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PROTEST MADE TO ADVANCE IN FREIGHT RATE

COMMERCIAL CLUB TO
PASS RESOLUTIONS.

WOOL IS CHIEF ISSUE

Committee to Present Objections to Interstate Commerce Commission—Letting of Road contracts in County Urged.

Protesting against the proposed cent a pound advance on the freight rate on wool shipments from Oregon, Idaho and Washington points to the east, the Bend Commercial club, at its weekly session yesterday noon authorized the appointment of a committee to draft resolutions to be presented to the interstate commerce commission at its meeting in Portland on August 6. The action was taken on a motion by A. Whisnant, after the subject had been introduced by E. P. Mahaffey. Members of the resolutions committee are Mr. Mahaffey, C. S. Hudson and A. M. Pringle.

The contemplated raise, according to a circular sent out by the United States railroad administration, is to be made because of the lack of water competition, but the stand taken by Mr. Mahaffey, and upheld by the club, is that water competition is present, but is ineffective because of lack of ships.

In connection with the visit of Stewart Edward White to Bend, R. A. Ward reported that the famous author is well impressed with this section of the country, and has promised to give Bend and the territory surrounding favorable publicity.

H. J. Overturf brought up the subject of road construction, and the roads committee was instructed to meet with the state highway commission and take steps to see that contracts for road building in Deschutes county, which should have been let early this month, are awarded.

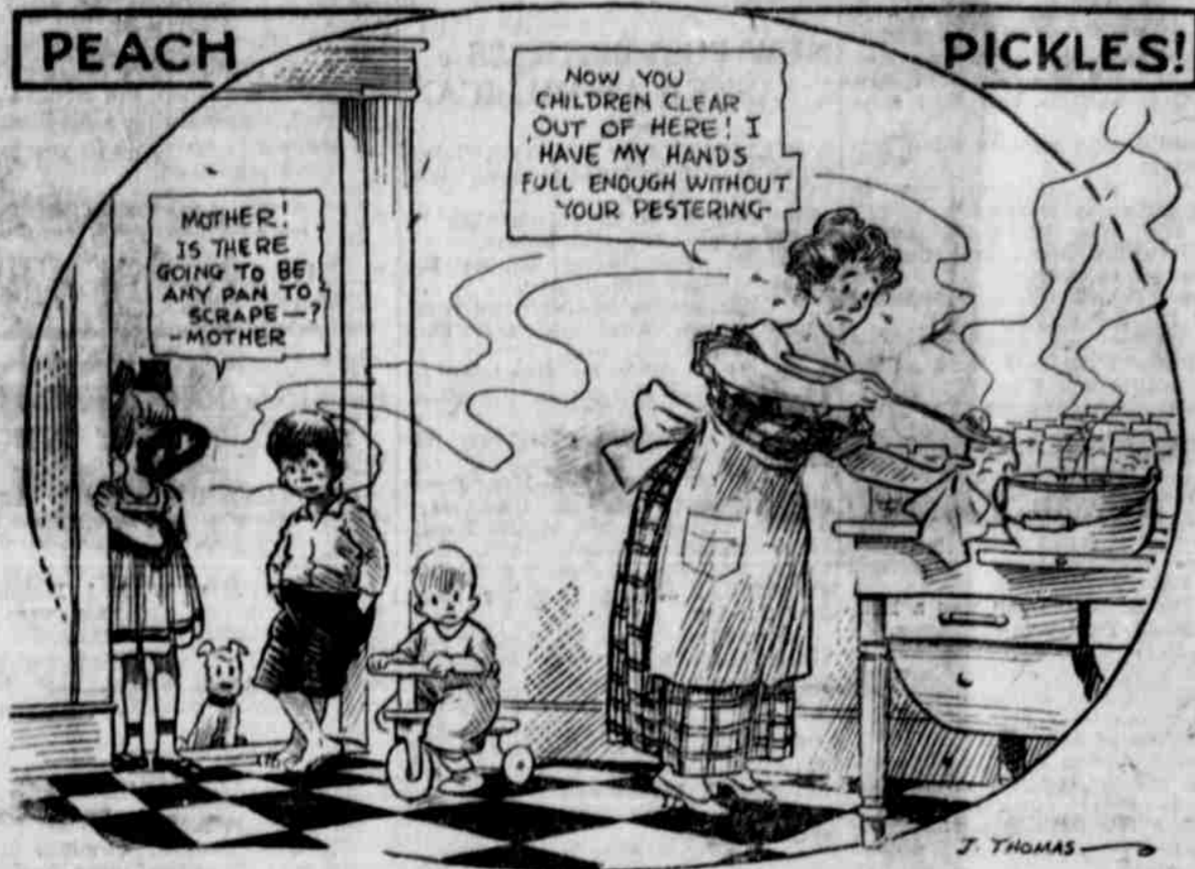
On the motion of A. Whisnant, the roads committee was authorized to meet with the county court to ask that the old road leading to the ice cave just beyond Lava butte be made available to tourists.

