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COE CANDIDACY IS PROMISING

PLEDGES WILL PLEASE TAXPAYERS

Would Have Road Districts Benefit Directly From Taxation and Advocates Publicity in all County Matters.

That there is plenty doing in county politics, especially as regards the race for the judgeship, is indicated by the events of the last week, since the announcement of the candidacy of Dr. U. C. Coe.

The general sentiment seems to be that it is anybody's race, with betting favoring Springer and Coe. As Springer comes from the extreme northeast section of the county, and has always stood for extremely conservative methods of county administration in his previous races for office, it is generally conceded that his support in this territory will be light, while reports from the north county adjoining the railroad indicate that a good proportion of the vote there will swing to Coe. Advice from La Pine, Laidlaw, Sisters and the Powell Butte country show a strong sentiment for Coe, while there is every reason to believe that the vote in the homestead territory to the southeast will be practically solid for the Bend candidate. That many Prineville people feel McFarlane now is as good as beaten is the word received from the county seat, and as Springer does not appear to have many sympathizers there seems to be a strong probability that Coe will stand well at the polls. However, McFarlane is out for the fight, and announces himself as "the next county judge of Crook county."

In speaking of his candidacy yesterday Dr. Coe stated that he did not think it necessary to draw up an official "platform," and further was very positive in his assertion that he would make no promises in connection with the campaign, other than that, if elected, he would do his best to serve the county on the principle of the "greatest good to the greatest number."

Dr. Coe did, however, outline several points upon which he pledges his administration.

In regard to the expenditure of road funds, his belief is that every district should have expended in it at least as much money as it contributes to the fund.

He strongly advocates county co-operation for the establishment and maintenance of agricultural demonstration stations.

He advocates full publicity relative to all county matters, and especially regarding finances and expenditures. In this regard he would have a semi-annual report of expenditures and financial standing made in at

Candidate for County Judge.



DR. U. C. COE.

least three county papers, so that the tax payers may know exactly what is being done with their money. Further, it is his opinion that whenever matters of particular importance are up for consideration by the County Court, such matters be not definitely acted upon until the county press be given an opportunity to thoroughly place them before the consideration of the tax payers, thus avoiding possible "railroading."

OUTGOING FREIGHT IN SEPTEMBER WAS 81 CARS

Railroads Receiving Considerable Tonnage From This Point, as Well as Bringing in Many Shipments.

The freight business which the railroads are doing here is by no means all tonnage consigned to this point, although the latter is quite heavy as reported to The Bulletin last week.

During the month which closed Monday the roads carried out of Bend 81 cars of freight. A surprising amount of this was what is known in shipping terms as "merchandise," there being 25 cars.

Livestock constituted 39 carloads—36 of sheep, 2 of cattle and 1 of horses. The cattle were shipped Sunday to Portland by S. S. Stearns from his La Pine range. Sheep shipments included those animals which went over the Oregon Trunk to Coleman, a station beyond Madras, being taken back to winter pasture in the Shaniko and Antelope country after grazing in the forests during the summer. The following constituted the remaining shipments: Lumber 7, wool 1, brick 1, empty barrels 1, ice 2, household goods 2, autos 1, machinery 1.

CHICKEN DINNER TOMORROW.

Tomorrow evening in the Johnson building the Ladies' Aid Society will serve their third annual chicken dinner. Those in charge of the arrangements state that there will be plenty of chicken and plenty of other good things, including home-made noodles. Serving will begin at 5:30 and continue until everyone is fed.

STRIKE WATER AND GOOD CLAY

DOUBLE FIND IN MILICAN VALLEY

Homesteaders Rejoice at Getting Water at 45 Feet Without Encountering Rock—Clay Will Make Fine Fire Brick, Says Expert.

Water at 45 feet in a well dug at a money outlay of \$3.65, and the discovery of excellent fire clay, is the good news to the homesteaders in Millican valley, and incidentally to all the people of Bend who are interested in the development of the southeast territory.

H. F. Dyer, who helped dig the well, was in town Monday and told of the important achievement. The well is located on the claim of George E. Heathman, the west half of section 35, township 19 south, range 14 east. This is only a short distance on the east side of Horse Ridge. The well was put down as a test, four men having adjoining claims agreeing to pay their pro rata share of the cost. These are Messrs. Heathman and Dyer, Daniel Heeler and D. C. Rogers.

