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## OVER THE HILL TO CAMAS

Splendid Planked Mountain Road Nearly Completed.

CONTRACTORS SHELL DO GOOD WORK

Marsters, Nichols and Cain Inspect Road Building-Busenbark Doing Fine Work in Melrose District.

County Judge R. W. Marsters, Commissioner Nichols, Surveyor Frank Cain and a representative of The News made an all-day inspection trip of some of the new and repair road work now in process of construction in the Camas and Melrose districts one day last week. An early morning start was made and by nine o'clock the top of Camas mountain was reached. It is at this point where the new contract has been let and a new survey run by Surveyor Cain. The cordurey and planked portion of the road up the mountain from this side that was made about five years ago, is still made about five years ago, is still in very creditable condition, although some of the planks are found to be out of position, owing to the fact that they were laid on the ground without any stringers under them, and the constant travel heavy loads and automobiles passing over them has caused displacement in some portions. A notation of these were made and they will be straightened and new planks placed where any were broken or show signs of deterioation. From the point at the crest, where the new road verges from the old, in its descent of the other side of the mountain, is a distance of about two and one quarter miles, and here the auto was left. and the party made the descent on foot.

The first half mile of this gives one an idea of what obstacles must be overcome in the construction and survey of a mountain road, for here It was in the first stages, excepting that the trees and underbrush of the forty to fifty feet road bed had been cleared away, with only here and e big forest giant waiting

for the choppers and blasters. It was an active scene, this half mile. Men were busy with scrapers pulled by four horses, hauling the dirt needed from some cut to a fill in gully, others were ploughing and grubbing, and still others were drilling holes in the out cropping rock. making ready for a blast, or digging under the roots of enormous stumps and standing trees preparatory to the placing of the dynamite charges.

In all the deeper fills culverts have been made from trees cut along the roadside, the bark being first removed. These culverts will be covered with dirt up even with the grade. Beyond this portion of the work, which will require about ten days to get ready, the roadbed is all finished for the plank layers who are rapidly approaching from the Camas side, over a mile and one half being now complete. It was when this finished portion was struck, that one could see the splendid work that is being done under the supervision of the ontractors, Schell and Schell, and direction of Surveyor Cain, who run the line and made the grades.

It is like walking down a broad city avenue, excepting that; one has hundreds of feet, or through the rifts in the trees shead, get glimpses of a fertile valley dotted with houses and orchards reduced to miniature proportions by the distance.

eliminated and the maximum grade is seven per cent, with an average of late to his district and are applicare atroughy toward Justice Hugher not more than three, possibly less. The planks are nine feet long, nine inches wide and three in thickness, with pensions, he finds that he is in day and enjoys meeting with the and it was noticeable that they were a much better position to secure jus- people, he did not desire any formal exceptionally free from knot holes tice where a personal contact with entertainment, so that part was given babes sold into bondage a reached ing used for assembly. or imperfections of any kind. They are laid on heavy stringers and toe nailed with big spikes, while the ends claims the district may have on con- mals or groups as he met them, or will be covered with dirt, making gress for appropriations, the per- as they came to see him. He will any displacement impossible.

Mr. Schell, the contractor is cer- weight tainly giving the county an excellent

picce of work, and the officials were well pleased with that part already completed, and with the way the unway. Camas Valley is one of the beauty spots of Douglas county, and contains many hundreds of acres of valuable and fertile farming land. but it has been handleapped for a large part of the year by the inability to get out over the moun- Expects to Become Resident tains in the winter and spring months. There was also some factional spirit among the residents regarding the location of the new survey, but this has all been amicably settlued through the instrumentality of the county court and general satinfaction now prevails.

With the completion of this plank road, Camus Valley will have its mountain travel troubles all behind it, for the officials practically decided to plank the additional seven hundred feet between the part already planked and the end of the Schell contract. It is expected, and there is no question but that the expectations will be realized, that the road in its entirety will be opened for traffic bythe end of the secand week In October.

Aside from the necessity for this read, attention is called to the scenic of the huge mill which will be neces of the drive, over this once almost impossible mountain, as in coming to it one passes through some of the most proilfic parts of the

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Congressman Hawley arrived in

Roseburg last night from Grants Pass, where he spent Saturday and Sunday, after several days passed in other cities in the district south of Mr. Hawley looks well and fit, and said he is enjoying this little swing around the circle, meeting old friends and making many new He laughingly observed that of course he would be accused of looking after his sences," for that is that the member of the district is always supposed to be doing when he visits the distant parts of his district. But Mr. Hawley said that in

his case this time it was more for the purpose of getting first-hand information of his constituents for use this fall, than snything else, although naturally some questions, on the political outlook must of necesafter into some of the talks.

