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WANTED-SEVEN MILLIONS FOR COAST HIGHWAY

GEARHART MEETING DISCUSSES VARIOUS PHASES OF ROOSEVELT COAST ROAD, WHICH ALL DELEGATES DECLARE MUST BE COMPLETED.

GEARHART, June 13.—The problem of finding seven million dollars to finance construction of the Roosevelt coast highway had not been found when the Roosevelt highway conference adjourned tonight.

About the only definite result reached was that of giving permanent character to the Roosevelt Highway committee of which J. C. Ainsworth is chairman and O. W. Taylor secretary. The matter was left to the executive committee to find some means of raising the necessary money.

Numerous suggestions were made, most of which were based on the theory that the federal government should make a special appropriation owing to the fact that about 13,000,000 acres of Oregon land are within the forest reserves and consequently exempt from taxation. The subject was discussed all afternoon in the shadow of personal politics.

Congressman W. C. Hawley suggested that a strong public sentiment should be built up to back the Oregon delegation in a fight for public funds. In lieu of money, he thought the government might be induced to give sections of land away.

Sees No Congress Aid.

Former Highway Commissioner E. J. Adams and now private secretary of U. S. Senator Stanfield ridiculed claims of those who asserted that they could go to congress and obtain appropriations. He gave it as his opinion that no special appropriation could be got for the completion of the highway and suggested that with a little patience the state highway commission and the federal bureau of public roads would work the problem out. When the conference assembled the temporary organization was made permanent on motion of O. E. Kratz, of Astoria.

Presenting the present physical condition of the Roosevelt highway, H. B. VanDuzer of the state highway commission said no funds were in sight to complete the section between Newport and the Coos county boundary, 87 miles. Unless new sources of revenue are supplied the construction of this gap must be deferred many years.

\$7,000,000 Already Spent.

Thus far there has been spent on the highway approximately \$7,000,000, and it will require a similar amount to complete the total length of 407 miles, or a total of \$14,000,000, an average cost of nearly \$40,000 a mile. By the close of 1926 the road south of the north boundary of Coos county to the California line will be finished or under contract. At the same time the road will be finished north from Newport with the exception of a gap in the northern part of Tillamook county.

Colonel Cyrus A. Dolph, of Portland, a retired army officer, spoke of the highway from a military standpoint, saying that regardless of whether it was constructed primarily for military purposes it would of necessity become a military highway in case of war.

William Doby, chairman of the state highway commission, said: "This is now the most important road unfinished in Oregon and we could no more stop its construction than we could stop the tides."

Governor Pierce was represented by Jefferson Myers who suggested that all the Western states should get behind their representatives in congress and obtain appropriations commensurate with the large areas of land that are being held in federal reserves.

Equal Tax Yield.

This same idea was expressed by Senator Stanfield who gave it as his opinion that the government should appropriate an amount equal to that which the lands would yield on the tax lists. One reason given by him for the failure of the state to finance the entire cost of the road within next few years is the heavy increase of the cost of maintaining the roads already completed. This cost, with betterments, has increased from \$1,000,000 to \$2,250,000.

The relative value of the coast highway

SEASIDE WOMAN IS ELECTED WORTHY MATRON OF OREGON EASTERN STAR

Delegates numbering 355, and representing 141 chapters with a membership of about 23,000, attended the 36th annual session of the Oregon chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, in Portland last week.

Mrs. Caroline Lewis of Seaside, was elected worthy grand matron, and Dr. D. O. Webster, Portland, worthy grand patron. Mrs. Mary Alice Burdette of Knigwles chapter, No. 12, McMinnville, and R. Frank Peters, Tualatin chapter, No. 31, Hillsboro, became past worthy grand matron and patron respectively, having been chief officers for the past year.

Important guests at the convention included Mrs. Julia F. Hammer, past worthy grand matron of the Montana chapter; Mrs. Ada B. Cooper, past worthy grand matron, Wisconsin chapter, and Mrs. Mayme Frank, associate grand conductress of the Minnesota chapter.

