

The Times-Herald

VOL. XXXVIII

BURNS, HARNEY COUNTY, OREGON, FEBRUARY 21, 1925

NO. 17

FOREST OFFICERS VISIT SEEKING INFORMATION

Data on Fred Herrick Activities Sought; Extension of Time Conditional on Work.

Following a schedule previously announced by the Forester, Mr. E. Carter in charge of Forest Management, Washington, D. C., Mr. C. M. Granger, District Forester, Portland, Oregon, Mr. Ames and Mr. Hoffman of Mr. Granger's technical staff and Mulheur Forest Supervisor C. C. Reid, arrived in Burns Saturday night as a committee of investigation to obtain all pertinent facts bearing upon the application of Fred Herrick for extension of time to complete construction of improvements and to begin cutting Bear Valley timber under his contract.

The committee was met with a most cordial welcome from the Commercial Club and were invited to address the citizens upon the topic of forestry.

The Forest Officers went into conference with engineers of the Company Sunday forenoon, and in the afternoon met many citizens in the Court house following the request of Mr. Carter that it was desired that anyone who could present facts which he felt should be known to the Forester in arriving at a final decision should present them frankly at that time.

Following the interesting discussion, at request of President Hibbard of the Commercial Club, Mr. Carter and Mr. Granger both addressed the meeting upon the Government's policy of cutting in ratio to timber crop yield, thus providing for a continuous operation when started.

The Commercial Club passed a resolution extending a vote of confidence to the Forest Service and adjourned.

Mr. Carter left Monday morning feeling that he could convey to Col. Greeley an exact detail of conditions upon which the Forester intends to make a decision.

FORESTRY OFFICERS MAKE GOOD IMPRESSION

The result of the meeting of citizens last Sunday afternoon under the auspices of the commercial club with the visiting forestry officers is most gratifying as it was a harmonious gathering with no element of discord appearing in any wise and the speakers showed a disposition of fairness in every respect with a frankness that expressed sincerity.

Mr. Carter referred to a former visit to Burns and expressed his pleasure at noting improvements and development since that visit, adding further that it was the intention and desire of the forestry department to do its part toward further development, and re-iterated the purpose of the service to use its efforts toward the general development of this big territory agriculturally and otherwise in addition to the timber activities.

One matter that he stressed at this meeting was his satisfaction in having local conditions brought to his attention as it is affected by the timber development. When his attention was called to the relation of this, for instance in the matter of providing for necessary school facilities, also housing, water, sewer, street improvement, etc., he frankly admitted that this phase of the situation had not likely been taken into consideration in the contemplated conditions of the government toward prosecuting the work of railroad building and timber manufacturing.

Mr. Carter expressed the hope that Burns and Harney county would show a disposition to co-operate in the line of development and keep pace, or a little in advance, thus showing appreciation and good faith. Mr. Granger made a very favorable impression upon the citizens with whom he came in contact and those who heard his talk at the public meeting at the court house. Mr. Granger succeeds Mr. Cecil as district forester with headquarters at Portland.

The gentlemen of the party all expressed satisfaction with the result of their visit and the information gathered. It is expected Col. Greeley's announcement of the terms of

extending the time for the Fred Herrick Lumber Co. activities will be made public about the first of March. The people of this place feel confident they will be fair and satisfactory.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY MEETS (Contributed)

The Missionary Circle of the Baptist Church met at the home of Mrs. Grover Jameson with Mrs. Obli Shattuck as joint hostess. It is in every gratifying to note the interest people are beginning to take in this branch of the church's work. And right here we want to tell you that these meetings are not invitation affairs. All those who care to come are perfectly welcome. So don't wait for an invitation from the hostess or anyone else but come if you feel like it.

After the business session was disposed of, our program committee had arranged the following program for our entertainment:

Mrs. Dave Craddock read an article on Missionary work among the Cakchiquels Indians.

Ruby Marcia Weinstein sang a solo, "Jesus Loves Me" and responded to a generous encore by singing "Mary Had a Little Lamb."

Mrs. Jameson had arranged a jumbled letter word contest. The words, when properly arranged were the names of characters in the Bible, and some of them were hard nuts to crack. Mrs. Beaugarde carried off first prize and Mrs. Laythe the consolation. The next meeting will be on March 11 at the home of Miss Lelah McGee with Mrs. Luckey and Mrs. Brittingham assisting.

TERMINAL GROUNDS IMPROVE- MENTS GOING FORWARD

The big water tank and installation of pump machinery, pump house and laying of pipes to cover the water system of the terminal grounds are now practically complete and it was expected a test of the water system would be made sometime today.

Mr. Silbaugh's crew of men have completed the concrete work on all the terminal buildings and three cars of gravel have been loaded and other material made ready to move to Lawen in the near future where more work of the same character is under contract.

More lumber for the depot building arrived Thursday evening and now the carpenters are busy on that structure. The piles had been set for the big freight warehouse adjoining the depot early in the week and the arrival of the building material was all that was needed to begin renewed energy.

