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BEND, OREGON

WILL SELL ITS PLANT

Water Company Submits Proposition to City.

THE PRICE NAMED IS \$10,000

Council Will Employ Engineer to Furnish Estimate of Cost on Gravity System and Light Plant.

Wednesday evening an adjourned meeting of the city council was held to receive and consider the proposition for the sale to the city of the water system and other property of the Bend Water, Light & Power Company, heretofore referred to in these columns.

J. E. Sawhill, in behalf of the syndicate which has recently taken over this property, appeared before the council and submitted a proposition, the chief points of which are as follows: The company will sell all its holdings including its tangible property, such as pipe lines, water tower, pumping station, etc., and its intangible property, which includes the franchise to use the streets and also the rights to the streets originally reserved by the P. B. D. Co. at the time of the dedication of the townsite of Bend. The consideration to be between \$14,000 and \$15,000 less the earnings of the plant since its installation, which would amount to \$3,000 or \$4,000, bringing the amount down to about \$11,000 or \$12,000. This was cut further, the consideration being finally placed at an even \$10,000. This does not include the five cubic feet of water sold to the company by A. M. Drake and the P. B. D. Co., this water being that used for irrigation from the open ditches.

After considering the matter the council instructed City Recorder Ellis to confer with the city engineers of Portland and other cities and get their recommendation for some competent hydraulic and electric engineer. Such engineers to be employed by the city to furnish an estimate of the cost of installing a gravity water system, plans for such a system, and also plans and estimates of the cost of an electric light plant suitable for the present needs of the city and capable of being enlarged as needed.

The council also took action to ascertain the means of raising funds for the contemplated improvements and as soon as possible will submit two propositions to the citizens; first, the purchase of the present company's property as above outlined and the building of a gravity system; second, the building of an electric light plant. By submitting the two propositions separately, the citizens will have the opportunity to accept both or to lay over until some future date, both or either one of the two plans.

In view of the fact that the earlier water filings of the D. I. & P. Co. are prior to the rights to water obtained by the city, it was also determined by the council to secure, if possible, in case the city takes over the system, concessions from the D. I. & P. Co. which will give the city undisputed right to a certain amount of water to be taken from the river. Mr. Sawhill intimated that such a concession could probably be obtained for little or nothing.

With a gravity system installed it would be an easy matter to fur-

nish water for irrigation through open ditches.

LIKED BEND'S CELEBRATION.

What Outside Papers Said in Regard to Our Big Fourth.

Quite a number of Laidlaw people attended the celebration at Bend on last Thursday and all who attended report a very nice time.—Chronicle.

People returning from Bend report an enjoyable time at that point on the Fourth. The principal feature of the day, according to these epicureans was the trout barbecue. About 2,000 fish were prepared for the table in an immense frying pan of the dimensions of two by 10 feet, which would hold about 150 half-pound beauties at one time. Several hours were consumed in frying the 2,000 fish, all of which disappeared in less than an hour.—Prineville Review.

Everybody that could get away went to Bend, Madras or Sisters, or Howard, or nearby camping places. All report a good time. Those that went to Bend were not disappointed. Everything was carried out as advertised. A goodly share of the prizes fell to the lot of the county seat delegation. The Cubs won the base ball game. Barney Milliron and Charley Lytle won the trap shoot, Lavelle Dillion won the little girls' race and Lloyd Yancey won the broncho busting contest, and Art Wurzeiler came home with the horse racing purse.—Prineville Journal.

CONTEST CASE HEARD.

Ed Swalley Brings Action against Homestead of Leon Pelarske.

The first of the week a contest case was heard before Commissioner Ellis in which Ed. Swalley brought a contest against Leon Pelarske's homestead on the Tumello in 18-10. The contestant based his case on three points, abandonment of homestead, failure to cultivate, and failure to establish residence.

The contestee introduced evidence to show that he has both a frame and a log house on the place, about 2½ acres or more cleared, some fencing done and other improvements made in the way of a garden, fruit trees planted and grass seed sown. At one time he was called to Minnesota by the serious illness of his father and was absent several months but returned before the expiration of the six months' limit and took up his residence on the homestead.

Attorney W. P. Myers of Laidlaw appeared for the contestant and Attorney Benson of Bend for the contestee.

STAVE FLUME IS ORDERED.

It Will Cost the D. I. & P. Co. the Sum of \$79,209.

The D. I. & P. Co. has recently contracted with the Douglas Fir National Pipe Company of Olympia for 1,612 lineal feet of pipe at a cost of \$79,209. This is for the stave pipe or flume that is to be used to syphon water across the old river bed onto the company's land around Powell Buttes.

During June the land sales of the company aggregated 1,740 acres, amounting to \$20,180. Also the company's expenditures for a single week ending June 9 amounted to \$8,500.

Saloon License Notice.

