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Bridge Contract Let; Calif. Concern Bids \$568,181

Portland, Jan. 17. — The Oregon State Highway Commission yesterday awarded the contract for the construction of the proposed bridge across Rogue river between Gold Beach and Wedderburn, on the Roosevelt highway to Mercer-Frazier company of Eureka, Cal., whose bid was the lowest and amounted to \$568,181.00. Seven bids ranging as high as \$773,000 were received.

The contract calls for the completion of the structure by December 31, 1931. Martin Dresser has been designated resident engineer on the bridge contract and is now in Gold Beach.

The Commission also agreed to take over the scenic Columbia River highway as a part of the state highway system, and the actual transfer was set for March 1.

At the next meeting of the commission bids will be called for on the ferry slip on the north side of Alsea Bay on the coast highway and for widening and resurfacing the Denmark-Port Orford section of the highway.

The proposed bridge across the Rogue river will be the finest bridge in Oregon. It will be a concrete structure 1938 feet in length, and will have seven reinforced spans, each 230 feet in length, with 328 feet of reinforced concrete approaches. The roadway will be 27 feet wide and foot walks on each side will be 3 1/2 feet in width. The material requirements include 11,000 feet of piling; 15,300 cubic yards of concrete; 1,675,000 pounds of reinforcing metal, and 82,000 pounds of structural steel.

Mild Curry Climate

With severe weather conditions existing for ten days past over the entire northwest and that great area covered with a blanket of snow of varying depths, the coast region of southwestern Oregon from Bandon south, has experienced comparatively mild weather and in a portion of the section an absence of snow along the coast.

The lowest temperature recorded at Port Orford has been 20 degrees above, while the average minimum during the period has been around 30 above. Compared with other sections of the state this region presented a summer resort like appearance. Recorded temperatures for different sections of the northwest Saturday were:

Portland, 14 degrees above.
Pendleton 12 below zero.
The Dalles 6 above.
Walla Walla 31 below.
Heppner, 18 below.
Clarkston, Wash., 15 below.
Walla Walla, Wash., 8 below.
Waldport, Ore., 28 above.
Kellogg, Idaho 9 below.
Burke, Idaho 11 below.
Lewiston, Idaho 17 below.

In the Curry region warm rains fell over the week-end and the backbone of the cold weather appears to have been completely broken.

Judgeship Attracts Many

The large number of candidates for the primary nomination for the governorship may be responsible for the large number of probable aspirants for the nomination at the May primaries for the county judgeship of Curry county, now held by Judge C. H. Bailey. It is understood that Judge Bailey will seek the nomination to succeed himself, and that among the other probable candidates are "Peck" Huntley, former sheriff, J. C. Johnson, attorney, George W. Norton, former chief deputy sheriff and Ralph Starr, justice of the peace, with a possibility that Fred Caughell, county clerk and former district attorney C. H. Buffington may throw their hats in the ring to make the race interesting.

Tax Sale Held

Gold Beach, Jan. 14.—Last Saturday Sheriff Turner started the sale of delinquent tax property and owing to the fact that one day was not enough in which to go through the list of delinquencies, the sale was continued on Monday. The sale brought in about \$1200 to the county coffers. Many delinquencies were paid up prior to the sale and since the tax foreclosure was started, and a total of approximately \$18,000 has been turned into County Treasurer Bogardus as the result of the county's effort to collect its back taxes.

Queen Of Bronze Copper Mine (Mining Truth)

Over a million dollars of profit is indicated in the proven and partially proven ore of the Queen of Bronze mine near Takilma, in southwestern Oregon, according to F. Cushing Moore, who has just made another visit to the property. With a production record of \$1,500,000, the mines embracing the Queen, Cowboy and Waldo groups are now under control of the Queen of Bronze Mining company. The response to the development campaign instituted by the new company last summer is described as remarkable.

The property is located on the west slope of a prominent ridge between Althouse Creek and the east branch of the Illinois. It is 40 miles from Grants Pass and 27 miles from Walter Creek, the most available railway station.

The Queen of Cowboy groups, owned outright, embrace 882 acres, and they almost surround the Waldo, 480 acres, under lease and bond from the Waldo company for \$30,000. Additional claims embracing 220 acres have been located.

