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The Boiled Water Bogle
The worn out cry to boil the water once more resounds through the land. After sleeping since last fall the boiled water bogle has been suddenly awakened. Apparently the over-worked bogle is brought out of its closet again for the old purpose, namely, to scare the people.

Otherwise there would be no occasion for using it. If it is necessary to advise consumers to take precautions against the water the matter can be accomplished more effectively through channels that would spare the city the damaging publicity.

The reason for its rejuvenation at this time apparently is in the fact that a petition is now in the hands of the city council signed by citizens who are anxious to have the city take over the private water plant and make way for a municipal system.

It is admitted that work on the municipal system cannot be commenced this year on account of the lateness of the season, even should the bonds be sold. Therefore there is no reason for not submitting the matter of buying the private system to the voters and settling the contention.

According to Mayor McDonald the plant is worth \$20,000; according to the water company it is worth \$50,000, but will be sold for \$40,000. The company produces figures to show that it is paying ten per cent on a valuation of over \$50,000. A large number of citizens ask that an election be called to vote on buying it at \$40,000. The mayor advises calling an election to vote on buying it at \$20,000. The plant has a fixed value in that it is bonded for \$40,000. The bondholders will not, therefore, release it for less than that amount.

In the meantime the bonds are still unsold. The city has gone in debt for the preliminary plans, rights of way, etc., for the municipal system, the much abused water is still in use—and the threatened epidemic does not materialize. The harm done the community, however, still flourishes and apparently is about to be further fertilized by an abundant crop of "knocks" for the newspapers of the country.

If some arrangement can be made to have the city take over the private system these matters can all be adjusted. An attempt to fight the thing through on the old lines has proved a failure and nobody who is for the best interests of the town wants it continued. Furthermore, the people can no longer be terrified. The boiled water bogle has been worn threadbare.

As to a typhoid epidemic last fall, there were a number of cases here but actual conditions were far from an epidemic. Some of these cases were apparently contracted here, others brought from out of town. There were also cases at The Dalles, in the railroad camps along the Deschutes river and in Portland, where the water is supposed to be of the purity of the fount of eternal life. It is possible that there may also be some cases here this year, and from time to time there will continue to be cases of this disease both here and in other communities.

If it can be officially established that the water is dangerous to the health of the community it ought to be condemned. In which event many times more good will be accomplished than by shaking the boiled water bogle. If the water system can be bought for \$20,000, well and good. If not let the people go on record for or against the proposition on the company's basis of valuation, and settle it.

UNDERWOOD MAY LOSE FLOUR MILL

The White Salmon Enterprise says that with a whole year to make good in Dement Bros., a milling firm of Walla Walla, daffled a couple of days too long and lost their option on the much coveted Cameron dam site. When O. W. Burton, who had just come from the east where he had purchased machinery for the new flour mill, went out to the Cameron ranch on Tuesday with H. S. Hall to start surveying on the preliminary work for the dam, Mr. Cameron refused to let them proceed. Their option of a year's time expired on the 18th of June. Under the terms of the contract Dement Bros. were to begin work on the dam during the year, but the millers were seemingly unable to do anything, or thought they could begin any old time.

When Mr. Cameron was on a sick bed a year ago he let the Walla Walla people have the site, as it was represented to him that a big flour mill would be a big boost for the valley—as it undoubtedly would be—and was to be given free electric light service on the farm in return for the site, which is now worth thousands.

With the idea that it would be a great thing for the valley, Mr. Cameron let them have the chance to take it, against the protestations of the doctor, friends and family.

Dement Bros., who are compelled to move because the city cannot meet their requirements, have bought machinery and secured a siding on the railroad at Underwood.

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WEST BOUND
No. 9. Fast Mail (no passengers) 4:30 A. M.
No. 1. Portland Flyer 5:20 "
No. 11. Soo-Spokane-Portland 6:50 "
No. 13. Portland Local 7:45 "
No. 5. Oregon & Washington Express 7:55 "
No. 1. Portland Local 4:30 P. M.
No. 7. Chicago Limited 5:45 "
EAST BOUND
No. 2. Baker City Local 10:25 A. M.
No. 3. Chicago Limited 11:55 "
No. 14. The Dalles Local 6:20 P. M.
No. 4. Spokane Flyer 8:00 "
No. 10. Fast Mail 8:30 "
No. 12. Soo-Spokane-Portland 8:55 "
No. 6. Oregon & Washington Express 10:25 "
Trains No. 7 and No. 8 have no coaches; passengers using this train will be required to pay pullman fare in addition to railroad fare; these trains make no stops between Hood River and Portland.
Train No. 7 stops only at The Dalles, Arlington, Pendleton, Gibbons, LaGrande, Hot Lake, Union, Baker City and Huntington.
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