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Rail Extension to K. Falls Tide Water Outlet Logical

Medford, Or., May 17.—James H. Owen, general manager of the Owen-Oregon Lumber company, said today he would put a surveying crew into the field as soon as possible to make a report on the feasibility of extending the Owen-Oregon logging railroad from Butte Falls to the Klamath Falls district. He already has started mobilizing this crew, Owen said.

Today's announcement followed a statement yesterday by John S. Owen of Eau Claire, Wis., president of the timber company, that the company would build such a road "if investigation showed it to be practical and feasible."

When told of a report from Klamath Falls that rumor there had it that the Great Northern railroad might be fathering the Owen-Oregon construction, Owen said: "I know nothing about the Great Northern."

Private Project Intimated. He intimated that it was strictly an Owen-Oregon project, that it had been in mind for three years, and that the railroad "is necessary to develop our own and other timber in the Dead Indian country."

"If the road is built it might as well be on the proper grade and curvature first as last," Owen said. For several years the Owen-Oregon company has sent surveyors into the territory the proposed road would traverse. These men have set lines for two routes.

Owen said the road would not be operated as a common carrier, but would be built to standard specifications as a matter of economy for the future.

Route Being Figured On. Mr. Owen said his first step would be to secure figures on the estimated cost and the most practical route and that he hoped to use a portion of the old survey made several years ago when the Pacific & Eastern had under consideration a line to Bend and Klamath Falls.

The Pacific & Eastern was built in 1909 by Hill interests and extends from Medford to Butte Falls, a distance of 32 miles.

It was placed in operation and has been used by the Owen-Oregon company in its timber operations for the past five years, after several years of inactivity, save for an occasional mail train.

With the invasion of the Hill lines, the report went around that the road was to be used by the Hill lines as a wedge to enter the Rogue river valley.

G. N. PLAN SEEN

Klamath Falls, Or., May 17.—A rumor current in Klamath railroad circles for some time to the effect that the Great Northern has renewed a project abandoned many years ago—construction of a Rogue river-Klamath valley line—was revived yesterday by announcement from Medford that the Owen-Oregon Lumber company is contemplating extending its logging lines into the Klamath basin. The announcement was made by John S. Owen of Eau Claire, Wis., president of the logging company. He said the company would investigate the situation and carry out the project, "if it is feasible."

Several of those close to Klamath Falls railroad news and usually well informed believe extension of the Owen-Oregon line would mean that the Great Northern would enter the fertile Rogue valley and attempt to take a part, at least, of the fruit and lumber tonnage of that section.

The 32-mile railroad between Medford and Butte Falls, known as the Pacific & Eastern line, was originally a Great Northern project. It was fathered by James Hill and constructed by James Stevens, chief engineer of the northern line. Later it was abandoned because it was understood Louis Hill, chairman of the Great Northern board of directors, disapproved of the project.

What route the proposed extensions of the Owen-Oregon line would take was not disclosed by Mr. Owen. There are, however, two possible routes.

One would be a connection with the Weyerhaeuser Timber line—a railroad constructed under standard branch line specifications, built from the mill site into the western Klamath.

The second would be an extension

Fortunate Auto Wreck

Sunday what might have been a very serious wreck occurred on the Hubbard creek hill just south of Port Orford. Louis Marsh, in passing a car just south of the Hubbards creek bridge, got stuck with his big Mack truck load of Port Orford cedar logs, and Nick Marsh took a new Mack, which he was buying, down to help him extricate the load. After having been released from his predicament, Louis started up the hill toward Port Orford, and when near the turn a large Buick sedan containing Archie Wharton of San Francisco and one passenger came tearing along at 45 miles an hour. The driver, seeing the load of logs, apparently lost control and the car struck the bank, righted itself and passed the big load of logs, only to bump into the new Mack truck driven by Nick Marsh which followed. The Buick was badly damaged, and the new Mack had one of its fenders crushed. Those in the Buick admitted full responsibility for the accident.

Good Will Caravan

June 7, 8 and 9 have been set as the time for the good will caravan from Coos and Curry counties to travel south over the scenic Roosevelt and Redwood highways into California, and as far south in that state as Eureka, where it will be entertained by the chamber of commerce. The schedule as now set up is to leave Coos Bay points about 8 a. m. June 7, arriving at Port Orford about 10:30, Gold Beach at noon, and Crescent City that evening (Friday); then on to Eureka Saturday, returning north Sunday.

