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## DIVISION WORKS SAYS BARNETT

### BIG MAJORITY SATISFIED IN JEFFERSON

Treasurer of New County Gives Reasons Why 95% of People are Pleased—Road Money is Spent at Home—Citizens Expense Less

That 95 per cent of the people of Jefferson county are satisfied with conditions in the new county was the statement made by D. W. Barnett, of Culver, when here on Friday. Mr. Barnett is the treasurer of Jefferson county and in his official capacity is in position to meet the people and learn their views.

So far as taxes are concerned, Mr. Barnett says, in some cases they are higher than they were in Crook county and in some cases lower. In most cases where the taxes are higher it is because land or other property has now been properly assessed when previously it was not properly assessed or not assessed at all. In his own case his taxes are a few dollars lower than they were in Crook.

Even where the amount paid in taxes is higher than before, according to Mr. Barnett, most of the residents of the county are not objecting because they figure that what they save in having the county seat nearer home more than makes up for the slightly increased expense. In other words the net result of having the new county is money in their pockets. Furthermore, they are enjoying what they never did before and that is having all their road taxes spent on their own roads. As a result there has been more road work done in the new county in the past two years than for many years previously. This is a cause for satisfaction.

Another feature of the financial situation in the new county is the fact that there will be no debt to carry over this year. In other words the county has taken care of all expenses, put considerable money on the roads and is free from debt. Mr. Barnett is an old resident of Crook county having always lived in the vicinity of Culver and Madras. He was appointed treasurer of Jefferson county by the county court when it was formed two years ago and will be elected to the position by the people in the fall, having no opposition.

In discussing the growth of Bend, Mr. Barnett recalled the fact that in 1909 he was the United States census enumerator in this section and took the census of Bend, finding 14 people here.

### ANOTHER MILL

There will be another mill in Bend. The Shevlin-Hixon and Brooks-Scanlon office forces will meet on Sunday morning at 10 o'clock in a base ball encounter on the local grounds. Efforts to contract new players having failed the game will be played on force account. The Brooks-nine has borrowed a Hilke automatic stacker to stack up their score while the Shevlin team plans to use a cut-off to stop the slaughter.

## COMMERCIAL CLUB WANTS MEMBERSHIP LIST OF 200

### Campaign Suggested for Next Few Weeks to Culminate with Banquet-Smoker—To Erect Road Signs.

To boost the membership of the Bend Commercial Club from its present list of 80 members to 200 will be the plan of the membership committee, which through Grant M. Raymond, its chairman, made its report at the Saturday luncheon at the Pilot Butte Hotel. That there are at least 125 available firms and industries in Bend who are not members of the club was the report by Mr. Raymond. It was suggested also that the minimum monthly dues for club membership be raised to \$2.00 a month and that the maximum fee be chosen at the discretion of the persons taking membership. The committee also suggested that firms and individuals belonging to the Commercial Club be supplied with cards of suitable size to be displayed in their windows or in other conspicuous places showing their membership in the Commercial Club.

As a culmination of a vigorous membership campaign, the committee suggested that a big banquet-smoker given sometime during the middle of September, probably about the 12th, at which time matters of importance to the town be discussed and that a capable person be selected to speak to new members as well as old upon the purposes and plans of the club. The matter has been referred to the directors of the club. If the action of the Commercial Club at last Saturday is carried out effectively as planned, tourists coming into Central Oregon will no longer be troubled with losing their way when traversing the highways to and from Bend.

In as much as the matter of the preparation of an exhibit for the state fair at Salem from Crook county was thought inadvisable this year the \$100 which was appropriated for this exhibit will, in part, be diverted to erection of suitable road signs throughout this section, adopting a uniform scheme so that tourists will be given proper directions into Bend and to points outside. Action was taken to appropriate a reasonable sum for this work and to employ a competent person to handle the work.

In order to inform members of the club as to the time of the monthly evening meeting Manager C. W. Erskine suggested that invitations be sent out to members a few days preceding the meeting.

## COMMISSION HEARS C. O. I. CO. SETTLERS' COMPLAINTS

### Public Service Body, in Two-Day Session, Listens to Charges by Water Users and Company's Defense ---Little Brought Out of Unexpected Nature--- Directors May Consent to Audit---Commissioner Means to Have One---Company Engineer Leaves the Day Hearing Begins.

