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Lively City Election 373 Votes Cast

The city officers-elect are:
Mayor—G. N. Clifton.
Councilmen—T. H. Lafollette, I. W. Ward and R. W. Zevely.
Recorder—A. R. Bowman.
Treasurer—C. E. Smith.
Marshal—T. L. Coon.

The official vote was as follows:
For Mayor—G. N. Clifton, Progressive business men's ticket, 203; Chas. S. Edwards, Citizen's good government ticket, 164 votes.

Councilmen—Oscar C. Hyde, Progressive business men's ticket, 172; T. H. Lafollette, Citizen's good government ticket, 206; J. H. Rosenberg, Progressive business men's ticket, 140; H. Ross, Citizen's good government ticket, 130; I. W. Ward, Citizen's good government ticket, 242; R. W. Zevely, Progressive business men's ticket, 219.

Recorder—A. R. Bowman, 329.
Treasurer—C. E. Smith, 327.
Marshal—T. L. Coon, Progressive business men's ticket, 270; Wade Huston, Citizen's good government ticket, 103.

Total vote cast 373.

The city election last Monday was the liveliest that Prineville has experienced in years. Two tickets were in the field. The Progressive Business Men's ticket, headed by

Granville Clifton, and the Citizen's Good Government ticket, headed by Dr. Edwards. It was a case of hustle from the go. The uncertainty of the woman vote added spice to the contest. Just how many would turn out to take advantage of the newly acquired privilege was the element of doubt. The presence of the ladies at the polls soon settled that question.

Mrs. Frank Foster was the first on hand to cast her ballot. The camera man was there, too, waiting to hand down to posterity the features of the first woman to vote in our city election. Mrs. Foster was not seeking the notoriety, but nevertheless the distinction is hers. She was followed during the day by 125 sisters of all ages and sizes, from Grandma Bell to the young miss turned 21. All were there and they were glad of it.

Voting became so spirited early in the day that wagers were made as to the number that would be cast. At 5 o'clock 373 ballots had been deposited. One hundred and twenty-five of which were cast by women. This is the banner vote of the county. Bend had 363, 112 of which were cast by women.

The new officers will begin their duties the first of the year.

Some Illegal Taxes Due Prineville

A special meeting of the city council was held Tuesday evening to consider a proposition made by S. I. Belknap of Grant county. He agreed for the sum of \$100 to show the city authorities of Prineville a way in which to make \$1500.

This looked like a gold brick proposition to the city dads but they were willing to give Mr. Belknap a hearing. All had their suspicions and doubts and most of the councilmen kept a tight hold on their pocketbooks while the gentleman was around. However, when he unfolded his plans the council agreed to put \$100 in the First National Bank, subject to Mr. Belknap's order when the city got the \$1500. It is a case of back taxes. During the years 1901-2-3 the county assessed the city for a road tax which it had no legal right to levy. The amount of this illegal tax will reach \$1700 if the figures of Councilmen Winnek are correct. Quite a tidy sum for the city treasury.

Mr. Belknap has collected back taxes for a number of towns in Grant county that were illegally assessed.

Christmas Sunday at Methodist Church

Sabbath school at 10 a. m.; preaching at 11 a. m. A Christmas sermon. Epworth League at 6:30. At 7:30 o'clock the choir, led by Mrs. E. L. Coe, will render a beautiful Christmas Cantata entitled, "The Star of the East." This will be the musical event of the season. The choir has been working to make this one of the best musical cantatas ever given in Prineville. The public is cordially invited.

The following is the program:
1. Prelude.
2. "Arise, Shine," Mrs. Coe and Women's Chorus choir.
3. "The Strange Star," Miss Barnes, Mr. Coe and choir.
4. "The Angels' Song," Mr. C. W. Elkins, Mrs. Coe.
5. "Sing, O Heaven," Spencer Mayhew.
6. "Beautiful Star," Miss Ethel Williams.
7. "Awake, Put on Thy Strength" Mrs. Smith and choir.
8. "Bethlehem," chorus for women's voices and choir.
9. "Lead Thou Me On," Mrs. Coe.
10. "There Shall be Night No More," Miss Barnes.
11. "Rejoice Greatly," Mr. Elkins and choir.
Pianist, Miss Frances Williams.
Violinist, Mrs. Chas. S. Edwards.

Speed the Day for a 24-Hour Service

It begins to look as though Prineville would have a 24-hour electric service by the first of the year. The pole-setting crew of the P. L. & W. Co. entered the city Monday from the north, completing the line to Culver. The poles are of Idaho cedar, 35 feet long and are set into the ground four feet. The poles are stripped and present a clean, uniform appearance.

