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BUILDING BOOM IS ON IN BEND

PERMANENT BLOCKS RISE RAPIDLY

Bend Business Men Make Substantial Changes in Their Structures—Many Find Present Quarters are Inadequate—Fine Residences.

Bend is having a building boom.

Construction, both of residences and business buildings, has been going on steadily for the past 14 months, or since the first mill construction began, but it has never before reached the volume now to be observed nor has such a variety of buildings been under way at one time before.

The largest of the new business buildings is the O'Kane building on Oregon street and running through from Bond street to the alley. Built of concrete and two stories in height this is the largest building in town and is rapidly nearing completion. All the cement work is done, as well as the inside plastering. Workmen are now busy putting the finishing coat on the outside. The ground floor, which will be occupied by stores and the Dream Theatre, is understood to be fully rented and so, also, are most of the office rooms on the second floor.

Oregon Street Busy.

On Oregon street, at the corner of Wall, another building smaller than the O'Kane, but of most attractive appearance and a decided ornament to the town is the one under construction for R. B. Mutzig, to be occupied by the Central Oregon bank. This is of brick and terra cotta, the first in Central Oregon in which this material has been used. The building is of one story and will be occupied exclusively by the bank. Mr. Mutzig is also understood to be considering building on the adjoining Wall street lot.

Brick Structures Rise.

On the same block, diagonally opposite to the Mutzig building, at the corner of Minnesota and Bond streets D. Sphier is now having excavation completed for a two story building which is to be erected at once. The building will have a 50 foot frontage on Bond street and run back the full length of the lot to the alley. Plans for the building have been drawn by D. Brubaker, a local architect.

In this same neighborhood and just across the alley E. A. Sather is now putting up an addition to his store building 40x50 feet in size to take the place of the former warehouse, which has been torn down.

Another new store building, just completed, is the Thompson building on Wall street, into which the Thompson furniture business has just been moved from the former location on Oregon street. There are offices on the second floor and also living quarters to be occupied by the Thompson family.

Enlarge Buildings.

Other construction now going on in the business section is the addition to the Mannheim store, while on Oregon street the First National Bank plans an addition to house a portion of its working force.

Another center where building for business purposes is going on is at the flour mill and laundry. Extensive additions to the milling plant have recently been made, including a large warehouse and feed mill, while an alfalfa mill is nearly completed. At the laundry an L shaped addition has been built enclosing two sides of the old building, giving space for new machinery and a material increase in the business. Plans for this addition were drawn by E. H. Keane. Mr. Keane also prepared the plans for the new brick warehouse for the Bend Hardware Co., which has been built on Minnesota street at the rear of the company's present store.

In The Residence Line.

Residence construction, which has been most active since last fall, continues unabated, all sections of the city seeing new houses of every description going up.

The biggest piece of construction in the residence line is that just announced for the Highland addition where G. H. Wilson has acquired a block and will erect 10 bungalows.

In Staats addition three new houses are now under construction, Frank Pival being the builder, and in River Terrace a new house has just been completed by E. P. Brosterhouse in the vicinity of the Myers house, which was finished several weeks ago. On the west side, also, in Boulevard addition, H. R. Lane

is now finishing a new bungalow.

In Park addition, in the vicinity of the McCann and Sather houses, a number of attractive new residences have been completed recently including house for James Ryan, Stanley Linlon, C. J. Monohan and C. M. McKay. Carl A. Johnson is also building in this neighborhood, while near the McKay house the new Scandinavian church is now rising.

On Jefferson Drive W. C. McCusiston has built three bungalows.

In other parts of town there is also considerable smaller construction going on which with that already described combines to make the present time the busiest in the building line Bend has experienced in its history.

PLANS FOR PROCEEDING WITH GYMNASIUM ARE WORKING OUT

Meeting Called for Friday to Consider Details—Building Now Planned to Contain Swimming Pool.

The new Bend gymnasium and athletic club, for which subscriptions were taken last winter, after apparently stumbling along on its way to oblivion for several months is about to become a reality, if plans now under consideration are carried out. A meeting has been called for Friday night of all the committees which have had the matter in charge and it is expected at that time that definite arrangements to proceed with the work will be made.

