

USE OIL FOR FUEL

WOOD IS SCARCE AND PRICES ARE ADVANCING.

Crown Paper Co. Lets Contract For Construction of Huge Reservoir For Storing Oil and nearly 20,000 Barrels Will Be Consumed Annually.

Assistant General Manager W. P. Hawley, of the Crown Paper Company, states that his company has contracted for the installation of an oil reservoir to contain from eight to ten thousand barrels. Work will be commenced without delay and it is probable that before six months elapse the Crown Paper and pulp mills will be using oil as fuel in place of wood. For several years both the Willamette Pulp and Paper Company and the Crown Paper Company have been figuring on replacing the wood burning boilers with apparatus for burning oil. A great deal of time has been spent in preliminary arrangements, which are now practically complete as regards the Crown Paper Company. The Willamette Pulp and Paper Company still has the matter under consideration and it is only a matter of a very short time, when this mill also, will be burning oil.

These changes are due in a great degree to the increasing scarcity of wood and its steady advance in price. Oil is cheaper and just as reliable.

The Crown Paper Company's new reservoir will be between the canal and the river on the north side of the mill. The excavation, filling and lining will be of concrete, and the reservoir will be covered with concrete. Earth will be piled on top of the concrete covering to a depth of three feet.

About 8000 cords of wood annually are burned by the Crown Paper Company, and with the installation of oil for fuel, from 16,000 to 20,000 barrels a year will be consumed.

LABOR DAY PICNIC.

Carpenters and Joiners Union Invite All Laboring Men to Celebrate at Gladstone.

The Carpenters Union of this city will give a Labor Day picnic at Gladstone Park September 7. The bottom has probably dropped out of the street carnival and the Carpenters' Union extends an invitation to all of the members of the unions of Oregon City and other towns to participate in the celebration. The program has not yet been arranged but will consist of athletic sports and contests of various kinds and a baseball game between the members of the Carpenters' Union and the Painters' Union.

Secretary Kennedy, of the Carpenters' Union, authorized the statement that Federal Labor Union has disbanded. He makes this statement upon the authority of A. J. Mayville, ex-president of Federal Labor Union. He extends a special invitation to the men who were members of Federal Union to participate in the picnic on Labor Day.

Increase in School Population.

County School Superintendent J. C. Zinser will soon complete his annual report to the State Superintendent. Among other information concerning the schools of the county, it will show that during the past year the school population of Clackamas County has increased from 7643 to 7777. Superintendent Zinser reports that there is an abundance of teachers in the county at the present time, whereas there was an unexpected scarcity of instructors for the public schools some districts being obliged to employ pedagogues from other counties. Explanation for this reversal of conditions is found in the fact that during the past year there have been an unusually large number of public school graduates who have taken the regular teachers examination in this county and obtained certificates.

Meeting of All Fire Companies.

Chief of the Fire Department Lawrence Ruconich has called a meeting of all the fire companies in the city to be held this evening in the city hall. The purpose of the meeting is to arrange for the division and distribution of the \$150, which was presented to the department by the Oregon City Manufacturing Company in recognition of the work of the firemen at the woolen mill fire two weeks ago, and to talk over and provide for a hose team to go to Astoria to enter the regatta races. The combined efforts of all the companies are necessary to place a first class team in the field and Chief Ruconich feels that a good team should be sent or none. The meeting will be held at 7:30 o'clock Thursday night.

Albert Mortensen, a native of Sweden, has declared his intention of becoming a citizen of the United States. Ralph A. Petley has renounced his allegiance to the King of Great Britain and has taken out his declaratory papers.

LITTLE INTEREST IN CARNIVAL.

Failure of Fourth of July Celebration Seems a Damper.

Labor Day comes this year September 7 and it is a question whether Oregon City will have a street fair and carnival.

Secretary J. H. Howard, of the Federal Labor Union, has been working upon the proposition for many months. He laid preliminary plans and talked to leading business men and was promised substantial encouragement. Mr. Howard has studied the experience of other valley towns and has found that the carnivals of Ashland, Eugene, Salem and other cities were very successful. When Oregon City decided to celebrate the Fourth of July Mr. Howard let the street fair go by until after the Fourth. He now faces the fact that the celebration was such an utter frost that most of the business men are disgusted with all kinds of celebrations, and are slow to see the advantage of the carnival.

Huntley Brothers favor a carnival and so do other merchants but the great majority of them do not, and Mr. Howard is undecided whether to proceed. He is satisfied that the carnival would be successful from a financial point of view but the cooperation of the Oregon City business men is the first requisite for its success.

