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DUST NUISANCE TO BE ABATED

STREET SPRINKLING NEED IS SEEN.

Easy Rate for Water Offered Council—Gant & Hanson Given Sewer Contract—Auto Fire Truck Virtually Completed.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

Need for quick work in abating the dust nuisance in Bend was recognized last night at the regular monthly meeting of the city council, Chairman Silvis, of the street committee, suggesting that an early decision should be arrived at as to the relative merits of oil and water for street sprinkling. A discussion ensued, in which Mr. Silvis stated that \$6 a night would cover the labor involved, while the Bend Water, Light & Power Co. would furnish water at five cents per 1000 gallons, necessitating an expense of only \$1.20 a night for this item.

No figures were available as to the cost of oil, and the discussion was closed in a motion authorizing the city attorney to draft an ordinance which would allow property holders to petition for either oil or water. Much opposition developed in the subscription plan of footing the bill, and it is probable that a plan will be evolved by which the city will pay the expense, levying the proportionate shares against property benefited.

Sealed bids for the construction of the lateral sewer through the alley in blocks 22 and 23, original plat of Bend, connecting with the trunk sewer on Greenwood, were opened, and Gant & Hanson were awarded the contract on a low bid of \$1309.68. J. E. Engestretson's bid was for \$1838.70. Other offers submitted were not accompanied by certified checks, and were not considered.

The report of Miss Mary E. Coleman, treasurer, showed a balance of \$1119.44 in the general fund, and a \$2.53 balance in the sewer fund. Autos Complain of.

Councilman Bennett complained of auto speeding within the city limits, and the painting and distributing of six signs establishing a 15-mile maximum, was ordered. As chairman of fire committee, Mr. Bennett reported on the virtual completion of the auto fire truck.

Bills Allowed.

Bills allowed were as follows:

Joe Rock	96.00
A. Aune	62.50
Robert B. Gould	121.54
John Francis	2.40
O. L. Bellows	2.50
C. A. Mackey	1.00
L. G. Thompson	12.00
F. M. Miller	51.00
W. J. Shannon	66.00
Lane Thomas	49.50
W. B. Baker	1.50
C. P. Niswonger	7.50
Robert Blackwell	1.00
A. B. Taylor	30.00
C. W. Thornwaite	1.75
Oscar Green	12.00
William Rhode	3.00
F. L. Kulp	90.00
Willard Houston	30.00
Ed. Ferguson	30.45
Bend Hardware Co.	1.80
W. L. Shanks	22.67
A. C. Heinze	15.00
Oregon Fuel Co.	.50
M. A. Palmer	17.50
Henry Barton	5.00
L. A. W. Nixon	1.50
Bend Sign Co.	6.00
James Clark	27.00
C. F. Blackwell	30.00
Robert B. Gould	19.37
C. G. Springer	4.62
L. E. Thompson	2.40
H. C. Ellis	56.75
C. S. Benson	20.00
Skuse Hardware Co.	7.70
Emmett McNeely	13.05
Daymond Machine and Repair shop	136.24
L. E. Olds	50.00
R. H. Langston	15.50
Election Board	15.00
S. C. Caldwell	25.90
W. O. Matchett	363.60
Miller Lumber Co.	2.39
Peter Lehrman	44.00
Byron Gilson	9.62
Bend Public Library	25.00
Carl D. Hunter	6.37
George Fogg	21.50
Marie Hayes	3.00
M. E. Coleman	26.20
T. J. Murphy	41.25
Bend Water, Light & Power Co.	315.62
Little Brick Restaurant	8.05
The Bend Bulletin	70.35
Bend Press	127.85
Total	\$2,332.94

CENSUS MARSHALS ARE GIVEN ADVICE

Draft Officials in Each Precinct Told to Make Preparations for Speedy Registration.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

A copy of the following letter was mailed to the war census marshal in each of the 24 precincts in Deschutes county, from the office of Sheriff S. E. Roberts yesterday:

My Dear Sir: As one of the election board appointed by the County Court to serve in your precinct in this county, you are hereby appointed as War Census Marshal for your Precinct No. _____, to take charge of the registration of the male population of your precinct. The ages for the census will be given you in further instructions. No date has yet been fixed for taking the census, but it is regarded as probably that this date will precede that of the special election in this state, set for June 4, 1917.

