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DESCHUTES COUNTY PROCLAIMED BY WITHYCOMBE THIS MORNING

Officers to be Announced Later---De-Armond District Attorney

VOTE CANVASSED THIS MORNING

GOVERNOR WITHYCOMBE ISSUES PROCLAMATION DECLARING ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW COUNTY TODAY—FIVE VOTE CORRECTED BY ORDER OF JUDGE DUFFY YESTERDAY, AND COUNTY CLERK BROWN'S CERTIFICATE TAKEN TO SALEM LAST NIGHT.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 13.—(Special to The Bulletin.)—Deschutes county is now in official existence.

Secretary of State Olcott this morning canvassed the vote as certified to him by County Clerk Brown and at once reported to the Governor the result.

Governor Withycombe's proclamation declaring the new county formed was issued today.

Following the issuance of the proclamation, the Governor announced that he would appoint Harvey DeArmond, of Bend, as district attorney of the new county.

The appointment of the members of the county court will be announced later in the week.

The announcement of the formation of Deschutes county came as a dramatic conclusion to the fight that has been waged against it since the election in November. Yesterday Judge Duffy, following the default of the defendants in not making answer after the overruling of their demurrer, issued a final decree correcting the returns from Five precinct, which had been erroneously certified by the election board.

Immediately after the entry of Judge Duffy's decree and the issuance of the certificates from the county clerk's office, the Bend attorneys who had charge of the case, returned, leaving on the night train for Salem with the certificate.

Deschutes county comes into being following two unusually strenuous political campaigns and a mix-up in the certification of the vote of one precinct, creating a legal question without precedent.

First proposed two years ago, the formation of Deschutes county from a portion of Crook, was defeated by a bare margin of two and a half per cent less than the 65 per cent necessary to carry.

Again this summer division was proposed and, as an alternate, the removal of the county seat from Prineville to Bend. A county seat bill was initiated but abandoned when it became apparent that the required vote to divide the county could be obtained.

Except in the precincts where division was strongly favored, little campaigning was done preceding the November election. In those, however, by personal work and broadcast distribution of circulars, an overwhelmingly favorable sentiment was created and the election carried by a safe margin.

The county judge and the two county commissioners for the new county will be appointed by the Governor later this week, and the county court, so appointed under the law, will forthwith appoint the other officers.

J. H. UPTON IS CONGRESS HEAD

IRRIGATIONISTS NAME OFFICERS TODAY

Committees Named and Issues Discussed in Morning Session—Many Attend Luncheon Then Reconvene

J. H. Upton, of Prineville, was elected chairman of the Central Oregon Irrigation association this morning, when more than 50 delegates from interior points convened in the council chambers of the O'Kane building. Fred N. Wallace, of Tumalo, was the temporary chairman, and after the election of his successor, O. C. Young, of Culver, was named for secretary of the organization. The credentials committee, appointed by Mr. Upton, was headed by Mr. Wallace, and had as its other members W. B. Daggert, of Redmond, and Harry Chenoweth, of Grandview. The resolutions committee, appointed immediately afterward, had as its head Guy Dobson of Redmond, Harry Gard of Madras, Ed Slayton of Prineville, George S. Young of Bend and G. E. Stadig of Lower Bridge.

Other business of the morning consisted largely in the discussion of general irrigation issues, it being pointed out that the irrigation law, as it now stands, has phases of conflict in regard to the power of directors of a district. This, it was emphasized, is a great hindrance in the marketing of bonds. Claude McCulloch was bitterly attacked for his intimation in a Portland paper that Central Oregon ranchers are not able to handle their own irrigation matters, Mr. Gard intimating that the Portland attorney is actuated by personal motives. William P. Vandeventer, a delegate to the first Oregon Irrigation congress, was called on, but had no remarks to make. The formation of a non-partisan league at the state congress in Portland was advocated for legislative purposes. Other speakers of the morning, aside from those mentioned, were L. D. West of Bend, J. P. Bates, County Surveyor George S. Young and Mayor J. A. Eastes.

