

HARMONY IN SIGHT

Troubles of the Columbia Southern Are Averted.

RESERVOIRS WILL BE BUILT

Bondholders Are Now in Control of the Company and Its Segregation Will Be Satisfactorily Reclaimed.

The threatened trouble that has been confronting the Columbia Southern Irrigating Company, whereby that corporation might be forced into the hands of a receiver, has been averted. Holders of stock in the company have signed over their stock to the bond holders and the men who were formerly the bond holders now constitute the principal stockholders in the company. This arrangement places the company in a position in which all bonds will be cancelled and leaves it free from all incumbrances.

The principal stockholders of the reorganized company are: W. H. Moore, banker; E. E. Lytle, banker and president of the Pacific Railway & Navigation Co.; J. Frank Watson, president Merchants National Bank, Portland; C. M. Keep, banker and capitalist; I. A. Verex and D. E. Keasey, real estate dealers. The officers are: W. H. Moore, president; J. Frank Watson, vice president; E. E. Lytle, treasurer; C. M. Keep, secretary.

News that will interest and please many in this section is the official announcement that the new company proposes to immediately proceed to complete the plant and put it in working condition, sufficient to irrigate not only the segregation but all the land there is water to cover. With the financial backing the company now has it should be made a grand success if it is properly handled. The company's intention to furnish water to homesteaders and others owning land not in the segregation will be received with pleasure by many, as it assures them water for their land. It is understood there is a large acreage that will thus be supplied with water.

C. M. Mudd, local superintendent of the company, in a statement to The Bulletin, said that construction work would be prosecuted to a greater or less degree from now on and undoubtedly later in the season, when feed became more plentiful, crews would be put at work building dams for the reservoirs on the upper Tumello. With these reservoirs built there will be an abundance of water for all the land that can be watered under this project, which, properly man-

aged, will be one of the best in the West.

The bondholders will immediately employ an engineer who will come to the holdings in this county and make a map of the entire section to be irrigated, including also the portion already served. Proposed improvements in the way of additional reservoirs will be included, and after the map is in shape a meeting will be held with Governor Chamberlain and other state officers to pass on the project. The bondholders have conferred with Governor Chamberlain and the foregoing map plan was agreed upon but aside from this no further action was taken.

In a letter to the Oregonian, Judge Seneca Smith, the company's attorney, claims that there has always been an abundance of water for all settlers on the segregation and maintains that no one had been injured by the company's actions. He further says:

"It is true, however, that up until the past few days there were grounds for apprehension that the company would be unable to carry out its contract with the state and complete its irrigation works, arising from the fact that the plant and franchises were mortgaged to secure the payment of the company's bonds amounting to some \$167,000, and its credit was so impaired that it was doubtful whether more money for construction work could be raised. The value of the bonds were rapidly depreciating, suits against the company were threatened and the company's future did not look bright.

"In this condition of its affairs the old owners of the stock of the company consisting of Messrs. R. W. Wilson, J. W. Blain, G. G. Willis and W. A. Laidlaw, being anxious for the successful carrying out of the original irrigation scheme offered to the bondholders of the company to surrender to them all of the company's stock to be distributed among the bondholders in the proportion which each of the bondholders held of the whole amount of the company's bonds. This was to be, however, on condition that the bondholders would, upon receiving all the stock of the company, surrender to the company to be cancelled by it, all of their bonds.

"The old stockholders have assigned all their stock to the bondholders as agreed, and their connection with the company has ceased."

Goodwillie-Jones Wedding.

Announcements have been received here of the marriage of Mr. Arthur L. Goodwillie and Miss Grace Jones, both of Bend, at Portland on Tuesday, March 26. Mr. Goodwillie, who is mayor of the city of Bend, is quite well known throughout Central Oregon. He is interested in a number of enterprises at and near Bend, including an interest in the company which owns the townsite of the attractive little city. Mr. and Mrs. Goodwillie expect to reside at Bend, where Mr. Goodwillie has one of the most attractive homes in the county, and where he and his bride will be at home to their friends after June 1.—Madras Pioneer.

That Team Trouble.

At the hearing before the justice of the peace, held Tuesday, Pat Angland, accused of concealing stolen property, waived examination, and was bound over in the sum of \$250 to appear before the circuit court at the spring term. J. W. Robison, complaining witness who resides in Crook county, was placed under bonds in the sum of \$250 for his appearance here in May.—Lakeview Herald.

A ROAD IN TWO YEARS

Oregon Trunk Line Will Build to Bend.

RIGHT OF WAY IS GRANTED

Contract for Rails Is Let to Carnegie Company—Surveyors Will Work between Bend and Madras.

