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INVESTIGATES WOOD RIVER.

"From the government standpoint everything is founded on commerce when it comes to the improvements of rivers and harbors. It makes little difference to it whether a stream is large or small, as a small stream might be just as valuable to a community as a large one to another section." Thus, in a nutshell, does Engineer Schubert sum up the conditions surrounding the improvement of Wood river. If it can be shown to the government that the amount of traffic to be carried on Wood river will be sufficient to justify the expense, if it will serve a large number of people, if it will make accessible to the outside world a large territory, and if it will result in the marketing of the products of that particular section in a quick and economical manner, then there will be no doubt but that the river will be so improved that it will accommodate small launches or boats of medium draft.

Mr. Schubert would not, of course, indicate what the nature of his report was going to be, and it will not become public property until it has been submitted to the Secretary of War, who must finally pass judgment on the matter. It is a safe prediction, however, to state that the report will be such that it will be favorably received by the government. This conclusion can be reached from the statement of Mr. Schubert that "there are no great obstacles to be overcome in making Wood river navigable." He stated, however, that it was his belief that the navigation of the stream would have to be confined to boats of light draft, thus making it possible for them to enter sloughs and out-of-the-way places, thus bringing into touch with the stream a greater territory than would otherwise be served.

The party, consisting of Engineer Schubert, B. St. Geo. Bishop, R. H. Dunbar, Judge Henry L. Benson, Judge George T. Baldwin, E. B. Hall and Mr. Maddox, returned to this city Tuesday.

They left this city on Mr. Bishop's launch Barbara last Sunday afternoon, arriving in Fort Klamath at 11 p. m. The party took the launch as far as Weed's bridge, and on Monday some of the Fort Klamath people accompanied Mr. Schubert around the valley during the forenoon.

In speaking of the valley, Mr. Schubert was most enthusiastic, both as to its possibilities and the beautiful mountain scenery surrounding it. "It is a beautiful country of wonderful resources," Mr. Schubert said, "and I fully believe, as a whole, the valley is bound to be very productive, and when subdivided will be a series of garden spots." Another feature that attracted his attention were the artesian wells in this vicinity, and it was his opinion, from the character of the country and rock formation, that artesian wells would be found all over the valley, making possible all his predictions for the future development.

After looking over the valley in the forenoon the party were taken down Wood river in a launch from Fort Klamath to Weed's bridge, taking soundings at various places and some photographs, arriving at Weed's bridge at 3 p. m. It being then too late to start for this city, the party embarked in Mr. Bishop's launch and proceeded to Crystal Creek, where they were entertained by Mr. Bishop in his houseboat Monday night, returning to this city Tuesday.

The next step to be taken is the gathering of such statistics as will prove to the government the necessity for the improvements asked for. These should be forwarded to Washington to Oregon's delegation in Congress and every pressure brought to bear on them to push through the appropriation. The gathering of these statistics is an important matter. If Engineer Schubert's report is a favorable one, it will be the best argument that can be brought to bear, especially when it can be shown that the traffic will be sufficient to warrant the outlay.

Another matter that greatly impressed Mr. Schubert, and something that will have some weight when it comes to making his report, was the beauties of Northern Klamath. He readily recognized that the time is not far distant when it will be the objective point of thousands of tourists, and that the passenger traffic up Wood river will be very heavy. He stated that he saw no reason why, with the matchless summer climate to be found here, the Upper Lake

should not be lined with summer bungalows.

Mr. Schubert left for Portland Wednesday morning, where he will prepare his report for submission to his superiors.

PLANS COMPLETED FOR CITY EXTENSION.

A long step has been taken towards enlarging the city's boundaries, and unless some unforeseen obstacle arises, it will not be long until Klamath Falls includes within her limits all of the two Hot Springs additions and the two Mills additions. A meeting of the Council was held Thursday night at the offices of Hot Springs company, when many details of the proposed extension were gone into. Mr. Naftzger is disposed to go more than half way in all matters under consideration. Matters have progressed to the point where the city attorney has been instructed to draw up the papers and arrange the details for the holding of a special election, the question to be voted upon being, shall the boundaries of the city be extended.

