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BULLETIN TOLD GET OFF GRASS

C. O. I. DOESN'T LIKE COMMENT

But Letters Endorse Action Taken, Urging Investigation Be Allowed— Insurance Commissioner Asked to Proceed With Examination.

As stated last week, The Bulletin wrote to the Central Oregon Irrigation Company's Portland office, asking what steps would be taken to ward permitting an examination of the company's books, in accordance with the offer made by Manager Roose Howard, and later denied by him. This reply has been received.

Portland, Ore., Nov 12, 1914. The Bend Bulletin, Bend, Oregon.

Dear Sir:— The Directors of this Company while fully appreciating the benevolent disposition of The Bulletin heretofore so frequently manifested towards the company and its officers, respectfully suggest that satisfactory progress can probably be made by direct dealing between the company and the Insurance Commissioner in respect to an examination of the company's books; and that the kindly offices of The Bulletin in respect thereto will be unnecessary.

Yours respectfully, CENTRAL OREGON IRRIGATION CO., By Jesse Stearns, Secretary.

The evident intention of the communication is to tell The Bulletin to "keep off the grass." However, settlers to whom it has been shown, urgently request that the grass be further invaded, and that every effort be made to get some action in the matter.

When showed the letter from Mr. Stearns, P. J. Young, president of the Central Oregon Irrigation Company Water Users' Association said:

"That seems to me characteristic of the company's stand and methods. Mr. Stearns evidently is trying to make it appear that The Bulletin in this matter is working on an independent lead, and has not the backing of the settlers. That emphatically is not true. In this case we are all agreed that Mr. Howard has played us dirt, and we mean to do all we can to get that investigation. In the past the C. O. I. officers have had a habit of going before the Land Board and saying, when a 'kick' came in, that it was only one individual speaker, and that all the other settlers were 'perfectly satisfied.' Probably in this instance they'll say 'It's only The Bulletin.' But that isn't so, for we are absolutely in sympathy with the stand taken by the paper."

A. O. Walker, a director of the Water Users' Association, read the Stearns' letter Saturday.

"We made charges, and unless the company meets us half way and shows a willingness to disprove them, we can't help but believe the charges are true," said Mr. Walker. "Mr. Howard said we could investigate and then he turned us down. If his statements were the truth, and our maintenance fees are not being mispent, why should he refuse the investigation? Anyway, at the order of the directors I have written to the

TEACHERS' RECEIPTION.

The reception for the Crook county teachers who will attend the institute in Bend next week will be held Monday night from 8 to 10 o'clock in the Emblem Club banquet hall, under the auspices of the Ladies Library Club. During the evening a buffet luncheon will be served. All are invited to attend.

ESTIMATE FOR NEXT YEAR MADE

STATE IRRIGATION CONGRESS IS TO MEET JANUARY 7-8-9

Executive Committee Selects Dates— A. O. Walker of Alfalfa, Appointed on Program Committee.

The 1915 meeting of the Oregon State Irrigation Congress will be held in Portland on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, January 7, 8, and 9. These dates were decided upon at a meeting of the executive committee of the Congress recently held in Portland. The parlors of the Imperial Hotel will be the place of meeting.

From now until the date of the Congress the different officers expect to make every effort to insure a good attendance, having the work so divided that they will be able to reach all in the state who are interested in irrigation matters. J. G. Hinkle, chairman of the legislative committee, will attend to securing the members of the legislature, and all accredited delegates, C. C. Chapman will care for the commercial clubs of the state, and Fred N. Wallace, secretary of the Congress will reach all irrigation companies.

At the executive committee meeting A. O. Walker of Alfalfa was appointed a member of the program committee. The other members are C. C. Chapman of Portland and J. K. Fisher of Halles.

DESCHUTES FISHING STOPS.

District Game Warden Clyde McKay returned from Portland Saturday morning, after meeting with the Fish and Game Commission there. As a result of the petitions circulated here by Mr. McKay, the old closed fishing season will be resumed on the Deschutes. Heretofore fishing was permitted all the year, for fish over ten inches long. This, it was pointed out, simply encouraged law breaking and tended to exhaust local trout. All the Deschutes above the mouth of the Metolius and the Metolius and all lakes, etc., draining into both are affected by the ruling.

DEATH PENALTY ABOLISHED.

Latest returns from the general election seem to indicate the passage of the measure abolishing the death penalty. The vote on this amendment was very close, the complete count showing a difference of only a few hundred votes on the two sides. It is expected that Governor West will now commute the sentences hanging over the convicted murderers in the state penitentiary to life imprisonment.

