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PORTLAND OBJECTS

Does Not Want Dam Built in Deschutes River.

A SHREWD HARRIMAN TRICK

It is Believed That the Wily Railroad King Dictated the Recent Action of the Reclamation Service.

Business men of Portland, acting with the Portland chamber of commerce, are taking steps to send a petition to the secretary of the interior protesting against the building of a dam in the Deschutes river and thus delaying railroad construction into Central Oregon. The petition will also ask that the right of way of the Oregon Trunk Line leading southward from the mouth of the Deschutes river into Crook county be granted.

The belief has grown rife in Portland that this action of the reclamation service was dictated by Harriman, with the object in view of keeping competitive railroads out of Central Oregon until after he can move in and occupy the field. It is evident that the business men of Portland are thoroughly in earnest in their opposition to this action of the reclamation service and will fight it to a finish.

Monday's Oregon Journal tells the story as follows:

What Senator Wheelon Says.

"State Senator Wheelon is determined to leave no stone unturned to bring the officials at Washington to a right view of the situation. He says that the O. R. & N. had crews of engineers working on both sides of the Deschutes river prior to the notice given out by the reclamation service that it had filed on the waters of the river. As soon as the filing became public the crews were withdrawn. This move on the part of the reclamation service was made months after the Oregon Trunk had surveyed its line, secured its right of way over private lands and begun grading work at the mouth of the Deschutes. The maps, profiles and prayer for right of way over the government domain, weeks before the reclamation service filed on the waters of the Deschutes, were laid before the department to determine whether the proposed road would in any way interfere with any of the government projects. The appropriation of the water followed and the interior department refused to grant the petition asking for right of way over the public land.

Not Determined Feasible.

"E. C. Henney, supervising engineer of the reclamation service, stated at his office in the presence of State Senator Wheelon, Jesse Stearns and F. S. Stanley of the Deschutes Irrigation & Power company, which has already spent over \$850,000 in the irrigation of arid territory in Crook county, that the government proposition to dam the Deschutes and generate electricity for the Umatilla project has not as yet been determined feasible, and even if it should be in the future it was not certain that there would be money available to carry out the work. The project, he said, might be abandoned any time within three to five years. The appropriation of the water had been made, he added, to prevent any obstruction to the work proposed by the department. He believes that the public welfare demands the construction of the road, but it remains for the secretary of the interior to determine the matter. The filing was made without definite location, so that railroad building is completely blocked and the timber, mineral, agricultural, and irrigation resources of Central Oregon left at the mercy of Washington officials who may or may not decide in favor of an empire of thousands of square miles as against a couple of dams and a current of electricity.

Denounces the Move.

"Jesse Stearns, one of the stock

holders in the Deschutes Irrigation & Power company and largely interested in the development of the central part of the state, who spoke in strong terms against the action of the reclamation service, said yesterday:

"If the reclamation service is intelligent, if it is honest, if it is beneficent, then it should keep its hands off and let this railroad go in and help develop this great empire, and protect the capital of hundreds of thousands invested there. If it will not help, it should not hinder, and it will not hinder unless it is a part and parcel of this stab-in-the-back railroad game which is being played on the Pacific coast. I hold more strongly now than before to the views which I expressed at the Hood River meeting, and the recent disclosures made concerning the favoritism shown by Commissioner Richards to the Union Pacific and Harriman interests, leads all of us to believe that millions of acres of fertile land, and the hidden wealth of innumerable productive resources will be knocked in the head, tied hand and foot and thrown contemptuously aside to gratify the grasping nature of a railroad corporation which has virtually said, 'Hands off of Central Oregon until we get ready to move in.' There are other places to develop power, and other places to pump, and other lands to irrigate. If the reclamation service doesn't approve of us, if it doesn't want to aid us, then let it stand aside and not totally annihilate months of labor, development already started and thousands upon thousands invested.

Where Service Could Do Good.

"If the reclamation service is really anxious to serve the people and pump water, let them go above the mouth of the river to the Agency Plains district, where wheat and oats are being raised on 200,000 acres of land. The waters of the Deschutes are accessible there and the land owners would gladly give from 25 to 50 per cent of their entire holdings for water.

"It is a question, of course, whether the department will see fit to retract its action when our petition is presented, but there will be enough signatures on it, and it will go to Washington with such impetus that we expect to have some one sit up and take notice whether anything else results or not."

"The petition in question will be freely circulated throughout the central part of the state and will contain a long list of men representative of business enterprises. Aside from this there is little doubt that the chamber of commerce will affix its sanction and show, too, that not only the welfare of Central Oregon depends upon transportation, but that the development of the resources there will be of great and lasting benefit to Portland itself and the business concerns located there."

