

LOCAL MEN WILL BUILD RAILROAD

Crook County and Portland Capital Is Behind the Enterprise.

ARE TIRED OF WAITING

Take into Own Hands Extension of Road from Shaniko to Bend and Prineville.

ALL WILL BE ASKED TO HELP

Subscriptions to Preferred Stock of the Company Will Be Taken and Payment Accepted Either in Cash, Labor, or Material.

The Plan Briefly Told.

Portland wants trade connections with Central Oregon. Crook county needs railroad transportation. Will unite and build line from Shaniko to Bend and Prineville. Will come via Madras. Co-operation of all needed. Subscriptions will be asked of cash, labor on construction, timber for ties and bridges, and supplies for men and teams. Payment will be made in preferred stock of the company bearing 7 per cent. interest. Road to be known as Central Oregon Railroad Company.

Tired of waiting for the large companies to build a railroad into Central Oregon, the business interests of this county and of Portland have taken into their own hands the project of building a line into this section of the state, and the long-time dream of railroad transportation will undoubtedly soon be realized. The line that will open this vast inland empire of Central Oregon to a wonderful development is to be built from Shaniko to Bend and Prineville by way of Madras, and will branch at some suitable point south of Madras, one fork of the branch running to Bend, the other to Prineville. It will be known as the Central Oregon Railroad Company. A preliminary survey has been run from Shaniko to Bend and the project is known to be a feasible one.

The first step of a semi-public nature to set the ball a-rolling was taken at Prineville last Thursday afternoon when T. M. Baldwin, W. A. Booth, C. W. Elkins, W. F. King, F. Forest, G. M. Cornett, and D. F. Stewart of that city met Roscoe Howard and C. M. Redfield, general manager and chief engineer respectively of The Deschutes Irrigation & Power Company, and John Steidl of the Central Oregon Development company from Bend; L. Erderud, secretary of The Baldwin Sheep and Land Company from Hay Creek, A. C. Sanford of Madras, George O'Neill of O'Neill, and C. N. Elret of Redmond. Messrs. Howard and Redfield presented much financial and engineering data and the project was fully discussed. At the evening session those present adopted the following: "We hereby endorse the Central Oregon Railroad project as presented by Messrs. Howard, Redfield and Steidl and promise to aid it in every way within our power. We hereby recommend it to the citizens of Central Oregon and urge their full support."

The Central Oregon Railroad Committee was then formed with T. M. Baldwin temporary chairman and C. W. Elkins temporary secretary.

A meeting of the committee was held at Prineville yesterday, Thurs-

day, June 25, when other representatives from the county were invited to become members of the committee and plans for taking subscriptions to the preferred stock decided upon.

The men behind this undertaking propose to build the road with capital from Crook county and Portland. Portland merchants and capitalists have agreed to subscribe a sufficient amount to make the project a success if Crook county will give it reasonable support.

It is proposed to take subscriptions to the preferred stock in this county, taking in payment therefor money, labor, material or supplies. In this manner a heavy subscription from the county is possible, and will be of as much value in building the road as money. Money is not too plentiful, but there is an abundance of timber for ties, culverts and bridges; there are many teams and men who can build grades, and there are many supplies of food for men and teams.

It is not proposed to ask donations except for right-of-way; for all subscriptions from this county preferred stock bearing 7 per cent interest will be given. Thus a man will not be donating his time, his labor, or his material, but will be getting an equivalent therefor.

The merchants of Portland are and have been fully alive to the great possibilities and the value of trade to them of the 60,000 square miles of territory in Central Oregon, an empire lying idle waiting development, if it could be given railroad transportation. They are also fully alive to the possibilities of the present railroad activity in the southern part of the state which, if continued, will mean that the trade of this section will go to San Francisco. They know that with a north and south line connecting the important centers of this county and running into Portland they will gain a great volume of business. If the support that Crook county can give to this proposition is given, Portland merchants will subscribe to the bonds and the road will be an assured success.

The business interests of Crook county and Portland feel that sufficient time has elapsed waiting the building of such a railroad by the present existing lines without results, and going on the principle that "God helps those who help themselves," are taking steps to build it themselves.

The opportunity is herewith presented to get the long wished for railroad into Central Oregon. Your earnest co-operation is requested.

Notice.

As I am to close my business on or before July 1st, all those who are indebted to me will please call and settle their bills at once.

SKYVET DERING.

TWO GRADES ADDED

Bend School Ranks with Best in Central Oregon.

A FULL HIGH SCHOOL COURSE

Science and German Teacher Will Be Engaged for Coming Year and Laboratory Equipment Bought.

The Bend public schools are to be increased in efficiency, and a complete high school course will be taught hereafter, beginning at the opening of school next September. A teacher of science and German will be added to the faculty, and two additional grades taught. This will give the Bend school a 12-grade course, and will make it equal in efficiency to any school in Central Oregon.

