

# STATE BANK TAKEN OVER BY SWIFTS

STOCK DEVELOPMENT  
BY LOANS, PLAN.

## HUNTER HEADS BANK

Carleton B. Swift and W. P. Dickey  
Visit in Connection With Trans-  
fer—Belief in City's Fu-  
ture Prompts Deal.

(From Monday's Daily.)

In line with their policy of develop-  
ing the stock industry throughout  
Oregon, the Swift packing interests  
have purchased the Central Oregon  
bank. This was the announcement  
made this noon by Carleton B. Swift,  
of Chicago, and W. P. Dickey, of the  
Portland Cattle Loan company. A  
policy of liberal loans to further the  
growth of the stock business in Cen-  
tral Oregon, will be the feature of  
the change, Mr. Dickey and Mr. Swift  
stated.

Changes in the management of the  
bank have not been made, other than  
those incident to the resignation of  
W. L. Cobb from the presidency,  
caused by ill health. Dr. D. E. Hun-  
ter takes Mr. Cobb's place, and Mr.  
Swift becomes vice president, filling  
the vacancy left by Dr. Hunter's ad-  
vance.

The board of directors has under-  
gone some changes, however, and has  
as its members Dr. Hunter, Mr.  
Swift, Barney O'Donnell, H. M.  
Stephens and C. D. Rorer, president  
of the Board of Commerce of Eugene.

The coming of the Swifts to Bend  
is the result of considerable work  
on the part of Dr. Hunter, who has  
been directly responsible for interest-  
ing outside capital in the possi-  
bilities for investment here.

**Believe in Bend's Future.**  
The transfer of the bank is the  
third since its organization. U. C.  
Guss having sold his controlling inter-  
est to Mr. Cobb and Dr. Hunter on  
January 11, after having bought  
in only a short time before.

**Belief in the Future of Bend**  
was one of the chief motives actuating  
the Swift interests to effect the trans-  
fer, Mr. Dickey stated in explaining  
the purchase of the Central Oregon  
bank. "We think Bend is a good  
point, and believe that we can develop  
the livestock industry here by bring-  
ing in capital and offering bet-  
ter facilities for financing the in-  
dustry," he said. "We have given  
due consideration to the fact that  
Bend has a big future, and has a  
large territory tributary."

**Stock Should Double.**  
The interests which Mr. Swift and  
Mr. Dickey represent are prepared to  
handle livestock loan paper from  
both the Central Oregon and the First  
National banks, Mr. Swift stated.  
"We are not coming in to Bend to  
injure anybody, but desire to build  
up the general financial strength of  
Bend," he declared. "Stock loans  
should be available to ranchers with-  
in a radius of 100 miles from Bend."

Mr. Dickey gave it as his opinion  
that the value of livestock in the  
country surrounding Bend could be  
doubled by proper management. "The  
farmers need more dairy stock, hogs,  
and breeding ewes, so that they can  
make more out of their holdings,"  
he declared, "and it is the purpose of  
the livestock loan system to make  
this possible."

Mr. Dickey and Mr. Swift will leave  
this evening for Portland.

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## DISTRICT PLAN URGED BY WEST

ALLEGIANCE WITH BANKRUPT  
COMPANY UNDER OTHER  
TERMS, MOST UNSATISFAC-  
TORY, HE SAYS.

(From Thursday's Daily.)

Painting a roseate picture of the possibilities open to water users on the Central Oregon Irrigation Co. lands, if a district association is perfected, and contrasting this with the gloomy prospect contingent on non-organization, Oswald West, ex-governor of Oregon, addressed water users living in the vicinity of Bend, at Sather's hall this afternoon. The meeting resolved itself quickly into an informal discussion, in which the speaker answered questions put by his hearers. Mr. West took the place of Claude McColloch, who was scheduled to speak, but who was detained in Baker by legal business.

"As members of a district, you are in partnership with the company, instead of being wholly dependent on that company," he declared. "Eventually more and more of the control will pass into your hands until you have the governing voice in affairs. As a district, you will be solidified. You can borrow money for improvements which as individuals you could not do efficiently. Now you are fighting windmills, with no concentrated purpose."

"What will happen if we don't organize?" was the question of one of the ranchers present.

"God only knows," was Mr. West's dejected rejoinder. "I don't know, or rather, I hate to tell you."

"There is no one so independent as a bankrupt company, and that is what you have to consider. You can't make the company do anything for you. You can't get blood out of a turnip. All you have is a nice lithographed receipt to show for what you've expended. Patented land would be of no more value than land unpatented."

## BOBBY EVANS GETS GENEROUS

BILLY GEORGE OFFERED PRE-  
SENT TO MEET AL SOMMERS IN  
PORTLAND—GEORGE SAYS HE  
WILL GO FOR NOTHING.

(Portland Telegram.)

Billy George, who styles himself the "Idaho Bearcat," never had a better chance to show his metal or to disprove the assertion that he is "scared" of Al Sommers than is offered him right now. Every possible inducement has been made George to box the Portland middleweight, but he has always "squealed." At least this is the claim of Bobby Evans, manager of Sommers. To show that he is in earnest regarding a meeting between the two, Evans is offering George a present if he will box Sommers here. The only stipulation is that George make 155 pounds ringside.

