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ASK PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION TO ACT

Petitions are being circulated asking the Public Service Commission to investigate why the wagon road between Mapleton and Acme has not been constructed by the Willamette Pacific railroad. They read as follows: We the undersigned residents and voters of Lane county, State of Oregon, respectfully petition your honorable body that you investigate the cause of delay of the building of a wagon road, a distance of about nine miles, between Mapleton and Acme, where the Willamette Pacific Railroad (now operated by the Southern Pacific Co.) in constructing a railroad, illegally took the existing county road

and closed this thoroughfare to public use.

The rights of the people in this road have been ignored and confiscated for over two years. With sworn evidence before the county court of the importance and necessity of this road, railroad officials have been able to delay the construction and building of a wagon road nearly three years and until the present time, thereby depriving the citizens of this community, county and state of their rights in this road, and apparently endeavoring to eliminate their title to it, and in view of these facts we believe that the people should have recourse to your honorable body for relief and justice.

FAVORS A PATROL SYSTEM FOR ROAD

Eugene would derive a much greater benefit from the building of roads in the outlying districts of the county instead of spending a large amount of money on the Pacific highway through the county, according to C. E. Spence, master of the state grange of Oregon, says the Guard.

Mr. Spence endorsed the decision made by the county judges of Oregon in convention at Portland recently in turning down a resolution placing the control of county roads under the state highway commission. He said

that each county should have charge of its roads and utilize to the best possible advantage the money appropriated.

The state grange master favors the road patrol system and stated that the roads should be kept in repair, but does not favor the expenditure of a large amount of money on the Pacific highway when roads in other parts of the county are needed to allow the farmer to come into the city.

"Good roads in outlying districts enabling him to bring his produce into the city will do more for Eugene than the spending of money on the Pacific highway for the pleasure of tourists," said Mr. Spence. "The ruts and holes in the Pacific highway as well as in all county roads should be repaired, however."

PUBLIC LIBRARY MAKES CHANGE

The Florence Public Library moved its location from the Commercial Club room to the Surface drug store. The change was made necessary on account of the club removing to other quarters.

At present the library will be opened as usual on Saturday, 1 to 4 o'clock in the afternoon. It is contemplated that after the first of the year that arrangements to keep the library open oftener.

Some new books have been received and are ready for distribution, and includes a list of what comes under rules of seven-day books. These books all the very latest copyrights and can be let out for only seven days and a charge of five cents is made.

The books that belong to the State Library will be returned and a new list sent here, which is expected to be larger than what is now being used.

Any patron desiring a book that is not on hand, but is listed with the State Librarian can secure it by request of the local librarian.

Addition books, free list—A Broken Bondage, Brown; Frank Before Vicksburg, Castlemon; Robinson Crusoe, Defoe; House of Seven Gables, Hawthorn.

Additional seven-day books—Heart of the Sunset, Rex Beach; Suzanna Stirs the Fire, Emily Calvin Blake; A Far Country, Winston Churchill; Uncle Remus and His Friends, Harris; Jerusalem, Lagerloff; Mr. Bingle, Geo. Barr McCutchen; Michael O'Halloran, Gene Stratton Porter; Felix O'Day, F. Hopkinson Smith; The Turmoil, Booth Tarkington; Dear Enemy, Jean Webster.

both team made it exciting and interesting.

The line was as follows: Elmira, I. Draper, Captain and forward; T. Yoder, forward; A. R. Marsh, manager and center; J. R. Simpson and E. W. Inmann, guards.

Mapleton.—Warren Gilbert, Captain, manager and forward; Arthur Chapman, forward; Cortney Potterf, center; Paul Robinson and Norman Morris, guards; Leo Corn, sub.

Officials of the game were Prof. O. W. Hayes, referee, R. S. Huston, umpire.

A return game will be played at Elmira sometime in the near future.

R. A. COPPLE ELECTED MAYOR OF MARSHFIELD

At the election in the city of Marshfield December 7, R. A. Coppell was elected mayor over Carl Evertson by 148 votes. Charles Powers and D. L. Rood were elected to council offices. The band lost out by 212 votes and the city hall was also defeated. J. W. Butler was reelected by a large majority.

COMMERCIAL CLUB CHANGES LOCATION

The Commercial Club which has been occupying the Nadeau building since its completion, will move to new quarters the first of the year. They have secured rooms in the office building of the Tide Water Mill company, and they can be fitted up nicely to meet the requirements of the Club.

