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BEND WICKED, WEST IS TOLD

SOMEBODY LOST IN POKER GAME

Without Making Complaint Here,
Woman Asks Governor to "In-
vestigate" Alleged Local Con-
ditions—Mayor's Statement.

Last night Mayor Putnam received the following communication from Governor West:

Salem, October 21st, 1912.
The Mayor of Bend,
Dear Sir:
I am enclosing you a copy of a letter today received from Mrs. Etta Fraser, for such information as it may give you and such subsequent action as the facts may warrant.

Very truly yours,
OSWALD WEST.
The communication referred to, from Mrs. Etta Fraser, follows:
Copy.

October 17th, 1912.
Governor West,
Dear Sir:

I am writing to you this morning to inform you that gambling is going on in Bend, Oregon. One of my neighbors was fleeced by a poker game and another was sandbagged and nearly killed by a gambler. There seems to be no enforcement of the law and one is not safe to be on the street at night. It certainly needs investigation.

Hoping you will look into the matter at once, I remain
Mrs. Etta Fraser.

The text of Mr. Putnam's reply to Governor West, mailed today, is:

"Thanks for your letter of the 21st, with copy of Mrs. Etta Fraser communication. I am enclosing herewith a clipping from The Bend Bulletin of today's issue, its subject matter explaining, I believe, the situation and my stand in regard thereto. I beg to assure you that it is my honest effort to see that the laws which I obligated myself to enforce are lived up to, to the best of my ability.

G. P. PUTNAM,
Mayor of Bend.

The facts of the case, so far as they can be ascertained, seem to be these.

On the night of Saturday, October 5, A. S. Fogg, postmaster at Hampton, reported that he had been held up, and, he alleged, sandbagged, near the present postoffice. His loss was a ten dollar gold piece. He also stated that in his pocket at the time was a considerable roll of bills. The latter was not disturbed. No clue was obtainable concerning the alleged robbery, and indeed Mr. Fogg himself appeared somewhat hazy concerning its details.

Regarding the loss in a poker game by Mrs. Fraser's neighbor as reported to the Governor, there is absolutely no information. The man made no complaint to the police, or

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REGISTRATION HEAVY.

The registration in Bend and Deschutes precinct which closed last week, shows a total of 587 voters, counting those registered at the primaries. Many voters could not register because the supply of registration blanks gave out, but will be sworn in at election time.

"ADDIE" FOSTER LOOKS LIKE BEND FAVORITE

Republican Candidate For Assessor-
ship Has Strange Hold on Elec-
tion—Brewster Gets Support.

That H. A. Foster, better known as "Addie" Foster, the Prineville Democratic candidate for the county assessor's office, will get the support of the big vote in Bend and Deschutes precincts, is the statement made by those who are watching the local political situation closely.

While, of course, Mr. Foster will not get every vote over here, many people are interesting themselves in seeing that he polls a heavy count, and there seems good reason to believe that he will run well along with the Coe vote.

With the big local registration, it seems fair to suppose that if Foster runs anywhere near Coe here his election will be clinched.

Another candidate for county office to whom has been pledged support here is R. L. Brewster, the Republican nominee for surveyor. Mr. Brewster is well known here, and received a big endorsement at the primary election. The local sentiment is also decidedly in his favor, as it is in favor of Mr. Foster for the assessorship.

HARRY LANE SPEAKS HERE

Democratic Senatorial Candidate
Pleases Large Local Audience.

The first candidate for the Senate of the United States to speak in Bend addressed a local audience last night, when Harry Lane, the Democratic nominee for the senatorship, faced a gathering in Lara's Hall.

A large and evidently friendly crowd listened to the able address of the candidate, who was introduced by R. P. Minter. Mr. Lane spoke of Democratic policies in general and how he was particularly interested in dwelling at length upon the necessity for revision in tariff matters. He paid tribute to the development of his section of the state, called attention to its increasing political importance and pledged hearty co-operation should he be elected, in any work which would directly benefit Central Oregon.

Several dozen hats just received at Mrs. Black's millinery shop. ***

BID FOR SEWER ACCEPTED

Portland Firm, Lowest Bidders, to Get Construction
Contract at \$59,298---Cost to the City
Will be Less Than Was Expected

The installation of Bend's sewer system was brought one step nearer Monday, when the City Council let the contract for the work to the South Portland Crushed Rock Company of Portland, the lowest bidders. The lump sum bid of the successful contractor is \$59,398.97, or about \$15,000 below the cost estimated for the unit of the entire system that is to be installed now.

Twelve bids were received and considered at the meeting of the Council last Wednesday night. The lively bidding and the several exceptionally low bids are matters for congratulation to the city, for the fact that a number of large firms were anxious to secure the contract is indicated by the manner in which they went after the work, with bids that ranged all the way from \$59,398 to \$87,544, while the low figure secured means not only that Bend will get its system well within the estimated cost but also that the special assessment against benefited property will be upon a basis far lower than was originally planned. This assessment, it will be remembered, is to make up the difference between the \$60,000 bond issue and the total cost of the system, which is estimated at \$74,000. In addition to actual construction, covered by the amount of the bid, there remains for the city the expense of securing the land for the disposal plant and easements across property for the pipe line to the disposal plant site.

