

1914 TO SEE W. P. GRADE FINISHED

The only railroad construction activity on the Pacific Coast contemplated for 1914 by the Southern Pacific company is the completion of the Willamette Pacific road from Eugene to Coos Bay, according to H. P. Hoey, assistant engineer of the Southern Pacific who returned from San Francisco with orders to rush construction to Marshfield during the present year even more rapidly than in the past. Mr. Hoey discredits the rumors prevalent that contracts are about to be let for the extension of the Fernley-Lassen line to Klamath Falls for connection with the Oregon & Southeastern a Natron cut-off. And he anticipates no further Central Pacific construction, which involves the Natron line, until the present unmerging suit is settled. This means almost definitely that expected activity beyond Oakridge on the Oregon Eastern will not come this year though the engineer does not make a positive statement to this effect.

On the other hand the great army of workmen left by railroad work, Mr. Hoey declares will be completely absorbed by the extensive state road building activity in California, the municipal tunnel work on the Twin Peaks contract in San Francisco, the Point Richmond tunnel, the California belt line near San Francisco, the Southern Oregon highway construction out above all by the tremendous record breaking crops looked for this year in California and Oregon.

He declares that at present men are being shipped to the

work on the Willamette Pacific as rapidly as the camps can be opened. One thousand men are working between Florence and Marshfield and this force will be doubled within a few weeks. Although the railroads anticipate no difficulty to get labor they expect no over supply despite the prospect of little railroad construction according to Mr. Hoey. "We are ready to crowd construction upon the Willamette Pacific to the very limit," declared Mr. Hoey. "Our gravel and work trains are at work again. We are ballasting the track on the west side of the tunnel and the rails down the Siuslaw will be rushed along just as rapidly as they can be laid toward tide-water. At present we are 31 miles west of Eugene awaiting the completion of the first Wildcat crossing. The bridge men will catch up in a few days.

The influx of workmen to the construction camps has already begun. Labor is plentiful and we are putting men to work along the coast just as rapidly as the contractors can provide camps and give them something to work with. There are 1,000 men on our force accounts today we will have 2,000 at work within a few weeks."—Eugene Guard.

The Patsy came in port Tuesday morning and reports eleven feet of water four hours before high tide.

The Roseburg winter broccoli industry promises to be a success, as good reports have been received of Chicago shipments.

Pendleton is erecting a beautiful Catholic church of Baker stone.

Monday evening friends of Mr. and Mrs. John Drumm surprised them with a pound social. The affair was planned as a celebration of their wedding anniversary.

AMERICANS AND HUERTA FIGHTING

Special to Pilot.

Marshfield, April 22d—Four American sailors killed, twenty wounded. Two hundred Mexicans killed. Fighting at Vera Cruse. Atlantic fleet at Vera Cruse and war in city.

Later Vera Cruse captured by fleet, 100 Mexicans killed, 21 Americans killed.

NEW CITY OFFICIALS ARE IN CHARGE

According to the new charter the newly elected city official must qualify and take office on the first Tuesday, after the third Monday in April. All those who were chosen by the people at the last regular election to serve in official capacity had so qualified and took up the duties of their respective offices Tuesday morning.

Tuesday evening the new Council met in session and considered several matters brought to their notice. It was a call meeting and was more in the way of an organization meeting than the considering of routine work.

According to the new charter the Council now holds regular meetings on the first and third Mondays of each month.

WEST RECEIVES NEWSPAPER PRESS

The Patsy brought in on this trip a newspaper press and printing material for the West. It is a Campbell power press and good substantial machine for a country newspaper.

Mr. Weatherson, the editor, of the West is to be congratulated upon installing such a machine and keeping up with the growth of Florence.

The newspapers are almost always forced to keep ahead of the game, and the expected rapid development of the Siuslaw will compel not only the printing offices, but every line of business to keep up-to-date or see the other fellow reap the reward.

BIRTHDAY SURPRISE PARTY MONDAY

About twenty neighbors of Mrs. C. D. Morey met at the home of T. Agee and went to Mrs. Morey's Monday night to give her a surprise in honor of the anniversary of her birth.

Refreshments were taken along and the evening was greatly enjoyed by those present.

The red alder wood is interesting manufacturers of clothespins and that industry may be established in Oregon.

A \$35,000 steel bridge is to be erected at Kellogg, Douglas county.

An electric pump will drain 800 acres of Lake Wapato, Washington County, for the onion industry.

