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CROOK COUNTY SHARES FUNDS

GETS AID FOR SCHOOLS AND ROADS

State Makes Apportionment—New Kind of Government at Reform School—Road Tax Unconstitutionality Now Remedied.

(Special to The Bulletin)

SALEM, Aug. 4.—The state treasurer last week apportioned \$360,711 which was the accrued interest on the irrevocable common school fund, to the various counties of the state according to the ratio of the school census. The school census this year for the state totals 197,110, which is an increase over last year of 7685 children between the ages of 4 and 20 years. Seven counties in the state show a slight loss in the school census from that reported last year. The others report an even number with 1911 or show an increase. Crook county shows an increase of 342. The following list shows the school population this year and the apportionment of school funds for three Central Oregon counties:

Crook, 3380 children, \$6148.80; Harney, 1121 children, \$2216.13; Lake, 1412 children, \$2583.96.

National Forest Income.

Nearly \$20,000, which is 10 per cent of the income from the national forests in the state, will be apportioned by the forestry department for use in improving certain roads in Oregon. This apportionment is made according to the recommendations of Governor West, which are as follows:

McKenzie road, which is the only one connecting the central and eastern part of Oregon with the Willamette valley, \$5000; Bend-Sparks lake road, Crook county, \$1000; Prineville-Mitchell road, Crook county, \$1000; Paisley-Chewaucan wagon road, from Paisley into the Chewaucan valley, a distance of 10 miles, \$750; Murderers' creek-Sprout ranch road, running from the Sprout ranch down Murderers' creek to the forest line, in Malheur county, \$1250; Covinam road, Union county, \$900; Cook & Green road, which is a link in the highway between Oregon and California, \$2000; Gates-Quartville road, Marion county, \$200; Cape Perpetua road, Lincoln county, \$2000; Lehman Springs road, Umatilla county, \$750; three pieces of road in the Umpqua reserve, \$1700; Wallowa-Crouse creek road, \$1000; Whitman-Desolation road, Baker county, \$2000.

"Boy City" at Reform School.

An election was held at the state reform school last week when a mayor and four commissioners were elected to govern the older boys of the school under the "boy city" government plan. This week the younger boys will hold an election to name a mayor and commissioners for themselves, as the two groups of boys are not separate at the institution. Superintendent Will S. Hale has inaugurated the movement to teach the boys

self-government.

Road Taxes Valid.

Special road taxes levied in the state last year under the provisions of the law which the supreme court held in February of this year to be unconstitutional are valid through the operation of a curative act passed by the last Legislature, according to an opinion rendered by Judge Galloway of the Marion county Circuit Court in the mandamus suit brought by the Oregon & California Railroad Co. against Sheriff William Esch to compel him to accept from the company the payment of all its taxes except the special road tax, which in this instance amounted to about \$5000. The sheriff refused to accept the taxes unless the special road tax was paid; and the Circuit Court upheld him in this matter. The railroad company appealed to the supreme court.

SCHOOL BOND ISSUE APPROVED 81 TO 56

\$223,000 Voted for Construction of a Grade School in Park Addition—May Complete it by Christmas.

The school election last Wednesday resulted in the passage of the bond issue of \$23,000 by a vote of 81 to 56. The issue carries \$20,000 for erection of a grade school building and \$3000 for purchase of lots 2 to 3 inclusive in Park Addition.

Some months ago an election for a \$60,000 bond issue was defeated by a vote approximating 104 to 43, lumping the several divisions of the vote taken, making a total vote cast of 143. In this election 139 ballots were cast.

According to members of the school board, erection of the building will proceed at once, should the architect's plans already gone over by some of the members be definitely approved, and the building will be ready for occupancy by the middle of the school term. It is proposed to have eight rooms, with all modern school facilities. The new building will provide the town with ample grade room for the present, while the existing frame structure will more than accommodate the high school. As necessity demands, another grade building will be erected, presumably east of the railroad, and ultimately a permanent high school building on the site of the present one.

McKay Has Pet Fawn.

Clyde McKay has a new pet. It is a mule deer fawn about two months old, very tame and friendly with his children. The fawn was found by a farmer on the Ochoco when out hunting for strayed cows. It was then only a few days old and had apparently lost its mother for it was quite weak. It was taken in and fed, and kept about the ranch until a short time ago when news of its capture having come to Mr. McKay, he sent Deputy Warden Shriner to bring it to Bend. It will be disposed of at the direction of the state game commission, probably being sent to the state game farm at Salem.

BRICK BEING DELIVERED.

The basement and foundation work of the Metzger building is now completed and as soon as the carpentry contract is let the laying of brick will be begun. The Bend Brick & Lumber Co. is making delivery of brick for the job, and Contractor Jack Tansy will put a big force of masons on the job. The contract calls for 160,000 brick. The plumbing contract has been let to J. J. Ryan and calls for fixtures equal to those in the First National Bank building.