In order that the census can be completed in one day, it is suggested that full use be made of the voting machinery by arranging for the place at which this census will be taken, immediately, and securing the voluntary services of the Judges and the Clerks of election to serve on the date which will be fixed as War Census Day.

I hand you herewith copy of letter received from the Adjutant General regarding this War Census. I wish to ask that you give this matter your earnest and careful consideration, and as stated therein, I wish to impress upon you to select your board of five or more immediately, and impress upon them that they must hold themselves in readiness to answer at a moment's call. Give each of your board a copy of these instructions.

Acknowledge receipt of this letter to me within 24 hours, and report who you have appointed to serve on your board.

Yours very truly,
S. E. ROBERTS,
Sheriff of Deschutes County.

CONDITIONS IN LAKE PROMISING

REPORTS THAT STOCKMEN SUFFERED HEAVY LOSSES WITHOUT FOUNDATION, ACCORDING TO C. S. HUDSON.

(From Friday's Daily.)

Reports, current during the winter months, that cattle and sheep men suffered heavy losses due to the prolonged cold weather and scarcity of food, are without foundation, according to C. S. Hudson, who returned last night from a two days' trip through the Silver Lake and Paisley section. Quite to the contrary, according to Mr. Hudson, the stockmen came through the winter in unusually favorable shape.

The sheepmen have noted particularly the favorable winter and lambing season. Increases of healthy lambs were noted almost entirely among the sheepmen. This condition has been due to the better housing, better feeding and more experienced and competent help this year. Mr. Hudson says that many of the sheep men have abandoned the idea of wintering on the desert and in the open, and instead have erected permanent feeding quarters with sufficient feed to carry them through the winter months. This action during the last few months has materially cut down the losses and has enabled bringing in stronger, healthier stock for this year.

"The losses reported among the stockmen in the vicinity of the Klamath Marsh," says Mr. Hudson, "were entirely unfounded. I ascertained yesterday. The losses in fact were negligible. It is encouraging to learn that many of the stockmen are purchasing farms for the cultivation of more ground which will provide better housing and feeding for their stock. If conditions are nearly normal, a majority of the stockmen will be free from debt."

"The season in the Silver Lake and Paisley country is nearly a month later than last year, but the farmers do not view this with alarm. They, rather, appreciate the condition, as the belated season will assure no killing of the fruit and root crops by late frosts."

WILSON'S BID WINS MADRAS CITY HALL

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

Guy H. Wilson has been awarded the contract for the construction of the new city hall at Madras, on a bid of \$5250. Work is to start within the next two weeks.

WORK IS URGED FOR ROAD BONDS

SITUATION CRITICAL, BOOSTERS TOLD.

Joint Debate Between E. J. Adams, of Highway Commission, and Member of Grange May Be a Feature Next Wednesday.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

Urgent need for work to advance the cause of the \$6,000,000 State Road bond issue was vividly shown this noon at the weekly luncheon of the Bend Commercial club at the Pilot Butte Inn, when President Floyd Dement declared that the success or failure of the measure at the special election in June, will depend largely on the vote polled by the Central Oregon counties. Discussion of the road question was the main business of the meeting.

Prospects for a clash between E. J. Adams, of the State Highway commission, and some representative of the grange or organized labor, were revealed by A. E. Edwards who stated that steps are being taken by the Central Trades, Labor, and Farm council to provide a speaker to take issue with Mr. Adams when he speaks for the bond issue in Bend on the evening of May 16. The club is strongly in favor of a joint debate of the kind, as bringing out sides of the question in a way which hitherto has not been found possible here.

