

# LAIDLAW CHRONICLE

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 1906.

## OUR TICKET

For President  
Theodore Roosevelt.

Washington declared, in her convention, for Roosevelt for a second elective term. So it will be all over the Nation for the people demand the renomination and election of Theodore Roosevelt and their mandate will be obeyed.

All the talk that went the rounds of the democratic press a few years ago, shouting "Imperialism" has proven about as stable and shown the foresight of that party's leaders to be just about as keen as usual. It occurs to us that the little unpleasantness in Cuba just now is a pretty strong endorsement of the republican party's policy with reference to the Philippines and Porto Rico. Those hot blooded fellows are no more capable of independent self government than a child. Uncle Sam should spank Cuba, annex her and give her a chance to develop her natural resources.

It appears from recent developments that the administration has not been persecuting very many innocent persons after all. We regret that Oregon has been so deceived by many of her public servants but we are glad that their misdeeds are being laid bare and a purification made that will bear good fruit in the future.

Oregon is a great state and it is well that now on the eve of her greatest development this purging has taken place. Some of our servants in high places have gone wrong but we have as good men and true as any state in the Union to take charge of the affairs of state and from now henceforth we will have clean politics and clean men in the public service of Oregon.

The first annual fair ever held in the irrigated section of Crook county was held at Redmond on Sept. 20, 21, and 22 and the result was to forever dispell any doubt as to the fertility of our soil and the adaptability of our climate to the production of all kinds of farm, garden and orchard products.

We have attended many fairs but never before have we seen so uniformly good a display from new lands as we saw at Redmond. Corn, wheat, oats, barley, rye, timothy, clover, alfalfa, vetch, root crops of every kind, peas, beans, tomatoes and fruits in profusion.

The potatoes and sugar beets were the finest we ever saw, not excepting the famous Colorado varieties. The kitchen and dairy products were exceptionally good and the art and needle work were especially worthy of mention.

We are proud of the showing made by the country on our side of the river, our people carrying away fifteen 1st and seven 2nd premiums. Elsewhere we give the list of premium winners.

If you are entitled to a premium the rule requires you to make a written demand for it within 30 days from the close of the fair and should address your demand to E. C. Park, Redmond, Ore.

Salem, Oregon,  
September 22, 1906.

Laidlaw Chronicle,  
Laidlaw, Oregon.  
Gentlemen—  
For your information I herewith inclose copy of letter this day sent to the Columbia Southern Irrigating Company relative to the adoption of rules for the distribution of water. I also inclose printed copy of rules submitted to the Board. These are the same as those adopted by the Company on March 25, 1906, but disapproved by the State Land Board, with the exception of rule 7 which was formerly as follows—

"If from natural cause, there should be a shortage in the water supply, then the amount to which each person shall be entitled shall represent such part of the aggregate quantity of water as his full amount bears to the

total amount of water under all water rights sold on said segregation. In case of shortage due to damage to ditches, dams or flumes, which the Company, exercising ordinary prudence could have avoided, a proportionate deduction shall be made by the Company in its annual charge for maintenance."

Yours very truly,  
G. G. Brown,  
Clerk, State Land Board.

September 11, 1906.

Columbia Southern Irrigating Co.,  
Hamilton Building,  
Portland, Oreg.

Gentlemen—  
I am in receipt of yours of the 29<sup>th</sup> ultimo, enclosing what purports to be rules for the disposition of water upon the land sought to be reclaimed by your company, and same was brought to the attention of the Board and I am directed to inform you that after due consideration the Board are unwilling to approve the same for reasons that have heretofore been fully explained to you. Your company is still continuing to act under rules which have never been approved by the Board and therefore are not recognized as binding either upon the Board or the settlers.

Yours very truly,  
G. G. Brown,  
Clerk, State Land Board.  
The rules, as submitted and rejected, follow:

### RULES AND REGULATIONS

(1) The Columbia Southern Irrigating Company, its successors and assigns (for convenience hereinafter called the company), will furnish a supply of water for the irrigable land in each tract in the segregation described in the contract between its predecessor in interest and the State of Oregon, and the contract concerning the same between the Secretary of the Interior of the United States and the State of Oregon, sufficient under reasonably skillful irrigation and cultivation, to thoroughly irrigate and reclaim it and prepare it to raise ordinary agricultural crops in accordance with law and contracts heretofore entered into between the company's said predecessor and the State of Oregon and between the State of Oregon and the Secretary of the Interior of the United States.

(2) The irrigation season shall be from April 1 to November 1 of each year, and during the period of maximum use from May 23 to August 20 (90 days) of each year the Company shall deliver to each settler, his heirs, personal representatives or assigns, owning lands reclaimed by contract with the State of Oregon (for convenience hereinafter called "the Settler") an amount of water, measured at the point of delivery to his land, which will cover each acre of irrigable land to a depth of one and eight-tenths (1.8) feet, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to thoroughly irrigate and reclaim said lands and prepare them to raise ordinary crops, as provided in rule number one [1].

