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On November 7 the people of this county will vote on the \$220,000 road bond issue.

On that day one of two things will happen. The people will vote to put on a road building campaign that will serve almost every part of this county with good highways, bring together the business centers of the state, develop the business of Prineville, the Prineville railroad, the farms and the ranches of the county, or they will vote to block all road building by the state and federal cooperation, which will halt all road building of every nature for years, stop construction on the Crooked River-Redmond highway and deal the county a blow that it will not recover from for years.

This is not an overdrawn conclusion; it is a statement of fact.

Opposition to the bonds is developing in the most unexpected quarters.

As one might expect, however, the strongest opponents of the measure so far observed are either on or near good highways now, and thus do not have the interest in the plan that they who will be more directly benefited have.

The man who attempts to use argument against good roads is in the class with the man who opposes prohibition. He has no case. All evidence is against him.

The only logical statement we have heard against the present road program is that money being expended at this time is to a large extent wasted, that the dollar does not have the purchasing power it had at one time. This last we admit.

The facts are, however, that road work being done, while expensive, is far from money wasted and the higher the cost the more it is offset by the fact that our dollars are more than doubled by the state and nation, for the first time in the history of this country.

This is possible because of the fact

that the state highway commission has been brought to see the great need for roads in this part of the state and the opportunity is too valuable to be lost.

The nation and state and other counties in all parts of the west are doing the thing this county is planning to do, and Crook county cannot afford to take this backward step now and vote down this bond issue.

Friends of the bonds should not think the issue will be voted without effort.

To the people of the Crooked River country: Post, Paulina, Suplee, and Fife, and residents of the Bear Creek and Camp Creek country The Journal wishes at this time to sound a warning: The bond issue may be lost!

If it is lost, it will be because you do not work hard enough for it. Do not get out and vote for it.

It is your opportunity to get out of a costly, almost impossible road situation.

Almost all of the people of the county realize your need for the Crooked River Highway. Many will vote for it. Many others, we cannot tell just what percentage, will not.

A friend of the bonds said yesterday that the danger lies in the failure of those wishing the bonds to get out and vote for them. Work, talk, and vote for these bonds. They must not be allowed to fall.

Nov. 7

WITH THE EXCHANGES

County court was in session Wednesday of this week Judge Henry D. Keyes and Commissioners R. E. Wright and Mike Dukek being present for the purpose of selling the \$44,000 bonds voted last spring for road building. The bonds were sold to the Clark-Kendall company of Portland for \$46,735, being at a premium of \$2,735. The purchasers are to pay the cost of executing the bonds and are to refund to the county all interest that may accrue up to the time of actual delivery of the bonds to the county.

When the former \$80,000 road bond issue was offered for sale by the Wheeler county court there were few bids and the court was able to get in the neighborhood of only \$500 premium. This time the competition was keen, six bids were made, and the court made the splendid sale as detailed above.

The court has ordered a tractor for road work with a roller attachment, so that the machine can be used not only to pull a grader but can be converted into a roller for packing the roads.—Fossil Journal.

George Wheeler, after an absence of 12 years, returned to Prairie the latter part of last week from a tour of North America, South America, Canada, Australia and New Zealand, making these countries on the vaudeville circuit. Saturday evening he pulled off one of his stunts at the Electric theater, which was well enjoyed by all present.—Grant County Journal.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Crook County.

In the Matter of Neal A. Thomas, Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given by the undersigned, administrator of the Estate of Neal A. Thomas, deceased, to all creditors of said deceased, and to all persons having claim against said Estate, to present the same with proper vouchers as required by law, to the undersigned at the office of M. R. Elliott, in the city of Prineville, Oregon, within six months from the first publication of this Notice.

Dated this 27th day of September, 1919.

NEAL A. THOMAS, Administrator of the Estate of Neal A. Thomas, Deceased.

OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Principal Events of the Week Briefly Sketched for Information of Our Readers.

Vacant rooms and dwelling houses are at a premium in Dallas.

Hood River post of the American Legion was formally launched with 55 members.

The Coos county teachers' institute was held in North Bend October 13, 14 and 15.

State money on deposit in the banks throughout Oregon on October 8 aggregated \$3,647,838.37.

The building fund for the new Lausanne hall at Willamette university has reached nearly \$40,000.

Sumpter will vote on a new charter, embodying the commission form of government, on December 9.

It is believed that the total prune production of Douglas county for 1919 will be about 8,000,000 pounds.

Thirty-four pupils of Middle Grove school in Marion county earned a total of \$1200 during the summer vacation.

Of 4000 schools in the state of Oregon, 150 have been unable to open this fall on account of lack of teachers.

Thomas A. Braasfield, 83 years old, one of Baker county's earliest settlers, died at the home of his son in Baker.

Captains of all ships coming to Portland hereafter will be entertained by the Portland Chamber of Commerce.

Plans of the Silver Lake irrigation district of 8000 acres have been submitted to the state engineer for approval.

Marriages in Marion county during the quarter ending October 1, outnumbered divorces practically three to one.

Rev. William Ridgely Powell, one of the oldest clergymen in Oregon, died at his home in Portland at the age of 81 years.

For the first time in seven years, Baker has a city isolation hospital, established to accommodate a case of smallpox.

Miss Rosalina Espinosa, graduate of the University of Colorado, is the new professor of Spanish at the University of Oregon.

The Dalles district Columbia river conference of Methodist Episcopal ministers was held in The Dalles Monday and Tuesday.

Miss Anne Elizabeth Arnsperger, a resident of Oregon since 1853, died at the home of her sister, Mrs. Mary Rhodes in The Dalles.

