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CONSTRUCTION IS CONSIDERED

TIMBERMEN LOOK AT MILL SITES

No Announcement Made and Financial Situation at Present Not Regarded as Favorable—All Say Conditions will Improve Soon.

The annual meeting of The Bend Company occurred Monday. Aside from the formal meeting, re-election of all the present officers and general discussion of local affairs it is understood that nothing of general interest occurred.

Those present were Dr. D. P. Brooks, M. J. Scanlon, Henry Gibson, Will Mueller, D. E. Hunter, and D. L. McKay from out of town, while the two officers resident here, J. P. Keyes and C. M. McKay, were on hand.

Monday morning was devoted to the meeting. That afternoon and most of yesterday Dr. Brooks and Messrs. Scanlon and Keyes studied the details of the mill sites, just south of town, and went over mill-building matters on the ground.

No announcement was made concerning mills, and after the disappointments of the past, due to adverse financial conditions, those at the head of the organization were careful to say nothing that could be interpreted as assurance of mill construction this summer. However, no secret was made of the fact that it was desired to build this season, and it was pointed out that now would be an opportune time to launch the enterprise inasmuch as construction cost in almost all ways would be especially low now when existing business depression would tend to reduce the cost of labor and equipment.

All of the visiting timbermen were assured in their statements that they believed business would be better from now on, and that the market for western white pine was due to improve greatly. Mr. Scanlon, who had not been here for eight years, was especially enthusiastic about the town and the Deschutes timber, whose high quality and manufacturing advantages he lauded.

After interviews with all concerned, the worst that can be said is that every one of the timber owners is highly pleased with their local investments and confident that the time is very close when extensive manufacturing will be undertaken here, although much doubt exists as to whether it would be possible to finance it satisfactorily this summer. And the best that can be said is that it seems evident that a strenuous effort will be made to finance the big undertaking at once, despite the temporary adverse national conditions, and if successful in this effort, and in the arrangement of the many big details which must come first, then the mill actually will be constructed this summer.

Weyerhaeusers Coming. It is stated on good authority that several members of the Weyerhaeuser timber company, and the Prince Brothers, will be here the last of this week. The Prince Brothers are co-owners of the Deschutes Lumber Co., holdings with the Johnsons of San Francisco. Recently Weyerhaeuser men have been making a thorough

crulac of all the Deschutes company lands southwest of Bend, and it has been persistently rumored that a Weyerhaeuser purchase is contemplated.

MILL WILL KEEP GOING

Mr. Keyes of The Bend Company Says Steady Operation Planned.

"There is no intention to shut down the Bend Company's Mill. So far as I know it will operate all summer. While the lumber market in the east is far from good, and the profit from operations is extremely small, yet I believe we will be justified in continuing manufacture right along.

So said J. P. Keyes, General Manager of the Bend Company, this morning, when questioned concerning a rumor that the company's lumber mill was to shut down.

IMPROVE M'KENZIE ROAD

\$8000 Will be Available—Santiam Route Now Impassable.

Much improvement in the McKenzie Pass road is assured. At a meeting last week the County Court appropriated \$5,000, and the local U. S. Forestry office expects to get \$3,000 to devote to the work. Practically all of the money will be spent between Sisters and the summit of the divide. Supervisor Merritt will superintend the forestry expenditure and Commissioner Bayley the county's. W. J. Sproat, E. Austin and A. C. Vincent of the Forestry Service have started surveying work.

According to advices from Sisters the Santiam road is impassable because of down trees and damaged bridges. Notices stating the road can not be traveled have been posted on the Linn County side.

WRIGHT HOTEL SOLD

New Owners Introduced at the Commercial Club Luncheon.

The sale of the Wright Hotel was announced at the Commercial Club luncheon on Saturday, the former proprietor, Mrs. Nellie Wright-Gibb, taking the opportunity to introduce the purchasers to the business men of the town at that time. The new owners are Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Jones and Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Fowler who come to Bend from the vicinity of Lewiston, Idaho. They are experienced hotel keepers.

Mrs. Gibb will remain in Bend for the time being, living with her daughter, Mrs. Joe Rozell, in her new home in Kenwood. Mr. Gibb left on Monday night for Alaska.

BENEFIT AT THE DREAM

The ladies of the Library Club are still busy getting money for that institution, and when the time comes for them to turn in what they have made it is expected that a handsome balance will show. Mrs. Radow has become a volunteer, and this Saturday the Dream Theatre will contribute a matinee for the benefit of the Library. In addition to the regular reels there will be reading and singing. Admission will be 10 and 15 cents. An attractive entertainment is promised and a large attendance is expected.

BASEBALL WITH PRINEVILLE

The Bend Baseball team will go to Prineville Sunday to play the County Seaters. For the last three Sundays the local boys have been playing practice games, and this will be the first regular contest of the season. It is probable the team will go over by autos direct from here.

