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WATER CASES COMPROMISED

No More Disputes About Squaw Creek Claims.

APPLICATIONS ARE AMENDED

Company Obligated to Concede Two-Thirds of the Quantity, Leaving Sufficient Water Only for Its Stockholders.

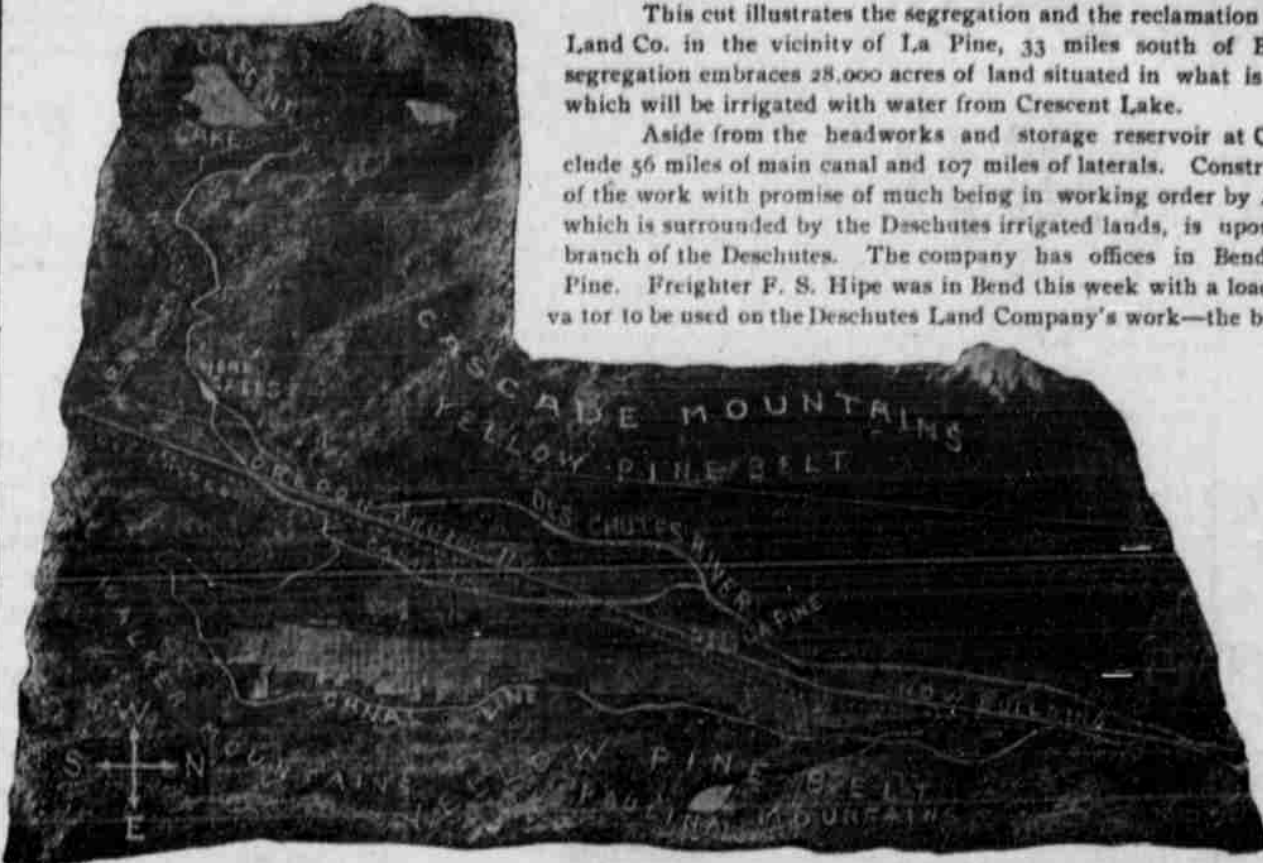
SISTERS, OREGON, JUNE 3.—The 27 water contests brought against settlers by the Squaw Creek Irrigation Co. and the Black Butte Land & Livestock Co., two Wurzweller concerns, which were to have been heard here beginning June 1, have all been dismissed without the taking of any testimony. The contest of Anna E. Dayton against four claimants has been practically abandoned. The J. N. Quiberg contest against James B. Palmer remains on the calendar for hearing June 13, and Water Superintendent Saxton stays here until that date to take whatever testimony shall be offered.

For several days prior to June 1 there was active preparation for the hearings. Superintendent F. M. Saxton of Baker City arrived two days in advance, with his stenographer, and had the Hardy Allen hall well sawdusted, seated with boards and provided with ample tables. Attorney R. A. Leiter of Portland, representing a dozen of the settlers, had been on the ground nearly a week familiarizing himself with the situation. Attorneys Vernon A. Forbes of Bend and John Gavin of The Dalles, representing other settlers, arrived May 31, Gavin coming with Ferd McCallister, who drove his new Buick car from The Dalles. Wells Bell, representing the Wurzweller interests, was also on hand that day, as well as Wurzweller himself, the Slaytons, Joe Howard and others.