Last December, Mr. Naftzger, through his attorneys, Benson & Stone, submitted the following for the consideration of the Council:

December 14, 1908.

Benson & Stone, Klamath Falls, Ore. Gentlemen: With reference to the contemplated amendment of the city charter of Klamath Falls, and thereby extending the city limits, about which I have had some conference with Mr. Stone, I have to say with reference to the Hot Springs addition, that upon certain conditions and terms our company would probably withdraw its objection to having the city extended to include a portion of our property.

We have no disposition to put ourselves in the attitude of obstructionists. On the contrary, for purely selfish reasons if for no other, we are anxious to see the city of Klamath Falls develop and progress in every direction. We want nothing and shall seek nothing for our company or tract that would not be absolutely fair and equitable to any other party in our position, or that would work a hardship to any other individual or property interest.

We want exactly what is fair and just, without preference or prejudice, except that we may be willing to go a little further than this in the matter of the existing indebtedness of the city of Klamath Falls. In equity, no part of this indebtedness could in any way be made a charge against our property not now included in the city limits, because our property has not in any manner been benefited thereby; but we should probably not object to accepting the existing status with reference to the city's indebtedness if we could know that from now on burdens and benefits of taxation would be equally distributed.

It is our understanding that in the proposed amendment of the charter of the city of Klamath Falls certain improvements are contemplated, such, for instance, as the construction of a sewer system, the acquiring of the water and electric light systems, and perhaps other improvements. As you are aware, we have obligated ourselves in the sale of lots in Hot Springs addition to install a sewer system, water mains, and to make street improvements. We have already expended many thousands of dollars in street work, considerable in the construction of cement sidewalks, and over \$2,000 in water mains.

As above suggested, if we could be sure of entirely equitable treatment we should probably not oppose the extension of the city limits to include the Hot Springs addition and Second Hot Springs addition to Klamath Falls. This would take all $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of section 28; the $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of the $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of section 28; the $N\frac{1}{2}$ of the $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of section 28; all of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of section 28; the $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of section 29, and the $N\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of section 29, all in township 38 south, range 9 east. This would, in fact, include all our tract north of Main street, or what is known as the "Fort Road," except some hill country in sections 27 and 28.

Equity, we think, would suggest the following conditions:

First—Water.

By agreement with the Klamath Falls Light and Water Company we have advanced between \$2,000 and \$3,000 to lay water mains in the

Hot Springs addition. We are to have all of the water rates collected and paid over to us until we are fully reimbursed for the money advanced. If we are admitted into the city, and the city should acquire the water plant, we should, of course, expect to be immediately reimbursed or the city assume the existing obligation of the light and water company. We should also expect the city to assume the further existing obligations to extend the water system through our tract as may be required for use of residents in the tract.

Second—Sewers.

We assume that the cost of the sewer system to the city of Klamath Falls would be assessed equitably against the property benefited, as provided for in section 135 of the special laws incorporating the city of Klamath Falls, and if so assessed in other portions of the city, we should, of course, expect it to be so done in the Hot Springs addition, except, of course, the outfall, or final disposition of the sewage, which we assume would be a general charge upon the city. In other words, the cost of the laterals of the sewer system would be a charge against the property particularly benefited, and the main artery, or outfall, to be a general charge against the city.

Now, if in conformity with our agreement with purchasers in the Hot Springs addition, we should construct a sewer system, we should expect the same course to be pursued as in other portions of the city, namely: if the laterals be a charge against the property benefited, we should expect no reimbursement; if the outfall be a charge on the city, we should expect to be reimbursed for our expenditures on the outfall. Or what might simplify the situation would be for the city to make at least a branch of its outfall contiguous to the eastern boundary of the present city, say that it should come up through Canal addition, or on the easterly line of Canal addition to Eleventh street or beyond, and have this outfall large enough to carry the sewage from Hot Springs addition, and permit us to connect our laterals with it. In this way there would be no outlay upon our part for the outfall system to be afterward taken over and paid for by the city.

Third—Streets.

