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THE MEDFORD WATER ELECTION.

To an outside observer it would appear that the electors of Medford should have but little trouble in deciding how to mark their ballots at the coming water election. Three proposals have been submitted, one from the Crater Lake Lumber Company at a cost of \$277,410.00; one from the Fish Lake Ditch Company at a cost of \$254,100.00, and one from the Condor Water and Power Company at a cost of \$197,000.00.

The Crater Lake people contemplate the use of an elevated wooden flume, 25 miles long and through a rough, timbered country, and also a V-shaped flume alongside the water flume, on the same foundation for carrying lumber, wood, etc., for the benefit of the lumber company exclusively. An elevated wooden flume does not appear to offer a very safe nor permanent means for delivering water to a city which expects to grow within a few years to 25,000 or 50,000 people. There are too many contingencies which might arise at any time that would put a wooden flume out of business. A fallen tree, a forest fire, a flood, a landslide or a jam in the V-shaped lumber flume might at any time cut off the supply of water and leave the people of Medford "up against it" as hard as they were last Summer.

The offer of the Fish Lake Company contemplates the use of a pipe line all of the way, but there appears to be considerable doubt in Medford as to the quality of the Fish Lake water. The lake has been dammed at the outlet and the water raised and backed up over a large scope of adjacent timber and brush lands, where it is said to become stagnant and impure during the Summer season. Another serious objection which is being urged against this project is that there seems to be a question as to the water rights of this company, Mr. Hanley, owner of the Wasson canyon rights, having frequently been quoted as saying that he will attack the ditch company's right to divert water from Little Butte creek at the point named in their proposal.

The third proposal is from the Condor Water and Power Company. This company proposes to pump water from Rogue River by means of their electric power plant at Gold Ray and to filter the water into a 4,000,000 gallon reservoir near Medford. The length of the pipe line will be less than 10 miles, and the water rights and quantity of water for all future needs is absolutely unquestioned, while the use of a modern filtration plant will render the water absolutely pure. The water of the Willamette river, at Oregon City, after flowing the entire length of that valley and receiving the sewage and other impurities of that immense and closely populated region, is passed through a filtration plant and is said to be found by chemical analysis to be purer than Portland's Bull Run water. Another point that is urged in favor of this proposition is that the company proposes to sell water for irrigation purposes to farmers, fruit growers and gardeners all along the course of the pipe line, which will traverse the most fertile and richest portion of the Rogue River valley. This feature of the proposal will prove of inestimable advantage to Medford, as the future growth of that city must necessarily depend in great measure on the growth and de-

velopment of the surrounding country.

Rogue River is the logical source of water supply for this valley, furnishing as it does, and will, unlimited and cheap power for raising the water to any desired height for all uses, and it would appear to be the part of wisdom for our neighbors to start right in the beginning and secure an unquestioned supply for all time to come.

THE OREGON APPLE MAN.

Reading horticultural commission literature pertaining to the state of Oregon, or having even a passing knowledge of the facts of which this literature treats, there is no escape from the conviction that the Oregon apple man has every reason to be satisfied with what he has done and with what he expects to do. Take the statement of Horticultural Commissioner Carson of the third horticultural district, and we have a comprehensive summary of the Oregon apple man's felicitation. Mr. Carson asks: "If there is any competition between Oregon fruit and the fruit of the East, why is it that the Eastern fruitgrowers sell a barrel of their best quality apples, containing two and one-half bushels, for less than Oregon growers sell a single box containing one bushel?"

The Oregon apple man has been aware for some time that there is no possible competition between the fruit of the two sections. The fancy prices he has received for his apples in London and European markets, to say nothing of New York, has been the assurance of the superiority of Oregon fruit. This one fact, more pronouncedly perhaps than any other, has established Oregon's reputation as the land of the apple. The Oregon apple man has profited by it beyond any other apple man in the country, as his bank account will show. And there is opportunity in the state for a multiplication of his tribe.

We may safely say that the cultivation of this one staple fruit will always be one of the chief industries of the state. In its future there is an almost inconceivable warranty of wealth to the state, and of profit and content to the individual. The Oregon apple if properly presented is one of the strongest inducements for emigration among the Western home-seeking people of the East.—Portland Telegram.

PROTECT THE DEPOSITORS.

The bank failure at La Grande last week is another gentle reminder that the money of the people deposited in banks should be protected. Opponents of the bank guarantee plan claim that such a plan would result in reckless banking, but they fail to admit that the present unguaranteed plan has resulted, in innumerable instances in the past, in just such results as has overtaken the depositors of the La Grande institution. Every banker demands safe security on every loan he makes, which is right; the state and the nation also demand security for public funds deposited with the banks. Then why should not the people be given the same protection? But why should reckless banking result from the guarantee of deposits? Wouldn't every legitimate, conservative, honest banker keep a pretty close tab on every apparently "wildcat" institution that started up if he knew that he would be called upon to put up a proportionate share of the losses of that institution in case of failure? Wouldn't every man owning stock in a bank feel an interest in all bank employees and "take notice" if he happened to see, or hear of, one of them playing the races or the stock market or indulging in automobiles and wine suppers if he knew that he would be called upon to help put up the deficiency in case of an embezzlement?