At its meeting on Saturday evening last, the school board decided to equip the high school with chemical apparatus and to open a course in German and science, which, in addition to the courses previously taught, will raise the local high school to a first grade school or equal in grade and efficiency in every respect to the requirements for county high schools. While this step will afford scholars who desire to patronize the Bend high school all the advantages and opportunities afforded by any other high school, it will also, by the provisions in the union high school law, exempt the district from the county high school tax.

The board has called for bids to finish another room on the second floor of the school building. The increasing number of scholars and the adding of the new grades makes the finishing of this room necessary. The board also has engaged teachers for the ensuing year as follows: Principal, Miss Ruth Reid; grammar grade, Miss Maud Vandeventer; intermediate, Miss Marion Wiest; primary, Miss Nona Richardson.

Linster Mill Leased.

J. S. Williams, formerly of Mississippi, has leased the Linster sawmill for one year, and will begin at once the manufacture of lumber for the retail trade. He has purchased Mr. Linster's stock of lumber on hand and also the logs in the pond. Mr. Williams intends also to open a lumber yard at Powell Buttes at the stage station and will keep on hand there a complete stock of dry lumber, rough and finished.

Mr. Williams is an experienced lumber man, having been engaged in that business in the South where

he now owns two sawmills, besides quite an acreage of timber. He expects to dispose of his Southern holdings and give his entire attention to his business in Bend.

INVITATION FROM PRINEVILLE

Asks Bend to Send over Large Delegation to Help Them Celebrate.

Mayor McDonald is in receipt of a letter from Prineville extending an invitation to Bend people to join with the county seat in their celebration on July 4th. As the Bulletin has said before, Prineville sent over large and liberal delegations to Bend's celebration a year ago and Bend should return the favor this year. The suggestion in regard to a float from Bend is also a good one, and Bend hustlers or the Commercial Club should take action in this respect. Extracts from the letter follow:

"Prineville will celebrate on the coming Fourth and being one of the committee I am writing you to ask for the town of Bend to join us in our celebration.

"My particular part is the parade and it has occurred to me that if you would send over a float it would help out. We have taken the matter up with the D. I. & P. Co. and expect that they will be represented but in addition to that we would like to see Bend send over a good representation.

"Will you kindly spread the invitation and use your efforts to get the people and business men interested. Thanking you in advance for your kindness, I remain, Yours truly, W. F. KING."

Harriman Is Very Active.

An indication that promises the extension of the Corvallis & Eastern at no far distant day is the fact that forest rangers are estimating timber on the right-of-way of the proposed extension of that road through the National Forest. News to that effect reached Bend from Sisters this week, and indicates that Harriman is undoubtedly setting all loose ends gathered up preparatory to building into Central Oregon.

A few weeks ago The Bulletin reported that rangers were likewise estimating timber in the vicinity of Odell on the Oregon Eastern right-of-way, another Harriman project. Reports from Klamath Falls are to the effect that work on the Harriman line into that place from the south is being rushed, and that the line is nearly built into Klamath Falls. All of which substantiates the belief that some definite announcement will be made within the next few weeks.

No Humbug

No humbug claims have been made for Foley's Honey and Tar, the well known remedy for coughs, colds and lung troubles. The fact that more bottles of Foley's Honey and Tar are used than of any other cough remedy is the best testimonial of its great merit. Why then risk taking some unknown preparation when Foley's Honey and Tar costs you no more and is safe and sure.—C. W. Merrill, Druggist.

ENGINE SENT BACK

Big Freighting Outfit Results in Failure.

THE PROJECT IS ABANDONED

Narrow Grades and Short Turns in Cow Canyon Were Chief Cause of Trouble—Other News Notes.

The freighting project between Madras and Shaniko has been finally abandoned, and the big road train which has stood at Shaniko for the past year will be shipped at once to the Holt Manufacturing Company at Stockton, California. This action was determined upon by the company after the recent visit of an expert sent to Madras by them, the report made by the expert having been unfavorable. The road train, which was sold to the promoters of the enterprise under a guarantee that it could be successfully operated over the roads between Shaniko and Madras, did not prove a success on the first and only trial trip made with it, and the company organized to carry on the freighting business refused to accept the outfit. It was believed for awhile that the Holt people would make a second trial, but that purpose was abandoned after an expert had visited and inspected the roads.

The difficulty in the way of the successful operation of the road train was in the character of the roads, the narrow grades and short turns in Cow Canyon making it impossible to successfully operate the train without the expenditure of considerable money in road building, and this expenditure was not believed to be justified.—Pioneer.

Close Quarters with a Bob-Cat.

Earl Abbott, the new forest guard who arrived last Friday at this place, started out to work Saturday morning to run lines at Sears flat, and near evening he came to a cliff of rocks and seeing a small bunch of grey hair stooped down to look at it, when to his astonishment he spied a bobcat closely eyeing him in the crevice of a rock. Pulling his gun he soon put an end to her existence. Peering further into the crevice he saw a couple of kittens which he got out, bringing them home, and which are now at Head Ranger Jay Billings' office in the Leader building. The kittens, as well as the hide of the old one is prized highly as trophies of his first day's work on the reserve.—Silver Lake Leader.

