

COUNTY PAPERS ON DIVISION

LA PINE PAPER BOOSTING

Culver Tribune Says Opposition Light—Madras Pioneer Mentions Anti-Division Work of Politicians and Reviews Arguments.

(La Pine Inter-Mountain.)
The Premium List and Program for the Tenth Annual Crook County Fair is being distributed this week. Every officer, judge, superintendent and member of the association is from the other end of the county. No consideration of any kind is given this end. Just another one of the thousands of good reasons why the county should be divided.

(La Pine Inter-Mountain.)
The report issued by the accounting department of the state shows that Crook county has a smaller general fund than sixteen of the small counties of the state. The cost of maintenance is greater than of any two of ten of the smaller counties. The county fund shows a deficit of \$13,691.60. A comparison with sixteen of the smaller counties shows that a small county is much less expensive. The question of county division here should therefore be voted YES.

(Culver Tribune.)
The county division petitions have been checked up and it is found that over 800 signatures have been secured, a great many more than will be required, although the workers are still busy in order to make the list as large as possible. The petition will be presented to the court next week along with the petition for Deschutes county, if everything is regular. The question of creating these new counties will be on the ballot next fall.

Very little opposition has developed thus far in the Northern part of the present county, and the proposition of creating Deschutes county seems to be popular in nearly all parts of that area.

(Madras Pioneer.)
As the final rustling for signers is being carried on by the committee in charge of the county division matter for the proposed Jefferson county, many new points are met and discussed, to the benefit of the new county proposition. Many of them brought out those who were anxious to sign up in favor of the proposition. The feeling generally all over this section, in fact there are very few in the northern part of the county who are not generally in favor of division, and the one feature, most of those who are in favor of the division movement desire is, that they want to see where the money that they pay in for taxes, goes to. It is impossible to figure, in the minds of many what becomes of the large amount of taxes that are paid annually to Crook county.

The objection has been raised about having for another set of officers. This question is answered in this way: How many sets of officers are we now employing in the present county offices at salaries near to the amount paid the person elected to the office? In most cases on an average it is four.

The circulation of the petition have found but few who are directly opposed to division and these all seem to have been influenced by either some one whose interests are not in this section or else from the old-time political influences of Prineville, who we understand have been sending out matter against the county division proposition to the voters in some sections. We expect next week to have some of this matter to reprint and will answer it with arguments on the merits of the facts.

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J. M. LAWRENCE BACK FROM EUROPEAN WAR ZONE

Ex-Bend Man Leaves Germany Just Ahead of Hostilities—Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Drake at Frankfurt.

J. M. Lawrence, formerly of Bend and a half owner of The Bulletin, returned to Portland last week, coming direct from Germany where he escaped being held up by the hostilities only by a narrow margin. He had been motoring in France, Belgium and Holland with Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Drake. No news has been received from the Drakes, who were at Frankfurt-on-the-Main when last heard of.

"I caught the Hamburg-American liner Cincinnati at Cuxhaven, the port for Hamburg, on July 29," said Mr. Lawrence. "Things looked very equally and there was hourly expectation of a war move by Germany. We touched at Southampton and got English papers, indicating a serious situation. A score of powerful searchlights from forts and warships continually swept the harbor in an exceedingly alert and business-like

manner and kept everything well lit, particularly our German ship. At sea we got wireless news of the action of Germany and Russia and France, which everybody, including the ship's officers, seemed to expect; but when the news came that Great Britain also had decided to oppose Germany somewhat akin to panic seized our German crew, and from that moment we ran like fugitives."

MORE CINDERS ON STREETS

City Will Further Improve Greenwood—Councilmen Have Mishap.

The City of Bend will cinder Greenwood avenue from the city limits to the railroad, also Greenwood between that point and Bond street, and the street extending from Greenwood to the depot. On the stretch first mentioned the cinders will be laid twenty feet wide, and on the last two a strip thirty feet wide. East of the city limits on Greenwood the county is planning to lay cinders, from Pilot Butte in.

Councilmen Allen and Davidson looked over the ground last week. They made the excursion behind the Bend Company's trolley, "Nellie." All went well until they got to the cinder pit, where Nellie decided she had gone as far as she wanted to, kicked over the shafts and severed all connections with the buggy. Then the councilmen walked back to town, with Nellie in the lead.

CONDITIONS ARE GOOD

Review of Crook County Conditions by Mercantile Agency Encouraging

Recently one of the great mercantile associations has completed a business survey of Oregon, county by county, and has made a boiled-down report which makes mighty good reading. The condensed report of Crook county follows:

Wheat, cattle, sheep, root crops, the principal products, have increased 25 per cent in acreage of grains. There is no change in fruit crops.

The condition of farmers will be 25 per cent better after harvest. Merchants' conditions, loans and deposits, remain unchanged; stocks are lighter; new elevator and flour mills under construction. Prospects fair. Fall grain was slightly damaged by frost; growing condition good.

CARING FOR FIRES.

