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## EVIDENCE FROM OTHER SECTIONS

### RESULTS IN IDAHO PLEASE

Extracts from Letters Given—Signers Still Coming—More Tax Figures Collected for Benefit of Voters—Show Yearly Increase

Although the first rush of signers for the county division petition over the past week has seen a steady increase in the number of names on the petition. Residents of outlying parts of the new county have made it a point, on coming to town, to see a member of the committee and sign, and a number of those who were unwilling to sign when the matter was first presented to them have come to see the desirability of the move and have added their names to the list.

Work on the collection of data bearing on the question of division continues and will ultimately be placed before the voters in a shape convenient for reference and study. All are anxious to secure facts and it is facts that will be presented.

That other sections of the northwest where division of counties has been made in the past are satisfied with the results and would be unwilling to return to former conditions is indicated by letters received during the past week. Knowing that news counties had been created in different parts of Idaho in the past few years letters of inquiry as to the results were addressed to prominent men in those sections. The answers so far received are of the most favorable character as is shown by the following extracts from letters from two different towns.

American Falls, Idaho, July 30.  
"We have your favor of the 22nd inst., relative to county division, and in reply thereto will say that we find county division in our case a great benefit to all concerned, and would not think of going back to the old counties from which we were separated."

"We have found since our county division that the new county of Power took in more in recording fees to the county recorder's office than the old county of Oneida, from which it was created, for a like period of time."

"We also find that our tax money is used to a better advantage in a smaller county than a large one, as it was difficult before county division to secure any considerable amount of tax money for road purposes, and this is really the most important item that a county has to deal with."

"Our tax levy in Power county last year had the distinction of being third in the State, it being 9 1/4 mills, and some ran as high as 26 1/2 mills."

Rexburg, Idaho, July 25th, 1914.  
"Replying to your letter of the 22d we are well pleased with having divided our old county. We believe that we will be able to make a small reduction in tax, after having paid the transferring fees. And we have not the least doubt that we shall be able to get better results, with material reduction after the first year."

"We did not have any organized opposition to our new county, there-

fore did not get out any literature. We submitted the matter to the people and they voted on the question. We argued that we could secure better results, and more economical administration of our affairs in a smaller county, not because the people were more honest, but that the officers in a smaller county would be closer to the people."

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## FIRST USE OF BINDER BY MILLICAN HOMESTEADERS

H. F. Dyer and J. E. Johnson Harvest Good Crops of Rye—Have Corn, Beans and Tomatoes Coming On.

H. F. Dyer, a prominent homesteader of the Millican valley, came into town on Saturday with visible proof of the fertility of the soil in his country, and of the results of intelligent dry farming.

The proof was in the shape of a big sheaf of rye produced in one year after breaking ground on his homestead. In all he has had in this year about eight acres of rye which will run from 15 to 20 bushels to the acre. J. E. Johnson, a neighbor of Mr. Dyer's, also is making a showing with rye this year, having in some 20 acres. He, too, brought in a sheaf of his grain to be turned over to the Commercial Club for exhibit in Portland.

Rye is not all with Mr. Dyer, however, for he has corn, beans and even tomatoes that are all going to bear this year, the first being almost ready to furnish their supplies to the family table. The tomatoes are still green but are expected to ripen soon.

Both the Dyer and the Johnson grain have been harvested with a binder, the first to be operated in the Millican valley.

### TREASURER KAY HERE.

State Treasurer Kay and family spent yesterday afternoon and this morning in town. With friends they are on a motor trip from Salem and came over the McKenzie pass yesterday morning. Several of the party went over to the Metolius for a day's fishing while Mr. Kay went down to Laidlaw for an inspection of the Tumalo work. He expressed himself as greatly pleased with the way in which the work is being done and the results being obtained. Those in the party are Mr. and Mrs. Kay and daughter, Mrs. J. A. Todd, Dr. H. H. Olinger and family and Dr. C. H. Robinson and family, all of Salem.

### CITY AND CLUB TO JOIN.

It was decided at the meeting of the City Council last evening to join the Commercial Club in fitting up a room for the joint use of the Council and the Club and arrangements to that end are to be made at once. Other business done was to order a cement sidewalk on Wall street from Mannheim's store to the Benson building.

### GEORGE M. BAILEY HERE.

George M. Bailey, of Philadelphia, president of the Northwest Tourist Co., his daughter, Pauline, and a friend, Miss Strubling, spent Monday and Tuesday here on their return from a trip to Paisley where his company has investments. Mr. Bailey said that in spite of the business depression his company had sold more land in the past year than in ever before.

### APPORTIONS SCHOOL FUND.

SALEM, July 29.—The 1914 apportionment of the interest on the state common school fund has just been announced by State Treasurer Kay. In all a total of \$373,490.95, based on the school population of 201,887 is distributed. Crook county's share amounts to \$6663.70.

