Preparations under Way for a Great Big Fourth.

\$1,000 IN PURSES AND PRIZES

Bend People Are Busy with Plans for a Unique and Glorious Celebration-A Trout Barbecue.

Bend will celebrate the glorious Fourth. That is assured. Committees are appointed, funds are being liberally subscribed and everyone who visits Bend on the next national birthday will be sure of "the time of their lives." A mass meeting was held at the B. M. hall last Monday evening to start the ball a-rolling and everyone was enthusiastic and everything harmonious. The necessary committees DEDICATION AT LAIDLAW were appointed and the work is now started.

Funds now contributed indicate that close to \$1,000 will be spent in the celebration. That sum assures a good one. One of the chief features of the day's entertainment will be another grand trout barbecue such as was so popular last June when Governor Chamberlain and other state officials were Prineville and Rev. Tavenor of Bend. In the old Deschutes Telephone Co., in Bend. Tom Triplett is chairman of the fish committee and promises to-catch enough fish to feed the population of the whole country for miles around. Some able orator may be secured to deliver an address and help stir up the people's patriotism and enthusiasm. A grand exhibition of fireworks will be shot off in the even-

These, of course, are only three of the leading attractions. While the program has not yet been made out, it is certain that good purses broncho busting, foot racing of Something like 60 chairs were donated that will be commenced at once are various kinds, climbing the slip. pery pole, catching the greased pig, etc.; etc., etc. In short, all of the sports that go to make the day glorious.

Will you celebrate in Bend? You will miss it if you miss it.

The committees appointed are as follows:

Pinance-H. P. J. McDonald, A. II.

Grant, E. A. Sather. Sports-C. D. Brown, Dr. Coc, J. H. Entertainment -

Nichol, A. I., Goodwillie, Mrs. H. C.

Fish—Tom Triplett, Ralph Sheldon, Millard Triplett, Dr. Nichol.

Fireworks—J. H. Wenandy, C. D. Brown, Nick Weider, A. H. Grant. Advertising—Chas. D. Rowe, J. E. Sawhill, Dr. Coe. Ground—S. C. Caldwell, chairman.

Bend House of Worship is Opened with Impressive Ceremonies.

Last Sunday witnessed the dedi-

THE BALL IS ROLLING at Bend. The Rev. Father Hickey was present to celebrate Mass and to officiate.

> Father Hickey opened the services by explaining to the congregation the meaning and significance of the different articles doned by a Catholic priest when celebrating Mass. He then proceeded to PLAN MANY IMPROVEMENTS bless the building by the sprinkling of holy water and recitation of prayers. Afterwards Rosewig's Extensions Will Be Made to Buras and Mass in P was sung by Mrs. H. Silver Lake—Through Service Erdman with Attorney Benson as organist. This service was very sweet and pretty and impressive and elicited much praise from those present. After Mass had been celebrated Father Hickey delivered a short sermon.

A goodly number attended the dedicatory services, many Protestant friends being present.

In the evening Father Hickey lectured briefly, explaining the meaning of the candles, decorations and different parts of the Catholic

New Presbyterian Church Opened to Worship with Appropriate Ceremonies.

The new Presbyterian church was dedicated last Sunday morning. A good attendance was present. The services were onducted by the pastor, the Rev. J. C. George, assisted by Rev. Mitchell of his address Rev. Mitchell endeavored to impress upon the minds and hearts of the people the world's need of the Sayiour; the essential step of every true follower of the Master to dedicate his life.

After the sermon, Rev. Mitchell made an appeal to the people for a donation to be used in purchasing seats for the church. This was met with a ready and folding chairs. These chairs will not only be very serviceable but very convenient, as by their use it will be possible to seat almost double the number that ments are planned for the immediate will be hung up for horse racing, could be seated with stationary pews.

> After the services all were invited to a umptuous dinner given by the ladies of Laidlaw. These ladies deserve the high- Lake. These lines will be first tality which was shown by them in entertaining over 125 people. All went away from the little village of Laidlaw feeling that their lot lead fallen in pleas- Burns and Silver Lake extensions. ant places, for the desert had brought Connection will be made at Silver of acquittal. forth of her increase.

The church was dedicated free from

ication a reception was given in the church in honor of Rev. George. Many evening enjoyed. Refreshments of ice those lines running through the assault on Rich Powell. It is unwere in attendance and a very pleasant

Grounds—S. C. Caldwell, chairman.

Ralance of committee to be appointed later.

CATHOLIC CHURCH DEDICATED

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Rev. George and family will leave soon for lowa where they will remain a few months, and will later probably return to Walla Walla, Wash, in order to give Rev. George's children the educational advantages of Whitman college. tional advantages of Whitman college.