We assume that the grading and macadamizing of streets, construction of sidewalks, curbing, etc., made by the city of Klamath Falls, or its order, would, as it should be, be a charge upon the abutting property, as provided for in article 8 of the special laws above referred to. If this were the course and policy pursued, we should, of course, not expect any reimbursements for such improvements made in the Hot Springs addition.

As before suggested, we prefer to work harmoniously with the city and its administration, and we ask no favoritism to be shown us, but, on the other hand, we must object to extending the city limits to include a large tract of wholly unimproved property to be burdened with taxation, with no corresponding benefits, and thereby prevent the development of the property, and we must object also to including our subdivision within the city limits unless we can know that if our property bears the cost of its own improvements in the way of water mains, sewers and streets, that the other portions of the city are charged with their like improvements.

In suggesting these points as a basis for future action, I am merely stating what I think would be the attitude of our company, acting through its board of directors, but what I am here saying would be subject to their approval, modification or rejection entirely. Nor do I pretend to voice the views of any of the residents or property owners in the Hot Springs tract.

If, in the course of preliminaries or negotiations in the matter of amending the charter or extending the limits of the city, you find that any action upon our part is necessary or desirable, kindly communicate with us on the subject. Meantime, we shall look to you to fully guard our interests in the premises. Meantime, we are, very truly yours,

A. H. NAFTZGER.

On the 2d of this month he addressed the following letter to the Council:

Klamath Falls, July 3, 1909.
Hon. F. T. Sanderson, Mayor Klamath Falls, Ore.

Dear Sir: Referring to our various interviews on the subject of the extension of the city limits, and supplemental to our letter of December 14th, 1908, addressed to Messrs. Benson & Stone, copy of which has been before the honorable City Council, I beg to say that we would be disposed at this time to modify some of the suggestions of our letter referred to, particularly that clause which indicates the portion of our tract that we should be willing to have included. Our letter says—

"include all of our tract north of Main street, or what is known as the 'Fort Road,' except some hill country in sections 27 and 28."

It is my understanding from our various interviews, both with yourself and with Messrs. Stills and Obenchain, that it is quite desirable to include portions of section 33. It is probable that we could reach a satisfactory understanding upon this point.

In a general way, our letter of December 14th still represents our views, but we are prepared to consider any modifications that may seem equitable in the endeavor to reach a satisfactory understanding.

Awaiting your further advice on the subject, we are, very truly yours,
A. H. NAFTZGER.

At the meeting held Thursday, and previous meetings, it has been tacitly agreed that the limits will be extended south of the Fort Klamath road so as to include all of the Hot Springs property, as well as continuing to the foothills, thus bringing in the Mills additions.

The whole matter will have to be submitted to a vote of the people who reside in these additions, as well as to the voters of the city proper, and if a majority of both favor it the extension will be made.

In submitting the proposition to the Council, Mr. Naftzger stated that unless some unforeseen obstacles arose, there was no reason why his company would not approve of the program decided upon.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Horatio Orem et ux to B. S. Grigsby, part lots 1 and 2 blk 51, Nichols add to K. F., \$300.

R. H. Dunbar et ux to C. D. Chorpington, lot 3 blk 46, First add to K. F., \$10.

Klamath Canal Co. to Ed Jacobson, lot 20 blk 4, C Canal add to K. F., \$300.

Laura A. Hill to M. Veneta Bunting, $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ sec 35, tp 40 s, r 10 e, \$1.

C. F. Stone et ux to F. T. Higgins, lot 4 sec 18, tp 38 s, r 10 e, \$500.

Harvey Wilson to C. F. Stone, lots 5 and 6 blk 4, Fairview add No. 1 to K. F., \$300.

First National Bank to Carl C. Cofer, part blk 51, First add to K. F., \$10.

O. S. Carter et ux to A. S. Moorland, lot 15 blk 12, Hot Springs add, \$10.

Melissa H. Hubbard et vir to A. P. Hutchins, 11 acres in sec 22, tp 38 s, r 9 e, \$1,250.

Winnie M. Courtade et vir to W. P. Devereux, $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ sec 33, tp 37 s, r 9 e, \$10.