In addition to those enumerated, delegates at the meeting included C. P. Meloney and Harry H. Pearce, of Portland; E. T. Stayton, J. K. Grimes, Ross Robinson, O. H. Peoples, O. C. Claypool, H. G. Kennard and R. L. Schae, of Prineville; J. G. McGuffey, W. T. Mullarky, Mr. and Mrs. William Ogr; James P. Bates, C. H. Irvin, Earle Benton, L. B. La-follette and E. W. McCafferty, of Redmond; L. A. Hunt and D. R. Hunt, of Lower Bridge; G. W. Bales, J. M. Grimm, J. S. Crouch, W. R. Gerking, W. E. Sandel, William D. Barnes, J. C. Thorpe and J. C. Stiles, of Tumalo; George Brewster, of Sisters; and Charles W. Erakine, Charles Sipchen, H. C. Ellis, Glen Slack, R. B. Gould, P. C. Garrison and P. J. Young, of Bend.

At the close of the morning session, Mr. Erakine, manager of the Bend Commercial club, invited the delegates to be guests of the club at luncheon, and an attendance at the Wright hotel resulted which filled the dining room to overflowing. After luncheon the visitors reconvened for reports of committees. E. M. Lara, chairman of the entertainment committee, called on J. H. Upton, W. B. Daggert, L. A. Hunt, O. C. Young and A. O. Walker for responses during the noon gathering.

FARMERS MAY ATTEND

Blanchard Wants Crook County Delegation at Corvallis in January.

Arrangements are being made by County Agriculturalist R. A. Blanchard to have a large delegation of farmers from this section attend the Farmers' Week and Home Makers' Convention, to be held at the Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, January 2 to 7. It is planned to arrange for a special car to make the trip, which will be stationed in the railroad yards at Corvallis and provide sleeping quarters for the visitors during their stay.

Those who will make the trip are asked to deposit \$4.50 in the First National Bank, of Bend, the First National, of Prineville, or the Redmond Bank of Commerce, before December 25. If enough deposits are made to insure the car notice will be given to the depositors; otherwise, their money will be returned. A rate of one and one-third fare will be given for the trip.

NEW SAW MILL TO BE ERECTED

M'KINLEY-HAMPSON TO ENLARGE.

Local Company Finds It Has Greater Demand Than It Has Been Able to Supply—Expenditure Will Be About \$7,000.

Finding demand for a greater output than it has been able to supply, the McKinley-Hampson Lumber Company, operating the mill that was formerly known as Griffin's sawmill, east of Bend, will suspend operations for the time being and will make preparations at once for the erection of a modern new mill about seven miles from Bend in the heart of the timber in that locality. The company has been compelled to suspend operations for a few weeks, owing to the cold weather and the scarcity of water in the ditches.

A. M. McKinley was in town this morning and says that he believes that there is no better time for the company to make use of this idle period for the repairs and construction of a new mill than now, and men will be set at work just as soon as the material and equipment are available.

To Increase Capacity.

It is the plan of the McKinley-Hampson Lumber Company to erect a sawmill that will have a daily capacity of approximately 35,000 feet, and will replace the 20,000-ft. capacity mill now in use. A new engine, of 125 horsepower, will be ordered at once, to replace the old 45 horsepower engine. The new engine will be used in the planing mill. An additional edger will also be installed in the new mill.

According to Mr. McKinley, the company has had demand for all the lumber that it has been able to manufacture, and the prospects are most favorable for a continued patronage by local lumber companies.

In its new location the mill will be surrounded by an abundance of white pine timber, which will enable logging close at hand.

Mr. McKinley says that the improvements that will be made this winter will entail an expenditure of approximately \$7,000.

BEND BANK PRAISED

Oregon Voter Says Kind Things About First National.

Under the caption, "Enterprising Bank," the Oregon Voter has the following to say concerning the latest piece of enterprise on the part of the First National Bank, of Bend, in issuing the Rural Credit laws. The book referred to was printed in The Bulletin shop.

Says The Voter: "Characteristic of Bend enterprise and of the bank which issued it is a 24-page book just published by the First National Bank of Bend, Oregon, outlining the Federal and Oregon Rural Credits systems. It contains an amortization table, the text of the Federal Farm Loan Act and of the Oregon Rural Credits Amendment and a statement that the bank is on the job as usual to help the farmers of the Bend country.

"This bank was the first in Oregon to buy dairy cattle and hogs for the carload for breeding purposes and sell them to farmers on long-time notes at cost prices. More power to the bank that is alive to farmers' needs, for such a bank is one of the greatest assets of a pioneer agricultural country."