Ore from this group helped keep the old Takilma smelter going from 1904 to 1909. In 1910 leasers started shipping to Tacoma and kept up intermittent shipments until 1916, when the Twohy interests assumed control and operated under the management of Roy L. Clarke until the price of copper dropped in 1918. Leasers again made occasional shipments until John Hampshire of Grants Pass took possession. He attempted to form a company, but his financial backing proved inadequate. Last year the present Queen of Bronze Mining company was formed, Hampshire and the Twohys joining interests with the Pohlman Investment company of Spokane as investors.

In the past two years the production has been only \$64,000, but development work now under way will put the property into the large production class.

Ore reserves in the property, as figured by Mr. Moore in December were 51,200 tons of positive ore, 115,100 tons including probable ore, and 187,700 tons including possible ore in developed ground. Since that time a crosscut has reached some of the "probably" ore and its existence is therefore positively known.

Ore in the dumps will pay for installation of a 100-ton mill and mine equipment sufficient for 100 tons daily, Mr. Moore reports, and the profits from underground reserves will be available for dividends and expansion.

As there are large unexplored areas, the Queen of Bronze, Mr. Moore points out, is an exceptionally attractive venture.

"The present indicated ore reserves assure a large return on the money invested and the expense necessary to bring the property to the contemplated production basis," Mr. Moore writes.

Queen of Bronze is capitalized at 2,000,000 shares, par value 20c, of which 1,495,000 have been issued the balance remaining in the treasury.

Officers of the company are as follows: John Hampshire, Grants Pass, president; Phillip Twohy, Spokane, vice-president; E. P. Twohy, Spokane, secretary-treasurer; James F. Twohy, Portland; Roy H. Clarke, Oakland, Calif.; J. V. Pohlman and Edward Pohlman, Spokane, directors.

Sea Elephants Fight

Los Angeles.—Two four-ton sea elephant bulls, fought for 40 minutes in a pool at Bimini baths when liberated in the only tank in Los Angeles big enough to contain them. The monsters snapped and tore at each other's throats. They were separated only when lassoed with cables.

Each of the sea elephants, members of a dying species, is said to be valued at \$50,000. They were recently brought here in crates aboard the steamship Patsy from Guadalupe islands, off Mexico's west coast.

Pneumonia Prevention (Oregon State Board of Health)

Pneumonia is the most important cause of death in Oregon. Deaths for 1928 totaled 690 which was an increase from 606 in 1927. The high incidence of pneumonia in Oregon indicates that measures are needed to prevent this disease. While it is true that there are no specific means for preventing pneumonia, there is no other disease which can be as easily prevented by the application of a few common sense measures. The public must be educated regarding general measures likely to limit the spread of respiratory infections.

Pneumonia is a germ infection but it is by no means always the same germ. The existence of organisms giving rise to bronchopneumonia is maintained by transfer from person to person. The respiratory tract is the usual channel of infection. Particles of sputum expelled by coughing, sneezing or talk, contaminate the air about an infected individual. This gives rise to the danger of droplet infection. The inhalation of material which through drying has contaminated the air is also a source of danger. Transfer may take place by contact with moist sputum or utensils used by infected individuals. Absolute cleanliness should be secured in the sick room. Fresh air and sunshine limit the danger. To prevent droplet infection, particles of sputum expelled during coughing and sneezing should be caught in a paper handkerchief or piece of cloth placed in front of the mouth and the handkerchief or cloth should be burned. Regulations forbidding expectoration should be enforced at all times and in all places.

Pneumonia usually follows some other condition, most often a cold but not infrequently some other disease such as measles or whooping cough. Pneumonia is given an opportunity to develop most often through a neglected cold or through attempts to resume one's usual habits of life too soon, before complete recovery from some other illness.

Prevent colds and thereby prevent most of our pneumonia. Go prepared for changes of temperature. Protect yourself properly against cold weather. When exercising out of doors be sure that you add additional clothing to put on as soon as you stop. If you get wet and are unable to change clothes keep exercising until you are able to change. Remove your wraps when you enter a warm room.

Pure air free from dust and an equal temperature in the house should be maintained. Avoid overcrowding. Wash your hands before eating. Do not overwork and fatigue yourself. Eat the proper foods, wear adequate clothing and exercise moderately out of doors. Observe strict cleanliness. Most colds develop from carelessness. Don't be careless. If you should get a cold don't neglect it as pneumonia is all too often the sequence of a neglected cold.

