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MOUNTAIN STATES POWER MAY COME HERE

Officials of Company Hold Conference With Officials of City and of Local Company.

C. M. Brewer, vice president and general manager of the Mountain States Power company, and R. U. Stead, assistant manager, were in the city Monday from Albany conferring with city officials and with the owners of the Cottage Grove Electric company. From the former they wished to learn what encouragement would be given them in taking over the electric light and power business here and with the latter they talked tentative plans for taking over the power plant and distributing system. Mr. Brewer and Mr. Steelquist left the impression that their coming here hinged only upon a friendly reception and the ability to buy the established business at a reasonable figure.

The taking over of the local business, many citizens believe, would be a happy solution of the present muddle in light and power rates. Lower rates would be assured. How much lower the officials of the Mountain States company did not state but the same as probably would be about the same as those enjoyed by other cities of this valley served by this company. The line of this company now reaches to Springfield and arrangements have been completed to hitch onto the line of the California-Oregon Power company at Roseburg. If the Mountain States company brings its line here, other small communities in this section will be served.

It is understood that this deal has been under consideration for some time.

FAIR GROUNDS PURCHASE IS UP TO PEOPLE

The question of the purchase of the Lane county fair grounds by the county will be put up to the voters at the May primary election this year. At a meeting of the fair board Tuesday afternoon a committee consisting of George W. Taylor, A. R. Gray, W. C. Yoran, E. A. McCracken and W. A. Ayres was appointed to initiate a petition to place the question upon the ballot.

The Lane County Fair association has an option on the property, which is owned by the Lane County Agricultural society, at \$20,000. This is the last year in which an election would provide the necessary means of deciding this question by vote, as the option expires on December 31, 1922.

It is figured by members of the fair association that the improvements on the grounds total more than \$10,000 while the tract, consisting of 68 acres of land, lying partly within the city limits of Eugene, is itself worth more than that sum and could not be purchased for \$20,000 if placed on the market.

The matter of the purchase of the grounds by the county has been agitated for a number of years and granges and other organizations have gone on record as favoring it.

When the fair grounds were first laid off the agricultural society bought the entire Huddleston addition, of which the fair tract was a part, and sold off the lots in the other portion of the addition for enough to pay for the entire tract. The fair association has been using the grounds ever since under lease.

Pass Examinations.

Results in this section of the recent eighth grade examination are as follows:

District No. 24—The following were successful: Hallie McGuire, B. Noel Hanscom.

District No. 50—One conditioned.

Those in the sixth and seventh grades who passed the physiology and geography examinations are as follows:

District No. 24—Lester Lebow, William C. Adams, Roy Dorf, Thelma Lucile Lebow, Milton Layng, Clifford Dick, Sylvan Thornton.

District No. 45—Catherine Scott, Lynn Walker, Orson A. J. Finch, in physiology; Dale Ponsford, both.

District No. 61—John Groat.

District No. 130—James Clarence Huffman, Earl G. Douce, Donald Eugene Kraal, Connie B. Douce.

H. H. Veatch Wins Portland Shoot.

Telegram: H. H. Veatch, of Cottage Grove, attended a trap shoot Sunday at the Portland Gun club and "killed" 49 clay pigeons out of 50, winning a pretty pearl-handled knife. He is attending the meeting of hardware men this week.

Revival Meetings End.

Rev. and Mrs. Hucksabee, who had been here from Texas holding a protracted meeting in the Free Methodist church on south Tenth street, left Tuesday for Portland. The Free Methodists have bought a lot and will erect a new church in the near future.

Another Sawmill Operates.

C. O. Willis and E. G. Stahlman have started the operation of a small mill on the Willis place on the Lorne road. The mill has a capacity of 4000 the day and is getting out an order of 300,000 feet of dimension stuff.

Henry Rohde Baby Dies.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rohde died Saturday evening and the funeral was held Monday afternoon. The baby had not been strong from the time of birth and had been continually under medical care.