SCH. RUSTLER IN ROUGH SEAS

The gasoline schooner Rustler, which got into port Tuesday at midnight, is rather the worse for wear and tear which she encountered on the Rogue river bar when coming out, says the Times. Inside the harbor at Rogue river they lost a scow which broke loose and floated away to sea. In leaving that port the Rustler met heavy seas and lost her main rigging, had her life boat torn from the lashings, the back stay was lost and the headlight broken, besides other damage in the galley. A big bucket plunged through one of the doors into the engine room and came near putting engineer C. R. Hayes out of commission.

On arriving at Coos Bay, Captain Peter Olson found the bar too rough for immediate passage and so anchored under the lighthouse, where the Rustler drifted several hundred yards finally, on striking a rock, losing \$50 worth of cable and a 046 anchor. The vessel is at Kruse and Banks shipyard for repairs.

CHRISTMAS TREE AT EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Christmas tree exercises will be held at the Evangelical church on Christmas Eve. An appropriate program has been prepared and the church will be tastefully decorated for the occasion.

Everybody is very cordially invited to be present, and the children will be made especially welcome.

The Patsy arrived in this port Monday with a full load, discharged her freight and left out Tuesday morning.

POLHEMUS SAYS NO DAMAGE TO THE JETTIES

No damage was done to the jetties at the mouth of the Siuslaw river during the whole month of storms on the Pacific, according to J. H. Polhemus, government engineer, who passed through Eugene on his way to Portland from Florence, where he inspected the work being done on the jetties and to ascertain whether or not the storms did any damage.

The contractors are delivering 10,000 tons of rock a month from the quarries a short distance below Mapleton on the Siuslaw river, hauling it down stream on huge barges, and the jetty work is progressing very satisfactorily.

The engineers are very glad to learn that the storms during the entire month of November did practically no damage to the trestle work. Only a few piling were lost at the outer end of the work. The damage was repaired immediately and the work continued uninterrupted.—Register.

SPECIAL GOSPEL MEETINGS

Beginning Sunday, January 2, Gospel meetings will be held at the Evangelical church in Florence. Special features will be announced later.

George Croner, deputy sheriff, came down Tuesday on business.

BALLASTING COMPLETED AS FAR AS STEEL

Ballasting on the Willamette Pacific has been completed as far as the rails are laid, and the train crews have been sent to other points on the Southern Pacific lines, but before leaving this section they brought in several train loads of gravel which are waiting on side tracks ready to be rushed to the front as soon as the rails are extended.

Construction on the drawbridge across the Siuslaw river is progressing right along. The draw span nearly completed is resting on its mid stream support, while workmen are collecting the steel and placing in position the north side span.

EASTERN STAR ELECTS OFFICERS FOR YEAR

Vesta chapter No. 73, O. E. S. elected the following officers at their last regular meeting December 9: Eunice Schroeder, W. M.; Lillian Surface, A. M.; J. L. MacKechnie, W. P.; Mary B. Young, Sec.; A. O. Knowles, T.; Charlotte Huston, Con.; Nimmo Buchanan, A. C. After election a light was spread to the enjoyment of all present.

H. W. Carlson of Westlake left for Portland Monday. He has bought the ranch of Wm. Blackmar near Tsiltecos lake.

For a Short ... TIME...

we will continue

Our Sale

If you have not availed yourself of the opportunity to buy

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we would suggest that you hurry as the prices are unprecedented in Florence

WOOLENMILL STORE

Florence, Oregon

WINS PRIZES FOR OUT-DOOR PHOTOGRAPHY

In a competition for prizes in photography offered by Sears, Robuck and Co., Alep Dowell has just received notice that he had been the successful competitor.

The contest covered the whole United States, and was entered into by thousands, and the subject was out door life. Mr. Dowell offered five subjects and won a prize on three of them. They were of a child sitting in a clump of bushes, a bunch of rhododendron blossoms and a trio of Hereford cattle. To be successful in such a large number of contestants is gratifying to Alep, and he feels justly proud of his prize.

BASKET BALL GAME IS WON BY ELMIRA

In a fast and spirited game of basket ball at Mapleton last Saturday night, the Elmira High School team won from the Mapleton High School. The score was 25 to 22.

Two halves of 20 minutes each were played and both teams put up good, clean work with a determination to secure every point possible. For Elmira Marsh and Yoder certainly put up a strong game, while Chapman gave an good account of himself. The rules used were 1915-1916 and caused quite a number of points to be called on Elmira. All though the game was closely contested and strong work by

Santa Claus

has arrived at

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Only way to get it is to sell Goods In order to do so from Dec. 20th to 25th

everything in the store will be

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