It is expected several hundred cars will participate in the good will demonstration, as the excursion is sponsored by the chambers of commerce of both Coos and Curry counties.

Mr. Maloy 91 Years Old

Edward Maloy of Port Orford celebrated his 91st birthday yesterday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Maloy. Mr. Maloy Sr. was born in Goshen, Guybor county, Nova Scotia, May 20, 1838, and came to Port Orford in April, 1924, where he has since resided with his son. His health is very good and almost daily he may be seen walking about Port Orford. The birthday was the occasion for greetings from his many friends, both from afar and near, and the family celebrated it with a turkey dinner.

Change in Crews

Slight changes have been made by the state highway commission in maintenance crews on the Roosevelt highway in Curry county. The district from Euchre creek to Wedderburn has been consolidated with the Gold Beach district, and the crew north of the river eliminated. There were no changes seriously affecting the crew out of Port Orford.

Theatrical Program

Mrs. Hazel Knapp is presenting her pupils in a dancing program at the high school gymnasium Saturday night. Robert Preuzette will play and sing and Betty Gale, daughter of Dr. Gale of Bandon, will be a feature dancer.

tion of the line across the lower end of Wood river valley and a connection with the Southern Pacific, near Chiloquin.

The announced extension of the Owen-Oregon Lumber company's railroad from Butte Falls to Klamath Falls is further evidence of the great battle now being waged for participation in the vast volume of potential originating tonnage of southwestern Oregon. Its extension westward from Medford to tide water at Port Orford, where a natural deep water harbor is available, to open up the whole Mid-Pacific Coast Empire is both logical and feasible. The region such an extension would traverse is exceptionally rich in virgin timber, and commercial deposits of gold, copper, iron, chrome, coking coal, marble, limestone, granite and a variety of lesser known metals, which will provide practically a perpetual originating tonnage—the life blood of successful rail operation.

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Program Announced For Commencement

Invitations for the commencement exercises of the class of '29 of the Port Orford high school are out and are most attractive, the class colors of silver and orchid being carried out in the color scheme. The class motto is "Out of the Harbor into Deeper Water" and the class flower is the sweet pea. Members of this year's graduating class are Marion Tichenor, Veva Anderson, Anna Tichenor, Edna Miller, Floyd Wright, Buster Anderson, Carlos White, Norman Quigley, Dale Thurman and Lawrence Tichenor. Commencement exercises will be held Thursday evening at eight o'clock at the gymnasium. Ben S. Fisher of Marshfield, commander of the American Legion of Oregon, will give the address. Following is the program:

- March.....Vivian White
- Invocation.....Rev. J. C. Whitsett
- Vocal Solo.....Mrs. A. P. Sweet
- Address.....Ben S. Fisher
- Class History.....Norman Quigley
- Presentation of Diplomas.....
-Louis L. Knapp
- Song.....High School
- Benediction.....Rev. J. C. Whitsett

20 Elk Line Highway

Motorists on the Roosevelt highway below Gold Beach late Sunday evening were treated to a sight seldom witnessed.

A band of 20 elk were feeding a few yards from the highway at Hunter's head. The animals paid no attention to the travelers on the highway but continued their evening meal on the succulent grasses which grow in that vicinity with as much unconcern as they would have shown had there been nobody around.

Among Gold Beach motorists who got a peek at the elk were Moss Averill, Milt Moore and Phil Adams. There were also several tourists who stopped their cars to witness the sight of a lifetime.—Reporter.

Game Wardens Arrest

Dupe Game Wardens Curtis Townsend and Charles McClees Monday arrested Myron (Cooney) Barrows of Bandon for "spotlighting" deer on the New lake mountain road north of Langlois. Defendant will be arraigned today (Tuesday) before Justice Young at Bandon.

The wardens state that after June 4 the penalty for this offense will be materially increased, the minimum being \$200 fine.

May Day Frolic

The student body of the high school held a May Day frolic at the high school gymnasium Saturday night. Bob Norton and his orchestra of Bandon furnished music for dancing. Each class had a booth and with balloons, confetti, and all that goes to make a carnival, there was merriment aplenty.

Attend Track Meet

Among those driving to Gold Beach Saturday to attend the track meet were Mr. and Mrs. C. Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Wright, S. J. Spoor, Nat Perkins, Miss Ruth Clark, Mrs. Mary Rice, Mrs. Dora Grant, Miss Nettie Toole, Anna Barton and Marion Tichenor, Mrs. Geo. Quigley, Norman Quigley, Mrs. O. Leneve, Mr. and Mrs. O. Tichenor, Mr. and Mrs. Bernal Forty and children. The school bus carried a crowd of Port Orford "rooters."

