

CLOSING DAY INTERESTS IN LEGISLATURE

\$500 IS ALLOWED FOR PRINEVILLE FAIR.

AMEND CREDITS ACT

Water Rights Now of Recognized Value—Tumalo Bill Certain of Passage, as is Measure Concerning County Records.

SALEM, Feb. 19.—(Special.)—The closing day of the session of the state legislature is seeing much of interest to Central Oregon, four measures being acted on which will be of much importance to Deschutes and Crook counties.

The House passed a bill appropriating \$500 for beef stock premiums for the Prineville fair, thanks to the good work of Central Oregon representatives. This new appropriation is secure despite the slaughter of state fair appropriations.

Rural Credits Amended. Getting the House into a committee of the whole, Representative Forbes forced an amendment into the rural credits act, permitting water rights to be a basis of credit and value. This phase of land ownership has hitherto been ignored. The amendment makes the act far more valuable to Eastern and Central Oregon than would otherwise have been the case.

The Tumalo bill, in the Senate, was approved by the irrigation ways and means committee, making its passage practically certain today. The bill, carrying a \$10,000 appropriation for curing the leaks in the reservoir of the Tumalo irrigation project, was voted on favorably in the House Saturday.

Assure Deschutes Saving. The Deschutes county bill, relative to the transcribing of records is through the House, and is sure to pass the Senate today. The bill will make possible a large saving for Deschutes county taxpayers, at the same time incurring no loss whatever to Old Crook county. Without provisions of the measure, many extensive records of no use to Crook county, would have to be copied at much expense, to be placed on record in the office of the Deschutes clerk.

With the passage of the bill, however, these records may be removed from Prineville to Bend, eliminating the expense of copying.

Session a Costly One. The Senate roads and highways committee failed to report on the \$6,000,000 road bonding bill early this afternoon. It is expected that the measure will be reported on later in the day. When it comes from the committee the bill will carry an amendment referring the proposition

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MINE RESCUERS RACING DEATH

EXPLOSION TRAPS THREE UNDERGROUND, AND FIRE QUICKLY FOLLOWS IN COLORADO COAL MINE.

(By United Press to The Daily Bulletin) DENVER, Colo., Feb. 19.—In spite of all efforts to extinguish the blaze, the Oakdale mine in this section is burning fiercely. Miners trapped below the surface are thought to be still alive, and a rescue party sent from the Daleon mine, in the same vicinity, is working unceasingly in an endeavor to reach those below, before Oakdale miners are suffocated.

The superintendent of the Oakdale and 14 men were working when an explosion started the fire. Three were caught in the lower levels.

Men wearing oxygen helmets have descended to the fifth level in an effort to rescue the trapped coal miners. Manager Harry Hase hopes to be able to save all.

NEWS CENSOR NAMED FOR U. S. NAVY.



LT. COM. CHARLES BELKNAP, JR.

Lieutenant Commander Charles Belknap, Jr., shown in the picture, has been assigned to duty in the navy department as official censor for the navy during the present German crisis. A desk has been given to him in one of the offices in the suite of Admiral Benson, chief of naval operations, and he is present with Secretary Daniels whenever the latter is interviewed by newspaper men, which is twice daily. The war department has had Major Douglas MacArthur as censor since the Pershing expedition was sent into Mexico. Prior to that Secretary Baker and his predecessor, Secretary Garrison, saw the newspaper men twice daily. When Major MacArthur was designated as war department censor Secretary Baker discontinued these daily conferences.

HUGE TRACT IS OPEN TO STOCK

SISTERS-METOLIUS ASSOCIATION CONTRACTS FOR 20,000 ACRES—WILL GRAZE 350 HEAD MORE CATTLE.

Contracts providing for the leasing of more than 20,000 acres of range land from the Oregon & Western Colonization Co., by the Sisters-Metolius Livestock association, were drawn up Saturday afternoon at Sisters at the annual meeting of the stockmen's organization. The tract of land to be used lies within the national forest, and it is understood that the rental will approximate government grazing fees.

