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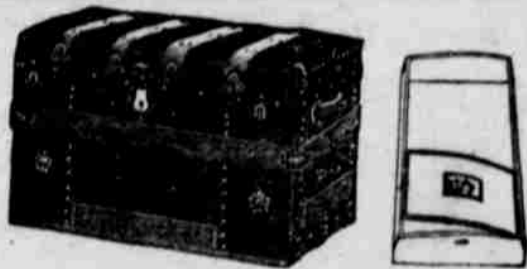
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PLAN TO WATER 40,000 ARID ACRES

Business League Takes the First Step to Reclaim an Immense Area North of This City.

Forty thousand acres of the most fertile and productive land in Crook county, lying within a stone's throw of Prineville and capable of supporting hundreds of settlers, will be irrigated from the waters of neighboring streams if the resolutions adopted by the Business League last Monday night, asking the Willamette Valley and Cascade Mountain Wagon Road Company to sell its portion of the land contained in the tract, are acted upon favorably.

The scope of land which it is proposed shall be reclaimed lies in a compact body and extends a distance of 18 miles from a point a few miles east of Prineville to the base of Grizzly Butte 12 miles to the westward. All of this immense body can be irrigated and the plans as outlined include several reservoirs above the city into which the waters of the Ochoco, Mill creek and McKay creek can be directed and then diverted over a tract of land whose extraordinary richness and productiveness has been fully demonstrated. The only hindrance in the past to this irrigation scheme, which is the most feasible in the county, is the fact that the major portion of the land included in the project is owned by the Wagon Road company, a corporation which heretofore has refused to sell or dispose of its holdings. But it is believed that under the pressure to be brought to bear upon the company in the present instance the land will be thrown on the market.

The meeting of the Business League was attended Monday evening by W. E. Guerin Jr., of the Deschutes Irrigation & Power company, who stated that in the event of favorable action by the Road company on the matter embraced in the resolutions, he was in a position to interest eastern capital and complete the project. After the matter was fully discussed and the resolutions adopted, a committee consisting of Thos. Sharp, Jr., T. M. Baldwin and C. Sam Smith was appointed to go to Portland and confer with C. E. S. Wood, the Road company's representative in that city. The committee will leave this morning and expects to complete its work by the last of the week.

The resolutions adopted by the Business League are as follows: WHEREAS, there is now lying and situate in Township 13, 14 and 15 South, in Ranges 15, 16 and 17 East of the Willamette Meridian in Crook County, Oregon, and in the immediate vicinity of the city of Prineville, about 40,000 acres of arid arable semi-desert land, nearly one half of which is owned and held by the Willamette Valley and Cascade Mountain Wagon Road Company, which said lands are now almost wholly unutilized and unsettled by reason of want of proper irrigation facilities and the policy of said company in withholding their lands from sale, and Whereas, the irrigation, reclamation and settlement of said company lands, as well as the public and patented lands lying contiguous thereto in the even numbered sections, is entirely feasible and practical at a comparatively moderate expense, from the waters of Ochoco and McKay creeks, and Whereas, said lands comprise a low almost level plain, are naturally very fertile, contain all the elements of the most productive soil, and with irrigation can be made to produce abundant and valuable crops of hay and grain, fruit and all the hardy vegetable products, and can be made to sustain hundreds of families of actual settlers if reclaimed and opened to purchase

and settlement by settlers in tracts of from 80 to 160 acres each, and WHEREAS, there are vast and ample quantities of unappropriated water flowing annually down the said Ochoco and McKay creeks during the flood seasons, which if properly conserved can be conducted to and upon the entire area of said lands in sufficient quantities to properly irrigate the same, and

WHEREAS, the unsettled and unutilized condition of this large and rich valley for want of irrigation facilities and the policy of said company in withholding said lands from sale to actual settlers has greatly retarded the growth and development of this section of Central Oregon, and WHEREAS, the Hon. W. E. Guerin Jr. has personally appeared before this League and confidently expressed his belief in being able to interest Eastern capital in undertaking to irrigate and reclaim these lands if reasonable concessions and inducements can be secured,

Therefore be it resolved, By the citizens business league of Prineville, Oregon, expressing the undivided sentiment of the residents and property owners of this section of Central Oregon, that the Willamette Valley and Cascade Mountain Wagon Road Company be, and it is hereby respectfully petitioned to confer with the eastern capitalists represented by Mr. Guerin, or such other persons or corporations as it may see fit, looking toward the immediate reclamation, irrigation, settlement and sale of the lands mentioned herein, and to take such early action consistent with the spirit of these resolutions as may seem to said company opportune and proper to carry out the object of these resolutions.

