

THE BEND BULLETIN

"For every man a square deal, no less and no more."

CHARLES D. ROWE, EDITOR

SUBSCRIPTION RATES:

One year \$1.00
Six months .50
Three months .25
(variably in advance.)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1908.

WOULD BE A DEAD LETTER.

While Oregon needs a new water law, regulating the acquisition of water rights and declaring the public ownership of unappropriated water, the state does not need a complicated and expensive system of supervision. The title to the use of water should be certain and capable of proof, just as the title to other property is. Theft of water should be made a criminal offense, just as the theft of other property is a crime. But there is no need to employ special officers to police the arid region of the state. Sheriffs and constables arrest men who steal other classes of property, and they can easily arrest those who steal water, for the man who steals water is a permanent resident, not a transient. The next Legislature will be expected to pass water laws for encouragement of irrigation and manufacturing, but will not be expected to burden the state with an expensive administrative system.—Oregonian.

An irrigation law that did not provide an administrative system would be a dead letter. With no provision for the proper division of water among the various appropriators along a stream, confusion, neighborhood feuds, litigation and trouble would be endless and your irrigation law would be a farce. Sheriffs and constables never could attend to this matter as it should be, and if left in their hands Oregon's irrigation code would be a muddled mess.

The first step under a comprehensive water law for Oregon will be to adjudicate all existing claims to water. In other states this is done by a board composed of three or more men. If there were no administrative system, there would be no one to enforce the board's decrees. Where water is scarce some men would insist on taking more water than was granted them and run the chance of getting caught. Under the Oregonian's plan relief could only be had by complaint to the sheriff, and everyone knows that would mean exasperating delays, criminal proceedings, much expense, and bitter neighborhood feuds.

Suppose, for instance there was a case of water stealing on a river that flows through two or more counties. Take the Deschutes river as an example. The ranchers of an entire project might find they were short of water when they came to irrigate their crops, perhaps during the hottest part of summer. It would be necessary for them to locate the man or company that was stealing the water. That would require a patrol of the river and an examination of all headgates from their headgate to the sources of the stream, possibly a distance of 100 to 200 miles. This examination would have to be made by some competent engineer whom the farmers would be forced to hire, as the average farmer has not the technical knowledge to tell which ditch was getting more than its share of water. Before the engineer could begin his work he would have to look up the records of the adjudicating board and learn the amount of water to which each canal was entitled. Then perhaps the theft would be found to be, say in Klamath county. The Crook county farmer would have to get into communication with the sheriff at Klamath Falls. That official or his deputy would then be obliged to travel to the headgate of the offending party and close his gate, besides arresting the man and instituting criminal proceedings. A week or two might elapse before the offending party could be located and the headgate closed. That, in the heat of summer, would mean a loss of thousands of dollars to the

farmers whose crops were suffering for water, and might mean a total loss of their crops. If the farmer, instead of attempting to locate the thief himself, should report it at once to the sheriff, the delay and loss would be practically the same for the sheriff would have to make the same examination of all headgates.

And still again. Take it when the theft was made even within the immediate vicinity of the man who first noticed that his supply of water was short. What farmer has time, in the busy season, to start out and locate the trouble and report to the sheriff? And even should he take the time it would mean that his crops would suffer for water for several days. Under this plan the sheriff would be called upon to properly set the gate of the offending appropriator. There isn't one sheriff in a thousand who knows the first principles about measuring water, and he would be all at sea when he came to setting a headgate. He would be forced to secure the services of an engineer for every offense.

Prominent irrigation students believe that eventually the arid West will be irrigated under the "rotation system," which means that a certain number of ranchers or a certain locality are given a full head of water during say five days; then their supply is shut off and another section given the water for the next five days; and so on over perhaps the length of an entire stream. This is proving a very satisfactory method where the supply of water is small. A sheriff and his deputies would be a fine crew for such an arrangement, wouldn't they? In fact, the rotation system could never be employed without a proper administrative system.

