

OREGON Land of Promise and Attainment

The Average Resident of Portland Would Find Himself at a Distinct Disadvantage Were He to Attempt to Persuade a Number of Eastern Friends or Relatives to Pull Up Stakes and Come to Live in This Great State.

HE COULD tell in a vague way about the lumber industry, horticultural and agricultural developments, and even might recall something of the increase in manufacturing plants because of the favorable location of Portland as distribution center for a large area in the Northwest. BUT COULD HE tell the prospective settler the intimate facts concerning various industries or the natural resources of Oregon? PROBABLY NOT.

HE COULD offset a possible criticism of alleged "dreary climate," by a feeble denial that it is "very wet," pointing out that "nobody notices the rain out here because it is a kind of mist." BUT COULD HE point out that the precipitation in the city of Portland is far less than in a large percentage of eastern metropolises, being only 32.42 inches for the past year? PROBABLY NOT.

HE COULD recite glibly that Portland is the second port on the Pacific in exports, BUT COULD HE explain what that means in development of the city? PROBABLY NOT.

HE COULD rhapsodize on the scenic beauty of the Columbia River Highway, Crater Lake and Mount Hood. BUT COULD HE tell his friends anything of the visual attractions of the Wallawa country, the John Day valley, the fishing and hunting regions of the Cascades? PROBABLY NOT.

HE COULD mention, in an offhand manner, that "We got a fine school system in Oregon." BUT COULD HE enumerate the institutions of higher learning, the denominational colleges, the professional schools and the wide range of subjects covered in courses of city and state public schools? PROBABLY NOT.

HE COULD brag about Oregon's splendid highway system of hard-surfaced roads. BUT COULD HE recall that all but 20 miles of the Pacific highway in this state is paved, or the extent and general plan of the road system adopted by the state highway commission? PROBABLY NOT.

These and many other questions which the average resident of Portland or Oregon would find difficult to answer, if pinned down to details, are answered in thorough and enlightening manner in

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BOND TOTAL IS LARGE

\$9,890,000 ARE SOLD FOR IRRIGATION NEEDS. Arrangements Made for Payment of Interest of \$7,990,000 for Varying Periods.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 30.—(Special).—Records of the state engineer show that arrangements have been completed for the payment of interest on irrigation bonds in the amount of \$7,990,000 for periods varying from six months to five years. In each of these instances

the districts have agreed to repay this money to the state and also to pay all interest accrued on the state bonds, the proceeds of which are applied to the payment of interest on the district bonds.

No District in Arrears. The law providing that the state shall pay interest on irrigation bonds contemplates that this money shall be repaid to the state, and until the present time no district is in arrears. The money realized from the sale of the district bonds is expended for various purposes, including construction work, purchase of water rights, purchase of constructed irrigation systems, engineering and legal expenses, right-of-way, purchase of materials, machinery and incidentals. In some districts the cost of the construction work predominates, while in other districts the expense of obtaining water rights has been found to be the largest item. Because of the failure of the law to make it incumbent upon the districts to report the cost of all construction work, figures showing the amount of money paid out for improvements are not available. Neither has the state engineer a complete record of the construction

concerns to which the contracts for development were awarded.

Discount Important Item. Discount on irrigation bonds has become an important item on some of the projects which are not attractive from a financial standpoint. "The total expenditure on any project," Mr. Cupper said, "becomes of small moment as compared with the annual charge per acre of operation, maintenance, retirement of bonds and the payment of interest thereon. In other words, the feasibility of any project depends upon the relation between the cost of the project and the production per acre. "It is obvious that the initial cost enters into the per-acre per-annum charge in the retirement of all bonds and the interest thereon. This can be adjusted to some extent by increasing or diminishing the period over which the bonds shall be retired, as the law provides that the retirement of bonds shall be such that the total interest and principal paid shall be approximately equal each year."

KLAMATH FUTURE BRIGHT

BUSINESS MEN EXPECT PROSPEROUS YEAR. Lumber Business Getting Better and Stock-Feeding Industry Assumes Big Proportions.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Dec. 30.—(Special).—A prosperous year for Klamath county is predicted for 1923 by leading business men. The lumber business is getting better, and the outlook is good, in the opinion of M. S. West, president of the chamber of commerce and an officer of the Big Lake Box company. He does not agree with those who think normalcy has been reached, however. The drawback that he sees in the condition of the farmers, who have to take low prices for their products while they must pay high production costs. And stockmen normally use more than 40 per cent of the lumber output of the country, and it is his opinion that until they are in a position to buy lumber freely the market will not be stable. A survey of the Indian reservation just completed shows 7,500,000,000 feet of merchantable timber, 95 per cent of which is yellow pine, according to Fred Baker, Indian agent. The Strahorn railway is expected to open up an immediately available area of between 2,000,000 and 3,000,000 feet when it reaches Sprague river next May. Stock feeding is fast becoming an important industry in Klamath county. An Oregon agricultural specialist who recently made a farm survey of the Merrill and Malin sections, found that 5000 steers and 17,000 lambs are being fattened in the county this winter. The specialist said Klamath was feeding more stock this winter than any other Oregon county, and declared that this region with its great forage possibilities is destined to become a great feeding county for outside stock.