"We started the well with the intention of going down 100 feet as a test," said Mr. Dyer. "Others had tried for water in this valley and some had failed, and we were told that water could not be had. But we had to be shown, and so Mr. Heathman and I began on the well. For 35 feet we went down through volcanic ash, without the least sign of water. Then we struck a clay formation and last Friday got to water. We did not strike a single rock that was half as big as a man's head. We went through five feet of the finest fire-brick clay I have ever seen. I am an expert in mining and know what I am talking about. Back in East Tennessee, where I came from in May, a three-foot vein of this clay is considered excellent, so in addition to showing some of the 'knockers' that we can get water out in that country, we have discovered what may turn out to be a paying industry."

"The well is four feet in diameter and we have a big head of water. We had to curb it only eight feet, the rest of the earth standing as firm as a curbed wall. The entire cost of the well, excepting our work, was \$2.40 for lumber, \$1 for rope and 25 cents for nails, a total of \$3.65."

The water is clear and good, Mr. Dyer having a water bag full of it with him which was drawn out the day after the well was completed. He also brought in samples of the clay, which may be seen at this office as long as they last.

The Millican valley is the closest homestead country to Bend, being distant 20 to 30 miles, and this summer has been settled up rapidly.

POWELL BUTTE MAN IS KILLED

C. A. GRAVES FALLS UNDER WAGON

Well Known Rancher Victim of Accident While Hauling Grain to Bend Yesterday—Head Crushed. Death is Almost Instant.

Yesterday morning Charles A. Graves, a well known resident of the Powell Butte section, fell beneath a wagon he was driving, a wheel of which passed over his head, resulting in almost instant death.

The accident occurred about 16 miles northeast of Bend, on the Prineville road. George Hobbs and Mr. Graves were bringing in oats to Bend from the Lee Hobbs place. Hobbs was driving a team behind Graves, who drove mules. The first intimation Hobbs had that there was something wrong, according to Dr. Coe, who was summoned, was when he noticed that Graves' team ran. First Hobbs found a sack of oats in the road and then the body of Graves, his head badly crushed where the wheel of the heavy wagon had passed over it. An apparent explanation of the accident is that Graves dropped a line, and while attempting to pick it up the mules bolted and knocked him down beneath the wagon.

Charles Graves was in the neighborhood of 55 years of age, and had been a resident of this section for over ten years. At one time he was county surveyor, and always has been prominent in the affairs of the county. He is survived by a wife, from whom he was separated some five years ago, and by a son who, it is understood, now resides in Arizona, and by a sister, a resident of Portland.

The body was taken to Prineville yesterday.

TAX ASSOCIATION FOR THIS COUNTY PROBABLE

Move for Formation of the Organization Well Under Way. Objects are Outlined.

That there is strong probability that Crook county will have a tax association similar to that in Coos county and elsewhere, is the statement of D. L. McKay, J. N. Hunter and other men heavily interested in local timber lands.

In explaining the proposed move, Messrs. McKay and Hunter submitted to The Bulletin a copy of the constitution and bylaws of the Coos County Tax Association, explanatory extracts from which are printed below:

The object of the organization shall be to afford its members facilities for cooperating with each other, and the county and state and in all matters of taxation, and as to the regularity of all tax levies made by

the county court.

A satisfied man is to be kept at the county seat whose duties shall be "to secure all information from the county court house, by visits to the assessor's office, by going over records in the sheriff's office, by attending all county court sessions, road meetings and any other place where he can secure reliable information relating to taxation."

Already timbermen and others have the move for the formation of the proposed association well under way, and it is the belief of those interested that such an organization will be in actual operation before sixty days have passed. The great benefits derived by members in other counties where the scheme has been tried out indicate its worth and the valuable returns that result from it, both to individual taxpayers and to the county at large.

BEND EXHIBITS BEST RECEIVED IN PORTLAND

Samples of Products Sent From Here for Eastern Land Shows Create Favorable Comment.