The agreement will allow for the grazing of 350 more head of cattle by the association, and in addition there will be no danger of trespass on the cattle range by sheep which might otherwise be grazed on the privately owned range.

A special salt ruling was passed by the association, providing that no stockmen should receive a forestry grazing permit without first showing a receipt for his salt assessment for the coming year.

Because of the weight of business, the election of officers was postponed until March 15, when an adjourned session will be held.

Both Forest Supervisor W. G. Hastings and Thomas P. McKensie, district grazing expert, were present at the meeting, and plan to be on hand again at the gathering in March.

LINER SINKS U-BOAT

French Vessel's Second Shot Effective, Says Captain.

NEW YORK, Feb. 19.—Officers of the French line freighter, Guoyne, reported that the vessel sank a submarine off Bordeaux on January 22. Captain Rousset said the submarine fired three ineffectual shots. The Guoyne fired twice and the second shot sank the submarine.

CONTINUE HEARING IN JUVENILE COURT

Juvenile court proceedings in Redmond conducted by County Judge Barnes and District Attorney H. H. DeArmond in regard to the disposition of the seven children of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Mitchell, of Lower Bridge, were continued Saturday pending the gathering of further information on the case.

RAILROAD PLAN FOR BEND TOLD

STRAHORN OUTLINES DEVELOPMENT.

Absolute Impartiality Will Characterize Dealings With Hill and Harriman Lines—\$11,000,000 Will Be Expense.

(By United Press to The Daily Bulletin.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 19.—That he and associates are planning to build 400 miles of railroad through southern and southeastern Oregon, at a cost of \$7,000,000, and 150 miles of road from Lakeview, Oregon, to Flannigan, Nevada, at a cost of \$4,000,000, is the statement of Robert E. Strahorn.

"I am uneasy about railroad building plans at this time," he said. It is his aim to connect at Bend, Oregon, with the Union Pacific and Hill systems, the two Central Oregon lines, with the Southern Pacific at Klamath Falls, the Oregon Short Line, at Crane, the California, Nevada & Oregon narrow gauge line at Lakeview, and with the Southern Pacific and Western Pacific via Lakeview, at Flannigan.

Will Be Impartial.

"I wish to state distinctly that I am acting neither for Hill people nor for the Harriman system," Mr. Strahorn said. "Interests with me are absolutely neutral between these two railroad propositions. We feel that our success depends upon giving both these systems an even break on the railroad we propose to build in three directions out of Bend, which is the southern joint terminus of the Oregon Trunk and O.-W. branch.

"We have completed all surveys, and we believe that both Hill and Harriman people will be more than satisfied by getting fair treatment from us.

WEDDINGS IN BEND SET A NEW RECORD

County Judge Barnes, Rev. J. L. Peringer and Rev. W. C. Stewart Officiate at Ceremonies.

A wedding a day for the last 72 hours was a new record for Deschutes county, according to the marriage returns on file in the office of County Clerk J. H. Haner. County Judge Barnes officiated at the last of the three, when he united in marriage John H. Couch, son of J. L. Couch, of Tumalo, and Miss Nettie M. Cast, daughter of E. A. Cast, formerly of Deschutes. The ceremony took place at 3:30 o'clock in the County Clerk's office. Mr. and Mrs. Couch will leave tonight to make their home in the vicinity of Othello, Washington.

Rev. W. C. Stewart, of the Methodist church, officiated at the wedding of Harry R. Riley and Miss Orpha M. Hiatt, of La Pine, at the church yesterday, and Rev. J. L. Peringer performed a marriage ceremony Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Houghtaling, the principals being Winfield R. Henderson and Miss Ismay Perry.

HOUSE IS INVADED BY RABID COYOTE

Mrs. Roy Davidson Locks Animal Inside, and Neighbor Kills Frenzied Brute.

All its natural fear of mankind obliterated by rabies, a coyote entered the home of Roy Davidson, on the Walter May place in the Gist vicinity, attacked a dog, and was killed as a result of the quick wit displayed by Mrs. Davidson, was the report brought in by County Judge W. D. Barnes this afternoon.

