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ONE IRRIGATION DISTRICT PLAN.

In another column will be found a communication from C. B. McConnell on the matter of irrigation districts. He asks for expressions on the subject and is ready to aid in any manner decided upon if the water users can get together.

The Times-Herald has heard the matter discussed more or less during the past few days and finds there is quite a few favorable to the one disassembling putting it that one district would be stronger and could really do more than if there were three where a possible difference of opinion would arise as to the rights of each district. In addition to this advantage it is pointed out that if the big concerns, the P. L. S. C., Hanley Co. and Colonization Co., will really join in one district it will mean a united front and bring results that otherwise could not be accomplished.

The Times-Herald suggested before that a district formed of the actual water users of the Silvies River would bring about better results, as thus there would be no contention as to whether there was water to spare after the present users had been supplied. The matter of whether there is a surplus has always been a bone of contention. By those who have been recognized as having rights by the State Board alone making up the district this will not enter into the affair and thus bring about a more amicable arrangement to begin with. After this organization has gotten things adjusted and there is a surplus, they are the ones to dispose of it.

The Times-Herald hopes the subject will not be dropped but taken up and carried forward. It is to the best interests of every individual in the county and especially to those who have water rights. They should be getting in shape to find just what they have and how it may be put to best use.

ORGANIZED POISONING OF RABBITS BEST.

The Times-Herald is in receipt of information from private sources touching upon the proposition of getting rid of the rabbit pests in this county. It has caused the matter to be brought to the attention of the proper department heads of the government at Washington and hopes to have some authentic first hand information on the subject in the immediate future.

The matter should have attention at once. If we are to get aid from the government, and this is possible by merely showing an interest and asking for it, we should settle on this plan. Those interested should go before the county court with a request for a conference and should the court show a disposition to aid in the work it can soon be under way.

The United States Biological Bureau maintains a corps of experts who make it their business to aid in just such work and all that is necessary is to ask for their assistance and it is forthcoming. They spend all their time assisting in the control of rabbits, rodents of all kinds, in fact, as well as grasshoppers and other insect pests. According to information received at the office the Biological Bureau of the United States has kept a careful record of the cost of killing rodents since 1884 and this proves conclusively that there is no comparison between the bounty system and the use of organized poison, especially when it comes to permanence, thoroughness as well as cost.

Two counties in North Dakota were financially embarrassed not so long ago through the bounty system and relieved only by the state taking up the organized bounty system.

It is contended that the bounty has been a success in the past. That is true to a certain extent but only temporarily, and besides the cost has been entirely too great for the benefits received. By way of comparison we cite an adjoining county, that of Crook and Deschutes, where the organized poisoning was taken up and rabbits were killed with strychnine at a cost of one-tenth of a cent each. How is that compared with 5 cents each?

One writer gives figures of the superintendent in charge of rodent control in an adjoining state, who quotes 18 cents each for rabbit hides

by one St. Louis firm. This, however, does not correspond with figures given us by our friend, J. O. Butler who was a caller at this office during the present week. Mr. Butler stated he had been shipping rabbit hides to a St. Louis firm during the present season and that the price given was hardly worth the trouble to ship the hides. The Times-Herald is making an investigation of the market for rabbit hides.

Mr. Butler said he had recently been over in Catlow and that residents of that section state it is useless to put in crops this season unless something is done toward the control of the rabbits. This is true in other parts of the county, no doubt, and it is right that the county should aid in the work. If we can rid ourselves of the pests for a small cost why not take advantage of it? It is within our reach and The Times-Herald is confident the county court will take the matter up with the people and give such aid as within its power.

Poison may be obtained through the Biological Survey at rates much more reasonable. The Government is ready with its trained men to help. This is certainly the better way to do it.

"FLU" PROBLEM STILL BEFORE US.

V. F. Wray came over from Bend Wednesday. This is the first trip he has made with his stage for several days. Mr. Wray states the influenza has been responsible for a slackening in the travel therefore his stage has not continued the runs between this place and Bend as frequently as before.