College To Aid Farmers

Corvallis, January 18. — Oregon farmers seeking guidance on what to plant this season in view of state, national and world agriculture, will be aided by the forthcoming appearance of the 1930 state and agricultural outlook reports which will be ready early in February. In Oregon these will be issued through the state college extension service.

L. R. Breithaupt, extension economist, has been called to Washington, D. C., to represent this state in preparing the national outlook report, and on his return late in January the state report will be prepared immediately.

That the national farm board is depending on increased use of these reports is indicated by a recent announcement to cotton growers that "the board cannot protect farmers when they deliberately overplant." The extension service is planning to distribute about 5000 copies of the full state report and 40,000 to 50,000 copies of separate dealing with poultry, dairying, livestock, field crops and horticulture.

Bandon Chamber Acts

Bandon, Ore. Jan. 18.—In a resolution adopted by the Bandon chamber of commerce at the weekly luncheon, the court of Douglas county was urged to use their influence toward expediting the completion of the Roosevelt highway through the county. There remain 7 1/2 miles of highway north of Reedport in Douglas county unprovided for. The Chamber of Commerce has solicited local support toward insuring action.

Smith-Hughes Man May Leave Position

Myrtle Point, Jan. 17.—Earl R. Cooley, Smith-Hughes instructor in the Myrtle Point schools, is mentioned as a possible appointee as state supervisor of agricultural education to succeed O. I. Paulson who takes up his new duties with the Union Pacific railroad in about thirty days.

At a meeting last night, the dairy night school of the Smith-Hughes course, discussed the cost of raising a dairy two-year-old heifer and reached the conclusion that such cost varied from \$35 to \$40 and that at the present price of two-year-old heifers it is not profitable or advisable to raise them for the market.

Mr. Cooley outlined the following factors that might cause milk tests to vary:

1. Cows tend to test higher in cool weather than in hot weather.
2. Cows in good flesh tend to test higher.
3. Cows generally advance in test as their lactation advances.
4. Cows tend slightly to increase their test from year to year, until they reach maturity, and then decline.
5. A sick cow may test high or low.
6. When first turned to pasture, cows tend to test higher for a short time.
7. Exposure to stormy weather and discomfort tend to reduce a cow's test.
8. The striplings test highest, and failing to completely milk the cows will reduce the test.
9. Sudden changes of feed tend to temporarily affect the test, sometimes raising and sometimes lowering it.
10. Irregular milking and feeding tend to cause cows to vary in test, as do changes in health, changes of milkers, excitement, etc.
11. Skimming part of cream from milk reduces the test.

The following are some of the errors that may be made in the mechanical operation of testing:

1. Too much or not enough acid in milk.
2. Improper method of taking milk sample.
3. Running over test bottle.
4. Not reading the test from the top of top meniscus to bottom of bottom meniscus.

Bandon Advertises Road

In its publicity program for this section of Coos and Curry counties during 1930 the Bandon chamber of commerce plans to continue the use of large framed pictures, featuring such subjects as Bandon beach and the Roosevelt highway and utilizing the widely-known efforts of J. R. Corxall, Bandon photographer, according to the World.

George W. Moore, Jr., member of the chamber's advertising committee, has sent word from San Francisco that he has obtained permission from the management of the seven big ferriesboats on San Francisco bay to place one picture on each of the boats. These boats ply between San Francisco and Sausalito and between San Francisco and Berkeley. Thousands of people cross on them every day in the year. The pictures will be so placed that they will prove ornamental to the vessels and at the same time attract the eyes of those who drive onto them in cars.

Local Dock Examined

Manager Frazier and associate, Mr. Graham of the Mercer-Frazier construction company of Eureka, Cal., the successful bidder on the Rogue river bridge contract, spent Sunday and a portion of Monday in Port Orford investigating the practicability of utilizing the local harbor for the handling of the large tonnage of material to be used in the bridge. They examined the dock and facilities and conferred with President Spoerl of the port commission. The commission recently made a very attractive wharfage rate for incoming freight of 30 cents a ton, and there is a strong probability that this freight will be routed via Port Orford.

