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WELL DRILLERS STRIKE WATER

SUPPLY FOR SETTLERS ASSURED

Success at Hampton Booms Free Land Territory and Opens Desert Act Opportunities—County Pays for Experiment.

The most important single achievement in the history of the southeast homestead country was accomplished last week when a permanent water supply was obtained by well diggers at Hampton. The new well is 167 feet deep, and has from 20 to 40 feet of water, with every indication of an inexhaustible supply.

As a result of the "strike", which proves that water is obtainable with little difficulty throughout the free-land territory, a renewed interest in getting these last untaken acres from the government is manifested, and what promises to be a considerable land rush is under way. There is, of course, jubilation among the homesteaders already on claims, and it is understood that the well drilling company is swamped with orders from settlers who want wells sunk on their property.

County Pays for Well.

Hampton, where the new well is, is about 70 miles southeast of Bend. The well is on the Bend-Burns road. It has been dug at the expense of the county, the County Court recently having agreed to devote \$1,000 if necessary, to securing a well there, not only for its benefits to the settlers and to ascertain the cost of obtaining permanent supply, but also to serve as a watering point for the heavy freight traffic between Bend and Burns. J. E. Sawhill, of the Central Oregon Development League, the Bend Commercial Club, and many local merchants and others had much to do with having the well drilled. It, however, being the direct outcome of the progressiveness of the Hampton country settlers and the wise action of the County Court.

A. T. Shaver is at the head of the well drilling outfit. Water was struck at 167 feet, and now stands 24 feet deep. The total expense of the experiment has been but \$332.50. The well drilling cost \$250, wood and water \$58.50 and board \$26.

The well remains the property of the county. Just how it will be managed is as yet undecided, but probably someone will be in charge, and water will be sold to settlers and freighters for just enough to cover actual operating expenses. A gasoline or other engine probably will be employed for the pumping.

Is Boon to All

The new well will be a boon of tremendous worth to the Hampton and all the homestead territory, as it permanently solves any water difficulties which existed. It probably also means that hereafter far more attention will be paid to acquiring tracts under the desert land laws

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BEND LUMBER FOR REDMOND.

Bend's position as a lumber manufacturing and distributing point for Central Oregon was again demonstrated last week when the Overturn-Davis-Miller Company shipped five car loads of lumber to Redmond. This lumber, cut here, will be used in the new Redmond water system. The plan is to flame water from the Deschutes near Cline Falls to the base of Long Butte, 1 1/2 miles distant, whence it will be taken to town by pipe. The system will be gravity throughout.

SCHOOL OPENS WITH 192 PUPILS ENROLLED

This is 20 More Than at End of First Week Last Fall—Five Seniors in High School.

The Bend school opened yesterday with 192 pupils enrolled. This is 20 more than there were in school at the end of the first week last year. The other district schools also opened yesterday, Mrs. Glen H. Black teaching the Arnold and Miss Edna Pyatt the Young school.

All the teachers were ready to assume their duties yesterday except Miss Kathryn Ryan of the sixth grade. Owing to the serious illness of her mother at Grants Pass, she was unable to take up her work now and the school board granted her a month's leave of absence. Miss Marion West is teaching the sixth grade during this period.

In the High School there are 30 students, about the same number as at the opening last year. Five seniors reported yesterday. Two of the number will finish the course by the middle of the year. There are no girls in the senior class this year.

Miss Sidner has 30 little boys and girls in the primary grade. About 25 of these have never been to school before. There are 28 new faces in the grades above the first, those pupils having moved to Bend during the summer.

BUILDINGS UNDER WAY

Brick Business Structures and Stone Church Rising.

Rapid progress is being made on the construction of the brick business building which C. S. Hudson and U. C. Coe are having erected on Wall street next to the Star Theater.

The Presbyterian church is beginning to rise also. Torkil Swanson, who has the stone contract, has begun work on the foundation. The carpentering contract has been let to K. D. McIntosh, the price being approximately \$2450.

Workmen are busy this week repairing the First National Bank building which was damaged by fire on August 24. J. W. Dimick has the contract.

STEHLI HAS FINE APPLES.

For all around excellence the apples raised this year by John Stehli at his home in Lytle are perhaps the best ever produced in this section. He has some on exhibition at the Commercial Club that are very large and well formed. The four trees he has are six years old and are heavily laden.

HERE IN PRIVATE CAR.

Tom Shevlin of Minneapolis, a big timberman who has extensive holdings in Central Oregon, arrived in Bend Monday night in his private Pullman car. He is accompanied by his family and several friends. The party will be here until tomorrow.

BEND GREET'S SEATTLEITES

Unique Special Train, With 68 Puget Sound Visitors Headed by W. D. Cheney, Spends Strenuous Day Here, Taking Town by Storm.

