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A COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

PROPOSITION TO BE SUBMITTED AT THE JUNE ELECTION.

How Being Circulated Throughout the County to Place it on Ballot --The State Law.

The proposition of submitting to voters of this county at the annual election the establishment of a county high school has been much talked by those interested in our educational affairs for the past two months with the result that petitions have been sent out and numerous signatures for that purpose according to the state law enacted in 1901.

The establishment of a county high school would be of great benefit to the people of this county if as provided for under the law it would not prove burdensome to the taxpayers. There is no question as to its coming to a vote, as many more than the required number of signatures have already been attached. As it appears many do not understand this law we give the following sections below. Owing to the length of the Times-Herald cannot publish the law in full, but give such as bears particularly on the essential parts:

Section 5. There may be established in any county in this state one or more county high schools; provided, that at any general election held in said county after the passage of this act a majority of all the votes cast at such election upon the proposition to establish a county high school shall be in favor of establishing and maintaining such county high school or schools at the expense of said county.

Section 6. The county court, at any general election to be held in any county after the passage of this act, upon the presentation of a petition signed by one hundred or more qualified electors, taxpayers of said county, must submit the question of maintaining a county high school to the qualified electors of the county. The county court, if it deems it expedient, may order a general election for such purpose. The election shall be conducted in the manner provided by law for conducting elections. The ballots for such election shall contain the words, "For County High School, Yes," "For County High School, No," and the voter shall indicate his choice as provided in the Australian ballot law.

Section 7. If the majority of all the votes cast on the proposition to establish a county high school are in the affirmative, it shall be the duty of the county court, within thirty days after canvassing said vote, locate said school in some suitable and convenient place in said county. The county court shall also estimate the cost of purchasing a suitable lot, erecting a building and furnishing the same for the accommodation of such school, with the cost of conducting such school for the next twelve months; provided, that the county court or the high school board, as herein constituted, may rent suitable rooms for the accommodation of the school. If rooms can be obtained in the public school buildings in the place in which said school shall be located, they shall be given the preference; provided further, that said board may contract with the board of directors of any district in the county that now maintains a school of high school grade to teach all county high school pupils at a rate per capita, or in the aggregate, as they may deem right and just, and shall pay for the same out of the high school fund.

Section 15. The course of study for high schools in this state shall embrace a period of four years above the eighth grade of the public schools of this state, and shall contain two years of required work, which shall be uniform in all high schools of the state. Such course of study for the two years of required work shall be laid down by the Superintendent of Public Instruction, after due consultation with all county and district high

school boards in the state. The course of study for the two years of optional work in all high schools shall be laid down by the county high school board in the county, or the district school board in case of district high schools, after due consultation with the State Superintendent of Public Instruction; provided, that in any high school of this state it may be provided by the directors thereof that all or part of the two years of optional work in the high school course shall be devoted to industrial training. In high schools where industrial training is made part of the course the required studies and industrial training may be interspersed throughout the four years high school work, as may be deemed best by the board of directors of such school.

Section 19. All county high school in this state shall be free to all pupils of school age in such county who pass or may have passed successfully the eighth grade uniform final examinations. Approved February 26, 1901.

A Cure For Eczema

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Electricity for Ontario.

E. H. Test and A. S. Soliss, who were recently granted a franchise by the city council for an electric light and power plant, will soon begin operations on the same, and it will not be long before electricity will be the go in the Queen City of Eastern Oregon. Our citizens should do all in their power to aid the project by contracting for as many lights as possible, for it is a huge undertaking on the part of Messrs. Test and Soliss, and they should be encouraged in every possible way in their laudable enterprise. Everything good is coming to Ontario.—Argus.

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Will Leave Long Creek.

C. E. Coe, editor of the Long Creek Ranger, whose office was blown up with dynamite on Feb. 7, has received letters threatening his life, and that of his family's if he persists in publishing the paper in his residence as was his intention, after the office was destroyed.

He has been warned to leave the county on peril of death, and will settle up his affairs and move away. He will make every effort to locate the persons who destroyed his office, and serious trouble is expected before the matter is entirely settled. The trouble is thought to have extended to the settlers, who take sides in the difficulties, and a genuine feud is being nurtured in the interior of Grant county. Officials expect to hear of a killing every day, as many prominent citizens of the county are identified with the controversy, which resulted in the destruction of the Ranger office.—East Oregonian

BONTA ROAD A SURE THING

TO CONNECT WITH A TRANSCONTINENTAL LINE.

Bonds for Construction Floated in New York and Work Will Commence in The Early Spring.

A link of steel from Baker City to the Golden Gate.

That is the dream of railroad builders in this part of the world. Think for a moment what it will mean.

It will mean that the trade of an empire will be brought to the doors of the merchants of the world.

It will mean that all of South-eastern Oregon—thirty odd million of railroadless acres—will be brought into touch with civilization.

It will mean that those thirty odd million railroadless acres will leap forward in a development unprecedented in the history of the whole West.

Let us see how much of a dream this steel link between the Blue Mountains of Oregon and the Golden Gate really is.