The people of this vicinity have patiently waited for an improvement in the situation but we still have cases. Some have said the quarantine of homes where the disease prevails is not strict enough. The Times-Herald is not making this statement in a spirit of criticism but merely giving it as a phase of the situation and to bring this viewpoint before the public. The Boise Statesman in a recent issue gives the information that hereafter a very rigid quarantine would be enforced in that city where influenza develops and that none will be permitted to leave the house.

Mr. Wray states that Bend has a few cases of influenza but that the schools are open and gatherings are permitted in the usual way. Church services, lodge meetings, theatres, dances, etc., are all allowed as before and that it does not appear to bring any bad results. According to Mr. Wray the school authorities have engaged the services of a trained nurse who watches the children at the schools and if she finds a suspicious case she sends the child home until it is ascertained whether it is a case of influenza or not.

However it may be the influenza is still a problem that causes concern and the authorities should be given such backing by the general public in whatever course is decided upon. Here in Burns the authorities have put a ban on gatherings of any character since along in October. The schools have been closed. Very few cases have developed among the children but the older ones continue to develop it and there are several cases at present.

THE PRESBYTERIAN SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Contributed.
There is an old saying, "What can't be cured, must be endured." Not being permitted to meet at Sunday School on Sunday morning, the pastor will distribute the Sunday School papers and some helps, so you can keep in touch with the Sunday School life. At which time the pastor will take an offering. This will go toward paying for our supplies while we have had no Sunday School. The Sunday School needs you, and you need the Sunday School. Collection this week \$4.15.

Do you know that the church receives more new members through the Organized Sunday School, than from all other sources combined, several times over. Do you know that 80 per cent of all conversions occur under 20 years of age, and 96 per cent, under 25 years of age?

Do you know there are more than 20,000,000 boys and girls of the teen age in North America? Do you know that 89 per cent of all church members come through the Sunday School? Do you know that it is easier to win a boy or girl for Christ than to win a man or woman? Do you know that only one church member in four in North America is in Sunday School at all?

Do you go to Sunday School? If not why not? If you are a Sunday School scholar and not getting your papers, phone the pastor as the people are new to him and he does not know where you all live.

Do your bit for this worthy cause.



Upon being informed of the death of Colonel Roosevelt President Wilson issued a proclamation which was cabled from Paris, directing the Secretaries of War and Navy to render suitable military honor. Capitol flags were lowered at his direction.

No. 6295. Report of the condition of the FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BURNS

In the State of Oregon, at the close of business, Dec. 31, 1918.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and Discounts	454,228.30
Notes and bills rediscounted (other than bank acceptances sold)	144,327.76
U. S. Bonds (other than Liberty Bonds, but including U. S. certificates of indebtedness)	229,910.54
U. S. Bonds deposited to secure obligations	50,000.00
U. S. Bonds and certificates of indebtedness pledged to secure U. S. deposits	50,000.00
U. S. Bonds and certificates of indebtedness pledged to secure Postal Savings Deposits	1,000.00
Total U. S. Bonds	31,000.00
Liberty Loan Bonds, up-pledged	10,000.00
Liberty Loan Bonds pledged to secure U. S. deposit	1,000.00
Liberty Loan Bonds, pledged to secure State or other deposits or bills payable	23,000.00
Bonds other than U. S. bonds pledged to secure postal savings deposits	1,000.00
Securities other than U. S. bonds owned unpledged	28,551.23
Stock of Federal Reserve Bank	2,000.00
Value of banking house	4,000.00
Furniture and fixtures	4,100.00
Legal reserve with Federal Reserve Bank	57,537.40
Cash in vault and net amount due from national banks	60,938.60
Net amount due from banks and bankers, and trust companies other than above	1,234.83
Checks on other banks in the same city or town as reporting bank	468.60
Total of last five items	362,667.23
Checks on banks located outside of city or town of reporting bank and other cash items	2,129.49
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer	2,500.00
Interest earned but not collected—approximate—on Notes and Bills	6,246.78
Other assets, if any	1,118.37
Total	\$661,995.91
LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	\$50,000.00
Surplus	50,000.00
Undivided profits	42,707.41
Interst and discount collected or credited, in advance of maturity and not earned (approximate)	4,581.42
Circulating notes outstanding	50,000.00
Demand deposits subject to Reserve: Individual deposit subject to check	293,689.45
Certificates Deposits due in less than 30 days	78,940.89
Certified checks	200.07
Cashier's checks outstanding	10,054.79
Other demand deposits	2,187.81
Total demand deposits subject to Reserve	345,076.49
Time Deposits Subject to Reserve: Certificates of deposits	68,281.96
Postal savings deposits	165.87
Total time deposits, subject to Reserve	68,447.83
United States Deposits: United States deposits, including deposits of U. S. disbursing officers	2,007.70
Bills payable, with Federal Reserve Bank	25,000.00
Cash letters of credit and Travelers checks outstanding	1,145.00
Total	\$661,995.91
Liabilities for rediscount, including those of the Federal Reserve Bank	141,827.76