What do you want? It makes no difference. Try a Sentinel wanted. If a wanted will rent your house.

TOT THINKS SOMETHING WRONG WHEN WINDOW SEAT SMOKES

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Williams thought something must be wrong when smoke was seen issuing from under the window seat of the S. R. Brand bungalow on Washington avenue, which the Williams family occupy. She so notified her mother and this fact probably saved the house from considerable damage by fire Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Williams, who was ill, was unable to locate the origin of the smoke, so she called the owner of the house who happened to be at home sick with a cold, and he found that a supporting sill of the floor had been run under the fireplace when the house was built and that the wood had been set afire by the heat from the fireplace. The fire had only smoldered, because of lack of draft, and was soon extinguished, but half the sill had been consumed and had the fire occurred at night the results might have been more serious.

WOLVES KILLING OFF DEER SAYS A. E. SALLEE

Gives Suggested Remedy for Getting Rid of Predatory Animals Doing Exterminating.

Unless some protective measures are taken, deer in the June mountain country will be exterminated by black wolves, which seem to have colonized there and to have killed off practically every deer in that section, according to A. E. Sallee, of Star, who has just returned from a trip to that section, where he hoped to get some furs. He was disappointed in his quest, however, as the only signs he saw of any animal except wolves were dead carcasses of deer and the tracks of deer with wolves in pursuit. He got a glimpse of one wolf but saw no others, although he did see where a dozen or more had camped at a natural deer stand.

The wolves are too wily for traps, but Mr. Sallee believes that with permission to poison the dead deer carcasses the country could soon be rid of them. It is his opinion that no other animals exist there to be injured by the poisoning. He found no signs of martens, lynxes or cats, which were plentiful upon a trip there six years before.

A month before his recent trip, Mr. Sallee states that deer were so plentiful around June mountain that it seemed as if the entire deer population of Lane county had moved in there for winter feeding. Now that they have been killed off he believes the wolves will move to another feeding ground. He believes that dozens of deer are killed by wolves and cougars to one by hunters.

Mr. Sallee states that it was reported that he was killing deer for trap bait, but that such was not the case, that plenty of bait was to be had without killing it and that deer meat is poor bait at best. He says he would be glad to take a game warden a few miles away from a railway and show him what is exterminating the deer and suggest measures for their protection that would prove far more efficacious than the futile attempt to catch the few who "dog" deer.

CITY WINS, BOND ELECTION NOT NECESSARY

The city has won its contention that its recent issue of \$15,000 in refunding bonds was legal in every respect, despite the opinion to the contrary of an attorney for a bond house. The bonds have been taken.

The city voted the bonds under the same conditions that it has voted all of its bond issues, which method had many times been found without flaw, and members of the council decided that the opinion of attorneys who had passed upon previous issues was just as good as that of those passing upon this issue. They stood pat and have saved the expense of an action to make a change in procedure requested by a bond house attorney.

MERCHANTS OF CITY TO BANQUET CLERKS

The merchants of the city, at a chamber of commerce meeting Wednesday night, decided to give a banquet for their clerks. The date has been left to a committee appointed to have charge of arrangements but will be during the first or second week of February. The merchants will attend the banquet with their clerks and it is probable that the married mates of merchants and clerks will be invited to attend. A program will be arranged. It is probable that a similar banquet will be held every three or four months.

PLANS TO HATCH CHICK FROM EGG SHAPED ROCK

A rock of the exact shape of an egg was picked up a few days ago by W. T. Poole while walking along the Southern Pacific track, where it was being used for ballast. He has had it painted white and thinks that if it could be set under a Plymouth Rock rooster a White Rock chicken might be the result.

Floyd Churchill, of this city, and Arthur Adebury, of Roseburg, have returned from a successful trapping trip into the Diamond lake country. They brought out quite a pack of pelts.

