

## OREGON CITY ENJOYS FORWARD MOVEMENT

### BIG POWER PLANT HERE

P. R. L. & P. Engineers Soon to Begin Preliminary Work

WILL BE ON EAST SIDE

When Completed Will Have a Capacity of at Least 45 Thousand Horse Power

According to advices received from Portland, a corps of engineers in the employ of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company have been instructed to begin preliminary work immediately on a new high water power plant on the east side of the Willamette river at this city. When completed the plant will have a capacity of 45,000-horse power. It will be possible to utilize this property nine months a year. The probable cost of installing the plant will not be announced by the company until the plans have been completed.

The new power plant will be constructed near the same site that was occupied by the original power station in this section of the Pacific Northwest. It will probably be three years before the plant is completely installed, but it may be possible to derive some power from that source, if desired, within the next 12 months. The plant will provide a source of power supply in addition to the company's established plant on the opposite side of the Willamette, which generates 15,000-horse power.

In the meantime work is progressing on the company's new power plant on the Upper Clackamas, about two and one-half miles above its Cazadero station. The survey for the extension of the Oregon & Water Power electric railway line from Cazadero to the new power station is nearly completed and estimates are being prepared showing the cost of making the extension of the electric railroad will begin within the next few weeks.

**BASSEY WANTS DECREE.**  
Portland Baseball Player Seeks Legal Separation from Spouse.

John Bassey, better known as John Bassey, who attends to the handling of files in the left garden for Pearl Casey's Colts in the Northwest League, has filed a complaint

in the Circuit Court in this city asking a divorce from Ida Baegalupo, whom he married in 1902 in Clayton, Mo. The grounds given in the suit is desertion. Bassey, before he came into the limelight as a baseball player, went under the old family name of Baegalupo, but as this is rather lengthy and hard to remember, he altered it to the name by which he now draws his salary.

**FIREMEN TO MAKE MERRY.**  
Fourth Annual Barbecue to be Held Sunday at Schnaer's.

The members of the volunteer fire department of this city are looking forward with interest to their fourth annual picnic and barbecue, which will be held Sunday in Schnaer's Park near Willamette. Committees appointed from the different companies have met and completed arrangements, and the affair promises to be one of the most enjoyable of the kind ever given in Clackamas county. Leaving here in the morning, the fireladdies will go by car to the beautiful grove, where the forenoon will be given to speechmaking and jollification. At noon, a barbecued beef will form the principal constituent of a bounteous spread. During the afternoon, a fine card of athletic and aquatic events will be pulled off, and winning parties will be awarded prizes donated by the merchants and other business men of the city. A ball game between two of the companies will form no small part of the afternoon's program. The Oregon City Band, noted at home and abroad for its excellent playing, will furnish the music for the occasion. The members of the St. Johns fire department have been invited to participate in the festivities, and it is more than probable that a good many will attend.

**BUNNELL IS ACQUITTED.**  
Justice Kelso Renders Verdict in Favor of Defendant.

The trial of E. Wayne, of Oak Grove, who was arrested on complaint of his brother-in-law, charged with assault and battery, was held Wednesday before Justice of the Peace Kelso of Milwaukie. After hearing the evidence, his honor rendered a verdict acquitting the defendant. Bunnell was represented by Dimick & Dimick, of this city.

**MOLALLA**  
Services at the Molalla M. E. church will be held at the usual hours Sunday morning and evening. All are invited.

Miss Stella Powell spent Saturday in Oregon City.  
C. H. Trullinger, Hubbard Optician will be at Molalla Saturday, August 21.

### LARGEST AMOUNT IMPROVEMENTS FOR MANY YEARS

Many New Buildings Going Up and Others Receiving Substantial Improvement---Center Street in the Lead With Green Point a Close Second.

In every part of Oregon City, building is the order of the day, and new houses are springing up here in town as well as in the suburbs with amazing rapidity. Perhaps no one street in the place is the scene of so much activity as from 1st to 7th Sts. This is one of the most desirable residential sections, on account of its proximity to the business section as well as to beautiful sea and sky country.

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interested in many ways in promoting the fundamental principles of conservation. Washington is a large state having within its borders the natural products of mountain, forest, river and lake, and bordered by some of the most noted waters of the world. Natural resources are abundant everywhere and there seems to be no limitation to the sources of wealth, but thinking men realize that the main-springs of wealth are gradually wasting their strength through the systems of extravagance practiced in converting natural resources into commercial products, and they ask the people to call a halt to the pace that means the denuding of the mountains and the despoiling of the valleys.

Conservation brings into use the best thoughts of men and women engaged in vocations that tend to the uplifting of the human race. It is an avowed enemy to waste, extravagance and disorganized efforts in the handling of natural resources. It seeks to add system to our work of forest and water protection.

The conservationist desires to benefit the people of today without robbing those of the future--and insists upon a higher plane of manhood than that depending entirely upon the "profit and loss" account in the ledger of commercialism. He seeks to carry out the old motto--"The greatest good to the greatest number"--in every field of action wherein the maintenance of natural resources is under consideration. He lays by for a "rainy day" in order that his old age may have some of the luxuries and all of the necessities of life.

