

THE BEND BULLETIN.

STRAHORN BOND ISSUE CARRIES

LARGE MAJORITY FOR AMENDMENT

City Can Now Purchase Terminal Site—Vote is 179 to 17—Council Takes up Question—District Improvement Bonding Carries.

"I note with great pleasure the result of your city election Monday and the very large majority in favor of the bond issue to be devoted to procuring railway terminals. Bend has thus again demonstrated its splendid public spirit. I earnestly congratulate the city on this substantial step toward insuring adequate railway facilities for Central Oregon. Also suggest that if the fine example thus set is continued and generally followed here and in Central Oregon I will be more than ever hopeful of the early success of our joint efforts."

—ROBT. E. STRAHORN.

Bend will do its share toward helping Robert E. Strahorn build the Oregon, California & Eastern.

This was demonstrated on Monday when the people voted overwhelmingly in favor of amending the city charter to permit an issue of bonds to purchase lands desired by Mr. Strahorn for terminal purposes in Bend. At the same time a second amendment was adopted permitting district bonding for street and sewer improvements. The vote on the two questions was as follows: Strahorn bonds, For 179, against 17; district bonding, for 179, against 9.

At a council meeting held immediately following the counting of the ballots the council canvassed the vote and declared the result of the election. In order that no time be lost in making arrangements for the bond issue the council also directed the Ways and Means committee to confer at once with Mr. Strahorn and to find a purchaser for the bonds.

Monday's election followed two months' work on the part of a committee from the Bend Commercial Club appointed to obtain options on the terminal property desired by Mr. Strahorn. The optioned property runs south from the Lytle acre tract adjoining the present Oregon Trunk right of way and will be used according to a statement from Mr. Strahorn, for right of way through the city, tracks for freight and passenger service, shops, fuel storage and loading facilities, round house, stockyards, and other railroad purposes.

The Oregon, California & Eastern, as projected by Mr. Strahorn, will be built east from Bend to Harney valley and south to Klamath Falls and Lakeview connecting with lines already built to those points. Announcement of the fact that Mr. Strahorn had the project under contemplation was first made in The Bulletin last fall and after preliminary surveys had been completed Mr. Strahorn definitely committed himself to the undertaking at a meeting held in Bend on November 17.

At this meeting, attended by delegates from every Central Oregon community, Mr. Strahorn stated that he expected all rights of way and terminals to be donated. Lakeview is 25 miles of right of way already donated. Bend now comes forward with the terminals needed here.

PROJECT IN GOOD SHAPE

State Engineer Lewis Finds Tumalo Affairs Progressing.

SALEM, Feb. 29.—Returning from an interesting trip in Central Oregon State Engineer Lewis and his field engineer John Dubyck today stated that they found the situation at the Tumalo project very promising.

The upper basin of the main reservoir has been filled and is holding water satisfactorily. The 1000 acre feet accommodated by this basin is more than enough to care for all acreage sold which depends solely upon the reservoir, thus insuring water for such lands this season.

The reservoir itself is filling up and the leaks which previously have given trouble seem to have been cured. The officials express the opinion that in a month or so the reservoir will be in good shape.

RENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION.

At a special meeting of the Bend Renevolent Association held Monday afternoon a financial report was given as follows: Collections turned in from Community Christmas tree, \$41.29. Receipts from the rummage sale, \$19.30. Outstanding bills, \$25.75. Cash on hand \$7.69. The association has been conducting special investigations into living conditions throughout town, and has been practically taking care of five families unable to obtain support. The officers of the association are desirous of expressing their thanks to the people who contributed food and clothing last month.

COMMERCIAL CLUB DISCUSSES BOUNTY ON JACK RABBITS

Matter is Left to Committee—Roads Committee Reports—Foundry Under Consideration—Aid is Voted.

Matters of many sorts were taken up by the Commercial Club at its meeting on Saturday, possibly the most important being a discussion of a bounty on rabbits, a proposal that the county offer a bounty being now under consideration in various sections. As expressed by the speakers the general sentiment of the club was opposed to the bounty plan. A committee was appointed to consider the matter and to consult with R. A. Ward of the U. S. biological survey, who has led the rabbit poisoning work here this winter.

Another matter which occupied considerable time was a report from the roads committee and the ensuing discussion. The committee suggested that the club's efforts be put on the road to Powell Butte and on a road to Sisters and that a fund be solicited for the purpose at once. Speakers favored work on the Tumalo road also. A soliciting committee was appointed.