BEND, OR., July 19, 1907.
To the Honorable Mayor and Common Council of the City of Bend.
Gentlemen: The undersigned, E. J. Wright, hereby applies for a license from the City of Bend to sell spirituous, vinous and malt liquors and fermented cider in the building situated on lots 11 and 12 of block 10 of the City of Bend, for a period of three months from the 1st day of August, 1907. Respectfully,
E. J. WRIGHT.

RAILROAD ACTIVITY

Oregon Trunk Line May Resume Grading.

BUSY ON OREGON EASTERN

Final Locations Are Being Approved and Work Is Rushed—Construction Will Be Started Soon.

PORTLAND, July 16. — Accompanied by a number of men interested in the Oregon Trunk Line, a projected railroad up the Deschutes from the mouth of the river, W. F. Nelson of Seattle, president of the road, expects to start this morning on an automobile trip over the proposed route of the railroad to examine the obstacles to construction and make arrangements to begin work. The start will be made by boat from Portland to The Dalles, where the automobile will be unloaded and the overland trip commenced.

The Oregon Trunk Line is projected into interior Oregon for a distance of 250 miles south from the mouth of that stream. The road has been surveyed a distance of 110 miles to Madras. Numerous difficulties have attended the preliminary work on the road. Irrigation interests first came in contact with the project and it is supposed that the O. R. & N. will not aid the work to any extent for it proposes to enter territory now controlled altogether by the Harriman interests. It is believed, however, that the promoters of the line are ready to go ahead, and interesting developments in the work are promised.

President Nelson has a good record as a railroad builder. He has been a railroad contractor for a long time, being a member of the contracting firm of Nelson & White of Seattle. Later he bought the interests of his partner. He built the portage road on the Columbia and also constructed the Great Southern, the railway operating south from The Dalles through Dufur. He still holds an interest in that property.—Oregonian.

WHAT HARRIMAN IS DOING.

Task of Putting a Railroad across the State Requires Much Work.

Maps of the Oregon Eastern railroad, the projected Harriman line across eastern Oregon, are being adopted at meetings of directors of the road in the Worchester building, the Harriman headquarters. The final locations made by engineers are being approved by the officials of the line and it is indicated that as soon as the entire line from Natron to Vale is adopted construction will be commenced, says the Oregonian.

Maps showing the final locations from Vale to the boundary line between Lake and Harney counties have been approved by the directors of the Oregon Eastern and adopted as the route of the new road. This stretch of country reaches half way across Oregon and shows that the final work preparatory to construction is being rapidly closed up. The good progress that is being made on the final locations indicates that the Oregon Eastern will soon graduate from the paper railroad class and become a reality.

As the locations are adopted by the directors, the maps are filed in the land offices of Central Oregon, this being all that is necessary to se-

cure title to such parts of the public domain as are needed for the construction of the road. Most of the country traversed by the surveys is still public land. Acts of congress which are taken advantage of by the Harriman officials provide that construction of the road must be actively begun within five years. This gives the Oregon Eastern plenty of time in which to close up the preliminaries and to set earnestly to work without danger of losing title to the land needed on which to lay the track.

The Oregon Eastern project has never been in such promising shape as at present. The activity in adopting locations is highly encouraging to the people of Portland as well as to those of the interior of the state, who have waited so long for railroad facilities.

Surveying on Oregon Trunk Line.

Half a score of Oregon Trunk Line surveyors began operations Monday surveying along the Deschutes river up stream and down from the reclamation dam sight.—Moro Observer.

Another Crew on the Deschutes.

The Dalles Chronicle in its last issue says that Ray Harper, who is with the Roberts surveying party, came in on his parents unawares a few days ago. Mr. Harper says the surveying camp has been moved from Quinton to a point on the Deschutes to survey a branch of the Columbia Southern.

Another Railroad for Central Oregon.

Mr. Tom Marshall, a traveling man, has been calling upon our merchants this week. He came in by the way of Dufur, Tygh Valley and Wapinitia and he reports a surveying party of 45 at Wapinitia making a survey up the river. They are supposed to be Mt. Hood Railroad surveyors.—Laidlaw Chronicle.

The Mt. Hood Railroad is one to be constructed from Portland to Mt. Hood. It is now said this road will probably be extended into Central Oregon. The surveyors mentioned above are looking for a suitable route.

Can Hunt Buck Deer Now.

Something which probably not one sportsman in fifty is aware of, is that the open season in Oregon for hunting and killing buck deer opened on July 15, one month earlier than last year, says an exchange. This will give sportsmen three and a half months in which to hunt deer, instead of two and a half as heretofore. The change in the law was made during the last session of the state legislature by an amendment introduced in the house by Representative Bones on January 22, and numbered House Bill 151. The amendment also revokes the law which made it legal to shoot dogs that were in pursuit of deer.

Would Like to Come Back.

A letter just received from Rev. J. C. George states he has very hard work to keep from getting homesick for our beautiful Deschutes country. He says they have had a very late spring in Iowa and an early frost will ruin the corn crop. He says how now that the weather is very hot and that they miss the cool Oregon nights.—Laidlaw Chronicle.

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