Arrangements are being made for the construction of a 25 mile extension of the Klamath Lake railroad from its present terminus at Pokegama to Keno, on the Klamath River. When completed this extension will bring passengers from San Francisco into railroad connection with Klamath Falls, the Metropolitan of South Central Oregon. The point at which the Klamath Lake road strikes the Pacific's main line, is a small station named Laird's about two miles north of Ager, California. The distance from Ager to San Francisco is 389 miles. It is about the same distance from Baker City.

Prior to the construction of the Klamath Lake Railroad, there was hope that the Columbia Southern would extend from Shaniko to Klamath and tap the rich and growing trade of that region for the benefit of Portland merchants. With its usual dilatoriness the Harriman outfit, which is back of the Columbia Southern, permitted the California people to reach the goal first.

From authoritative sources the information comes to the Herald that the bonds for the construction of the Bonta railway from Baker City to Prairie City have floated in New York and that the actual construction will commence as soon as the weather will permit. It is further learned that one of the considerations of the floating of the Bonta bonds, was that the railway should not be simply a jerkwater line to afford an outlet for the mines of the Grant county region, but it should be a part of a system of great magnitude and assist in the industrial development of a vast inland Empire in South Central and Southeastern Oregon.

The Herald is not at liberty to divulge the source of this information but it can assure the reading public that Major Bonta has succeeded in his efforts to float the bonds and that work on the railway will commence this spring.

Instead of the road being a trolley line, operated by electricity it is stated that steam will be the motive power, in order that the line may become part of a transcontinental system.

Major Bonta, projector of the line has been in New York for two months perfecting the details of his flotation. He is expected to arrive in Baker City about the fifteenth of March.—Baker City Herald.

Do Assessors Hold Over.

Do county assessors now in office hold two years longer under the act of 1903 extending the term of office to four years, is a question which will be submitted to the Attorney General for an opinion. The Assessors now in office were elected under a law which prescribed two years as the term of office. In 1903 the legislature amended the law so as to read that "there shall be elected at the general election by the qualified electors of each county in this state a county assessor or who shall hold his office for the

term of four years, and until his successor is elected and qualified." There is nothing in the act which specifies whether assessors now in office shall be affected by the new law. It has been generally supposed that the present incumbents would retire when two-year terms have ended, but there may be some doubt about this.

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Must Answer to Federal Court.

Thos. O'Brien, who skipped out with the U. S. mail while carrying the same between Lawen and Venator in Harney county, must answer to the federal court for his crime.

He was arrested in Nevada and brought to Burns on a charge of stealing a team and wagon, but the officials delivered him up to the federal authorities to be tried on the more serious charge of embezzling U. S. mail. O'Brien was brought to this city Saturday by Postoffice Inspector Clark and he was given a hearing before U. S. Commissioner Ward. He waived an examination and failing to give the bond required \$2000, was committed to Multnomah county jail. O'Brien is being held in this city until the arrival of an officer from Portland.—Blue Mt Eagle.

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WILL EXTEND TO LAKEVIEW

COLUMBIA SOUTHERN CLAIMS THAT AS OBJECTIVE POINT.

Original Plan of The Line Will be Carried Out According to President Lytle --Delay is Possible.

That the Columbia Southern still has as its objective point Lakeview and opening up the whole Southern Oregon district east of the Cascades, was confirmed by President Lytle in answer to a question from the Telegram.

"I know of no reason for changing the original aim," said he, "though our energies are now being devoted to carrying out plans to build as far as Bend. That is where our stake is set for the present and to which we must build before setting another stake further beyond. But it was our original intention to build to Lakeview, and I know of nothing to change our purpose. We feel that the country is naturally tributary to Portland, and this city should have access to the trade."

A. Y. Beach, editor of the Lake County Examiner, who has been for years diligently at work in every possible direction to promote the development of that country, says: "Nothing short of the extension of the Columbia Southern will ever make Lake county a portion of Oregon, and make it build up like it should. California has our trade and will keep it until this or a similar road is built."

"The Union Pacific Company surveyed a line through this county in 1899 and we understood intended to construct a line through our virgin empire, but it has not done so."

"The N. C. O. branch surveyed a line from Reno to Lakeview before the Columbia Southern was thought of, and gave out information that it would build here, but has not done so." Now the fact remains that no road penetrates Lake county.

Irrigation and agricultural enterprises in process of organization or already almost accomplished leave no doubt of the value of local business in the vast territory east of the Cascades to any railroad that builds to that section. The Columbia Southern has evinced its determination by building to its present terminus and the positive announcement that the road will be extended to Bend as soon as possible. When the line is completed to that point passenger and freight automobiles will be operated to provide rapid transportation to the interior until such time as the track can be extended. The policy of the management of the road is well defined in the brief utterance of President Lytle. Promises have not been recklessly made, and the management has consistently striven to push construction only when certain of its ability to complete the work to a given objective point, after which plans for further extension have received immediate consideration. For this reason the people of that section have faith in the completion of the line and the renewed assurance of its president invites confidence.

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