After a delay of nearly a year caused by the company's attempts to prevent the Public Service commission from hearing the matter, the complaint of the Central Oregon Irrigation Company Water Users' Association against the company came to a hearing before the commission here on Monday. The taking of testimony was completed yesterday afternoon and today the members of the commission are making a trip over the project. They inspected the flume yesterday.

Those who expected testimony of a sensational nature to be produced, whenever the settlers and the company were finally brought together before a body that would patiently hear all the charges and countercharges that the two parties had to make against each other, were disappointed. They also were disappointed who looked to see frequent clashes between the commission and the company's attorney, based on the company's unwillingness to submit to the jurisdiction of the commission. Except for the short tilt between Mr. Stearns and Commissioner Miller over the question of an audit, the two days of the hearing were devoid of fireworks.

### Be Armond Represents Settlers.

The case for the settlers, who were represented by H. H. De Armond, of Bend, naturally divided itself into testimony as to shortage of water for irrigation, as to the condition of the flume, the company's method of handling its funds and the expert testimony of John Dubuis in respect to the capacity of the canals and laterals.

Mr. Dubuis' testimony was largely based on the report of his examination of the project made in 1914. He gave it as his opinion that seepage losses on the project were far above the amount allowed for in construction and that the flume, with proper maintenance, would last until 1920. General Manager Roscoe Howard, of the company, when called on, said that the company's engineer, C. M. Redfield had prepared a report disproving Mr. Dubuis' contentions, but that Mr. Redfield had left on his vacation on Monday morning and would not be back to testify until September.

Settlers who testified to a shortage of water and injury to their crops at various times since 1910 were G. L. Brazee, J. L. Gibson, John Skeen, H. K. Allen, J. A. Riggs, George Truesdale, C. H. Hardy, P. J. Young, O. C. Cardwell, Frank Le May, H. L. Van Matre, John Swigart, and S. A. Dutt. Other witnesses for the complainants were Miss Ida C. Young, who testified concerning the Water Users' Association, and N. P. Vinyard who gave evidence tending to show that the flume was in a shaky condition when he had charge of it.

### Evidence Uncontradicted.

Except for trying to show in cross examination that the witnesses did

not have sufficient technical knowledge to measure the water as it came to them, and therefore could not say whether or not they received the water to which they were entitled, no effort was made by Jesse Stearns, attorney for the company, to contradict the evidence as to a water shortage on the witnesses' lands. Claude McCauley, superintendent of maintenance, did, however, testify that the company was now installing weirs or measuring devices and that deliveries were being carefully measured as fast as the weirs were installed.

On behalf of the company Flume Tender Watson testified as to plans now under consideration for the improvement of the flume. He said that the flume was now carrying 450 second feet and showed less leakage this year than ever before.

### W. W. Howard Disappoints.

One witness for the settlers who had been expected to produce some startling evidence as to the manner in which the company expended the maintenance fees received by it was W. W. Howard, formerly pugler for the company. On the stand, however, Mr. Howard produced nothing of much interest except that maintenance fees owed by Messrs. Stearns and Stanley, officers of the company, on lands they had purchased, were taken care of, in his time, by the directors taking them salaries against which the over due fees were charged.

On the conclusion of evidence Chairman Miller arranged with counsel for the filing of briefs on the subject of jurisdiction and after the audit, if one is made. The commission will then give its report as early a date as possible. This report will either give the company a clean bill of health or order it to do certain things by way of maintenance and repair or in spending the maintenance funds.

The hearing was held by the full commission, Frank S. Miller, Theo. K. Campbell and H. H. Corey, who arrived Monday morning accompanied by Reporter L. D. Leedy. They will leave tomorrow for Burns where a telephone case will be heard. They will also inspect the new railroad up the Malheur canyon to Crane.

### Notes on the Hearing.

Denton G. Burdick came up from Redmond for a conference with General Manager Howard on Monday.

A party of Squaw Creek irrigationists came to the hearing to see if they could get any line on the proper procedure for them to take to end the troubles they are having.

Engineer Redfield's absence from the hearing caused considerable comment.

John Dubuis seemed to be afraid of being pulled into a trap by Jesse Stearns, attorney for the company.

Commissioner Corey did not have a word to say during the whole hearing.