The first National Conservation Congress will call some of the best men of the world to the speaker's stand to address the people on the duties of citizenship. Among those expected to deliver addresses are:

President William H. Taft; Hon. R. A. Ballinger, Secretary of the Interior; Clifford Pinchot, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Conservation between States and Nation; P. H. Newell, Chief of the Reclamation Service; Senator Reed Smoot, of Utah; Senator Paris Gibson, of Montana, and several members of the United States Senate and House of Representatives. Hon. W. T. Freer, Governor of Hawaii, and Prof. Ralph S. Hooser, of the Hawaiian Conservation Commission, will be on the list, and many commercial and civic organizations have agreed to supply speakers. In addition, some of the most prominent churchmen of the day will participate.

No better place than the site of the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Fair could have been selected for the holding of the First National Conservation Congress. It has numerous practical illustrations of the benefit to be derived from conserving water, soil and scenery. It supplies illustrated lectures for every student of conservation that must impress him with the magnitude of the work in which he is engaged. And there are collections of the products of nature from all sections of the world on exhibition in the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition. They present object lessons of value to every individual who looks ahead as far as from one harvest to another, and they cannot fail to impress him with the necessity for more concerted action in protecting the sources of wealth that must annually be depleted by filling the demands of the commercial world.

The Washington Conservation Association invites all interested in the subject of conservation to inspect the exhibits, and assist at the First National Conservation Congress in formulating plans for a practical campaign for conservation of our country's natural resources.

**Stone.**  
The past week seems to have been a busy one in this neighborhood, some of our people cutting hay, some halting hay, some stacking hay and some hauling hay to market. Several have been cutting wheat and vetch. One man says he received \$20 per ton for timothy hay. The harvest cutting will be finished this week if it doesn't rain and the sun shines.

Grant Mumpower has his dwelling house covered now. He is not at all like the "Arkansas traveller," who said "When it rains, I kent fix it, and when it don't, I don't need it."

On the 10th inst, a surveying outfit from Portland appeared in this part of the country for the purpose of finding the best way to build a dam across the Clackamas river here for the purpose of making a manufacturing plant and electric power house, and to build a railroad from Portland. The Christian Confederation first started here three years ago to build a plant, and earlier this summer, a second concern started to find the foundation of the Clackamas, above the first concern.

Now comes the third concern. The following is what they claim they are going to do: Survey and locate the ground; the height of the dam, and find the probable cost of the buildings, etc. They claim to have the entire water right, which they have shown to a party here. The parties who are surveying here are going to finish their work here as fast as men and money will do it, so if this is true, it is just what the people here like to hear of, and we all hope it is true. The name of the firm which is operating here is the Gibson Mfg. Company. Their Portland address is 38-4 East Clay street.

**Liberal.**  
Farmers are in the middle of their harvest and rushing it as fast as possible. Every one is stacking this year on account of rain. Pastures are good yet. A few have threshed their fall grain.

Cole Bros. are threshing at Mackeburg, and will be threshing in this vicinity the last of the week. Some fields of fall wheat have threshed from 30 to 60 bushel of wheat; oats from 40 to 65 per acre. This is the report from the ones who have threshed.

Field corn is making good growth and will surely be a good crop as it

### COUNCIL IS DEFENDANT

Capt. Apperson Seeks to Block Street Improvement

Being Non Resident He is Compelled to Fight 11th Street Edict Through The Courts

A suit was filed in the Circuit Court Monday afternoon by Captain John P. Apperson against the city of Oregon City and Councilmen Knapp, Bretzel, Cooke, Anderson, Meyer, Pope, Sheehan and Strickland, to enjoin the Eleventh Street improvement, which was ordered recently by the council after a long fight. In the complaint, the plaintiff states that he is owner of block 50, the north side of which is on the street ordered improved, and the assessment placed upon the property by the council is \$1400, which is nearly the total cost of the property. He also states that if the improvement is carried on, it will mean the confiscation of the north half of his property.

As Captain Apperson, who lives in Parkplace, is a non-resident of this city, he was not allowed to appear before the council to remonstrate against the improvement.

The complaint charges that proper notice was not given of the proposed improvement, and is required in the provisions of the charter, and that the improvement was ordered May 14 without a previous publication of the notice, and the fact that a written remonstrance was filed should be enough to take the matter out of the hands of the councilmen.

### COUNCIL VIEWS PROPOSED SITE

Views Track at Green Point Where Switch Will Be Installed--Special Meeting the 16th.

The special meeting of the city council Wednesday did not transact as much business as was at first intended. The assessment for the Water street improvement was read for the second time and placed on its final passage, the matter of granting the Southern Pacific franchise to put in a switch in Greenpoint was discussed, and the council went in a body to the proposed site to investigate more fully, but action on the matter was deferred till August 18, when the council will consider the franchise for the Southern Pacific and the Swift railway. The council and some of the officials of the S. P. was held in this city yesterday. The switch is the outcome of the suit instituted by lumbermen of this county against the Company to compel them to furnish shipping facilities. In the absence of City Recorder Dimick, Councilman Meyer acted as recorder.