The tug Roberts arrived in port Saturday evening about 7 o'clock, with the schooner Coquell in tow. The schooner had a load of 243 ton of Riverton coal loaded at Bandon. The cargo was unloaded at the jetty and the Coquell brought up the river Monday morning.

LOCATING PERMANENT STREET INTERSECTIONS

City Engineer J. W. Ford, Jr. was busy several days last week locating and establishing permanent street intersections. The council accepting his report and ordering monuments placed at the intersection of Seward and Josephine, Josephine and Lincoln, Lincoln and Front, and Washington and Front. This was preliminary to a survey for the new I. O. O. F. building.

Mr. Ford says the old lines were found to be comparatively good and the present building conformed fairly well to where he would have to establish boundaries.

He also stated that plenty of front footage was found in each block to give property owners their full amount, and that in some cases it would over run.

It is not anticipated that this survey will cause the moving of buildings from their present site, but will enable buildings in the future to be erected upon established lines.

"IN THE SHADOW OF THE ROCKIES"

The High School Dramatic Club are prepared to stage their three-act drama next Saturday evening. The cast is very good and the pupils are working diligently to make it a success.

The plot is laid near Deadwood Colorado, in Golden Gulch at the mine of the Last Chance.

The cast of characters is as follows:

Jim Gordon—Russel Gilmore.
Julian Gray—Lloyd Säubert.
Seth Thompson—Homer Severy.
Jake Dalton—Latham Chamberlain.
Hank Williams—Ceil Buchanan.

Ned Davis—Howard Barrett.
Dennis Mulcahy—Martin Sheridan.

Bud—Arthur Bushman.
Chip Gordon—Eleanor Saubert.
Henrietta Wells—Doane Chamberlain.

Bedelia O'Rafferty—Goldie Leverage.

The club will stage the play on Tuesday evening April 28 at Joe Morris's Hall in Mapleton.

COMMERCIAL CLUB NOTICE.

The first regular meeting in May, being Monday the 11th day is the annual election of officers. Members are requested to take notice and be present.

C. H. YOUNG, Sec.

Molalla is to have a \$25,000 concrete high school.

A soap factory at Marshfield will turn out one ton per day with five persons employed.

The Dornbecher Furniture Co. will erect a six story building on the site of their present factory.

RHODODENDRON FESTIVAL

The executive committee of the Festival wish to urge the various communities which contemplate sending a representation to take part in the festival to hasten in every way possible their preparations.

The voting for Queen in the various places should close at least 10 days before the time of Festival in order to give time to prepare costumes and arrange for decoration of boats to take part in the water parade.

It is expected that the water parade this year will be a conspicuous feature of the festival. Liberal money prizes will be awarded for the best decorated boats—probably a 1st, 2nd and 3rd prize. The boat bringing the Queens to the festival should carry a large banner having inscribed thereon in large letters the name of the province.

All the communities in the Siuslaw river region are cordially invited to select their royal parties and send gaily decorated flotillas.

The queen from each place should have her name, whatever it may be, such as Mary queen of Minerva or Marguerite queen of Glenada embroidered on a sash to be worn across her breast.

The jolliest man in each community should be selected as court jester or clown for he will be expected to exert himself to the utmost in producing fun for the occasion. He will be a privileged character and may feel free to get off his wittiest jokes

at all sorts of opportune and inopportune times.

Every decorated boat should be fitted out to take part in the illuminated night parade, Chinese lanterns or other methods of illumination are suggested.

Large crowds are expected from Eugene, Coos Bay and Gardiner, and possibly from Portland.

Everybody come prepared for a jolly good time.

WILL TRY OUT

ASPHALT PAVEMENT ON WASHINGTON STREET

Upon request of the Commercial Club the city council granted permission to use the inter section of Washington and Front street to try asphalt as a surface for the street. Wm. Brynd, who owns the property on the east side of Washington street from Front to the river, and Mrs. Mabel Slemmons who owns the property on the west side of the same street, were given permission to extend the improvement from Front street to the river.

The expense of this test on the intersection will be met by subscription, while Mr. Brynd and Mrs. Slemmons are willing to pay the cost from Front street to the river.

It is hoped by many that this method will prove successful on the streets of Florence, and those who pay for the initial test are to be commended for their enterprise.

A new woodenward factory is in successful operation at Sellwood.

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\$1:00 Bottles at 75c

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