Records Broken in Construction of Walter Woodard Eight Mile Flume

Unique Power Plant Prepares Timber by Day and Carries Men to and From Their Labors

The completion of the Walter Woodard flume from the mill eight miles out on Coast fork to the location of the docks on the old D. P. Burton place at Latham, just west of the school, has just been celebrated. This piece of work is the largest of its kind ever attempted in this section and probably is one of the largest anywhere.

The right of way over 19 tracts was secured within 30 days without a lawsuit of any kind. The engineering consumed another 30 days and the actual construction work, in charge of S. L. Goddard, took five months.

The supports of the flume are of cedar. The trough is V-shaped and has 36-inch sides of two-inch fir, ripped the entire length, with toe board (single plank walk) and telephone line the entire distance. It has a capacity of 600,000 feet daily. The terminal flume is box shape, eight feet wide with a depth of 32 inches to 36 inches. At the spillway an elevator will be installed to carry the lumber to the docks.

The lumber for the flume was transported in the flume itself, being sent out in 80-foot sections tied in bundles, after having been cut to exact lengths at a Ford power plant at the mill which was something of a curiosity. Every piece arrived where it was to be used ready to be nailed together and a pattern was used to facilitate the putting together of the supports, the main trough fitting into the support without the use of a pattern. A "wampus" was used to make the flume, this being moved as each 80-foot section was completed.

In addition to the flume itself, three bridges were constructed, two over the Coast fork to carry the flume and one across the dam on the Lackey place; 17 others were built over county roads and private roads and eight viaducts were built to permit roads to run under the flume.

The flume itself used a million feet of lumber, a half million went into the bridge and 100,000 feet will go into the docks. Nails used totaled 325 kegs.

The greatest amount of flume built

in any one day was 1200 lineal feet. The best job of bridge work was the completion of 270 feet, completely planked, in two days. This is the one over the Hull road at the point where the docks are to be built.

The race to supply the flume with water starts on the Robert Lackey place a quarter of a mile above the mill, where a bridge was built to permit Mr. Lackey to cross over the dammed up water to the other side of his farm. The flume crosses farm property owned by O. P. Wills, Sid Gilham, C. H. Wyncoff, J. K. P. May, John Murray, Mrs. Dollie Lestoe, Harvey Taylor, George Kehlbeck, W. L. Kimble, the Hebron school, J. N. Jepson, F. C. Fuhrer, N. W. White, Grant Brown, J. B. Grubb, the Widow White and Beidler Brothers, ending at the D. P. Burton place. It crosses the Coast fork between the N. W. White and E. C. Fuhrer places.

While it is not yet certain, it is probable that in the near future the timber will be gotten out in the rough only at the main mill and that gang saws, resaws, planer and dry kiln will be established at the Latham terminal. The Southern Pacific will have a side-track and spur completed by February 10.

The Ford power plant used to cut the timbers to length before being sent out on the job was made by backing the rear wheels of the car upon two drive wheels fastened to a shaft, upon which was also fastened the drive pulley which operated the saw. The car was fastened in position and the harder it ran the saw, the faster it ran the saw. At the end of the day it was taken out of the stall and used to transport the workmen home.

The completion of the flume was celebrated with a banquet Friday evening last at Hotel Bartell, at which workmen and their ladies, 24 in all, were present. The principal stunt of the entertainment program was the presentation of a distinguished service medal to C. N. Wolff, the "wampus" man, who did not miss a day on the job.

F. R. STROM NOW BOOSTER FOR BOSWELL

Expenditure of \$300,000 Contemplated in Improvement of Springs South of Drain.

G. A. Wilson, owner of the old Boswell springs south of Drain, in company with F. R. Strom, formerly in charge of London springs, but now in charge of the bottling works at Boswell, were in the city Wednesday on business for their company.

The springs have been renamed "Sunset" and extensive improvements are contemplated. An expenditure of \$15,000 is to be made during the next five months in the construction of a bottling works building and the installation of modern and up to date machinery.