"The best excursion, most enthusiastic excursionists and the liveliest banquet ever pulled off in the Northwest."

That's what Bend thinks about the Bend Park Company special train, about the Sound City visitors and about the banquet that topped off the 31 hours of rapid fire sightseeing. In a nutshell, the whole affair was a magnificent success, and it would be hard to say whether it was more thoroughly enjoyed by the Seattleites or by Benders.

In the first place, the excursion was the biggest thing of the kind yet witnessed in the West, from a railroad standpoint, and undoubtedly is one of the most unique junkets on record. Sunday evening, shortly after six, the "Bend Special" arrived, composed of four sleepers, a dining car and a baggage car. From the time they bought their tickets in Seattle until returning there, the excursionists were the guests of the Bend Park Company; their money was no good; they slept on the train, and ate in the dining car. The completeness of the train is hinted at by the fact that even the luxury of a barber was included in its equipment. From the rear platform a big Bend emblem, electrically illuminated, trailed a message of Bend from Puget Sound to the Deschutes, and back again. There were 68 people aboard.

They made enough noise and had enough enthusiasm for \$50; when they were awake and at work—meaning 22 hours out of the 24—their performance would have put a conservative calliope to the blush.

Anxious to Get Here.

Every one of the 68, with two exceptions, paid their way, because they wanted to see Bend. When a somewhat similar excursion from Seattle was undertaken ten months ago, only 16 people were sufficiently interested to come to Bend, and of those but four paid their passage—which goes to show that this season's crop of Bend enthusiasm in the Pacific Northwest is a bumper one.

The O.-W. R. & N. Co. handled the special. From Seattle a special agent accompanied the train to Portland. From Portland to Bend and return the road's well known representative in this district, H. C. Oliver, was in charge. Judging from the encomiums heaped upon them, he and Conductor A. E. Dalrymple and the rest of the crew made the biggest kind of a hit with their booster passengers.

On the up trip the train stopped at the O. A. C. demonstration farm at Metolius, where Superintendent W. L. Powers and P. H. Spillman were on hand to explain the work. J. E. Sawhill and G. P. Putnam also boarded the train there. Another stop was made at the Redmond farm, where a hurried walk was taken through the fields, the examples of Central Oregon productiveness delighting the visitors.

"Bend Park March" by Band.

At Bend a good crowd was on hand. Also the band, which distinguished itself with welcoming airs, chief among which was the "Bend Park March," specially composed for

President Cheney of the company, and first used on Railroad Day.

Monday morning the schedule began. The employees of the company started out at six, going over the company properties in autos. The forenoon was devoted to looking over the town and with auto jaunts in the adjoining country.

At noon lunch was served, being held in the Johnson building instead of on the lawn, as originally planned, because of threatening showers. Bend ladies served. The picnic luncheon was provided by Corketts, and proved more than popular with the hungry excursionists after their morning in the open.

The afternoon was devoted to an auto trip to Benham Falls, the party going up the east side of the river and taking in Lava Butte as well as seeing characteristic stretches of the enormous tributary timber belt.

In the evening, at 7, occurred the banquet. It was held in the hall over Lara's store, Mr. Lara generously not only offering the use of the room but also devoting a lot of time to decorating it with agricultural exhibits from the Commercial Club.

More than 175 people were at the tables, which were served by 16 Bend girls—"also Central Oregon products," as Toastmaster Sawhill said. The meal was prepared and managed by Corkett, every item on the bill of fare, as shown by the menu, being produced within a few miles of Bend. The meal was dainty, admirably served, and heartily enjoyed by all.

The Rev. I. J. Gorby opened the meal with an invocation.

Paper Predicts Future.

During the course of the "east" newsboys delivered to the diners copies of "The Daily Bulletin," an evening edition dated September 2, 1912, which was supposed to have been published ten years hence. The little paper (which was far smaller than usual, it was explained, because the plant was in the process of moving into its new six-story fire proof building) contained news of the next decade: of trolley lines, large lumber mills, eastern and southern railroads; among other things, it related that nearly all the knockers of 1912 were dead or had moved away.

Throughout the banquet the Bend Parkers kept things lively with songs and yells. They were the cleverest and most appropriate parodies possible, and brought down the house.

Then came the speaking. J. E. Sawhill, secretary of the Central Oregon Development League, was toastmaster, and proved an admirable presiding officer. G. P. Putnam, publisher of The Bulletin, was called upon for the opening address, welcoming the visitors, calling attention to some of Bend's resources and comparing transportation today with that of the Shaniko route period. Both Dr. U. C. Coe and J. H. Corbett, scheduled respectively to speak concerning climate and trans-

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STAATS BUYS DAIRY.

