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TUMALO WILL ASK FOR BIDS SOON, THOUGHT

ACCEPTANCE OF WEST OFFER POSSIBLE

WATER IS NEEDED

Secretary of North Canal Co. Meets With Powell Butte Directors—Plan Would Need Approval of The C. O. I. District.

That bids on construction will be called for by the Tumalo district within the next month was the belief expressed by Oswald West, secretary of the North Canal Co., this week as a result of a meeting at Tumalo Saturday night. Calling for bids is necessary to legalize a possible acceptance of the company's offer to do the work, made recently after no bids were received on the district's bonds.

May Aid Powell Butte
West went to Redmond Monday to meet with the directors of the Powell Butte district in connection with a proposition made by the North Canal Co. to supply water for the lower lands in that district through the North Canal, so that the Central Oregon canal would be able to take care of the high line lands not now irrigated.

Should the Powell Butte directors accept this proposition, the matter would have to be taken up with the C. O. I. district, said West.

ROAD WORK TO BE BEGUN SOON

DISTRICT HIGHWAY ENGINEER ASSURES COMMERCIAL CLUB IMPROVEMENTS WILL START WHEN WEATHER PERMITS.

Improvement of all of the freight roads out of Bend is assured just as soon as the frost is out of the ground, according to word received by the Commercial club from John H. Scott, district highway engineer, it was reported at the last session of the club directors. New gravel will be placed on some parts of the highways, and all will be graded.

The credentials of Rev. J. W. Anderson, who comes here to solicit for the fund for indigent negroes in Oregon, were examined, and he was given a letter showing that he is properly authorized to receive contributions.

R. W. Sawyer reported the results of the recent meeting with the highway commission in Portland.

SNOW CONDITIONS DECLARED WORST

Drifting Keeps Wild Animals At Home And Trapping Season Is Closed, Says W. P. Vandeventer.

Snow conditions to the south of Bend are the worst in many years according to W. P. Vandeventer, pioneer resident of Central Oregon, in Bend Monday from his ranch on The Dalles-California highway. Vandeventer has seen deeper snow, but the present fall has been so light and fluffy that trails have drifted over almost as soon as broken. In the past month he has talked to only two men from outside his own ranch. Since reaching Bend Vandeventer has spoken to a number of trappers and has been told that fur catchers are not making expenses this winter. Wild animals are doing little or no traveling because of the snow. It is explained.

FORD SHIPMENT RECEIVED HERE

A carload of Fords unloaded here Tuesday, by the Central Oregon Motor company, agents, includes roadsters, touring cars, sedans, and trucks.

Prisoner Tried To Get Saws To Aid In Escape

That Robert Stevens, assailant of Bend women and girls, had endeavored to communicate with his younger brother, Lee, in the hope of getting assistance from the outside before making his break for liberty a week ago was shown in a note found on Robert when he was captured Friday night in a shack four miles southeast of the city. The note, apparently written in jail, asked his brother to procure tools for him, stating that the only tools in the jail were "so dull they wouldn't cut hot butter." Stevens, suffering from rheumatism, exposure to the cold, and lack of food extending over a five day period, was taken by A. H. Horn and Deputy Sheriff George Stokoe on information given by Mrs. H. J. Sottong. Stevens said that he had been aided in his escape a week ago Friday night by an autoist who took him into his car just after he had left jail.

LEWIS RESIGNS; DOESN'T WANT TO BE IN WAY

John H. Lewis, engineer of the Tumalo Irrigation district, resigned at a recent meeting of the directors of the district, Fred N. Wallace, secretary of the district, announces. Lewis stated that he did not want to stand in the way of development of the project, and understood that the North Canal Co. had stipulated in its recent offer that he should not be retained, Wallace said. The report of Baar & Cunningham, Portland engineers, on the probable cost of the project, did not greatly differ from estimates previously made by Lewis, stated Wallace.

The district has taken no definite action on the North Canal Co. offer, but Wallace stated that it would probably proceed with advertising for bids for construction, and that if no better offer is made, that of the North Canal Co. will be accepted.