The representative from Port Orford Chapter, Mrs. Louis Scofield, has returned from attendance upon the session, greatly enthused and enjoying the event.

DELEGATE TO REPORT ON GRAND CHAPTER SESSION

Curry Chapter No. 135, Order of the Eastern Star, will hold a regular meeting next Saturday evening, June 20, at which time Mrs. Louise Scofield will make a report on the recent session of the Grand chapter, which she attended as the delegate from the Port Orford chapter.

FUN-SEEKERS ROUT NEWLY WEDDED COUPLES AND BIG TIME RESULTS

YOUNG PORT ORFORD PEOPLE ARE GIVEN TASTE OF REAL OLD TIMES BY CHARIVARI PARTY—TREAT IS FORTHCOMING.

Acting on a tip from one of Port Orford's younger matrons that something should be doing, a jolly party of fun-seekers last Wednesday evening gathered around the home of Mrs. Christiana Fromm where they suspected a pair of young honeymooners to be in hiding.

After a short siege and a heavy bombardment of the place by all the implements used on such occasions, such as dinner bells, cow bells, triangles, dish pans, cans with rosined strings, war whoops, etc., the citadel surrendered, the doors were thrown open and "Cotton" and Frances came forth to join the "Gang," in an assault on another "Dove Cote" located at the home of Bob Forty, where Charles McGill and bride were finally forced to surrender to the importunities of the invaders.

And Charlie came forth with the usual and necessary wherewithal and instructed the crowd to take themselves down to Bob's place. His orders were immediately acted upon and the fun-seekers, taking with them their former captives, adjourned to the "Kozy," where, with ice cream sundaes for the ladies, soft drinks and cigars for the boys, a pleasant hour was spent in wishing the two newly wedded couples all the best that this life could provide.

At a late hour, and after many an earnest hope had been expressed that some other of our young folk would soon give them an opportunity for a renewal of the occasion, the happy crowd went homeward.

And a stranger standing by his auto at the curb, after listening to the joyous voices and laughs floating back to him, remarked, "It's a pretty good old world in Port Orford, anyway."

way was pictured by R. A. Booth, former chairman of the state highway commission, who said that henceforth the major work in state highway building must be the completion of the road. Fairness to the coast country demanded it and economic reasons required it. "The road will be built," he said, "not only to benefit the coast, but the entire United States."

Some roads will have to be built over, it is said, because heavy traffic is wearing them out. Yet he held this a benefit, for the more they were traveled and the more they were worn, the richer the state became. The speaker expressed the hope that some way might be found to close the gap on the coast line road.

Charles Hall of Marshfield, one of the original Roosevelt Highway boosters, urged courageous prosecution of the work.

PORT ORFORDANS VIE TO MAKE SUCCESS OF ENCAMPMENT

COMMITTEES ARE APPOINTED AND PLANS BEING MADE FOR BIG STATE VETERANS' CONVENTION IN JULY.

Last Thursday evening the executive committee of arrangements for the Spanish War Veterans composed of committees from the Chamber of Commerce, the Civic club and the Ladies' aid met in the Fromm building, and appointed a committee of ladies to canvass the town to ascertain how many rooms could be secured for the accommodation of visitors to the encampment in July.

It was also decided to give a couple of dances before the date of meeting to raise funds to cover expenses that may be incurred.

Arrangements were made for the ladies to take care of those that our restaurants and hotels can not accommodate in the matter of meals. An invitation to the Chambers of Commerce of Gold Beach, Brookings, Wedderburn and Langlois to take part in making a success of the encampment has been extended to each of them.

Our local musicians have been invited to organize a band for the occasion, and a number of the boys have heartily taken up the idea.

DAVID M'KENZIE AGAIN ON LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD

At the annual School election Monday, David McKenzie was re-elected a member of the board of directors.

