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## NEW RAILROAD MAY TAP EASTERN OREGON

WOULD GREATLY REDUCE DISTANCE TO OUTSIDE POINTS

## CREWS OF ENGINEERS BUSY

Articles of Incorporation Filed in Salem June 7 for Portland & Southeastern Railway

Articles of incorporation for the Portland & Southeastern Railway, were filed in Salem on June 7, naming Col. C. S. Spencer, Portland attorney, H. S. Huson, chief engineer D. & R. G., N. P., and the Myler Construction Co., of Portland, and J. W. Foster of Portland as incorporators.

According to reports the proposed road will be built from Mt. Angel on the west side of the Cascades to Bend, via Sisters, thence southeast to Nevada, where it is proposed to connect with the Western Pacific, thereby gaining an outlet from Portland to San Francisco.

The proposed line would shorten the distance from Portland to San Francisco by 231 miles and cut the distance from Bend to Portland 80 to 90 miles. The proposed line will follow nearly the old line of the C. & E. Railroad, with the exception that the western terminus will be at Mt. Angel. The line would take a general southeasterly direction through the Santiam forest and cross the Cascades through the line of the Minto trail and then follow on to Sisters and up the west side of the Deschutes to Bend, from which place on south to the place of connection with the Western Pacific.

## THE "OLD SWIMMIN' HOLE"

With the advent of warm weather recurs the pleasant dreams of the "old swimmin' hole." The place of location of the old swimming place may be in one part or another of the country and the place one man is thinking of may be miles distant from the place remembered by his neighbor. But in the minds of each are memories of the days when he ran away to go in swimming and staid in all day until it was a blister from head to foot. Oh, the joys of those days!

Although no one ever finds a place to equal the "old swimmin' hole," yet most everyone seems quite well satisfied to accept the Stewart dam on Crooked river as second choice. If one may judge from the number that have been swimming out there every evening, it is running a close second to the old place in popularity.

## BIRDS MUST BE PROTECTED

Although hundreds of pheasants and other game birds have been distributed through this country during the past few years, hardly any of them are noticeable at the present time. There is only one reason for this and that is someone wantonly destroying them. This was the consensus of opinion of the Crook County Development Club in a discussion at the club luncheon last Friday. Other birds can be obtained, but it is useless to spend hundreds of dollars in attempting the propagation of game birds as long as a few unprincipled persons persist in secretly killing them faster than they can multiply.

The Prineville Rod and Gun Club which has been inactive for a couple of years, is to be reorganized in an attempt to more systematically distribute and protect game birds in Crook county. And if anyone is caught in the act of killing China pheasants or any other protected birds he is assured of receiving the limit of the law regarding such an offense.

## ELGIN CORNETT INJURED

Last Friday, while playing in the yard, little Elgin Cornett, aged six, son of John Cornett of this city, fell and suffered a painful fracture of the forearm. Dr. H. P. Boknan was called and fixed the little fellow up so that he will soon be out playing as happy as ever.

## HOBBS-HARTLEY

Married July 6, at the residence of the bride's cousin, Mrs. Scarborough, in Los Angeles, Mr. George Hobbs of Powell Butte and Miss Jessie V. Hartley of Los Angeles. The groom is a popular bachelor rancher of this community and the bride has been one of Crook county's most successful school teachers. She has "homesteaded" in this county and also has large property interests in California. The happy couple are at home at Powell Butte and will welcome all their old friends. We extend them our best wishes.

## TWINS BORN

Born Friday, July 11, 1919, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cram of Gateway, twin babies, a seven and three-quarter pound boy and an eight and one-half pound girl.

## PRINEVILLE STREETS MAY BE INCLUDED IN HIGHWAY

J. H. Upton, as representative and attorney for the city of Prineville met with the State Highway Commission at Portland last week and placed before them the proposition of including Main, West Second and East Third streets in the Highway system. It was perfectly agreeable with the Commission to do this, so as soon as the city took the necessary legal steps to lay the matter before them the request was granted. The matter rests now with the county court for acceptance or rejection.