The guarantee plan "looks good" to many people who, in order to carry on their business, are obliged to do business through the banks, and it is probable that it looks more attractive to scores of La Grande people than it did two weeks ago.

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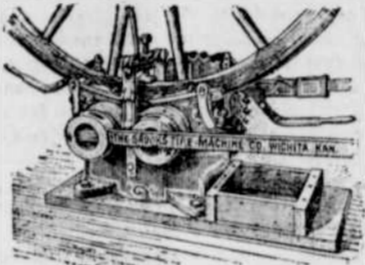
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NOTICE OF PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roseburg, Oregon, August 27, 1908. Notice is hereby given that Charles E. Marzine, of Trail, Jackson County, Oregon, who, on October 2, 1908, made Timber Application, No. 61649, for North West 1/4, Section 18, Township 33, South, Range 1 East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before W. H. Canon, U. S. Commissioner, at Medford, Oregon, on the 18th day of December, 1908. Claimant names as witnesses: Albert Marzine, of Trail, Oregon; Bert Hurst, of Central Point, Oregon; Charles Conrad, of Medford, Oregon; and George Blass, of Trail, Oregon. BENJAMIN L. EDDY, Register.

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roseburg, Oregon, October 2, 1908. Notice is hereby given that Margaret M. Stepp, of Brownboro, Jackson County, Oregon, who, on October 8, 1908, made Timber Application, No. 61781, for South 1/2, Section 18, Township 33, South, Range 1 East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before W. H. Canon, U. S. Commissioner, at Medford, Oregon, on the 21st day of December, 1908. Claimant names as witnesses: Charles Oberchain, of Butte Falls, Oregon; John Isell, of Brownboro, Oregon; Charles Edmondson and John Oberchain, of Butte Falls, Oregon. BENJAMIN L. EDDY, Register.

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Timber Land, Act June 3, 1878.—NOTICE OF PUBLICATION.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, Roseburg, Oregon, May 6, 1908. Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1902, William Fletcher Parker, of Portland, county of Multnomah, State of Oregon, filed in this office on April 28, 1908, his sworn statement, No. 10027, for the purchase of the South-west one-quarter (SW 1/4) of Section No. 14, in Township No. 33 South, Range No. 4 West, W. M. Ore., and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the Register and Receiver of this office, at Roseburg, Oregon, on Thursday, the 7th day of January, 1909. He names as witnesses: William McQuirk, James Hart and Thomas Leonard, of Portland, Oregon; and George Pease, of Placer, Oregon. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 7th day of January, 1909. BENJAMIN L. EDDY, Register.

Timber Land Act, June 3, 1878.—NOTICE OF PUBLICATION.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, Roseburg, Oregon, May 1, 1908. Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1902, James M. Hart, of 290 Third St., Portland, county of Multnomah, State of Oregon, filed in this office on January 25, 1908, his sworn statement, No. 9873, for the purchase of the North-west quarter of Section No. 14, in Township No. 33, South of Range No. 4 West, W. M. Ore., and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the Register and Receiver of this office, at Roseburg, Oregon, on Saturday, the 28th day of November, 1908. He names as witnesses: W. F. Parker, Thomas Leonard and W. H. McGouirk, of Portland, Oregon; and George Pease, of Placer, Oregon. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 28th day of November, 1908. BENJAMIN L. EDDY, Register.

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roseburg, Oregon, August 27, 1908. Notice is hereby given that William A. Aiklen, of Medford, Oregon, who, on August 27, 1908, made Timber Application, No. 61092 for SW 1/4 of Section 1, Township 33 South, Range 2 East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before W. H. Canon, U. S. Commissioner, at Medford, Oregon, on the 14th day of November, 1908. Claimant names as witnesses: William T. Griev, Kate M. Griev, Robert B. Vincent and Ervin McCall, all of Prospect, Oregon. BENJAMIN L. EDDY, Register.

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roseburg, Oregon, September 14, 1908. Notice is hereby given that Allie E. Klippel, of Jacksonville, Oregon, who, on September 14, 1908, made timber application, No. 61223, for NE 1/4, Section 8, Township 33 South, Range 1 West, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before W. H. Canon, U. S. Commissioner, at Medford, Oregon, on the 3rd day of December, 1908. Claimant names as witnesses: William H. Brigham, Durkin J. Van Dyke, Charles Shyrman and Joseph Miller, all of Trail, Oregon. BENJAMIN L. EDDY, Register.

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