Resolved, that these resolutions as adopted be presented to the representatives of the Willamette Valley and Cascade Mountain Wagon Road Company at Portland, Oregon, by a committee to be appointed by this League, who shall respectfully ask early considerations hereof. Dated April 24th 1905.

PRINEVILLE LOSES SECOND GAME TO BEND

Throughout nine innings of the hardest fought game ever played on a diamond in Crook county, the Bend and Prineville teams struggled for victory last Sunday at Bend. The Scarlet Tanagers hung fast to their laurels, however, and took the game by a score of 6 to 4.

For the first four innings there was good prospects of a batting contest, but after the fourth had closed both Bilyeu and Bailey steadied down and five innings of Easter eggs followed for both teams. Both teams had an unlucky inning, the third looming up with several black marks in the final counting. A base on balls and a rain of clean hits following gave the locals their four runs and the coat of whitewash was rubbed in throughout from then on. The third inning also brought the trying score for the Bend team and had the Fates so decreed the game would have been a tie in the ninth. But it was different and the lead of two runs which Bend gained in the fourth was never counterbalanced.

Bilyeu and Bailey both pitched the kind of ball that makes a game interesting, the strike-outs for both pitchers running well up into the twenties. The local team was treated with all the hospitality capable of being shown and friendly feeling has sprung up between the two teams notwithstanding the fact that they are rivals on the diamond. Weymuth's umpiring was a credit to him and only in one close decision in the ninth inning did the local team have cause for complaint. The score by innings: Bend—10 3 2 0 0 0 0 0—6 Prineville—0 4 0 0 0 0 0 0—4 Bend will play here Sunday May 6.

WOOL WILL BE HIGH AT SHANIKO

Indications Point to an Increase of Several Cents for Clips Which Have not Been Contracted.

"Eastern Oregon wool, not already contracted for, will bring 20 to 21 cents a pound for the lighter mountain grades, before the selling season is fairly opened. This will be an advance of three to four cents over the market of last year for the same grades. The Pendleton and common territory will be able to sell for 20, and at The Dalles and Shaniko the price will be slightly higher, owing to a better freight rates allowed The Dalles, region because of the water competition."

The foregoing statement was made today by a heavy dealer in wool from eastern Oregon, who went on to say: "Last year the choicer grades of wool brought 16 to 17 cents at Pendleton, and correspondingly more at Shaniko. The crop was rather closely taken up, and the buyers apparently believed the market this year would be strong. At any rate, they came into the market last winter and this spring and wrote contracts for the clips at lower than 20, and a portion of the inland empire clip was taken in this manner.

"It leaves comparatively little that is not contracted for, and that which has not been pledged will bring a high price in response to the sharp demand that is inevitable. The situation will operate to the advantage of the eastern Oregon wool growers in two respects—the price will be high, and the local supply will be large, for the clip this year is bound to total even above the average. A few years ago sheepmen in the interior were slack in their methods. They seldom provided against severe winters, and there was no protection to sheep if lambing came at a time when storms prevailed.

"Now they have learned better ways, and everyone who pretends to be up to date in the business has sheds sufficient to protect the sheep while lambing, and the possession of an abundance of hay is regarded as the pre-requisite to every winter.

"Lots of money has been made of late years in the sheep business in eastern Oregon, and in spite of short range the growers have prospered." The world's supply as reflected in the London sales is short of the demand, and the value of the product wherever wool is produced is reasonably certain to be high, according to authorities on the situation.—Journal.