Rolled Barley for Sale.

In the Johnson building on Wall cation of the little Catholic church street at Bend.

# COMPANIES MERGED

Lines Are Consolidated.

to California.

The Deschutes Telephone Comto be known as The Pioneer Tele- large ranches lying east of Bend. graph and Telephone Company. The new company will have a capitalization of \$150,000, and will improvement is that the Pacific Telhave over 300 miles of wire in oper- egraph and Telephone Co. has puration, with several new lines under chased a building at Shaniko and construction. The stockholders of about June 1 the Shaniko central the new company will meet at office will be moved into the com- \$10,000. Prineville next Monday and affect pany's private building in order to an organization. Several of the avoid the publicity heretofore existleading business men of Prineville ing because of the location of that have become identified with the office in the hotel corridor. new company and will take an

W. E. Guerin, Jr., president of has taken the agency of the local exchange at Prineville, which is owned by the Pacific Telegraph and Telephone Company. The city lines will be rebuilt at once and a metallic circuit system put in. Rates will be the same as the Bend rates. Three regular hearty response by many present who operators will be employed and were interested in the work. For the the office will be kept open present the seats will consist of strong, from 6 o'clock a. m. to 12 o'clock p. m., both Sundays and holidays. vin shot in self defense.

> Various extensions and improvefuture. Two of these extensions and one from Prineville to Silver Lake with a line from Bly which will furnish a direct line from Caliand Montana. The new line will was fined \$250. be about 500 miles shorter than heavy business.

The Prineville-Madras line will section covered by the new com- the company to supply sufficient 8tf pany wherever conditions warrant

it. A new line from Prineville to Paulina is being built, about 40 miles being now completed.

The Summers lines consist of a Crook County Telephone line from Prineville to Post; Prineville to Howard to Summit Prairie; Prineville up the Ochoca; Prineville to Madras via Grizaley, Culver and Lamonta; and Madras to Hay COST OF DRILLING, \$10,000 Creek. The lines in operation by the Deschutes company were the Bend-Prineville line; Bend to Sisters via Laidlaw; Bend to Rosland, and Bend to Redmond. The latter company also has farmers' lines covering the territory between Bend and Rosland, Bend and Sisters, and pany, with headquarters at Bend, has one building from Bend into and the State Central Telephone the Arnold ditch district. It also Company, or the Summers lines at recently took over the D. I. & P. Prineville, will be re-organised and Co.'s private line which gave it consolidated into a new company communication with several of the

Another feature under the new organization that will be a great

The main office of the Pioneer active part in its management here- Telegraph and Telephone Company will be at Prineville but it is understood that a large part of the office work will still be done at Bend.

## CIRCUIT COURT IN SESSION.

No Indictment Returned against Harrison Melvin-Other Court Notes,

Circuit court convened at Prineville Monday, with Judge Bradshaw presiding. Harrison Melviu, the man who killed S. H. Dorrance last winter, was not indicted by the grand jury and was discharged. The evidence before the jury showed plainly that Dorrance had threatened to kill Melvin and that Mel-

The case against O. H. Erickson, son of Chas. Erickson, for stealing a horse, went to the jury about 2:30 Wednesday afternoon. The jury remained out until about 3 o'clock a new line from Prineville to Burns Thursday afternoon, when they were discharged, not being able to agree on a verdict. Erickson will be tried again, his case coming on est commendation for their splendid class in every respect. A very today. Those who heard the evispirit of good-will and the royal hospi- heavy wire will be used, strong, dence say that there was not the substantial poles put in and modern shadow of a case against Erickson, instruments installed on both the the action having been brought through spite. It was reported that the jury stood 11 to 1 in favor

Wm. Horsle and F. C. Rowlee

down McCord's fence and McCord master Wimer and family. shot him through the hand.

The case of Clark vs. the Columbe rebuilt soon into a substantial bia Southern Irrigating Co., alo yesterday. and modern line. Farmers' lines brought to collect damages suswill be built through the whole tained on account of the failure of

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# FOUR DEEP WELLS

Moore Bros. Will Drill the First One at Redmond.

Agreement Cells for a Depth of 800 Feet in Each Well if Water is Not Found Sooner.

Moore Bros. of Madras have losed a contract with the Deschutes Irrigation & Power Co. to sink four deep wells on the company's had a large dwelling and it was well fur-segregation, one on the Redmond nisbed with all kinds of coatly furniture, townsite one on the Haswell-Guerin ranch, one on the Stanley-Davenport ranch, and the other at some other point on the segregation.