WILL IMPROVE STOCK

Only Registered Bulls are Allowed at Sisters.

Hereafter the stock men in the Sisters country are to live up strictly to the rulings of the state association in the matter of allowing only registered bulls on the range, it has been decided by the Sisters Cattle association. Stock owners who are unable to purchase registered male stock, will pay a fee of \$1 per head for each head of female stock turned out on the range.

The step is being taken to insure better beef cattle, and to guard against the deterioration of stock through the introduction of poor blood.

BEND MERCHANTS EXPECT A BUSY HOLIDAY TRADE

Probable Increase Over Last Year May Reach 50 Per Cent, is Estimate of Some.

Again emphasizing the importance of "doing your Christmas shopping early," Bend merchants declare that holiday business this year will eclipse all previous records. Some give the increase as high as 50 per cent over last year, others name the probable gain at a lower rate, but all agree that there will be a decided advance in purchases. Stocks ordered, and now on hand, are in proportion to these expectations.

Clothiers, druggists and dealers in toys and stationery are already feeling the increased demand for more and better Christmas goods, while in grocers' lines, the rush is as yet only slightly felt. The ingredients entering into the composition of plum puddings and mince pies are, however, being eagerly sought. Furniture dealers report a slight, but very steady growth in trade.

The gain in business will be due largely, merchants say, to the increase in the population of the city during the past year, although it is conceded that the per capita expenditure will also be larger. The fact that a large pay roll has been in existence since last April, putting the finances of many families on a firm basis, is held to be one of the determining factors.

COMES DIRECT FROM NORWAY TO BEND

After a three weeks' trip from Bergen, Norway, Mr. and Mrs. K. Stenslid are in Bend, where they have owned property for the last five years. Mr. Stenslid being satisfied that business opportunities here are far superior to those in the land of his birth. Both Mr. and Mrs. Stenslid are still Norwegian citizens, but plan to locate permanently in Bend if a suitable opening in the bakery business is available.

With the exception of being halted for two days and a half in England, where a thorough inspection was made of their baggage, the travelers had an uneventful voyage from Norway to America, in spite of the fact that they passed through the North Sea, known as one of the most dangerous of the German submarine zones. Just before their departure, however, Mr. Stenslid stated, a Norwegian mail and passenger boat on its homeward trip to Bergen, from Newcastle, England, was sunk by a submarine.

As to the likelihood of Norway becoming involved in the world war, Mr. Stenslid was unable to say definitely. "It may come at any time, though," he admitted, "for England could starve the Norwegians in six months by shutting off ocean traffic." He asserted that just before his departure, the war spirit seemed to predominate.

Mr. Stenslid declared that the safest boats to travel on are those plying between Norway and New York, as these have the largest number of Americans on board, and are, in consequence, more greatly respected by the warring powers.

For five years, Mr. Stenslid was in business in Seattle and Alaska, but last May returned to Norway with the intention of taking up his vocation there. "I was scared out after I had been there a few months," he declared, "and realized that America is the land of opportunity. Living expenses are much higher in Norway than in this country. In fact, money has no value when it comes to the purchase of the necessities of life. In my line of business, the producer would be badly handicapped."

K. OF P. OFFICERS ARE NOW ON TOUR THROUGH COUNTY

Leslie E. Crouch, grand vice chancellor of the Oregon Knights of Pythias, and Walter Gleeson, grand keeper of records and seals for the order, were guests last night of the Redmond lodge, because of the inability of Denton G. Buraick, listed as one of the speakers of the evening, to be present, no especial program was carried out.

Mr. Crouch and Mr. Gleeson will be entertained this evening by the local Knights, at a banquet to be given at the Emblem club, under the direction of N. P. Smith, M. D. Kautson, F. T. Parker and L. M. McReynolds, committee in charge. Tomorrow night the grand officers will visit the Prineville lodge.

DISTRICT PLAN BEST SOLUTION

CONTROL WOULD BE BY SETTLERS.

DUBUIS TELLS WHY

Assistant to State Engineer, Experienced in Central Oregon Irrigation Affairs, Offers Plan to Water Users.

(Special to The Bulletin.)

SALEM, Or., Dec. 11.—John Dubuis, assistant in the office of the State Engineer, has written the following article for The Bulletin, dealing with conditions facing the settlers of the Central Oregon Irrigation Company's segregation.