Total improvements contemplated will require an outlay of some \$300,000 within a period of five years. A hotel of 150 rooms, the damming of Elk creek to furnish boating and bathing, camp grounds and landscape gardening are among the contemplated improvements.

The springs are located on Pacific highway midway between Drain and Yoncalla.

Debating Teams Selected.

The high school debating teams have been selected as follows: Affirmative, Wayne Veatch and Nellie Stewart, with Sam Swartz as alternate; negative, Dwight Buchanan, and Reta Kelly, with Lenora Hubbell as alternate. The subject of debate is "Resolved, that congress should prohibit immigration for a period of not less than five years." The affirmative team will meet Springfield here February 3 and the negative team will meet Eugene at Eugene the same night.

Football Boys Get Letters.

The following members of Cottage Grove's last season high school football squad have been presented with letters: Harvey Robinson, captain; Dale Lusk, captain-elect; Charles Spray, Wilbur Spray, Jack Beger, Wendell Cochran, Ernest Kurre, Ray McCarver, Francis Wicks, Rex Wheeler, Harry Skilling, Roy Heck, Glen Hancey, Daryl Hinkle, Henry Hubbell and Brighton Leonard.

Small Fire at Stouffer Residence.

A roof fire at the residence of Mrs. Lydia Stouffer just before noon Sunday was extinguished by neighbors before great damage had been done. Paper was being burned in a stove in the house and it is thought that a flaming piece was carried up the chimney, fell upon the roof and caused the fire.

Attend Mrs. Ward's Funeral.

The following were among those from here who attended the funeral of Mrs. W. A. Ward in Eugene Sunday afternoon: Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Hawley, John Brund, Andrew Brund, Mrs. Barbara Hohl, Mrs. George Hohl, Mrs. Robert Anlauf, Mr. and Mrs. George Hawley, Irving Petrie, Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Veatch, C. A. Bartell, Albert Helliwell and G. M. Marksberry.

RATE ABSORPTION BEGINS FEBRUARY 14

Southern Pacific Equalization Applies Only to Transcontinental Business East of Ogden.

The absorption of rates on the Oregon Pacific & Eastern railway by the Southern Pacific will become effective February 14, according to word from the railway received by the chamber of commerce.

This absorption of rates applies only on transcontinental shipments to points east of Ogden. Mills on the Oregon Pacific & Eastern will be granted the same rates into such territory as mills located in the city on the main line.

This absorption of rates will be of considerable assistance to mills on the O. P. & E., but as it applies only to shipments to eastern territory, while the larger market for this section is in California, it is thought that this advantage alone is not enough to cause large mills to locate at the source of the timber supply rather than in the city.

PLUMBERS ARE HAVING FUN WITH BURST WATER PIPES

Repairing burst water pipes has been the principal diversion of the plumbers during the past week. On account of the usual mildness of the weather here, almost no precaution is ever taken to protect pipes against such nippy weather as that of the first of last week, when the mercury dropped below freezing for several nights.

Pedro Perini Home From Hospital.

Pedro Perini returned last week from a Eugene hospital, where he had been ever since sustaining a broken leg when struck by an automobile while he was riding a horse. The accident happened upon the Divide highway about two months ago.

Philipino to Speak Sunday.

Conato Udaseo, a native of the Philippines, will speak at the evening service Sunday at the Christian church upon "Conditions in the Philippines." Mr. Udaseo is also a tenor singer and will give numbers in his native language, as well as in English.

Burglars Didn't "Burgle."

Two suspicious characters thought to have intentions not entirely honorable were kept under surveillance during the early part of Monday morning by Night Police Newman. They were chased from the rear of buildings on First alley south.

Lads Break Traffic Laws.

Rex Wheeler paid a fine of \$5 and costs Tuesday for operating a car on west Main street at a speed reckoned by Marshal Pitcher to have been 40 miles an hour.