(3) Water shall be delivered to the lands of each settler at the highest practicable point or points which can be reached by a gravity flow, which point or points are best adapted to reclaim all the irrigable lands owned by such settler. Said point or points of delivery shall be ascertained and determined by the Chief Engineer of the Company, and in case of dispute between the Chief Engineer of the Company and the settler as to the proper point of delivery, the question shall be submitted to the State Engineer and the Engineer of the Company, who shall choose a third arbitrator in case of disagreement, their decision to be final.

(4) The settler shall construct all necessary distributing ditches from the point or points of delivery to his lands, for the proper irrigation of his lands and shall keep the same in good repair at his own cost and expense.

(5) The annual maintenance charge shall be paid on the irrigable land in each tract on or before June 1st in each season, but if the settler desires further time in which to pay said maintenance charge, upon signing a contract giving the Company a lien for the amount of such charge upon all his interest in the land to be irrigated, then he may have until November 1st of the same season within which to pay the same, without additional charge for interest.

—Continued next week—

## Column Laidlaw Development League

All citizens of Laidlaw and vicinity eligible to membership. Initiative fee \$1.00. Regular meetings the last Friday in each month at 8 P. M.

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A Bulletin representative was in Laidlaw the first of the week and while there saw an exhibit of grain, grasses and vegetables that had been grown in that vicinity that adds much proof to the enthusiastic statements of settlers in this region that the upper Deschutes valley is one of the most fertile spots in the West.

For the benefit of The Bulletin's many readers living at distant points who are interested in this country but who are not acquainted with local geography, we will say that Laidlaw is situated on the west bank of the Deschutes river about eight miles north of Bend.

The samples in many instances were grown on land lying between Laidlaw, Tumalo and Bend, and were raised on land that has been cultivated only a year or two. No region can make a better showing than has the upper Deschutes valley during the present season, and such exhibits as the one at Laidlaw give ample evidence of the truth of this statement. Following is a brief description of the samples of grain. All this grain produced heavy yields, the stalks being topped with large heads filled with fine plump kernels of grain. The list follows:

J. N. B. Gerkling—Big Club wheat, 56 inches tall; Blue Stem wheat, 52 inches; Red Chaff wheat, 38 inches; winter oats 5 1/2 feet tall with head clusters 20 inches long; alfalfa, 42 inches high.  
J. M. Siry—Oats, 5 feet; rye, 8 feet.

G. W. Wimer & Sons—Alfalfa, 45 inches.  
B. S. Cook—Red clover, 32 inches.

G. W. Moore—Violet Chaff wheat, heads six inches long.  
Columbia Southern Irrigation Co.—Shadeland Wonder oats, 48 inches; Eldorado King oats, 45 inches; timothy, 52 inches.

F. V. Swisher—Oats, 6 feet, 2 inches high.

Frank Murk—Timothy, 4 1/2 feet high, with heads 9 1/2 inches long.  
J. M. Patton—Barley, 4 1/2 feet tall on dry land without irrigation.

W. N. Ray—Beardless barley, 4 feet tall without irrigation.

A. D. Parks—Millet, sowed June 28 and on Sept. 2 stood 5 1/2 feet tall. Mrs. Parks has many fine ripe tomatoes.

W. W. Long—Corn, 8 feet tall; tame Lamb's Quarter, 8 feet tall with roots; good sized watermelons and large, fine Blue Victor potatoes.

Many of the best exhibits were at Boise, Idaho, on exhibition at the National Irrigation Congress. Those who were in attendance at this congress report that this exhibit was one of the very best there.

—Bend Bulletin.

## A NOTICE!

Laidlaw, Oregon, Sept. 22, 1906.  
On account of changing residence the proprietress of New T. Cash store, Laidlaw, hereby announces closing-out sale commencing Sept. 24th, and lasting till about the 10th of October. In the bargain are the latest style of Gents' Hats, Ladies' Gents', boy's, and girls' shoes also Dry goods just arrived new in the stock. House and Jar will also be for sale at low price.  
Miss E. H. Stenberg,  
Prop.

## REMINISCENCES

of  
HON. B. F. NICHOLS.

We have perfected arrangements with Honorable B. F. Nichols, who is well and favorably known throughout the Oregon and Washington country, to furnish to the Chronicle his "Reminiscences" of his trip "Across the Plains", including a period of time spent with Marcus Whitman, and of the history and progress of "Central Oregon" from the earliest settlement to the present.

This series of articles will begin with the starting of "Uncle Frank", as he is familiarly called by his many friends, from a point on the Missouri river near St. Joseph on the 10th day of May, 1844, for the long trip across the plains and will end with the present time. This story will be told in narrative form and will be intensely interesting to both old and new settlers. Mr. Nichols is over seventy years of age but has a vigorous mind and a happy faculty of expression.

These articles will appear in the Chronicle only, as they are copyrighted and all rights reserved. They will continue throughout the year and will be worth much more than the cost of subscription which is \$1.50 per year, 75 cts. for six mo.

You may send in your subscription with a request to have it begin with the first issue of the "Reminiscences" if you desire.

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