Mrs. Louise Scofield was chosen clerk of the board. Mrs. Velma Sabin, who has been the clerk the past year refused the entreaties of her many friends to accept the position another term, as she could not give her time to the duties required by the office.

LITTLE PORT ORFORD MISS CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY

Miss Virginia Larson entertained a number of her friends at her home Tuesday afternoon of this week, the occasion being the little girl's eighth birthday. After the little ladies had enjoyed themselves playing games Miss Virginia's mother served a delicious luncheon, capping the same with a generous supply of strawberry shortcake and whipped cream.

Upon bidding their little hostess goodbye, the children declared they had enjoyed a grand and glorious time.

Those present: the Misses Jess Gillings, Joy McKenzie, Marie Lindberg, Margaret Sabin, Fay Tribbey, Betty Gillings, Ruby Purdin and Miss Audrey Sutton.

One child in every twelve between the ages of ten and fifteen in the United States has to work, according to an investigator.

Catholic Church Services

By Rev. Father LeMiller. The new building will receive some finishing touches of carpenter work the third week of June, and after receiving a coat of paint, and the trimming up of trees and clearing of brush from the street and lot, will make one of the beautiful sites in the town of Gold Beach.

On June 21st, the third Sunday of this month, services for Brookings and Gold Beach are hereby announced as follows: At Brookings, Early Mass will begin at 7 a. m. This early hour of beginning at Brookings is made necessary for the state to be taken in time to reach Gold Beach before noon.

Late Mass at Gold Beach is scheduled to begin five minutes before noon, or at 11:55 a. m. There is sufficient seating capacity and plenty of room for visitors who wish to be present at the Sunday noon service in Gold Beach.

A booklet for the Bandon Church and the Curry County Catholic Missions is in process of preparation and will be published during the summer. Business firms are being solicited for advertisements in order to insure the publication of the same without extra cost to the mission churches.

A short history of past and present mission work and a regular schedule of services will mark the main features of the booklet contents.

VISITING MASONS ATTEND PORT ORFORD LODGE—TAKE WORK

MEMBERS PLAN TRIP TO MARSHFIELD FOR ANNUAL CELEBRATION JUNE 25—GUESTS OF SATELLITE CLUB.

The Port Orford Masonic lodge held a regular meeting Saturday evening, June 13, at which, in addition to routine matters, work was held in the first degree for the purpose of initiating two candidates into the mysteries of the Entered Apprentice Degree.

A matter of particular interest that came up for discussion was the invitation of Blanco lodge at Marshfield to attend their Anniversary celebration on June 25, and a number of the Port Orford members plan to drive to Marshfield to attend the meeting, leaving here about 4 o'clock in the afternoon, and returning the same night, a condition made possible by the great change in the roads over a few years ago, when it took members from out of town all afternoon to get to lodge, and half the next day to get back home, though only a few miles distant.

At Saturday evening meeting there were visitors from Brookings, Aegnes and Langlois, locally, and a visitor from Iowa.

After the close of the meeting the members and candidates were entertained by the Ladies Satellite club at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William McPhillamey.

BENEFIT DANCE FOR ENCAMPMENT FUNDS

The Port Orford Chamber of Commerce will give a dance in Fromm Hall Saturday evening, June 20, for the purpose of raising funds to help cover the expense of entertaining the United Spanish War Veterans during their encampment here July 23-24-25. Everybody come and have a good time. Supper will be served by the ladies. Music will be furnished by Gross' orchestra.

PORT ORFORD TRUCKS HAVING REAL BUSY TIME

Charles Jamieson has two trucks making three trips each day, delivering logs for the Western White Cedar Co., from his camp on Upper Sixes. M. T. Wright and Sons are hauling the White Bros. logs from Denmark with three trucks.

Emory Whitworth is hauling for George Quirely from Upper Sixes. Floyd Coffelt has his contract for a carload of myrtle logs for the Macleay Estate company of Wedderburn about filled.

