the club has held for a number of months.

A communication was received from the Klamath Falls Commercial Club asking this club to co-operate with them and use its efforts to have the Williamson and Sprague rivers thrown open to navigation so these streams could be used for logging operations. On motion a committee consisting of Guy E. Dobson, Wm. G. Phoenix and R. L. Schee was appointed by President Rodman to draft a resolution in compliance with the request of the Klamath Falls Club.

J. R. Roberts, chairman of the committee to secure an appropriate badge button for the club, reported progress and the committee was instructed to continue its work.

The Park Committee was instructed to "get busy" and have something definite to report at the next meeting.

M. A. Lynch of the Good Roads committee, reported that they were working on the proposition and expected to soon have something tangible to offer the club.

Wm. G. Phoenix of the Rural Free Mail Route committee, reported that a petition had been circulated for a rural route out from this city and 76 signers obtained along the route. The total number of signers up to date, he stated, was 128. Mr. Phoenix outlined the route proposed, from Redmond to Lower Bridge, etc., and stated that it was possible that another rural route could be established east to the Deschutes section. It was estimated that 150 people would be served by the Lower Bridge route. Mr. Phoenix stated. He further said he thought it would be a good plan to have the rural route petition sent to our senators and representatives and have them help us out in this matter.

Joe Howard made remarks on the subject of the proposed rural free delivery and said he would like to have the club by resolution endorse the petition, which the club did. He further said he desired to see all the people in this section, city people and farmers, stand together hand in hand on this matter, for co-operation was the solution of success of any undertaking in this section, and if the people would all work together we could get what was coming to us.

L. E. Smith was elected a member of the club by acclamation.

J. W. Brewer moved that the president appoint a standing R. F. D. committee, and J. W. Moore, Wm. G. Phoenix, L. E. Smith, J. W. Brewer and J. R. Roberts were appointed.

M. A. Lynch said it was time the West Side was thinking over the matter of selecting a man for county commissioner to be elected at the coming fall election. He said he had no representation on this side of the river and was of the opinion we were entitled to a commissioner.

F. W. McCaffery suggested the name of L. E. Smith for county commissioner.

Mr. Smith thanked the club for bringing his name up for office, and said he hardly thought he was the man to select for the office as he was not well enough acquainted in the county to poll a large vote.

J. W. Brewer suggested a conference committee be appointed to confer with the Bend and other commercial clubs as regards a candidate for county commissioner that would be acceptable and could be elected. President Rodman appointed as such

committee M. A. Lynch, F. W. McCaffery and F. E. Morrill.

Mr. Brewer stated that this club was entitled to five delegates to the Irrigation Congress that will meet in Portland February 13-14, and suggested the president appoint such delegates as would be certain to attend the meeting.

President Rodman made a few remarks on the advisability of the people in Redmond and this section, and the members of the club especially, getting in closer touch with our senators and representatives at Washington, and writing them letters occasionally stating the needs of this section of the state. About 25 members present expressed their willingness to write letters, and follow them up until results were obtained.

R. L. James made some pointed remarks on the question of the club securing permanent quarters and having a club room. He said he thought it would stimulate more interest in the club, be a place where the farmers could go when they came to town, and be a place where members of the club could drop in at any time for a chat or to read the papers or magazines. The proposition met with favor and the president appointed R. L. James, J. W. Moore and H. F. DeSouza a committee to look further into the matter and see what could be done toward securing a location, and to work out details of furnishing the room with the necessary equipment.

Henry McFee, the well known railroad construction contractor who made Redmond his headquarters while building the Oregon Trunk Ry. in this section, was present and President Rodman introduced him to the club and called on him for some remarks as to future railroad building in this part of the county. Mr. McFee said there would not be much railroad building any where in the United States and especially in Crook county until the railroads could get legitimate returns on their investments—that adverse legislation was the cause now that was holding back construction work. He further said there would not be any railroad building in Crook county during 1914, but the year following would see some work done here. He said he had always looked upon Redmond as a place with a good future, even when he first went through this section several years ago—he had yet to see a place in Central Oregon that is as good as Redmond. "The only way to advance is to all pull together and stay together, and eventually you will make a success," concluded Mr. McFee.

A welcome was extended to the visitors by President Rodman, and they were invited to attend the moving pictures at the Sparks theater to be given by D. C. Freeman, publicity agent of the S. P. & S. Ry., showing scenes at the Chicago and New York Land Shows and different scenes in Central Oregon, immediately after adjournment of the meeting, and also to participate in the banquet at the Redmond Grill after the moving picture show was over.

President Rodman stated it was the desire of the club that farmers join the club, and for that purpose a special initiation fee had been made. He said the farmers and city people should work hand in hand for their mutual interests and up building of this section.

Joe Howard and Gus Stagey of Lower Bridge, and Geo. Hobbs of Powell Butte, joined the club.

After instructing the secretary to remit the club's membership dues to the Irrigation Congress the meeting adjourned and went to the Sparks theater to view the moving pictures

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LAND BOARD IS AGAINST WEST

At Recent Meeting Board Votes Against the North Canal Proposition

GOVERNOR WILL NOT ABANDON HIS PLANS

State Treasurer Kay and Engineer Lewis Against the State Going Into the Irrigation and Reclamation Business

By a vote of three to one, the State Desert Land Board, at a meeting held last week, defeated a resolution introduced by Gov. West favoring the reclamation of the North Canal unit of the Central Oregon Irrigation Co through state and federal aid, the executive alone voting for it.