AUTHOR TAKEN TO SEE LAKES

MR. AND MRS. STEWART EDWARD WHITE LEAVE FOR WOODS WITH FOREST SUPERVISOR AND W. C. BIRDSALL.

Accompanied by Forest Supervisor N. G. Jacobson and W. C. Birdsall, Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Edward White, guests of the Bend Commercial club, left on Tuesday by auto for Square lake, and from there will drive to Eight Lake Heaven, returning to Bend in three days to prepare for a trip into another section of Central Oregon.

That a valuable addition to the fish in Central Oregon's lakes might be made by planting the golden trout of the Sierras was the suggestion made yesterday by Mr. White, when the famous writer and his wife were entertained at a luncheon given at the Emblem club by R. A. Ward. Following the luncheon, Mr. White was taken to the Tumalo hatchery and shown what Deschutes county, in cooperation with the state, is doing to maintain the reputation of this part of Oregon as an angler's paradise. Aside from his other work, it developed that Mr. White has perfected a method for controlling the activities of the Dendroctonus beetle, the larva of which, by boring, is extremely destructive to growing pine. Some of the trees in the Metolius section, it is reported, have been attacked by this insect.



MISSING MAN THOUGHT DEAD

FOREST SUPERVISOR AIDS IN SEARCH FOR CHARLES L. TAYLOR UNTIL TRAIL ENDS AT EDGE OF PRECIPICE.

After spending a day and night aiding in the search for Charles L. Taylor, member of the road construction party near the McKenzie Pass, who was lost on Scott mountain Thursday night, Forest Supervisor Jacobson and A. Whisnant returned to Bend Monday morning. It is believed Taylor is dead as his tracks were last found on the edge of a precipice. Bloodhounds are to be used in continuing the search. Mr. Jacobson left for the McKenzie Pass under the belief that the missing man was Smith Taylor, Deschutes forest ranger, and after finding that an error had been made in the report sent by telephone, aided the searching party until nothing more could be done.

In company with a packer, Taylor left the road camp Thursday night and the next morning the two became separated. The packer arrived in camp shortly afterward, and a little later the search was commenced. No answers were received to shots fired and after combing the mountain Taylor's tracks were found leading to a point where he had killed a deer. From here the trail led to the edge of the precipice.

TEST MADE OF NEW OUTLOOK

AWBREY HEIGHTS ONLY POINT FROM WHICH FIRE NEAR LAVA BUTTE CAN BE SEEN BY FOREST SERVICE MEN.

While lookouts on the Deschutes national forest were unable to locate fires Tuesday afternoon because of the heavy smoke which has drifted across the Cascades from fires on the west side of the mountains, forest service men stationed at headquarters here were able to observe from the top of Awbrey Heights a blaze in the privately owned timber southwest of Lava butte. County Fire Warden J. D. Bowman was sent out to the scene of the fire, and reported on Wednesday that the flames were under control and had done but little real damage, although 40 acres were included in the fire area. The point from which the blaze was seen is to be used by the forest service as a fire lookout, and the necessary preliminary surveys are now being made. A 50-foot tower will be erected in the near future, it is expected.

JUDGING TEAM TO BE SELECTED SOON

Livestock Club Members Will Be Picked Largely from Showing Made at Tumalo Fair.

Members of all livestock clubs in the county, who desire to compete for places on the stock judging team which will be sent to the Salem state fair this fall, are requested to report at once to R. A. Ward of the First National Bank of Bend, as the selection of the team will be started shortly. Mr. Ward states. The decision as to who will make the trip, Mr. Ward states, will depend largely on the showing made at the Tumalo fair, where the livestock section will be a feature of the exhibition. In making the selection for the teams Mr. Ward will be assisted by a representative of the Oregon Agricultural college.

