

THE POWELL BUTTE GATHERING A HUMMER

Seventy Cars Were Parked at Community Hall

MANY THERE FROM PRINEVILLE

Ladies Furnish Bountiful Refreshments and Receipts Net About \$350

The Powell Butte Co-operative Association was host last Friday evening, to the largest aggregation of people ever assembled in this county at a social gathering. The number in attendance will reach the 500 mark, representing delegations from far and near. About \$350 was made by the management.

The explanation, perhaps, of this unanimous assemblage, is that Powell Butte enjoys the distinction of being on neutral ground. A place where other sections may meet without the petty prejudices which so often mar the strength of country towns.

Cars began unloading at the center of attraction in the early evening and in a few hours over 70 were parked by the hall. Of these one half were from Prineville. The county candidates for office attended en masse.

J. F. Rice, President of the Association, gave a short address of welcome after which followed the grand march, with music by the Prineville band. A neighborly spirit was manifested by all and a noticeable fact of such a large crowd was its good humor and strict courtesy to their hosts.

The hall, which was built by the farmers themselves, is a model of construction that other communities would do well to pattern after. Fir was used throughout the building which has a stage, cloak room, kitchen and a balcony that overlooks the main floor.

The ladies are entitled to much credit for decorations and the admirable way in which they furnished food for so many people. Their assistance has done much to erect the hall which has resulted already in a more harmonious neighborhood.

The obvious moral derived from this event is for every community to organize. The local Commercial Club is ready to help and the Journal promises every aid available.

Schools Celebrate May Day

The schools of the Johnson Creek and lower Ochoco districts united in a May Day celebration and picnic last Sunday on the Biggs ranch. Visitors from the city attended and with the parents and children about seventy people enjoyed the day. Little Misses Opal Gulliford and Lela Roberts were May Queens. Games and dialogues were played in the open air and both dinner and supper was supplied by basket lunches brought by everyone.

RAILROAD BONDS WILL BE SOLD JUNE 6

Selection of Engineer Authorized to Superintend Construction and Work Will Be in Progress Within a Short Time

MAYOR AUTHORIZED TO CONTRACT FOR EQUIPMENT FOR ROAD

Oregon Trunk and O-W. Railways Will Confer With the Mayor and Council and Their Engineer in an Endeavor to Establish a Permanent Location for Prineville's New Railroad

Prineville's railroad will be under construction, barring accidents, during the month of June.

The sale of the \$100,000 bond issue was authorized at the meeting of the council on Tuesday evening and a number of important steps taken.

The bids for the bonds will be opened in the council chambers on the evening of June 6, and present indications are that they will be sold at par or above at that time.

Tentative offers have been made in fact that make the council feel that the sale is going to be completed without delay.

During the next ten days engineers from both the Oregon Trunk and the O-W. main roads will decide in conjunction with an engineer furnished by the city, just where the road shall be located with reference to the north and south sides of Crooked River.

While surveys have been made on both sides of the stream, the council is undecided which is the bet-

ter route for the road, and a contract which exists between the city and the main line roads, will give the city the advantage of the best engineering talent on the coast.

The council also empowered Mayor Stewart acting in conjunction with the recorder, to enter into a contract with these main line roads, for the steel and rolling stock to equip the line. This may not be done for thirty days, yet negotiations are under way, and a contract of some kind may be entered into during the current month, that will care for this feature of the construction and equipment.

The matter of selecting an engineer to make the permanent survey and care for the interests of the city during the construction of the road was left with a committee of councilmen, of which J. B. Shipp is chairman. This committee will decide upon who the council should select for this task, and draw a contract that will be submitted to the

council at a meeting that will be held during the month which will perhaps be signed. This contract will be binding only upon the condition of the successful sale of the bonds.

Under this plan, the moment the bonds are sold, the engineer will be in a position to start the permanent survey, and from this moment, the matter of Prineville's railroad will be determined only by the length of time required to construct the road.

The council, while making no open statement at this meeting, will ask for bids it is said, for the grading and construction of the road immediately upon the sale of the bonds.

In this event, the lowest and best bidder will be awarded the contract. In event of the failure of satisfactory bids, the city will perhaps build the road themselves.

Mayor Stewart was authorized to select from the council and citizens a group of men who will meet with

Redmond business men soon, to confer with these people about terminals and other important matters.

Carpenter Bros & Chamberlain of Bend were present and submitted an offer to supply ties for the new road. This matter was not acted upon.

The right-of-way for the road is to be secured for the city by a committee of business men, Councilman Wallace stated.

The work in connection with the railroad matter was handled by councilman Wallace, who demonstrated his ability and interest in the matter in the numerous resolutions and other matters that were handled ably and rapidly.

Mr. Wallace and Mayor Stewart have the matter well in hand, and they have the united support of every member of the council in all of the matters in relation to the road.

The citizens are indeed fortunate in having a council of the ability of these men.