The scheme to reclaim this unit by the state with federal co-operation was launched by the Governor, and he announced after the meeting that he would not abandon the plan, but continue to labor for it, and that he hoped to carry it through in the end. The government has agreed to make an investigation as to the feasibility of reclaiming the land, and the executive in the near future will announce plans whereby he hopes to have the state carry out its part, should the government find conditions favorable.

State Treasurer Kay voted against the resolution on the ground that he did not favor the state entering into the irrigation business, declaring himself opposed to appropriations being created at the expense of the people at large to reclaim arid lands. State Engineer Lewis also declared himself opposed to reclamation work being carried on in the state through direct appropriation. The last Legislature authorized the submission to the voters at the next general election of a constitutional amend-

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MANY MEMBERS FOR COMMERCIAL CLUB

67 NEW NAMES ADDED IN PAST FEW WEEKS

Farmers and All Classes of Citizens Are Going Into the Organization

The Redmond Commercial Club is doing things these days. It is getting to be a splendid working organization and every member is trying to do something for the betterment of the club, the city and this section of the county.

A short time ago it was decided to increase the membership and a canvass was made for new members, with the result that 67 new names were added to the organization. A number of these new members are farmers, and that is what the club wants—all the farmers in this section to join so they can work hand in hand with the town people for the betterment and advancement of this whole section. Following are the names of the new members:

- C. A. BECKWITH
- N. E. ROPER
- J. P. DOHERTY
- H. W. GANT
- CLEM BROWN
- L. A. HEATHMAN
- DR. THEO. BELETSKI
- GEORGE GOLDEN
- CHRIS EHRET
- WALTER RODMAN
- J. R. BINGHAM
- WM. H. HOBBS

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Advantages of a Bank Account, However Small It May Be

It is well to pay bills promptly, but not to pay the same bill twice. Sometimes bookkeepers, by mistake, send out bills after they have been paid. If you pay by check, however, the cancelled checks are returned to you and can be produced as receipts.

Checking accounts are therefore more than a convenience. They are an insurance against over payment. Every man or woman who pays bills should do so with checks.

Your checking account will be welcomed at this bank, where you are assured of absolute security and the most courteous treatment.

REDMOND BANK OF COMMERCE

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

B. A. Kendall L. E. Smith Dr. J. Barr J. W. Brewer Guy E. Dobson
 Guy E. Dobson, President J. W. Brewer, Vice President
 Chas. B. Drake, Cashier

OLD "BILL JONES" IS HONORED BY COUNCIL

LICENSE IS GRANTED HIM FOR SIX YEARS

The First and Oldest Dog in Redmond Is Now Well Provided For By His Friends

The dog in Redmond that has the most friends is old "Bill Jones," formerly owned by Ex-mayor Jones who is now living in Portland. When Mr. Jones left Redmond he gave the dog to Wm. Froebe, who was in the meat market at that time, probably thinking that "Old Bill" would always be sure of getting plenty of regular meat meals. "Bill" takes kindly to Froebe when he is hungry and never fails to go to the meat market, but aside from when he is hungry he stops with G. W. Wells.

"Bill" was the first dog in Redmond and is the oldest dog in the city, is of a kindly disposition and a pleasant word or a pat on the head from his many friends here, and everyone knows him, brings a smile to his face and a wag from his tail.

Last December "Bill's" dog license expired, and as there is a stringent city ordinance here that all dogs must wear a license tag and their license be promptly paid on penalty of being impounded and killed, "Bill" began to get uneasy and cast about for ways and means to raise the two iron men to make him safe with a license for another year.

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WORKMAN ON TUMALO PROJECT MEETS DEATH

FIRST FATALITY TO OCCUR ON THE WORK

Derrick Falls When Guy Rope Breaks Under Load Being Hoisted

The first fatality on the Tumalo Project, being carried on by the state in the vicinity of Laidlaw, occurred January 20, when Bert Lundburg was killed by a falling derrick. He was in the employ of J. J. Adams who has the contract for the removal of a section of rock from the feed canal. A two ton blast was set off in this section of rock and since then the crew, of which Lundburg was a member, had been at work clearing away the shattered material. In attempting to remove a large boulder too great a strain was put on the derrick, a guy wire snapped and the apparatus fell, killing Lundburg. He lived in Bend and is survived by a widow and several small children.

NAMES FOR MAILING

The Spokesman has the name of every taxpayer in Crook county, with their postoffice address. Persons desiring names for mailing or other purposes can secure same at this office at a reasonable figure.

A prosperous town is largely made so by its merchants, and its merchants are largely made by advertising.

WORKING ON R. F. D. OUT OF REDMOND

PROPOSED ROUTE IS TO LOWER BRIDGE SECTION

People Living Along the Route Have Signed the Petition—129 Signers Now

The committee appointed recently by the Commercial Club, J. W. Moore, Wm. G. Phoenix, J. W. Brewer and J. R. Roberts, to take steps to see what could be done in the way of establishing a rural free delivery route out of this city to the Lower Bridge section, has been very successful and secured names to the petition of nearly all the families living on the proposed route. The committee feels justified in expressing the belief that the postoffice department will establish the route, and it is expected to have it in operation by July 1. There are 129 signers on the petition and it is expected about 150 persons will be served with mail when the route is established. Following is the route as at present outlined and stated in the petition:

From Redmond down the main canal north about five miles to the old Early place near Terrebonne, thence west to the L. A. Heathman place, thence by the new road recently opened, to Lower Bridge, thence on west up the old Willamette Valley road to the Joe Howard place. From there the route will traverse the new Buckhorn Canyon road to a junction

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