## PRINEVILLE HOTEL ARRIVALS

Following is a list of the visitors in Prineville who have registered at the hotel during the past week:

**Thursday, July 10, 1919.**  
B. Wortendyke, Geo. E. Fisk, Mrs. Henrietta Ready, C. B. Hurd, Thos. P. Curran, L. S. Logan, Portland; W. H. McCrite, G. E. McClure, The Dalles; Lloyd G. Rippey and wife, Ochoco; A. M. Lora, Salem; H. G. Hoekman, Seattle; Frank R. Smith, Buhl, Idaho; Elvin Kuhn, Henry Bernard, Suplee.

**Friday, July 11, 1919.**  
Louis Beirl, Portland; James W. Erwin, California; Max Stricker, Redmond; Ban Puett, Paulina; L. A. Newell, Prineville; Chas. H. Barnes, Bend; Ira Swift, Meadows.

**Saturday, July 12, 1919.**  
Wm. H. Lewis, Seattle; Dwight L. Jamison, Geo. A. Bright, G. Braakett, Portland; Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Morris, M. F. Brummer, W. H. Brummer and wife, Maude Ream, Post; C. A. Sherman, C. L. Sherman, Barnes; B. F. Harper, Milton.

**Sunday, July 13, 1919.**  
M. Hardy, San Francisco; G. H. Hastings, F. W. Weldon, Portland; I. M. Mills, Roy Foster, Paulina; B. F. Harper, Milton; Joe Kerrins and family, Ize.

**Monday, July 14, 1919.**  
Chas. W. Mapis, L. A. Byers, F. E. Bishop, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Wither- spoon, F. D. Antrim, Portland; Henry Williams, Mrs. Henry Mohr, Baker; Herb Angell, C. D. Henderson, Paulina; J. D. Kerrins, Allie Henry, Ize.

**Tuesday, July 15, 1919.**  
W. C. Morse, Seattle; John Parrott, C. H. Mead, Mrs. Edith Mead, Ruth Mead, Max Crandall, E. E. Hawkins, F. J. Richards, L. A. Newell, F. J. Hughes, Portland; L. M. Tobbell, Spokane; J. L. Gaither, Bend; W. W. Stone, San Francisco; Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Stewart, Dayville.

**Wednesday, July 16, 1919.**  
H. G. Stockman, Medford; Chas. Benson, Pendleton; N. W. Scott, E. F. Fay, Harry Kemp, E. H. Whitaker, F. W. Comstock, Portland; S. N. Ware, Spokane; Jas. Inglis, Barnes; M. L. Cyrus, Culver.

## A CHARMING OCCASION

Charming in every detail was the lawn fete and house party given by Mr. and Mrs. Willard Wirtz Tuesday evening for the younger set of Prineville. The lawn was tastefully decorated with Japanese lanterns, and blended with a moonlight night. Colored lights enhanced a lovely dancing parlor.

A punch bowl set in one corner of the lawn was the inception for a well worn path across the District Attorney's lawn and later frolic ensued when ice cream appeared with cones as dishes. Such was the attractiveness of the music, the home and the host and hostess, that the court house clock bespoke a late hour before the happy guests departed.

## BAND CONCERT FRIDAY

The Prineville City Band will give the regular weekly open air concert at the city park Friday evening at 8 p. m. The program for this week is as follows:

March—"The Fight Is On," Vandersloot; Overture—"Arcadia," Lauson; Waltz—"Dream of Paradise," Johnston; March—"The Iron Brigade," Bennett; Selection—"Bohemian Girl," Balfe; March—"The Drill Master," Kiefer. Star Spangled Banner.

JAMES AUSTIN, Director.