STATE OF OREGON,
COUNTY OF HARNEY,
I, E. H. CONNER, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

E. H. CONNER, Cashier.

Correct—Attest:
R. T. HONEY
GRANT THOMPSON
A. C. WELCH

Directors
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of January, 1919.
Herbert J. King, Notary Public.
My Commission expires June 6, 1922.

MIGRATORY BIRD LAW IS DECLARED INVALID

Washington—The federal migratory bird law of 1913, under which the government for the first time exerted authority over prescribed "closed seasons" for wild birds which habitually migrate from state to state with the varying seasons, was in effect declared invalid Tuesday by the supreme court which dismissed on the government's motion an appeal from a decision of the Arkansas federal district court holding the statute unconstitutional.

Our sympathies are with the senate. It is like a huge intelligent school without a teacher. Bills are hopping in one window and out the other without the thorough discussion they merit. Some talk has it that the President has been offered a college presidency at \$20,000 a year—but it would be wise to see how he is going to unmix this awkward situation facing him upon his return in the greatest school of the land. In the meanwhile, senators, keep your balance; don't be like the men going to be beheaded who said, "If someone don't hurry up with this affair, we shall all lose our heads."

Archie Cross is down from his home on Trout Creek.

NOTICE OF STOCKHOLDERS MEETING.

The annual stockholders meeting of the Inter-Mountain Telephone and Telegraph Co., will be held in Burns, Monday January 13th 1919. Election of directors and other matters of importance will be brought up at this meeting.

P. T. RANDALL,
Secretary.

CHINA SENDS NAVAL DIPLOMAT HERE.



China has realized, at last, the importance of close diplomatic relations with this nation, and, as a result, is building up its Washington in all branches. Here is in Teh-Yuen-Lu, the first naval attaché ever assigned here. He has been promoted to Secretary of Navy Affairs and State Department officials.

Wm. Farre
Agent for
Colonial Fire Underwriters
Assets \$20,000,000.00
and
North British & Mercantile Ins. Co.
American assets \$10,000,000.00
Don't delay taking out a policy in a good strong company until after your house has burnt down.

WHY NOT TRY POISONING AND SEE?
The Times-Herald has received a recipe that is one authorized by the government in killing rabbits. It suggests that some one in a position to do so use it and watch the results. Here it is:
One oz. strychnine sulphate; dissolve in two gallons of hot water and apply to 10 pounds of alfalfa hay tops.
J. O. Butler stated while in this office the other day that the rabbits were quite thick in the neighborhood of Narrows, also around the P. Ranch. We suggest that the formula be used at some such place on a small scale and let us have the result. With rabbit skins selling at a reasonable amount and the poison giving the result it is claimed this should prove a good investment for any one who desires to make a business of it for the winter months.

Geo. Bolenbaugh is in town.
WARRANT CALL.
Notice is hereby given that there are sufficient funds on hand to pay off all General Fund warrants issued on or before December 5, 1918. Interest ceases Jan. 13, 1919.
W. Y. KING,
County Treasurer.
Was Restless At Night.
Sufferers from kidney trouble experience backache, rheumatic pains, aches in joints and muscles, shooting pains and other torturous afflictions. E. W. King, R. F. D. 2, Box 20, Portland, Ore., writes: "I used Foley's Kidney Pills as I was so restless at night with pains in the small of my back and side. They did me good. Sold by Reed Bros."

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