The Bulletin has been informed from a source that removes all doubt as to the authenticity of the report that surveying crews will be put at work about May 15 running a line from Madras to Bend for the Oregon Trunk Line. As soon as the surveys are completed construction will begin, with probably a crew at each end of the Bend-Madras line. In the meantime work will be resumed on that part of the line coming up the Deschutes canyon, and the road will be pushed to a speedy completion. It is also learned from the same source that contracts for the rails for the new road are already closed. A first-class substantial road will be built and 80 pound rails used.

The Bulletin got this information from a man who has been connected with the Oregon Trunk Line from its inception. He announced personally to this paper that the road was a "sure go" and that it would take from one and a half to two years to build it into Bend, but into Bend it will come. The undertaking is satisfactorily financed and will be carried to a successful end.

It will cost about \$20,000 a mile to build the line. The North Bank road is costing \$75,000 a mile, the Union Pacific cost \$65,000, the Northern Pacific \$40,000 and the Great Northern \$55,000. It is thus seen that the Oregon Trunk Line is comparatively a cheap road to build, although this gentleman says that there will be considerable hard work in the Deschutes canyon.

DAMS WILL NOT BE BUILT.

Reclamation Service Abandons Plans and Right of Way Is Granted.

Right of way up the Deschutes river has been granted to the Oregon Trunk line, and it is now expected that the work of building that line into Central Oregon will soon be resumed. Last week Thursday's Portland Journal says that F. S. Gordon, engineer in charge of the Oregon Trunk railroad, work upon which was suspended several months ago owing to conflict in the right of way with appropriations made by the government reclamation service, received a telegram this morning from Commissioner Ballinger of the general land office that the railroad's right of way has been granted.

It is stated that former plans of

the company, of which W. F. Nelson of Seattle is president, will now be carried forward and the road projected into Central Oregon.

Water Is Appropriated.

Surveys on the line which began at the mouth of the Deschutes river and continued southward into Crook county were completed last year, and late in the fall grading work began along the banks of the river. This had been completed for a considerable distance when the company was served with notification that the reclamation service had appropriated the waters of the Deschutes at its mouth for power service. Inasmuch as the Oregon Trunk's right of way fell inside of the restricted district thrown around water appropriations made by the reclamation service, the right to build the road up the canyon of the Deschutes was denied.

Strong Remonstrance Made.

Last winter when it became known that for the purpose of generating power at the mouth of the Deschutes to carry it to aid in the Umatilla irrigating projects, the reclamation service had blocked the only feasible route into the long neglected region of interior Oregon, protest sprung up from all quarters.

Portland business men and others interested in the development of the arid districts of Crook county took up the matter in an effort to have the order against the railroad company rescinded. Petitions were circulated broadcast among the residents of Central Oregon and also received many signatures from the business interests of Portland. Later they were forwarded to Washington, where congressional pressure was enlisted. The result is the telegram which was received by Engineer Gordon this morning.

Machinery on the Ground.

While the officers of the railroad company have issued no official statement, it is said that they are ready to go ahead at once with the road and open up one of the largest isolated districts in the west. Grad-

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EASTERN MEN SELL OUT

Messrs. Turney and Johnston Dispose of Stock in Deschutes Irrigation & Power Company.

It is now learned from an authentic source that the report contained in The Bulletin several weeks ago to the effect that Messrs. Johnston and Turney had disposed of their stock in the Deschutes Irrigation & Power Company, was correct. Their holdings have been taken over by the Portland stockholders. It is also understood that Jesse I. Stearns, one of the Portland stockholders, will soon be in Bend and will spend the summer overseeing the work on the segregation hereabout.

PREMIUMS OFFERED

Wants an Educational Exhibit for County Fair.

A CHANCE FOR EVERY SCHOOL

Superintendent Dinwiddie Urges All Scholars to Join in Contest for the Various Prizes.

C. B. Dinwiddie, county superintendent of schools, has commenced a campaign whose object is to secure a worthy educational exhibit from the schools of the county at the next county fair at Prineville. Supt. Dinwiddie expects to see better work done on account of the friendly spirit of rivalry that will be engendered among those competing for the prizes. He has something to say to the teachers, pupils and patrons, as follows:

The fair association has made a new list of premiums for the school exhibit for the coming autumn. The amount has been increased somewhat and arranged so as to give every one a chance at a premium. In decisions on school exhibits, quality and not quantity will be considered. At least 20 per cent of all classes must be represented; for instance, if there are 20 pupils in a class there must be at least four papers exhibited. This will put the small schools on the same footing as the larger schools as the papers or work must be the four best out of 20 instead of the first best, while the small school with five or less in a class need exhibit only the first best, etc.

Each grade should be represented by the required 20 per cent of the class or more. Work should be practical, everyday work such as is usually required in the regular school work. Pencil may be used in grades under the third. A good quality of paper should be used to be about 8 1/2 x 11 inches and pupils should write on only one side.