The contract calls for a depth of Soo feet in each well, although they will probably not go that deep if an abundant supply of water should be found at a less depth. The of Flathcad Valley, Montana, now of price for the four wells is to be Redmond, Oregon, has bought the A. J. The contractors have purchased the big drill owned by the D. I. & P. Co. which began on a well at Redmond during the early winter and got to a depth of something like 200 feet, when work was temporarily abandoned. Moore Bros. arrived at Redmond last Monday and will begin operations at once. They estimate it will take four months to sink the four wells.

Many believe that an abundant supply of clear, cold water will be found underlying the big desert of Central Oregon. These wells will give the matter a thorough test.

## THEY REFUSE \$50 PER ACIRE

Numerous Reports that Owners of Ditch Land Will Not Sell for Above Valuation.

TUMALO, May 7 .- Robert Noland, who has a fine eighty of ditch land five miles southeast of Bend, was at Tumalo one day last week and while here he bought a fine Jersey milch cow from G. W. Wimer & Sons. Mr. Noland is greatly pleased with the Deschutes country. He informed us that some land in his neighborhood was changing hands at \$50 per

On the other hand we hear that the Sherwood boys, who have a fine 160 ucre tract of ditch land near Redmond, have refused an offer of \$50 per acre for their land. The ones who own good land are the lucky ones now days.

We are sorry to say that Johnny B. Redmond without a license. Rowlee Wimer is still confined to his room with ter in the store. Pretty soon we'll see On the Friday evening preceding ded- ern Oregon to Idaho, Washington, plead not guilty and was discharged. Horsle plead guilty and recovery as it makes him very impatient from all parts of the store to the cash-A. A. McCord was fined \$200 for to be out to enjoy it.

valley and will undoubtedly do a derstood that Powell was tearing in Tumalo this week the guest of Post-

Depaty Assessor F. E. Dayton and Mr. Tullar of Laidlaw were callers at Tum-

The dedication of the new Presbyter- o'clock ian church at Laidlaw last Sunday was a Mrs. L. L. Welch is entertaining her great success. The sermons were very sister-in-law from Prineville. appropriate and the basket dinner was

just too good. When it comes to getting up something good to eat the fair ladies of Laidlaw and the surrounding country

John Stiles of Laidlaw was a caller at Tumalo yesterday. John is riding ditch for the Columbia Southern Irrigating Co., and from the way he gets around we would judge he was just the right man in the right place.

C. M. Mudd and the new managers of the Columbia Southern Irrigating Co. were at Tamalo yesterday looking over the company's work and talking reservoirs. They say they are up against it big proposition.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Gibson were at Tumalo last Sunday visiting with G. W. Wimer and family, They were very unfortunate in having their house and large wood shed burned one day last week. The loss falls heavy on them for they books and pictures. Nothing whatever was saved. Mrs, Gibson had a large washing out on the line that was destroyed. They had a large hot bed with all kinds of plants that was destroyed

### Redmond Items.

REDMOND, May 6 .- J. A. Wright late Booth property north of Forked Horn Butte and will take immediate possession. We shall regret not to have Mr. Booth for as near a neighbor as we have had, but shall welcome Mr. Wright and hope that he will find this as pleasant a country to live in as we have so far.

We hope that before long we shall be able to get our local papers for one week before correspondence for the next week must be sent off. Not knowing just what was written the week before makes it somewhat awkward some

A letter just received from Comrade John Trisler, Ottumwa, Iowa, says: "There are lots of people here who would like to be out there and I don't blame them either." Eight inches of snow for the last of April is not so bad for old Towa.

I. I., Harader of our side of the river has bought the G. W. Moore Columbia Southern irrigated forty.

Mrs. Tuck is reported as much improved and is expected home from Bend

the middle of this week. This week we inaugurate a new departure in the pure bred stock industry in offering for sale day old chicks,

See our ad elsewhere. Mrs. C. N. Ehret has been quite sick but is much better.

Bill Horsle is back from a trip to Portland.

Quite a number of visitors from this place to Prineville the past week.

Ice McClay is out with I. L. Welch clearing and Mike McGraw has charge of the B. M. S. Stage stable at this place.

Ehret Brothers have just installed a to see this fine weather and not be able ier's desk and many other improvements.

The Reverend Mr. Lilly of Cline Falls occupied our pulpit yesterday morning and gave us a good sermon.

Sunday services have been changed from afternoon to morning, Sunday school coming at 10 and preaching at 11

E. C. PARE.

# 14,000 POUNDS OF NEW GOODS

Arrived this week. These goods will be sacrificed with the balance of the Bend Mercantile Co.'s big stock. Come early while the selection is good.

Store closes 10 a. m. on Sundays.

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