Manager H. J. Overturf reported the receipt of a letter from Bruce Dennis, secretary of the State-wide Good Roads association, asking the support of auto owners for the bond bill. Mr. Overturf also asked that a greater degree of publicity be given the movement. A. Whisnant replied to the request by declaring that so far but little interest had been manifested in the bond issue by the club members.

FIELD DAY TO BE BIG EVENT

BEND WILL BE HOST ON MAY 19.

Jefferson, Crook and Deschutes Counties Will Compete For Prizes on Platform, Field, Court, Track and Typewriters.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

May 19 is to be a gala day for all of Central Oregon. Bend is to be host to the school children of Jefferson, Crook and Deschutes counties on the occasion of the annual Central Oregon Field Day in Bend.

Plans are nearly complete for this annual event, and the schools of Redmond, Madras, Culver, Prineville and Bend are rapidly rounding out their athletes, stenographers and orators to compete for prizes in the various events to take place on that day. It is expected that several hundred pupils of the high school and grammar grades will be present together with parents desirous of witnessing the events.

Preliminaries have been conducted at Redmond for the declamatory contests, and tomorrow the tennis tryouts between Redmond and Prineville and Bend will be held. Bend will be represented by an unusually strong team for the boys. The girls' combination is not so strong.

Enlistment Weakens.

The field day promises to be the biggest event of the year for Bend. Special arrangements are being planned to take care of the high school students and grammar grade pupils. The grammar school declamatory contest and tennis tournament will be held in the morning, the field and track meet and stenography contest in the afternoon, and the high school declamatory contest in the evening.

The officials for the events will be selected tomorrow at a meeting of the directors at Redmond. Several of the schools will be some-

what crippled for the field events, due to the enlistment of many of the high school boys in the army and navy. This is particularly true in the case of Prineville, whose boys are going in large numbers each week.

The program for the day will be announced later this week by F. S. Francis, secretary of the Central Oregon School Day.

WATCHMAN FIRES ON TRESPASSERS AT DAM

(From Friday's Daily.)

Foiled in what is believed to have been an attempt to blow up the log pond dam at The Shevlin-Hixon Company and the Brooks-Scanlon Lumber Co. mills, a party of three men emerged from under the north end of the bridge connecting the two plants at 4 o'clock this morning, exchanged shots with the night watchman, C. S. Tigard, and escaped in an auto standing nearby in the road. Pursuit is being headed by Deputy Sheriff Earl Honston and Chief of Police L. A. W. Nixon, and it was intimated that clues had been secured which might lead to the capture of the persons implicated. Some doubt was felt by the authorities as to whether the affair might be the result of a German plot, or the manifestation of I. W. W. activities.

Night Watchman Tigard was at the south end of the bridge when he first became aware of the presence of the men at the other end. Running down the bridge, his footsteps frightened the intruders, and they left their hiding place, firing two shots at him as they neared their car. Neither shot took effect, and no harm was done by the two shots which Tigard fired in return, as far as could be learned.

As the car whirled away, an alarm was turned in, and the authorities have been busy ever since in their endeavor to apprehend the men.

It was noted by the night watchman as the plotters retreated from under the bridge that one of them carried a suitcase. It is believed that explosives, intended to destroy the dam and bridge were contained in the receptacle.

One man was arrested this afternoon by Deputy Houston, on suspicion, and it was believed that another arrest would follow before evening. The name of the prisoner was not divulged, nor the nature of the evidence against him.

UNION MEN ARE AGAINST BONDS

WOMAN BRANDS ROAD BILL IMMORAL.

Carpenters and Contractors of Bend Reach Amicable Understanding—Farmers' Market Question to Be Investigated.

(From Saturday's Daily.)

That the \$6,000,000 road bond issue, to be voted on by the people of Oregon at special election June 4, is an immoral piece of legislation, deserving of defeat, was the declaration made last night by Mrs. Ensor Wigmore, of the Farmers' Union, speaking at the open meeting of the Bend Labor, Trades, and Farm Council, held at the Labor Temple. Union delegates, representing practically every line of skilled work in the city, declared themselves against the bond issue, at the close of her address.