Other matters coming before the club included the appointment of a committee to consider the location of a foundry here, and adoption of resolutions favoring the establishment of a naval base at Astoria. The club voted \$25 toward the expenses of a delegate from the irrigation congress to go to Washington to work for the passage of the Jones bill.

TO DISCUSS SCHOOL QUESTIONS.

A local educational meeting at which various school problems will be discussed, will be held at Redmond next week Saturday. Superintendent Hopkins, of Bend, will deliver an address on "The Public School and Personal Achievement," and Principal R. G. White will lead the discussion on the subject, "Supervised Study." Others on the program are Mrs. E. L. Walker of Prineville and P. M. Nash, of Redmond.

C. ALLISON IS FIRST JAIL VICTIM UNDER NEW LAW

He Will Serve 15 Days in City Jail for Disorderly Conduct—Had Much Liquor on His Person.

C. Allison purchased about 16 pints of whiskey before Oregon became arid. On Saturday afternoon he thought he would celebrate with the last pint. A more or less display of disorderly conduct brought upon him the reproving hand of chief Roberts who with much speed launched Allison in the city bastille.

Aside from the general aspects of a drunk Allison is the first man to occupy the city jail since Bend went on the dry column. He firmly holds to the statement that he has had the liquor in his possession since the night of December 31, but the authorities are not credulous.

As a result of the little spree Allison, when brought before Recorder H. C. Ellis, was fined \$50 and 29 days in jail. Not having the funds with which to liquidate Allison will serve 15 days in the city jail.

HEART FAILURE CAUSES DEATH OF FRANK SMITH

Was Found Dead in His Bed Tuesday Morning—Owned Considerable Property Here.

Frank Smith, late of Colorado, was found dead in his bed by his son Charles early Tuesday morning at his home in Westport. The cause of the death is believed by Dr. U. C. Cole to be heart failure. Mr. Smith retired early Monday evening feeling in the best of health. For several months he has been treated for heart trouble and of late has been showing marked improvement, and upon his retiring Monday evening he expressed confidence in his ultimate recovery.

Mr. Smith was a man of considerable means, owning property in Boise, Idaho and in Colorado. He recently invested in Bend property, owning two lots upon which were residences and some other residential property.

The deceased is survived by two brothers in Colorado and a son, Charles, 18 years old, who has been with him in Bend. The remains will be shipped tomorrow morning to Coaldale, Colorado for interment.

DISTRICT BOUNDARY CHANGED.

New school districts were formed from the Arnold section and the Young school section of District 12 at the meeting of the district boundary board yesterday, and territory to the south was added to District 12. By the change the valuation of district 12 is increased by about \$200,000. The new territory is largely timbered area which will now help pay the increased school expenses caused by the timber development here.

SISTER IS MURDERED.

Miss Alice D. Spalding and Miss Margaret Spalding, of the Altamont Hotel, received word on Monday of the killing of their sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Luther H. Akers, of Grants Pass, on Sunday. According to reports in the Portland papers the couple were shot by a neighbor as they drove to Sunday school.

30 LADIES FORM AUXILIARY CLUB

WILL ASSIST MEN'S ORGANIZATION

Officers are Elected at First Meeting Held Saturday Afternoon—Mrs. L. G. Cobb Tells of Work Done at Castle Rock, Washington.

The Ladies Auxiliary to the Commercial Club, with 30 charter members was organized Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Ivy B. Davidson was elected president, Mrs. Cora Brosterhouse, vice president, Mrs. Mabel E. Lara, secretary-treasurer. The board of directors for the ensuing year include Mrs. Ivy B. Davidson, Mrs. Cora Brosterhouse, Mrs. Mabel E. Lara, Mrs. Gertrude McC. Hudson and Mrs. Ella Brooks.

The purpose of the Ladies Auxiliary to the Commercial Club is to work in conjunction with the Bend Commercial Club and other kindred organizations. It will establish social club rooms for the entertainment of the members and visitors and new people coming to the vicinity. Like the Commercial Club it will take up matters of public interest coming before the town and vicinity.

The Ladies Auxiliary to the Commercial Club was organized upon the suggestion of H. H. De Armond, former manager of the Commercial Club. In other towns and cities in the northwest ladies auxiliary bodies to the Commercial Clubs have proved to be a big asset to the development of the town and tributary country.

Mrs. L. G. Cobb, of Castle Rock, Washington, was present at the initial meeting of the Bend women's organization. Mrs. Cobb was intimately interested in the Ladies Commercial Club of Castle Rock which was the first women's commercial organization formed in Washington. Mrs. Cobb outlined briefly the work which the Castle Rock club has accomplished since its formation.

