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To its many friends everywhere The Bulletin wishes the merriest of Merry Christmases.

COUNTY SEAT SELECTED.

"All things come to those who wait."

That is a respectable proverb, whose truth, however, is not unassailable.

"The Lord helps those who help themselves."

That isn't dignified enough to qualify as a proverb, but it comes pretty near hitting the nail on the head.

Half a dozen years ago some of us were sitting around stumps wondering if a railroad ever would come to Bend. We bet that it never would be built, and then hoped we'd lose the bet.

But we didn't grumble. We made the most of what we had, and attracted all the attention possible to Central Oregon and to Bend.

After a while the railroad came—two of them. Of course they didn't come just because Bend worked for them, but that had some appreciable effect. Safe to say they'd have been longer coming if this had been a moss-back town.

So we got the railroads.

Then we settled back and talked and dreamed of mills. "Some day they'll come." That was the watch word.

It was weary waiting at times, but we kept a stiff upper lip, and continued talking mill until all of a sudden it materialized—two of 'em, bigger and more important than we'd dared hope.

Two railroads; two mills. Pretty good start, that.

But did Bend go to sleep then? Did it rest content? It did not. We opened up again on the county seat fight. Bend was entitled to a county seat and Bend started out to get it. After losing one fight, we've emerged from a second one victorious.

That is the third big forward step. Bend is a county seat.

Remember, a few years ago any one of those three accomplishments for the community—railroads, mills, county seat—looked a long way off. One of them alone appeared pretty fine. To get all three in five years' time seemed too good to hope for.

Now, let us take another good long breath and get ready for the next thing Bend wants, and should have. We're going to get it just as sure as we got the others. Fact is, Bend can get almost anything in reason she goes after.

Ten years ago railroads and mills and county seats sounded like foolish dreams. Indeed, our neighbors on the east called them worse than that.

Suppose now we suggest street cars within the next ten years—say the next five? Does it sound foolish? Even so, they will come just as sure as paved streets and all the other appurtenances of metropolitan development.

Closer at hand, however, are other prizes for Bend to gain. The Strahorn railroad project is the largest and most important of all. That is coming now, sure. But Bend must keep her shoulder to the wheel and help without loss of interest or courage. And other minor goals to be attained—each of them soon now, if we work properly—is a Federal building, an Elks lodge and, say, a public park.

Bend is out of the woods of uncertainty. A bright future lies before us, replete with opportunities for putting to work that "Bend spirit" which does things.

HOLD MEETING HERE.

Central Oregon is getting together on a program for its delegates to the coming Irrigation Congress. That is proper. Those who go to represent this section should have well defined plans worked out in advance. It is a sort of preparedness which pays. And this, Oregon's largest irrigated territory, is entitled to an important voice in the proceedings—probably far more so than has ever been the case in the past, when sometimes, it will be remembered, it has looked as if things were pretty well "framed up" by the Portland professional fixers.

But after all, perhaps there won't be any very tangible platforms for Central Oregonians to stand upon. We are just about where we have been before. We want state aid, but chances are worse than slim for obtaining any, under existing state conditions. We want more attention and consideration—the sort which will make it easier to get financial backing for irrigation enterprises. We want folks west of the mountains to realize that two-thirds of Oregon is dry by nature as well as law.

And right there is where our Cen-

tral Oregon delegates have a chance to get busy. Why not have an Irrigation Congress in an irrigated country?

Must the congress be held in Portland forever? Wont it be better for the congress, for the state and especially for the irrigated country, if Mohammed goes to the mountain once instead of always taking the mountain to him?

In short, let Central Oregon have the conference. Make Bend the next meeting place. We have the facilities. We can show folks what irrigation is and what it isn't. And aside from irrigation, through the congress we would get a first class opportunity to impress a considerable number of worth-while people with just what Central Oregon is and what it needs.

KEEP CHRISTMAS MONEY HOME.

At this season of the year vast sums of money are spent for Christmas gifts, much of it going to the cities of the east.

This is a time when the co-operation of people who live in the same community should be considered. No man is independent. No man can live unto himself alone. The municipal, county and state governments must be maintained. The men who live here and who pay taxes here are entitled to the support of their neighbors.

A dollar spent in Bend remains here and some of it gets back to the person who spent it in the community. A dollar sent to Chicago or New York stays there. It never does Bend or Bendites any further good.

So, too, of the county. The merchants of the county are entitled to the trade of the people of the county, not Sears, Roebuck & Co., nor would that man or woman think, who trades abroad, if their productions had to be taken to the same place to find a market, or if employment were only found abroad.

We must live and let live. We are fellow citizens. Let us be fellow builders.

ON TAXES.

Today's report that the amount of the state tax had been set and that Crook county's share had been fixed at some \$31,000 comes about one week late. Of course it is news, having happened today, but as a financial fact of any value its possibilities were exhausted when the county court adjourned after having decided on the levy for next year.

In the same way the failure of the state tax commission to announce the value of the county public utilities, before the county budget meeting, is a matter of embarrassment in the county, and even the city and school district tax situation.

The difficulty arises through the provisions of law requiring budgets to be advertised and tax levies set by certain dates, when there are no time limits set, apparently, for the state commissions to do their work. A little attention to this matter on the part of the coming legislature, requiring the state tax and the utility valuations to be made known, before the budgets are made up, would simplify the tax levying procedure tremendously.