Buys Large Tract of Timber.

The Timberman has the following story regarding quite an extensive purchase of timber land by one of the companies buying in the vicinity of Bend, the Shevlin company. It reads:

The Shevlin-Clarke Lumber Company has just purchased 58,000 acres of timber land within 100 miles of Spokane. The land lies in Shoshone, Latah, Kootenai, and Nez Perce counties, in Idaho, and the price is said to have averaged well over \$10 an acre, or more than \$580,000. The deal was handled by Albert L. Pelling. The Shevlin-Clarke people have organized a subsidiary company to be known as the Monarch Timber Company, to handle their interests near Spokane. The company will have \$1,000,000 capital.

F. S. Stanley's Sawmill.

F. S. Stanley of Portland, who is interested extensively in the D. I. & P. Co., is one of the owners of a large sawmill at Hood River. Speaking of the mill there, the November Timberman says:

Stanley-Smith Lumber Company, of Hood River, is running steadily and will cut about twenty millions before they close down for the winter. The company expects to install two additional boilers and replace the rotary with a band. Another log storage pond, which will hold 5,000,000 feet, will also be built.

For Sale.

Pure Bred White Plymouth Rock cockerels. Choice stock.

37-38 R. F. BARNES.

A CREAMERY AT BEND

Move Started to Build a Local Plant.

WOULD BE PAYING INDUSTRY

Adam Kutzman Interviews Farmers and Says Time is Ripe for Starting a Creamery.

A movement is now under way whereby a creamery may be established at Bend in a few months. The moving spirit behind the deal is a successful rancher living a few miles east of Bend, and one who has had years of experience in starting and running creameries at various places, one of the more recent ones being at Gresham, Oregon. This man is Adam Kutzman.

For several weeks Mr. Kutzman has been quietly working among the farmers in an attempt to find out the feeling regarding a deal of this kind. He reports that he has met with much encouragement and that everyone he approached seemed to favor it very much—in fact, are anxious to have a creamery established. Some even volunteered to take stock in such an enterprise.

Under plans as outlined by Mr. Kutzman it would first be necessary to obtain pledges from the farmers to furnish milk from a certain number of cows. When these were secured, a co-operative association would be formed and the necessary plant built at Bend.

Mr. Kutzman agrees, if necessary, to furnish from 40 to 50 cows for this enterprise. Furthermore, in order to get the country stocked with a good grade of dairy animals, he says that he will agree to buy, say, a hundred head of milk cows, bring them into the Bend country, and then let ranchers take their pick from the bunch. If after purchasing one of these, anyone is dissatisfied with the cow's milk-giving abilities, Mr. Kutzman agrees to take the cow back and refund the purchase money.

Mr. Kutzman very much desires that the business men of Bend join hands with him in starting this enterprise. Redmond merchants have asked him to start a plant at that place, and he has also received overtures from Laidlaw men, but he prefers to have the first creamery started at Bend. In an enterprise of this kind the co-operation of everybody is needed, hence Mr. Kutzman is very desirous that the matter be taken up by Bend men.

About December 10 Mr. Kutzman will leave for a two month's trip to Wisconsin. On his return he will bring with him an experienced creamery man to put at the head of such an enterprise.

Butter will average at Bend from 40 to 50 cents a pound the year through. In the Mississippi valley creameries make big money for the farmers when they can sell the butter at from 20 to 30 cents. Consequently there is much reason to believe that a creamery in the Bend country would be a paying concern and would bring much money into the farmers' pockets.

A Cold Snap.

During the past week the weather at Bend has been cold and chilly most of the time. Last Friday the lowest temperature recorded by Observer Grant's instruments was 18° above zero; Saturday 22°, Sunday 8°, Monday 11°, Tuesday 19°, Wednesday 11°, Thursday 12°. Yesterday, the 29th, was the warmest day, the mercury reaching 41°. The lowest maximum was on the 23rd and 27th, when the thermometer only registered 29°.

New Kind of Alfalfa.

The following news item will be of interest to alfalfa growers, and illustrates in a small way the great good the department of agriculture is doing. It reads:

After twice making his life and once nearly losing it in the interest of agricultural science, Prof. N. E. Hansen, of the South Dakota experiment station of the

department of agriculture, has found in northern Siberia an alfalfa suited to the arid lands of the north, where the winters are bitter cold. Professor Hansen got on the track of the alfalfa a year ago, but was so late in searching for it that he was badly frozen in Siberia. Despite this experience he made another trial this year and has just informed Secretary Wilson that he has been successful and is on his way back with seed. The alfalfa Professor Hansen has discovered has a yellow flower instead of a blue. It is a native of the dry steppes of Siberia and grows well where the mercury falls to 35 to 40 degrees below zero. The country is exceedingly dry, and yet the new alfalfa is an excellent forage plant. Professor Hansen has secured the seed and it will receive a thorough test in the near future by the department.