TAX PAYMENT MAY BE CLUE

Because of the similarity of the name of John E. Sands, more commonly known as Edward Sands, former Deschutes county rancher, to that of Edward F. Sands, sought as a witness in the W. D. Taylor murder mystery. Sheriff S. E. Roberts last week wired the sheriff of Los Angeles county, giving that official the former Deschutes county man's present address, the City Hotel, Sacramento. A tax payment gave the address.

The Sands known in this country had been a farmer southeast of Bend for several years, when he disappeared early in 1918. His wife left shortly after. No attempt was made to dispose of any of the household effects or ranch property.

Sands was first heard from in the following year when he sent a money order from Ontario to pay taxes on his farm. Since then, he has communicated regularly with Sheriff Roberts once a year on the same subject. This year the name was brought to the sheriff's attention by a wire received today in which Sands telegraphed the \$4.97 tax more than a month before it became due.

VIEWS EVIDENCE IN L. L. WALLACE CASE

To look up evidence in connection with the case of Lester L. Wallace, arrested Saturday night when local police found a still at his home on West Eighth street, Federal Prohibition Officer M. P. Burnett was in Bend Wednesday. Burnett will recommend that a U. S. marshal be sent to Bend to take Wallace to Portland.

HIGHER COURT TO PASS UPON BOND ELECTION

APPEAL IS PLANNED BY ATTORNEYS

DISTRICT IS WINNER

Opinion By Judge Duffy Confirms Organization And Bond Proceedings, And Exclusion—Plan To Reconstruct Flume.

Contestants in the district organization and bond election validation suit brought by the Central Oregon Irrigation district will appeal from the ruling of Circuit Judge T. E. J. Duffy for the district, handed down late Monday afternoon. That the matter would be carried to the supreme court was stated Tuesday by R. S. Hamilton, who with Paul C. King represents the contesting settlers.

Judge Duffy's opinion confirms the organization proceedings, the validity of the bond election, and the exclusion of settlers on that part of the Pilot Butte ditch obtaining its water from the North canal. Exclusion was made on the petition of the settlers.

That the court's opinion will insure a water supply for ranchers whose lands are irrigated from the C. O. I. canal was the statement of H. H. De Armond, attorney for the district. Steps will immediately be taken to secure certification of the bonds voted late last year, he said, and as soon as this can be accomplished the district's securities will be offered for sale.

Rebuilding of the C. O. I. flume south of the city, several sections of which were washed out last year, and which is now considered to be in dangerous condition, will take \$80,000 worth of the bonds, and will be started as soon as the necessary funds are available. Construction cannot be completed, however, in time for the beginning of the irrigation system, he says.

SNOW DRIVING DEER CLOSE IN

Snow has driven deer unusually low down on the desert this winter. District Game Warden C. A. Adams stated this week while visiting Bend from Redmond. This is particularly true in the vicinity of Pine Mountain and Horse Ridge. Many deer are being reported in the timber near the logging camps in the vicinity of Bend, and in the Sisters country the animals have apparently forgotten their fear of man and are in a fair way of becoming civilized. Several have actually been seen feeding on the Younce ranch at Lower Bridge, Adams said.

"They would be easy indeed to kill at this season," said Adams, "but there would be no sport in it aside from the fact of the closed season. It would be too much like shooting sheep."

The district game warden considers that there is less game law violation by far in this section than to the west of the mountains. Popular sentiment results in this, he believes. "Such a sentiment must be the strongest factor in preserving our game," he said. "People are realizing, and should realize more and more what a big asset our wild life is. Without it one of the greatest attractions to the tourist would be gone."

Adams believes that the more important spawning lakes should be closed to anglers 15 days earlier to insure a larger take of eggs for hatching.

NEW TURNOUTS ARE ISSUED TO FIREMEN

New turnout sets were issued to the members of the Bend Volunteer Fire department at last night's meeting. Two honorary memberships were voted.