Frank Carter is hauling logs from Upper Sixes for George Quirely. Several whaling boats from the Trinidad, Calif., states have been in the harbor the past week.

The Sealion Hunter, Captain Wm. Hunter in command, left the bay today, northbound.

AN OLD RESIDENT GOES TO VERNONIA

The many friends of Charles H. Pearce will regret to learn that he has disposed of Casa Loma, his home on Middle Elk, and is intending to go to Vernonia, Oregon, to reside.

Mr. Pearce with his family moved into Middle Elk 20 years ago, and through hard work had built up a beautiful home, which was broken up by the recent death of Mrs. Pearce, who had become a universal favorite and friend of the entire community.

The best wishes of his Port Orford friends goes with Charlie to his new home.

CLUB'S BAZAAR AND DANCE BRINGS IN LARGE SUM

The Civic club held a special business meeting last Thursday afternoon to check up on the bazaar and dance held on June 6. The sum of \$135.85 was reported as the net proceeds. A portion of this amount is to be used in putting a new fence around the cemetery.

The club has decided to take a vacation for a few months, so no more meetings will be held until fall.

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LADIES' AID ELECTS MRS. PONTING TO POSITION OF VICE-PRESIDENT

The Ladies' Aid met at the Wann home last Wednesday afternoon, with Miss Elizabeth Price as hostess. After an extended business session, during which Mrs. Ponting was elected vice-president of the society to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mrs. Myrtle McKenzie, and the appointment of Mesdames Axtell, Clinton and Ponting as a committee to act in conjunction with committees from the other local societies in preparing to entertain the coming War Veterans' encampment. Miss Price served a delicious luncheon, which, after all had enjoyed, the ladies spent some time entertaining several visitors, adjourning later to meet this Wednesday with Mrs. Ella Knapp.

"STOP FOREST FIRES" CAMPAIGN IN OREGON

The week of June 29th to July 4th has been set aside as the second annual "STOP FOREST FIRES" campaign to be observed throughout Oregon. It is announced by officials of the Oregon State Chamber of Commerce the Klamath County Chamber of Commerce last year and taken up by the state body will also be observed this year in Washington, Idaho and California.

Local chambers of commerce and commercial clubs throughout Oregon have been requested to take charge of the "STOP FOREST FIRES" campaign in their respective districts. The purpose of the movement is to instill in the mind of the individual a sense of his personal responsibility in the protection of our forest wealth.

NEW MATERIAL ARRIVES AND BUILDING RESUMES

Another large consignment of lumber having been received the hammer are again making music on the W. T. White, Jr., building.

John Marsh is putting a porch on the front of his new garage and service station.

Harry Strahan is filling in and grading his home lots on Jackson street.

C. E. Trumbull and Ed Molloy are rushing the Hutton Service station and harness shop toward completion.

Fred Scofield has his new cottage on the place, he recently purchased from R. O. Smith, well underway.

Henry Axtell is keeping a crew of men busy on his new theatre building.

FLAG DAY EXERCISES ATTRACT BIG CROWD

There was a very large attendance at the combined Flag and Children's day exercises held in the Community church last Sabbath.

A splendid program was rendered by the little folks consisting of recitations, songs and flag exercises. Special music by the young peoples' choir; a solo by Mrs. Carter, followed by a reading by Mrs. Lois Oertine, "The Name of Old Glory," by James Whitcomb Riley.

Then a flag song, drill and salute by the children, after which the audience standing adjourned in singing "The Star Spangled Banner."

The church was beautifully decorated with flags and flowers, among the latter an immense basket of June lilies that Mrs. Smith brought from their Coquille home. A great many of our town people kindly furnished flowers for decorating the room, and their kindness was highly appreciated by all attending the exercises.