Each class and grade's work should be grouped before sending in. All manuscripts should be sent direct to the county school superintendent, and any suggestions or help in arranging the work will be appreciated.

Teachers and pupils, now is the time to begin arranging for the exhibit. The fair association has been as liberal as their funds will allow and we should now do our part. Teachers, you can make this an incentive to good written work in the school room and you will be able to secure the best efforts of the pupils without losing any time from the regular lessons, and you will also be encouraging correct habits in written work. Any paper handed in from now on will be accepted, although the fair will not be held till some time in October. Teachers and pupils will be placed at a better advantage and will be able to prepare a better exhibit by saving the best effort from the close of this term rather than from the beginning of next, and many schools can be represented that will not be in session at the time of holding the fair.

We would like to have every school in the county represented, and every teacher's name on the list of teachers whose pupils have work exhibited. You will notice that the premiums are arranged so that every school, no matter how small, may compete for one or more premiums, and also the pupils will have only those near their grade attainment to emulate. Grades will be taken into consideration by judges in their decisions. Any school in the county may enter for general school exhibit; only the grades mentioned can compete for the special prizes.

Teachers, your name will be looked for and, if it appears, noticed and remembered. Pupils, your name will be looked for by parents and friends and they will be disappointed if it does not appear. Strangers will notice your work if it appears and look for your name, the name of the teacher and the school. Here is an opportunity to earn a premi-

um for yourself, help earn one for your school, and by doing good work, help your school, your teacher and yourself.

Parents, here is an opportunity to assist your children and their teacher and to help build up your school by encouraging an incentive to better work. Will you fall in line?

The following is a list of premiums: First best school exhibit, International dictionary.

Second best school exhibit, \$5.00.

Third best school exhibit, \$3.00.

Best composition, sixth to eighth grades inclusive, first premium, \$3.00; second, \$2.00.

Best arithmetic scheme, fifth to eighth grades inclusive, first, \$2.00; second, \$1.00.

Best language paper, fourth and fifth grades inclusive, first, \$2.00; second, \$1.00.

Best language paper, first to third grades inclusive, first, \$2.00; second, \$1.00.

Best arithmetic paper, second and third grades inclusive, first, \$1.00; second, 50 cents.

Best number paper, first grade, first, \$1.00; second, 50 cents.

Our exhibit was good last year and quite a number of schools were represented. Let us all put our shoulders to the wheel and push for a better one this year, and not only that but for the best possible. Yours truly,

C. B. DINWIDDIE,

County School Superintendent.

Redmond Items.

Redmond, April 8.—Wasn't it a glorious rain?

We understand that W. E. Young has sold his north forty for \$700 unimproved.

Mr. and Mrs. Moore of Prineville have been over putting in some seed on their farm.

The stage was late getting in on Sunday owing to not leaving Madras until two o'clock.

M. E. Landes made a business trip to Prineville Friday and being detained by the rain returned Sunday.

A Ladies' Aid society has been organized as an auxiliary to the Sunday School for helping to purchase an organ.

We started to Malras Friday for grain and mill feed. Got there, too, but did not get back on schedule time on account of rain and washouts.

The new stage brought in four passengers Friday, one on Saturday and two on Sunday. We don't know how many on other days—we just happened to see these.

Chas. E. Pyatt of Montana came in Saturday in the rain looking for land. We got slightly acquainted with him through a kindness done for us and hope to see him locate here and get better acquainted.

E. C. PARK.

Tumalo Items.

TUMALO, April 9.—Cloudy April weather.

Chas. Spaug was in Tumalo Sunday.

J. B. Wimer is on the sick list this week.

T. A. Jensen was over from the Hightower & Smith mill Saturday and Sunday.

Chas. Brock and Lee Hobbs of Bend passed through here today en route for Sisters.

Mr. Hasselberg expects to complete his 50 acre contract of clearing and plowing on the Star Ranch this week.

We don't miss the out side mail much any more. It hasn't arrived for nearly a week but that don't amount to anything. After 32 days delay we got used to it.

Notice has been received from the postoffice department that C. L. Gist has been appointed postmaster of the new postoffice of Gist and supplies had been forwarded to him. This office will be supplied with mail from the Bend-Tumalo route.

The county road viewers are busy now in these parts viewing roads that have been asked for. Yesterday they viewed the road from Laidlaw west on township lines between 16-17 and 17-18 to where the Sisters and Bend road crosses at southeast corner of SW 1/4 of section 32 township 16-17, a distance of about five miles.

TO THE PEOPLE of Western Crook County

The BEND MERCANTILE COMPANY must reduce their assets to CASH. A great sacrifice will be made to close out the large stock of merchandise.

Store closes 10 a. m. on Sundays.

.....CROCKER & McDONALD, Agents for Creditors.