MONDELL BILL IS ENDORSED

SINNOTT AUTHORIZED TO REPORT FAVORABLY ON MEASURE PROVIDING FOR RECLAMATION FOR SERVICE MEN.

Representative N. J. Sinnott of Oregon, chairman of the house public lands committee, has been authorized to report favorably the Mondell bill, providing for farm settlements for soldiers, sailors and marines, according to information just received here from Washington, D. C. The bill provides for the reclamation of arid lands and as reported differs only in a few minor details from the original measure.

FINDS FOSSIL SHELL IN HAMPTON VALLEY

J. Alton Thompson Produces Proof of Existence of Fresh Water Lake in Past Ages.

To confirm the theory that Hampton valley is the bed of a lake which dried up years ago, J. Alton Thompson today exhibited a fossil shell which he found a few days ago four and one-half miles southeast of Brothers. He identifies it as a fresh water variety. The outer layer of the shell had been worn away, leaving the petrified body of the animal which inhabited it exposed.

OFFICIALS TO MEET ON POWER QUESTION

To confer with eastern officials of the Bend Water, Light & Power Co., T. H. Foley, local manager, left Monday for Chicago. It is expected that a definite decision will be reached in regard to the tentative agreement concerning power and water development on the Tumalo.

NO RETURN ON WEDDING MADE

CLERGYMAN UNKNOWN—YOUNG GIRL AND BOXER DISAPPEAR SHORTLY AFTER MARRIAGE IS SAID TO HAVE OCCURRED.

Failure on the part of a clergyman to make returns to County Clerk J. H. Haser on a marriage supposed to have taken place early in June has led to an investigation by District Attorney A. J. Moore, which includes the sudden disappearance of Charles F. Robinson, a fifth-rate prize fighter, and Mary A. Hudson, 16-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Hudson of this city, who are named in the license issued on July 7. According to the state law, the clergyman or magistrate officiating at a marriage ceremony must make his report to the clerk in 30 days.

At the time the license was issued permission in writing was given by the father of the girl, and an affidavit by William E. Hoage of Bend, accompanying the application for license, stated that Miss Hudson was more than 18 years of age. A few days later Robinson and the girl stated that they had been married at a local hotel by a minister named Jackson, but the hotel proprietor denies that the ceremony took place, while no minister is registered on the county records under this name.

The parents state that their daughter and Robinson lived with them for some time after the marriage is said to have taken place, leaving about the end of June. They also affirm that the girl is under 18 years.

SCREEN DITCHES ON THE METOLIUS

State Superintendent to Finish Work Begun by Deputy Game Warden W. O. Hadley.

Deputy District Game Warden W. O. Hadley returned Tuesday from a trip to the Metolius river where he has been inspecting flumes and preparing for the installation of screens for irrigation ditches. J. C. Aitken, state superintendent of screens, was expected to arrive this afternoon to superintend the completion of the work.

FOREST SERVICE TO STRING NEW LINES

Within the near future the forest service will begin the construction of 11 miles of new telephone lines within the Deschutes national forest, it was announced this morning. This will be chiefly included in new lines to be put in to Odell butte and Crockett lake. In addition, considerable reconstruction work will be started.

TO START WAR ON BLACKTAILS

BIOLOGICAL SURVEY WILL SEND MAN.

Determined Effort Will Be Made to Rid Central Oregon of Destructive Rodents—Campaign to Begin When Snow Falls.

Recognizing the need for action in exterminating blacktail rabbits and sage rats in Central Oregon, the U. S. biological survey will send a representative to this section within a month to initiate a relentless war against the destructive rodents. R. A. Ward, of the First National Bank, reported this morning. The action is being taken in response to a letter written by Mr. Ward to the biological survey, with which he was connected for five years, in which he told of the enormous increase made by rats and rabbits in this and nearby counties since the organized campaign was dropped.

Poisoning Plan Endorsed. The representative to be sent by the government will have the advantage of Mr. Ward's work in this county, and will go over the reports of various poisoning experiments, in preparation for the coming of winter weather and snow, which will make the use of poison especially effective.