A. R. ROGERS IS VERY OPTIMISTIC

LUMBERMAN WAS IN BEND LAST WEEK

Plenty of Money in Banks, Assurance of Good Crops and Better Rates For Railroads all Tend to Improve Business Conditions.

A betterment of national business conditions, with an accompanying improvement in local affairs and especially lumbering, is the prediction of A. R. Rogers, the Minneapolis lumberman who was here several days last week.

Mr. Rogers is the head of the Rogers Lumber Company, one of the largest lumber-yard owning companies in the country, whose holdings adjacent to Bend embrace some 37,000 acres, all of which, he has stated, will be milled here when market conditions warrant. During his stay, over Thursday and Friday, Mr. Rogers spent much of his time with his local representative, Paul Garrison, and with John Ryan and J. H. Haner. In the first place, Mr. Rogers congratulated Bend upon the progress it has made since his last visit, stating that while conditions here now might appear not over prosperous, in comparison with those of other communities they were excellent.

"Bend is lucky," said he. "The town is doing well, and has a great future. It is through no fault of local conditions that no growth has not come to you. The backing is here, and all that has retarded development is an unfortunate slump in national business, especially in the lumber line. It will all come out well in the end, and be all the more substantial for the waiting."

When questioned, Mr. Rogers was frank to say that so far as his own interests were concerned, immediate milling could not be considered. However, he stated that he expected an improvement in the lumber market from now on, and added that pine lumber such as is produced here was rapidly gaining in demand and price, at the expense of fir and other lumbars.

Favors Rate Increase

Like many other men well versed in national business affairs, Mr. Rogers is of the opinion that the railroads are fully entitled to the five per cent increase in freight rates which they seek, and he believes the increase will be granted by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

"That will improve general conditions a very great deal," he said. "It will especially benefit the lumber business, for the railroads buy more lumber than any one source, while of course the general loosening of money by the roads should the increase be granted, will prove an impetus to all industries. For more than a year the railroads have been economizing on every hand and the country has suffered appreciably from this cause."

Mr. Rogers, who says he is a Republican, but avows himself a supporter of Woodrow Wilson, says that it is absurd to blame the present depression upon the Democratic administration. The tariff revision, he believes, has had little damaging effect, and has hurt in no way the lum-

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FUNERAL WAS HELD SATURDAY

GEORGE BROSTERHOUS LAID AT REST

Large Gathering Pays Final Tribute to Citizen Who Met Tragic Death—Catholic Services Conducted by Father Luke Sheehan.

The funeral of George Brosterhaus, who met his death through a fall while working at the new school house Monday June 2, occurred last Saturday morning. The esteem in which Mr. Brosterhaus was held by the community was amply testified to by the large gathering which filled the Presbyterian church, where the services were held. During the hour of service nearly all the places of business in town were closed.

Mr. Brosterhaus was a Catholic, and Father Luke Sheehan of the Catholic church conducted the services, assisted by Father Murphy. As the Catholic church was not large enough to accommodate the gathering, the services were held in the new Presbyterian church, whose every seat was filled.

Father Sheehan delivered a forceful eulogy upon the deceased, drawing from his sudden death the lesson of the uncertainty of this life.

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CELEBRATION AT HELD

New Improvement Association Makes Plans for the Fourth.

News of another Fourth of July celebration comes from Held where the Pringle Flats Improvement Association will be in charge of a program including racing, riding, ball games and dancing. Prizes are offered in the racing contests. The foundation and floor of the new community hall will be constructed by the Fourth, giving a dancing floor 30 by 50 feet. The ladies will serve a cafeteria dinner and home made candies will be on sale.

The program of sports is as follows:

Half mile boy's race, free for all. Quarter mile boy's race, free for all. Bucking contest. Roping contest. 100 yard dash for men. 50 yard dash for boys under fifteen. Potato race for boys under fifteen. Three legged race for all. Sack race. Tug of war. Nail driving contest for ladies. Dancing contest for ladies. Dancing contest for men. Base ball game. Dancing.

CROP REPORT FOR JUNE

Promise Continues of Enormous Wheat Yield This Year.

The crop report issued by the Department of Agriculture giving estimates as of June 1 of the yield and condition of crops in Oregon and the United States contains the same encouraging figures that have been shown in earlier reports this year. An enormous production of wheat, the largest the country has ever known, is forecasted, as well as a

big yield of the other important grains and grasses. In staple vegetables and fruits and berries Oregon shows a better condition than the 10 year average except in the case of pears where the condition is slightly lower and in black berries where the figures are the same.

A portion of the report is printed herewith:

Winter wheat: June 1 forecast, Oregon 35,000,000 bushels; United States 63,000,000 bushels.

Final, average 5 years, 1909-1913, Oregon 32,555,000 bushels; United States 441,212,000 bushels.