COUNTY LEADS STATE IN SEED CERTIFICATION

DESCHUTES HAS HALF OF OREGON SUPPLY

KING HAS MOST, BEST

4,000 Bushels Pass Bin Inspection Conducted By G. R. Hyslop—Wilt Principal Disease—Certification Nearly Doubles Value

Again, as in 1921, Deschutes county leads the state in the amount of certified potato seed produced. According to G. R. Hyslop, O. A. C. expert who conducted the bin inspection of potatoes registered for certification, Deschutes county has one half of the certified seed of the state. The amount will be in the neighborhood of 4,000 bushels.

M. A. King of Redmond is the certified potato "king" of Deschutes county, having not only the greatest amount, but the best. His seed showed only 4 per cent disease, while 8 per cent is allowed under the certification rules. King has 590 sacks of certified Netted Gems.

Price is Higher
Certified seed is now selling at \$3 a hundred pounds, with a good demand, while other potatoes are priced at \$1.75, says County Agriculturist D. L. Jamison.

Only about one third of the potatoes which passed the bin inspection have passed the bin inspection, says Jamison, the principal disease being wilt.

Much Near Bend
Others who have certified seed, besides King, are Carl Rosch and George H. McGregor of Terrebonne, with 350—50 sacks respectively; Ray Armstrong of Plainview, 300 sacks; J. A. Melvin (350), George G. Murphy (200) and F. A. Schaefer (350) of Bend.

POWELL BUTTE IS MADE OFFER

An offer to deliver water to the Powell Butte district at an initial cost of \$63.75 an acre was made Monday at Redmond to directors of the district by Oswald West, secretary of the North Canal Co. West stated here last night. As only two directors were present at the meeting, no action was taken, but the offer will be considered at a meeting in the near future.

Water was to be furnished, according to the offer, through the North canal for lands lying low enough to make this practicable, so that the Central Oregon canal could supply water to more of the high lands.

West, accompanied by J. D. Williams and A. A. Sinclair, engineers who came here from Portland with him last week, left last night for Portland. West expects to return later in the week, he stated.

FARMERS' COMMITTEE FOR CLUBS PLANNED

Direct Connection Between Commercial Organizations And The Rural Districts Desired.

Formation of a committee of farmers from all sections of Deschutes county, to be connected with the Bend and Redmond Commercial clubs, so that farmers' problems may receive prompt attention of the clubs was planned at a meeting Friday of Deschutes county farmers with J. A. Eastes, president, and L. Antles, secretary of the Bend Commercial club. A committee from the Redmond Commercial club arrived later in the afternoon.

Everyone present seemed in favor of the plan, which was outlined by Secretary Antles. Passage of a resolution adopting the plan, and the selection of a committee was expected.

Third Cold Wave Sends Mercury to Three Below Zero

The third cold wave of the winter hit Bend Monday night, but with less marked lowering of temperature than that characterizing the previous excursions of the mercury below zero. Three degrees below was the minimum recorded by the official government thermometer.

UNUSED STILL AND ITS OWNER TAKEN IN RAID

Taken Saturday night with a complete factory made still which he had never used, Lester L. Wallace, of 480 West Eighth street, faces a federal charge. The still, having a 15 gallon boiler capacity, was shipped in from Nebraska, arriving in Bend only three days before the arrest was made.

Two barrels of mash were found when the officers raided Wallace's place.

Chief of Police Fox and Officers Houston, Carlson, and Welch participated in the raid. Fox gives Houston the credit for locating the still.

NEW CROPS TO BE ENCOURAGED

FAIRM BUREAU ADOPTS PROGRAM OF WORK—PROGRESSIVE METHODS FAVORED—DIRECTORS ARE ELECTED.

Introduction during the coming season of a number of new crops and progressive methods in agriculture is encouraged in the program of work adopted by the Deschutes county farm bureau last week at its annual meeting. The work committee consisted of E. M. Eby, the new president, R. M. Chase and A. J. Gonnason.

Grain crops favored were federation and Hannehen barley. The growing of oats and peas, barley and peas, sunflowers and corn and barley and sweet clover for ensilage was recommended.