Located Oil Claims.

The party of Madras people who went up to the Lamonta neighborhood last week to locate oil claims located 26 claims in all, spending several days there staking out and measuring their claims, which cover about 20 acres each. Sunday T. B. Tucker and others went up from this place to locate claims, and it is reported that a number of people in the Lamonta section have also located claims. The "rush" was precipitated by the location of the Madras Oil Company's first prospect well on the west slope of Grizzly.—Pioneer.

Gave Birth to Three Calves.

George Emery got a cow of Jim Bonham of Summer Lake some time ago and last week she gave birth to three as nice calves as one would want to see. The cow is a Hereford and the calves are all marked like the mother, and can hardly be told apart. It is not often a cow has triplets, and more especially all of them alive and husky fellows.—Silver Lake Leader

Better School for Madras.

At a recent election the voters of the Madras school district unanimously voted to add the ninth and tenth grades to their school course. The move is in line with progress

and the voters will never regret the action taken.

A Great Strawberry Crop.

The Hood River News-Letter, under date of June 24, says that the strawberry season at that place is drawing to a close and to date the shipment of those luscious berries had aggregated 66 cars or about 40,000 crates.

TAKEN INTO CUSTODY.

A. H. Grant Will Stand Trial in Federal Court at Portland.

Deputy United States Marshal Terry, accompanied by B. M. McCoy, sheriff of Sherman county, arrived in Bend last Sunday and placed A. H. Grant under arrest, leaving with him for Portland Monday morning where he will stand trial in the Federal court for the embezzlement of postoffice funds.

The two officers had in custody N. Thomas of Ashwood and Calvin Morris of Paulina, who will likewise be tried at the next term of the Federal court. Thomas was arrested on the charge of having posed as a special agent of the general land office. He appeared at Ashwood, approached a man by the name of Jake Kasser and told Kasser he would cause him to lose his lands if he did not pay Thomas for protection. Thomas first demanded \$6,000 but finally dropped to \$1,100. Kasser wrote out two checks to pay the \$1,100 and gave them to Thomas. Later he notified the banks not to pay the checks, swore out a warrant for Thomas' arrest, and Sheriff Elkins took the man into custody.

Morris, the prisoner from Paulina, is in trouble for sending improper matter through the mails. He sent a valentine to a girl at Paulina, who took offence at what was written on the valentine and laid it before the postoffice authorities, who promptly arrested Morris.

Tumalo Items.

TUMALO, June 25.—Bright warm days after the beautiful rain of last Saturday are boosting the crops along.

Thomas Arnold and wife and daughter, Mrs. Bert Hodson, stopped in Tumalo yesterday homeward bound from Bend, where Mrs. Hodson made proof on a desert claim.

T. A. Jensen returned today from Shaniko where he went after freight for Mr. Horner of Laidlaw.

A serious break in the Gibson ditch a week ago last Friday, washing a hole out 120 feet long and 20 feet deep according to reports, has compelled them to build considerable flume.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Wimer ate dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Spainhour last Sunday and I guess from all reports they had something good for dinner.

F. V. Swisher and mother made a business trip to Bend yesterday.

Reports from Cloverdale country are not very promising for a large crop this year, owing to the backward spring.

C. L. Wimer made a trip to the Squaw Creek country today.

Dr. Coe of Bend passed through here Saturday having been to the Sisters country.

Inklings at Gist.

GIST, June 22.—Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Arnold returned from Bend today, where Mrs. Arnold made proof on her desert claim.

Frank Arnold and wife returned from Matoles today, bringing back some very nice trout.

Milt Roberts was at Gist today. He reports that his baby is some better.

James McCall received a letter today from his daughter in Idaho stating that she would be here the 1st of July to visit him and if she likes the country she may locate here.

Dan VanWinkle of Sisters, has the contract to carry the mail over the mountain to Lower Soda near Sisters.

F. M. Phillips was around with beef today.

Will Burkhard, Henry Shoemaker and F. M. Phillips went to the county seat Saturday on business.

Dr. Coe was called by phone to the Roberts' home Saturday morning, Mr. Roberts baby being very sick.

Rev. Lowther made us a pleasant call Friday on his way to Tumalo.

Rain! Rain! Beautiful rain! Who says it don't rain in the Deschutes valley?



SUGAR BEETS ON IRRIGATED LAND NEAR BEND.

THIS illustration shows plainly a field of sugar beets near Bend in process of irrigation, with the water running through the furrows. These beets grow to perfection in the Bend country. Samples of sugar beets grown hereabouts and sent to the United States Department of Agriculture for analysis showed a high per cent. of sugar—one of the highest of any beets ever analyzed by the Department. The beet sugar industry will some day be a prominent one in this section.

All other root crops, as well as sugar beets, do excellently well in the Bend country. A farmer living near Redmond, who has had much experience raising hogs in Iowa, says he can produce better pork on root crops and clover in Oregon than with grain in Iowa.

At the left side of the illustration is shown a field of standing grain.