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THAT $450,060 AGAIN.

In March. 1913, F. H. Newell, director of the reclamation service, reoommended that $450.000 be set aside to cooperate with the state of Oregon in reclamation work. At that time Oregon had already appropriated $450,000 for work on the Tumalo project, which work was begun in June, 1913. In August of that year Secretary Lane visited Oregon and congratulated the state on its progressive work and reiterated his promise to give us consideration. The $450,000 was never made available and never spent, but it is not the purpose, at this time. to enter into any discussion of that matter. more than to show that Oregon has done more for herself in the way of reclamation than has any other state and has received proportionately less from the federal government.

The state completed the Tumalo project by a direct appropriation of $450,000. The state appropriated $50.000 to be used with a like sum from the government in cooperative investigations. These sums were expended and surveys made. It was anticipated by this state that following this cooperative work, funds would be made available by the reclamation service to carry forward some of this meritorious work.

The service has in the past allotted to Oregon about $7,000,000, but has expended only a little more than $3,000,000, the balance reverting to the general reclamation fund. From the fact that over $10,000,000 has been put into the reclamation fund from sale of timber in our national forests, it seems that Oregon should have received more than a third of that sum.

If the entire 40 per cent of the Oregon - California grant land fund, now apportioned to the reclamation fund, were spent in Oregon, she would yet have received less than has been supplied to that fund. Mere justice to the state should cause the expenditure of that fund here, not taking into consideration Oregon's right to the proceeds of the sale of these grant lands.

Theodore Roosevelt and the German-American Alliance supporting the same candidate for president should be an amusing picture to a non-partisan observer.

New indoor sport for father: Sitting in the old arm chair and telling what he would do to Mexico if he were only twenty years younger.

The incorporation of a correspondence school in New Jersey to teach the science of war leaves nothing more to be said on behalf of preparedness.

Mr. Hughes dictated to his stenographer between strokes on the golf links the other day. He must be bidding for the votes of the efficiency experts.

Former President Taft will support Charles E. Hughes for president. Perhaps he can deliver the votes of Utah and Vermont.

Like Davy Crockett's coon, Caranza came down, but there is no assurance that he will not climb up again unless he is tied.

As a border, the Rio Grande is neithex wide nor deep enough, but it is the best border we have down Mexico way.

MORAL OBLIQUITY.

Salem has enjoyed the distinction of being the champion hog of Oregon, but she has lately been outclassed by Pendleton. And the ambitious Round-up town, besides displaying all the characteristics of the Arkansas razorback. is also possessed to a marked degree of the instincts of the coyote and the skunk.

Pendleton, through political machinations, secured the branch insane asylum, and now she is after the Eastern Oregon State Normal school, which flourished at Weston until it was closed by the legislature because of a notion of false economy.

Weston is an ideal location for the school, being situated in a foothills of the picturesque Blue mountains. with the most healthful moral and physical surroundings. The E. O. S. N. was Weston's pride. It was started and for some years supported by the citizens of the town, but was later given state recognition and magnificent buildings costing in excess of $75.000 were erected.

Now Pendleton wants to abandon this costly plant and have the school located at Pendleton. and asks the taxpayers of the state to contribute $125,000 for the exection of new buildings. Pendleton is barely twenty miles from Weston and if the voters of the state vote to add to their tax burdens for Pendleton's aggrandizement. they should never again complain of high taxes.

Pendleton's action is all the more reprehensible in that it is directed against a friendly neighbor, a town that has always stood with her in previous ambitions and given valiant aid many times in preventing county division. Through the Weston Leader the people of Weston give the following expression of their righteous indignation:

Any one of three good reasons ought to be sufficient to defeat Pendleton's normal school aspirations, unless it succeeds in beguiling the voters.

Pendleton is misusing the initiative privilige in a manner contemptuous of the plain mandate of the soveregn Oregon people. Two years ago the voters declared unmistakably that they did not want either one or two additional normal schools. They should be allowed a decent and reasonable interval in in which to change their minds before being pestered with a demand for more normals. To ask them to build a $125,000 plant in Eastern Oregon within two years after they have voted not to restore to state use a $75,000 plant, falls but little short of pure insolence.

