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GRAVEL TRAINS WILL RESUME WORK ON OCT. 5

Word is given out from the office of the engineer in charge that ballasting operations on the Willamette-Pacific will be resumed about October 5, and the work will continue for several months.

Track-laying crews are now at work south of the Siuslaw river, and are past Toltaco lake, or over 83 miles from Springfield, and the gravel trains will endeavor to follow as closely as possible upon the rail crews.

Equipment will probably be the same as was used in the summer while the stretch from Mapleton to Acme was being ballasted: that is, an engine in the pit, two engines for the road and one for the front. By taking a half a train at a time over to Blair street the pit engine was able to help out the road crews and make possible the hauling of 50 cars a day to the front.

When operations were suspended, the shovel had just completed a cut through the Natron gravel bar. The track has been set over, and the shovel is now ready for another cut. A small crew of men has been at the pit most of the summer getting out screened sand and gravel for the concrete work on the Siuslaw and Umpqua bridges.

Just how far the Natron gravel will be used is the problem facing the construction department. Engineer Foutain stated today that Natron gravel will be used as far as it can be hauled economically, which may mean the gravel will be used all the way to Marshfield. There is no suitable ballast gravel along the coast, but some of the rock being removed from tunnels is said to be suitable for ballast if the crushing of it is not too expensive.

The pit engine and two road engines are expected to tie up in Springfield.

HUMAN VOICE HEARD FROM SEA TO SEA

Washington, Sept. 29.—Wireless telephone communication across the continent was accomplished for the first time today, when experiments extending over several months culminated in successful transmissions of the human voice by radio from the great naval plant at Arlington, Va., to the station at Mare Island, Cal., 2500 miles away.

The experiments were conducted under direction of Captain Bullard, Chief of the navy's radio service, in co-operation with the American Telephone and Telegraph company and the Western Electric company.

Secretary Daniels, in announcing the result today, predicted that further development of wireless telephony would make great changes, in long distance communication both for military and naval service and in commercial usage.

Successful operation of a device for automatically transferring to the radio telephone conversations originating on metallic circuits also was accomplished.

ed in today's tests. President Theodore N. Vail and other officials of the American Telephone and Telegraph company at New York talked easily with the Mare Island station, the conversation traveling over an ordinary metallic line from New York to Arlington, and thence by radio across the continent.

"The fact that the voices can be started on a land wire and automatically transmitted to a voice radio transmitter," said Mr. Daniels, "holds out hope that persons inland rapidly could be put in touch by telephone with others at sea through some central transmitting station."

INJURED MARSHAL HAS RELATIVES HERE

J. J. Denson, marshal of the town of Jefferson, and brother-in-law of the McKee brothers of the Springfield Provision company, was shot and seriously injured Monday night in a battle with Otto Hooker, who had escaped from the state penitentiary. An hour after injuring the Jefferson marshal, Hooker shot and instantly killed Warden Harry Minto of the penitentiary, and was himself captured and killed in the outskirts of Albany late Tuesday night.

Planing Mill Puts in New Machinery

Increase of business at the plant of the Springfield Planing mill has made necessary the addition of a belt sander, a warming box and a glue room to the equipment of the plant.

Some months ago the factory began the manufacture of several different articles of furniture, including kitchen tables, sewing tables, clothes racks and a few others. A supply of the different articles was made up, but these have found such a ready sale that they are now all gone, and the factory must restock. Having found a demand for the articles, the mill expects to put in machines for some of the processes now done by hand, and thus make possible a reduction in the price of the article.

EUROPE IS BUYING LUMBER IN WEST

Aberdeen, Wash., Sept. 28.—Between 750,000 and 1,000,000 feet of lumber has been shipped from Grays Harbor to Europe during each of the past three months.

The shipments are mostly of spruce and a part of this is believed to be used for aeroplanes by the allies.

The shipments are generally made to New York, Boston or Philadelphia, from which places they are dispatched in steamers. The monthly shipments are carried across the continent in from 20 to 30 cars.

Spruce is regarded as the best aeroplane material, due to its lightness and extreme toughness. England is one of the heavy buyers.

Grays Harbor lumbermen generally are of the opinion that conditions are better than they have been recently. This is attributed largely to the fact that farmers are now doing their usual heavy fall buying. No better conditions are expected in the immediate future.

The Forest Service has in Oregon and Washington a total of 4062 miles of telephone and 4028 miles of trail. These are primarily for use in fire suppression.

FILL APPROACHES OF THE BRIDGE AT SECOND STREET

Acting under authority of the town council, Chairman Fenwick yesterday morning put a crew of men to work to make fills at both ends of the concrete bridge across the mill race, thus replacing the wooden approaches that have been in use since the construction of the bridge a year ago. Heavy lumber and gravel trucks, and the automobile stages, were proving a very heavy strain on the old timbers. Hauling of loam began yesterday afternoon, and the approaches proper will be finished in three days. Another day will be required if the wings also are filled in. The earth is being taken from the Kepner lot at Fifth and B streets, and if that is not sufficient, more will be secured from Mr. Kepner's lot at Fifth and A streets, where he hopes soon to be able to erect a business house.

Water will be used to make the filled in portion settle, and it may be left subject to traffic for a short time before the man-

Two Days Given to Clean up Town

Fall Clean-up Days are here. By order of the council health committee, the city marshal will have wagons in service tomorrow and Saturday to remove any debris that may be placed for them. Marshal Staniger requests that all material to be removed be put in boxes or barrels so that it can be loaded quickly into the wagons. There is so much territory to cover that the wagon men do not have time to shovel up scattered material. Receptacles with refuse matter should be placed on the alleys, at the back of the inside lots, and at the alley intersection with the street for corner lots.

cadamized surface is spread. Nine men and five teams are on the work today, and three more teams are expected tomorrow.

