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CHRONICLE SURE TO WIN BIG SUCCESS VERDICT OF LEADING TYPE FOUNDRY

Portland, Ore., May 19, 1908.

J. A. and F. E. Seabury,
Laidlaw, Oregon.

Editors of the Chronicle:

We have just been looking over a copy of the Laidlaw Chronicle for May 14 and were wondering if you had made special efforts on this issue, or if it was just what the subscribers may expect each week from the Chronicle. You are certainly getting out an ideal country weekly paper, according to our way of thinking. A 2-color country weekly is unusual and it is not often you find a publisher who has the courage to attempt such a difficult task. We are confident the results will be worth the effort and add to the value of the paper as an advertising medium. Besides, the paper is chuck full of news, the makeup is good and it has a prosperous look from the number of of adds you are running. You deserve encouragement for attempting to give your subscribers a first class paper, and we are confident you will meet with success. You certainly have our best wishes.

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Sane Non-Resident Land Holders Will Take Little Stock in Latest Utterance of Segregation Barons, Whose Lame Exhortation Is to Be Answered Soon.

UNDER DATE OF MAY 19 the Columbia Southern Irrigating company, T. W. Clark, vice president and manager, sends out a very long letter to non-resident holders of land in the local segregation. The letter is a tissue of lies and will be answered next week by an eminently capable local citizen—The letter reads:

Portland Oregon, May 18, 1908.

Dear sir: It has come to the notice of the Columbia Southern Irrigating Company that about April 27th. last, a letter was sent you, ostensibly by one A. P. Donahue of Laidlaw, Oregon, but mailed at Portland, informing you of a suit now pending against the Company by the state of Oregon, making certain other statements and representations relative to the condition and affairs of said company and asking that you send one dollar as a membership fee in the "Recovery Association" and to defray expenses of other suits or proceedings against the Company, "to recover money heretofore paid by you" to this Company; that later you were sent a blank application for membership in the organization mentioned and a blank power of attorney.

Before signing such papers or taking part in such proceedings or joining said or any such organization, you are requested, by the company, to investigate fully certain facts briefly set forth in this letter and to consider the consequence of placing further obstructions to the completion of the work upon the segregation in the way of this company.

As a preliminary to your investigations it should be firmly established in your mind and remembered during all such investigations by you, that up to the present time this company has not failed in a single material particular in complying with the terms of its contract with the state of Oregon; that while there has been some delay during the past year and a half, in the work of the company as planned, the said delay has been due to causes over which the company had no control but which are temporary only; that therefore, at the present time, no cause of action whatsoever exists against the company, for no injury has been done to any one nor is there any injury imminent.

The company is prepared to carry out the project of irrigation and the said contract and while considerable change has been made from the the original plans, the same being necessitated by unforeseen conditions, in the five years or thereabouts remaining to the company in which to complete its said contract, the whole of the company's segregation will be thoroughly irrigated and prepared to raise ordinary agricultural crops. During all of the past five years work has been steadily progressing on the segregation, over one hundred and twenty-five (125) miles of ditches have been built and over one hundred and eight thousand dollars, ($108,000) has been expended in such work.

The ground upon which all opposition to and attack upon the company is being made is that "it has developed that there is insufficient water in Tumalo creek to irrigate more than twelve thousand acres". While it has been found that this statement is probably true as far as the natural flow of the said creek is concerned, it is admitted by the same statement and it is a fact that there is at present ample water therein to thoroughly irrigate all of the land now actually occupied, some two thousand five hundred (2,500) acres. Therefore no one is as yet in any way injured and the question is not material at this time and any action based on such ground is premature and without foundation, based not upon facts but upon anticipated injury in order to constitute a cause of action there must have been or be an actual injury or there must be imminent danger thereof. Neither here exists. Moreover, since discovering said condition of the water the company has planned to, and will, overcome the same by large storage reservoirs, one of which is to contain over eleven hundred acres. In fact, as a margin of safety, as the plans and specifications submitted by the predecessor show, a storage reservoir was contemplated and provided for as part of the water supply system. The discovery of the facts is to the natural flow of Tumalo creek will, therefore, require that the said plans and specifications be changed only as to the size and number of storage reservoirs and the canals and ditches in connection therewith and that the same be then constructed.

In the bill of complaint on file in said suit against the company, as the one material cause of action it is set forth that the company obtained its contract with the state for the reclamation of said land by fraud. Such fraud is alleged to consist in the following alleged facts: That there is not and never was sufficient water, at all seasons, in Tumalo creek to properly irrigate the whole of said segregation; that the same was known to the assignor of this company, the Three Sisters irrigation company, when it made application to the state for its contract; that it falsely represented to the state that there was sufficient water in said creek for said purpose; that relying on such representations the state entered into the present contract. Unless such allegations of fraud can be established by proof, said suit must fail. Such allegations cannot be established; they are not borne out by the facts.

[Lack of time and space precludes the publication of the remainder of this letter this week, but it will be printed in full next week. The answer, showing the "rot" it contains, will likewise be forthcoming from the pen of a prominent Laidlaw citizen. Editors.]

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