Proceedings were informally opened Wednesday morning early by a street discussion between Ferd McCallister and W. Wurzweller, in which the latter became so excited and boisterous that the neighborhood was roused from its slumbers and had to get up to see about it. Before the hour for the hearing arrived a considerable crowd had assembled. A number of ladies were interested onlookers, among them being Mrs. David Fryrear, Mrs. Ferd McCallister, Mrs. George McCallister, and Mrs. Marcotte of Gist.

When Superintendent Saxton called the docket most of the cases were passed, for the time being, information being given that negotiations looking to settlement of the

BIRD'S EYE VIEW OF WALKER BASIN IRRIGATION PROJECT, SOUTH OF BEND



This cut illustrates the segregation and the reclamation work planned by the Deschutes Land Co. in the vicinity of La Pine, 33 miles south of Bend. The company's Cary Act segregation embraces 28,000 acres of land situated in what is known as the Walker Basin and which will be irrigated with water from Crescent Lake.

Aside from the headworks and storage reservoir at Crescent Lake the system will include 56 miles of main canal and 107 miles of laterals. Construction is in progress on portions of the work with promise of much being in working order by Autumn. The town of La Pine, which is surrounded by the Deschutes irrigated lands, is upon the Hill railroad on the east branch of the Deschutes. The company has offices in Bend and Portland, as well as at La Pine. Freighter F. S. Hipe was in Bend this week with a load of machinery for the big excavator to be used on the Deschutes Land Company's work—the biggest excavator in the West, to build which will require 3000 feet of timber. Government foresters will this week complete their appraisal of the timber on that part of the canal right-of-way not on the segregated lands. Then the work of clearing will be taken up at once, Manager Morson says. A second logging engine has been ordered, for double right-of-way crew.

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None but first class men need apply. Our survey crew has already resurveyed and staked Tp. 23 S., R. 10 E. and is working in 24-10." Mr. Morson has built a neat 5-room cottage at the Beattie place, eight miles south of Rosland, which he bought some time ago. It is central for the canal construction and serves as a model ranch for experiment work. J. G. Owen has been employed as night engineer for the excavator, which will operate 22 hours a day—two shifts of 11 hours each.

The road for moving buildings from Rosland to La Pine, a distance of a mile and a half, has just been cleared and the work of actual removal is expected to begin the coming week.

disputes had been broached and it might be unnecessary to take testimony. Shortly after 11 o'clock a recess till 1:30 was taken, and the parties got busy with attempts to adjust out of court.

Sisters townspeople had filed claims for water, each including water for domestic purposes as well as irrigation. This added materially to the quantity of water claimed for each acre, and the total for the Smith quarter-section, where Sisters is located, was thus greater than would have been needed for straight irrigation of the land. Some modification of the claims of the Sisters lot owners was made and upon the resumption of business after noon stipulations were filed dismissing the Squaw Creek Company's contests against Robert Smith, Rachel and Frank W. McCaffery, W. N. Cobb, Jess and William A. Wilt, C. L. Denison, P. B. Davis and H. K. Allen, who own Sisters town property, and William E. Burkhard, Josephine Stockley, Frank Paul, G. W. McFarlane, R. J. Griffith, and J. W. Wilt, who own farm property, all having reduced their claims to the neighborhood of one miner's inch to the acre. Attorney Forbes orally dismissed the case of Anna E. Dayton vs. J. W. Wilt.

This relieved the docket materially and presented the cases between the Squaw Creek Co. and

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RUNAWAY ACCIDENT SERIOUS.

Emil Erickson, Skull Fractured, Is in Critical Condition.

I. P. M.—A report from the hospital states that there is practically no hope of Emil Erickson's recovery. Meningitis has set in.

Emil Erickson is in the Bend hospital in a critical condition, with a badly fractured skull, as the result of a runaway accident which occurred last Sunday.

On Sunday afternoon Erickson and Oliver Johnson were driving towards town from the Sismore place when the neck strap, holding the neckyoke, broke, letting the tongue drag on the ground. The horses took fright and bolted.

"Keep them out of the fence," cried Erickson. This, says Johnson, was the last he heard from his companion before the latter jumped from the rig.

The horses had run but a few hundred yards when the tongue stuck in the ground, stopping the wagon, from which the horses broke loose, and throwing Johnson out. Johnson, bruised and cut, called to Erickson, and receiving no reply went back on the road, where he found Erickson lying on the ground, his head, which had struck a rock as he fell, in a pool of blood. Johnson placed the injured man in the shade and ran to town for help. An auto was rushed to the scene of the accident and the sufferer, his wounds temporarily dressed, taken to the hospital.

On the left side of Erickson's crown is a fracture 4 by 2 inches, besides other serious injuries about the head.

Erickson is 47 years of age, a brother of Ole Erickson, and recently was employed in building the foundation of the hospital building.

PRODUCTS EXHIBITED HERE.

Many Samples From Powell Butte Ranch Show Productiveness

The Home Land Co. has on exhibition in its window some excellent samples of grains and fruits grown this season by Lee Hobbs, who is farming the Dick Vandeventer ranch at Powell Buttes. The grain was seeded October 20, 1909, and the samples were pulled on June 2. They include a sheaf of Scotch Fife wheat and one of rye. The wheat stands five feet high and large, well developed heads are forming. Mr. Hobbs has 135 acres of this wheat and he says all of it is as good as the sample. The rye stands six feet nine inches.