## MURDERS MAN AT BREAKFAST

### AVERY G. SCOGGIN IS KILLED

Mail Contractor Between Prineville and Paulina Shot by Henry McDowell who Then Telephones Authorities—Motive Unknown

Avery G. Scoggin, who has held the mail contract between Prineville and Paulina for a number of years, was murdered at breakfast time last Friday morning on his ranch near Paulina by Henry McDowell, one of his drivers.

Scoggin was killed as he sat at the breakfast table talking over some business affairs with George Taylor. McDowell came into the room where Scoggin and Taylor were talking, with a loaded Winchester. He accused Scoggin of making threats against his life, which were denied by Scoggin, according to Taylor.

He ordered Scoggin out of the room into the yard and upon Scoggin's failure to do as he was bid McDowell raised his gun and fired, the bullet taking effect just behind and a little below the right ear. McDowell fired from behind.

The murdered man never moved from his seat at the breakfast table during the entire incident. The impact of the bullet was so great that the head was almost entirely blown from the body.

Sheriff Elkins, District Attorney Wirz, County Physician Rosenberg and Coroner Poindexter were notified by telephone of the crime by the murderer himself who waited at the place of the crime until the authorities arrived. The coroner's jury lodged a charge of murder in the first degree against McDowell.

Some believe that McDowell was intoxicated with Scoggin's wife. At the inquest Mrs. Scoggin attempted to justify the act by stating that for the month prior to the crime, her husband, because of excessive drinking, had threatened to kill her and all the men employed on the place. At the time of the homicide, Scoggin had no weapon about him larger than a pearl handled pen knife. McDowell had in his possession the only firearm on the place, which belonged to Scoggin, the murdered man. Taylor was an eye-witness to the tragedy, although Mrs. Scoggin was on the front porch. Mrs. Taylor was in an adjoining room and came in immediately after the tragedy and others were about the house and barn.

### ALLEGED FORGER ARRESTED

Acting on instructions wired by the sheriff of Alturas county, California, a man named M. C. Donnelly was arrested by Deputy Sheriff Wenzand in Redmond last night and brought back to the jail here. It is understood that Donnelly was formerly in the hotel business in Fairport, California, and had recently tried the bad check game in Alturas. He came to town in an auto from the south yesterday and after stopping at the Wenzand barn to inquire the way to Redmond went on. Later the telegram came and he was overtaken in Redmond.

## INSPECT CRANE PRAIRIE WORK

### WHISTLER AND LEWIS HERE

Deschutes Survey Engineers Making Final Studies—Report on Tumalo Unit Soon—Congress Takes Power from Secretary of Interior.

John T. Whistler, in charge of the reclamation studies being carried on in Oregon under joint appropriations of the state and the Reclamation Service, arrived in town Friday to inspect the work being done at Laidlaw and Crane Prairie. He left for the John Day country on Monday. State Engineer Lewis accompanied Mr. Whistler on a part of his trip.

Although the survey had several parties working last summer throughout this country, making topographical studies up and down the river and investigations of reservoir sites at different points, especially at Benham Falls, it appeared, as the results of their work were checked up, that still further investigations were necessary, and crews have been employed with these this summer.

Some weeks ago Engineer Parkhill began further topographical work at Laidlaw and about the middle of July Engineer Denson, who was in charge at Benham Falls last summer, returned to town and later went on to Crane Prairie to make reservoir studies there. It is their work that Mr. Whistler is now inspecting and also discussing with them questions raised by their studies to date. Friday he spent at Laidlaw, and on Saturday he went to Crane Prairie with Mr. Lewis, spending Sunday there.

It is understood that at Laidlaw a large part of the work has been in connection with the second unit of the Tumalo Project, or the West Side unit as it is sometimes called, which the Reclamation Service is expected to take up. According to E. G. Hopson, supervising engineer of the Service, the report on this unit is now almost completed, and should be ready for publication in about two weeks.

Mr. Whistler's report on the whole survey will not be finished for several months yet. It is understood that it will deal in a very large and comprehensive way with the water resources of the Deschutes valley and of the other rivers of the state which have been included in the Survey.

### New Law Affects Situation.

According to news reports from Washington an act is about to pass Congress taking from the Secretary of the Interior the power to apportion funds for government reclamation work, and providing that hereafter annual appropriations from the reclamation fund shall be authorized by Congress. Practically every western member protested against the measure but it passed the House and is expected to go through the Senate.

This will affect the local irrigation, whether seriously or not, depending on the attitude taken by Congress in the future in making appropriations for local projects. It will be remembered that Secretary Lane visited Central Oregon last summer and

thereafter set aside \$450,000 to be used in reclamation work here, the general understanding being that still other funds would be forthcoming if the state would join on a co-operative basis.

It now seems that Secretary Lane's understanding of local needs will be of no avail unless he is able to make them clear to Congress.