## Powell Butte

Mrs. Lucy McLead of Vancouver, Wash., and her two daughters arrived this week to visit with her mother and sisters, Mrs. Mary Brown and Mrs. E. A. Bussett and Mrs. Geo. Shober, and their families.

Haying in this vicinity is progressing on the big Wurzweller ranch and the hay will all be up this week. Also the John Driscoll and Stewart and Charlton and Truesdale ranches. While on the O'Callahan ranch the work is just well started. Fewer women are in the fields this year than last, due, of course, to the return of many of our boys from overseas.

## B. A. BECKENSTEIN TAKES OWN LIFE

HAD BEEN SUFFERER FROM ASTHMA FOR MANY YEARS

## BY BULLET FROM SMALL PISTOL

Deed Committed in Fit of Despondency—Was Agent For Local Railroad; Funeral Yesterday

B. A. Beckenstein, agent for the City of Prineville railroad, and a resident of this city for several months, took his own life in this city about noon Monday.

The victim had been suffering from a bad attack of asthma for several days and while no one was in his room he shot himself in the head with a small caliber pistol and died almost instantly.

While no explanation was made by the victim, it was evident to the coroner that the act was committed in a fit of despondency.

Mr. Beckenstein came to Oregon from Denver in quest of health seven years ago and had been in railroad business since a boy. He was train dispatcher at Jersey City at one time handling as many as 350 trains in each 12 hours.

Three months ago, he, with Mrs. Beckenstein, came to Prineville and took charge of the depot at this place, where he was ably assisted by his wife. Mr. Beckenstein was born in Elizabeth, New Jersey in 1858. Besides his wife, Mr. Beckenstein is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Chas. A. Ros of this city.

The many friends of the family regret very much to hear of the tragedy. Funeral services were held yesterday morning, interment being held at the Masonic cemetery of which order Mr. Beckenstein was a member.

## THE NEW EXPOSITION BUILDING

Blake McFall Co., of Portland has sent to this office a splendid drawing of the proposed building in which the Pacific International Livestock Exposition will be housed in North Portland during November. It is a splendid piece of work, printed in color. Livestock producers and others who are interested are cordially invited to call at the Journal office and see it.

## DISFRANCHISE NON-VOTERS

The Eagle is going to advocate for the next two years the disfranchisement of all voters who fail to vote for three consecutive elections. When a man or woman has no more interest in public affairs than to miss three elections their right of suffrage is of no value or interest to them and it should be taken away from them. Such people should not be allowed to vote. At the election in June only 20 per cent of the registered vote voted. Something will have to be done to cure such indifference.—Blue Mountain Eagle.

## A PLEASANT DINNER PARTY

Mrs. Florence Knox was the charming hostess at a dinner party given at her home Friday, July 11, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. B. Groff and Mrs. Elizabeth Churchhill. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Groff, Mrs. Elizabeth Churchhill, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Newsum, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Norton, Mrs. Golda Stover, Mary Bell Groff, Masters Carl Stover, Don Newsum, James Newsum, Misses Lily Knox, Le Vica Knox, Ethel E. Miller, D. W. Knox. A good dinner was enjoyed by all who voted Mrs. Knox a culinary artist of the highest order.—Contributed.

## EXAMINATION FOR P. O. CLERK

The U. S. Civil Service Commission announces that a Post Office examination will be held at Prineville, Oregon, on August 9, 1919, to establish an eligible register from which selection may be made to fill vacancies as they may occur in the position of clerk in the Prineville, Oregon, Post-office. Entrance fee, \$1,000.00 per annum.

Application blanks and information may be obtained by applying to Miss Stella Hodges, Local Secretary, Board of U. S. Civil Service Examiners, Prineville, Oregon, Postoffice, or to the Secretary Eleventh U. S. Civil Service District, 303 Postoffice Bldg., Seattle, Washington.