HEALTH BOARD CREATED

Pendleton Provides for Better Protection From Disease. The municipal council created a board of health this week, composed of the mayor, the police committee and the city physician, who by the terms of an ordinance just passed becomes the health officer. The purpose of the ordinance is to give more weight and better organization to the administration of health laws and to provide for health regulation in all public places, including schools. The new health officer will have police powers to enforce the regulations which in addition to applying to all contagious diseases, applies to the sale of milk and meat.

TIMBER TRADE CLOSED

\$200,000 Deal Affects 1200 Acres of Lane County Holdings. EUGENE, Or., Dec. 30.—(Special).—C. P. Devereaux, timber dealer of this city, yesterday announced a property deal, whereby he has traded 1200 acres of timber land on Lost creek, above Dexter, in Lane county, for an apartment house and 15 dwelling houses in Hanford, Cal., to B. B. Sharp of that city and a 320-acre ranch near there. The estimated value of the property involved is \$200,000, according to Mr. Devereaux. Deeds to the timber land were filed for record here yesterday.

UMATILLA TAX IS CUT

Nearly Half a Mill Sliced Off of Levy to Be Raised. PENDLETON, Or., Dec. 30.—(Special).—Almost half a mill has been cut from the state and county tax for 1923 in Umatilla county. The millage rate for county and state purposes last year was 16.35 mills and this coming year it will be an even 16 mills. The valuation of the county in the last assessment was dropped about \$4,000,000, thereby greatly reducing the income tax. The cut in the millage tax was due to a lower state tax by \$34,000 and because the county budget for 1923 was cut \$100,000 under that of 1922, and in addition more of the county money will be raised by other methods than direct taxation.

PHONE LINE TO EXTEND

New and Larger Cables Are to Be Installed at Hood River. HOOD RIVER, Or., Dec. 30.—(Special).—J. E. Smithson, manager of the Oregon-Washington Telephone company, which serves this county and exchanges in Klickitat and Skamania counties, Washington, an-

holders at their annual meeting

January 12. If the canal can be used in floating down large blocks of wood, it is anticipated that the ditch company may derive considerable revenue from the service.

CANAL MAY CARRY WOOD

Farmers Plan Additional Revenue From Irrigation Ditch. HOOD RIVER, Or., Dec. 30.—(Special).—The main canal of the Farmers' Irrigation company, which waters a large section of the west side orchard section, including territory some of which is in the corporate limits of the city, may be utilized in the transportation of wood from highland forests back of the Oak Grove district. The matter will be considered by the stock-

ASHLAND CIVIC PROGRESS SHOWN

Paving of several streets and the building of new roads within the city limits were among the outstanding works of the city council, which goes out of office Monday, according to a report made by C. B. Lankin, mayor. In addition, debts and bonds paid off amount to \$149,499.12, leaving a city indebtedness of \$345,111.18. In spite of war conditions, the tax levy has been reduced. Sales of electricity last year amounted to \$50,841.86, while the sales from water were \$27,371.27, making a total of \$78,213.13 yearly income. Light bonds will be paid off in 1930.

MURDER TRIAL IS SET

Indian to Face Jury January 15 for Killing Glenn H. Price. DALLAS, Or., Dec. 30.—(Special).—The second trial of Philip Warren, Grand Ronde Indian, for first-degree murder, will begin in circuit court here January 15. Warren is accused of the murder of Glenn H. Price, federal prohibition agent, at New Grand Ronde the morning of September 3. Price and Grover Todd were shot and instantly killed while attempting to arrest Warren and another Indian for bootlegging. Warren was acquitted at the last term of court of the murder of Todd. Phone your want ads to The Oregonian, Main 7070.

Table with 5 columns: NAME OF DISTRICT, Total Irrigable Area of District, Estimated Area of Land Now Irrigated, Amount of Bonds Voted, Amount of Bonds Certified, Bonds Under State Guarantee. Lists various irrigation districts like Bear Creek, Big Bend, Bridgeport, etc., with their respective values.

DR. E. G. AUSPLUND

Advertisement for Dr. E. G. Ausplund, a dentist. Features a portrait of the doctor and text: 'Our Special Dental Rates Continued During January'. Promotes a 40% reduction in rates and offers artistic bridgework and painless dentistry.

Advertisement for 'DANCE' at Moose Hall. Text: 'The best floor and best music is at MOOSE HALL 4th and Taylor Sts. Monday, New Year's Night. Regular dances every Saturday, Tuesday and Thursday nights. Prasp Moose Orchestra.'