## DELEGATES ANGERED AT SAM HILL'S SUGGESTION

Medford Congress Opposed to Central Oregon Route but Conditions Point to it as Natural Line of Highway

Because of statements to the effect that the Pacific Highway might run through Central Oregon instead of the Willamette valley Sam Hill, the Washington good roads enthusiast, came in for a good deal of criticism at the good roads congress held at Medford last week.

The better condition of Central Oregon roads, the coming completion of the Columbia Highway and the unwillingness of the valley counties to vote funds for roads were given by Mr. Hill as reasons why the Pacific route might better run on this side of the mountains. As might be supposed with the meeting held in a western valley town and delegates present in three from Willamette valley points the suggestion was not received with approval.

Judge Worden of Klamath Falls came to the support of Mr. Hill and according to a news report, "advocating the construction of a general and comprehensive system of gravel and macadam roads, instead of a permanent hard surface highways, which he said southern Oregon could not afford at the present time, Judge Worden said that if the Willamette valley residents didn't hurry up and come into line there would be a Pacific Highway from Klamath Falls through Central Oregon to the Columbia. The speaker maintained that God had made a good road in that section by laying out a country with a natural grade, few streams to cross or obstructions to overcome."

## BALL TEAM BEATS TUMALO

Bend Boys Win Sunday's Game—To Play Sisters Next Sunday.

The local ball team beat the team from the Tumalo again on Sunday, this time by a score of 19 to 2. Norval Springer pitched for Bend, allowing only two hits; Stoehr and Hughes worked for the Tumalo team. Eleven hits were made by the locals of which Kulp and Stover were each responsible for three. The two teams lined up as follows:

Bend—Stover, s; Springer, p; Steidl 1b; Sproat 2b; Paul s.s.; Ruddle 3b; Kulp lf; Hoke cf.; Steidl rf. Tumalo—Scroggins, c; Stoehr and Hughes, p; Perry 1b; Hughes and Stoehr 2b; Fleming ss; Armstrong 3b; Pulliam lf; Lucas cf; Brandenbergh, rf.

It was expected that the Sisters team would be here to play on Sunday but at the last minute it was found that they would be unable to come. They are billed for next Sunday, however, without fail and a good game is expected.

For the benefit of the Bend team a dance will be given in Sather's Hall night to which all are invited.

### FOUNTAINS ARE HERE.

The new drinking fountains presented to the city by the owners of the First National and Deschutes bank property have arrived and will be set up soon. One will be placed on Wall street and one on Bond.

## BOTH SIDES ON BOND QUESTION

### LEWIS AND HOWARD STATE CASE

Issue Raised at Meeting of Water Users on July 25 is Discussed by Interested Parties—Bond is Surety Company Obligation Only.

Reaffirming his former statement that the bond given by the Central Oregon Irrigation Company for the repair of the flume was not a cash bond State Engineer Lewis, on his recent visit here, squarely met the issue between himself and Roscoe Howard, of the Irrigation Company, which was raised at the meeting of the water users in Bend on July 25.

As stated in The Bulletin last week the particular question is "whether or not the company has put up a \$25,000 cash bond for the rebuilding of the flume." Mr. Howard says it has; Mr. Lewis says it has not. Mr. Lewis' statement is as follows:

"I understand that at a meeting of the Water Users of the Central Oregon Irrigation Company held in Bend on July 25th, Mr. Howard stated that a \$25,000 bond has been given by the irrigation company to insure the com-

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## STATE FISH AND GAME OFFICIALS MAKE INSPECTION

Various Lakes and Towns in this Section Visited—Violator of Game Laws is Arrested and Fined.

After a trip of inspection taken in company with a party of state fish and game officials Clyde McKay returned to town last night with the news that a fish hatchery to supply the rivers and lakes of this section might be installed in Bend by the state. Fish and Game Commissioner B. E. Duncan, State Game Warden C. H. Evans, Master Fish Warden R. E. Clinton and Deputy Warden Roy Bremner were with Mr. McKay on the trip.

Arriving here on Thursday the party went first to the Metolius and from there proceeded south taking in Suttle and Blue Lake, Pringle Falls, La Pine, Crescent, Odell, and Crescent Lake. At Suttle Lake an investigation was made of a proposition to put in a spaw collecting station.

One unlooked for incident of the trip was the arrest of J. P. Cooper, of Fossil, who was found with the mutilated skins of two deer in his possession. He was taken to Crescent, tried and fined for the offense. In addition his hunting license was taken away from him.

On their return to La Pine the auto in which the party was making the trip broke down, leaving them stranded until repairs could be brought out. The state officials left La Pine this morning for Silver Lake, Lakeview and Klamath Falls.



Mr. and Mrs. Newlywed, Save up for a Home!

JUST a word to the NEWLYWEDS. Dear friends, we don't want to PREACH to you, but we do wish to say SIMPLY and EMPHATICALLY: "BEGIN SAVING FOR YOUR HOME NOW!" It's not EASY, we know. The first years of your new life require most of your money, which perhaps does not come to you as plentifully as it will later. But save NOW. DON'T WAIT. It'll make you HAPPY.

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