## HAS NARROW ESCAPE

A tragedy was narrowly averted last Sunday when Dr. Charles S. Edwards, while swimming at the dam in Crooked river, became strangled and sank, unable to help himself, although he was only a short distance from shallow water. His disappearance was noted at once by other swimmers who quickly pulled him out, little worse for the experience.

Mrs. Dr. Remple returned Tuesday evening from an extended visit in Portland.

## PRINEVILLE-MITCHELL ROAD A DISTINCT ADVANTAGE

The increasing number of Mitchell people trading in Prineville this summer is quite noticeable. And also a large number came over and attended our Chautauqua. We hope they enjoyed the Chautauqua and other treatment received here. It is our desire to see the finest road in the country built between Mitchell and this place in order that travel back and forth will be easy. Prineville needs the Mitchell country and Mitchell needs the Prineville country. Let us all pull together in a common cause.

## FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

A mid-summer rally of the Redmond and Prineville churches and Sunday schools will be held on the lawn of W. S. Ayres' residence next Sunday at 10:30. At 11:30 Dr. G. J. Reid, the Irish Evangelist, will preach after which there will be a basket dinner. Dr. Reid will begin evangelistic services at the church Sunday evening and will preach every night except Saturday night and also Sunday, July 27, morning and evening. Dr. Reid comes from the Emerald Isle and is superintendent of Evangelism for the State. Come and hear him once and you will want to come again.

## DEATH OF J. W. FERTIG

J. W. Fertig passed away at his home west of Prineville at 12:20 p. m., Saturday, July 12, 1919. The direct cause of his death at the age of 68 years, 1 month and 24 days, was carcinoma of the bladder. At his bedside were his wife, son, Jerome, daughter, Mrs. Bonnie E. Hugo, who came here a couple of months ago to nurse her father in his severe illness, brother, W. L. Fertig of La Junta, Colorado, daughter-in-law, Mrs. W. L. Fertig, and son, Claude, who arrived three days before his father passed away.

The deceased was born in West Virginia, but went to Colorado early in life and came from La Junta, Colorado to this city a year ago last fall in order to be near his son, Jerome H. Fertig, engineer for the Ochoco Irrigation District.

He was married May 28, 1879, to Miss Alice C. Landon, at Denver, Colorado, to which union was born eight children. He is survived by the widow, and five of the children: Jerome H. of this city, Mrs. Ada A. Ballinger of Cody, Wyo., Mrs. F. Edith Schwartz, Boulder, Colo., Mrs. Bonnie E. Hugo, La Junta, Colo., and John L. Fertig, who has just returned from the army of occupation and is awaiting demobilization at Fort D. A. Russell, Wyoming. There are also two brothers living: John Fertig of Headsville, West Va., and W. L. Fertig of La Junta, Colo.

The body, accompanied by the widow and daughter was shipped last Wednesday morning to Boulder, Colorado for interment beside a son who preceded him nearly ten years ago.

## CHAUTAQUA ASSOCIATION MAKES FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Not enough season tickets were sold to take up the guaranteed amount of \$1,250 plus the 10 per cent war tax. Enough guarantors purchased an extra season ticket to make up the deficit and the finances are as follows at present:

Local share (25 per cent for single admissions).....	\$124.11
<b>Liabilities</b>	
Jap Ireland, exp advanced.....	4.32
(Mr Ireland charged nothing for transportation of piano Tum-A-Lum Lumber Co., for material for seats, which may be retained for future use or sold and money placed in treasury.....)	23.05
Elmer J. Wilson, work.....	5.95
Ben Wright, carpentering.....	10.00
Cy Hodges, hauling.....	5.00
R. S. Price, hauling.....	8.00
R. G. Smith, carpentering and putting up and taking down tent.....	11.00
Christian Church, piano (no bill was presented by the church but \$1 a day was allowed the church.....)	6.00
H. R. Lakin, nails and ticket punch.....	1.85
Balance on hand for 1920.....	47.26

The committee wishes to thank those who generously contributed so much time and effort in making the Chautauqua the success that it appeared to have been. Messrs R. G. Smith, Ray Putnam and E. E. Evans who very liberally gave their time to taking tickets and otherwise helping about the grounds are deserving of particular mention, and the Ochoco Irrigation District also for so kindly loaning the planks used in making the seats. Also the work done by those contributing flowers and otherwise making things pleasant for the talent, all is very much appreciated.