Ladies Aid

A social meeting of the Ladies Aid was held at the manse last Wednesday with Mrs. J. C. Whitsett and Mrs. Alta Larson as hostesses. Mrs. Chapman and Mrs. Grant were guests of the afternoon. A delightful afternoon was passed. The next regular meeting will be held June 5 at the home of Mrs. H. L. Sauters at Agate Beach Park.

Thorhaven Cleared

Portland, May 16.—A jury in the court of Federal Judge McNary yesterday returned a verdict of not guilty in the case of A. A. Thorhaven, charged with violation of the national prohibition law in the sale and possession of liquor near Langlois in Curry county on February 21.

Dinner Guests

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. White Sr. entertained Tuesday evening at six o'clock dinner, Mrs. Ella Knapp, Miss Ruth Clark and Mrs. Mary Rice being their guests.

Forest Fire in Curry

Portland, May 17.—A careless camper who failed to extinguish a campfire last Wednesday started a blaze which swept over 1000 acres on Collier creek in Curry county, according to information received by J. H. Billingslea, supervisor of the Siskiyou national forest, who is spending a few days in Portland. The area covered by the fire contained scattered timber, brush and some second growth.

Due to the ruggedness and isolation of the country, the blaze could not be located until Saturday. It is under control now, however, and will be extinguished soon. The first fire of the season in the Siskiyou forest started April 27 and was of incendiary origin. Two smaller fires were discovered last Friday on the Chetoo river outside the forest, but were extinguished by rangers.

Fire fighting at this time of the year is difficult. Mr. Billingslea said, as almost all trained men are on other and lookout are not yet on duty. A lookout will be placed on Snow Camp mountain in the Siskiyou forest immediately, although he is not due to start work until the latter part of June. Large fires are unusual at this time of the year.

Movement Spreads

At the annual luncheon of the Coquille Woman's Civic club held last Monday at Coquille Hotel, the president reported that the Coquille club had been assured of the cooperation of the other clubs of neighboring towns in regard to protecting and discouraging the erection of sign boards along the highways.

This movement was inaugurated by the News and Port Orford Chamber of Commerce in 1927 and is rapidly spreading to every part of the U. S. and foreign countries.

Buys Port Orford Cedar

Marshfield, May 15.—W. J. Conrad and associates have purchased the Port Orford cedar on the C. H. Pearce place on the middle Elk, estimated at about 500,000 feet, and also a tract in the Euchre creek district, with an estimate of upwards of 2,000,000 feet. The cedar will be cut and shipped over the Port Orford dock in log form to Coos Bay points for export and manufacture.

Entertainment At Langlois

Wednesday night, May 22, the Mostwestern grange will give an entertainment in the high school gymnasium at Langlois, at 8 o'clock with admission for adults at 25 cents, children 15 cents, and supper free. All are invited.

Pupils Have Picnic

Pupils of the sixth, seventh and eighth grades held their annual picnic at Agate Beach park today. Thursday Mrs. Grant's and Mrs. Chapman's room will have their picnic at Agate Beach park also.

Bandon Students Picnic

Yesterday morning the eighth grade Bandon students motored to Port Orford for a picnic at Agate Beach park. A group of the girls called for a short time on Mrs. Rice's room.

Preparing to Oil

The state highway department is spreading gravel on the Roosevelt highway south of Bandon preparatory to the beginning of oiling operation, and contractors are starting work on the small bridges on the section between Bandon and the Curry county line. A rock crusher is being installed on Floras creek for furnishing gravel for the highway work.

School Exams

Final examinations were held in the intermediate department of the grade school last Thursday and Friday. The few remaining days of school are being devoted to review work. Sixth, seventh and eighth grade finals will be concluded this week.

Teachers Honor Guests

The Woman's club of Port Orford gave a four o'clock luncheon Thursday afternoon in honor of the teachers, Miss Ruth Clark, Miss Nettie Toole, Mrs. Mary Rice, Mrs. Irene Chapman, and Mrs. Dora Grant. Each member of the club entertained a guest and after a brief business meeting a most delicious and bountiful luncheon was served.

Port Orford Is Again Victorious

Port Orford high school won the quadrangular meet from Crescent City, Riverton and Gold Beach, at Gold Beach, Saturday, May 18.

