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SPRINGER COLUMN.

When County Judge Springer made his voluntary ejection at Laidlaw last Thursday, inflicting upon the audience personal politics and a roughshod attempt to stem a growing unpopularity, he stated in no unpositive terms that he had been grossly misrepresented by the press of Crook county. Only about four papers in the county have been honest enough to speak their opinion of our county judge, so of course these must stand the brunt of the judicial attack. He it added that but one paper has ever ventured even a halting defense of Mr. Springer.

Of course The Bulletin is the chief target for Mr. Springer's criticism, for this paper has been unkind enough, or straightforward enough, as you care to consider it, to say exactly what it thinks of our chief executive. Its opinion has not been complimentary. It also has reported, faithfully and accurately, some of the absurdities of the Springer regime and has allowed its readers to know, so far as it could, something of the peculiar gyrations of the Judge.

At the Laidlaw meeting the editor of The Bulletin stated that neither The Bulletin nor any other paper, so far as he knew, had ever misrepresented or misreported Judge Springer. This statement The Bulletin now repeats. In connection with good roads, the worst this paper has said concerning Mr. Springer is absolutely true; it reported the initial meeting of the Roads Association, and told truthfully that Mr. Springer appeared and went on record against the work of the association unless, forsooth, it should endorse his tax assessment hobby. It was, as then stated, a ridiculous, childish and unpolitic attempt to make an unreasonable swap.

Since then Mr. Springer has changed front. Even he saw that his anti-good roads stand would land him in the political junk heap faster than is otherwise in vogue, and so he "flopped." He now announces himself a dyed-in-the-wool good roads enthusiast and a worker for the bond issue. We are sincerely glad that Mr. Springer will aid this movement and this excellent work, for he can be of assistance. But we do wish to state again that it at any time Mr. Springer has been misrepresented, it is simply because no newspaper can be sufficiently agile to keep abreast of his many shifts from one side of the fence to the other.

At Laidlaw Mr. Springer further stated that he could get no hearing in the local papers because, chiefly, none is Democratic. That is absurd. For instance, while The Bulletin is not a Democratic paper in the straight meaning of the term, it did support Wilson to the best of its ability, and in county politics it worked for Addie Foster and for Warren Brown, both Democrats.

In county affairs it is not parties that count but personalities. If Springer was the right sort of man for his job, The Bulletin wouldn't care a continental if he was a Democrat, Republican, Bull Moose or Mormon. And even as it is, we propose that Mr. Springer shall have no legitimate opportunity to say that he can not get a hearing in any Crook county newspaper. Wherefore The Bulletin hereby offers the Judge the free and unrestricted use of a column each week, in which Mr. Springer may have printed anything he cares to send in. This should give him a first class opportunity to get just what he wants to say before the people, and we pledge ourselves to print whatever comes to us exactly as it comes provided only that the length be reasonable and the subject matter not indecent.

Hereafter we shall reserve a column every week. If Mr. Springer has a message, here is his opportunity to present it to the people. The Bulletin is sending him an invitation today to utilize this space—let us hope he will accept.

HELP THE FISHING.

The Bulletin wonders how many local sportsmen are aware that a law engineered by the recent Legislature permits fishing in the Deschutes during the entire year, provided no fish under 10 inches in length are taken from the stream?

Such a law exists. That it is absurd and unnecessary, so far as the Deschutes is concerned, we believe all will admit. Even with the regular open-season fishing the Deschutes is being fished out fast enough—nay, entirely too fast—and it will require a continued activity on the part of

the state game authorities to keep it satisfactorily replenished.

All that is necessary to have the law set right, so far as the Deschutes is concerned, is to petition the state game authorities to enact a special ruling for this river, prohibiting fishing, no matter what the size of the fish caught out of open season. The sooner such petitions are worked up the better, for as it is anyone can fish and no one can be arrested unless fish under 10 inches actually are found in his possession. Here is a splendid opportunity for our Rod and Gun Club.