In a letter just received from Evans, in which he enclosed his personal check for \$50 to be presented George the moment he steps from the scales weighing 155 pounds or less, Bobby roasts the Idaho boxer to his complete satisfaction. He says:

"I have just read that Billy George, the self-styled Idaho Bearcat, who is at present making Bend his headquarters, is very anxious to meet Al Sommers, Northwest middleweight champion. Please contradict that statement. I have done everything in my power to get this wonderful mankiller in the same ring

## Bend Realty Men Boosting For State Road Bond Issue

Ardently boosting for an endorsement by popular vote of the \$6,000,000 road bonds voted by the last legislature, J. N. Hunter and W. H. Staats, of the realty firm of Hunter & Staats, cited in concert this morning the paved highways of California, over which they travelled for more than three months during the fall and winter, as an example of what could be done in Central Oregon. "I only wish that the bond issue had been made for \$15,000,000, instead of for \$6,000,000," Mr. Staats affirmed, and his partner expressed the same desire.

The two drove over most of the principal roads of California, totalling more than 6000 miles. Hundreds of autoists, they said, questioned them regarding the roads in Oregon, expressing the desire to tour through this state. "Just how enthusiastic the people of the southern state are on the highway question was shown by Mr. Hunter, when he mentioned that although \$22,000,000 was expended last year on road improvements, \$15,000,000 more was voted last fall to be used for the same purpose this year.

with Sommers, but my efforts have been fruitless.

"W. L. Doudlah, the Bend promoter, who appears to be handling George, has done all in his power to avoid the match by imposing terms which were ridiculous. My only stipulation was that George should make 155 pounds ringside. Doudlah refused, saying the match must be at catchweights. I then agreed to let the match go on at Bend at catchweights, and split the purse 75-25, but I received no answer. A few days after my arrival in Wallace I received a message from Doudlah, who by the way, resembles Fatty Arbuckle, asking me to cancel Sommers' match with Farmer Burns at Echo, as he wished to use Burns at Bend with George. The wire also said if I would do this he would match Sommers with George, March 26. I wired back accepting the match, but would not cancel the go with Burns under any consideration. This wire must have hurt Doudlah, for he sent me a collect message, which I refused to accept, telling me I could never hope to have any of my boys appear before his club in future.

"As the Portland fans well know, I tried several times to get George to appear in a Portland ring, but he made terms so high I could not meet

"One trunk road through Central Oregon will double the population of this section in a very few years," Mr. Hunter asserted. "We have California cheated for scenery, but once an autoist has gone over rough, dusty or muddy roads, he is reluctant to repeat the trip. You can't help being a roads booster after you have travelled through California."

Mr. Staats condemned the plan now in use in Oregon, of changing license plates each year, declaring that by using the same plates year in and year out, California is saving \$160,000 annually, which is being put into road improvements. "A thin metal tag, showing the change in year, can easily be put on the plate, at an expense that is very trifling," he said.

Another move which both advocated, was a still greater advance in auto licenses, to augment the state road fund, both maintaining that with better roads, autoists would more than save the increase in license fee in increased tire mileage, and decrease in wear and tear on machines.

them and still live within the city ordinance, which forced me to turn the match down.

"To give the fans an idea of what this conceited young Bend boxer demanded for appearing in Portland, I will say he asked more than such stars as Bob McAllister, Fighting Billy Murray and Johnny Coulon. If he received what he asked, it would make Eddie Campi, Billy Mascott, Lee Johnson and Muff Bronson green with envy. I believe Mike Gibbons would be more reasonable.

"That I am sincere in my belief that Sommers can tame the Bearcat, I am sending you a check for \$50, which you are to hand to George the minute he steps off the scale weighing 155 pounds or less, ringside. This is with the understanding the two boys are to meet in Portland as the main event of the Business Men's club show to be staged March 23. I will also let Fatty Doudlah and the bush champion, Billy George, protect themselves by bringing Dr. Cousineau with them to referee. I will pay all the doctor's expenses. I can do no more, and it is now up to Doudlah to accept or admit that he was only trying to get a little cheap publicity at the expense of Sommers. I hope this offer will be

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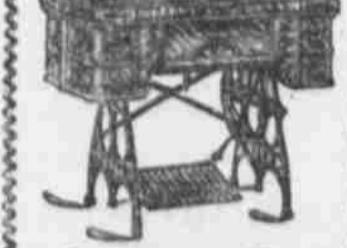
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## CAR OUTLOOK BETTER

Annulling of Passenger Trains in the East May Believe, Says Oliver.

(From Thursday's Daily.)

That chances are improving for a better car service for Bend, is the statement of Travelling Freight and Passenger Agent H. C. Oliver. He states that passenger trains are being annulled daily on several of the lines in the east and middle west, to give better opportunities to handle the freight business, and believes that this polly will give some relief.

Locally the policy of making empties has been adopted, loaded cars received here being unloaded as rapidly as possible and turned over to some Bend shipper for his use.

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