The subject of Rural Credits is one to which our member is giving close and careful attention, as he is one of the members of that committee

HON. WILLIS C. HAWLEY.



visions of deep gorges slanting down. Who Is Spending the Day in Rose burg Interviewing his Constituents

of congress which will have the mat- contined to any particular locality or Sharp turns and curves have been his statements to be backed up by action of the next national convenable to the proposition from a nation- of the United States supreme court

In speaking of national politics, qua hotel.

of This City.

SAYS LUMBER BUSINESS "LOOKING UP"

Survey Gang Will Commence Work In the Morning and Complete Survey as Far as Rock Creek.

That the Kendall lumber mill and railroad proposition is becoming more tangible every day is very evi-First comes the announcement from Mr. S. A. Kendall himself that be and his associates are ready and anxious to commence work upon the preliminary construction sury in order to turn out the imuse quantity of finished lumber every day and today their intentions were further emphasized by the arrival in this city of Mr. Selecman, of Washington, D. C., a personal repre-sentative of the Kendalis and who is associated with them in the lumber business in the east.

In a lengthy Interview with Mr. Selecman at the Umpqua hotel this morning he stated to a representa live of The News that Mr. von Plants facer in charge of the railthis city on Tuesday and immediate ly upon his arrival would assemble his crew of surveyors and helpers and finish the survey from Oak creek at which point they left off to Rock creek, a distance of about 18 miles This work, it is thought by both Mr Selection and Mr. von Planta will take about six weeks to finish.

Mr. Kendall is expected to arrive in the city in about two weeks for a short business visit at which time plans will be discussed relative to the construction of the mill, providing the action of the board of directors of the fair association is favorable

Mr. Selecman stated during the ourse of the interview that during the past sixty days the lumber industry has taken on new life all through the east and middle west. and that mills which have been idle for months past have been busy with large orders from railroads and other large corporations which are large consumers of lumber. One reason given for the revival in the lumber industry was the fact that for the past year or two the large consumers have been letting their construction work go by default on account of the condition of the money market. If they wished to borrow money they were asked to give short time notes and to pay a good rate of interest Today this condition does not exist, as the banks at the present time have vast sums of gold in their vaults which has been brought into this country from the warring nations of Purcona in payment of munitions of interest and for which the bankers are willing to accept bonds for se-

These facts taken in connection with the confidence "big business has shown concerning the spending of money for improvements and exten-

Mr. Hawley is very sanguine of the success of the republican party at the election next year as the dissatisfaction of the people with presen conditions is widespread, and not ter in charge this winter, and as he section. He was not prepared to is on the minority side, he wishes make any prognostication as to the indisputable facts, as far as they re- tion of the party, but his leanings al standpoint. It is the same way Mr. Hawley has been kept busy all elicant has been made. This up, and nearly all the time passed same thing held true about other in personal conversation with individinvestigation carries more leave in the morning for points north, spending the night here at the Ump-

sions, will eventually be felt in every trade line on the western coast and especially the communities which have lumber mills in condition to meet the demands of the eastern and middle west orders.

Mr. Weaver, of the Umpqua hotel acted as guide for Mr. Selecman this morning and in a short time he had met a great many of the business men of the city. He was greatly pleased with the looks of the city and complimented the citizens upon it's up-to-date appearance. Mr. Selecman will make the trip with the survey party as soon as it is organized and expects to remain in Rose burg until the survey is completed and will doubtless make this his home after the mill has been finished and in running order.

WILL ARREST ARCHIBALD UPON ARRIVAL IN AMERICA

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13 .- From reliable sources it became known today that James F. Archibald, the American correspondent who is involved in Ambassador Dumba's anti-American munitions plan, will be arrested on his arrival in America.

## CONFERENCE **WORK CLOSES**

Large Crowd Taxes Church to Capacity to Hear Bishop.

Rev. C. H. Cleaves Will Remain in This City For The Ensuing Year.

The fiftieth annual session of the

Columbia conference closed last night. The service was held in the First M. E. church, and the commo dious building was taxed to its capacity. Bishop Lambuth delivered his great address on Africa. It was a missionary address and full of information of even secular interest Bishop Lambuth walked a thousand miles besides thousands more of train and boot travel. He pene trated far into the interior amongst savage and cannibal tribes, and won his way into the hearts of the chiefs, and planted a great mission there in the Dark Continent. four young men and their wives have gone there and are in charge of the work. Bishop Lambuth's recitation of personal experiences delighted and edified the great audience. It was pronounced by all a masterplece. Bishop Lambuth was a great favorite throughout the sessions of the conference, and people loved him because of his friendly spirit and brotherly nature.

Mrs. C. I. Clapsedel, of Portland, sang a solo beautifully at the ser-It was well received by the vice. audience. The bishop appointed as The conference 22, in this city. sions were greatly enjoyed by all. Resolutions were adopted commending the bishop, thanking cordially the M. E. church for their kind tender of their magnificent church for the closing service, and one thanking the people of Roseburg for their kind entertainment. The next sexsion of the confernece will be held in Corvallis.

# TURKS CHARGED

12 -Appalling stories of Armenian women being scribed as desperate.