The charter members of the club are: Mrs. Florence L. Silvis, Mrs. Gertrude McC. Hudson, Mrs. H. J. Overturn, Mrs. Jane D. Keyes, Mrs. Elizabeth M. McCann, Mrs. H. G. Norton, Mrs. T. T. Pringle, Mrs. John E. Ryan, Mrs. H. K. Brooks, Mrs. Hugh O'Kane, Mrs. E. D. Wilson, Mrs. J. A. Eastes, Mrs. H. W. Skuse, Mrs. Edna Poindexter, Mrs. Anna Brosterhouse, Mrs. Cora A. Brosterhouse, Mrs. Louise M. Haner, Mrs. D. B. Swartz, Mrs. H. B. Ford, Mrs. L. G. Cobb, Mrs. J. Edward Larson, Mrs. Josephine H. Dement, Mrs. Ivy B. Davidson, Mrs. N. G. Davis, Mrs. Meble E. Lara, Miss Mary E. Coleman, Mrs. Olive McKay, Mrs. W. W. Faulkner, Mrs. A. M. Maddock, Mrs. Iva W. Ward.

The regular meetings of the club will be held on the first Saturday of every month. A meeting will be held next Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Commercial Club rooms.

WEATHER NOTICES RECEIVED.

Weather notices from the district office of the weather forecaster in Portland are being received by the local forest officials. The first notice was received on Monday telling of the snow fall of yesterday. The notices will be sent every Monday morning so that stockmen throughout Central Oregon may be informed as to weather conditions of the week as predicted at the Portland weather office.

BASE BALL TEAMS FORMING.

Bend will have enough ball teams to run a local league this summer without sending away for competition, according to present indications. Already a nine has been formed at the Brooks-Seaman plant and one is being formed by Shevlin employees. It is understood that the carpenters are forming a nine. As soon as the teams are made up a meeting will be held to arrange a schedule. The Brooks-Seaman team consists of the following: E. Johnson, P. Peterson, C. Zieses, 1st, Rudell, 2nd, Anderson, ss, Barber, 3rd, Gilbert of Butler, cf, McMeen, lf, G. Weber, subs A. Huffman, H. E. Allen.

ANOTHER DRY SHED TO RISE

MORE STORAGE ROOM NEEDED

Finishing Touches are Being Put on Shevlin Plant—Machinery for Brooks-Seaman Mill Arrives—Crew of Millwrights at Work.

Big and getting bigger. That is the impression one receives these days when he spends a few hours in covering the vast outlay at the Shevlin-Hixon plant. The latest development across the Deschutes river is the announcement by Dion & Horskotte, builders of the plant, that work has been commenced on the foundation for a second dry shed which will be 500 feet long and 124 feet wide and similar to the dry shed which is now completed. The new shed will be erected directly west of the completed shed and will accommodate approximately the same amount of finished lumber.

A desire to prepare for any emergencies which might arise during the operation of the auxiliary plants of the mill, which might crowd the company for storage room, has prompted the action in building a second dry shed. The new structure will be rushed to its completion with a large crew of men to be put to work on it just as soon as the materials arrive and the foundation is completed.

What might be called putting on the finishing touches in many of the buildings is now going on. The force of men engaged in doing this work has been greatly increased in the last two weeks since the weather settled and rapid progress is being made toward the completion of the various units of the plant.

Only six car loads of machinery are yet to arrive before all the machinery for the entire plant will be on the ground. With all the machinists here, this work it is believed, should take only a short time. The electrical equipment will be all complete upon the arrival of the large switch board which was shipped Tuesday morning from Schenectady, N. Y. First wire built last week for the first time under the boilers and steam is now being furnished to the dry kilns while the painters are engaged in painting the buildings.

Buildings Near Completion.

A rapid development has been shown in the box factory, work on which was begun three weeks ago. The frame work is practically completed this week and machinists are beginning already to make preparations for putting in the machinery when it arrives. A small army of men is engaged in putting up machinery in the sash and door factory, and it is expected that this part of the plant will be ready for operations a few days after the mill begins operations.

Forty men are engaged in laying out the yards. The main tramways are being laid this week. Many of the mill employees from outside points are arriving and it is expected that many more will come in within the next two weeks to start work just as soon as the mill commences sawing.

With a greatly increased crew of millwrights the machinery, most of which has arrived, is being put in the Brooks-Seaman plant. The boilers for the power plant are expected to arrive within the next three days and will be put in immediately upon their arrival. The motors for the power house are here and are being installed. The burner will be painted before the end of the week. A 32 foot extension has been made to the sash and door shed. A big crew of men is engaged in laying out the Brooks-Seaman yards.