Until that time, it is admitted, little can be done except in the way of rabbit drives, and while thousands may be slaughtered by this method, it is pointed out that only by a general poisoning campaign are the best results to be obtained against rabbits, while it is practically the only plan which can be used with success in killing off the sage rats.

Great Damage Done. In the irrigated districts, ranchers were able during the spring and summer months, to keep the black-tails down to a fairly reasonable number, but in the dry land sections, where the population was not sufficiently large to admit of the use of these tactics, the "jacks" have become so plentiful that attempts to raise any kind of crop have proved almost total failures. Once the supply of food is exhausted on the semi-arid lands, a migration of blacktails to the irrigated lands is feared.

For the benefit of those who are using poison against the sage rats, Mr. Ward states that a proportion of one ounce of strychnine to 12 quarts of oats has been found to be the most effective.

HARD SURFACE MOVE SUCCESS

DELAWARE AVENUE PETITION READILY SIGNED—SECOND SECTION OF STREET NOW ASKS FOR PAVEMENTS.

Already enough signatures on the petition asking a hard surface pavement, with concrete walks and curbs for Delaware avenue, from Bond to Lava road and for a portion of the latter street, have been secured to insure improvement under the Bancroft act, O. A. Thorson, one of the property holders, reported this morning. The petition is still being circulated, however, under the belief that the appeal to the city council can be made practically unanimous.

A still further improvement of the same kind is now being sought, for it was learned this morning that another petition asking hard surface with concrete walks and curbs is being circulated among the residents of the four blocks lying on Delaware between Bond street and St. Helens place. If successful this movement will secure pavement for the entire length of the street from St. Helens to Lava road.

WATER HOLDING PROPERTIES TO BE DETERMINED

BORING STARTED AT
BENHAM FALLS.

WELLS INDICATION

Soundings to Be Made to Depth of 30 Feet Over Large Area Included in Irrigation Storage Reservoir Site.

After making a general survey of the Deschutes valley from Culver to Crane prairie, U. S. reclamation service geologists, headed by Professor W. O. Crosby of Boston, are starting to make borings all over the Benham Falls storage reservoir site, with the object of determining the water holding properties of the ground on which the reservoir would be built.

At various points above Benham falls, it has been noted, wells have been sunk by ranchers, ranging in depth from 20 to 14 feet, and in all instances having a constant supply of water, as much as eight feet in depth. From the fact that water is present, it is argued that the character of the soil is not such as to carry water away by seepage, or through crevices.

The investigations of the experts, however, are to establish this point beyond a doubt, before any recommendations are made. Large ship augers, which arrived yesterday, will be used in making the borings, which will be 20 feet in depth in order to ascertain if water is found over the entire tract. This work may take in the neighborhood of two months.

The reservoir, which will be considered providing a favorable report is turned in by the reclamation service representatives, would impound the water overflow of the Deschutes behind a huge dam, and would perhaps be even more extensive, as the entire water rights of the river are now tied up by the state for the U. S. government. Irrigation of at least 100,000 acres in Central Oregon would be made possible.

STATE WARDEN VISITS BEND

CARL D. SHOEMAKER AND FRED L. BOALT HERE ON LAST LEG OF TRIP COVERING MAJORITY OF OREGON COUNTIES.

On the last leg of a trip which has taken them over half the counties of Oregon, State Game Warden Carl D. Shoemaker and Fred L. Boalt, special writer for a Portland newspaper, arrived here Friday. After spending several hours Saturday forenoon in looking over the city and meeting with friends they left for Portland.

Discussing recent attacks made on the fish and game commission, Mr. Shoemaker said that they had been made by a small number of men in Portland and were wholly without foundation, as was shown at a public hearing at which not one of the charges was sustained. On his present trip, Mr. Shoemaker said, he had been through the valley counties, Coos, Curry, Josephine, Jackson, Klamath, Lake, Grant, Crook and Deschutes, and in every county he had been told that game was increasing rather than diminishing. This he attributed to the mild winters of the past two years and the destruction of predatory animals, as well as to the work of the game commission.

The operation of the Tumalo creek hatchery and the construction of the fish ladders authorized by the last legislature are the especial pieces of work of the commission in this section at present, and Mr. Shoemaker visited the hatchery this morning.