Among those present from this county were: George Russell, Geo. Millican, Will Post, Raymond Calavan, L. N. Nicholas, W. J. McCormick, I. M. Mills, R. S. Dixon, O. B. Gray and Mrs. O. B. Gray.

This meeting was perhaps the most successful event of its kind ever held in the northwest. The meeting next year will be held at La Grande.

COTTON BALL FOR BASE BALL BENEFIT

"Strike out" and come to the Cotton Ball, given by the Ladies Annex for the benefit of the baseball team and the band, Wednesday evening, May 10, 1916. The music by the band will make a "hit" and the committee in charge will see that nobody fans out. This is for a good cause and should be supported by everyone. Boost for the band and baseball team. The committee is: Mrs. R. L. Jordan, Mrs. E. R. Morris, Mrs. Jay H. Upton, Mrs. J. W. Carlson, Miss Agnes Elliott and Miss Dolly Hodges.

S. R. Brown of Tumalo is in the city this afternoon.

IRRIGATION BONDS FIND READY BUYERS

Lands Near Echo to Be Irrigated by District Plan

J. FRANK SPINNING A DIRECTOR

District is Very Much Like Local Project and is Bonded For \$1,100,000

The bid of the Kaiser Construction Company of Vancouver, B. C., and Portland for the \$1,100,000 issue of bonds of the Teel irrigation district was accepted by the directors of the district at a meeting held at Echo last Tuesday. The bonds bear interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum and will be paid out in ten annual payments to commence on the tenth year after the date of the bonds.

The acceptance of this offer and the sale of the bonds means that construction will start as soon as the preliminary arrangements are made and that as soon as the work can be completed, 30,000 acres of fertile land directly adjacent to the town of Echo will be made available for raising crops. The land is some of the best in the country, and lies less than 700 feet above sea level. It adjoins the established irrigation belt including the properties of the Western Land & Irrigation Company, the Furnish Ditch Company and other private and government projects.

The water supply will be taken from Camas creek, through a tunnel into Butter creek and thence, through the natural channel to the point of diversion to the land. The project was originated in 1908 by O. D. Teal. J. F. Hinkle became interested and on the formation of the company, 27 other land owners of the district were made stockholders. On the passage of the irrigation district law in 1911, an irrigation district was formed out of the project and it was decided to issue bonds for the full amount of the cost of constructing the diversion plant and ditches.

A careful investigation was made at that time, the plans were submitted to the state engineer and received his approval. Then a suit was brought in the circuit court to test out thoroughly all features of the plan, which was approved by Judge Phelps in February, 1914.

All of the present officials of the company are those who started the plan. O. D. Teal is president of the board of directors, J. T. Hinkle is the legal adviser. W. E. Hinkle has charge of the engineering work. J. Frank Spinning, formerly of this city, and Asa B. Thompson, members of the original stock company are members of the present board of directors.

This project resembles the Ochoco district so much that it is both interesting and encouraging to see it progress.

C. C. Buckingham returned from a trip to Paulina Tuesday.

THREE NEW BRIDGES ORDERED BY COUNTY

Two Are to Be Concrete and the Third Will Be Steel

TWO WILL BE NEAR PRINEVILLE

Third Street Extension and Hardin Road Will Share in the Improvements

Contracts were awarded yesterday for the construction of two reinforced concrete bridges on the east extension of Third street and the S. V. Hardin road, and for a steel bridge with concrete floor and railing to be erected at the crossing of the South Fork of Crooked river on the Paulina road.

According to the contract the construction work is to be under way on all of these structures during the next thirty days and they are to be entirely completed in less

than five months from date.

The concrete structures are to be 40-foot spans and will cost \$2444 each, while the steel bridge will be a 60-foot span and will cost \$3020. The contracts were awarded to the Coast Bridge Co. by the county court which is in regular session here this week.

MRS. WALKER GIVEN A FAREWELL DINNER

Mrs. E. L. Walker was given a farewell dinner by her sister Shumas at the domestic science rooms Tuesday evening.

Seventeen members of this well known club were present, and the elaborate dinner was followed by a number of toasts which were appropriate for the occasion.

The table was beautifully decorated with apple blossoms. Mrs. Walker who will not be on the faculty of the local schools next year was presented with a beautiful silver candelabra to commemorate the occasion.

John P. Rusk, candidate for the office of public service commissioner was in the city on Monday in the interest of his candidacy.

ANNUAL STOCKMEN'S MEETING AT BAKER


Association Decides on La-Grande for Next Meeting

GEO. RUSSELL VICE PRESIDENT

Delegates From Crook County Were in Attendance and Say Meeting Was a Success

The Cattle and Horse Raisers' Association of Oregon Monday afternoon elected William Pollman, Baker, president, W. H. Daughtrey, Portland, first vice president; George Russell, Prineville, second vice president; William Doby, Baker, treasurer and S. O. Correll, Baker, secretary. All were re-elections except Mr. Russell.

The association held its annual session at Baker, and was attended by a large delegation of people from all parts of the west.

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