NEWS NOTES OF INTEREST

Addition to School House.

On account of lack of room an addition of six feet will be built on to the end of the school building in the Arnold ditch district. This will make the building 12x27 feet. Mr. McGillivray reports that the district is much pleased with the school. There is an average attendance of 11 scholars, with Miss James, of Laidlaw, teacher.

Better Horses.

Have you ever noticed what a better class of horses are being driven into Bend by the farmers these days? A few months ago the average horse was small, light weighted and poor—a typical Oregon "fuzz tail." Now team after team comes to town of great heavy draft horses, sound and handsome. It shows that the country is improving.

Mountain Pass is Snow-Blocked.

W. C. Sturdevant, a transmit man, passed through Bend and registered at the Hotel Bend last Saturday. He was on his way to join Millar's crew of surveyors in the Odell country. He started from Eugene and endeavored to cross the mountains but found the snow so deep on the summit of the range that he was forced to leave his horses and come around by the way of Shaniko.

Work on Ditch is Now Stopped.

The main canal of the Arnold Ditch company has recently been completed as far as the Silver Lake road, about a mile north of Wet Weather Springs. It has not been fully decided whether the main canal will be continued farther, or whether the various users of the water will run their laterals from that point to their land. It is probable, however, that the big ditch will be extended some distance farther.

Will Make Large Carryall.

Lucas & Wenandy will soon have a large stage or carryall made for their fast increasing livery business. The box will be 14 feet long with a boot at each end, and will carry some 14 or 15 people. The seats will be made so that they can be removed, and in case a few wish to make a trip to Shaniko or elsewhere the seats can be taken out and room made for their baggage. The running gear has been ordered from the manufacturers and Millard Triplett will make the box.

Saloon License Notice.

BEND, Or., Nov. 27, 1906. To the Honorable Mayor and Common Council of the City of Bend.

Gentlemen: The undersigned, Severt Debing, hereby respectfully applies for a license from the City of Bend to sell spirituous, vinous and malt liquors and fermented cider in the building situated on lot 10 of block 10 of the City of Bend, for a period of three months from the 10th day of December, 1906.

Respectfully,
SEVERT DEBING.

Chickens for Sale.

I have for sale some pure-bred Barred Plymouth Rock hens; also some spring chickens, fine for table use. Can deliver at Bend if desired.
MRS. C. B. ALLEN,
Bend, Oregon.

The Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition will open June 1 and close October 15, 1909.

\$1,000 FROM 10 ACRES

Record of a Bend Farmer for Season of 1906.

MADE FROM GARDEN TRUCK

Well Drillers Lose Drill at Redmond at Depth of 230 Feet—Other News Notes in Western Crook.

REDMOND, Nov. 26.—We would hardly be a normal community if we did not have a blow or two who are always getting the wind taken out of them, but that is not the way with Joe Buckholz. He makes affidavit before a notary public that on ten and only ten acres of his forty of Pilot Butte segregation, he sold this year one thousand dollars worth of vegetables not including hay and grain.

Mr. Buckholz has a farm about two miles east of Bend and is one of the best farmers in the vicinity. The vegetables that brought this neat sum into Mr. Buckholz's bank account were sold to Bend people, where there was a ready market at a good price for all his produce. Besides the ten acres of vegetables, he also raised eight acres of wheat hay. No manure was put on the land for this year's crop, but it will be used freely before planting next season.

Mr. Buckholz had a nice exhibit at the Redmond fair, and believes in a liberal application of manure even if work is rushing. We wish a few more of our settlers would come to the front and not only give figures of what they have done, but back it up with something solid.

E. C. PARK.

MORE BUILDING AT REDMOND

Houses, Barns and Chicken Coops Are Going Up.

REDMOND, Nov. 26.—Everybody is building something. If we were rushed for space and crowded for time we might let it go at that but we will particularize and say that Mr. Hansen is putting up one of the largest barns in the township. J. H. Jackson is adding to the front of his house and Yours Truly is accommodating his large flock of chickens with more room. These things all go to show something. Guess what.

Still we are boring a well. Mr. Fowler says that everyone who can hear the whistle will know all right when water is struck. He will probably make it sound so much like the "toot cars" that we will all be going to town to see the first ones in.

John Trisler, George McQueen and E. C. Park were Prineville visitors the past week.

H. F. Tinsley is hauling lumber for a new house and will build soon.

Kirk Whitted of Laidlaw is having some clearing done on his place near Forked Horn.