Port Orford took seven first places, Crescent City two, Gold Beach two, and Riverton one. Port Orford's total score was 44, Crescent City's 34, Gold Beach's 29, and Riverton's 19. Out of Port Orford's 44 points, Neil Rice and Lawrence Tichenor made 32.

Neil Rice was high point man of the meet, making 17 points. Tichenor was second, with a total of 15 points. Rice took first in the shot put, making a new county record of 39 feet 2 1/2 inches. He was also first in the high jump, broad jump, and placed third in the javelin throw. Tichenor won the 100-yard dash, 220-yard dash and 880-yard run. Wright placed first in the pole vault, Anderson third in the shot put, and Anderson tied for third and fourth in the high jump.

Port Orford brought back seven medals. Gold Beach kept four. Medals were given to whatever school in the county placed ahead of the other, regardless of who won the event. Port Orford was entitled to one more medal, winning over Gold Beach in the javelin throw, but none had been ordered for that.

This track meet at Gold Beach closed a most successful season in athletics for the Port Orford high school.

Events and places were as follows:

100-yard dash—Tichenor PO, Kerner CC, Gitchlag GB, Van Leuven R, 10.4 sec.

220-yard dash—Tichenor PO, Van Leuven R, Gitchlag GB, Jackson CC, 24.2 seconds.

400-yard dash—Gitchlag GB, Van Leuven R, Fowler CC, Johnson CC, 49 seconds.

800-yard dash—Tichenor PO, Clark GB, Fowler CC, Ross CC, 2 minutes 12 seconds.

1 mile run—Clark GB, Ross CC, Little CC, Quigley PO, 4 minutes 52 seconds.

Shot put—Rice PO, Moore CC, Anderson PO, Philpott R, 39 feet 2 1/2 inches.

Javelin throw—Moore CC, Philpott R, Rice PO, Van Leuven R, 126 feet 1 1/2 inch.

Relay—Riverton, Gold Beach.

High jump—Rice PO, Van Leuven R, Anderson and Bailey PO tied for third and fourth, 5 feet 1 1/2 inches.

Pole vault—Wright PO, Anderson and Watson tied for second and third, Bailey and Van Leuven tied, 9 feet 10 inches.

880-yard run—Tichenor PO, Clark GB, Fowler CC, Ross CC, 2 minutes 12 seconds.

Relay—Riverton, Gold Beach.

Week-end visitors at Agate park were:

E. L. Van Lundt and wife, Ashland, Oregon.

R. H. Maupin and family, Portland.

Abe Fleming and family, Renton.

C. Stillner and family, Powers.

J. C. Strong, Myrtle Point.

R. L. Hamm, Myrtle Point.

John Chenoweth, Langlois.

L. C. Wimer, Bandon.

Mrs. F. W. Shanton, Powers.

W. B. Shanton, Powers.

Mrs. Ida Moe, Powers.

Miss L. R. Jones, Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Allen, of Marshfield.

Wm. Dindinger, Marshfield.

Harbor Made Los Angeles; First Work 30 Years Ago

Murphy Quits Phone Co.

E. W. Murphy, commercial superintendent of the West Coast Telephone Co., and the last of the old guard under the former management, has resigned and will, beginning June 15, accept a position in Klamath Falls. He will become manager of the Klamath Heating Co., which is owned by the Pacific Bancorporation, Charles Hall president. Mr. Murphy has been a valuable man for the telephone company, and as superintendent has kept the company closely in touch with the community at all times. Prior to taking up the work he was employed in the news departments of the Portland Telegram and Oregon Journal and coming to the bay was editor of the Daily News for several months. He then accepted the position as secretary of the Marshallfield chamber of commerce. Mr. Murphy says in resigning he was actuated in the belief the new opening at Klamath Falls offered better opportunities and that he desired to become identified with a company which was under the ownership and management of Charles Hall.

PORT ORFORD LOCALS

Mrs. George Edwards of Denmark is nursing a case of mumps.

The graduation of the senior class in high school at Langlois will take place Saturday evening, May 25, in the gymnasium. Prof. Gentle of the extension department of the state university will deliver the address of the evening.

Rev. J. C. Whitsett, Mrs. Whitsett, Mary Anne and Joe drove to Gold Beach and back Thursday.

The Most West grange is giving an open party in the W. O. W. hall at Langlois Wednesday evening. The lecturer of the grange, in conjunction with the home economics committee, is arranging a program that promises a good time for all who attend.