According to the present plans the gymnasium building will be of brick 70x100 feet in size, with a basement and two stories. In the basement will be lockers, a swimming pool and showers, on the first floor a club room and gymnasium and on the second, pool and billiard rooms, smoking room, auditorium and stage. The latter will be planned exclusively for the use of the club in amateur theatricals and purely local talent entertainment.

The present subscription list shows about \$4,000 pledged and 400 members down for enrollment. Ways and means of raising the balance needed will be considered at Friday's meeting. It is believed that \$12,000 will be needed. A number of blue prints of the Potlach gymnasium are here for use in preparation of the local plans and the accounting and other forms used in the athletic club at Hemdill are also available as models.

TO USE HEAVY TRUCKS

Two Companies Prepare for Development of Central Oregon Holdings.

Three auto trucks, two of which are to be operated by the American Soda Products Company in handling its product between Spreckles and Lakeview, and one three ton truck of the American Nitrate Company, which will be used at the present in transporting building materials and supplies from Bend to the Company's property on Wagon Tire Ridge, arrived in Bend on Friday and were fitted out here for service.

Harry Wilson of the American Nitrate Company, in charge of the development work at Wagon Tire Ridge, will be in Bend later this week and will make some plans, it is understood for the development of the property.

Enthusiastic over the possibilities for big development in the property of the American Soda Products Company, John D. Spreckles, Jr., of San Francisco, and E. O. Emerson were in Bend on Wednesday after an extended tour of southern Oregon and over the property of the American Soda Products Company at Alkali Lake. Mr. Spreckles held a conference last week with Mr. Strahorn at Klamath Falls relative to railroad development as affecting the Alkali lake deposit.

MAKE FORT ROCK SURVEYS

Strahorn Party Moves Camp From Burns—Lines Soon Complete.

Having completed its work on making the preliminary surveys for the proposed Strahorn railroad in the Harney valley, the party of surveyors under N. H. Bogue has moved camp this week from the vicinity of Burns to the head of the Fort Rock valley. Lines will be run to Fort Rock and from Fort Rock to Silver Lake.

When this strip of country is covered all of the preliminary survey work for the proposed Oregon, California & Eastern Railroad will be completed.

DEEDS ARE SIGNED.

Returning on Thursday from the homestead country east of town H. J. Overturf reported that deeds for the Strahorn right of way had been signed by 12 whose lands were affected. Mr. Overturf will make another trip into this section in the near future.

NEW BUILDING PLANS MATURE

SCHOOL BOARD PROCEEDING RAPIDLY

Bond Election Carries and Issue is Sold at a Premium of \$511—Portland Buyer Successful—Plans for School Now Considered.

Developments in the plan of the school board to provide a new building to house the rapidly growing school population of District 12 have followed each other rapidly in the past week. On Friday the bond election carried. On Monday the bonds were sold and last night and today the board has been studying the various plans for a school house which have been submitted.

Because of the heat and the certainty that the election would carry only a small number of voters came out to vote on Friday. Of these 43 were in favor of the bonds and only three against. The election was held at the Reid school between the hours of 2 and 7 p. m.

Arrangements having previously been made to sell the bonds Monday in case the election carried the board met that day to receive bids. Five in all were submitted, all but one offering more than par for the issue, which is to bear interest at the rate of five per cent.

The successful bidder was G. E. Miller & Co., of Portland, represented by P. A. Gilmore, who offered a premium of \$511.

Other bids submitted were as follows: Lumbermen's Trust Co., of Portland, par and \$375; First National Bank, of Bend, par and \$275; W. L. Slayton & Co., of Toledo, Ohio, par less \$516 for furnishing printing and attorney's fees, etc.; The Hanchett Bond Co., of Chicago, par and \$87.50 premium. No check accompanied this bid. Keeler Bros., of Denver, represented by Fred Glenn of Portland, did not submit a bid, having understood that the bonds were to be sold at auction.

Plans are Considered.

Last night, at the Pilot Butte hotel, the school board met with the six architects who have prepared plans and made a study of the ideas of each, giving to each one 20 minutes in which to show his drawings and explain the detail.