Mrs. Wigmore, in attacking the bond issue, declared that it is a child of the paving trust, and urged that Oregon be content with poor roads for the next three years, until the Warren patents run out in 1920. She asserted that the bill had been jammed through the legislature in the last 24 hours of the session, and that its backers would have held up several important measures, had it not been passed.

Voices Farm Opposition.

She contended that the allowing of only 24 hours for a measure so manifestly important was immoral, that the lobbyist tactics of the paving trust were immoral, that the appointment of S. Benson, connected, she said, with the paving trust, to the State Highway commission, was immoral, and that a decisive vote should be polled against the measure because of the immorality which permeated it from start to finish. She explained that the bill had been rushed through because the farmers had been previously sounded and had declared against it, and that the farm influence alone was responsible for the bill being referred for a popular vote.

Journeyman Contracts Taboo.

Carpenters and contractors of Bend arrived at a thorough understanding at the opening of the meeting, when the contractors agreed to employ union labor at union hours and union prices, while the union men in their turn, pledged themselves to abstain from journeyman contracting, and to obtain all work through the contractors. A heavy fine, it was announced, will be levied against any member violating the rule. The matter of the carpenters' strike at the Pilot Butte Inn garage was not discussed.

Farmers' Market Issue.

County Agriculturalist Blanchard was called on for an address, and explained the reasons for the nationwide food shortage, suggesting that a farmers' market in Bend might be a means of combating this condition. A general discussion of the question ensued, and it was decided to go further into the matter at a meeting to be held next Friday night, when the advisability of the market, as a co-operative proposition will probably be decided on.

RED CROSS SELECTS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Thirty-two Representative Men and Women From Three Central Oregon Counties are Chosen.

(From Saturday's Daily.)

The board of directors for the Bend chapter of the American Red Cross society has been appointed by the executive committee, and includes members from Deschutes, Jefferson and Crook counties. They are as follows:

Rev. H. C. Hartranft, Rev. W. C. Stewart, Rev. J. L. Peringer, Father Luke Sheehan, T. H. Foley, T. A. McCann, R. W. Sawyer, W. D. Barnes, Clyde McKay, Dr. B. Ferrell, Mrs. H. K. Brooks, Mrs. A. Myers, Mrs. C. S. Hudson, Mrs. J. D. Davidson, Mrs. R. C. Cunningham, Mrs. W. C. Birdsell, Mrs. E. D. Wilson, Mrs. R. D. Miles, Mrs. Knute Nelson, Bend; J. H. Upton, Mrs. H. P. Bolknapp, Prineville; Dr. J. F. Hosh, Miss Francis Dunn, Redmond; Lewis Irving, Miss Mary Harrison, Madras; Mrs. W. P. Myers, Culver; Mrs. F. N. Wallace, Tumalo; J. P. Duckott, Sisters; N. A. Burdick, Metolus; Mrs. E. L. Clark, La Pine; Mrs. W. M. Wilson, Powell Butte; Mrs. Roscoe Howard, Deschutes.

Governor Withycombe, Acting for Secretary of War, Urges Early Preparation for Draft

(From Friday's Daily.)

SALEM, May 4.—(Special.)—In connection with the letter sent out on the first of the month to county officials of Oregon, Governor James Withycombe is following up his previous communication with extracts from directions given him by Secretary of War Baker in regard to preliminary preparations for starting the actual war census of the United States, on which selective conscription is to be based. Detailed information is to be furnished on the signing of the complete bill by the President. Officials are requested by the governor to make as many preliminary arrangements as possible, getting in touch with those who will give voluntary aid, and putting everything in readiness for immediate work.

Mechanism Provided.