RAILROAD WINS SUIT.

The suit begun last spring to enjoin the O. W. R. & N. Co. from operating its trains over a stretch of about three miles to the Deschutes canyon, alleged to be used in violation of the rights of a land company which proposed to build a dam in the river, has been decided in favor of the company. The decree in the case was handed down by Judge Bean in the United States Circuit Court in Portland on Monday and completely sustains the position of the railroad.

CITY MILLAGE TO BE LOWERED

ESTIMATE FOR NEXT YEAR MADE

Indications are That 1915 Tax Will Be 20 Mills or Less—Present Valuation is \$173,100 Exclusive of Public Service Corporations.

Tentative estimates of the cost to the taxpayers of running the city of Bend for the coming year indicate that a material reduction in the tax levy will be made by the common council at its meeting on Tuesday. Various matters that cannot be settled until the council meets will affect the amount of levy, but it now seems, on the figures that have been compiled, that it can be set at 20 mills or less as against 24 mills last year.

In the past year the city has had unusual expenses for street work and for other purposes not estimated in the preparation of the budget a year ago. Nevertheless its finances are in good shape at the present time and with the receipt of the sums due from the county and from other sources it will end the year free from debt.

The city valuation for 1914 was \$296,820 which included public service corporations, or exclusive of these \$258,820. As yet the valuation of the public service corporations for 1914 is not known but it will presumably be well over \$40,000. With the regular city valuation of \$273,480 as already announced by the county assessor, the total for 1914 will be in excess of \$400,000.

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DISCUSS TELEPHONE LINE.

At the Commercial Club luncheon on Saturday the plan to obtain an entry into town of the farmer's line from Laidlaw was discussed. The matter was originally brought before the club by representatives of the lines which run into Prineville and Redmond and is now under consideration by a committee appointed at that time.

CRATER A BATTLE GROUND.

LA PINE, Nov. 16.—The discovery of more human bones, presumably Indians, is responsible for the theory that the steep interior wall of the Newberry crater was a battle ground for prehistoric tribes. The latest discovery, that of the bones of four men, was made by Fred Shattler, of East Lake, while cutting a road through the lava hillside on the east side of the lake. From time to time within the past four years, similar discoveries have been made in the same locality.

LA PINE SCHOOL FINISHED.

LA PINE, Nov. 18.—La Pine's new ten thousand dollar school house is finished and the schools will move into their new quarters next week. The building is a handsome structure, of colonial pattern, fitted with all modern conveniences. The enrollment in the La Pine schools this year is thirty-five per cent greater than ever before, and as soon as the new building is occupied, a new teacher will be employed to aid the present staff of instructors.

TO CUT SCHOOL DISTRICT TAX

LOWER LEVY WILL BE POSSIBLE

Estimated Expenses for Next Year Amount to \$15,657 and Valuation About \$1,300,000—Levy May Be 11 Mills—Was 15 1/2 in 1914

The tax levy for school district 12 for the coming year will be determined at a meeting in the principal's room at the Reid school at 2 o'clock on Saturday. The estimates of next year's expense that have been prepared to submit to the meeting indicate that a tax of 11 mills at the highest will be sufficient for school purposes for 1915.

In the past year the district has paid a levy of 15 1/2 mills and in addition issued bonds to the amount of \$23,000 for the construction of the new Reid school building. Earlier estimates in respect to next year's levy gave ground for the belief that next year's millage might be cut to as low as six mills. But this has now turned out to be impossible as the expended surplus has been consumed by the new school building, bringing its total cost up to about \$30,000. Nevertheless a reduction is possible and will undoubtedly be made at the Saturday meeting.

The estimated valuation of the school district is \$1,300,000, including the public service corporation valuation. Just what this will be is yet to be determined by the State Tax Commission. The total valuation last year was \$1,295,980.

The following estimate of the expenses of the district next year has been prepared and will be submitted to the taxpayers on Saturday.

Superintendent	\$ 1,700
1 High school principal	1,000
2 Assistants @ \$300	1,800
1 Grade Supt. @ \$85.00	765
1 Primary teacher @ \$50. ...	720
6 Grade teachers @ \$75. ...	4,500
1 8th grade @ \$80. ...	720
2 Country teachers @ \$60. ...	1,080
Country janitors	90
Janitor Reid school @ \$60. ...	720
Janitor High school @ \$30. ...	270
Wood at Reid school 100 c. ...	300
High school and country 30 c. ...	90
Water at high school	77
Water at Reid school @ \$20 ...	360
Interest on bonds	1,715
Books, equipment & Repairs. ...	800
Schooling Reid school grounds. ...	100
Fencing same	250
Possible Receipts.	\$16,657

On delinquent taxes \$ 1,748.51 |

Estimated apportionment 290.00 |

To raise by taxation \$14,607.29 |

11 mill levy would raise **\$14,300** |

DEATH OF ELJES DE ARMOND.

