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New Court House Will Call for Heavier Taxes.

COUNTY COURT FILES ANSWER

Asks that Temporary Injunction Be Dissolved—The Scheme Shown in Its True Light.

That the proposed new court house cannot be built with the money now on hand and that there is a deep laid scheme to load a heavier burden on the taxpayer has at last been shown by the county court. The game to saddle this tax on the people in order to glorify Prineville at the county's expense has been a game of secrecy and deceit from start to finish, but like all things conceived and born in the slime of darkness and treachery, its true nature has been shown. Its purpose will be speedily defeated.

The county court has filed an answer to the injunction served against them last week prohibiting the letting of contracts for a court house. The gist of the answer is contained in the statements that the court will not incur indebtedness to exceed statutory limit of \$5,000; that cost of court house will not exceed moneys on hand; that the tax levy will not be increased, but rather lowered.

How the court proposes to do all this without a juggling of moneys and funds can not be figured out.

First, they propose to incur no debt, whatever. They state that there is now in the general fund \$18,867, with \$4,500 still to be collected. Original plans contemplated at least a \$40,000 building. How can that be built without taxation for that purpose? If the general fund is expended for a new court house how will the county's expenses for the remainder of the year be met? This sum has been raised for the running expenses of the county. If it is not needed therefor but can be spent for a court house, then the tax levy should have been reduced, when so large a majority of the voters object to a new building.

If, as the answer states, a court house can be built and also the tax levy lowered, then why can it not be lowered still more if that \$40,000 is not spent? Remember the people in general do not want a new building. The proper thing to do would be to lower the levy.

The answer also states that contracts will be let and the foundation built with money on hand. Then the superstructure will be built when the money is available. This evidently is a sudden change in plans as the call for bids asks for the "erection and completion" of a building. If the money is not now on hand to complete the building, how can it be raised except through taxation—a policy which the people at present are wholly opposed to?

NOTICE OF SALE OF UNPATENTED SWAMP LANDS.

Notice is hereby given that the State Land Board will receive sealed bids until two o'clock P. M. July 24, 1906, for any interest the state may have in the following described unpatented Swamp Lands, to-wit: The NE 1/4, N 1/2 of SE 1/4, SW 1/4 of SE 1/4 and SE 1/4 of SW 1/4 of Section 24 and W 1/2 of Section 25, Tp. 25 S., R. 6 E., the lands in Section 25 being unsurveyed.

All bids must be accompanied by an application and affidavit to purchase in accordance with Section 3302 of Bellinger and Cotton's Code and declaration as provided by Section 3303 and by cash or check for full amount offered.

No bid for less than \$1.00 per acre will be considered.

The right to reject any and all bids is reserved.

Applications and bids should be addressed to G. G. Brown, clerk State Land Board, Salem, Oregon, and marked, "Application and bid to purchase Unpatented Swamp Lands."

G. G. BROWN,
Clerk State Land Board.
Dated this 26th day of April, 1906

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BIG TIMES IN BEND

Deschutes Settlers Will Hold Meeting.

Thus it is clearly seen that the game is to throw a large surplus into the county treasury by doubling the assessed value. This is how the money will be bled from the people—chiefly from those who hold timber in Western Crook, a section of the county that does not want a new court house in view of the fact that a division of the county is imminent.

Chamberlain to be Present

Grand Trout Barbecue, Institute Program, Governor's Reception and Dance.

Railroad development through Western and Southern Crook makes it practically sure that the county will be divided. The demand that the county seat be taken away from Prineville is being greatly strengthened by this late action by the court. Conservative minds, however, are advising that since Prineville will undoubtedly be left as the logical county seat of one of the new counties that rash and hasty action should not be taken.

There will be big times in Bend. Governor Chamberlain, the state land board and other officials will be the guests of the Deschutes Settlers' Association next Tuesday, June 19, and the association in Bend is making great preparations for a day filled to the brim with good things—an interesting and instructive literary program during which irrigation questions will be discussed; a grand trout barbecue where every one will be served with as many fish as they can eat; a reception to the governor and his party, from 7 to 9 p. m., and a grand dance in the evening at the B. M. hall to close the day's amusements.

The whole game has been shown in its true light, a game to build an expensive court house for Prineville's glory at the expense of the taxpayer.