MORE BEEF.

According to Government statistics the number of beef cattle in the United States has decreased, since 1907, from 51,565,000 to 30,030,000, and the number of sheep from 53,240,000 to 51,480,000, while in the same period the population of the country has increased by 10,000,000. That is, the supply has diminished even more rapidly than the demand has increased. During this period the price of fat cattle at Chicago has advanced more than 50 per cent.

Among the remedies suggested by speakers at the Packers Convention at Chicago the other day, as quoted in the Literary Digest, is the following pertinent suggestion, among others: That every small farmer should raise at least two beef steers a year to offset the decreased production of the great ranches.

Even in the Central Oregon territory the supply has decreased while the population has undoubtedly doubled in the last six years. So the big national problem has local application. The small farmer here could do no better than to devote a portion of his attention to a crop the price of which is steadily advancing and one where "off years" are unknown.

The Washington Post says that if the politicians devoted half as much attention to road building as they do to fence repairing national highways would cross the land in every direction.

CHURCH NOTICES

Methodist.

Services Sunday 11 a. m., and 7:30 p. m., Sunday school 10 a. m., Epworth League 6:30 p. m., Bible Study Class Thursday at 7:30 p. m., Choir practice Friday at 7:30 p. m.

Baptist.

Sunday school at 9:45, preaching at 11 a. m. and 3 p. m., Brotherhood at 3 p. m., Young people's meeting at 7 p. m., Prayer meeting at 8 p. m. on Wednesday, Choir practice Thursday evening at 7:30.

GALE SWEEPS OVER NOME.

Nome, the Alaska city lying on the edge of Behring sea, was nearly wiped out Monday by a gale. The town was swept by heavy seas and almost all the business houses destroyed. The property damage is more than a million dollars. Early reports state that only one life was lost.

OREGON TRUNK.

Arrives 8 a. m.
Leaves 8:30 p. m.

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Cars daily to Burns and points south and southeast.

POSTOFFICE HOURS.

General delivery open daily 10 a. m. to 6:30 p. m.

General delivery open Sunday 10:30 a. m. to 11 a. m.

Railway mail closes 7 p. m.

TELEGRAPH HOURS.

Western Union daily 6-12; 1-6; 7-10.

Western Union Sunday 8-10 and 4-6.

TELEPHONE HOURS.

Pioneer Co. daily 7 a. m. to 9 p. m.

Pioneer Co. Sunday 8-12; 5-8.

Leaflet on Good Roads

The following is the text of a little leaflet being issued by the Crook County Good Roads Association, containing a description of the coming road bond issue and some arguments favoring it:

On November Fourth you will vote upon the question of bonding Crook county for \$200,000 to be used for the construction of a permanent highway north and south through the county.

If you are far-sighted—if you recognize a good investment—you will vote for this bond issue.

The election will be held under the provisions of the new act which permits counties to bond themselves up to 2 per cent of their assessed valuation.

The bonds will draw not more than 6 per cent; that is, to pay interest on them will cost the county not more than \$12,000 a year. The bonds will run for 20 years. At the end of 10 years a sinking fund to pay them off will be started.

The construction of the road will be entirely under the supervision of the State Highway Commissioner, and all expenditures will be made through his office.

The proposed highway in Crook county commences near Cross Keys, at the north, and goes south to Klamath county via the towns of Madras, Metolus, Culver, Prineville, Redmond, Laidlaw, Bend and La Pine. The Highway Commissioner has been over all the route, which is about 120 miles in length. He has heartily recommended it. A straight, well graded, broad, well drained and well bridged road is what he will build.

The County Court has officially pledged itself to spend practically all the direct tax money available for road work, if the bond issue carries, in improvement of east and west roads, and roads in outlying districts. This means that the districts not on the through route will receive far greater direct benefits from road improvement than was ever before possible.