# **OPEN TODAY**

Enrollment for First Day Show Increase Over Last Year.

MANY MORE EXPECTED TO REGISTER

School Buildings Crowded to Capacity -Music is Introduced as a New Study in the Schools.

With over a thousand pupils en- AMERICAN TROOPERS KILLED rolled, the Roseburg public schools opened this morning. The first day of school shows a large increase over the number of pupils enrolled last year and a great many more to come. In an interview with City Supercintendent Hamlin this afternoon he stated that he expected the schools of the city to have an approximate gain of about 150 over one Mexican officer. the number of pupils attending last

year.

The greatest gain is shown in the high school which has a total enrollment this year of 275 and it is expected that this number will be increased to at least 300 before the end of the month. The freshman class is composed of 65 pupils, the largest previous class having had 47 The genior class has at members. To envincer in charge of the rail-road right of way would arrive in SEVERAL APPOINTMENTS ARE MADE present 36 members, with several more yet to report and together with

F. B. HAMLAN



Superintendent of the Rosebury City Schools,

the mid-year class will make abou 50 candidates for the spring gradua

The Benson school has an enroll ment of 260. The Rose school 335 the Fullerton school 75, and the Riverside school 25, making a total when taken with the high school, of approximately 1000,

There are in the eighth grades of of the local M. E. church, South, The mid-year state examinations. The traility soon, and cast her lot with the manufacturers at a low rate of M. E. conference meets. September primary departments of the four the manufacturers at a low rate of M. E. conference meets. September schools have a total caroliment of commence this week

One of the new features of the schools this year is the introduction of music, Miss Josephine Moorhead having this work in charge.

The high school also has two new teachers this year there having been assistants in both the English and Commercial departments selected by

There is a total of 41 teachers in the city schools this year, an increase of three over the force of in last year and all were carefully selected in order to provide the best

On account of the great enrollment the school buildings are crowded to capacity. In the high school buildteto Turkish harems and men ing every room is in use while sevmassacred by the wholesale with eral of the recitation rooms are be In the Benhere today in advices from Milan son school the conditions are even It is declared that worse than in the high school, every more than three quarters of a million inch of available space being used Armenians have been driven from for recitation and assembly rooms. Asia Minor cities into the interior of The Rose school is also badly crowd-Turkey, and their condition is de- ed, while the Fullerton school is comfortably filled.

### . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . YEAR AGO TODAY

The Germans are making a stand at the River Aisne, according to the French war of-· fice The French have re-occupied Amiens. The Germans . are preparing to resist further .

• advances north of Rheims, • Berlin, via Sayville, d Berlin, via Sayville, denies • allies' victory in the battle of . the Marne, but says the Ger- • man plan of campaign has been • changed.

Von Hindenburg's army has defeated the Russians and ◆ crossed the Russian frontier, ◆ · Berlin reports.

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AND WOUNDED IN BATTLE

BROWNSVILLE, Sept. 13-Trooper Arthur Craft was killed and Sergeant Joseph Walsh and Trumpeter Forney of the 12th infantry were seriously wounded in a skirmish today which resulted in the death of

## RUSSIANS AGAIN WITHDRAW ARMY

LONDON, Sept. 13.-Advices from a source which can not be questioned stated this afternoon that the Russian forces along the Nieneb river and the south been forced to withdraw slightly from their original positions. The official statement said that the withdrawal was decided upon "owing to the salient of our armies" in that particular section.

It was maintained though that the Russians continued to hold the Austro-German offensive movement and Petrograd dispatches claim that a heavy attack of the German army was repulsed on the lower Zelwinaka.

BERLIN, Sept. 13. - Field Marshal von Mackenzer, has smashed ac-l broken the Russian osistance along wide front, it was officially announced from the war office headquarters today. The Germans have progressed toward Pinkst, the report stated. Great rejoicing prevails in the German capital.

### **BULGARIA TO SIDE** WITH AUSTRIA

GENEVA, Sept. 13 .- The belief that Bulgaria may aid Austria and Germany, was strengthened today by the news that the Bulgarian reservbut in Italy have been recalled to cance to the Oregon conference of the Rose, Benson and Riverside the colors. German papers hinted the M. E. church, Rev. C. H. Cleaves,

# TRANSPORT FIRED

NEW YORK, Sept. 13. - Several ships are believed today to be going at full speed toward the steamer Santa Anna, "the hoodoo ship" affre mid ocean with from 1400 to 1700 Italian reservists and forty other passengers, including women teaching corps ever known in this and children, on board. The distress call from the Santa Anna was caught at the Cape Race wireless at midnight, and is believed to have been intercepted by the Italian liner Ancona. Rumors are current today that the fire may have been started by a German spy.

NEW YORK, Sept. 13 .- A wireless message received at the offices of the Fabre line this afternoon stated that the fire which was discovered aboard the transport Santa Anna was under control and that the ship was proceeding on her course.