

COLD WEATHER MAKES TROUBLE

PIPES ARE FROZEN EVERYWHERE

For a Week, Below Zero Temperature is Recorded Nightly—River is Frozen Over—Ice Causes Difficulty at The Power Plant.

The longest period of unusually cold weather known in this section for several years came to an end on Monday when the mercury, which had been hovering around and below zero began to rise. Every night but one in the eight days preceding below zero temperatures were recorded and on two of them marks lower than had been known here for years were reached.

Two years ago in January there were two nights when the mercury dropped below zero but at that time the cold spell lasted only three days. Last year eight degrees above was the lowest mark and as this occurred on December 19 there is some ground for the belief that the cold weather for this winter is now over.

With zero temperatures came frozen water pipes. On Friday it was estimated that fully 75 per cent of the residences in town were having trouble with frozen pipes and the plumbers and repair men were busy. Many pipes froze on the first day of cold and folks swore a bit and thawed them out. Then they froze again on the second day and they swore a little more and thawed them out again. On the third day they decided it had become a habit and began to hunt houses in the neighborhood where the water was still running, at the same time planning to wait for a break in the cold before trying any more pipe thawing.

Trouble at Power Plant.
At the plant of the Bend Water Light & Power Co., the cold made more continuous trouble than anywhere else and only by a good deal of extra effort was the plant kept in operation during the week.

As soon as the ice began to form in the river the slushy needle or anchor ice began to fill the trash rack above the water wheels preventing the passage of water to the wheels. The racks were taken out and then the wheel pit filled with the slush until finally it became necessary to shut down the new plant and start

up the old one, thereby giving an opportunity to rid the other wheel pit of the ice in it.

At this time came the only shut down in the week caused by the freezing of the gate shaft on the old plant. It was for only 20 minutes and thereafter the two plants alternated until the ice ceased to trouble in the pits. During the whole period steam was kept up in the auxiliary steam pumping plant and at times the electrical pump has been helped out by this—notably at the time of the Grand restaurant fire.

On Sunday it became necessary to close the company bridge above the power plant in order to get at the ice which had formed around the piers beneath. It was feared that unless this was done the bridge would be endangered by the ice running in the river. The river is still frozen over from the company dam to that of the Bend Company and the ice jam has backed the water up over the meadow on the west side of the river. Since Monday, however, the water seems to be flowing more freely and any danger to the bridges is over unless more extreme cold weather comes.

The Skuse Hardware Company extends to you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.—Adv.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM.

The following program will be given by the children of the Methodist Sunday school Thursday evening: Song, Joy to the World, Congregation; Prayer by Roy Vinyard; Song Sunday school choir; recitation, Marlon Sather; song, Primary class; exercise, Angels of Xmas, three girls; song, Bessie Howard, Mary Reynolds; song, class of girls; recitation, Paul Reynolds; song, Marcella Schooler; exercise, seven girls; song eight little girls; solo, Margaret Thompson; exercise, Bethlehem, nine boys; song, Joyce and Mattie Griffin; recitation, Lois Cobb; song, Evelyn Thorsen; recitation, Edwin Dana; song, Sunday school choir; drill, 14 girls. Benediction.

CARD OF THANKS.

I extend my thanks to all those who helped me at the time of the fire in my residence last week.
J. J. KLEIN.

STATE TAX ANNOUNCED.

The exact amount of the state tax to be paid by Crook county in the coming year is \$48,429, according to an announcement made by the State Tax Commission last week. At the same time the valuations of the public utilities was given out as printed in the last issue of The Bulletin. Assessor Foster is now distributing this amount to the different taxing districts and will shortly be able to announce the complete valuation for each.

Ask your grocer for Deschutes Spray Flour.—Adv. 37if

EIGHTH GRADE EXAMINATIONS.

Information concerning 8th grade final examinations to be held January 14 and 15, 1915:

Program for examinations—
Thursday—Arithmetic, writing, grammar, agriculture and spelling.

Friday—Physiology, history, geography, civil government and reading.

Note—Sections XVIII, XIX and XX of the "Rules for Conducting Eighth Grade Final Examinations," do not apply in Crook county, as no examinations can be given for class-room work. All pupils must take examinations in all subjects.
Respectfully submitted,
J. E. MYERS,
Superintendent Crook county schools 42-43 c.

The Skuse Hardware Company extends to you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.—Adv. 41if

See Skuse Hardware Company for Christmas gifts.—Adv. 41if

Skates and skates. Skuse Hardware Company.—Adv. 41if

APPROPRIATION FROM CONGRESS

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has the money now, and, it is pointed out, does not need to go to congress for it. After January 1 it will refer to the general fund and to be made available must be re-allotted. After next summer, according to the new law, the power to make appropriations of government money to meet appropriations by states will be withdrawn.

Concerning Central Oregon.

