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## CROPS THIS YEAR ARE BOUNTIFUL

Diversified Farming Idea Grows---Much Clover and Alfalfa Hay Raised and Big Root Crops Reported---Hog Raising Gains Headway Rapidly

### HIGH ATTAINMENTS IN CENTRAL OREGON FARMING, 1913

Total number of hogs reported on 24 farms in the Bend, Laidlaw and Powell Butte districts, 1491, or an average of 62. Largest number of hogs on one ranch, 285, owned by George Hobbs, Powell Butte.

Greatest acreage in potatoes, 90 acres, by George Hobbs. Best yield of potatoes, 200 bushels on half acre, by H. Hughes, Bend.

Best yield of oats, 68 bushels to the acre, by W. E. Sandel, Laidlaw.

Best yield of barley, 19 bushels from 10 pounds of seed, by William Henderson, Laidlaw.

Largest yield of hay per acre, 4 tons of clover, by E. D. Havenmann, Bend.

Parsnips yielding 5 tons on quarter acre, with gross return of \$400 an acre, by Ed Halvorson, Bend.

Carrots yielding 15 tons to the acre, by Ed Halvorson. Rutabagas yielding 3 tons on one-sixteenth acre, Ed Halvorson.

Artichokes yielding 4 tons to the acre (estimated), with gross return of \$200, by P. H. Denger, Bend.

Cabbage yielding 3 tons on less than one-fourth acre, with gross return of more than \$480 an acre, by O. C. Cardwell, Bend.

Canada field peas yielding 50 bushels to the acre, with gross return of \$90 an acre, by George Brazee, Powell Butte.

By C. N. Hoffman.

With the harvesting of nearly all crops completed, the farmers of the western part of Crook county are bringing to a close probably the best all-around year they have had. As a rule, the farm products are good and satisfactory prices are being obtained or are in prospect. The hay crop of 1913 has been heavy, and a careful survey of the situation shows that more of it will be kept on the farm and fed than ever before. Cattle are being raised in increased numbers, this being especially true as regards dairy stock. In combination with these, hogs are being raised, the spread of the hog idea having apparently been more extended than the drying incentive. The farmers, too, are getting rid of their scrub stock as fast as possible, replacing them with the best breeds. The country seems to be on the eve of doing great things in producing butter and allied products and pork. Last Saturday the writer made a trip through the dairying incentive. The farmers, too, many farms as possible and talking with the owners, and what he learned was a revelation to him and the results of the trip as here set down may be likewise to many readers of The Bulletin both at home and at a distance.

Ed Halvorson, who has 160 acres under the North lateral of the Arnold Irrigation Company's system, had water on his place for the second time this year. The results that he obtained with root crops are almost phenomenal. From one-sixteenth of an acre he got three tons of rutabagas, or a yield at the rate of 48 tons to the acre. Some of them went as high as 17 1/2 pounds each. From a quarter of an acre of parsnips that were not irrigated but cultivated six times he got 5 tons, and he is selling them for table use for 1 cent a pound now and expects to get 1 1/2 cents by spring. At 1 cent a pound such a heavy yield gives him \$400 an acre gross, and the cost of raising them is not great. He had over an acre of carrots that yielded 15 tons

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## TUMALO OWNERS SAVED \$20,000

### LAND BOARD CHANGES FIRST RULING

Forbes, Representing Settlers, Wins Important Point---Now All Improved Acreage Gets in Free Whether Actually Irrigated or Not.

(Special to The Bulletin)

SALEM, Oct. 22.—At a meeting of the Desert Land Board yesterday the former ruling regarding vested water rights on the Tumalo project was modified. The result is a victory of considerable moment to settlers having improved land, for it means a saving to such land holders of some \$20,000. These settlers were represented before the board by Vernon A. Forbes of Bend.

The board had held that vested water rights existed only for land irrigated prior to June 4, the date when the Tumalo bill went into operation. Mr. Forbes maintained that if acreage had been placed in condition to be irrigated, whether or not the water actually had been placed on it, a vested water right should be granted such acreage.

This contention he succeeded in establishing, and persuaded the land board to revise its former ruling. About 800 acres on the project are affected. This amount, roughly speaking, was ready for irrigation this spring, but had never received water. Under the first ruling, each acre would have been obliged to pay between \$20 and \$25 to receive the service of the new project. Under the revised order acreage ready for irrigation on October 1, 1913, derives the full rights of the project on the same basis as all previously irrigated acres—that is, at no charge other than those of maintenance.