Multnomah county road budget for 1920, as tentatively prepared by the road department, calls for a total appropriation of \$1,200,000.

Organization of a county farm bureau was effected at a meeting in Klamath Falls of farmers from all sections of Klamath county.

Eight Eugene dentists will care for the teeth of 72 children in the Eugene public schools during the present school year free of charge.

Demands were presented to the board of education by the teachers of the North Bend schools for an increase in salaries of \$20 a month.

Physical examination of Umatilla county school children is revealing that the majority are in need of medical, optical or dental attention.

Plans for the enlargement of the fish hatchery on the north fork of the Umpqua river has been made by the Oregon fish and game commission.

Heavy frosts last week killed plants in the big tomato and potato fields around Dallas and damaged the ripening fruits to the amount of several hundred dollars.

With the discharge from Good Samaritan hospital of Portland's first case of influenza for the winter season, the city is now without a single case of the dreaded disease.

W. D. DeVarney of Portland was appointed by Governor Olcott as a member of the child welfare commission to succeed Fred Lockley, also of Portland, who has resigned.

The thirty-third grand encampment of the Grand Commandery of the Knights Templars of Oregon met in Eugene with 70 delegates from different parts of the state.

Five thousand boxes of tomatoes from five acres of land at Dillard is the record made by T. B. Evans & Son. The fruit brought a price of more than 40 cents a box.

Curfew ordinances which require all boys and girls under the age of 18 years to be off the streets by 9 P. M. after October 1 will be strictly enforced hereafter in Salem.

A committee of five of the Portland police department appeared before Mayor Baker, with a request that there be a horizontal increase in salaries of approximately \$20 a month.

The seventy-fifth anniversary of the founding the Oregon City Congregational church will be made the occasion for the holding of the 71st state conference of the Congregational churches of Oregon, a three-day session being called for November 4, 5 and 6.

Eleven parcels of land, the property of various members of the Indian colony on the Umatilla reservation near Pendleton, will be offered for sale to the highest bidder on November 28.

Issuance of \$900,000 in bonds to finance irrigation of 28,000 acres of the Langell valley 30 miles east of Klamath Falls was approved at a special election of taxpayers of the district.

To study methods of logging used in the central Oregon white pine belt, nearly 150 members of the Pacific Logging congress which held its tenth annual session in Portland, visited Bend.

Hundreds of census enumerators are wanted and the supervisors of Oregon are wondering if they will secure enough to make the canvass. Oregon will require about 950 enumerators.

Enough money was taken in at the state fair at Salem over and above expenses to pay off the entire debt contracted for the construction of the stadium there and to leave over \$10,000 surplus.

Mothers and fathers of Oregon boys with the American expeditionary forces in Siberia may expect their sons home in a short time, the war department has advised Ben S. Fisher of Marshfield.

Clatsop post, American legion, is making good progress in its campaign to induce Astoria business men to withdraw their patronage from the Toveri, the Finnish daily, accused of disloyal utterances.

A nurse whose duty it will be to visit the homes of children who are absent on account of illness and to supervise health in general in the schools of Eugene is to be employed by the board of education.

Paid-up members of the American Legion in the state of Oregon number 9002, according to the report which Prescott W. Coothingham, state treasurer, was authorized to forward to national headquarters of the Legion.

After they had been made by 16 ex-service men to kiss the American flag, the eight I. W. W. members who were held in the Baker county jail pending action by the authorities, left Baker quietly upon being requested to do so by the police.

Following a reorganization of the board of directors of the Central Oregon irrigation district, George Moore becomes president of the district, and an order has been issued for a bond election on November 25 to vote on bonds amounting to \$240,000.

That the present basic price for wheat is fully justified by the condition of the world market and the dearth of world production was the declaration in Portland of Julius H. Barnes, federal grain director, in an address before the chamber of commerce.

A kissless winter! This is the edict of the Portland municipal bureau of health. "Ding bust it," commented Health Officer Parrish, with professional dignity. "I know this is going to make me one of the most unpopular parties in the little old state, but it can't be helped. Influenza is responsible."

The resignation of W. L. Thompson as a member of the state highway commission became effective October 15, Mr. Thompson having made this request in a letter to Governor Olcott. J. N. Burgess, of Pendleton, began his duties as Mr. Thompson's successor on that date.

Since the organization of a state highway department in 1914 there has been expended and contracted for up to date the sum of \$21,071,666.97 of state and federal funds. To this is to be added approximately \$2,000,000 of county funds expended under the superintendence of the state highway department.

New rules of the Industrial Welfare commission governing the employment of women in industry became effective Tuesday. Most important of these is the 48-hour week, which will supersede the present week of 54 hours. The wage minimum for experienced adult women has been placed at 27 1/2 cents an hour, or \$13.20 a week.

Bank deposits of Oregon on September 12, 1919, showed an increase of \$52,186,616.26 since the call of June 30, 1919, and of \$91,514,905.83 since the report of August 31, 1918, according to a statement issued by Will H. Bennett, state superintendent of banks. The total deposits are \$288,441,523.93. The increase is general over the state.

Ten years in the state penitentiary for stealing an automobile was the sentence handed out to Walter Willis by Judge Gatens of Portland, and the same Judge sentenced Joe Gonla to five years in the same institution for the same offense. Judge Gatens has publicly announced that no mercy may be expected by automobile thieves in his court.

After a heated contest in which the relative merits of La Grande and Pendleton were at issue, delegates from La Grande at the state federation of labor convention in Bend won the selection as the 1920 convention city. The convention delegates voiced their disapproval by a vote of 61 to 27 of a resolution to petition President Wilson for the immediate release of all individuals imprisoned under the espionage act.

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