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Information for the Homeseeker

Every issue of The Bulletin records the progress of Central Oregon and the Bend country. If you are a homeseeker looking for a new location, or own property in this section, there is no better way to become acquainted with, or keep posted on, what is being done in this part of the world than by reading this paper regularly. Send in your subscription at once, so as not to miss anything of what is going on in this big, resourceful country—this great inland empire that has now been opened for development by two great railroad systems.

BEND is located 156 miles south of the Columbia River, on the banks of the Deschutes, at the terminus of the Hill and Harriman railroads.

Geographically, it is practically in the very center of Oregon. Economically, its location is unsurpassed, for Bend stands beside the greatest power producing stream in the Northwest, where railroads, water-power and timber first meet, and surrounded by the greatest irrigation segregation in Oregon, with countless millions of acres of grain lands tributary.

The City Itself.

The estimated population of Bend today is 1760. Its altitude is 3600 feet, with a climate that is practically ideal. Winter and summer, the weather is magnificent, the temperature rarely going below zero and only twice, during the last three summers, being higher than 100 degrees.

The highest temperature ever recorded is 102 degrees. At this altitude, in the dry climate, actual harmful freezing does not occur at 32 degrees but at 26 degrees. Government records show an average annual precipitation of 15 inches with an average yearly of 320 sunny days. That means enough rain for the farmer, lots of blue sky and bright sunshine, no oppressive heat, and climatic environment that gives Nature every possible chance to get the best results from man and soil.

Bend has four churches, many benevolent societies, splendid grade schools and a high school whose

graduates are admitted to the State University without examination, excellent banks, the best equipped and stocked stores of any town of twice the size in Oregon, brick yards, stone quarries, flour and lumber mills, a creamery, cold storage plants, steam laundry, newspaper, well appointed hotels, and, indeed, able representatives of every class of enterprise.

In other words, Bend is well equipped, modern and progressive, with a lot of wide-awake men who have spent good money developing the town, and who are getting good returns on their investments. Bend has the best water in the state, and an excellent modern water system, which includes up-to-date fire protection.

Bend's streets and homes are well lighted by electricity, which is furnished from a new plant which cost \$60,000 to build and equip.

A local and long distance telephone, as well as telegraph, are other items in Bend's metropolitan equipment.

Work is under way on a \$80,000 sewer system. There are more beautiful residences in Bend, proportionately to the population, than in any other town in the West.

Everywhere there are well made and well kept sidewalks, the streets are maintained in the best condition and are lit with powerful arc lights, giving the town the best street lighting of any in Oregon. With the many beautiful views of mountains, river and timber, the magnificent trees scattered generously throughout the residential districts, and the wonderful climate, Bend leaves little to be desired by those who seek ideal places in which to live.

Railroads.

In October, 1911, the Hill and Harriman railroad systems completed to Bend their Oregon Trunk and Deschutes lines. Bend is the terminus of both of these roads. The handsome depot, erected with native stone, and the best equipped warehouse in the state, indicate the importance the railroad companies hold Bend.

An extensive distributing business already is being conducted from Bend, to the country south and southeast, and with the regular operation of automobile truck lines, the volume of this business is vastly increasing.

Practically all of western Harney county, and northern Lake and

Klamath, will get supplies in by way of Bend, and in return will export via Bend enormous clips of wool. In connection with this latter product and its shipment here, the railroads have announced that every June there is to be a regular wool sale at Bend. This means that wool from all over interior Oregon will be collected here; that buyers will come here, that thousands of sheep will be sheared here, and that, in the very near future, woolen mills will be established.

In all surveys that have been made for a branch Hill road to the southeast, to command connection with affiliated roads and an outlet in that direction, Bend has been made the terminus point.

Irrigation.

A Carey Act irrigation segregation embracing approximately 200,000 acres, lies to the east and north of Bend. This land is watered under the supervision of the State of Oregon, and becomes the property of settlers who acquire it by residence and improvement, paying from \$15 to \$40 an acre for water service, with an annual maintenance charge of 20 to 30 cents an acre, the lowest maintenance rate in operation. Non-irrigable acreage is purchased at \$2.50 an acre.

