

**CONTRACT LET FOR ROAD FROM KLAMATH**

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Aug. 6.—Official notification has been received by the engineers in charge of the Southern Pacific construction work in this city that the contract for building 40 miles of the extension from Klamath Falls to Natron Voetaoin from Klamath Falls has been awarded to Erickson & Peterson. It has also been announced that the Utah construction company, of Salt Lake City, has been awarded a contract for building 25 miles of road from Natron.

Local construction engineers state that the contractors on this end will complete their old schedule within one week and that their forces will be immediately employed in building the grade on the new contract. The 40 miles will complete the road to a point on the Indian reservation. There can be no occasion for a terminal in northern Klamath, which makes it safe to presume that within a few years trains between Sacramento and Portland will be going via Klamath.

**COTTAGE GROVE PREPARES TO PAVE MAIN STREET**

COTTAGE GROVE, Or., Aug. 6.—The City Council has decided to pave Main street, from the Southern Pacific railroad to the bridge spanning the Coast Fork River, a distance of six blocks. Concrete walks will also be laid along the street. With an inexhaustible supply, owned by the city of the best grade stone for all kinds of street and road work, and with its own crusher and steam roller, Cottage Grove may soon rank with the first-class cities on the Pacific Coast for good streets and roads. For months Cottage Grove has experienced a substantial building boom. Old wooden buildings have been torn away and substantial modern brick buildings have taken their places in several instances. More substantial street work has been done in the last year than ever before, and still continues. The citizens of Cottage Grove say they are preparing a sightly place for the new county seat of Nesmith in 1910.

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**SPRINGFIELD ENJOYING BOOM FROM RAILROAD**

SPRINGFIELD, Or., Aug. 6.—As a result of the announcement of actual construction, Springfield and the neighboring country are flooded with investors, and real estate is moving rapidly. Some good tracts have been pulled off the market, however, to await developments. About 75 acres has been sold since the first of the week in town lots and adjacent land. On account of the activity and the building this summer, the City Council is considering extending the boundaries of the city five blocks north and three or four east.

The people of Springfield are confident that a big division point will be constructed here, for the Natron road, for the Wendling branch, and for the road running to Brownsville, and from there to Woodburn. Its location is the hub of the railroads of this region.

**OPEN STEEL BRIDGE ACROSS THE ROGUE**

The new steel bridge across Rogue River at Grants Pass has been completed and opened for traffic. The new structure is one of the finest in Southern Oregon. The contracting company were at a loss in building it, owing to the carrying away of piers by freshets during the winter. The bridge was to have been completed January 1, according to the original contract, but the court granted an extension of time to the builders. The old bridge will be torn down and placed across the Rogue at some other point, possibly on the Merlon-Galicia road, to replace the ferry.

**TO GROW WILLOW FORESTS IN OREGON**

Not content with already having opened up several new fields for Oregon lumbermen, the national forest service has now started an investigation of the adaptability of Oregon to willow growing. N. F. Maeduff, a supervisor, will start out Saturday on a trip to Hillsboro where there is already one willow orchard.

Willow raising for the manufacture of baskets and other willow ware has a large standing in the east and middle west, but as yet none in Oregon. It is highly profitable in that acreages not used as too poor in soil quality, can be utilized for the growing of the willow, it growing in almost any locality.

**SOCKEY SALMON RUN IN SOUND ENORMOUS**

BELLINGHAM, Wash., Aug. 6.—Salmon trapping, threatened with suppression by the state and national government, because it had been asserted that the sockeye supply was being depleted to an extent that threatened the extinction of the fish through the operation of the traps, is declared safe by trappers today, as the present run shows the supply has not been largely decreased.

The waters of Juan de Fuca, Rosario straits, Bellingham channel and gulf of Georgia are alive with fish and the traps are full.

Four hundred and sixty-four thousand salmon were landed at Anacortes, Bellingham and Blaine during the 24 hours ending at noon today.

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**ROBERT J. BURDETTE IS SERIOUSLY ILL**

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 6.—Dr. Robert J. Burdette, the noted humorist and pastor of Temple Baptist church here, is reported seriously ill at his cottage at Clifton-by-the-Sea.

He has never recovered from a serious injury to the spine which he sustained in a fall last March.

He said yesterday that his resignation was in the hands of the church trustees.

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