The Oregonian objects to providing "special officers to police the arid sections of the state," presumably because of the expense to the state. Most states that enjoy a modern water law provide for the expense of their administrative systems by charging it to the sections receiving the benefits, and "the burden to the state can be more than balanced by a system of reasonable fees paid in connection with the granting of titles to water." Hence, those parts of the state not needing this service would be put to no expense. But inasmuch as it is only a question of a short time until irrigation is practiced throughout the Willamette valley, practically the entire state will be in need of this police service. It will be a state-wide need.

If the diversion of water from the streams of the state is left in the hands of Tom, Dick and Harry, there certainly will be confusion, litigation and neighborhood quarrels without end. When water is scarce some men will be tempted to take more than belongs to them. The only effective means by which to stop this and protect each man in his right is to have competent men superintending the diversion of water from the streams. The value of irrigated lands, of irrigated products, and of the industries in irrigated sections will some day be worth hundreds of thousands of dollars to the state. It is of enough importance to be given proper protection.

The Bulletin is sorry to see as influential a paper as the Oregonian take such a stand on this most important subject. An irrigation law without an administrative system would never give satisfaction. Cal-

SAVED HIS BOY'S LIFE.

"My three-year-old boy was badly constipated, had a high fever and was in an awful condition. I gave him two doses of Foley's Orino Laxative and the next morning the fever was gone and he was entirely well. Foley's Orino Laxative saved his life." A. Wolkush, Carlsbad, Wis.—C. W. Merrill, druggist.

Har-das

A Delightful Liquid Face Powder, imparts a rare softness, beauty and delicacy to the skin. Although invisible it is a perfect shield to beauty, restraining the ravages of sun, wind and time. Eliminates tan, sunburn, freckles, sallowness and imperfections of the skin. Possesses a delicate clinging odor exclusively its own. PRICE 50 CTS. \$1.00 BOTTLE FREE AT DRUGGISTS. 1007 CHEMICAL CO., PORTLAND, ORE.

ifornia, Colorado, Idaho, Wyoming, Montana, Nebraska and Nevada all recognize this need and their water codes provide, in a greater or less degree, for administrative systems. Oregon will do a very foolish thing, indeed, if it fails to follow the path that experience has taught these states is wise.

Senator Dolliver of Iowa, one of the leading men of the nation, gave utterance to an important truth when he said recently: "The paramount issue in this campaign is not the tariff, or guarantee of bank deposits, or war, or peace, or diplomacy, but the preservation and perpetuation of those ideals of private honesty and public integrity which have made the administration of Roosevelt famous." That is the true issue before the American nation at the present time, and everybody but the politicians seems to know it. That branch of patriots, however, are as blind as the proverbial bat concerning this great issue.

ARE YOU ONLY HALF ALIVE?

People with kidney trouble are so weak and exhausted that they are only half alive. Foley's Kidney Remedy makes healthy kidneys, restores lost vitality, and weak, delicate people are restored to health. Refuse any but Foley's. —C. W. Merrill, druggist.

REPORT ON THE CONDITION OF

The Central Oregon Banking & Trust Company

at Bend, in the State of Oregon, at the close of business September 23, 1908.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$10,437.50
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	923.30
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	8,300.14
Other real estate owned	1,200.00
Due from approved reserve banks	10,688.95
Checks and other cash items	339.77
Current expenses and taxes paid	664.83
Cash on hand	3,112.95
Total	\$41,055.45

LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	\$41,375.00
Individual deposits subject to check	24,640.34
Demand certificates of deposit	103.31
Time certificates of deposit	4,970.50
Total	\$41,055.45

State of Oregon, County of Crook, ss: I, H. E. Allen, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

H. E. ALLEN, Cashier.
Correct—Attest:
JOHN STREIB,
C. C. COE,
Directors.

THE NEW AND ENLARGED EDITION OF WEBSTER'S INTERNATIONAL DICTIONARY

Excels in Vocabulary. It is the most useful in use and contains judiciously selected to exclude corruptions of good usage, and to avoid unintelligible technicalities.

Excels in Arrangement. Each word begins a paragraph in the correct alphabetical place and is readily caught by the eye.

Excels in Etymologies. These are complete and scientific, and embody the best results of philology. They are not scribbled or crowded into obscure places.