In speaking of the agricultural exhibits received by the state immigration commission at Portland, which are to be shown at the Oregon display at the land shows at Minneapolis and Chicago, The Portland Oregonian says:

"Exhibits have already been stored in the Portland storeroom from Dufur Valley, furnished by the Dufur Commercial Club; from Lakeview, furnished by W. Lair Thompson and the Lakeview Commercial Club; from Lower Chewaucaun Valley, Pine Creek, Christmas Lake, Goose Lake, Summer Lake and Crooked Creek, all furnished by the Lakeview Commercial Club; from Oakland, Ore., Brownsville, Pleasant Home, Bend and Metolius. The largest of these entries is the one from Bend, containing 20 separate samples."

Secretary Brown of the Bend Commercial Club, under whose direction the exhibits were gathered and forwarded, states further that the exceptionally fine clover which the article mentioned also came from Bend. All of which goes to show that this town will hold something of a noteworthy place at the big land show.

LAKE COUNTY LAND IS SOLD AT \$125 AN ACRE

Gist Rancher Purchases 220 Acres at Summer Lake for \$27,500. Seller to Reside Here.

One of the highest prices which Central Oregon farm land has ever brought was that paid for 220 acres at Summer Lake this week when J. W. McCulley of Gist purchased 220 acres of A. E. Embler. The price was \$125 an acre, the transaction representing \$27,500. On the deal Mr. McCulley traded in his 170-acre ranch, worth \$7,000, in the Gist country. The sale was put through by the Homeowners' Land Co.

The 220-acre tract is highly improved and in a fine state of cultivation. It is considered the best land in the rich Summer Lake country, in Lake county. It is sub-irrigated. Among other things, it has 500 apple trees on it.

Mr. Embler expects to move to Bend to reside this winter.

CHICAGO FIRM OBTAINS BONDS

COUNCIL ACCEPTS BID OF FARSON

Price Paid for \$60,000 Issue is \$60,944, With Accrued Interest and Blank Bonds Supplied. Final Decision Taken Tuesday

Final decision in the matter of selling the \$60,000 bond issue for the construction of a sewer system for the city of Bend was completed yesterday, when the bid of Farson, Son & Co., of New York and Chicago, was accepted. Notice of acceptance has been wired to the successful bidders, and a transcript of the council records pertaining to the bond issue will be forwarded as soon as possible. After its acceptance the technicalities of the sale will be completed and delivery of the bonds will be made and the cash turned over to the city.

The Farson bid is well above par for the bond issue. It is \$60,944, with accrued interest to the date of delivery of the bonds. This interest amounts to \$300 a month. The bidder also supplies lithographed bonds free, the cost of which, if imposed upon the city, would amount to probably about \$300.

Some delay was experienced in getting the matter finally decided owing to a correspondence with the two best bidders, and it was not until yesterday that it proved feasible to definitely close the deal. Just how long it will be before the bonds are taken over by the bonding house it is of course impossible to say, but there is every reason to suppose that if some unforeseen hitch does not arise final steps in the matter should be completed within a month.

The council has advertised for construction bids, to be opened on the night of October 16, it being the desire to get the system installed as soon as practicable. As stated last week, every one of the seven bids received was above par, giving a remarkable endorsement of Bend's desirability as a place for investment in the eyes of outside financial experts.

At yesterday's council meeting Steidl, of the street committee, suggested that steps be taken to grade off Wall street immediately in front of the new Sather concrete sidewalk, and that a small expenditure be made to take off the top of the steep pitch on Greenwood avenue near Teagh street in Center addition.

GROWS BIG POTATOES.

A fine sample of Powell Butte spuds was brought to town Monday from the ranch of George Hobbs by R. H. Caldwell. Six of them weighed seven and a quarter pounds. This gives an enormous yield and a big return to the farmer who grow them.

A Farmer's Logic

TWO FARMERS were discussing the advantages of a bank account from a farmer's standpoint. "But," said the first, "I am so far from town it is inconvenient for me to come in to do my banking." "All the more reason," his companion replied, "why you should have an account. When you have a check to deposit simply endorse it over to the bank and mail it to them. They will credit and receipt you. Then when you buy anything, pay by check. That's the way others pay you. That's up-to-date business." Is the argument not logical?

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