## DELCO-LIGHTS TO COST MORE

We are informed by the Inland Auto Company, local distributors for the Delco-Light and Power systems, that these plants are soon to increase in price. But by paying a deposit of \$25 on a plant, one can be secured at the old price for installation at any time before the first of October.

## BOND ELECTION FOR OCHOCO PROJECT

150,000 ISSUE TO BE VOTED ON AUGUST 16 BY OWNERS

## REQUIRED TO COMPLETE DAM

Work Progressing Nicely—Will Complete Dam For Storage Water For Next Year's Use

A bond election, asking for the authorization of an issue of \$150,000 6 per cent bonds has been called by the Board of Directors of the Ochoco Irrigation District, to be held on August 16.

The amount asked will be required to complete the dam and put the district in shape to deliver a maximum amount of water to the users in 1920 and each year thereafter.

The work, which was delayed for a time by damage to the big pumps, is well under way again and is progressing very satisfactorily.

Storage water is being delivered from the mammoth pond, and has been flowing steadily since the exhaustion of the flood waters in the early spring.

The result of the water on lands that were properly farmed and where sufficient water was available to imply demonstrates to everyone the immense value of irrigation to lands of the quality of the Ochoco Project and there is no question but that the bonds will be voted by the land owners.

The election will be held at Lower McKay school house and will start at 8 o'clock in the morning and continue.

### Paulina

WSS NEWS NOTES WSS

Lawrence Morgan has been in Suplee for two weeks, helping Joe Smith put up hay.

Major Reary is in Portland undergoing a government examination for T. B.

Robert Tolliday, who was serving overseas with an Engineer corps, has received his discharge from the army and is at present visiting friends in California.

Henry Smith, who went east with the Davidson horses, reports crops in Montana as being very poor. He says the stock is very thin and grass all drying up.

A memorial service was held in Suplee on Sunday for Clyde Smith, who gave his life in the great war. Clyde was well and favorably known both here and in the Lytle district.

Ira Higgins has finished haying and reports a better yield than expected.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford McKenzie and Mr. Chas. McKenzie are back again from Hood River.

## MRS. ELKINS ENTERTAINS

Mrs. E. L. Barnes of Portland was the guest of honor last Friday evening at a delightful bridge party given by Mrs. Collins Elkins at her home in this city. Mrs. Richard Rae received the highest score.

## MISS CORNETT ENTERTAINS

Last Thursday evening Miss Tona Cornett was at home to a group of her friends with a dinner given in honor of Donald Robinson of Portland. The tables were tastefully decorated in pink and white with pink rosebuds attached to place cards.

Those present at the hour of seven to partake of the sumptuous dinner were the Misses Viola Johnson, Mildred Dishman, Violet Lister, Blanche Shipp, Berniece Shipp, Estelle Conway, and the Messrs Ernest Hayes, Norris Bixby, Ernest Estes, Walton Parsons, Hall Pearce, Sylvain Michel, and Donald Robinson.

The remainder of the evening was spent with music and dancing, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Miss Cornett was pronounced a delightful hostess.

## PAYING GOLD MINE ON SISTER

That gold in paying quantities has been discovered on the southeast side of the south Sister was the report brought in from Sisters today by H. E. Vincent of the Deschutes National Forest Service. A claim, which was located three years ago, near Green lakes, by Mrs. Alice Boyd of Bend, is said to be yielding good pay ore, and machinery is to be installed this summer.