NEWLYWEDS SHOWERED WITH NUMEROUS GIFTS

Last Monday evening a number of the lady friends of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Fromm, surprised them with a wedding shower. After presenting the young couple with useful presents the visitors served light refreshments.

Grade crossings are unknown in Great Britain.

COMMUNITY CHURCH

Sunday, June 21. Sabbath school at 10 o'clock a. m. Preach services at 11 o'clock a. m. subject, "The Fearful Results of Thoughtless Neglect."

Young Peoples' meeting Thursday evening at 8 o'clock, leader, Miss Bertie Lynch, subject, "Life As a Hurdle," Heb. 12:14. Evening service at Langlois at 8 o'clock.

STATE HIGHWAY OFFICIALS GOING THRU FRIDAY

WILL ATTEND BANQUET IN MARSHFIELD THURSDAY NIGHT—BE AT WEDDERBURN AND GOLD BEACH FRIDAY—BROOKINGS ON SATURDAY.

Latest information concerning the approaching tour of Curry county by state highway officials is to the effect that the members of the commission will reach Coos Bay via Roseburg Thursday evening and will be guests at a big banquet being tendered by the Good Roads association of Coos county. Whether Governor Pierce will be a member of the party has not been definitely learned, but others aside from the commission will be Editor Edgar B. Piper of the Morning Oregonian, and Editor B. F. Irvine of the Oregon Journal. Mrs. B. F. Irvine, and Roderick L. Macleay, president of the Portland Chamber of Commerce and of the Macleay Estate company, Portland and Wedderburn.

The party will leave Marshfield early on the morning of Friday, with the idea that it will reach Wedderburn in time for lunch about 1 o'clock. Practically all the afternoon will be spent at Wedderburn as guests of the Macleay Estate company, going across the river to Gold Beach in the late afternoon to spend the night. Departure will be made early Saturday morning from Gold Beach for the south, to inspect the three proposed routes for the Roosevelt highway between Burnt Hill and Brookings, and will probably continue on to Brookings, where a reception will be tendered them Saturday evening by the Brookings Chamber of Commerce.

Inasmuch as there is nothing really demanding the attention of the state highway commission in Northern Curry county, it is not likely that the state officials will spend more than a few minutes in any of the localities of this section.

PLANT OF C. & O. LUMBER COMPANY CLOSES AT BROOKINGS

Word reached Port Orford today that the entire plant of the California and Oregon Lumber company, in Southern Curry and Northern Del Norte county, has closed down, and all operations have ceased indefinitely. The shutdown is said to have been occasioned by the present condition of the lumber market which has been very bad for a long time. The C. & O. company has been operating steadily for the past several years, and for the past two years has been turning out redwood lumber between 700 and 800 people out of employment, and it will be quite a blow to the business life of Southern Curry county.

President W. C. Ribenack and Assistant R. T. Bourne of the above company passed through Port Orford northbound about 10:30 this morning, after spending a few days in Brookings. Mr. Ribenack has his headquarters in San Francisco, while Mr. Bourne is located at North Bend. He is also the local head of the Stout Lumber company.

NEIGHBORS OF WOODCRAFT VISIT BANDON LODGE

Thursday evening a party, consisting of Mesdames Fromm, Ella Knapp, Rachel Marsh, Kate Leneve, Temperance Aiken, E. Lindberg, Elsa Port and Ina Christy, members of Battle Rock Circle No. 317, attended a special invitation meeting of Seaside Lodge No. 662, Neighbors of Woodcraft at Bandon. An especially pleasant evening is reported by the visiting ladies.

Radio fans in the United States are far better off than they are in Germany, for about 13,000,000 gold marks, which equals approximately \$3,000,000 in our money, is paid the German post office department each year for radio licenses. There are now nearly 600,000 radio subscribers in Germany, and each one is taxed about 50c a month. To install a radio without first securing a license from the German government is punishable by a substantial fine.

Tsao Kun, president of China, was at one time a cloth merchant's apprentice.