There were only five counties in Oregon where the vote cast in the last election exceeded the number previously registered. It is interesting to note that all are east of the mountain counties, and three of them are in this senatorial district, Crook, Jefferson and Lake. Crook registered 4,661 and voted 4,793, while Jefferson cast 1,704 ballots while only 1,644 registered. After all, this was a fairly lively election "in these parts."

Marion county gave the heaviest vote against the Pendleton normal school proposition at the late election. There is just one location for state institutions in the minds of Marion residents, and that's Marion county.


President pro tem. That's Mr. Hughes on that fatal Tuesday night. And they say that the Chicago Tribune's name for California will stick: "The prize boob state."

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READ ANCIENT SAGES SAYS ALLEGED DRUNK

Familiarity With Demosthenes and Cicero Defense Given by a Logger Arrested Here.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

For the first time in the history of Bend, a knowledge of the writings of the Greeks and the Romans was brought forward as a defense to a charge of drunkenness and disorderly conduct this morning, when J. L. Bartlett, arrested last night by officer Frank Culp, was haled before Judge H. C. Ellis in municipal court.

"Are you guilty or not guilty?" inquired the judge.

"Not guilty, your honor," came the reply, and after being granted permission to speak further, the prisoner revealed his life's history to the court.

"I was born 55 years ago in Michigan, my father was a judge of the court for 25 years, and I read Demosthenes and Cicero, as a boy. And I'm not guilty, your honor," he pleaded.

Three near beers was all the liquid refreshment he had taken, he asserted, and his reason for walking in the middle of the street, where he was found by Officer Culp, was because his logger's calks would not stick to the sidewalk, he said.

The hearing was continued until late this afternoon to allow the introduction of testimony by the officer making the arrest. The prisoner was remanded to the custody of Chief of Police L. A. W. Nixon.

Judge Ellis stated that it was the first time, to his knowledge, that a man charged with drunkenness in Bend, had failed to enter a plea of guilty.

WHAT'S IN A NAME?

A Hibernian had wandered into a talking machine establishment.

"I want to hear some o' them sweet songs by the great Irish tenor, John McCormack."

When he had listened with great satisfaction to "Mother Machree," "I Hear You Calling Me," and some others, he said:

"And now lave me hear some songs by this other Irishman I've heard tell of—Al—Al—what's his name now? Oh, yes, Al McCluck!"

TEACHERS FINISH INSTITUTE COURSE IN CROOK COUNTY

The last day of the last Crook county Teachers' Institute in which Dechutes county instructors will be included, started this morning at Prineville, and examinations will be begun tomorrow. Teachers last night were the guests of the district division board at dinner.

The following features were scheduled for today's program:

9:00 to 9:20 a. m. Assembly, opening exercises.

9:20 to 10:00. Assembly, "Industrial Club Work in Oregon During the Next Year," H. C. Seymour.

10:10 to 10:40. Assembly, Dr. B. W. DeBusk.

10:40 to 11:20. Departmental work, with Mr. Seymour, E. E. Evans, Mrs. Emma Fulkerson, Dr. DeBusk and H. J. Hockenberry in charge.

11:20 to 12:00. Assembly, "Seasons on the Earth and Mars," Arthur D. Carpenter.

1:30 to 1:45 p. m. Assembly, opening exercises.

1:45 to 2:25. Round table discussion in charge of Mr. Hockenberry.

2:25 to 3:05. Departmental work in charge of Mr. Seymour, Mrs. Fulkerson and Mr. Hockenberry.

3:15 to 3:45. Assembly, "Tides and Their Causes," Mr. Carpenter.

3:45 to 4:00. Closing Exercises.

AUTO RUNS DOWN TOT BUT FAILS TO HURT

Knocked down by an auto truck at 1 o'clock this afternoon, crossing the street, the four year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Elder, of this city, was at first thought to be seriously injured, but examination by Dr. J. C. Vandeventer showed the little fellow to have sustained no dangerous hurts.

BEND WILL BE CENTER

F. T. Angell, district traffic chief of the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Co., is here today to complete arrangements for making Bend a toll center on the company's system. The change will go into effect tomorrow and will be chiefly beneficial in expediting long distance toll calls through the local office.

USUAL LENGTH
"Say, asked the first messenger boy, 'got any novels ter swap?'"
"I got 'Snake-foot Dan's Revenge,'" replied the other.
"Is it a long story?"
"Naw! Ye kin finish it easy in two messages."

SELF-CONVICTED
Once a city man of convivial habits got into difficulty in a small town. Indeed, he found himself haled before the local magistrate.

"The constable," observed the city man to the magistrate, "seems wonderfully certain about the details of my case. How is it he doesn't call his fellow officer to corroborate what he says?"
"There's only one constable in this village, sir," explained the magistrate.

"But I saw two last night!" indignantly asserted the accused.
"Exactly," said the magistrate, smiling broadly, "that's jest the charge against you!"

The Christmas Spirit!

FROM now on, the Christmas spirit is dominant; you see folks carrying all sorts of interesting looking parcels that you know are to bring joy to somebody.

You'll be surprised to find how many things suitable for Christmas giving are to be had in this store. Especially things to give to a man or boy. It's a place where men buy their own things; the personal things they wear and use; and that's a very good reason why you should buy here your gifts for men.

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