The coyote first attacked two dogs on the back porch of the house, then followed one of the animals into the kitchen and continued the fight. Locking the door, Mrs. Davidson rushed to the Knickerbocker ranch nearby, returning with Mr. Knickerbocker, who dispatched the coyote with a rifle.

In other sections also the coyotes are becoming a menace, for the shooting of one this morning by Mrs. Louis Bladreau, only 20 miles from the Bladreau home eight miles from here on the Bend-Burns road, was reported today.

Another of the animals was trapped last night by Glen Slack, but was evidently not rabid.

Does The Oregon Journal Lie?

The Oregon Journal, in a malicious and misleading story in its issue of February 15, asserts that The Bulletin is "padding" the delinquent tax list now being published in the weekly edition, "by setting it in large type and charging the county three times the rates paid by other advertisers."

The Journal further says that the rate at which the list is being published "is approximately three times the rate charged the ordinary advertiser."

Unless the Journal wishes to stand on its special definition of the words "large," "other" and "ordinary," its statements are false.

If it has a special definition for those words its purpose is malicious in so holding that definition while using the words in a manner calculated to give an entirely different meaning to the ordinary reader.

The Bulletin, in common with every other newspaper, charges for advertising in its columns a rate depending on the kind of advertising, i. e., whether display, reader, classified, or legal. The rates are shown on its rate card, of which we believe the Journal has a copy. The Journal presumably has a rate card of its own. We invite its publication so that the general public may see the different rates charged, depending on the kind of advertisement.

In the weekly edition of The Bulletin, display advertising, home composition, is charged for at a rate of 15 cents a column inch. It is this rate which the Journal compares with that charged for the publication of the tax list. The comparison is false and misleading, since the two classes of advertising are as different as the department store advertisement on page 11 of the Journal and the story in question.

Display advertising is not the only kind carried by a newspaper. There is also reader advertising, classified, and legal. For each a separate rate exists. In the case of The Bulletin, the rates are as shown on its rate card. For reader advertisements The Bulletin rate is 10 cents per line, for classified, one cent a word or five cents a line, for legal notices five cents a line.

We agree that the rate on the delinquent list is not the same as that on display advertising. If the Journal alleges that it is not the same as that charged for other legal advertising in The Bulletin, it lies. This statement is made with full knowledge of the laws of libel.

As to the charge that the list has been set in "large" type, we point out that whether a thing is large or small is wholly a matter of comparison. Compared with the Journal, The Bulletin is in size, and in size only, a small newspaper. Compared with many other country newspapers, The Bulletin is large. The type in which the delinquent list is set is the same as that in which the Journal story was set. Furthermore, it is the size on which the rate for legal publications is based.

The Bulletin is not a grafting newspaper, nor is it one which distorts the truth in its news. The class of newspaper or individual that maliciously makes false statements concerning it is ordinarily unworthy of notice or reply. When, however, false charges against it are given wide circulation, and when, as in the present case, the charges may be taken to involve men of the integrity of W. D. Barnes, Lew E. Smith and A. L. Mackintosh, the County Court of Deschutes County, we answer.

U.S. EXPORTS HIT NEW MARK

INCREASED PRICES GIVEN AS CAUSE—SENATOR BORAH DECLARES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE TO BLAME.

(By United Press to The Daily Bulletin)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 19.—The Department of Commerce announced today that American exports during the month of January totaled \$613,000,000 more than the previous high monthly record. The report stated that higher prices had caused the increase.

The advance in the cost of foodstuffs was attacked today by Senator Borah when he charged that the Department of Justice is careless in administering laws affecting food prices. He suggested that the attorney general recommend additional legislation if necessary.

He declared that he was convinced that the proper administration of food laws would release the high cost of living. He cited the Federal Trade commission's recent victory in the news print paper fight as evidence of the "potentiality of federal regulations."