Pendleton is evasive and cowardly, in that it makes its covert fight from ambush behind the skirts of the Oregon Agricultural College and the University of Oregon. It seeks unnecessarily to "validate" these two already recognized and established institutions in the bill proposing to create the Pendleton normal. Afraid to risk the straightforward piracy of scuttling the Weston Normal in order to acquire for it a big slice of state pork, it tries to hoodwink the voters into fearing that the agricultural college and the university may some time be spirited away by a constitutional goblin. Its deceptive bill, as pointed out by Mr. S. D. Allen of Eugene, constitutes logrolling of the worst variety.

Pendleton's duplicity toward a smaller neighbor in the same county that has alway been its loyal tributary, throws too much doubt upon its moral and ethieal standard to make of it a suitable place for a state school. Pendleton has always coveted the Eastern Oregon normal. Some ten years ago in the legislature it tried through its agents to steal the school from Weston but failed. Biding its time, after the Weston school had been recklessly thrown over by the state senate at the instigation of Pendleton men, it initiates a bill when Weston could not consistently do so. Not until its scheme was under way did it send out a committee to see how Wesdon people felt about it and to ask them to "lay down." It is such brazen effrontery that the Pendleton newspapers applaud and one of them describes as "righteousness," forsooth!

Here are three conspicuous reasons, we say, why Pendleton deserves an admonitory squelching from Old Man Oregon. A fourth is that it already has the Eastern Oregon state hospital and should be satisfied. There are others, but for our present purpose these will suffice.

One thing the matter with Mexico is its leaders and another thing is its people. Otherwise it is all right.

It must be a great relief to the heathen to have a vacation from being civilized while the great Christian nations slaughter one another.

However, there is no need to suppose that progressivism will disappear entirely from politics with the dissolution of the moose party.

All the girls expect their soldier sweethearts to send them back each a silver sombrero and a wad of raw chewing gum.

It is said that married men notice that even friend wife has assumed a more martial air in issuing daily orders.

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Notice of Election for the Purpose of Organizing the Succor Creek Irrigation District.

To be held Tuesday, the 22nd day of August, 1916, at the residence of J. S. Wheeler on the E½ NW¼, Section 23, Township 22 Soutn, Range 46 East of Willamette Meridian, within said district, between the hours of 8 A. M. and 5 P. M. of said date.

In the County Court for Malheur County, State of Oregon.

In the Matter of the Organization of an Irrigation District.

This matter coming on regularly to be heard at this time on the petition of J. S. Wheeler and others for the organization of an irrigation district, proposing to utilize the waters of Succor Creek for the purposes of irrigation, and the Court, after hearing all the evidence and considering the said petition, and being duly advised in the premises and ascertaining that the lands described in said petition may be reclaimed by the use of the waters of said Succor Creek for irrigation; and it appearing that in accordance with the laws of the state of Oregon made and provided for the organization of irrigation districts that the said petition presented to this Court on this 17th day of July, 1916, contains the requisite number of signers, who are qualified electors under the laws of Oregon for organizing irrigation districts, towit, fifty, or a majority of the holders of title to lands described in said petition; and it further appearing that said petition for such organization, together with a notice stating the meeting of this court at which the said petition would be presented, has been published once each week for four concessive weeks, being published five times, commencing on the 16th day of June, 1916, and ending on the 14th day of July, 1916, in a newspaper of general circulation within Malheur County, prior to the said presentment; and it further appearing that said petition upon presentment was accompanied with a good and sufficient bond in double the amount of the probable cost of the organizing of such irrigation district, towit, three hundred dollars, conditioned that the bondsmen will pay all the said costs in case said organization be not effected; and it further appearing that there are no protests or remonstrances filed with this Court, and that there are no protests or arguments, against the granting of the prayer of said petition; and it further appearing that the Owyhee Irrigation District has given its consent for the organization into the proposed irrigation district of such of the lands described in said petition as are now a part of the Owyhee Irrigation District.

WHEREFORE, by virtue of the law, and by reason of the premises aforesaid, it is hereby ordered and ordained: That the name designated for said proposed irrigation district shall be the SUCCOR CREEK IRRIGATION DISTRICT; that an election shall be held at the residence of J. S. Wheeler within said proposed irrigation district on the 22nd day of August, 1916, as provided in the laws of Oregon for such elections to determine whether said Succor Creek Irrigation district shall be organized; that at such election there shall be three directors elected at large; that at such election there shall also be one treasurer elected at large.

It is further ordered that the County Clerk shall prepare ballots and stationery for said election as provided in Chapter 189, Section 2, Laws of Oregon for 1915.