### MISSING CLOTHES FOUND BY BURNS

Local Chief Finds Cache at Fourth St. and Anxiously Awaits Arrival of Owners.

Chief of Police Burns of this city has locked in the city jail a choice collection of the various articles of lingerie dear to the feminine heart. They are not serving time, as some might think; on the contrary, the big guardian of the peace is anxious to have them taken from his custody, and says he will hail with delight any information that will lead to the identity of the owner, or owners. How the chief happened to gain possession of the garments is something like this: During the fore part of the week, some one with a mischievous or other intent, revived the old game, once known in common parlance as "Goose-berrying," and as a result, several housekeepers awakening in the morning were disagreeably surprised to find, instead of the line of clothes they had left out the night previous, only the bare line, which dangled in the breeze as though writhing at the housewife's discomfort and chagrin.

As soon as he was notified of the depredations, Burns, with his usual diligence, set to work to find out the culprit and the missing raiment, and he was rewarded Wednesday for his efforts by discovering the clothing, all in a bundle, under the platform constructed at the foot of Fourth street for the use of the street cleaning department.

has large ears and is in the silk at present.

Blight has struck the tomatoes and a great many will lose all they have. The hazel nut crop is heavy and the boys and squirrels are having a rustling match to see which can get the most of them.

Fred H. Burns is at Sellwood invoicing a stock of goods for A. Clark. The Kaylor and Herman clover huller is in this section. T. S. Stipp had his clover hulled Tuesday.

Miss Alice Moore returned from Portland Saturday and her smiling face is in our midst once more.

Brother Molalla, will answer you next week as the Golden Harvest is crowding too much this week.

Miss Maud and Arthur Farr, of Oregon City, are the guests of S. Wright and family for a few weeks.

R. A. Wright has his barn about completed and putting on the finishing touches of paint.

James F. Nelson's barn is finished and painted.

## If Not, Why Not?

### Do You Use Electricity?

## Electric Light is Cheap

with

## TUNGSTEN LAMPS

Investigate at 147, Seventh Street.

## PORTLAND RAILWAY Light & Power Company

### WOMAN DIES FROM BURNS

Fatal Fire at Elliott's Prairie Last Saturday

DESTROYS RASTALL HOME

Mrs. Rastall, Early Settler, Succumbed Sunday as a Result of Terrible Injuries

While endeavoring to save the family's personal effects from the flames that were consuming the residence, Mrs. James Rastall, an old and respected resident of Dickey Prairie, received burns that resulted in her death on the succeeding day. A defective flue was responsible for the conflagration, which occurred at noon Saturday, and in a very short time the whole house was in flames. While Mr. Rastall strove desperately to stop the headway of the fire, his wife busied herself with trying to save the household goods, and while doing so her clothing caught fire. As soon as possible her husband rushed to her and put out the fire, but not until she had been badly burned. Fully conscious, Mrs. Rastall lingered till Sunday morning, when her spirit passed peacefully away.

The house was entirely destroyed, and the contents were also a total loss. The unfortunate woman was about 65 years of age and had been a resident of the Molalla section for many years. She is survived by a husband and five children: Harry, of Molalla; George and Samuel, of Portland; Charles, of Oakland, Cal., and Mrs. Maud Brown, of Vancouver, Wash.

The funeral was held at Molalla Monday.

**Kept Him Busy.**  
"Did you do much sightseeing when you went abroad?"

"No," answered Mr. Cumrox. "Mother and the girls did the sightseeing. I had to put in my time finding the places where they cash letters of credit."--Washington Star.

**Man Killed Twice.**

An English paper is responsible for stating that a man "was overtaken by a passenger train and killed. He was injured in a similar way about three years ago."

### NOTED MEN TO ATTEND

Interest Great In First Conservation Congress

PRESIDENT WILL ATTEND

Taft, Ballinger Pinchot, Newell and Other Notables to Be at Seattle

The First National Conservation Congress of the United States, which will be held in the Auditorium of the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition, Seattle, Wash., August 22 to 28, under the auspices of the Washington Conservation Association, promises to be an educational meeting of more than ordinary importance. It will bring together several thousand representative men and women interested in the material development of the country, and the proper utilization of all the natural resources producing individual wealth and National prosperity.

The Congress will mark the opening of a campaign for international conservation of all that assists in making the world a desirable place for present and future generations to build homes and establish commercial enterprises.

It is planned to have delegates from forty conservation commissions in the United States and Hawaii. Those men were selected by the various Governors because of their fitness for such responsible positions, to represent the thinking population of the State in which they are held up as advisers to the Chief Executives of their respective States. They have been invited to attend the First National Conservation Congress for the purpose of uniting on definite plans for protecting, conserving and perpetuating the resources of land and water.

The National Conservation Congress will include as delegates many prominent men connected with the church, civic and commercial organizations, colleges and general educational and legislative forces that shape the destiny of coming generations.

The Washington Conservative Association has taken the initiative in this work because of the desire to enlarge the field of patriotic American citizenship. It is composed of several hundred prominent men of the State,