A twig 4 1/4 inches long cut from one of Mr. Hobbs' apple trees has 11 small apples on it, and another twig, of similar length, contains 14 plums. Branches from gooseberry and currant bushes are loaded heavily with fruit. These crops are being grown on "dry farming" land, and are a fair example of the excellent yield that the Powell Buttes section will harvest this year.

NEW SAWMILL IS GOING UP

James E. Reed Erecting Plant to Saw 15,000 Feet Daily.

James E. Reed is erecting a sawmill on the Laverne Reed claim, some distance to the eastward of the Silver Lake road and about two miles south of Bend. The entire plant is new and of the stationary type. The machinery arrived last week and is now being placed in position. It is expected that the sawing of lumber will begin in about two weeks. The capacity of the mill will be about 15,000 feet per day. A planer and other adjuncts will be added later.

Fred Hunnel and the Reed family have several tracts of timber that can be sawed to advantage at the new mill, and there is much other good timber available in the neighborhood.

SMITH MILL TRANSPORTED.

First Load of Gist Sawmill Arrives in Bend.

The first load of machinery from the Hightower-Smith mill at Gist arrived in Bend today. Engines, saws and all the machinery from the dismantled Gist mill will be freighted over this and next week and installed on the location of the Pilot Butte Development Company's mill, which was destroyed by fire.

Although considerable delay has been caused in establishing the Smith mill here because of the difficulty of securing heavy timbers necessary for the framework, it is now stated by H. J. Overturf, who has charge of the new mill, that sawing will be in progress in ten days. At first the lumber cut will be that required for the construction of a permanent mill building. Once this is complete and the entire Gist outfit installed lumber for the market will be manufactured and quickly cured in the company's big dry kiln.

LIDLAW WATER CONTESTS.

Taking of Testimony Will Begin There Next Week.

More than 60 water contest cases are to be heard by Water Superintendent Saxton at Laidlaw beginning next Wednesday, June 15. The Tumalo Irrigation Co. (Wimers) contests Mary J. Mulkey, J. C. and A. R. George and the Columbia Southern Irrigation Co.; C. W. Allen has a case against the C. S. I. Co., J. N. B. and G. G. Gerking, Agnes E. and J. C. George, D. M. Smith and C. J. Mock; and George W. Wimer contests the C. S. I. Co. et al.

The C. S. I. Co. contests the following: C. W. Allen, R. H. Bayley, J. W. Brown, William D. Barnes, Cora A. Brown, R. G. Bowser, William Brown, C. P. Becker, J. L. Crouch, H. S. Couthorn, W. H. Courtney, G. M. and J. R. Crouch, J. I. Coen, W. P. Downing, F. E. Dayton, J. N. B., J. O. and Grover G. Gerking, Angie M. Gibson, J. C., Agnes E. and W. P. George, W. H. Hale, Albert Harper, A. L. Harader, A. J. Hunter, F. W. Leverenz, W. W. Long, Frank Murk, Mary P. Mulkey, Charles J.

R. R. GRADING CLEARED FAST

Work Progresses Rapidly in Vicinity of Bend

PAYMASTER'S OFFICE HERE

Four Camps Have Been Established by Chew & Silke to Which Many Laborers Are Coming—Good Health Prevails.

Clearing the Oregon Trunk right-of-way in Bend began last Thursday and Contractor Olson, who has the two-mile section extending southward from the north line of the town, with a force of 30 men has been clearing a length of 400 feet and width of 300 a day since then. The trees are fallen, branches trimmed and burned, and trunks hauled to the edge of the right-of-way. The trunks will be used as posts or fired later. The stumps will be removed when the graders get at work. The burning of the brush heaps is done at night and makes an interesting scene.

Last week Paymaster Dewey entered upon his duties here in the newly-made offices in Lara's Hall, which now are shared as headquarters by Division Engineer Cryderman and Malcolm McPhee, representing Contractor Henry. All direct payment of labor from Madras to Klamath Reservation will be made from this office, by check on Bend, while time checks will be issued at secondary offices along the line, likewise cashable here. It is understood that such checks will be good on date of issue, without the necessity of maturing.

Chew & Silke, who have the construction contract for 12 1/2 miles south from Bend, thus far have established four camps. One of these is situated on the south side of the lava field, one on the north, one at Wetweather Springs, and one on the Central Oregon Canal 1 1/2 miles east of the Rosland road.

Pipe for the pipe line to supply water to camps, steam shovels and drills along the grade will be freighted in from Shaniko as soon as possible, while a big steam shovel will be installed near Wetweather Springs in July. To all camps many laborers are coming daily, while the Shaniko road is reported literally crowded with railroad freighters bringing in supplies and construction equipment.

Nelson Brothers have taken the grading contract between Trail Crossing and Redmond. These are brothers of the Nelson who originated the Oregon Trunk and died last year.

Dr. U. C. Coe of Bend, in charge of all the medical work, has estab-

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