A transcript of the council's proceedings bearing upon the bond issue has been forwarded to Farson, Son & Co., of Chicago, the successful bidders for the bonds, and as soon as it is examined and approved, as there seems no doubt it will be, the blank bonds will be forwarded here for signature and then returned to Chicago and the cash turned over to the city. Until the final acceptance of the bonds no definite contract can be entered into with the construction contractor. The bond bids for the \$60,000 issue, it will be recalled, numbered seven, and all were above par. This remarkable showing, coupled with the many low bids for the construction, are matters of great satisfaction to all who have taken a special interest in this first big municipal improvement of Bend's.

Bids Read Wednesday.
At last Wednesday's meeting of the council representatives of the bidders were in attendance when the bids were read and tabulated. At that time the five lowest were held for further examination. At the meeting the next day the three lowest were held over, and Monday the lowest was accepted. Each bid was accompanied by a certified check for \$5000. When the final contract is drawn up the contractor puts up a bond for 50 per cent of the contract price, to insure satisfactory completion of the job.

Below is the list of the bidders, with the amounts bid, and the amount bid on rock excavation. There were 21 other items specifically bid on, but to record all would re-

quire more space than is available; the detailed bids may be learned from Engineer Koon or at the office of the mayor.

Jacobsen, Bade Co., Portland, \$66,363.10. Rock \$2.80.
Portland Engineering & Construction Co., Portland, \$68,675.98. Rock \$3.65.

H. M. Johnson, Portland, \$66,473.94. Rock \$2.75.
George Corden, Corvallis, Ore., \$70,945. Rock \$4.

Reliance Construction Co., Portland, \$67,052. Rock \$3.57.

R. M. Bardsen Co., Butte, Mont., \$69,588.49. Rock \$3.80.

M. Jennings & Co., Spokane, \$87,544. Rock \$5.91.

Consolidated Contract Co., Portland, \$61,232.10. Rock \$3.20.

E. W. Hiner & Co., Portland, \$78,888. Rock \$5.

Jeffery & Bufton, Portland, \$62,753.45. Rock \$3.25.

Kibbe-Welton Co., Portland, \$68,522. Rock \$3.90.

South Portland Crushed Rock Co., Portland, \$59,398.97. Rock \$3.30.

Want Quick Work.
Every effort will be made to get the work under way at the earliest possible time. It is Engineer Koon's desire that construction commence at the center of the business district, so that this can be completed early, and property owners be informed far in advance of the exact amount of the assessment that will be due shortly after the final completion of the system.

Much rock will be taken from the ditches and used in grading up the streets. The contractor has to deliver this at any point desired, within 500 feet of the place of excavation. The first work contemplated is to grade up Wall street north of Oregon with rock, and then cover this with dirt taken from the southerly end of the street, where a slight cut is necessary.

At Monday's meeting preliminary steps toward purchasing land necessary for the disposal plant were taken. There seems every reason to believe that all land required will be secured at a fair price, without the necessity of condemnation proceedings.

DEMOCRATIC NOMINEE HERE

E. B. Knox in Race For County
Commissionership.

E. B. Knox, the Democratic nominee for county commissioner, was here Monday, meeting many people about town. Judging from the reception accorded him, Mr. Knox is popular here and will receive a good vote.

"If I am elected I shall try to be a representative of all the county, and not simply of one section," said Mr. Knox. He is an enthusiast upon the subject of good roads, and also pledges himself to aid agricultural development and demonstration farm work.

NEWLY WEDS HAVE TROUBLE.

Mr. and Mrs. James L. Hicks of Burns, who were married here last week and started to their home by auto, had some unpleasant experiences. About 40 miles out their auto broke down. An effort was made to repair it and continue on their journey, but after several days, which were anything but salubrious for the honeymooners, owing to the severe winds, they returned to Bend by the auto trucks and left yesterday for Burns in Frank Dibble's car.

THREE RALLIES DURING WEEK

MANY WORKING FOR CANDIDATE

Laidlaw, Grange Hall and Powell
Butte Meetings Hear Coe—Many
Plan to Make Trip to Me-
tollus on Saturday.

Meetings at Laidlaw, the Grange Hall six miles east of Bend and at Powell Butte were the features of the Coe campaign during the last week. In addition to these, work by individuals in many sections of the county is bearing fruit, and reports indicate that the non-political business candidate will run strongly, not only in this section but in many others.

Last Wednesday occurred the meeting at Laidlaw, presided over by W. D. Barnes, and attended by some 35 local men, despite the heavy work that is in progress on the ranches. That Laidlaw recognizes that Coe is the candidate of their own section, and will back him to the limit, was indicated by conversations after the meeting, and by the work on his behalf that is being done by a number of prominent men in the territory.

Friday night settlers around the Grange Hall district gathered to hear Coe, and despite the fact that it was one of the worst nights of the year, with rain and a gale of wind, more than 50 people were in attendance. It was in every way a successful affair and the evident enthusiasm of those present showed that the heavily populated districts east of town will stand for Coe almost solidly.

Last night an auto load of Bend men, with Coe, went out to Powell Butte. Thanks to the heavy rains with accompanying bad roads, plus auto troubles, the party did not reach the school house where the meeting was scheduled until nearly 9 o'clock. However, even at that late hour a dozen ranchers turned out, while many more had been there earlier and gone home.

After the meeting Dr. Coe and the Bend delegation were hospitably entertained at a chicken supper at the home of Allen Wilcoxson.

To Metollus Saturday.
This Saturday a large delegation of Bend people will go to Metollus to participate in "Market Day" there, and to meet the many farmers who it is expected will gather from all over that section.

On Friday, November 1, Bend will have a final Coe rally here, when election day plans will be gone over.

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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