Excels in Pronunciation. Which is indicated by respelling with the scientifically marked letters used in the schoolbooks, the sounds of which are taught in the public schools.

Excels in Definitions. They are clear, terse, yet complete, and are given in the order in which the word has acquired its shades of meaning. Many of the definitions are illustrated.

Excels in its Appendix. which is a packed storehouse of useful knowledge.

Excels as a Working Dictionary. No other book contains so much useful information, or is so indispensable in the home, study, school, or office.

The International has 2380 quarto pages, 5000 illustrations, 25,000 new words, revised Gazetteer of the World, and a revised Biographical Dictionary, etc. It received

THE GRAND PRIZE
(HIGHEST AWARD) at the World's Fair, St. Louis.

FREE—"A Test to Pronunciation," instructive and entertaining for the family. Also illustrated pamphlet.

G. & C. MERRIAM CO., PUBLISHERS, SPRINGFIELD, MASS.

Ask your grocer for the 3 or 5 lb. cans. They have the screw tops with metal handles. Are useful when empty.

Delicious Hot-Biscuits



On every home table there may be served every day a plate of pure, healthful, delicious hot-biscuits by following the "CLEVELAND" Cook. There is no economy in saving a few cents by using Alum Baking Powders. The cheap alum baking powders work sure injury to the health. Enjoy the purest of home cooking by using

CLEVELAND'S SUPERIOR BAKING POWDER

Made from a Superior grade of Pure Cream of Tartar.

SOLD AND GUARANTEED BY

E. A. SATHER

Bend, Oregon

S. C. CALDWELL

C. S. BENSON,
ATTORNEY AT LAW
OFFICE IN BANK BUILDING,
BEND, OREGON

U. C. COE, M. D.
Physician and Surgeon
OFFICE OVER BANK
All Right Telephone Connection
DAY TELEPHONE NO. 21
BEND, OREGON

THE
First National Bank
of Prineville,
Established 1897.

Capital, Surplus and Undivided Profits, \$100,000.00

R. F. Allen, President
W. H. Wenzel, Vice President
T. M. Baldwin, Cashier
H. Baldwin, Assistant Cashier

A. E. PETERSON,
Antelope, Ore.

Watchmaker
and Jeweler

Precious and Semi-Precious Stones Set and Jewelry of all kinds made to order and repaired. Work first class and guaranteed.
Leave orders with Ralph Spencer, Bulletin office, Bend, or send direct to me at Antelope.

HENRY L. WHITSETT
Horse Shoeing and
General Blacksmithing

WAGON AND
PLOW WORK

First Class Work Guaranteed.
Located in the old Sheldon shop.

SAW FILING.
BEST WORK GUARANTEED.
Prices from 25c to \$1.00.
Leave saws at Pine Tree Store.
ED. HALVORSON, BEND, OREGON

WANTED
Information regarding
Farm or Business
for sale. Not particular about location. Wish to hear from owner only who will sell direct to buyer. Give price, description and state when possession can be had. Address:
L. DAREYHIRE, Box 9999, Rochester, N. Y.

Bend-Shaniko Livery & Stage Company

J. H. WENANDY, Prop.
W. P. Kelley, Agent, Shaniko

New Covered Stages between Bend and Shaniko
ALSO

Livery and Feed Stables at Shaniko, Madras and Bend.

We run our rigs to please the public.
Stages leave each way every day.

Rigs to all parts of Central Oregon. Careful drivers furnished
Special Attention Given to Express and Baggage.

Two Tons of New Furniture

NOW ON THE WAY TO BEND or stored at Shaniko awaiting the coming of the freighter. This furniture will be on display in my store within a few days. If you wish something to make the house more comfortable and more cozy and attractive call on me.

MILLARD TRIPLETT
SUCCESSOR TO J. I. WEST

WHEN IN BEND STOP AT
THE PILOT BUTTE INN

Table always supplied with the best that the town affords.
Neat and Comfortable Rooms.
BEND, OREGON

Massachusetts Mutual
Life Insurance Company
ANNUAL DIVIDENDS

Nearly 300 SATISFIED Policyholders in Crook County.
F. O. MINOR, Resident Agent