\$200,000 GOOD ROADS BOND ISSUE PROPOSED FOR COUNTY

Good Roads Association Starts Petitions Calling Election—State Highway Commissioner Recommends Action—Route North and South Through County.

Petitions are being prepared and will be in circulation probably this week asking the County Court to call an election for a \$200,000 bond issue for permanent road construction in Crook county, under the provisions of the recently enacted law permitting counties to bond up to 2 per cent of their assessed valuation for such purpose.

The route of the road upon which the money is to be devoted, should the election carry, is, approximately, a north-and-south one from Wasco county to Klamath county. Klamath has agreed to "pitch in." The route, as drawn up, describe the route as commencing near Cross Keys on the north and touching Madras, Metolius, Culver, Prineville, Redmond, Laidlaw, Bend and La Pine. The route, which must be specified in the petitions, was determined after a 250 mile auto trip completed last night by officers of the Crook County Good Roads Association escorting State Highway Commissioner H. L. Howby. Considering all features, such as population centers, travel routes, future development, grades and construction economy, Mr. Howby recommended the route as outlined.

On Hundred Miles of Road.

It was at first planned, it will be remembered, to have both a north-and-south and an east-and-west route. But Commissioner Howby stated emphatically that the \$200,000 of the bond issue would only suffice to handle the one road, which embraces about 100 miles, and the route outlined was adopted unanimously. It being the opinion of representatives of all sections that it would be of the most general service and give the best satisfaction.

The petitions clearly state that the highway commission be given charge of the work. What assistance they deem desirable is left entirely in the discretion of the County Court, under the law, but it may turn the entire project over to the commission, with its experts and experience, as is now being done in Hood River and Wasco counties, in all probability. Judge Springer and Commissioner Bayley have gone on record as favoring such a method, and it is understood that Commissioner Brown is entirely in accord with the plan, thus insuring the expenditure of the money in a scientific manner and doing away with possibility of local difficulty or incompetence.

To Improve Other Roads.

A very important feature in connection with the proposed road building is that the County Court is practically pledged, should the issue carry, to expend county funds generously upon roads in districts not directly served by the main trunk line. So, for instance, road improvement would be undertaken, according to Judge Springer, from Sisters east, on the Bend-Burns road, east of Prineville and elsewhere where specially needed.

Commissioner Howby is of the opinion that no increased tax will be required to care for bond interest; the issue will be of 20 years duration if passed. Last year about \$125,000

was expended in the county for road work. Only \$12,000 at most is required for interest payments, and it is estimated that an amount far in excess of this will be saved by the permanent character of the road, which will mean that money hitherto spent in the upkeep of the roads to be replaced by the trunk line can, after its construction, be used elsewhere.

Springer Changes Front.

Support for the bond issue, rather unexpected to some, is now forthcoming from Judge Springer, who has dropped from his initial stand taken at the first good roads meeting when he dammed the whole matter heartily and refused to aid unless his taxation hobby was endorsed—and has now clambered aboard the band wagon which promises to be the popular one. Commissioners Brown and Bayley have from the first enthusiastically favored the project.

Leaving Monday morning, Mr. Howby, accompanied by W. F. King, secretary, and M. A. Lynch, president, of the Good Roads Association, with Judge Springer, G. P. Putnam and J. H. Gray of Prineville, autos and south, by way of Laidlaw, to the county line, lunching at La Pine, where J. E. Morson, a director of the association, met them. Thence the famous county car, which furnished the transportation with King at the wheel, returned to Redmond and on to Prineville, winding up some 25 miles up the Crooked river, Tuesday morning, with a 4 o'clock start, the party viewed much of the Crooked river valley, made the run to the north end of the county and arrived at Metolius, where Vice President C. M. McKay and Directors Morson of La Pine and W. D. Barnes of Laidlaw joined them for a meeting which lasted far into the night. After making his recommendations, Mr. Howby took the northbound night train.

LA PINE HOST SATURDAY

Barbecued Beef, Oratorical Gems and Dance Among Attractions.

That many Bend people are going to the Good Roads barbecue and other stunts at La Pine this Saturday, and that the southern town is going to give its guests a royal good time, seems a matter of certainty.

Beef—lots of it and barbecued exactly according to Hoyle—will be the gastronomic feature of the day. Also there will be speaking, several Bend men and others being asked to participate, and in the evening a dance will wind up the affair. A representative delegation from all over the county is expected, and interesting matters are scheduled for discussion.

PRINEVILLE PLAYERS COMING.

According to word received yesterday from A. R. Bowman, a number of the tennis enthusiasts of Prineville expect to be over Sunday. Some of them will be over Saturday night as now planned and the rest Sunday morning. Both the local courts will be used if there are enough players to participate in the matches.

MASONS GATHER AT REDMOND

Lodge There Receives Its Charter and Installs Officers.