PREPARING PHOTOS OF COUNTY'S SCENERY

An interesting Crook county exhibit, which is being prepared for the Lewis and Clark fair, is a collection of photographic scenes of the county now in progress of completion. J. W. Bledsoe, the Bend photographer, is at present working upon views of the Deschutes, Tumalo and Crooked rivers, Squaw creek and other similar streams in the county, the total flow of which exceeds 10,000 cubic feet per second. The water from all these can be used in irrigating many thousands of acres of arid land. The numerous lakes, snow peaks and other mountain scenes will receive the attention of the artist, as well as the towns scattered throughout the county which will be shown in panorama. Farm scenes, residences, blooded and range stock, canal lines, laterals and in fact every view which will represent Crook county and its numberless resources will be in the exhibit. Mr. Bledsoe intends to have the

collection completed and ready for the exposition before the end of the month and will leave Bend soon for various sections to complete the large list of views which he already has. The project is a commendable one and will do much towards advertising Crook county and its resources and in consequent should receive hearty co-operation on every hand.

CIRCUIT COURT CONVENES MONDAY

Circuit Court will convene next Monday for the regular May term. The docket is pretty well filled with cases at present and more will be added towards the close of the week. Aside from the civil cases ready for hearing the grand jury will be called upon to take action on several criminal charges which have been preferred. It is probable that four indictments will be returned before the grand jury adjourns. Following is a list of the civil cases pending which will be called for trial the first of next week:

- 1001—George W. Barnes vs Allen Henry, confirmation of foreclosure.
- 1002—E. G. Bolter vs J. H. Garrett, Mandate from Supreme court.
- 1070—Otto Uggla vs A. C. Palmer, Recovery of money.
- 1071—Christina Ericson vs A. C. Palmer, Recovery of money.
- 1110—Augusta M. Jolly vs Joseph Q. Jolly, Divorce.
- 1113—Chas. Durham vs John O'Kelly et al, Civil action.
- 1122 C. E. Lytle vs A. M. Drake, Suit for commission.
- 1123—Wm. Baldwin and Isaac Troth vs J. A. Elliott et al, Civil action.
- 1126—Bidwell Cram vs J. A. Garrett, Suit for water right.
- 1129—Mary E. Browning vs Ralph G. Browning, Divorce.
- 1129—J. D. Merrill vs G. M. Cornett, Action for damages.
- 1130—Esther E. Farnsworth vs Jas. B. Farnsworth, Divorce.
- 1132—Deschutes Irrigation & Power Co. vs Ferdinand O. Kerlund, Suit for right-of-way.
- 1134—Fred H. Ladd vs T. J. Malloy & Co, Civil suit on account.
- 1135—A. D. Kennedy vs Bessie Kennedy, Divorce.
- 1136—Irvine & Hamilton et al vs Mrs. M. J. Wood et al, Civil suit.
- 1137—Albert N. Johnson vs Crook county, Recovery of taxes.
- 1088—Hamm Brewing Co. vs August Peterson, Action on account.
- 1188—Chas Altschul vs W. T. Casey, Mandate from Supreme court.
- J. F. Morris vs C. M. Willey, Appeal.
- J. F. Morris vs J. B. Tillotson, Appeal from county court.
- 1139—W. T. Casey vs Henry Turner, Appeal from justice court.

DEATH OF THOMAS J. POWELL

Thomas J. Powell, one of Crook county's pioneer settlers, died at his home on McKay creek last Friday evening after a few days' sickness, death resulting from neuralgia of the heart. Mr. Powell was born in Jackson county, Missouri, April 23, 1845, and was in his 59th year. He crossed the plains in 1852 and settled in Linn county where he engaged in farming for several years. In 1870 he was united in marriage to Mrs. Amanda J. Ritter and two years later Mr. and Mrs. Powell moved to Eastern Oregon and settled on Beaver creek in this county. In 1882 the family took up its residence on McKay creek where the home has been for the past 23 years. Deceased leaves one brother, M. D. Powell, two sisters, and three children, R. M. and E. A. Powell and Mrs. Lettie Miller. The funeral services were conducted at the family home last Sunday afternoon, by the Rev. W. P. Jinnett. Interment was in the Union cemetery. Mr. Powell was widely known throughout the county and the many friends and relatives throughout the county and state regret his untimely death which has left a mark of sorrow on all those who knew him.

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