THERE'S MONEY IN SIGHT.

Bend's New Ball Team Is Expected to Capture Big Purse.

Arrangements for a No. 1 ball team in Bend are about completed. Word was received from Charley Bilyeu that he would fill his old position at the pitcher's plate. He is now at Klamath Falls and is expected in Bend in a few days. R. A. Young, the draughtsman with Chief Waggner of the Oregon Eastern surveyors, now stationed at Bend, is an old-time catcher, and will give good service behind the bat. He has played with Salt Lake City in the Utah state league. Horton, with the surveyors working this way from Burns, will also give a good account of himself on first base. He played that position last year with the Stanford university team. Charles Reed, who is playing now with the Redmond team, may also sign with Bend. H. E. Smith, who has recently come to Bend and is working at P. B. D. Co.'s saw-mill, is also an able man on the diamond, his regular position being at first. These, with the local men available, will make a team that is sure to win many a victory before the season ends.

During the winter the Deschutes Settlers' Association has held two very pleasant and profitable meetings, one at Laidlaw, the other at Redmond. It was recently learned that the governor and state land board would soon be taking a trip through this part of the state and the association immediately began to arrange plans to invite these officials here to meet the settlers at their third meeting. This was desired as many settlers on ditch land were anxious to meet the land board and discuss certain questions relative to state land law. Bend business men have been diligently at work during the week getting everything in readiness to extend the glad and welcoming hand to every visitor to the town. Tom Triplett and his crew of brother fishermen have been tempting the wary trout to bite and they have met with great success. They promise to furnish an abundance of the famous Deschutes river trout for the trout barbecue. Coffee, lemonade, pies, cake, and many other good things will help to make one of the finest spreads ever served in the Deschutes valley. Ample tables have been erected beneath the tall pines on the river bank in a most desirable place.

Prineville will give a baseball tournament as a feature of their July Fourth celebration, and the Bend team expects to walk away with their share of the purses. The first purse of \$250 will go to the team winning a majority of games; \$150 to the second, and \$50 to the third. Teams from Antelope, Madras, The Dalles, Redmond and Bend will compete.

After the picnic dinner, from 2 to 5 a fine institute program will be given, at which many practical questions of interest to the irrigator will be discussed.

With Bilyeu in the box and Young stopping the sphere behind the bat, local fans are betting that Bend will gobble onto that \$250 purse.

BRING IN SAMPLES.

Show the People What the Deschutes Valley Can Raise.

Every rancher, farmer and gardener coming to Bend next Tuesday should bring some sample of grain or garden truck grown either this year or last. Each sample should be labeled with the owner's name and left at the entertainment committee's headquarters.

From 7 to 9 an open air reception will be given to the governor and the other officials on the spacious lawn at the A. M. Drake home. The committee requested the use of the lawn for the occasion, and permission was gladly given. The lawn will be illuminated. Every one is invited to meet the state officials who have been so steadfast in their purpose to secure a square deal for the settlers on irrigated land.

Nothing would show so well what the fertile Deschutes valley can grow as an exhibit of this kind. Bring in a number of samples and show what a fertile country we have. Don't forget this.

The day's program will close with a dance in the B. M. hall. The committee are anxious that everyone far and near will avail themselves of this opportunity to have a good and profitable time. Lay aside the labors of the household and ranch for one day and take a little recreation. Rest in the shade of the big pines on the beautiful Deschutes. Bring the children. They are wanted also.

Horses Strayed.

Two range horses, both iron grays. Mare branded with anchor on left shoulder and round top "a" on left stifle; the horse has round top "a" on left stifle. Both had halters on. Reward of \$5 a piece delivered at O'Neil, Or., or any corral. H. A. MONTGOMERY. 13-14 O'Neil, Or.

A ball game will be provided for the boys and other amusements for the little ones. Don't leave the children at home—bring them.

A Few Things to Remember. Provision will be made for sleeping accommodations for those who cannot return home that night. As it is impossible to estimate how many to provide for, those desiring to spend the night are requested to bring blankets, etc. with them. Many homes will be opened for the free accommodation of out of town

Timber Claims. Parties having timber claims for sale please address, Neil Smith, Bend, Or. State amount of timber estimated and price asked for claim. 13-20pd

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