Frank Powers, who has charge of the bridge work, has just completed the spreading of approximately 400 yards of crushed rock on the streets of the town. Nearly half of this amount has been used on east Main street, from the end of the pavement at Tenth street, to the

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city limits. The rest has been used on Mill, Third, Seventh, B and E streets.

FOREST SERVICE MAPS FOR SCHOOLS OF COUNTY

County School Superintendent E. J. Moore has received from the state board of forestry a quantity of maps of the state for distribution in the schools of Lane county, and they can be had whenever a director and the clerk of a district call at the superintendent's office.

The maps are 6 by 7 ft. in size and show all forest lands of the state, including burnt-over and re-forested areas; all postoffices, roads and railroads.

CITY ATTORNEY BOWER ON WAY HOME FROM EAST

Word has been received from City Attorney J. H. Bower, who has been on an extended trip to the east, that he will be home on Saturday night of this week. He made a trip to his farm in Nebraska, and visited for a few days with his sister, Miss Frances Bowe, at the normal school at Flagstaff, Arizona. He is now at San Francisco visiting the exposition.

There is to be voted on also the ordinance requiring an occupation tax of 5 cents a round trip from every auto line carrying passengers into or through Springfield. The ordinance was passed December 14, 1914, but was suspended by the filing of referendum petitions.

The following are designated as members of the election boards:

First Board—Judges, E. G. Metcalf, O. B. Kessey and H. C. Ethel; clerks, John Edwards and Florence Coffin.

Second Board—Judges, Frank Powers, D. S. Jordan, and E. E. Kepner; clerks, George Ohlsen and Mrs. Hannah Hill.

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The matter of filling the approaches to the bridge across the mill race on Second street was discussed at some length, and upon motion of Councilman Fischer was referred to the Street committee with power to act.

Councilman Peery reported that samples of city water and water from the well at the High school had been sent to the Oregon Agricultural college for test, and that the reports showed them free from contamination.

Councilman Fischer offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

Whereas Albert S. Walker, the first mayor of Springfield, Oregon, and an ex-member of the town council, died at his home in Springfield on the 14th day of September, 1915,

Whereas, Albert S. Walker was the most instrumental in the formation of our town government and devoted more years than any other citizen in gratuitous public work, often at the sacrifice of his own business, and was in every way a capable and honest town official, firm in his belief, yet courteous and considerate of the opinions of others; in the performance of his duties ever ready and active.

Now, therefore, Be It Resolved, That the Common Council of Springfield express its appreciation of his devotion and work for the public; that in his death there has been lost one of our best citizens.

Be It Resolved, That we extend to the bereaved family our heart-felt sympathy.

Be It Further Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the records of the Council, a copy furnished to the newspaper of this town.

PLEASANT HILL HIGH SCHOOL BEGINS

Union high school No. 1 at Pleasant Hill opened Monday with 21 in the freshman class and a total enrollment of 49. Others are yet to come. The seating capacity will not accommodate the school and a rush order has been sent for more seats. Professor and Mrs. Cooper are beginning their fourth year in the school. Miss Koyl is employed as assistant this year.

TWO BOARDS NAMED TO ACT ELECTION DAY

Provision for the annual town election was made at a special meeting of the town council Monday evening, when an ordinance was passed designating the room at 259 Main street, (the public library room) as the polling place, and naming two election boards. The election, according to the charter, takes place on Tuesday after the first Monday in November, which this year means November 2.

At this time there will be elected one mayor, two councilmen, the three to serve two years each, and one recorder and one treasurer, each for a term of one year.

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Program

Seventeenth Annual Reunion of the Lane County Veterans' Association at Springfield, Oregon, Thursday and Friday, Oct. 7-8.

October 7—First Day

10:00 a. m.—Registration begins, continuing all day.
7:30 p. m.—Campfire, at old Garage building, with the following program:
Song, "Star Spangled Banner."
Invocation, Rev. J. T. Moore
Address of Welcome, Mayor C. L. Scott
Response, Comrade J. F. Beytein
Song, Address, Rev. W. S. Gilbert
Chaplain, Third Regiment, O. N. G.
Solo, Mrs. Moore
Song, "America."
Benediction.

October 8—Second Day

10:30 a. m.—Election of officers and business session.
12:00 noon—Picnic dinner.
2:00 p. m.—Public parade, participated in by all veterans, auxiliary organizations and school children.
2:30 p. m.—At the garage.
Invocation.
Solo, Mrs. A. M. Spangler
Exercises by school children.
Address, Rev. A. M. Spangler
Song, "America."
7:30 p. m.—Program at garage.
Invocation.
Song, Mrs. Richmond, and Miss Gilbert
Select reading, Miss Busch
Recitation, Ralph Dansfield
Address, Rev. E. C. Wigmore
Song.

The old soldiers request that business houses and residences be decorated with the national colors during the time of this re-union.

APPLES OF UNUSUAL SIZE

Capt. Dodd of Prineville brought to the News office this week half a dozen apples of the Black Twig variety, that weigh 5 3-4 pounds. They are of a beautiful color.

FOREST NOTES

Fire fighting in Oregon, Washington and Alaska, since July 1, has cost the government \$50,000. Most of the fires were prevented from doing any material damage to merchantable timber. The majority of them were confined to old burns.

An officer of the Forest Service has designed a portable telephone for rangers, which weighs only two and a half pounds. Connection may be made anywhere along the line with this instrument. Over one hundred of them will be used in Oregon and Washington next year.

Only one modern sawmill is operated in the Territory of Hawaii.

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