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ON TO BEND IMMEDIATELY

Stevens Says No Halt at Madras Expected.

THE TERMINUS TO BE HERE

Oregon Trunk President Says Bend is End of Line for Present—Predicts Extensive Branches to Develop Deschutes Valley.

Says John F. Stevens, president of the Oregon Trunk, in an interview last week:

"Right of way has been purchased from Madras south to Bend and the company expects shortly to receive bids on this portion of its projected line—50 miles—and that the work will be completed so that tracklaying will continue from Madras south without a halt."

As reported in a recent issue of The Bulletin, the work from Madras to Bend is of an exceedingly light character, three months being an ample time allowance for its completion, according to the authoritative statements of engineers familiar with the territory. As the Hill officials announce the present construction well under way and are confident of its completion to Madras by autumn, the significance of the road's immediate continuance to Bend is apparent. Putting two and two together, it now seems more of a probability than a possibility that Bend will bear the locomotives before the expiration of next winter, if not before Christmas.

Better even than this positive assurance of transportation within the year are the persistent reports of immediate construction south from Madras this spring. Mr. Stevens himself has said, it will be remembered, that the contract for this work may be let immediately. Mr. Stevens' statement continues:

The line has been located and maps filed south from Bend, up the Deschutes river and over to the Klamath Indian reservation, but no plans have been adopted for any extension south of Bend.

The company's aim is to open up Central Oregon and bring its immense resources in touch with the world. It will probably build feeders and extensions tapping agricultural and timber regions wherever such may exist that may seem to afford promise of future development to justify. It will devote its time and money to such a policy, rather than to undertake the construction of long lines to distant fields, whose worth from a transportation standpoint is more or less problematical.

First and most important of these branch lines to tributary territory undoubtedly will be that extending southeasterly from Bend through the heart of the vast area of sagebrush plains now rapidly being "settled up" under the 320-acre homestead act. For this line through the new wheat country

surveys have been in progress for some time, and there seems much likelihood that by the time the completion of the Trunk Line to Bend makes easy the transportation of milling machinery, this, the junction point of the north-and-south and eastern roads, will be "hitched up" with the enormous territory to be tapped by the latter.

ORGANIZATION IS PERFECTED

Commercial Club Fills Its Official Roster—Directors to Meet at Once.

At a meeting of the Bend Commercial Club Monday evening, held in Hunter & Staats' office, John Steidl acted as president pro tem and H. J. Overturf secretary. Upon motion the election of C. S. Hudson president, H. E. Allen vice president and J. N. Hunter treasurer, which took place before the bylaws were adopted was confirmed under the present bylaws. George P. Putnam was elected to the office of secretary without opposition. These four are ex-officio members of the board of directors, for the fifth member of which H. J. Overturf was chosen.

Frank Robertson, as representing the townspeople, said he was in favor of a proper publicity campaign and would be glad to cooperate with the Club in such movement. A. M. Drake spoke of the advisability of presenting strongly the opportunities at Bend for establishing various productive enterprises, rather than giving the impression that such things were already here. Mr. Putnam expressed the opinion that the time is now ripe for an effective publicity campaign.

Meeting of Directors Called.

A meeting of the board of directors of the Bend Commercial Club is hereby called for 8 this (Wednesday) evening, at the First National Bank.

C. S. HUDSON, President.

Big Locating Plans.

The Spanton Company, realty operators of Portland, have entered the Central Oregon homesteading field and are establishing offices at Bend. Two of their representatives are already here, W. N. Brown and S. E. Roberts, the former having been in the homestead locating business for 10 years. The intention of these gentlemen is to conduct their operations from Bend in conjunction with their office at Portland and the company's agents in all the cities of the Coast.

Two big seven-passenger White Steamer autos will be in Bend immediately ready to transport prospective homesteaders to the lands free of charge. The new company will operate in Crook, Harney, Lake and Klamath counties.

The Bend office for the present will be in the Pilot Butte Inn addition, the Portland headquarters being at 269 Oak street. Judging from the way they are spending money and making preparations the local representatives of the locating company anticipate very extensive activities. Already, they say, there is more Central Oregon business "lined up" on the outside than they can care for. It is the company's intention, they announce, to advertise very heavily, both locally and in the city papers of Northwest. All of which will help Bend and hasten the settlement of this last great area of rich Government land.

WRITING CONTEST AT HIGH SCHOOL

Prize Competition Brings Forth Clever Copy.

PRINEVILLE DEBATE SLATED

Next Comes Baseball, with Team Already Organized and Plans Progressing Well—School Has Fine Record of Efficiency.

The contest for the best high school verse and yell just closed at the B. H. S. brought forth a dozen witty offerings from clever contributors. It is the pleasure of The Bulletin to print herewith the winning song and the prize yell; and its sorrow that it is unable to accompany the prize productions with the names of their respective authors. Next week's issue, however, will announce the names of the fortunate scholars.

The contest was inaugurated by Miss Ruth Reid, the principal of the high school, together with Miss Markel. Cash prizes were offered for the best song and yell submitted, with the result that all the high school pupils immediately attacked the poetical problem.