So far as Central Oregon is concerned this recommendation to Congress means, it is pointed out, almost less than the chance of getting the Reclamation fund allotment from Secretary Lane. That allotment, it is generally accepted would come to the Deschutes valley and presumably to Crook county. It is here that the cooperative surveys have progressed furthest, as is indicated by the two reports already issued, and it is here that the state's \$450,000 which the government is expected to match, has been spent. Accordingly it has been believed that the government money would be spent on one of the two projects here.

That this would not be the case with the appropriation from Congress the news dispatches indicate. For it every community in eastern Oregon would be a candidate and the selection of the project would not be made until the final report of the Oregon co-operative surveys was made. At that time, according to reports of Secretary Lane's position, he would have the money spent wherever the engineer's reports on the whole

state advised.

Lane's Position Stated.
The most complete statements of the Secretary's position on co-operation and the \$450,000 is contained in a letter from the comptroller of the Reclamation Service to H. H. De Armond, manager of the Commercial Club as follows:
Washington, D. C., Dec. 12, 1914.
Mr. H. H. De Armond, Manager,
Bend Commercial Club,
Bend, Oregon.

Dear Mr. De Armond:
Your letter of December 3rd, addressed to Secretary Lane, has been referred to the undersigned for consideration and response.

It is to be regretted if a misunderstanding has arisen in your mind in respect to the allotment of \$450,000 out of the Reclamation fund for co-operative work in Central Oregon. Secretary Lane is, and has always been, in thorough sympathy with the movement for co-operation in the reclamation of Central Oregon lands.

The trouble has arisen from the fact that you have misunderstood the terms of the co-operative proposition as presented to Secretary Lane by Governor West, and you have assumed that the \$450,000 which your state has appropriated for construction of the Columbia Southern Project was being duplicated by him in order to match that appropriation. This is far from the fact.

Permit me to call your attention to the Act of February 21, 1913, chapter 87 of the General Laws of Oregon for 1913, which provides for "detail surveys and investigations of the water resources of the State of Oregon," and makes "an appropriation therefor and providing for co-operation with Federal agencies engaged in similar work." This act of February 21, 1913, made an appropriation of \$50,000 to constitute a revolving fund in the hands of the state treasurer for the purpose of co-operation with federal authorities in the making of surveys and investigations as to water resources of the State of Oregon. Under the terms of this act the contract between the United States and the State of Oregon, dated May 5, 1913, was entered into by the terms of which \$100,000 was to be expended in co-operative investigations in that part of the State of Oregon, known as "Central Oregon," more particularly in the basin of the Deschutes river.

On the 25th of February, 1913 an act was passed "To provide for the construction, operation and maintenance and disposal, by the State of Oregon, of the irrigation project in Crook county, Oregon, commonly known as the 'Columbia Southern Project.'" This, likewise, was before Mr. Lane was made Secretary of the Interior. Not one syllable of word in the entire act relates or refers, either remotely or by inference, to any plan for co-operation between the State and the Nation.

On the contrary, when, on June 10, 1913, Director Newell wrote to Governor West that Secretary Lane had authorized him to state that an allotment of \$450,000 would be made for co-operation with the State of Ore-

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E. M. Thompson The Furniture Man

Co-operation implies a complete participation by both parties to the contract in all of its features; both as to investigations and construction, as well as management. The United States has had no part in the expenditure of the \$450,000 fund used in the construction of the Tumalo Project; has had no voice in its management; has had no consideration whatever; has not been consulted in respect to it; it is in no sense a co-operative project.

No definite determination can be made as to which of the projects in Central Oregon shall be adopted by the United States in its co-operative work with the State, until the engineers have agreed as to one or the other as that in which the money is to be appropriated by the State and the United States can be most economically and beneficially expended for the good of all concerned.

Very truly yours,
W. A. RYAN,
Comptroller.

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Use Deschutes Spray Flour! It is the best made and a Bend product.—Adv. 37 if

In this connection it is well to call your attention to the fact that Secretary Lane did not authorize the Director of the Reclamation Service to state that \$450,000 would be allotted for co-operation in the State of Oregon in connection with the Tumalo project; on the contrary, his instructions were to recite to the authorities of the State of Oregon that the sum of \$450,000 would be appropriated for the purpose of co-operation with the State of Oregon in Central Oregon in compliance with the terms of the Act of June 17, 1902. The statement of the Director that this allotment was for the Tumalo project was an inadvertence on his part, as is plainly shown by subsequent correspondence and records.

It is to be regretted that there should have been any misunderstanding upon this point, and so one regrets it so much as Secretary Lane, but the proposition as laid before him by Governor West contained on the Governor's part a distinct pledge that if the Secretary would indicate informally that it was his intention and desire to co-operate with the State of Oregon by an allotment of \$450,000, he would see to it that a like amount should be produced by the state for dollar for dollar co-operation with the Federal Government.

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