A crew of 30 men began logging about four miles south of town and about 300,000 feet of logs have been cut in the ponds so far this week. Operations in this department will commence in full force this week in order to have a good sized cut ready for the mill when it opens sometime about April 20.

TO HOLD EXAMINATION FOR NAVAL ACADEMY HERE SOON

Congressman Sinnott Will Designate Candidates by Means of Competitive Examination on March 22.

In order to give every boy in his district an even chance to enter Annapolis Naval Academy if he can make good, Congressman Nick Sinnott will designate candidates for the vacancy just created by the new naval bill by means of a competitive examination. The examination will be held by the U. S. Civil Service Commission for Congressman Sinnott on March 22nd. In order that any boy may take the examination without much expense for travel it will be given in the following seven cities on the same day: (March 22): The Dalles, Bend, Klamath Falls, Pendleton, Baker, La Grande and Ontario. The examinations will be conducted by the Secretary of the Civil Service Board at the postoffice in each of these cities, beginning at 9 a. m., March 22nd.

The candidate who passes this examination with the highest grade will be appointed as principal by the eastern Oregon Congressman, and those standing second and third, will be first alternate and second alternate respectively. The official examination for admission to the Academy takes place on April 18th. Any young man may enter this competitive examination who is now and was February 1, 1916, an actual resident of the Second Oregon Congressional District, provided he is over sixteen years of age and will not be twenty years of age by or before April 18, 1916.

The examination will be written in form, and will embrace the following subjects: History grammar, geography, U. S. History, Arithmetic, Algebra and Geometry. Spelling and punctuation will be graded from the other manuscripts. Those thinking of taking the examination can get sample questions and full information about the Naval Academy by writing Congressman Sinnott, room 949 House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.

MORE THAN 500 ATTENDED RECEPTION TO NEW COMERS

Musical Numbers Were Cordially Received—Crowd Was Handled Easily in Spite of Inadequate Space.

A crowd, which exceeded the fondest hopes of the committee in charge, attended the reception given by the Commercial Club, assisted by the Library Club and the Parent-Teacher Association, given to new comers to Bend and vicinity at the Commercial Club rooms last Thursday afternoon and evening. More than 500 people, of whom more than one half were new comers to Bend, were present during the afternoon and evening.

The program proved a big drawing card and the cordiality with which the numbers were received indicated that the music was appreciated. The registration showed that 158 people attended the reception in the afternoon and 387 were present in the evening. Although the accommodations afforded by the Commercial Club rooms were far too inadequate to offer an opportunity for freedom in mingling with the people, the crowd was well handled. Every one who attended was labeled with his or her name which made informality in greeting and introduction an easy matter.

Much credit has been given to the committee which had charge of the affair for the manner in which the crowd was held and the ease with which the people managed to become acquainted. During the afternoon and evening light refreshments were served to the guests present.

The committee in charge wishes to express its thanks to everyone who responded in assisting the reception to be a success.

SURVEY NEARS SILVER LAKE

Strahorn Engineers Still Busy to the South.

(Chewaucan Press.) E. L. Benefield of Crooked Creek was in Paisley the first of the week. He has been on a visit with the brother who is employed with the Strahorn surveying party which is working north of Paisley.

Mr. Benefield states that the party finished the line over the Summer Lake-Silver Lake divide last Monday night. The grade starts in at a point just north of the James Small ranch and from there gradually rises to the summit at the same point where the road crosses at present. It then follows the southern side of Silver Lake in a gradual drop to the level of the valley again, on the other side.

As soon as the work was finished across the divide the party returned to Middle War Butte and are now running the line from the point where they left off while at Paisley, to connect with the portion finished across the divide. This work will probably be finished this week when they will move to the Silver Lake valley.

E. S. SMOCK BREAKS LEG.

E. S. Smock, a mail carrier at Alifan, sustained a broken leg Monday morning in a runaway near Alifan. Mr. Smock was riding horseback when the horse became uncontrollable and threw him against a Juniper tree.

BOARD ACTS ON SETTLERS' WORD

URNS DOWN MORSON REQUEST

Was Ready to Agree to Change Desired by La Pine Company When Telegram Comes from Settlers—Will Not Exchange Lands.