It is further ordered that this order, together with a notice stating the time and place of such election shall be published in the Gate City Journal for four successive weeks, the same to be published five times, commencing on the 21st day of July, 1916, and ending on the 18th day of August, 1916.

It is further ordered that the boundaries and description of the lands to be organized into said district are as follows, towit:

Beginning at a point 660 feet south of the northeast corner of Section 18, Township 23, South, Range 47, East Willamette Meridian; thence west 2320 feet to a point 660 feet south of the northwest corner of said Section 18; thence south 660 feet; thence west 2640 feet; thence north 660 feet; thence west 1320 feet; thence north 660 feet; thence west 1320 feet; thence north 660 feet; thence west 1320 feet; thence north 3300 feet; thence west 5280 feet, thence north 1990 feet; thence east 1320 feet; thence north 1320 feet; thence east 1320 feet; thence north 1320 feet;thence east 6600 feet; thence north 1320 feet; thence east 1320 feet; thence north 1320 feet; thence east 1320 feet; thence north 320 feet; thence east 1019 feet to the Idaho-Oregon State Line; thence north on said State Line 1320 feet; thence west 2340 feet; thence north 660 feet; thence west 1320 feet; thence north 660 feet; thence west 1320 feet; thence north 660 feet; thence west 1320 feet; thence north 660 feet; thence west 1320 feet; thence north 3960 feet; thence east 2640 feet; thence south 2640 feet; thence east 1320 feet; thence south 660 feet; thence east 1320 feet; thence south 660 feet; thence east 2320 feet to the southeast corner of Section 30, Township 22, South, Range 47 East of Willamette Meridian on the Idaho-Oregon State Line; thence south on said State Line to the point of beginning.

Also beginning at the northeast corner of Section 14, Township 22, South, Range 46 East of Willamette Meridian; thence south 3960 feet; thence west 1320 feet; thence south 2640 feet; thence east 1320 feet: thence south 2640 feet; thence west 2640 feet; thence south 3960 feet; thence west 2640 feet; thence north 1320 feet; thence west 1320 feet; thence north 1320 feet; thence east 1320 feet; thence north 1320 feet; thence east 1320 feet: thence north 3960 feet; thence west 2640 feet; thence north 1320 feet; thence east 1320 feet; thence north 2640 feet; thence east 3960 feet; thence north 1320 feet; thence east 1320 feet to the point of beginning.

The lands within said boundaries are more particularly designated as follows, towit:

In Township 22 South, Range 46 east of Willamette Meridian.

NE¼ NE¼, S½ NE¼, N½ SE¼, SW¼ SE¼, S½ NW¼, SW¼ Section 14; SE¼ SE¼, Section 15; E½ NW¼, W½ NE¼, N½ SE¼, SE¼ NE¼, SW¼ Section 23; NW¼ Section 26; NE¼ NE¼ Section 27; S½ NW¼, SW¼, SW¼ SE¼, part of SE¼ SE¼ Section 25; N½ of NE¼, part of NE¼ NW¼, part of SE¼ NE¼ Section 36.

In Township 22, South, Range 47, East of Willamette Meridian: W½ NW¼, Lots 1 and 2, Lot 4, Section 31.

In township 23, South, Range 47 East of Willamette Meridian:

Section 7, Section 6; part of Lot 1 and N½ NW¼ NW¼, Section 18; Section 12; S½, SE¼ NE¼, Section 1; part of NE¼ NW¼, N½ NE¼, Section 13; SE¼, SE¼ SW¼, Section 2; part of N½ of Section 11.

All of the above described property save and except such as may be exempt under the law from inclusion into irrigation districts:

Done at a special meeting of said County Court held on the 17th day of July, 1916.

GEORGE W. McKNIGHT,
County Judge.
MELVILLE D. KELLEY,
JOHN F. WEAVER,
Commissioners.

Attest:
W. H. DOOLITTLE,
County Clerk.

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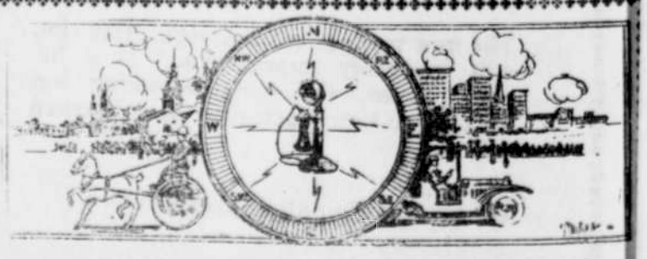

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