Plans were submitted by E. H. Keane, Lee A. Thomas and O. G. Brubaker, of Bend, and by Chas. H. Burgraf, of Albany, and F. Manson White and J. E. Tourtellotte, of Portland.

An elimination of three of the plans was practically agreed on by the board last night and further consideration of the three remaining will be given at a meeting this evening.

PLAN TOMORROW FOR FALL FAIR

\$4,045 SUBSCRIBED BY CITIZENS

Action Will be Taken at Meeting on Thursday Night to Perfect Organization for October Attraction—Will Make Exhibit Central.

A meeting, called for the purpose of perfecting the organization of the Bend Track & Fair Association, will be held in the Commercial Club rooms Thursday evening at 8 o'clock at which the subscribers to stock in the association are urged to be present. At this meeting officers of the association will be elected, steps will be taken toward preparation of the articles of incorporation, dates for the fair and other important matters concerning the proposed fall fair will be discussed.

Subscriptions are Liberal.

After several weeks of soliciting \$4,045 of the required \$9,000 for which the association will be incorporated has been subscribed in amounts ranging from \$5 to \$125 a subscriber. Up to this time there are 97 subscribers to stock. Of the \$4,045 subscribed \$3,815 are cash subscriptions and the remainder is made up in labor and material.

Want Round-Up Features.

At tomorrow night's meeting it is expected that definite dates for the fair will be selected. The second week in October was favored by most of the stockholders who were present at a small gathering last night. Several proposals have been made as to the character of entertainment. There is a disposition to favor some of the wild west features of the Pendleton Round-Up, but not on such an elaborate scale. Although the lack of time in which to assemble agricultural products will not permit entering into the elaborate displays of agricultural and livestock products, it is expected that this matter will receive considerable attention at tomorrow night's meeting. There is a pronounced disposition to make the fall fair at Bend more than a local attraction and to include Wasco, Sherman, Jefferson, Crook, Lake, Klamath and Harney counties in the scope of its activity. It is not expected that exhibits can be obtained from other counties this year, but provision will likely be made for these counties in the future.

A tract covering 40 acres has been purchased for a nominal figure for the fair grounds and can be put in condition for the fair by the second week of October without the expenditure of a great amount of the money already subscribed.

Following tomorrow night's meeting it is expected that the status of the association may be such that will enable work on the grounds and the buildings necessary for this year's

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TO ANALYZE WATER.

Following a report made last week that the epidemic of sickness among the small children of the town was caused by the drinking water General manager Foley, of the Bend Water Light & Power Co., made a thorough examination of the river to see if there was any possibility of contamination and also sent samples away for analysis. His investigations satisfied him that there was no apparent contamination and the results of the analysis are now awaited. At the suggestion of The Bulletin Mr. Foley will have a monthly analysis of the city water made hereafter in order that any impurity may be discovered and steps to remove it taken at once.

BURNS ORCHESTRA WILL BE HEARD HERE IN SEPTEMBER

Unique Musical Organization to Give a Concert Here on Way to State Fair at Salem.

Bend will be visited on Saturday, September 23, by the Burns Community orchestra on its way to the state fair at Salem. Arrangements for the visit here are being made by A. C. Egan, of the O-W. R. & N., following his trip to Burns last week when he obtained a complete itinerary of tour to be made by the orchestra.

The orchestra will arrive here on Saturday afternoon on the completion of its auto run from Burns and will leave for Salem Sunday morning. Saturday evening a concert will be given here, the exact time and place of the event to be announced later.

The orchestra is a unique organization, 30 of its 35 members being children whose ages range from five years up. It occupies a prominent position in the community life of Burns and will be heard in Bend with great interest. Colonel William Hanley is one of the leading supporters of the orchestra and is understood to be back of the trip to Salem.

ALBERT COOK IS FINED

Hemstad Valley Homesteader Charged With Beating Mrs. Kasprovtz.

Albert Cook, a homesteader in the Hemstad valley was fined \$5 and costs in Judge Easton's court on Friday afternoon, having been found guilty by a jury for assault and battery upon Mrs. M. Kasprovtz. The costs were remitted by the court.