Entertains At Dinner

Mrs. Mabel Gillings entertained at a six o'clock dinner Wednesday night in honor of Mrs. E. J. Baker of Chinquapin Ridge. Guests were Mrs. E. J. Baker, Mrs. Ella Knapp, Mr. and Mrs. Orris Knapp, Mrs. Mary B. Rice, Miss Ruth Clark and Nell Rice. The table was decorated with rose tapers and delphiniums from Mrs. Gillings garden notwithstanding the recent frost. After dinner two tables of bridge were played.

Protection of Child Health

Washington, Jan. 11.—"The problems of the child of today must be thought of in new terms and viewed from some entirely new angle," said Dr. Ray Lyman Wilbur, chairman of the white house conference on child health and protection, speaking before the national executive board of the General Federation of Women's clubs yesterday.

"Take for instance the delinquent child. The delinquent child is more often the neglected child. Practically every normal, well, child is 'delinquent' at times and if caught at the right moment and hailed before a juvenile court could be punished for the violation of some technical law. New types of procedure in dealing with the so-called delinquent child must be discovered. The lack of proper guidance may result in the boy or girl appearing as delinquent. The breaking of home ties, for which the child is not at all responsible, may bring him into the juvenile or some other court, and an indulgence in a rather normal childish impulse like that of stealing watermelons, a favorite country sport, may in our highly organized city result in his being charged with a crime. This whole question of care for children who find themselves in difficulties that are beyond the capacity of their years, needs to be approached with great charity and understanding. It seems particularly important not to have a court record or the name 'delinquent' stand against boys and girls if there is any good way to develop other methods and machinery."

"Again take the crippled child. We think of him in terms of arms and legs but the boy or girl with weak lungs, bad heart, poor eye sight, deafness, is none the less crippled. If we call them 'neglected' we would use a word which puts responsibility where it often belongs. We need a new term to designate this child without separating him apart from his companions. The hard hearing child in school should have special classes for lip-reading or be given the mechanical assistance that would enable him to hear the teacher. A sense of inferiority is a terrific handicap to every growing boy or girl. So, I hope through this series of studies of the needs of children which will lead up to the final meeting of the conference, we are going to develop in medical service, public health service and administration, education and training a new trend and, I hope, a more sympathetic and effective attitude. This great stream of youth has been going by us and we picked up and cared for those who fall by the way and occasionally have probed into the mass in a blind effort to help. Now we are going to walk them and understand their problems remembering all the time that they are live, throbbing, formative human beings and help them to meet and prepare a better present and a better future."

"Looked at from any standpoint the greatest asset of the nation is the children that play about its homes and steadily ripen into womanhood and manhood. "Just now a great survey is being made to find out to what extent those influences that might be brought to bear upon the improvement of the growing generation of boys and girls that is now in the land are being applied. The White House Conference on child health and protection has been organized to report on the care that is being received by the American child. There are 500 experts working on a score of committees. They will take a year in marshalling all the facts. They will find out what is being done and what might be done that is being neglected. From a score of viewpoints the will point the way to a greater service to youth. They will present an array of facts about the problems of childhood such as has never been gathered in this world before. They will point the way to their application. "Who can foretell the possibilities that lie in such a study? Its effects may be felt on a whole generation of American children and passed on from one generation to the next and the next. It may establish standards for child study and applications which will steadily increase as the decades pass. It may point the way by which we may carry our children through this uncertain high pressure period with its rapid and bewildering changes and not suffer the loss of those mental and character qualities upon which we must depend for the stability and advance of our nation."

Propose To Change Highway Name; 'Ore. Coast' Suggested

Commends Commission Of Park Program

Portland, Jan. 17.—The program of the Oregon State highway commission to create parks and preserve the scenic beauty along the highways of the state was endorsed by the roads committee of the various counties of Oregon in session here this week, in the following resolutions:

We, your committee on roads, being mindful of the scope of the state highway program as now laid down, the stage of completion of the whole and the accrual of finances for the construction of the same, and having perfect confidence in the ability and integrity of the members of the said commission, beg leave to offer the following expressions and suggestions:

1. We urge that early action be taken in contracting and completing the construction work of roads upon the state map and program for the ensuing year, in line with the wish of President Hoover for the stimulation of industry and profitable employment of labor;
2. We approve of the action of the highway commission in taking over the toll bridge spanning the Columbia river between Portland, Ore., and Vancouver, Wash., and making same free to the public;
3. We endorse the past action of the highway commission in procuring parks and preserving scenic spots along the highways of the state and recommend that said commission proceed further to procure scenic spots, parks and views, and to preserve stands of native timber along the highways of the state from devastation by the commercial axe and saw;
4. As a matter of equity and justice we recommend that the highway commission take over from any of the counties and place upon the state map, any arterial highways which in the judgment of said commission may be necessary or requisite for the proper handling of the traffic of the state system;
5. We approve of the market road law as it now stands and as it is now administered by the highway commission.