OUR B. H. S.

Lift your hearty voice,
Songs of praise now sing;
Let every heart rejoice,
Make the grey rocks ring;
See our happy throng,
Proclaim your dear fortress,
Shout in accents clear and strong,
B. H. S.

Chorus:
Jolly boys, jolly girls,
Always jolly we;
Bend high school students,
Boys and girls are we;
Jolly boys, jolly girls,
An ever jolly press;
Always loyal students,
Of the B. H. S.

Sometimes we fume and fret,
Because our work goes wrong;
Bookkeeping's hard to get,
Latin's quite too long;
Physics is a task;
Fingers all are thumbs,
We dread the hour for German class,
And hate to think of sums.

When High School days are o'er
And far abroad we roam,
Seeking fame and fortune,
Far from friends and home,
What memories will arise;
When at times we wish
To see those three dear letters,
B. H. S.

PRIZE YELL.

You wonder who we are, folks?
You'll know before you're through,
We're the Bend High School bunch,
Who are you?

The first of the inter-district debates in which Bend participates occurs on April 15th, when the local affirmative team goes to Prineville, and theirs comes here to meet the Bend upholders of the negative side of the question. The topic for debate is: "Resolved that Canada should be annexed to the United

States." The teams are picked from the eighth grade and include the following scholars:

Affirmative: Claude Kelly, Sarah Wornstaff; alternate, Elizabeth Wornstap. Negative: Elna Shultz, Lueta Wornstaff; alternate, Lloyd Kelly. Declaimers: Dolly Hall, Bessie Main.

A high school baseball team has been organized with Bruce Deyarmond as captain, Max Richardson, manager, and Claude Vandeventer, secretary-treasurer. It is understood that a regular schedule of games will be arranged, with the expectation of crossing bats with Prineville at least once during the season.

The school house, it is reported, is filled almost to its capacity, some 160 pupils now being in attendance and this number increasing weekly. For the information of those unfamiliar with the Bend institution, it is worthy of remark that no better equipped nor conducted grammar and high schools exist in the state. Evidence of the efficiency of the local high school training is the fact that its certificate of graduation admits the bearer to the state university without the necessity of examination.

Pupils' Cash Prize.

The Bend Bulletin offers a cash prize of THREE DOLLARS to the pupil in the Bend schools securing the greatest number of new annual subscriptions between now and May 15. Every scholar who brings us five or more new subscriptions will get a dollar bill, whether or not he or she wins the prize. So there's a chance for all. Get your families and your friends here and on the outside, to subscribe, and help yourselves, the town and us. The only conditions are that the names brought to us are not already on our list, and that each name is accompanied with the annual subscription charge, \$1.50.

Fire!

Assembled in its hall, the Band Tooted anthems to the sky;
Plans for boosting of the land
The Commercial Club was making—
When a cry
Caused the Band to cease its music making;
The Club to abruptly drop its undertaking;
While together, they, their plans forsaking,
Grasping pails, with fears most dire,
Rushed to where the cry of "Fire!"
Sounded each succeeding minute higher.
Alas! 'T was but a lamp exploded.
The fire was out; they stopped the bell,
Returned the hose, and muttered—
"Well!"

On Monday night at about nine, dense clouds of smoke were discovered issuing from the second story of the building occupied by Merrill & Wilkinson. Everybody turned out to fight fire, but before anything could be done there was no fire to fight, for George Hobbs, arriving first on the scene, had thrown the exploding lamp, the cause of the trouble, out of the window, and with a bucket of water quenched the flames.

RECEIVER FOR THE D. I. & P. CO.

Court Grants Petition of the Bondholders.

WILL APPOINT THURSDAY

Chief Engineer Redfield, W. L. Benham of Tacoma, and One of Rea Boys Mentioned for the Job. History of the Contention.

PORTLAND, Or., March 22.—Judge R. S. Bean, of the U. S. district court, yesterday afternoon granted the petition for a receiver for the Deschutes Irrigation & Power Co. and announced that the receiver would be appointed Thursday. C. M. Redfield, the present chief engineer of the company, W. L. Benham of Tacoma, and one of the Rea brothers, of Madras, are talked of for the appointment on behalf of the company. The bondholders' candidates are not known.

This is a suit in U. S. court in which L. G. Addison and Frank R. Shinn, of Columbus, Ohio, as a committee representing the holders of something more than \$300,000 of the first mortgage bonds of the Deschutes Irrigation & Power Co., are plaintiffs, and the D. I. & P. Co. and the Merchants Savings & Trust Co., Trustee, of Portland, are defendants. The gist of the complaint is that the company is insolvent; that it had attempted to give later liens priority over the first mortgage, thereby committing or permitting a fraud upon the holders of the first bonds (the Howard contract being the chief of these later claims); and that the trustee had not done its duty toward protection of the first bonds, and could not properly act as trustee for the two incompatible interests. The case was argued three weeks ago and since then voluminous briefs were filed by both sides.