The Cove Power Co. is making all haste to reach this city as soon as possible.

Surveyors and workmen were busy Saturday locating and digging post holes. The pole crew is now on the outskirts of town. The Cove Company is also using the Idaho cedar poles which are the best obtainable.

You are invited to attend the Redmond Poultry Show and bring your birds.

Praises Prineville School Parade

This office recently received a copy of the Journal of Education, published in Boston, of which Dr. A. E. Winship is editor.

Mr. Winship gives a most interesting account in this number of his travels and work in Oregon giving special attention to his automobile trips through eastern Oregon.

His article is headed, Oregon, Oh, Oregon! and he is loud in his praise of the possibilities found here. The different sections come in for their share of attention and the pictures of several of the leading educators of the state are shown.

All who heard Dr. Winship at Prineville during the county institute and fair know that he is an able educator and a most interesting and instructive speaker. He said this of the school parade:

"In every county the marshaling and marching of the children was an event of the day, but in Crook county at Prineville it was literally an historical pageant as well as a parade. The line was nearly half a mile long, and every school was fully arrayed to represent some historical event or region to be a part of the pageant. Whole schools were brought in from far away regions to be a part of the pageant.

Supt. Ford stated that Dr. Winship expects to soon publish an article setting forth the possibilities and resources of Crook county.

Large Class Writing for State Papers

County Superintendent Ford has a class of thirty-eight teachers writing for state papers. This is the largest class in the history of the county. The following are the names of those present:

Prineville—Miss Margaret Kimmell, Lee B. Franklin, Frances Williams, Henry W. Hayden, Bernadine Beeler, Z. T. Gideon, Christabel Hubbard, Bessie McFarland, Lulu Montgomery, George Tetlow, Caroline Taylor.
Lamonta—Floy E. Waite.
Madras—Hattie Teegarden, Clara Bliss, L. Arensmeier, Laurena Andrus.
Laidlaw—Mrs. Della Nichols, Ellen Crawford, F. H. Pinkstaff.
Grizzly—S. W. Robinson.
Sisters—Ruth Hawley.
Roberts—William H. Eldridge.
Barnes—Frances C. Langford, Ruth Langford.
Opal City—S. P. Burgess.
Metolius—Erva B. Burdick, A. T. Newark.
Culver—Maud Mastin.
Held—Mary Christian, A. L. McCarthy.
Terrebonne—Elias S. Payne, De Witt Williams.
Hampton—Mrs. L. C. Peck.
Ashwood—Floyd Kilts, Ellen Telfer.
Paulina—Goldie Telfer.
Bend—H. Slack.
Deschutes—Ida M. Anderson.

Crook County High Boy in Old Mexico

W. V. Merchant, writing to the Journal from Old Mexico, states that he is lost without the home paper. His letter reads: "Am in Old Mexico. This is a great country. Tomatoes still ripening on the vines. Planted a small garden the 1st of December. Alfalfa will be ready to cut in about three weeks. Hoping to hear something of the old Crook County High School, I remain, etc. W. V. Merchant.

The Redmond Poultry Association will hold a poultry show at Redmond January 15 16 17-18.

Christian Endeavorers Have Good Meeting

The second annual convention of the Crook County Christian Endeavor Union held in Prineville Dec. 14 and 15 was the most successful gathering this union has had.

G. Evert Baker, state president, C. H. Sprague of Portland and H. H. Rottman, field secretary, noted speakers and enthusiastic Christian workers, with their inspiring talks and lectures drew large and interested crowds.

Representatives from Terrebonne, Frog Springs, Madras, Vanora and Redmond were heartily welcomed by the Prineville Christian Endeavorers, while the Epworth League and B. Y. P. U. of this city showed their good will and interest by attending and helping in every way.

The business session brought clearly before the people what the societies had really accomplished and tried to do since their organization.

The Future Work committee made the following report:

We, the committee on Future Work, recommend to the Crook County Endeavor Union the following outlines in new work for the year 1913:

1. A superintendent to be elected to promote Tenth Legion work in Crook county.
2. A superintendent to be elected to establish Junior Endeavor work in the county.
3. That a committee be composed of one member from each society be appointed to obtain subscriptions to the Christian Endeavor World sufficient to enable the Crook County C. E. Union to send a delegate to the Los Angeles convention.
4. That the Lookout committee be instructed to make an effort to organize new societies at all points

Columbia Southern Irrigation Problems

Salem, Or.—Governor West is sending out to members of the legislature a report covering the history of the Columbia Southern irrigation project in Crook county, prepared by the Desert Land board, and a review by himself of five things that might be done to complete the project. These five possible methods are:

1. Contract with Alma D. Katz of Portland.
- 2.—Contract with some other person or company.
- 3.—By organizing irrigation districts.
- 4.—United States reclamation service, either alone or through co-operation with the state.
- 5.—State reclamation.