Chairman Miller impressed everybody with his fairness and desire to get at the bottom of things.

## CONCERNING THE AUDIT OF THE COMPANY'S BOOKS

(From the official report of the hearing.)  
Mr. De Armond (After asking for the production of various company books and records.) But perhaps that would be the same if some engineer or auditor of the commission would have the privilege of auditing those books and reporting to the commission of their condition. It would serve the same purpose as having the books here.

Commissioner Miller. I think that is the better way. The commission will send its auditor and take off such accounts as are necessary from the company's books. We assume, of course, that the company will give our auditor the privileges of such investigation as is necessary to gain this information.

Mr. Stearns. Certainly. Oh, sure.

Commissioner Miller. With that understanding the company will not be required to produce the books at this time.

Mr. Stearns. I will qualify that by saying that until it is finally determined that the commission has jurisdiction we might object to that.

Commissioner Miller. Well, we will determine we have jurisdiction right now, then, if you are going to object to anything. We are perfectly willing to be just as consistent and reasonable in this as we can. We don't want to be arbitrary. We do feel, however, that in these investigations the commission should be given the help of the company insofar as it is possible for the company to render this assistance and if you feel you are going to object to our auditing making an investigation without the determination by the commission that we have authority we will assume authority right now and we will proceed with the understanding that the commission has assumed authority in this proceeding and that our auditor will be given the privilege of investigating the records and accounts of the company.

Mr. Stearns. Well, I want to say this after consulting with Mr. Howard. So far as I am personally concerned I have no objection to submitting the books and I don't know what the directors may say. There are two other directors living now. And so far as I am concerned I shall welcome that sort of investigation and I wish to say that I haven't had an opportunity to confer with the other directors. I have no authority as attorney to act fully on my own responsibility but I will say this, if the other directors feel as I do there will be no objection.

Commissioner Miller. All right. Thank you.  
Mr. Stearns. I will not block anything.

### VOTE FOR THE BONDS.

The School District 12 election for the purpose of voting \$25,000 in bonds for a new school building will be held on Friday at the Reid school. The polls will be open from 2 until 7 o'clock. At a meeting of the school board last week the one story type of building was decided upon and plans are now being drawn. Every voter is urged to vote for the bonds on Friday in order to provide accommodations for the increasing school population.

## FLOWER SHOW WAS SUCCESS

### MORE AND BETTER FLOWERS SHOWN

Mrs. C. S. Hudson Takes Two Principal Prizes—Children's Display Attracts Much Attention—Vegetables Were of High Quality.

If there be any who holds the pessimistic view that flowers can't be grown under the most favorable circumstances in Bend at its 3,600 foot altitude, that person would have had that unfavorable opinion taken out of him if he attended the sixth annual Flower Show given under the auspices of the Library Club on Friday in the O'Kane building.

This last spring certainly was one of the few unfavorable ones for the cultivation and early maturity of flowers. Cool days with late frosts were the characteristic of the spring of 1916, yet the flowers on display at the Flower Show were more abundant, of equal quality and beauty to the flowers grown in Bend last year. With the possible exception of the roses, which did not appear in as large numbers as last year at the show, the Flower Show was better than the 1915 show. There were more flowers and more varieties than last year.

It must not be forgotten that, although the Library Club has called its annual show a flower show, vegetables play an important part. It was agreed by some of the judges who served last year in that capacity that the vegetables were of better quality than the vegetables on display at the 1915 show.

The number of entries in Friday's display exceeded the entries of the 1915 show by 57. The entries this year numbered 617. The first year of the show there were 64 entries.

Mrs. C. S. Hudson took both the principal prizes, the Commercial Club cup for the best general display, and the Eschler Club cup for the most attractive arrangement of displays. In the former class Mrs. J. Innes was awarded second place and in the latter classes E. A. Smith was awarded second place.

### Children's Display Interests.

The exhibit of the children who have been engaged in the school garden work for the last several months was large and pleasantly displayed. The vegetables were of a good quality and there were many of them. The flowers held up in a class displayed by the more experienced persons who entered for prizes. The Girls Canning Club had several exhibits of canned fruits, vegetables and meats which attracted considerable attention.

The vegetable exhibits of Mrs. Henry Linster, who won first prize on the best general collection, T. J. Snyder and Mrs. E. Neff, were far above the average for irrigated products.