ZEPPELINS GO ON UNSUCCESSFUL RAID

(By United Press to The Daily Bulletin) PARIS, Feb. 19.—It is announced that Zeppelins unsuccessfully raided the French coast near Boulogne. Several bombs were dropped. The entire western front is quiet. Patrol fighting is reported from Alsace.

PROBES POSTAL NEEDS IN BEND

DISTRICT INSPECTOR C. W. LINEBAUGH HERE INVESTIGATING NEW BUILDING ISSUE AND OTHER PROBLEMS.

Information more weighty than any yet given out in regards to Bend's needs for a postoffice building, and for an improvement in the postal service, will be available in Washington within a short time, for District Postal Inspector C. W. Linebaugh arrived here this morning on a special trip from his headquarters in Portland, to investigate local conditions.

The needs of the office for additional clerks, the matter of the establishment of a city delivery, and the need for the Bend office to be housed in a new building, are the chief matters for investigation by Mr. Linebaugh, but he is also checking up the accounts of the office, as would be done on any of his regular visits.

GUADALUPE IS TAKEN

Five Hundred American Cowboys in Pursuit of Mexicans.

EL PASO, Feb. 19.—It is reported that the Villistas have captured Guadalupe, 30 miles southeast of Juarez. Five hundred American cowboys have invaded Mexico determined to exterminate the raiders of the Gorner ranch. Andrew Peterson, jr., leads the Americans.

U.S. DEMAND TO GERMANY UNQUALIFIED

YARROWDALE NOTE IS NEARLY ULTIMATUM.

100,000 SPIES HERE

Senator Overman Makes Statement in Course of Espionage Bill Debate—President Plans to Address Congress Again.

(By United Press to The Daily Bulletin)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 19.—The State Department announced today that the United States has flatly demanded the release of the Yarrowdale prisoners. Secretary Lansing forwarded the note Saturday, the message being couched in such language as to amount virtually to an ultimatum. Germany notified Lansing yesterday that the prisoners were scheduled to be released soon. This communication replied to the administration's earlier inquiry regarding the situation.

Senator Lee Overman asserted today that there are more than 100,000 German spies in the United States. The statement was made during the course of a debate in the Senate in regard to the espionage bill. Overman is close to the Department of Justice.

The Mexican embassy here has received a note from Bolivia, scathingly denouncing the new German submarine policy. The note summons all American nations to a conference in regard to the matter.

President Wilson is planning to address Congress again unless the situation darkens. In the meantime preparedness work is continuing. Advances indicate that submarine victims are decreasing.

NEW CLERK'S DEPUTY IS IN OFFICE TODAY

Miss Eleanor B. Whitmore, Formerly in Crook Treasurer's Office, Begins Work Here.

Miss Eleanor B. Whitmore, deputy county clerk under J. H. Haner, entered into the duties of her office this morning, the entire office being left in her charge during the absence of Mr. Haner.

Miss Whitmore arrived in Bend a short time ago from Kansas City, and has been a guest at the home of L. L. Fox, since her arrival.

She was formerly a resident of this section, and has had considerable experience in county work, having worked under County Treasurer Jordan, of Crook county.

FATHER LOSES SUIT TO SONS

ATTACHMENT OF PROPERTY TO SECURE WAGES ALLEGED DUE HOLDS GOOD, SAYS SHERIFF'S JURY.

The suit of two sons against their father to recover wages alleged due, was brought to a conclusion in favor of the plaintiffs Saturday in Redmond, when a sheriff's jury presided over by S. E. Roberts, decided in favor of the attachment filed by the two young men.

The lien was originally taken by Vernon and Joseph J. Pindl against hay and grain on the C. F. Hoskins ranch, rented by the plaintiff's father J. J. Pindl. The matter was brought before the jury on Hoskins' contention that the property on which the attachment was made, belonged to him, and could not be taken to satisfy a claim against the father.

Evidence tending to show that Hoskins and Pindl, senior, were in partnership as far as the output of the ranch was concerned, was taken as the basis for the decision rendered.