A notable event in Redmond Masonic circles occurred last Thursday evening when the lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of that town was presented with its charter and its officers were installed with the usual ceremonies. The Redmond lodge, whose charter is number 154, had previously been working under a special dispensation from the Grand Lodge of Oregon. By Thursday's ceremony the lodge enters into full and regular standing.

Frank J. Miller, deputy grand senior warden, made the trip from Portland especially to officiate at the ceremony, while a number of visitors from neighboring towns were present, among them the following: J. D. Davidson, Dr. U. C. Coe, E. M. Lara, H. E. Allen, George S. Young, Capt. John F. Young, Ward Colde, H. C. Ellis, C. M. McKay, H. J. Overturf, H. W. Bassett and A. A. Hahn of Bend; C. M. Redfield, C. M. McCauley of Deschutes; T. M. and H. J. Baldwin, Judge Brink, Oscar Hyde, W. H. Wirtz, Dr. C. S. Edwards and Mr. Blanchard of Prineville.

The following are the officers installed by the lodge: J. W. Brewer, worthy master; L. E. Smith, S. W.; J. H. Schackel, J. W.; W. G. Phoenix, secretary; L. W. Davis, treasurer; J. W. Moore, S. D.; A. O. Myers, J. D.; Dr. J. Barr, S. S.; V. Gardner, J. S.; Walter Rabble, T.

Some of the Bend contingent had considerable difficulty in getting to their destination, especially those in the autos driven by Morris Lara and Dr. Coe. In the 20-mile trip the former had several blowouts that caused considerable loss of time and other things, while Dr. Coe dropped a wheel just after leaving Deschutes and had a long hunt in the dark before he could find it and get started again.

MORE FLOWERS ON LIST

Club Names More for Which Prizes Are Offered—Rules Prepared.

At a meeting of the Library Club yesterday afternoon, the following flowers and potted plants were added to the list for the show to be held on August 18: Sunflower, gladiolus, ragged sailor or bachelor button, calliopsis, Texas star vine, lace vine. The completed list for which prizes will be offered will be printed next week in The Bulletin. The vegetables on the prize list are: Tomatoes, lima and string beans, corn, cauliflower, peas, cabbage, potatoes, lettuce, onions, squash, beets, turnips, cucumbers, rutabagas, endive, spinach, radishes.

Rules for the guidance of exhibitors are as follows:

1. All exhibits must be in by 12 o'clock noon on the day of the show.
2. Not more than six stems may be included in each single exhibit.
3. Each exhibitor must make his own selections for exhibition.
4. No flowers, plants or vegetables not included in published list will be eligible for a prize except as a part of the "general display" of flowers for which the Emblem Club cup is offered.
5. An exhibit may not be entered for more than one prize.
6. Unless otherwise requested, the Library Club will offer for sale flowers, plants and vegetables entered. Any entry not to be sold should be marked to that effect.
7. No prizes will be given out at the flower show.

MORE THAN 200 ON EXCURSION

SEATTLE FOLKS HERE AUGUST 17

Bend People Also Will Attend Central Oregon Development League Convention at Klamath Falls—Flower Show to Be on 18th.

That this year's Seattle excursion to Bend will be a record event of the kind for a town the size of this is evidenced by the reports of progress coming from the Sound city. Already more than 160 people are said to have signed up—and paid up—for the trip, and there seems every prospect that more than 200 Washingtonians will take the unique opportunity to pay Bend a visit. The Oregon Trunk train that brings the tourists will be a solid Pullman outfit, with dining and baggage cars, and will be the most luxurious train yet seen in Central Oregon. As last year, the Bend Park Company is originator and manager of the big excursion, which reaches here the afternoon of Sunday, August 17, remaining all day Monday.

The fact that the convention of the Central Oregon Development League comes on August 19, 20 and 21 is causing no little embarrassment to local men who want to be on hand for the Seattle excursion and who also are pledged to attend the Klamath Falls meet.

It is probable that some of those who planned to go to Klamath will not start until Tuesday morning, thus arriving a day late there but being on hand here to help entertain the Seattle people.

A further attraction of the day will be the flower show of the Ladies' Library Club, now an annual event of special interest. It has been decided to hold this on Monday, when the visitors are here, so that it will serve the double purpose of a local event and show strangers what can be done on the Deschutes in the way of producing flowers and keeping up attractive places.

MARGARET THOMPSON WINS.

A large audience attended the silver medal speaking contest at the Methodist church last Friday evening. Three were six speakers, the prize being won by Margaret Thompson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Thompson, with a selection entitled "Good-Night, Papa." The other contestants were Robert Innes, Delmar Young, Calvin Smith, Marie Brosterhouse and Viola Brown. The speaking was interspersed with musical numbers that were received by the audience with much applause.

FORD NOW IN CHARGE.

H. B. Ford received his commission as postmaster yesterday and this morning took charge of the local office. For the present Mrs. W. E. Parker will act as assistant in the office. Mr. Ford will tender his resignation at a meeting of the City Council this afternoon, as he cannot serve longer as councilman.



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