G. W. White et ux to G. H. Merryman, part lot 6 blk 38, K. F., \$10.

Hot Springs Co. to B. W. Mason, lot 2 blk 47, Hot Springs add to K. F., \$600.

C. E. Worden et al to W. D. Harlan, lots 34 and 35 blk 1, Shippington add to K. F., \$10.

Paul Breitenstein et ux to W. D. Harlan, lot 9 blk 5, Lakeside add to K. F., \$125.

Marcia Mitchell to C. A. Mitchell, part lot 5 blk 46, Nichols add to K. F., \$200.

Alvin Tyrrell to C. J. Anderson, lot 8 blk 37 First add to K. F., \$350.

K. F. L. and T. Co. to R. A. Hansbury, lot 5 blk 5 Buena Vista add to K. F., \$10.

G. W. White et ux to Rosa V. Carter, lot 8 blk 47, First add to K. F., \$500.

A. W. Gerard et ux to H. W. Kettering, one-half interest in $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$, $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ sec 8, tp 41 s, r 15 e, \$10.

Peter Conklin et ux to W. P. Devereux, $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ sec 33, tp 37 s, r 9 e, \$10.

Arnold Clausen to Weyerhaeuser Land Co., $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $W\frac{1}{2}$ sec 16, tp 35 s, r 15 e, \$10.

Martin Haagenston to Weyerhaeuser Land Co., lot 4 sec 1, lots 1 and 2 sec 2, tp 34 s, r 14 e, \$10.

Mollie Ivory to Weyerhaeuser Land Co., $SW\frac{1}{4}$ sec 23, tp 35 s, r 25 e, \$10.

Gladys McDonald et vir to Weyerhaeuser Land Co., $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$, $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$ sec 34, tp 34 s, r 14 e, \$10.

R. W. Ball et ux to Weyerhaeuser Land Co., $SE\frac{1}{4}$ sec 33, tp 37 s, r 13 e, \$10.

Fred D. Skinner et ux to Weyerhaeuser Land Co., $E\frac{1}{2}$ of $SW\frac{1}{4}$, lot 4 sec 30, lot 1 sec 31, tp 34 s, r 24 e, \$10.

C. E. Hoyt et ux et al to Geo. F. Vose, lot 2 blk 3 Hoyt's add to K. F., \$1.

Wilber White et ux to Emmitt Beeson, part blk 82, Klamath add to K. F., \$10.

E. E. Kirkendall et ux to Emmitt Beeson, $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$, $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ sec 23, tp 39 s, r 9 e, \$10.

Geo. E. Luttrell et ux to Soviah H., part lots 3 and 4 blk 5 K. F., \$1,600.

B. E. Withrow et ux to W. H. Clark, one-third interest in lots 1 to 12, inclusive, blk 64, Bowne add to Bonanza, \$10.

Nell Campbell et ux et al to O. S.

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SUMMONS.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Klamath. Action at law to recover money. J. M. Batchelder, plaintiff, vs. D. A. McLeod, defendant.

To D. A. McLeod, the above named defendant:

In the name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled action on or before the 5th day of August, 1909, that being the date of the last publication of this summons and the time within which the defendant is required to answer as fixed

by the order for publication of this summons, and if you fail so to appear and answer, the plaintiff will take judgment against you for the sum of \$183.50, with interest at 4 per cent from December 18, 1908, and that the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 14, Township 38 South, Range 12 East, Willamette meridian, Klamath County, Oregon, held under attachment in this action, be sold to satisfy the said sum of \$183.50 and interest thereon from the 18th day of December, 1908, and the plaintiff's costs and disbursements of this action.

This summons is published in the Klamath Republican, a weekly newspaper printed and published at Klamath Falls, Oregon, by order dated June 21, 1909, made by the Hon. George Noland, Judge of the above entitled court, requiring summons to be published for six consecutive weeks, beginning on the 24th day of June, 1909, and ending on the 10th day of August, 1909, that being the time within which the defendant is required to appear and answer.

F. H. MILLS,

6-24, 8-5 Attorney for Plaintiff.

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