The stockyards are yet to be completed and material is wanting for that work.

ESTEEMED YOUNG WOMAN PASSES AT SANATORIUM

C. B. McConnell, who arrived home Tuesday evening from Salem and other points, brings the sad news of the death of Miss Emma Peterson at the tuberculosis hospital at Salem on last Saturday. Her brother was with her at the time of her death, also Mrs. A. C. Volmer, an old time friend. Following a short service held at the hospital the brother took the remains to Lebanon, where others of the family are buried, for interment.

Miss Peterson was favorably known in this county by many people who admired her for her energetic fight against the grim disease that was sapping her life away and for her cheerful character and womanly charms.

TO START SUIT FOR TAX SETTLEMENT

It is announced that a friendly suit will be started today to establish the validity of the 1924 tax roll of Harney county following the session of the equalization board. It will be argued before Judge Dalton Diggs at an early date with an immediate decision reached if possible and then taken to the supreme court.

This suit is following out the plan suggested by District Attorney V. G. Cozad as a means of validating the tax. Mr. Cozad will represent the county and we are informed J. S. Cook will present the plaintiff's side of the suit.

John McCormick is reported recovering from a stroke of apoplexy. He is at the home of Mrs. Carpenter.

STANDARD OIL STARTS WORK ON STATION HERE

Grounds Being Prepared for Big Storage Tanks, Offices and Other Improvements.

An engineering force is at work this week on the Standard Oil Co. tract in this city making the necessary survey to lay out the grounds for the station to be erected by the concern here. A spur of the railroad has already been run into the grounds and some men are now digging a ditch to properly drain it preparatory to leveling it.

The engineer in charge informed a representative of this paper that the company would begin immediately the erection of a double garage building, warehouse, tanks for storage purposes and all other necessary improvements essential to the establishment of the service plant.

For the present the local manager will occupy a residence recently completed by Claude Brown in Hansen's addition, which is adjacent to the plant being erected.

GOOD REPORTS OF FRED HERRICK'S ENERGY

The other day the writer had the privilege of a conversation with an individual who has been in close touch with the operations of Fred Herrick for many years and was pleased to learn that Mr. Herrick has the reputation of finishing what he starts and that he is a developer. In northern Idaho where he has been operating for many years he has the reputation of being one of the greatest developers in that section. The individual announced that Fred Herrick had really been the most consistent developer of northern Idaho in his line of work and that the people have confidence in his ability to complete any undertaking started.

This is good news to the people of this section where Mr. Herrick has started a big enterprise that means so much to the entire country, as it is going to be the real stimulus of future development that is only indirectly related to his personal undertaking.

W. S. Levens, a former district attorney of Baker county, has been appointed prohibition commissioner of Oregon to succeed Geo. L. Cleaver who resigned after an investigation of his administration by a committee of the legislature had recommended his services be dispensed with. Mr. Levens is now taking on the grief that Cleaver has gone through.

DAIRYMEN CONSIDER CREAMERY SITUATION

Plans to Get Cash Market For Product Discussed; Surplus Likely Go To Payette.

In accordance with the announcement made in this paper last week, a meeting of the dairymen of this community was held at the Harney County Creamery on last Tuesday afternoon. It was expected there would be representatives from the Cooperative Creamery at Payette, but at the last moment Manager Rasmussen of the local creamery received a telegram that they were unavoidably detained and could not meet with the dairy people here. However, as they had made a definite proposition to Mr. Rasmussen to take the product of the dairy herds of this county under certain stipulated conditions that conformed to their method of handling cream on a cooperative basis, paying cash for it as the time of its delivery to the amount of what it was then quoted as market price, the consignors being privileged to share in the profit that might be derived later, the subject was presented.

There were something over 20 dairymen present and after discussing the matter at length, the proposition was considered favorably. The plan is to bring the cream to the Creamery here which will act as a cream station for the Payette concern. Mr. Rasmussen will be acting for them and will be in a position to pay cash for the cream upon delivery. Such amount as he requires for local manufacture into butter and ice cream will be purchased by him from the Payette concern, the balance of the product to be shipped out for manufacturing.

Those taking an active interest in the creamery situation here are under the impression that this plan is the best for the present time. Mr. Rasmussen favors it as it gives the local manufacturing concern an outlet for over supply that heretofore has had to be used and shipped at a loss. By this new plan the home concern can use such of the product as can be handled with a profit and thus give it a chance to enlarge its actions and gradually work into a more independent going institution as the field for the sale of its products increases.

FORMER RESIDENT DIES AT MEDFORD

Early last Saturday morning a telegram was received by relatives in

Burns that Mrs. Platt Randall had died at her home in Medford the previous night after an illness covering some time. The writer has not been able to ascertain the particulars about her illness.