It appears that the only method that presents itself to the governor as feasible, with assured success, is state reclamation. This would be "construction of a reclamation system with money appropriated by the legislature and expended under the direction of the desert land board, or such other officer, board or department as the legislature may direct. It is believed that this is one of the most feasible and satisfactory methods of completing the project.

While the state has incurred no legal liability on account of the failure of the project, there is no doubt that some moral responsibility rests with it to remedy conditions which, to a certain extent, are due to mistakes on the part of its officers.

Governor West says the state did not exercise proper supervision in

possible where societies do not exist and to reorganize where societies have discontinued.

5. That the county Union obtain a traveling C. E. library to be loaned to the societies of the county.

6. That the Union make an effort to get the Epworth League and the Baptist Young People's societies of the county to unite with us.

The Sunday evening session with talks delivered by our state workers proved to be one of the most interesting meetings and it was at this time the following new officers were installed by State President G. Evert Baker:

President—Ethel Klann, Madras.
Vice President—R. G. Smith, Prineville.

Second Vice President—Earl Benton, Redmond.

Secretary—C. E. Powell, Vanora.
Treasurer—Alma Gitchel, Prineville.

The following was reported by the committee on resolutions:

We, the committee on resolutions, submit the following report:

Be it resolved, that we, as delegates to the Crook County Christian Endeavor Convention, extend to the people of Prineville our heartfelt thanks and appreciation for the hospitality they have so generously extended.

The different churches of your city who have so freely opened their doors for our meetings, we are especially grateful:

We trust and pray that our coming may be an uplift to the citizens of your city, even as it has been an inspiration to us and that God's spirit may be continued among you.
Signed, MRS. VIOLA DAVIDSON,
JAS. VILBERT,
A. L. HOUGHTALING.

Plan to Regulate County Salaries

Governor West has completed a tentative plan for fixing the salaries of all county officials of the state on an equal basis.

He has taken each county and figured the ratio of its assessed valuation as equalized by the state board of tax commissioners to the entire assessed valuation of the state. In like manner he figured each county's percentage of population and area. Then he added the three and divided by three to get the average.

This separates the counties of the state into five classes. Class one includes counties with percentages over 5 per cent; class two, counties over 4 per cent; class three, counties over 3 per cent; class four, counties over two per cent; class five, counties under 2 per cent.

According to this classification, in class one is Multnomah; class two, Lane, Malheur and Marion; class three, Clackamas, Crook, Douglas, Harney, Jackson, Klamath, Lake, Linn and Umatilla; class four, Baker, Coos, Grant, Union, Wasco, Washington and Yamhill; class five, Benton, Clatsop, Columbia, Curry, Gilliam, Hood River, Josephine, Lincoln, Morrow, Polk, Sherman, Tillamook, Wallowa and Wheeler.

"With comparative percentages figured, it will be an easy matter to make county salaries uniform," said Governor West. "As Multnomah county is so distinctly in a class by itself, I have not considered any changes in its salaries. But beginning with counties in the second class as a basis, the legislature can fix salaries of each county official for that class, then make counties of the third class so much less, and so on down to the fifth class."

At the present time there appears to be no uniformity in salaries whatever. What the actual salaries shall be is left to the legislature, but his plan places each county in a certain class, according to its area, population and assessed valuation.

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Prineville-Canyon City Road a Go

Washington, D. C., Dec 14—At the request of Senator Bourne the Post Office Department has ordered advertisement for bids for mail service between Izee, Grant County and Suplee, Crook County, three times a week, which service, if established, will give direct communication between Canyon City and Prineville. This service has been long denied. There is already a three times-a-week service between Canyon City and Izee and six-times-a-week between Prineville and Paulina and twice-a-week between Paulina and Suplee. The lack of service between Suplee and Izee makes it necessary to send mail by a very circuitous route between Canyon City and Prineville. Senator Bourne has endeavored on many occasions to induce the Department to establish this service but without success. Since the order has been made calling for bids the establishment of the service will depend upon a bid at a reasonable figure for the service. Commercial bodies in both Canyon City and Prineville have been interested in the matter for some time. The establishment of this route will furnish a much-desired connection between two sections of the state between which there is considerable correspondence.

Only Twelve Days to Complete Lists

All who are working for one or more of the Journal Christmas presents will have but twelve more days in which to complete the work.

All lists should be in this office as early as possible so you will not have to wait for your presents. We can mail them to you if you find it inconvenient to come to Prineville. All communications should reach this office not later than Jan. 1, 1913.