Mr. Heuener has leased the 120000 eighty-west of town for two years and will work it while clearing up his own homestead down the waste way to lateral B.

Mrs. E. C. Park entertained a number of her friends at dinner Wednesday.

The assistant ticket agent of the Great Northern railway in Portland has been here for several days visiting his sister, Mrs. V. J. O'Connor. When he left he was the proud purchaser of a forty up in 17-14.

The well drillers lost their drill one day last week at a depth of about 230 feet, but have moved a little and begun work again.
E. C. PARK.

JUST A FEW QUESTIONS.

Man is Much Interested in Oregon and Wants Information.

Just to show the sample of letters that are frequently received by the postmaster with the multitude of questions asked him, we append one received the past week by Postmaster Grant. If any of The Bulletin readers have a lot of time on their hands they might answer this letter and give the man the information wanted. It reads:

CLARKSBURG, West Virginia, Nov. 6,

1906.—Dear Sir: You will please answer a few of my questions. What is wood-land worth per acre and how much is improved land worth and how much is worth to clear the land and make ready for the plow and how much is labor per day and how long have you lived in that country and what county do you live in and is it thickly settled? How much is land worth with a weather right and can a man and wife take up land and how long does he afto live on it before he can call it his own is there timber on the land I saw is the land any account after it is cleared and can you raise good corn and does it ever rain and do you have cold winters. Please give me a few of postoffice names. So please answer this letter as soon as you can and I hope I may be able to do something for you some day. I have heard so much about Oregon that I thought I would rite 2 you. This is all good by.

SHEPHERD WILL HANG TODAY

Unless His Sentence is Commuted by Governor Chamberlain.

Fred Shepherd, the man who killed Ben Zell on September 24 on Zell's ranch east of Bend, will be hanged today at Salem at 12:30 p. m., unless his sentence is commuted by Governor Chamberlain. An attempt was made to have the sentence changed to life imprisonment. In a letter to the governor, Judge Frazer, who presided at the trial of Shepherd, writes as follows:

"The evidence showed the murder to be one of the most atrocious and fiendish acts of which I have ever heard. It was committed in order that Shepherd, the murderer, might ravish Mrs. Zell, wife of the murdered man. As far as I know, the crime was very similar to those committed at times by negroes in the South, which have given rise to the many lynchings in that section, and while listening to the evidence of the manner in which Zell was killed, and his wife, a rather delicate and refined little woman, outraged thereafter, I was amazed that the men who were called to the scene an hour or two afterwards, could take Shepherd into custody and calmly wait for the arrival of the sheriff.

"When that little woman came back after having gone for help, with hair streaming, dressed in nothing but a loose wrapper, having ridden away bare-footed and bare-legged, and falling from her horse screamed with grief and terror: 'There is the man! That is the man who killed my Ben!' It was fortunate for Shepherd that a very quiet, cool-headed man was in control of the situation."

Judge Frazer concludes as follows:

"The case being such an atrocious one, and Shepherd having shown such a fiendish disposition, having not only murdered Zell and outraged his wife, but having shown a desire afterwards to forever blacken her character, in my mind he is not entitled to pity. He is clearly not insane, at least not in a legal sense, although he is somewhat stupid."

Later—A wire from Prineville at 10 o'clock this morning announced that Governor Chamberlain refused to commute the sentence and that Shepherd will be hanged today at 12:30 o'clock p. m.

Why Extra Expense?

The expense of running the extra stages has been very properly overlooked by the petitioners. A little matter of \$1,000 is trifling when the government foots the bill.—Prineville Review.

The Madras Pioneer answers the above objection to a new mail route as follows:

"Will the erudite editor of the Review please tip off to an inquiring public, the process of reasoning by which he arrives at the above conclusion? * * * The proposal is to have a direct route from Shaniko to Bend, serving Youngs, Madras, Culver, Lamonta, O'Neils, Cline Falls, Laidlaw and Bend, with a branch line from Heisters serving Havercree, Grizzly and Prineville. This entire service requiring but the one direct route and the one branch route of 35 miles. To serve the same offices now it requires the main star route and the following branch lines: Heisters to Madras 10 miles, Madras to Culver 12 miles, Grizzly to Lamonta seven miles, Prineville to O'Neils and Cline Falls 25 miles, Bend to Laidlaw eight miles.

"Estimating the cost of operating the main line, which can certainly not be greater by way of Madras than it is by way of Grizzly Mountain and Prineville, we are reduced to the conclusion that it costs more to operate one branch line of 35 miles from Heister to Prineville than it does to operate six branch lines aggregating a total of 71 miles by the old route. If there is anything in the Review's argument."

There's 1 NEWS in The Bulletin.