According to the testimony given, Cook went to the Kasprovtz ranch on July 29 to obtain several water barrels and a trunk belonging to a neighbor. When Cook arrived at the Kasprovtz ranch he found only the children there and obtained the barrels and loaded them upon his wagon. Mrs. Kasprovtz appeared upon the scene and ordered Cook to remove the barrels from his wagon. This Cook refused to do. Mrs. Kasprovtz testified that Cook beat her, causing severe injuries when she tried to obtain the barrels. Cook took the stand and testified that he did not beat Mrs. Kasprovtz.

The state was represented by C. W. Erskine and A. J. Moore and H. H. De Armond represented Cook.

CONSTRUCTION IS NOT FAR OFF

STRAHORN WILL BEGIN WORK SOON

Prospects Fill Railroad Builder With Encouragement—Returns From 2200 Mile Trip Over Interior—Finds Big Development There.

(The Oregonian.)

Robert E. Strahorn, president and projector of the line, returned to Portland yesterday from a 2200-mile auto trip filled with encouragement over the prospects in the interior of the state for the completion of the Oregon, California & Eastern Railway.

Accompanied by Mrs. Strahorn and an engineer, President Strahorn was greeted at the chief points visited and escorted through the country by delegations of prominent citizens. Reports of crop conditions and the general outlook were so favorable that Mr. Strahorn became enthusiastic.

2500 Miles of Survey Made.

The final locations of the line, he said, are now all complete with the exception of only 25 miles. A total of 2500 miles of surveys have been run since the project was undertaken to find the best routes for the 450 miles of the system.

"I have spent a year and a half in almost constant investigation of resources and present traffic possibilities, as well as those likely to be added by the development of lumber, irrigation, drainage and the utilization of certain mineral resources," said Mr. Strahorn.

"We have finally gotten this project where, within the next 30 or 60 days at most, we will be ready to take up its financing in all its parts. Construction Not Far Off.

"This part of it, I have, of course, constantly worked at while proceeding with the engineering and other matters and we have made so much progress that for the first time I feel we can say that we are within measurable distance of commencing construction.

"I have found Central Oregon especially in a most hopeful mood from one end to the other. This is but evidenced by the accomplishments of citizens of the principal points on the system and their promises for the future.

"For example, Bend has, through important donations and the voting of bonds amounting to \$25,000 procured a centrally located and in every way acceptable terminal, and is hard at work obtaining about 140 miles of right of way covering the division between Bend and the Harney valley country.

Terminals and Grading Offered.

"Burns has voted \$125,000 to aid construction and is only awaiting submission of my plans to furnish rights of way across the Harney valley and take other action. Silver Lake has given good terminals and has obtained 20 miles of rights of way out of 30 miles assigned to it. It also offers to do considerable grading.

"Paisley has also given well-located station grounds and has procured the major portion of the rights of way required in its vicinity. Lakeview has obtained a large amount of rights of way and is prepared to vote \$50,000 in bonds for the remainder and such portions of terminals in the city as remain to be acquired.

"Klamath Falls has called for an election to vote \$300,000 and promises 41 miles of right of way through the city and to a point northward in the Sprague River valley on the Bend line. It has also agreed to furnish a large area of centrally located grounds for both passenger and freight terminals.

"Others having important interests in the country tributary to these lines have agreed to contribute in the aggregate about \$250,000, while still others, like the Spreckles interests, that own the great soda deposits at Alkali Lake, are favorably disposed to extend substantial aid and shipments, such as 100 tons of their products daily for a long period of years.

Trip Gives Encouragement.

"Important contracts are likewise offered for shipping logs in the vicinity of various terminals, which will go far toward insuring an adequate return to pay interest on the cost of the lines over which the logs will be shipped.

"To sum it all up, I am mightily pleased and encouraged after this long, hard pull, and am almost ready to come down to Portland and name

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BEND HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING.

THE new school building, plans for which were submitted to the school board last night, is planned to occupy the whole of the block on which this present building stands. The first unit, to be built this fall, will stand in front of and to the east of the present building. Later units will run across the front of the lot, the existing building being removed to make room for them. The new building will be of the one story type and six plans carrying out this idea were submitted to the school board last night and are now under consideration.