R. E. Saltsman paid a fine of \$5 for cutting a corner.

Miss Ethel Rogers, teacher at Lorne; Miss Lucile Watson, of Divide, and Miss Ethel Bristow, of Star, are listed among those who were successful in the recent teachers' examinations and who have been granted certificates.

ODD PHENOMENON OF 79 YEARS DISCOVERED BY JOHN TRUNNELL

John Trunnell, who recently observed his seventy-ninth birthday anniversary found that it came upon the same day of the week as that upon which he was born and volunteered the information that all those who were born 79 years ago will find the same to be true in their cases. He volunteers the further information that such will be found to be the case every 79 years and advises those having birthdays to keep a record and check up every 79 years and see if he is not telling the truth.

COTTAGE GROVE ALWAYS DIFFERENT FROM ANY OTHER PLACE

Cottage Grove seldom does anything in the way any other place does it and, of course, the weather here never goes to the extremes that it does anywhere else, which may be the reason that there was no silver thaw here Monday, as there was in other cities. Eugene enjoyed the spectacle and Cottage Grove escaped only by a difference of a few degrees in temperature. This city has never had a so-called silver thaw that did any damage.

LUMBER DISTRIBUTES HALF MILLION IN WAGES

Production and Wages for 1921 Were Low Compared to Few Years Immediately Preceding.

The lumber business is so much a part of the everyday life of residents of this section that the amount of money it brings here for distribution each year is given little consideration. A rough estimate of the production for 1921 places it at fifty million feet, which probably is quite conservative.

The same rough estimate places the cost of production at about three quarters of a million dollars and the amount spent for labor at half a million dollars.

The money spent here for lumber is practically all outside money. But a very small part of the total is sold locally.

The amount which the lumber business brought here last year is much lower than during the few years immediately preceding, due to lower prices received for lumber, due to lower wages and to the fact that the Western Lumber & Export company's mill, one of the largest, did not operate for five months, while the production of many of the pony mills was almost nothing.

Prospects for 1922 seem much brighter. Foreign orders seem to be holding strong and the building program of the country, long delayed by high prices of labor and material, seems about to break. Moderate optimism is felt by the lumber operators.

WAR COST GREATER THAN HIGHER EDUCATION

Staggering figures showing that the cost of higher education of the country could be carried on with the money spent for wars and armament upon a much greater scale than it now is were presented by Professor Roland M. Miller, of the University of Oregon, in his address at the Presbyterian church Sunday evening on "Some Economic Phases of the Disarmament Question." The decrease of productive effort on the part of those engaged in destructive warfare was shown to reach an even higher staggering total. He predicted that if there shall be another war it will be for control of the Pacific.

Dr. Adelaide Woodward, returned medical missionary to India, spoke at the forenoon service.

E. A. HILDRETH DIES AT AGE OF 80 YEARS

Edward Albert Hildreth died Monday evening at his home at 1627 west Main. The body was taken Wednesday to Medford, where the funeral was held Thursday. Interment was at Central Point.

Mr. Hildreth was born July 16, 1841, at Leon, N. Y. He was married Jan. 24, 1861, at Cattaraugus, N. Y., to Miss Eliza A. VanTassel, who survives. He enlisted in 1862 with the 154th volunteer infantry and was later transferred to the 18th Pennsylvania cavalry. The family arrived in southern Oregon in 1890 and came to Cottage Grove in 1919. They returned the next year to Medford but again returned here because of preferring this climate. Mr. Hildreth was a member of the G. A. R. post at Medford. Members of the local post and of the relief corps escorted the body to the station.

Mr. Hildreth had passed his eightieth birthday anniversary and died the day before his sixty-first wedding anniversary.

Surviving children are A. E. Hildreth, Oakland, Calif.; Ethan Allen Hildreth and N. B. Hildreth, Butte Falls, Ore.

Hampton Stock Sold.