Directly adjoining Bend are two other irrigation enterprises, both conducted on a farmers' co-operative basis, and both exceedingly prosperous.

On the irrigated lands all the products of the temperate zone prosper. The soil and climate, however, are particularly adapted to the successful production of grasses and root crops. Alfalfa, clover, grain, potatoes and other root crops, including sugar beets, do remarkably well.

The yield of butter fat from the grasses is exceptionally great, and this, combined with the pure soft water, and the lack of excessive heat and cold, destines this territory to take the front rank as a dairy country. The establishment of a large creamery at Bend, and the aid given farmers in securing fine cows by the local banks, means that a man with forty acres who will raise grass and feed it to his cows will be assured of a comfortable living.

Work is now in progress upon a great new irrigation canal, known as the North Canal, which will irrigate some 50,000 acres of land. The canal gets its water from the Deschutes.

Dry Farming.

Tributary to Bend on the southeast is a huge dry farming area, embracing more than 250,000 acres of

level and rolling sage brush land, with deep soil, no trees and rocks, and with well water obtainable at moderate depths.

Much of this territory has been settled by homesteaders during the last year, and many families are daily taking advantage of this last big chance to get free Government land. The majority of the acreage is open to homesteading under the 320 acre law, which allows the free acquisition of that amount in return for residence and proportional annual cultivation and improvement. The homestead laws are being made easier and more attractive, with the result that more and more settlers come to Bend and make homes on this land tributary to the town.

Good roads extend through this country, and daily auto and stage lines tap it from Bend, to which its products will come on down grade hauls to be milled with the inexhaustible water power of the Deschutes River immediately below Bend, where a dam is being constructed at a cost of about \$60,000. The work in connection with this summer's development of the new canal will require an expenditure of \$175,000. All of this money will be spent close to Bend. The entire system will require approximately \$700,000 to complete.

Timber.

Tributary to Bend, on down grade hauls, is 20,000,000,000 feet of the finest yellow pine timber. Besides providing the cheap power for the milling of this enormous timber belt, Bend offers the best of mill pond facilities.

The manufacture of this timber at Bend is a certainty, for the largest of the companies interested are heavy property owners in Bend lands and waterpower developments, and have signified their intention of locating their big mills here.

At present there are several smaller mills, employing in the neighborhood of 150 men. While these manufacture lumber primarily for local consumption, not only are many carloads exported to the towns north of Bend, but also many are shipped to the middle western markets, which later will be supplied heavily with the Bend lumber products.

Water Power.

There is at least 250,000 horsepower easily obtainable from the Deschutes at and near Bend.

Already a 1700 horsepower plant is in operation in the town, which offers as cheap electric power for domestic and manufacturing uses as is obtainable in the Northwest. The inexhaustible and cheap power at her doors guarantees Bend's extensive manufacturing future.

Recreation.

The man who comes to Bend or the adjacent sections of Central Oregon will be agreeably surprised at the pleasant surroundings he will encounter, both in what nature has supplied and in social matters.

For instance, a University Club recently was organized in Bend with 36 charter members. That indicates the character of the men who are building up Central Oregon.

The sportsman will find the Bend country a veritable paradise. Fishing in the Deschutes is a famous attraction, that river's giant trout bringing sport lovers from all parts of the Northwest. Deer, bear, rabbits, sage hens, ducks, geese, swans and other game afford ample recreation for the out-door lover along the river and in the foothills. Canoeing and boating directly at Bend and up the broad reaches of the Deschutes, coupled with excellent auto roads, horse back riding possibilities without end, and near by snow clad mountain peaks, combine near Bend interest for every sort of nature lover and health seeker.

How to Get Here

From Portland take either the "North Bank Railroad" or the Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation Co. system direct to Bend. The fare is \$7.45. Through tickets from all Eastern points are good directly to Bend. The route up the Deschutes Canyon is the most strikingly beautiful railroad trip in the Northwest, and, say lovers of fine scenery, is in itself well worth the journey.

There are towns having good summer climates.

There are towns having good winters.

There are towns at the right altitude.

There are towns having attractions for the outdoor enthusiast.