H. H. De Armond was called to Portland Friday night by the death of his father, Eljes De Armond, which occurred that day. Mr. De Armond was a resident of Grants Pass and was 80 years old at the time of his death. With his wife, who survives him, he visited his son in Bend last summer.

FOOTBALL GAME ON THE 24TH.

The high school football team will play Prineville a return game here on the 24th. A good game is expected and especially a good crowd as all the school teachers of Crook county will be here on account of the Institute. The score of the last game was 29-28 in Prineville's favor. Admission 25 cents.

COUNTY COURT ISSUES BUDGET

ESTIMATES MADE FOR COMING YEAR

Plan to Run County for \$208,988 in 1915—Amount For Schools Less Than Last Year and Formation of Jefferson Not Considered.

A budget of expenses on which it is proposed to run Crook county for the year 1915 was presented to the county court at its November meeting and is now being published for the information of taxpayers. At the next meeting of the court, on December 2, all persons subject to the levy will have an opportunity to be heard and the levy for the coming year definitely fixed.

The budget differs from that presented to the taxpayers last year in that it includes all county expenses, while last year's covered only the state tax and general county expense. This year these amounts are included and the cost of the high school and the county schools in general.

With all these purposes included the total amount estimated to be necessary in taxes in 1915 is \$208,988 and the court complementarily says, "To raise the above amount it will require a levy of about 24 mills which is 2 mills less than the levy for 1914."

Court Too Optimistic.

Those who have had an opportunity to study the figures presented to the court and to compare them with the sums raised by taxation for the same purposes in the present year find it hard to agree with the court in its cheerful prophecy of a lower county tax next year, asserting instead that if the county debt is paid and general expenses maintained on the same scale as heretofore, the levy is bound to be higher. That it is expected to pay the debt is shown by the inclusion in the budget of \$100,000 to cover warrants outstanding on January 1, 1915, while a comparison of other figures of general expense with last year's shows no overpowering effort at economy. Some figures are cut and some raised so that the result is practically the same in both years.

In considering next year's taxes, it is pointed out, there will be little change in the matter of assessed valuations, taking the county as a whole, so that the same or a lower millage than that of 1914 would raise an equal or lower amount than in the present year. In other words, an increased valuation will not be shown to take care of a lower tax levy and raise the same amount as was spent this year.

Further comparisons between the budget and this year's taxes indicate that in reaching the result it did the County Court made reductions of a nature that the taxpayers will not agree to in the high school and general school funds and that do not agree with the facts in the matter of the state tax. For this present year, it is pointed out, the high school tax was two mills, raising \$20,587.61 while the present budget provides only \$13,380. With no record of the expenditures it is impossible to say whether this is enough, but it would

HELD FOR GRAND JURY.

At a hearing before Justice Easton Monday afternoon evidence was produced which led to his holding S. McCabe in \$1000 bonds for the grand jury which meets in December. McCabe is charged with the theft of a sum of money from Fred Buck.

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Little Talks on Banking Certificates of Deposit

A certificate of deposit or C-D as it is sometimes called, is a certificate issued by a bank certifying that a certain sum of money has been deposited in the bank payable to a certain person. It bears the bank's promise to pay to the legal holder this sum on return of the certificate properly endorsed.

These certificates are drawn in two different ways, payable either on demand or at a stated time in the future. Those drawn payable on demand may be cashed at any time and do not draw interest. Those drawn on time bear interest at a certain rate if left for the time specified usually a period of even months. They do not draw interest unless left for the full time specified and do not draw interest after maturity unless renewed.

A demand certificate operates as a bank draft or cashier's check and when properly endorsed, and the holder identified, can be cashed at banks other than the one of issue. A time certificate does not necessarily operate in this manner for the bank reserves the right to refuse payment until maturity. It is unusual for a bank to refuse to honor a time certificate when presented and in general they have the same properties as those payable on demand.

A certificate of deposit is generally issued when a sum of money is to be left intact until the entire amount is withdrawn.

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The First National Bank of Bend is member of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, California, and is entitled to the full benefit of this new law.

We will be pleased to give full particulars as to the many other advantages and safeguards of this law, in person or by letter.

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