SALEM, Feb. 29.—After receiving objections by telegraph from La Pine certificate holders the Desert Land Board this morning refused to sanction J. E. Morson's scheme to cancel the east unit of the La Pine project. Objection came in a message signed, "La Pine Holders in Morson Land Project." They stated that they had invested much in improvements on the east side lands they had signed up for and that to compel them to exchange for improved west side lands would involve material loss and would be unfair. The Board had received the impression from Morson that certificate holders were agreeable to his plan. As matters stand, therefore, Morson's new proposal is checkmated, at least temporarily.

SALEM, Feb. 29.—J. E. Morson of the Morson Land Company, which is handling the so-called La Pine irrigation project, has submitted a proposition which apparently will unravel the present tangled condition of the project and produce prompt reclamation of a large portion of its lands.

In a letter to the Board Morson outlines his plan. He proposes to abandon, at least temporarily, the so-called East Side unit under List 11, embracing 2,100 acres, and to give certificate holders under this unit equal acreage under the West Side Unit. The West Side unit contains about 9,645 acres, and there is water enough in the normal flow of the Deschutes without utilizing any storage at Crescent lake, amply to care for its needs.

Morson, it is understood, says the expenditure of about \$10,000 will complete the West Side unit, and apparently the funds are available. It is understood that more certificates have been sold than there will be acreage available under the West Side unit, and Morson's plan, as stated verbally, will be to offer the lands to those certificate holders who actually intend to use them, so far as they will go, and then to give the balance bonds.

While the Board thus far has not officially considered the proposition, of which its approval is asked, it is understood that its members will not be adverse provided the interests of certificate holders can be safeguarded absolutely.

The Morson Letter.

The Morson letter to the Board follows:

"The Hon. Secretary of Interior, in 28 L. D. 508, holds that the State cannot create a lien against lands included in contract between a state and the Federal Government, in favor of a contracting company, until after the approval of the patent list, and that, until the patent list has been approved by the Department, the lands set out in the contract, though reclaimed, become subject to investigation and adjudication."

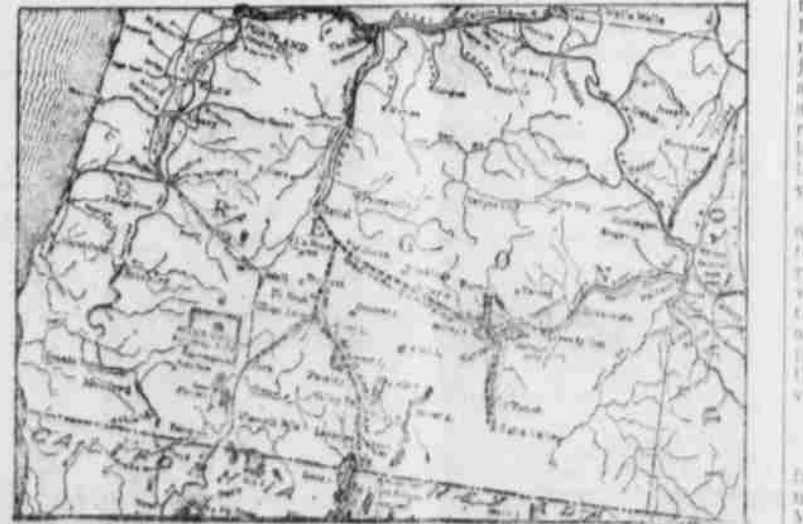
"As, therefore, no lien can be created, and as, therefore, there is no guarantee that the lands being reclaimed will be permitted to go to patent, this company respectfully asks your Honorable Board to cancel for reclamation all lands in what is generally known as the East Unit of List No. 11, and under contract for reclamation by this company."

"As the West Unit is about reclaimed, this company respectfully asks that extension be asked to complete and patent same and that the east side be held by the state for further consideration because, should the state later, find itself in position to complete it, the same, including water rights, maps, surveys, etc., will be complete. As the west side unit comes under the decision herein recited, effort must be made to induce Hon. Secretary to admit same to patent."

"Further, at this date the east side has more or less buildings placed by certificate holders of this company in anticipation of reclamation of the east side lands. Should these lands be thrown open to entry at this time, no opportunity would be given these people, including myself, to remove, or otherwise dispose of these buildings. No wrong can come to the federal Government or to the state by this course. If after a time, no good reason exists for the further retention of these lands, they would of course be released to the U. S."

DEATH OF WALTER STODDER.

Walter Stodder, a colored cook employed at the Pilot Butte Hotel, died on Saturday of tuberculosis. He was 32 years old. The funeral was held Saturday afternoon, interment being made in the Pilot Butte cemetery.



OREGON, CALIFORNIA & EASTERN O. R. DOTTED LINES SHOW PROPOSED ROUTES.