Respectfully submitted by
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O. E. S. Install Officers

Curry County Chapter No. 135, O. E. S. Saturday night held installation of those newly elected officers who were not present when the regular installation was held. Miss Ena McKenzie was installed as Worthy Matron, Mrs. W. J. Sabin as secretary and Miss Katie Adolphsen as Esther. Refreshments were served. Those attending from out of town were Mrs. W. J. Sabin, Mr. and Mrs. George Guerin and Mr. and Mrs. James Sypher of Langlois, and Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Johnson, Miss Katie Adolphsen and Mrs. Anna Adolphsen of Denmark.

Members of the O. E. S. and of Port Orford Lodge No. 170, A. F. & A. M. have an invitation to attend a fraternal meeting at North Bend, Oregon, Thursday evening, at which the manager of the Masonic and O. E. S. home at Forest Grove will deliver a lecture on the affairs of the home and exhibit slides of the home and its surroundings.

Woman's Club

Mrs. Ella Knapp gave a most interesting paper on "Ireland" at the last meeting of the Woman's club. Next week Mrs. W. T. White, Sr., will have "Wales" and the "Isle of Man," as her subject. Mrs. Mary B. Rice will speak on "Scotland" and Mrs. Beeman will speak on "Canada."

Basket Ball Game

The basketball game at Gold Beach last Friday night between the Gold Beach and Langlois boys and girls teams, resulted in a score of 12 to 8 in favor of the Gold Beach girls team, and a score of 16 to 13 in favor of the Gold Beach boys team. Rice of Bandon refereed the game for the boys and Mrs. Jennie Turner for the girls.

Library Popular

The stormy winter months are proving the popularity of the Port Orford library. Tuesday night 44 books were checked out and Saturday afternoon, 30. The library has amply demonstrated its worth and the library board is planning on holding their annual Book Donation Day within the near future.

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Commends Commission Of Park Program

The movement to change the name of the Roosevelt Coast Military highway to the Oregon Coast highway is receiving attention by the Portland Chamber of Commerce, and the local chamber is in receipt of the following letter relative to the matter:

Portland, Ore., Jan. 18, 1930
Mr. George W. Soranson, Secretary, Port Orford Chamber of Commerce, Port Orford, Oregon.
Dear Mr. Soranson:

In response to representations that have been made to the Portland Chamber of Commerce with reference to the name that should be perpetuated as to the present Roosevelt highway, our outdoor recreation committee recommended that the board of directors ask the State Highway commission to change the name of it to the Oregon Coast highway.

Our directors feel that they would like to make this recommendation of our Committee may be briefly expressed as follows: An Oregon highway should advertise Oregon; the name Roosevelt, while it perpetuates the memory of a wonderful American, creates confusion with the Theodore Roosevelt highway which crosses the continent from east to west. Therefore it would be much more advantageous to this state if the highway that gives access to all the Oregon beaches should be named the Oregon Coast highway.

Will you please therefore, at your earliest convenience notify me of the views of the people of your community in reference to same?

Yours faithfully,
Herbert Cuthbert, Secretary, Outdoor Recreation Committee.

The proposed change in name of this scenic highway is of interest to everyone living along the route, and in order that a true understanding of the views of the people of Curry county may be had, the chamber suggests that each one desiring to express his opinion do so in a letter addressed to the Port Orford Chamber of Commerce, Port Orford, Oregon, and mail same so that it may be considered at the meeting of the chamber next Monday night when the matter will come up for discussion and action, or, better still, attend the meeting in person and register your opinion. As this may be the only opportunity open to an expression of views of the people generally advantage should be taken of it.

Movement To Change Name Of Highway

Portland, Jan. 14. — Appeal for support of the movement to change the name of The Dalles-California highway to The Dalles-Klamath highway and re-name the Roosevelt highway the Oregon Coast highway has reached the chamber of commerce which at the board meeting recently referred the matter to the outdoor recreation committee to determine just how generally communities along the highways concerned favor such changes.

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