There are towns having building stone.

There are towns having brick yards.

There are towns having irrigated lands.

There are towns having timber.

There are towns having mills and dairies.

There are towns having water power.

There are towns having great tributary areas.

There are towns which are terminal of two railroads.

But where is there a town having all of these advantages?

BEND is such a town.

And that is why it will pay you, no matter whether you are an investor, a homeseeker, business man or tourist, to investigate what Bend and the adjacent country has to offer you.

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New York Grocer's Idea of What Constitutes a Joke.

James Butler, the proprietor of a flock of trained grocery stores—two or three hundred or thereabout—finds time to squeeze out a laugh now and then despite the tremendous demands made on him by business. One of his favorite places of relaxation is Healey's restaurant, Sixty-sixth street and Columbus avenue. One night a few weeks ago he joined two friends seated at a table.

"What are you going to have?" asked Mr. Butler.

"I'll have a tub of your best butter, Jim," said one of his friends.

"Make mine a case of fresh eggs," said the other.

All hands had a good laugh, and the incident was forgotten. That night when the two men reached home they found the butter and eggs there ahead of them.

"And they had to sit up until daylight to convince their wives they were not going crazy or in the hotel business," said Mr. Butler with a laugh.—New York Herald.

Frohman and Shaw.

It was with Charles Frohman in mind that Bernard Shaw once happened to write the only serious words that ever issued from his pen. "There is a prevalent impression," wrote the author of "Man and Superman" and "You Never Can Tell" to the London Times, "that Charles Frohman is a hard headed American man of business who does not look at anything that is not likely to pay. If Mr. Frohman were really that sort of man I should not waste five minutes on his projects. He is the most wildly romantic and adventurous man of my acquaintance. As Charles XII. became a famous soldier through his passion for putting himself in the way of being killed, so Charles Frohman has become a famous manager through his passion for putting himself in the way of being ruined."

That is what Frohman woke up to read about himself one morning in his apartments at the Savoy hotel, London. When the reporters came to the manager and asked him what he thought of Shaw's letter to the Times he simply replied, with a sly twinkle in his eye, "Gentlemen, you may not think it, but Mr. Shaw is the most entertaining person of my acquaintance."—Strand Magazine.

Soiling Crops For Cows.

Soiling crops should be used more extensively by dairymen. In sections of the country where land is very high and the farmer forced to employ every possible means of making it produce as much food as possible soiling is common. This is noticeable in portions of Europe where the cows are kept up most of the time and where every acre must produce a large amount of food. But while we have pastures and silos we will not be forced to follow soiling. Yet there are many dairymen who could use a few acres of soiling crops very profitably. By using barnyard manure very liberally a few acres in soiling crops would be of great value.

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TIMELY HINTS FOR FARMERS

Feeding the Lambs.

Every farmer who raises sheep should prepare for weaning time by providing a field of extra good pasture into which the lambs may be turned. A field of rape that has been sown early will answer very well, or a clover meadow that has been cut early may be utilized. It is essential that the pasture be clean and does not harbor the parasites that work such great havoc to the lamb crop during the summer months. Stagnant and impure water supply is frequently the cause of much loss. Many fine flocks of lambs have practically been destroyed by allowing them to have access to impure water. The keeper should give close attention to this matter, especially during the dry season. The lambs should receive a grain ration to take the place of the nourishment that was furnished by the milk previous to weaning. Bran and oats fed in small quantities will provide a ration that meets all requirements and will go a long way toward promoting a vigorous growth.

The Boar Needs Care.

The boar is too often the most neglected animal on the farm at this season. This should not be. He needs such care as will put him in the best possible physical condition for this fall's service. The boar is partly responsible for so many small and unsatisfactory litters is not to be denied. About the best place for a boar during the summer and early fall is a small shaded pasture, where he can get plenty of green feed and exercise. He needs company, too, and should have at least one quiet, pregnant sow to run with him.

For grain feed he needs such that will keep him in vigorous condition. Of course corn alone is too fattening for any breeding animal. However, we have no objection to its furnishing a large part of the ration for our boar if we have meat meal or some other protein concentrate to go with it.—Farm and Fireside.

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