This year Porter S. King of Bend is in charge of fire-fighting in this territory for the State authorities, with headquarters here. His assistants are T. W. Triplett, A. D. Lewis, and Dan Heising. The Central Oregon Fire Patrol Association's men, under J. H. Haner, are James Breese, Clyde Miller and Edward Mitchell, with others employed as occasion warrants. The Forest Service also has 25 men whose duties directly concern fire fighting and prevention.

WEST WANTS TO SECURE MONEY

LOCAL DEVELOPMENT IS AT STAKE

Unless Federal Funds Now Available are Tied Up Beyond Recall, Central Oregon May Lose Chance at \$450,000 for Deschutes Valley

Governor West has sent the following statement to The Bulletin: "Heretofore allotments from the United States Reclamation funds for the reclamation of arid lands in the several states were made directly by the Secretary of the Interior, but hereafter such allotments will be made by Congress.

Secretary of the Interior Lane is making allotments for the year 1914 set aside \$572,000 for the Umatilla Project, \$175,000 for the Klamath Project and \$450,000 for co-operative work with the state in connection with the completion of certain Carey Act projects in the Deschutes Valley. Unless the moneys thus allotted are used or tied up for use by contract before the first of the year, they will pass from the control of the Secretary of the Interior into the hands of Congress and might possibly not be reallocated to this state but to some other state. It is therefore important that steps be taken to insure the expenditure of this money in connection with the projects it is desired to complete.

The money allotted for the Umatilla and Klamath projects, is of course being expended, but the \$450,000 for the Deschutes development is not as yet tied up in such manner as to insure its expenditure in this state. One of the projects upon which it was proposed to expend this money was the Carey Act project, of the Central Oregon Irrigation Company. An engineer's report covering this project, prepared by a state and government commission, was recently rendered, but the plan did not find favor with the Desert Land Board or the Central Oregon Irrigation Company. The matter has been re-submitted to the Interior Department and further investigation may result in the adoption of a plan which will prove satisfactory to all concerned.

It has also been proposed that the money be expended in the extension of the Tumalo Project, the works of which are now being con-

structed by the state at a cost of about \$450,000. The State's Project Engineer, Mr. Lauffgard, has recently rendered a report to the government officials, in which he estimates that the Tumalo extension project, which would reclaim about 10,500 acres of additional lands, would cost about \$480,000. This cost can undoubtedly be reduced so as to bring it within the \$450,000 allotted by the Interior Department.

The work of the state upon the Tumalo Project will be finished within the next 60 days. The funds appropriated by the Legislature (\$450,000.00) have proven sufficient to complete the project. The state will have perhaps \$50,000.00 to repay certain old contract holders who do not desire to take out new contracts as provided by law. Through a misunderstanding as to the facts press reports have stated that it would be necessary for the Legislature to appropriate funds to cover these repayments, but such is not the case. The amount of these repayments being part of the cost of the project will be included in the lien price of the lands reclaimed and sold and will therefore be collected from land sales. The only action by the Legislature necessary is authority to make the repayments, as through an oversight such authority was not granted the Board and if any repayments are made under existing authority they would have to be made out of funds appropriated for the construction of the works, and this, of course, would not be advisable as it would deplete us of funds which are necessary to properly complete the project. The project is being completed within the appropriation provided by the Legislature and the repayments which will be necessary to make will be taken care of without an appropriation by the Legislature and in the manner originally intended through the sales of the lands surrounded by these contract holders.

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION.

The County Board of Equalization for Crook county convenes Monday, September 14, 1914. Tax rolls will be opened for inspection and correction in the way of description and valuation is the announcement made by Assessor Foster.

SHELDON GOES CRAZY.

(Crook County Journal.)
R. G. Sheldon, the man that killed his newly born babe at the Dea & Compton sawmill at Grizzly last June, has gone crazy. For a week or more the man has lain in bed and moans and groans day and night. He won't eat and the sheriff has a hard time to get a little nourishment down him. The man is lighthouse all right. His eyes stand out of their sockets and have a stoney stare. He doesn't recognize anyone. Even his wife failed to arouse the slightest interest in him. His confinement has evidently upset his reason.

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tain if the District should buy lot 1 of block 24 for the sum of \$1260. The proposed purchase was endorsed by a vote of 32 to 8. The property is now owned by A. F. Shireman, who has a small home on it. This lot is

the only one in the block not the property of the District, and in its present condition seriously detracts from the appearance of the new school building.

MALLARDS HATCH LATE

Indians Predict Mild Winter When Ducks Nest in August.

(Portland Oregonian.)

SILVER LAKE, Aug. 29.—Indians from the Klamath reservation predict a mild winter in Central Oregon, basing their forecast on the late nesting of mallard ducks.
Usually the mallards bring their broods from the nest not later than July 1. This year, however, the marshes and lakes of Harney, Lake, Klamath and Malheur counties are dotted late in August with thousands of broods of little ducklings. Some of the ducks, say the Indians, are producing two broods, having miscalculated the season and hatched one brood in June.

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