The Hampton bankrupt stock of dry goods in Eugene was sold Tuesday by G. H. Tyson, trustee, to S. J. Leavitt, of Portland, whose bid was \$8093.90.

ALL GATHER TO DEDICATE LORANE SCHOOL

Most Significant Gathering Ever Held in This Section and Bountiful Dinner Served.

Probably no community gathering ever held in this section has been of greater significance than the one held at Lorne Friday last when the \$15,000 high school building there was dedicated. The residents of the Lorne country were present in force, a delegation of 14 was there from Cottage Grove and others present were Alfred Powers, of the University of Oregon extension department, County Superintendent E. J. Moore, Assistant Superintendent Swan and Secretary Chadwick, of the Eugene chamber of commerce. The total attendance was about 350.

The program started in the forenoon but the Cottage Grove delegation timed their arrival at the time the tables were set for one of the most bountiful spreads that ever tempted inner man. It had been arranged by a committee of women of the school district of the Lorne section.

All those present from Eugene were on the program and those from here who made talks were Mayor Knowles, Elbert Bede and Secretary Miller, of the chamber of commerce. Miss Myrtle Potts and Miss Lucile Davidson, of this city, each sang solos and both were heartily encored. Mrs. Pearce Crow, of Lorne, gave a splendid reading and was encored. Almond Hemenway, of Silk Creek, gave a humorous reading and was vociferously encored. Mrs. Claud Sehrack and Mrs. Crow gave a piano duet. The teacher and pupils from the Lorne Cedar district livened the program with their yell program. The demure little 90-pound teacher of that district has about 300 pupils of pep.

The high school building is one which a few years ago would have been thought adequate for Cottage Grove and is a model union high school building, one of the best of its kind in the state. It has a 40x60 combined assembly hall and gymnasium. It is equipped with a modern heating and water system, shower baths and ample facilities in the way of class rooms and laboratories.

PLEASANT HILL TEAMS ARE TAKEN INTO CAMP

One Set of Games Played Here and Other on Home Floor of the Defeated Teams.

Cottage Grove's champion basketball teams continued their winning streak Friday and Saturday by winning on both days from the Pleasant Hill teams, which had not been defeated before this season. The Friday games were played here, the girls winning 30 to 9 and the boys 37 to 15. The Saturday games were played at Pleasant Hill, the girls winning 22 to 21 and the boys winning 30 to 24.

In the latter game Roy Heck sustained an accidental blow on the back of the neck and was so seriously injured that he was taken to a Eugene hospital. He was brought home Sunday and is thought little the worse for the experience, although he has not fully recovered and may not get into the game again this season.

Both teams go to Roseburg tonight.

BEN SCOVELL, DOUGHBOY ENTERTAINER, IS COMING

Ben Scovell, lecturer and entertainer, will fill the pulpit at the Methodist church Sunday forenoon and evening, speaking on "The God of Peace" and "The Sign of the Cross." Mr. Scovell took part with his uncle, the late Sir Henry Irving, in presenting Shakespearean plays and will lecture Monday evening to high school students who are studying Shakespeare.

Mr. Scovell was one of the entertainers for the doughboys in France and Belgium. He spent six weeks with Sir Harry Lauder.

At a recent entertainment which Mr. Scovell gave in San Francisco 10,000 people crowded into the civic auditorium to hear him and he kept the great audience continually between laughter and tears.

There will be no charge for admission to hear Mr. Scovell but a silver offering will be taken Sunday evening.

VISOCCHI TRIO AND PIANO ACCORDION HERE TONIGHT

Visocchi, said to be master of that complicated instrument, the piano accordion, will be here tonight as one of the numbers of the lyceum course being put on under the auspices of the high school student body. Assisting Mr. Visocchi are two clever young women who feature delightful solo work in violin, voice and piano. This is one of the numbers advertised for several weeks ago through error.

Have you something you don't want? A Sentinel wanted will find someone who does want it.

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