In the argument the defendants admitted that nothing had ever been paid into the D. I. & P. treasury on its capital stock of \$2,500,000, and that the corporation had been insolvent from the beginning down to the date of the latest contract with the state, June 17, 1907, when the state land board allowed an increase of lien from an average of \$10 an acre to an average of \$26 an acre. They contended that the carrying of that contract, and the Benham Falls contract for 74,000 acres at an average lien of \$50 an acre, to completion, would place the company in position to pay all its debts, including the first bonds. The plaintiffs showed that in the meantime their security was being undermined by operation of the Howard contract, by which enormously excessive profits would go to the Howard syndicate instead of the company's treasury, and the in-

creased lien granted in the new contract with the state was pledged to the Howard syndicate, thus impairing the first mortgage security. Exception was also taken to the action of the trustee in accepting and placing in the sinking fund some \$88,000 of cancelled bonds, received on land sales, instead of having that sum in cash or settlers' notes, as required by the terms of the first mortgage.

WIESTORIA SOLD.

Seattle Men Buy L. D. Wiest's Addition—On Market Immediately.

C. W. Melville, representing a number of Seattle capitalists, yesterday completed a deal with L. D. Wiest whereby Wiestoria, the newly platted townsite, passed into Mr. Melville's possession. One hundred acres were affected by the sale and this amount, in lots 50x140 feet, will be placed on the market at once. No figures are given. Seattle, it is understood, will be the principal selling point, although the local field will be covered and advertising inaugurated.

Mr. Melville, after inspecting the entire Deschutes Valley, is not backward in stating that in his estimation Bend "leads the field." Seattle buyers, he says, are vastly interested in the local possibilities. After a few days' trip south and east from here, Mr. Melville returns to Seattle.

The Weather at Bend.

Observer Minor's weather record shows a mean maximum of 32 above zero for January and 41 for February. The mean minimum for January was 17 and for February 15. The warmest weather in January was 56, on the 30th, and in February 53, on the 12th. The coldest temperature in January was 13 below zero, on the 3d, and in February 6 below on the 2d. The snowfall in January was 7 1/4 inches and in February 4 inches.

So far this month the highest temperature was 66 on the 17th and 18th, and the lowest 20 above on the 8th. Killing frosts have occurred only four times this month, thus far. Crocuses, violets, manzanita and other spring blossoms have been out for a week.

Hotels Enlarging.

Part of the building now occupied by Landlord O'Kane, of the Bend Hotel, and formerly used as a bowling alley, has been remodeled as an annex to the hotel. Twelve comfortable rooms have been installed, which are now being painted, papered and furnished, making a total of 42 guest rooms.

The commodious 20-room addition to the Pilot Butte Inn, at the north end of Wall street, is nearing completion, and promises soon to materially add to the comfort of the many visitors who are crowding into town. Certainly present indications point to a rush of new comers that will tax to the utmost the capacity of Bend hotels, despite their enlarging, and Bend dwellings, increase they in number ever so rapidly.

BETTER GOODS

LARA'S

BETTER VALUES

"The Store With Original Ideas"

Ladies' Summer Underwear

Low neck and sleeveless, plain and lace trimmed, fine ribbed and mercerized..... 10c to 50c

LADIES' HIGH NECK, long sleeves, fine ribbed 30c to 50c

COMBINATION SUITS—high neck, long sleeves and ankle length, also low neck, knee length, lace trimmed..... 60c & 75c

INFANTS' RUBENS—all wool, sizes 1 to 6..... 75c to 90c

INFANTS' ELASTIC WRAPPERS—2 to 6..... 30c & 35c

INFANTS' CASHMERE BANDS—sizes 2 to 4, each..... 35c

LADIES' FANCY BELTS—latest styles, all colors..... 50c to 75c

LADIES' SILK GLOVES—tan and black—per pair..... 60c

Ladies' and Children's Hosiery

The well known BURSON—Hem and rib tops—also split foot 30c

LADIES' GAUZE LISLE HOSE—black and tan—per pair..... 35c

CHILDREN'S HOSE—The Bear Skin, Two Step, Dependon, Giant, Linen Knee, Ironside, Avalon and Misses fine ribbed hose, all sizes, per pair..... 15c to 30c

Fifteen Tons of Merchandise Arrive Today

Good things to eat---Good things to wear---Best assortment of Cooking Utensils ever brought to Bend. For bargains see our big ad. next week.

The Big Store

LARA'S

Bend, Oregon

The First National Bank OF BEND, BEND, OREGON

Dr. U. C. COE, President
O. S. HUDSON, Cashier
E. A. BATHER, Vice President

Capital fully paid..... \$25,000
Stockholders' liability..... \$25,000
Surplus..... \$2,000

To Our Customers.

THERE ARE NEARLY FIVE HUNDRED OF YOU.

THAT we appreciate your steadfastness, your loyalty and patronage, fully as much as you appreciate the help we have at times been able to furnish you, goes without saying.

However, we want to take this public method of thanking you for past patronage and, with full confidence that this patronage will continue, we pledge you our best endeavors in the future as you have had them in the past.

We are now the largest Bank in Crook County, save one; our deposits are divided among nearly five hundred people, and our resources are over Two Hundred Thousand Dollars.

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