### Sweet Pea is Thrifty.

It is evident that the sweet pea is the most thrifty flower for the Bend climate. In variety of color, hardiness and fragrance the sweet pea out ranks any other flower that is grown in Bend. Carnations run the sweet pea a close race. The carnation entries were much more extensive than ever before. The roses, what there were of them, were of a better quality than last year.

The judges of the show were: Mrs. F. L. Shaw, Sisters; Mrs. Kane, Madras; Mrs. J. M. Lawrence, Bend; Mrs. Montelle Coe, Bend; Miss Jeanette Coleman, Chicago; W. D. Barnes, Tumalo, and F. S. Francis, Bend.

The prizes awarded were as follows:

Sweet Peas—Pink, E. A. Smith, 1st; Mrs. G. H. Furst, 2nd; Red, I. C. Furst, 1st; E. A. Smith, 2nd; White, E. A. Smith, 1st; Mrs. J. Reed, 2nd; lavender, E. A. Smith, 1st; Mrs. G. H. Furst, 2nd; orange, or salmon, E. A. Smith, 1st; Mrs. G. H. Furst, 2nd; cream buff, Mrs. G. H. Furst, 1st; Mrs. A. M. Pringle, 2nd; cream pink, Mrs. C. S. Hudson, 1st; Mrs. H. K. Brooks, 2nd; corolla, Mrs. G. H. Furst, 1st; Mrs. J. A. Brinkley, 2nd; perennial, Mrs. J. Reed, 1st; Miss M. E. Coleman, 2nd; dark red or claret, Mrs. J. A. Brinkley, 1st; E. Hanna, 2nd; purple, Mrs. G. H. Furst, 1st; Mrs. C. S. Hudson, 2nd; mottled or variegated, Mrs. G. H. Furst, 1st; Mrs. J. Reed, 2nd.

Asters—Pink, Mrs. C. S. Hudson, 1st; red, Frank May, 1st; white, Frank May, 1st; A. E. Edwards, 2nd; lavender, E. A. Smith, 1st.

Carnations—Pink, F. S. Francis, 1st; Mrs. Roda Hunter, 2nd; red, Mrs. G. H. Furst, 1st; F. S. Francis, 2nd; White, Mrs. J. Innes, 1st; E.

## O. A. C. MAN GIVES PRAISE TO LOCAL WORK FOR CHILDREN

L. J. Allen, of Extension Department Says Local Results are of High Standard—Credit is Due.

High praise for the work being done by local school children in the school gardens and the canning club, and for their director, Mrs. J. D. Davidson, was given by L. J. Allen, connected with the extension service of the Oregon Agricultural College, when here on Monday. According to Mr. Allen the results obtained here in this work are greater than in any other place he has visited.

One notable feature of the summer's work will be the demonstration to be given by the girls' canning club at the county fair. Methods of canning surplus meats, fruits and vegetables will be shown and there will also be shown specimens of the work of club members in sewing, baking and vegetable raising.

Mr. Allen, who is touring the state in the interests of the boys and girls club work, spoke very enthusiastically of the work done by Mrs. Davidson. All through the summer she has spent every forenoon with the children working in the garden and giving the girls canning lessons in her own home without compensation. Mr. Allen left for La Pine Monday night.

## CHARLES JUDGE WOUNDED

### Herder Suffers With Painful Bullet Hole in Knee.

His knee shattered by a bullet wound, without food or water for four days and without medical attention for seven days, Charles Judge, an employee in the sheep camps of J. N. Williamson, of Prineville, was brought to Bend Thursday by E. G. Rourke, of Crescent for medical attention.

While covering the range on the Umpqua with the camp tender, the rifle, carried by the camp tender, was accidentally discharged, the bullet entering Judge's leg and coming out shattering the knee cap. Judge was carried to camp by the tender who started for Crescent for assistance. The tender was lost for several days, during which time Judge was without either food or water. As a preventative against infection sheep dip was applied to the wound before bringing Judge to Bend. Dr. Vandeventer reports Judge's condition as much improved.