General directions and comments on the conscription law sent Governor Withycombe by Secretary Baker, are as follows:

"As an incident of elections, and in those elections themselves, our people have been long practiced in presenting themselves at accustomed voting places to be polled for one purpose or another by the agencies of the states. The methods employed in those enumerations are admirably adapted to the accomplishment of this, for we find in every state a mechanism for registration and a people accustomed to its use. The pending bill contains the following provision which I confidently believe will become a law:

"Sec. 5. That the President is hereby authorized to utilize the service of any or all departments and any or all officers or agents of the United States and of the several states, territories, and the District of Columbia, in the execution of this act, and all officers and agents of the United States and of the several states, territories, and the District of Columbia, are hereby required to perform such duties in the execution of this act as the President shall order and direct, and officers and agents of the several states shall hereby have full authority for all acts done by them in the execution of this act by the direction or request of the President."

Voting Precinct Unit.

"It is proposed to execute so much of the law as I have hereby discussed along the following lines. By proclamation, the President will call upon

persons of the designated classes to present themselves on a certain day at the customary polling places in their domiciliary voting precincts. The precincts are now delineated with contained populations of convenient size for enumeration in one day. In nearly all of them there is a provision of method and material to that end. The voting precinct, shall, therefore, be the primary registration area. For each the service of registrars must be secured; but so well are their populations proportioned to enumerate, that in most of them one registrar will be sufficient. It is felt that much voluntary service will be offered.

"For the purpose of securing very prompt replies and of orderly administration and centralization of control and for further execution of the law, a local authority supervising an appropriate number of precincts is necessary. The county is, without exception, I believe, the territorial and political subdivision into which all voting precincts integrate without overlapping. For this reason, registration in the precincts must be under supervision of a county board of control.

Permanent Board Needed.

"After registration is complete, elections of persons to be called to the colors must be made, based upon the information found in the registration list. While the class from which soldiers are to come is to be segregated by draft, the law is careful to provide for avoiding the misery that war brings to dependents at home and for a choice of those whose military services the nation needs and whose civil and domestic service can best be spared. The important duty of making the selection from the drafted class can be best performed by a permanent board in each county, composed of citizens who can be relied upon to exercise this solemn function with even justice and with apprehension of its gravity. This board should control the process of selection from its earliest steps, and therefore it must supervise the registration.

"It has thus far been attempted to demonstrate the difficulties of the problem and the plan proposed to obviate them, and to visualize the system which shall result, which, in recapitulation, may be stated to be: First, a central bureau in Washington; second, a collection of state and

territorial systems decentralized as far as possible under the control of the governors; third, county and city boards of control; fourth, for the purpose of registration, a registrar for each voting precinct and an assistant where necessary.

"It is intended to inform the public mind of the details of the plan in order that all may know the duties to be required of them.

Drafting to Be Rapid.

"The War Department is ready to follow a rather expeditious schedule. The President's proclamation will be published throughout the United States on the day of the approval of the bill. It is hoped that, on telegraphic notification to the governor that the bill has passed, all county and city boards of registration in the United States can be constituted by the governors within three or four days. The necessary instructions, and cards for registration must come from a single federal source in order that the information received may be of a uniform character. All arrangements have been made here to print and forward this material directly to the sheriffs and to mayors of cities of over 30,000 population as shown by the census of 1910, in time to have the distribution complete in the most remote county seat within six days after the approval of the bill. This distribution will be only to county seats and we must look to the sheriffs (or such officers as you may choose in their stead) to see to it that the distribution to precincts is complete within eight days even if, in case of remote precincts, they have to cause the blanks and instructions to be sent by special messenger.

"It is of course apparent that the success of this great undertaking is dependent entirely upon the zeal and co-operation of state, city and county officials, and of private citizens. It will require the very best efforts of every one concerned in it. Such a complete reliance on state organization for the performance of a federal service has never before been made in our history, and it is a happy day for the Union when it can be said, as it now can be said, that the very best means that could possibly be employed for such a necessary and emergent national task are the political organization of the several states.

Very Respectfully,
NEWTON D. BAKER,
Secretary of War."