Mrs. Randall was formerly Dolores Racine and she came to Burns a babe in arms 39 years ago. She spent her girlhood here, attended the local schools, also was a student at Baker in a convent, after accompanying her sister, Mrs. G. A. Rembold, and Miss Maude Ragon, to Boston where all three took some special instruction in music. She was married to Palt T. Randall in Burns and five children were born to the union, all of whom survive her as does her husband. The family moved away from here a few years ago going first to Portland, later taking up their residence in Medford.

Besides her husband Mrs. Randall is survived by three daughters. Any, the eldest, is now married; Eugenie, Elizabeth; two sons, Stuart and Aloph. One sister, Mrs. Rembold, of Portland, one brother, Fred Racine, of Burns.

Many of the old time friends express regret at learning of her demise and extend their sympathy to the bereaved.

MRS. DODGE PRESENTS JUVENIL ORCHESTRA

Last Monday's Oregonian gives an account of the presentation of the Portland Junior Symphony Orchestra in a remarkable program on Saturday night at the Lincoln high school. This organization is under the direction of Mrs. M. V. Dodge, formerly of this place and who was the inspiration and director of the once famous Sagebrush orchestra that was organized in Burns by her several years ago. In fact, some of the same players took part in the program at the Lincoln high school last Saturday. Mrs. Dodge comes in for much praise by the writer of the article appearing in the Oregonian. One paragraph reads:

This is the orchestra that evolved from its nucleus the "Sagebrush orchestra" of a few years ago, which was trained and organized by Mrs. Mary Dodge, who accomplished a miracle of love and skill in developing each young player to the high standard necessary for such artistic results. At the end of the program she reluctantly shared in the applause with Mr. Gershkovitch.

Joe Morris arrived home on Tuesday night's train from a trip to San Francisco where he visited for a few weeks while consulting with a specialist in regard to his health. He comes home feeling much better and on Wednesday went down to Narrows to resume his duties in his mercantile store and the post office.

HARNEY COUNTY HIGH TO PRESENT OPERETTA

Interclass Debate Scheduled for Monday Evening at Public School Auditorium.

"Polished Pebbles"

A bright scintillating affair will be presented next Thursday when the high school students appear in "Polished Pebbles." This is an operetta in two acts, filled to the brim with the spirit of youth, sparkling with zest and yet yielding only the aroma of new mown hay and green fields.

Songs, choruses and dances are all in the olio, and promise an evening of rare enjoyment. The doors will open at 7:15 and the curtain rises at 8 o'clock.

Programs are being made by the commercial department under the auspices of Miss Haulenbeck.

These souvenirs will prove to be worth preserving as they are not only unique but also artistic.

The cast for the performance:
Uncle Bob John Mothershead
Mrs. O'Brien Frances Hibbard
Rosalie Kathrine Farro
Winifred Eleanor Welcome
Mrs. Gabble Margaret Welcome
Mr. Gobble Sidney Hotchkiss
Millicent Roselle Reed
Martha Frances King
Nick Wilfred Racine
Overall Boys Sunbonnet Girls...
Glee Club

The boys second basket ball team met defeat at the hands of the Crane second string basketeers Feb. 13th. The final score 16-14 indicates how hard fought the struggle was. A return game was staged here last night at the Public School gym.

As a curtain raiser the first team played a picked squad from the town. Details of these games will be furnished next week.

Monday evening at the public school the last interclass debate will be held. Sidney Hotchkiss and Roy Brown will uphold the affirmative; Marlon McCullough and Eleanor Welcome the negative of the question "Resolved, that the policy of granting federal aid to the states accompanied by federal supervision should be abandoned."

Just prior to the debate, an interesting talk will be given by Rev. Frank M. Gault.

The seniors will soon have selected a play which is to be produced this spring.

BURNS POWER CO. OFFICES IN NEW LOCATION

The Burns Power Company's new offices are now ready for occupancy and as they are situated in a more attractive place the display of electrical accessories in the show window are attracting wider attention than in the former location. The concern have some very attractive electrical appliances on hand that mean labor saving as well as a convenience to the patrons. The people of Burns should give this deserving concern every encouragement as they are striving to serve the public in the best manner possible.

The service is being extended to different part of town at present. A line is being extended into the Bennett first addition, also a line to the depot. In all some three miles of electric line is being added to the present territory served. A line to serve patrons in the northern part of town is also under way.

VALLEY VIEW HOSPITAL NOTES

Miss Pearl Downs was an inmate of the hospital for a short time this week for an operation removing her tonsils. She has returned home.

Mrs. Willard Laythe is a patient at the present time.

Mrs. Rankin Crow underwent an operation last week and is still a patient. She is improving satisfactorily.

Bert Hamilton was up from his home in the southern part of the county the other day. Bert is not in robust health and while here he consulted with his doctor. He reports that Floyd Sweeney, the man who was so severely burned at Andrews at the time the hotel burned on Christmas, as recovering nicely, one wound on his hand has not yet healed.

WERE GEORGE WASHINGTON HERE TODAY

By SATTERFIELD