## MAP WORK TO BEGIN

### F. S. Geological Survey to Make Clime Falls Quadrangle.

Under the supervision of Thomas G. Gerdine, head of the Northwest division of the United States Geological Survey, preliminary arrangements are now being made to make the permanent survey of the Clime Falls quadrangle, which includes Bend. The north limit of the map will be in the vicinity of Culver, and the whole will cover an area of 850 square miles.

So far as possible, previous Government surveys in connection with local irrigation projects, and National forest and other land matters, will be utilized. The maps are of great value to the sections covered, as they show all natural features, including contours, and are made with the utmost accuracy.

### MAY HAVE KILLED HIMSELF.

Workmen who are taking sand from the Horse cave a few miles northeast of town, this morning found blankets there and a note signed by Francis Reff, the 14 year old son of A. L. Reff, saying that at 6 o'clock he intended to commit suicide. It has since been learned that he obtained a small rifle yesterday afternoon, following a punishment given by his father, and that he was not home last night. No body has been found and it is supposed that he abandoned his rash idea but has been unwilling to return home. He was seen about 6 o'clock last night coming toward town from the cave. Searchers are now trying to find him.

### BOY SCOUTS HAVE OUTING.

The Boy Scouts, under the direction of Rev. H. C. Harriman, returned to Bend on Friday morning from a 10 days outing near the Vandeventer ranch up the Deschutes river. Plenty of outdoor exercise and camp discipline was afforded to the boys on the trip.

## TEMPTATION TOO MUCH

### Exhibit of Sage Hens in Shop Window is Reduced by Thief.

Twenty seven sage hens in a show window and none in his own pantry seemed so thoroughly an example of the uneven distribution of wealth to someone who roamed the streets Sunday night that he took matters into his own hands and enforced a division. Now the owners of the birds are looking around for sage hen feathers and wishing they could find the thief.

The birds belonged to A. E. Edwards, E. F. Logan and C. C. Davenport who brought them back Sunday afternoon from a hunt in the home-stand country. Just to show the public what the game possibilities in this section were they put their kill in the window of the Edwards paint shop on Wall street where the hens attracted considerable attention all the evening. Monday morning they found the pile diminished by 13 and the back door forced, showing the method used by the thief in getting in.

## FIRST DEED SIGNED

### P. E. Johnson Comes Forward With Donation for Strahorn Line.

P. E. Johnson, of Millican, was the first in the Millican section to sign a deed for the right of way for the Strahorn road. Mr. Johnson came in last week and said he was ready to sign up and the deed was prepared at once. The line crosses the whole length of Mr. Johnson's property. He is the storekeeper and post master at Millican and a prominent citizen of his section as well as an earnest supporter of the Oregon, California & Eastern.

A deed has also been signed by P. E. Hafner, a corner of whose land is crossed by the road, while H. J. Overturn, who is in the home-stand country this week, expects to bring back with him a number of other deeds covering the right of way to Riley.

## MUCH FOOD, NO EATERS

### Commercial Club Evening Meeting Has Light Attendance.

Ten men and two women, members of the Bend Commercial Club and the Ladies Auxiliary, did their best on Wednesday night to get outside 100 sandwiches, a gallon of coffee and a large freezer of ice cream. Though their efforts did not meet with a full measure of success they all felt that they were full measures and that they had tried to do the thing in the true Bend spirit.

The occasion was the first evening get-together meeting of the Commercial Club as planned at once of the recent Saturday luncheons. In addition to the light refreshments provided by the club the Central Oregon Farmers Creamery donated a freezer of ice cream for the evening. Aside from the discussion of the food nothing was done at the meeting.

### FERRELL HOUSE BURNS.

Fire supposed to have started from a defective stove pipe caused nearly \$2,000 damage to the house and furniture on Third and Oregon street occupied by Dr. Barney Ferrell on Friday afternoon. The alarm was given at about 7 o'clock, workmen on the O'Kane building roof being the first to see the smoke. Most of the furniture on the ground floor was removed but that on the second floor was damaged by smoke and water. A large crowd, many of whom had come out to see the Flower show, watched the work of the fire fighters.

### HIGH PRICE PAID FOR GRAIN

Eight thousand bushels of Jefferson county wheat were sold on Saturday at Culver to the Northern Grain Warehouse Company, of Portland. The price paid is reported to have been \$1.14 a bushel, the highest quotation this year. The farmers in the northern counties are in the middle of harvesting this week and little attention is being paid by them to the market.

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