Mr. Dubuis has done much of the state's work in connection with the Central Oregon project during the last two years, and is well known in Bend and vicinity, and intimately acquainted with irrigation affairs. He will, by the way, leave the state employ about the first of the year and probably will open an office in Portland.

Mr. Dubuis first takes up the facts, as already set forth in The Bulletin last week, that the company actually will maintain control of the segregation after next June, when the settlers supposedly have the management "turned over to them." The one way for the settlers to gain control, according to Mr. Dubuis, is for them to form an irrigation district. The methods of doing this, on a simple and workable plan, are outlined below.

By John Dubuis.

During a meeting of the Central Oregon Irrigation Company Water Users association held at Bend in 1914, Mr. Earle Benton discussed the plan of an irrigation district organization for the contract holders under the Central Oregon Irrigation Company's project. Since then the writer has received many inquiries, both written and verbal, regarding this plan, and as the settlers are so good as to think kindly of his humble opinion, he has made a careful study of the situation, and hereby respectfully presents his views for their consideration.

The time is now but six months off when the present system by contract may be turned over to a corporation of water users. Also in 1918 that 6 expires and in 1920 that 19 expires and all unpatented and unsoiled lands in these two lists revert to the government and in due time will be thrown open to entry under the regular land laws. When you come to think of it, these dates are mighty close at hand and are full of much consequence to the settler. It therefore behooves the settlers to get together on some plan whereby they can most effectively protect their interests.

Before developing the District plan of organization, let us take a look at the contract provisions for transfer of control of the project to the settlers after June 17, 1917.

Page 85 of the Desert Land Board Report for 1911, paragraph 12:

"The party of the first part (The C. O. I. Company, successor in interest to the D. I. P. Co.) hereby agrees that it will turn over in reasonably good condition and repair and free from all incumbrances * * * all reclamation works * * * to a corporation of water users after 10 years from the date hereof (June 17, 1917) provided that such corporation of water users shall have been duly and legally organized under the approval of the State Land Board."

(It may be noted in issuing that the contract does not specify how soon after the 10 years from its date the company is to turn over the system to the settlers.)

* * * * * the total number of shares in such corporation authorized to be issued shall be equal to the entire number of irrigable acres in said Pilot Butte and Oregon Irrigation Co. segregations. The party of the first part (the C. O. I. Co.) shall hold shares equal to the number irrigable acres then unsoiled or unpatented at the time said irrigation works are turned over to said water users corporation, and also the number of shares equal to the number of acres heretofore sold and upon which the party of the first part has a perpetual lien for maintenance unless the owner shall have contracted or paid for the release

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TO TAKE UP CATTLE

Black Butte Co. Plans on Change From Sheep.

The Black Butte Land and Livestock Co. will in all probability dispose of its sheep holdings, and emphasize instead the raising of cattle, according to Arthur Wurtzweiler, head of the company, who was in the city yesterday conferring with Forest Supervisor Hastings. Mr. Hastings stated that the forestry department will sanction the change.

The company now has 750 head of cattle and 2500 head of sheep on the range. One steer will be allowed in place of every four sheep, according to the basis for change now deemed advisable.

HELP ON THE CENSUS

In order that none between the ages of four and 20 may be omitted from the school census now being taken Superintendent Thordason requests, if anyone knows of any individuals between those ages whose names were not taken by the census enumerators, that the names be handed in to him or City Engineer Gould. Mr. Thordason says that young married women under 20 years of age are often omitted from such census.

WARD COMING AGAIN

R. A. Ward, of the U. S. Biological Survey, who assisted in the work of rabbit extermination in this section last winter, is coming again this year to carry on the effort against the pest. In anticipation of his coming, County Agent Blanchard is obtaining quotations on strychnine. Farmers and clubs desiring the poison are asked to communicate with Mr. Blanchard at Redmond.

Phone Line Nears End.

That the Millican Telephone Line, connecting the ranger station at Antelope Springs with Millican, is almost completed, was the report of Forest Supervisor Hastings this morning. Rangers Joseph Brinckley and Harold E. Smith, who have been at work on the new line, are now close to the end of their task, he says.

Building Is Licensed.

The granting of building permits was announced today, to A. G. Brook, for the construction of a \$50 storehouse, and to G. F. Hall, for the erection of a \$250 three room house, on the Boulevard.