Mrs. Frank Jordan of Ashland called on Mrs. Mabel Gillings Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Jordan were on a motor trip over the Roosevelt highway. While attending the recent Federated Women's club convention at Ashland Mrs. Gillings and Mrs. Hans Adolphsen were guests of Mrs. Jordan at the club banquet.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hogatt of Rainier arrived Saturday night for a brief visit with Mrs. A. B. Hogatt. Mrs. Hogatt will return with them to Portland where she will visit Mr. Hogatt and friends for several days.

Mrs. H. Adolphsen has recovered from a short but severe attack of the flu.

L. B. Hatton has returned to his mining property on the Elk.

F. B. Tichenor returned late Thursday afternoon from a trip north and left again Friday morning.

A. C. Snider, C. E. Fielding and Mrs. Mae Worth of Sixes were business visitors in Gold Beach last Tuesday.

Bernal Forty has been having a spell of flu but is out again.

O. P. Haagensen, prominent Langlois resident who is well known in Port Orford, submitted to a major operation at Leep hospital last Thursday.

Mrs. Mabel Mather, Mrs. A. B. Hogatt and Mrs. J. R. Parker were shopping in Marshfield Tuesday.

Edith Tichenor visited her sister, Mrs. Ray Dean, in Bandon last Tuesday after school.

Peggy Corson returned yesterday from attending school in Bandon the past season.

R. H. Handley of Sixes motored to Port Orford Wednesday morning.

Wm. Hurst Jr. came in from Elk river Wednesday to spend the day in town.

Dr. L. R. Pugh is freshening the inside of the Port Orford Pharmacy with a coat of light-colored paint.

(Los Angeles Herald)
Thirty years ago today a man pressed an electric button, a billion-dollar dream evaporated in thin air and the town of Los Angeles began its triumphal progress into one of the great cities of the world.

When William McKinley, president of the United States, 30 years ago pressed the electric button in Washington, starting machinery that dumped the first cargo of rock toward the building of a great harbor at San Pedro, he ended the dream of Collis P. Huntington, the great railroad magnate, to establish a privately controlled harbor at Santa Monica.

And by creating a great "free" harbor at San Pedro, open on equal terms to the commerce of the world, there was brought about the creation of Los Angeles, one of the greatest sea ports of the world with an annual commerce of one billion dollars.

Made Los Angeles. In "Rose of Los Angeles," a recent novel, but having its background authentic history of the great 10-year struggle to obtain a "free" harbor for Los Angeles, it is claimed that the construction of the greatest man-made port in the world at San Pedro plus the building of the aqueduct that brought Los Angeles water and power, were the primal events that resulted in the building of the present city.

Both the building of the harbor and the building of the aqueduct were brought about by the courage and vision of a few Los Angeles men.

Senator Stephen M. White, who led the little group that won the great harbor for Los Angeles, has been honored by a statue in bronze that stands in front of the court house.

Great Citizen. Because of the great work of another distinguished citizen toward obtaining for the city a water supply from the Owens valley and in making the Boulder dam project possible a movement is now in progress to erect a memorial fountain in the shadow of the city hall to honor the late Senator Frank P. Flint.

Thirty years ago today, to celebrate the great harbor victory for Los Angeles, a crowd of 20,000 persons gathered at San Pedro and participated in a three-day fiesta. After President McKinley of Washington had caused the first load of rock for the breakwater to be dumped in San Pedro harbor there was much speech-making, in which Senator White predicted a day would come when Los Angeles would have a population of half a million.

Frank Wiggins of the chamber of commerce, at whom the Frank Wiggins Trade school was named, cracked a few jokes about Senator Frye of Maine, who had intimidated during the harbor fight that southern California would never be worth \$5,000,000, the first cost of the harbor.

Thomas A. Gibbon, Governor Henry T. Gage, Senator George C. Perkins, Frank P. Flint, who was later to become United States senator, C. C. Davis, Colonel S. O. Houghton and other notables of the day all took part in the gay festivities.

According to members of the pioneers society there are now about 500 families in Los Angeles, members of which participated in what has been termed "the greatest day in the city's history—the day that the harbor dawned."

Thirty years ago today, when the harbor was begun, Los Angeles had a population of about 80,000. Today it has a population of approximately 1,300,000.

Galice Mining Dispute Settled

Gold Hill, Or., May 17.—The suit of Sordy against Robertson, involving a mining location and townsite location on mining land at Galice has been settled amicably out of court. The townsite application was withdrawn by the defendant, he retaining the home in which he is living, while the plaintiff retains the mining ground. The case was heard before W. S. Boyer, chief of the land office field division.