Certification for seed and disinfecting with sulphate of ammonia were adopted as the program to be emphasized in potato culture in the county.

White and Alsike clover are favored under the clover seed program. Breed standardization and scientific feeding are subjects to be studied under the bureau's dairy project. Under livestock, better sires, feeding, and the providing of a veterinarian and a brand inspector will be given attention.

Other programs are those of poultry and bees, marketing of livestock, cooperative purchasing, and pest control.

Directors elected were A. S. Holmes, E. M. Eby, Vera Livesay and C. W. Hoech for one year, John Marsh, H. J. Sottong and Fred N. Wallace for two years, and E. M. Peck, J. A. Melvin, and R. E. Grimes for three years.

A rising vote of thanks was extended to the retiring president, Fred N. Wallace.

COUNTY ASSESSOR SELECTS DEPUTIES

Assessing of Deschutes county property, which under the law may begin on March 1, probably will not start until a month later unless the snow goes off before that time, August A. Anderson, county assessor, announces.

Field deputies who have been appointed, and the districts in which they will work, are as follows: Frank May, Bend; R. C. Colver, farming territory adjacent to Bend; C. P. Becker, Tumalo; George Sedgwick, Redmond; R. S. Towne, Lower Bridge and Sisters; Claude C. Vandeventer, Harper and La Pine; Frank Percival, High Desert.

BRIGHT FUTURE FOR LIVESTOCK NOW PREDICTED

INCREASING STRENGTH SEEN BY BUYER

SHORTAGE DEVELOPS

Heavy Sales Have Cut Down Breeding Stock Below Normal—Central Oregon is a Natural Feeding Ground, Says Fen S. White.

Based on the workings of the law of supply and demand, the cattle and sheep industry will show increasing strength during the coming year, and in all probability for several years to come, is the prediction of Fen S. White, Portland livestock dealer, formerly of the Central Oregon bank, who has been making a brief business trip through this section. Ranchers, under the stress of declining values of the past year, and confronted with the necessity of raising money for the satisfaction of obligations incurred in times when money was easier, have sold heavily, not only disposing of their matured market stock, but also selling off much young stuff and even breeding stock, White stated.

Now, with prices showing an upward tendency, the industry must be again built up, and this cannot be done in a season, he pointed out. The number of beef cattle in Central Oregon is far below normal, and sales of lambs during the fall and winter have been markedly heavy, many growers marketing without regard to sex, in contrast to the custom of the careful sheepman in normal times of saving the ewes.

Not all of these courses have reached the market, many of the ewe lambs finding their way into the flocks of larger growers who sensed the ultimate trend of the industry and had sufficient capital to make it unnecessary for them to sacrifice chances for future increase.

These conditions are general, White has noted, but he considers that in Central Oregon the livestock industry will rapidly build up. Central Oregon's advantages as a natural feeding ground, both because of the quality and quantity of hay produced, and because of the rapid, easy run of the Portland market, make it especially desirable to bring in feeders until the natural increase from the flocks and herds of resident ranchers take care of the hay surplus.

BENHAM FALLS TRACT IS LOST

POWER SITE SELECTED BY RAILWAY COMPANY, THEN RELINQUISHED, DENIED REINSTATEMENT BY DEPARTMENT.

Reinstatement of the selection of a tract of land at Benham Falls for a site, originally selected by the Northern Pacific Railway company and conveyed to the Bend Water, Light & Power Co., has been denied by First Assistant Secretary Finney of the department of the interior. The railway company had acquiesced when the selection was held for cancellation by the land office.

Later, following the celebrated "Wyoming" decision last year, the company applied for reinstatement, and it is this application which is denied, in the face of a withdrawal for power purposes by the government and the disposal of the base lands by the company, it is understood.

BEND TO STAUFFER MAIL BIDS CALLED

Not satisfied with bids previously submitted, the postoffice department has readvertised for offers for the carrying of the mail from Bend to Stauffer. The round trip is made twice a week, and the present pay is \$3,496.70 a year.