Spring wheat: June 1 forecast, Oregon 3,400,000 bushels; United States 262,000,000 bushels.

Final, average 5 years, 1909-1913, Oregon 3,299,000 bushels; United States 245,479,000 bushels.

Oats: June 1 forecast, Oregon 12,400,000 bushels; United States 1,216,000,000 bushels.

Final, average 5 years, 1909-1913, Oregon 12,906,000 bushels; United States 1,121,175,000 bushels.

Barley: June 1 forecast, Oregon 4,200,000 bushels; United States 206,000,000 bushels.

Final, average 5 years, 1909-1913, Oregon 3,675,000 bushels; United States 187,881,000 bushels.

Rye: condition June 1, 1914, Oregon 99; United States 95.6.

Condition June 1, 10 year average, Oregon 94; United States 89.7.

Hay: condition June 1, 1914, Oregon 97; United States 85.7.

Condition June 1, 6 year average, Oregon 94; United States 87.4.

Clover: average, per cent, of 1913, Oregon 198; United States 99.4.

Condition June 1, 1914, Oregon 99; United States 81.4.

Condition June 1, 10 year average, Oregon 96; United States 85.7.

COMING TO SEE BEND

Party of Tennessee Investors and Sight-Seers Arrives on Monday

Word has been received at the local railroad station that a party of investors and sight seers from Jackson City, Tenn., will arrive in Bend on Monday morning to spend two days here. It is expected that arrangements will be made by the Commercial Club to entertain the visitors during their stay in town and see to it that they are shown the various attractions of this vicinity.

According to advices received by Agent J. H. Corbett, the party numbers over 20 and is traveling in a chartered tourist car over the Hill lines in the northwest. They leave St. Paul today and will come to Fallbridge via Spokane and Pasco. They will come up to Metolius on Sunday and from there to Bend on Sunday morning's train.

On leaving Bend the party will take in Portland, Tacoma and Seattle and on their return east will spend six days in Glacier National Park.

STONE WORK FINISHED.

The stone work on the new school building will be finished today, according to W. A. Beaver, who has furnished the stone for the quarry above The Bend Company's mill, and there will remain only the pointing up to be done. The contract for the stone work has been carried through by Wendland and Fox. It is understood that they are considering the erection of a new stone building on land belonging to them near the location of the old cold storage plant.

THE CREAMERY MEETING.

The buttermaker expected by the directors of the new creamery failed to put in his appearance at the meeting on Saturday and it was decided to engage another man from Portland. An effort will be made to have him here at the meeting next Saturday.

PROSPERITY IS SCHEDULED NOW

SCANLON COMMENDS BANK LAWS

Timberman Says Wilson Administration's Work Has Improved Conditions and That Better Times are Coming—Mueller Optimistic.

That better business lies ahead and that the Democratic administration is not responsible for the let-up in prosperity, is the opinion of W. J. Scanlon, the noted timberman here yesterday.

"It is ridiculous to say that the Wilson administration is to blame for the business depression of the past few months," said Mr. Scanlon. "As a matter of fact I firmly believe that if it had not been for the new banking laws put through by the Democrats the country today would be in the midst of the worst panic in its history. And instead of that money is easier and more plentiful than it has been in years. Since the currency act passed, the eastern banks have been willing to loan money in great quantities and at very low interest rates. Before that everything was tight."

Mr. Scanlon, like his associates, believes that low water has been reached, and that there will be great improvement from now on. The crops, he says, are remarkably fine all over. Should the advance in freight rates be granted the railroads, as is expected, that too, will greatly liveen all business activity.

"And, remember," continued Mr. Scanlon, "that the United States is far better off than any of its important neighbors. The situation is sound. I believe that very soon everything will be most prosperous. Compared with Canada—and elsewhere where the Democrats can't be blamed!—we are wonderfully well off."

Mr. Scanlon spoke enthusiastically of the substantial timber resources of Bend, saying that in no wise could the town escape a big growth through their manufacturing development.

Mueller Likes Bend. Will Mueller, of the Mueller Land & Timber Co., of Davenport, Iowa, remained here only over Monday, the time of the formal annual meeting.

"Every time I come back Bend looks better," Mr. Mueller said. "The development is most commendable, and the town makes a mighty good impression upon a visitor."

When asked the stock annual question: "When will you build your mill?" he said: "gracefully."

"Some day," he laughed the lumberman. "Just now we are not in a position to go ahead with it, and conditions relative to our business do not justify the move. But the lumber will be milled here. It wouldn't be fair to hold out any false hopes, so this time please quote me simply as saying that for the present nothing has been decided upon." Then Mr. Mueller added: "And don't get worried. Bend's best years are just ahead of it, and everything points to good times soon."

BASEBALL NOTICE.

There will be practice every evening this week at seven o'clock.

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