Newt Cobb has been engaged to transport supplies and machinery to the mine location, and Mrs. Boyd is superintending the operations at the mine.—Bend Bulletin for Monday.

## CROOK COUNTY URGES THE BENHAM FALLS DAM

U. S. Reclamation Service geologists and engineers, Professor W. O. Crosby, Homer Hanlin, and J. A. Wiley, arrived today in Bend to examine the Benham Falls Storage reservoir and site. The government party was met on their arrival by a committee composed of representatives from Crook county, Deschutes, and Jefferson counties. The members of this committee from Crook county are J. H. Upton, A. R. Bowman, and J. E. Myers, who went over yesterday to be in attendance at a meeting of the Bend Commercial Club with representatives from Jefferson county. At this meeting the best possible manner in which to present the Benham Falls project to the experts was discussed and other steps taken that might aid in getting a favorable report from the government on this matter. This is one of the biggest projects and of direct interest to more people in Central Oregon than any other project yet built or contemplated.

## E. A. BUSSETT INJURED

While trying to harness and hitch up a mule, E. A. Bussett, a well known rancher of Powell Butte was kicked and very seriously injured at his home there. His brother-in-law, Geo. Shober, very narrowly escaped at the same time Mr. Bussett is resting as comfortably as could be expected with his ribs caved in and worrying over the many things that he needs to do at this busy season.

## JULY NINTH HOTTEST DAY SO FAR THIS YEAR

According to the report of U. S. Cooperative Weather Observer D. P. Adamson the hottest day of the year to date was July 9th, when the government thermometer registered 103 degrees. The temperature for the past week is as follows:

Date	High	Low
Thursday, July 10.....	89	60
Friday, July 11.....	89	51
Saturday, July 12.....	85	40
Sunday, July 13.....	90	43
Monday, July 14.....	100	44
Tuesday, July 15.....	101	55
Wednesday, July 16.....	96	62

## "DAD ALWAYS HELD THE REINS"

"One young fellow who applied for work when men were not to be had, was asked if he had ever lived on a farm," writes C. C. Calkins, county agent of Sherman county, in the June Oregon Countryman.

"Oh, yes, all my life," he said. "A farmer out here wants someone to drive six horses; can you do it?" he was asked.

"I don't know; I could harness them, but I never drove a horse in my life."

"What! Didn't your father have any horses on the farm?" "We had horses all right, but Dad would never let me drive; he always held the lines."

Further questioning revealed the fact that Dad still owns the farm but hires some other father's son to run it while George is away in a state that is not his own, looking for work because Dad just had to hold the lines.

Other boys tell the same story in different words. "It's all Dad's farm," sighed one lad. "It was my calf, but Dad's cow, said another."

It isn't enough to give the boy nine months of schooling; give him a chance at the farm business; even if he doesn't want it, it's up to Dad to create and fill the want.

Experience shows us that if you want the child at home this has got to come. The letter head that used to read "J. C. Brown, Shorthorn Breeder," must be changed to read "Brown & Sons." And then Dad has got to play the game.

## GREAT CAR SHORTAGE

Homer Ross manager of the Inland Auto Company, spent three weeks in Portland during the past month in an attempt to get cars to fill the demands of this territory. He returns very much disappointed in the results and convinced that there are just no cars to be had at any price. The only way people are able to get any cars at all is by signing up for them far in advance of delivery. A carload of Fords, which has been ordered for some time has been shipped from the factory and should be here in a short time. Outside of this, Mr. Ross states that there are no cars in sight at all for weeks and perhaps for months.

## CALL FOR COUNTY WARRANTS

Notice is hereby given that Registered General Fund Warrants up to and including Registered No. 6350 will be paid upon presentation. Interest stops after this date.

Dated this 16th day of July, 1919.  
A. R. BOWMAN,  
County Treasurer of Crook County  
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Miss Etta Houston left the first of the week for her ranch at Roberts.