Last Friday a deal was closed whereby Sylvester Staats became the owner of the dairy business formerly owned and operated by C. H. Erickson and Ernest T. Lathby. The dairy has 19 cows and a full equipment. Mr. Staats states that he will conduct the business alone, and that hereafter it will be known as the Clover Leaf Dairy. The location of the dairy will be moved to the Staats property on the river south of town, where extensive improvements are being made to accommodate it.

ENTHUSIASM MAY WIN FOR CENTRAL OREGON

Prospects Bright That This Will Be Chosen as Official Route of the Pacific Highway.

The prospects of Central Oregon getting the Pacific Highway are getting brighter every day. Leaders in the movement met in Portland Sunday and decided that a route east of the Cascades was proper owing to the great interest taken in the tourist thoroughfare by Wasco, Crook and Klamath counties. The Willamette valley people not only have shown indifference toward the movement but have neglected to maintain the signs placed along the route through the valley which autoists have been using in their travels from north to south. In many instances the signs have been turned so as to guide travelers up blind roads that ended in the mountains.

RHODES HAS SONGS.

J. C. Rhodes, local manager for the Bend Park Company, has copies of the leaflet containing the songs sung at Monday's banquet, one copy of which he will give to anyone wishing it, while the supply lasts.

SELL AUTO TRUCKS.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Lockwood closed a deal last Friday with Furst Brothers, newcomers to Bend, whereby the latter took over the auto truck line from here to Burns. The two trucks were included in the sale. Mr. and Mrs. Lockwood have gone to Portland where they will be for some time.

APPLES IN THREE YEARS.

Howard Spining, who lives three miles out from Bend on the Princeton road, has an apple tree on which are 15 apples this year. The graft was planted three years ago and the tree transplanted last spring. This is a remarkably fast bearing record for a fruit tree here or anywhere else.

ENLARGING SWALLEY CANAL.

The directors of the Deschutes Reclamation & Irrigation Co. have authorized the further enlargement of the Swalley ditch. The company has an agreement with the Central Oregon Irrigation Company whereby water in a lateral of the Pilot Butte canal is conveyed for some distance in the Swalley ditch, and it is this stretch that will be enlarged now.

NEW PLANER AT MILL.

The Bend Company has purchased and is installing a new Berlin planer at their lumber mill, the machine costing about \$2,500. With the addition of the new equipment the daily capacity of the planing mill is raised to over 30,000 feet.

TROUT PLACED IN MANY LAKES

STATE MAKING ANGLER'S PARADISE

Three Men Have Been Out All Summer in the Cascades Stocking Mountain Waters—Shipment Received in Bend Last Night.

Stocking the lakes of the Cascade mountains and making them a veritable paradise for the angler, within a few years, has been the work of the State Game Commission this summer. Three men have been engaged in this work since the middle of May, distributing 80,000 fish fry in 70 or more lakes.

S. S. Mohler, with two assistants, set out on May 13 from Casadero, west of the mountains, and have been all over the range. They have visited many remote lakes—lakes which are not put down on any of the government maps—and placed in them various kinds of trout. Four varieties have been used—Eastern Brook, Silverside, Rainbow and Black Spotted. The Eastern Brook have been placed in the coldest waters, as they thrive better in them than the other species. The men worked out from Detroit, at the end of the Corvallis & Eastern Railway, on the west side, and have now come to Bend and are receiving shipments here.

From Bonneville Hatchery. The fish come from the Bonneville State Hatchery, on the O.-W. R. & N. between The Dalles and Portland. Last night a shipment of 10,000 came in and were taken today by wagon to two lakes in township 21 south, range 5 east, about 40 miles southwest of here, known as Twin Lakes. The name will be changed, however, as it has already been applied to other lakes.

Mr. Mohler states that he has been very successful in the work. The number of fish that have died while being transported to the lakes has been very small. "I have been out as high as six days with fish," he said, "and lost less than 50 in 10,000. Once we packed trout for two days into the mountains, and the loss was only seven fish when we reached the end of the journey. I make a map of all the lakes stocked which will be turned over to the state.

The season's work will be ended in about three weeks. We will receive three more shipments here in addition to last night's 10,000."

Carried Cans on Back. Mr. Mohler told of some difficult experiences in getting the fish to the lakes. A number of them could not be reached even by pack animals, so rough are the mountains, and the cans of fish had to be carried in on the human back. Many were the falls that Mr. Mohler got, but he had the good fortune not to get badly hurt or to lose many of the fish.

The Golden Rule

A YOUNG FARMER went to his banker a short time ago and asked to borrow \$300.00. After consulting the depositors ledger and noting the condition of said farmer's account the banker said: "Alright sir, you can have it. I observe that while your account is not large, yet it has been gradually increasing, which shows that you are succeeding. I also note that you are apparently doing all your business with us, which shows that you are our friend, and we always feel like helping our friends." Was the banker's conclusion logical? This bank preaches and practices the Golden Rule.

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