On the south, Klamath county has agreed to connect the proposed highway with a through road to California. On the north, connection will be made with the great scenic highway being built up the Columbia. This means that Crook county will have the central and most profitable link of the greatest north-and-south highroad on the Pacific Coast.

Jackson county, which has just had an election, expects to get its \$500,000 back for its 50 miles of north-and-south road in 1915 alone—the Exposition year. The people there voted more than three to one for the bonds. Crook county should reap a larger harvest in 1915 than Jackson possibly can.

A striking example of what good roads mean is seen in Klamath county. In the Wood River valley alone, the expenditure of about \$200,000 in road improvement increased the average value of 65,000 acres \$25 an acre. This means practically a cash return of \$1,625,000 on an investment of \$200,000.

The increase of taxes for interest on the bonds will be infinitesimal. The direct returns to every taxpayer will be enormous. YOU will not have to pay for the bonds. Those who come later will pay—when there are many more people, when values are higher—and you reap the greatest benefits now.

The highway does not mean simply that new people and new money will be induced to come here. It does not mean only that the people with automobiles will benefit—and they will be saved hundreds of thousands of dollars. It does not mean solely that land values will be increased, that Crook county will be "put on the map." Chiefly it means that the farmers of Crook county will profit. For the construction of one good road means that others must follow. The through highway will relieve the county of the cost of maintaining a poor road for this traffic, for the State will assume the up-keep of this highroad, once it is constructed, just as Washington has done with similar roads. This will permit the expenditure of thousands of dollars on lateral and outlying roads.

The bad road tax of today is enormous. It hits the farmer hardest. The unnecessary depreciation upon 5000 wagons, because of bad roads, is easily \$50,000 a year. The unnecessary cost of transporting 50,000 tons of produce or materials is \$25,000. The farmer is the loser.

When roads are built by direct tax, the farmer whose property adjoins the road pays for all of it. When roads are built by bond issue everyone in the county helps pay—the town man just as much as the farmer.

About four-fifths of the \$200,000 will be spent in labor. This means that by far the greater part of the money will stay in Crook county.

As the sinking fund grows, it will be available for loans to farmers, at 6 per cent, as provided by state law.

The day of bad roads is ended. Crook county must get on the band wagon of progress. Will you help? Don't be content to cast your vote only, but get out among your neighbors and see that all the men and all the women go to the polls and

VOTE FOR GOOD ROADS.

FIRE SALE CONTINUES

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FOR RENT—Two room house.

well furnished, \$8 per month. Free water. Inquire at Bend Grocery, one block east of depot. 201c.

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Wanted.

WANTED—One team of horses, wagon and harness. Must be cheap for cash. Address Fred Lurst, Bend, Oregon. 29-31p.

WANTED—Experienced girl for general housework, two in family. Phone or write Mrs. J. B. Wimer, Laidlaw. 281c.

For Sale.

FOR SALE—Jersey cow at reasonable price for cash. J. B. Shouse 31p.

FOR SALE—English Airedale puppies, hunting stock. Fred Huey, in Park Addition. 311c.

FOR SALE—Half acre close in, \$300; \$25 down, \$5 per mo. H. E. Jones Paint Store. 201c.

IF YOU WANT a cheap team, wagon and harness, see Johnson at Mexican, at once. 30-31p.

FOR SALE—Half acre, two 2-room houses, wood shed; water, close in, \$500, \$100 down and \$15 per mo. H. E. Jones Paint Store. 301c.

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FOR SALE—A good young, sound team of horses, five years old, well broken. Price \$150.00. M. W. Knickerbecker, Gist, Oregon, Farmers phone. 311c.

FOR SALE—All kinds of rough and dressed lumber, at Anderson Bros. sawmill half way between Bend and Laidlaw, on old Tumalo road. Reasonable prices, rough lumber \$10 per M. Delivering to Bend or Laidlaw \$2 per M. Telephone. 191c.

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