The project will make up the amount of income expected on this head, and now practically turned back to the settlers, by charging \$1.03 per acre more for the unimproved lands when these are placed on the market, than originally planned.

## OLD MAIDS CONVENE FRIDAY

Friscoites to Give Play at Dream, but Cast is Dark Secret.

Are you an old maid? Better, are you a bachelor? If you are the former, no doubt you will be behind the scenes, if you are a male, and dwell in alleged single blessedness—that is, of course, the blessedness is alleged—you want to be on hand Friday night at the Dream Theatre to see the "Old Maids Convention."

The Frisco Club, that popular organization of unmarried young ladies, will again appear before the footlights. The play to be presented, as above indicated, is called "The Old Maids Convention." There are 14 characters, but a profound mystery surrounds who will enact the various parts. Apparently the only way to solve it is to pay 25 cents admission and be at the Dream Friday at 8 o'clock. The musical program begins at 7:30. The proceeds are to be donated to liquidating indebtedness of the Basket Ball Association.

## WARREN BROWN AND JUDGE MIX

### FISTIC COMBAT AT COURT HOUSE

County Clerk, and Springer Come to Blows---Judicial Trip to St. Louis, and Bill For Same, Arouse Interest of the Taxpayers.

(Special to The Bulletin)

PRINEVILLE, Oct. 20.—Disension in Judge Springer's official family culminated at the court house last Thursday in what the refined would call a "fistic encounter" and the sporting writers might term a "spirited one-round mill." However, no one took the count and the furniture in the county clerk's room, which served as the "squared circle," seems not to have been materially damaged.

Warren Brown, county clerk, was the victim of judicial wrath this time, but it is not clearly established just who started physical hostilities, although it is said by eye-witnesses once-removed that the judge really began the fracas by calling Warren some unpleasant things. Anyway, whatever the judge called Mr. Brown, the county clerk, although weighing in many pounds lighter than his honor, took a swipe or two at the judicial physiognomy. In fact, it is said that Mr. Brown told Springer to get out of his office, immediately after each gentleman had aired the opinion that the other was a falsifier, and as Mr. Springer didn't appear willing to do this, Mr. Brown tried to put him out.

The row occurred over an order which the judge stated he had made in his now-famous "butcher book," wherein supposedly is kept, in his honor's penciled script, the sacred records of the court's proceedings. At all events, the smoke of battle has drifted away from the court house corridors and no warrants have been sworn out.

The St. Louis Trip.

Those who are not classed as Springer supporters are wondering what will be the outcome of the judge's announced intention of attending a good roads convention in St. Louis in a few weeks. He got an appointment, in some way, from the Governor, making him a representative to said affair, and now it is stated on good authority that he intends to go there, and, which is more important to the taxpayers, to charge his traveling expenses to the county.

MARRIED YESTERDAY.

At the Baptist church at 10:30 a. m. Tuesday Alex. Richard and Miss Edie Sissel were married by Rev. E. G. Judd, in the presence of Mrs. D. Ed Boyd and Maurice Cashman. The bride arrived Sunday from Nebraska. Mr. Richard is employed at one of the local sawmills and the couple have gone to housekeeping.

Get your masks for the ball at the Owl Pharmacy—Adv.

## COUNTY ASSESSMENT IS \$10,316,157

About the Same as Last Year---Bend Shows \$358,820, Slightly Less than 1912---Rolls are Summarized and School District Figures Given

(Special to The Bulletin)

PRINEVILLE, Oct. 20.—County Assessor H. A. Foster has progressed far enough with this year's assessment work to give out many of the figures, which for the first time are now published by The Bulletin. The total assessment for the county for 1913 is \$10,316,157. In 1912 it was \$10,075,723, so it is seen that for the two years the assessment is practically identical. For the city of Bend the assessment shows \$358,820,

as against \$381,685, a decrease over last year of \$22,865. Prineville's assessment is considerably heavier than it was in 1912, being \$517,280. Redmond's is \$282,025; Madras, \$130,535; Metolius, \$83,210. In the above figures railroad and telephone property is not included. District No. 12—the Bend school district—is assessed at \$1,211,748 as against \$1,120,000 for last year. The summary of the 1913 rolls, as furnished by Mr. Foster, is as follows:

	Number	Value
Acres of tillable land	257,276	\$1,865,468
Acres of non-tillable land	1,331,033	4,894,897
Improvements on deeded or patented lands		354,972
Improvements on lands not deeded or patented		181,545
Town and city lots		1,064,225
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Stationary engines and manufacturing machinery		27,920
Merchandise and stock in trade		232,320
Farming implements, wagons, carriages, etc		139,500
Electric lines, not including plants		12,500
Notes and accounts and money		227,500
Shares of stock		152,135
Hotel and office furniture		11,000
Sheep	101,996	207,993
Horses and mules	11,945	333,765
Cattle	20,648	425,310
Swine	4,051	16,294
Dogs	92	1,230
Bee hives	804	548
		\$10,316,157

The assessments of school districts of special interest to Bulletin readers are as follows:

No. 1, Prineville, \$617,565; No. 8, Powell Butte, \$199,764; No. 9, Sisters, \$296,182; No. 12, Bend, \$1,211,748; No. 22, Madras, \$221,295; No. 30, Deschutes, \$32,195; No. 34, Lava, \$204,925; No. 43, La Pine, \$523,844; No. 50, Cline Falls, \$59,725; No. 53, Laidlaw, \$242,656; No. 54, Shepard, \$40,020; No. 65, Pinehurst, \$154,492; No. 70, Terrebonne, \$151,275; No. 71, Alfalfa, \$59,880; No. 72, Butte Valley, \$25,130; No. 77, Richardson, \$21,710; No. 77, Rolyat, \$15,510; No. 78, Hampton, \$21,025; No. 80, Metolius, \$115,075; No. 87, Millan, \$52,046.

SOME CITY FIGURES.

While examining these county figures, the following tabulation of Bend city figures may be of interest especially in view of the fact that the council will have to fix next year's levy soon.

Year	Assessed Val.	Levy
1905	\$ 50,000	13
1906	90,213	7
1907	72,376	10
1908	70,882	15
1909	298,782*	10
1910	191,524	10
1911	215,010	8
1912	281,685	14
1913	358,820	..

\*Approximately \$200,000 was assessed against the Deschutes Irrigation & Power Co., who were exempted by the Supreme Court. In 1912 9 mills was interest on bonds and 5 mills general expenditures.

FIRST RIDE IN 17 YEARS.  
John Atkinson, the up-river rancher and one of the pioneer settlers of Central Oregon, got aboard the train here Saturday night on his way to Lebanon. This trip is a remarkable one in that this is Mr. Atkinson's first train ride in 17 years.

## HORSE RIDGE HOMESTEADER DOES WELL FIRST YEAR

Potatoes, Root Crops and Even Alfalfa Do Well on Land That Grew Only Sagebrush Last Summer.

H. F. Dyer, a Millican valley homesteader who was in town the first of the week, is most enthusiastic concerning the agricultural possibilities of his section. Mr. Dyer, who hails from Tennessee, took up his 320 acre claim on the south slope of Horse Ridge, near milepost 23, last September a year ago.

"Can we raise anything?" said he, when questioned. "Well, I should say we can! Right now my cellar is full of potatoes, parsnips, rutabagas and turnips I produced on absolutely new land—raw sagebrush land which I turned under this spring or last fall. And there was no irrigation, no fertilizer and little enough real cultivation."

Mr. Dyer also experimented with dry land alfalfa and got excellent results. He brought samples to town of alfalfa 18 inches high, with long strong roots. Next year he will plant five acres, he says. The potatoes are very good and the first year on the raw land he got more than 40 bushels from about half an acre. Altogether, the homesteader is delighted with his claim. He was accompanied to Bend by John E. Johnson.

School Houses of Blocks.  
(Metolius Central Oregonian.)  
Hegardt & Elliott have completed their work of block making for the Metolius school house and Tuesday moved their equipment to Culver where they are making blocks for the school building at that place.

We are now occupying temporary quarters on Wall Street, south of the Bean Building. We expect to move into our new building at the old location, corner of Wall and Oregon Streets, about the first of the year. We are working under disadvantages and we will ask our friends to bear with us during this time. We shall continue to serve them to the best of our ability.

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