Mr. Howard says that a street fair and carnival could be opened in this city for \$500 and that he would quickly go ahead if he had it. He argues that we are close to Portland and could draw largely from that city for the attendance. Only a little over a month is left to arrange everything in connection with a carnival and unless something is done at once the whole scheme will go by the board.

NEWS OF THE TOWN.

Miss Marian Eastham left Wednesday of last week for the coast after a few days' visit in this city with her brother, O. W. Eastham. She recently returned from the Philippines, where she had been for three years in the employ of the government as a trained nurse in the army corps. She is now stationed at San Francisco. Miss Eastham will spend a week at Seaside with Mrs. O. W. Eastham before returning to Chalfont.

Balfe D. Johnson was in the city last week en route to San Francisco, where he has been transferred by the Western Union Telegraph Company. For a number of years past he has been the manager of the Company's office at Astoria and has just received a promotion. Mr. Johnson is an Oregon City boy and has many friends here who will be pleased to hear of his advancement.

The marriage of Mr. Andrew L. Kleve to Miss Carrie Thorsen was solemnized at Portland last Saturday by the Rev. J. M. Nerwig, pastor of the Norwegian Lutheran Church, in the presence of H. H. Sandblast and Ole S. Halsa, and other witnesses. The ceremony took place at the residence of the groom. The license for their marriage was issued by County Clerk Sleight last Friday.

An Indian, who lives near Brooks, Marion County, was arrested Thursday on the Chautauqua grounds for drunkenness and disorderly conduct. He was placed in the county jail, but as the Chautauqua officials refused to place a charge against him, Sheriff Shaver released him Friday morning. He was completely sobered and his money, \$2.35, was returned to him.

Practice was resumed Monday night by the men who will go to Astoria to enter the boat races during the regatta. Sixteen men will try out and 12 men will make the team. Charles W. Pope is captain of the team and L. Ruconich, chief of the fire department is manager. Only three teams are in the field, Oregon City, Vancouver and Astoria.

E. J. McKittrick, who has been in the shoe business in this city for many years past, has sold out his stock and discontinued his business. The location is desired by many business men, and it is understood that David Holt, formerly in the employ of Mr. McKittrick, has an option on the store building.

The Oregon City baseball team is making arrangements to play Salem at Oregon City next Sunday. The Oregon City team, with its new players presents one of the strongest aggregations on the coast, outside of a league, and confidently expects to take Salem into camp.

J. C. Zinser, county superintendent of schools, has made an apportionment of \$14,387.45 from the county fund to the various schools of the county. The apportionment amounted to \$1.85 per capita.

Born—at 4 o'clock last Friday morning, near Brown's school house, New Era, to the wife of Mike Hewis, a son. This is the twelfth child of Mr. and Mrs. Hewis.

Born—Wednesday, July 21, to the wife of Thomas Blackburn, of West Oregon City, a son.

R. L. Holman, leading undertaker, Oregon City, Or. County coroner.

CORRESPONDENCE

From All Parts of the County

GRANGE ENTERTAINMENT.

Nearly 200 People Witnessed a Good Program at Maple Lane.

MAPLE LANE, July 27.—(Special.)—Saturday evening, July 18, a few of the public spirited citizens of this place, assisted by a few outsiders, gave an entertainment at the Grange Hall for the benefit of the order. There were about 180 persons present and a very enjoyable time was had by all. Every number on the program was well played from start to finish. "Gems of Patriotism," which was played by 17 little girls, under the management of Mrs. Olive A. Swallow, was beautifully played, considering the tender age of some of the little ladies, and the very short time they had to practice it certainly showed remarkable ability of Mrs. Swallow in the management of children.

The last number, "The Sleeping Car," also under the management of Mrs. Swallow, was a splendid success. The acting of Mrs. Swallow and Messrs. Lewis and Beard was simply grand and the crowd fairly roared with laughter. Everyone present was highly pleased with the manner in which they were entertained. Although it was a great undertaking, Mrs. Swallow managed it splendidly.

News Notes From Smyrna.

SMYRNA, July 27.—(Special.)—Mrs. Fred Watson entertained her Sunday School class at her home, last Thursday evening. Singing, recitations and ice cream were the features of the evening.

Several wagon loads of young people attended the Chautauqua assembly for several days during the last week, all being well pleased with what they saw and heard of the program.

Arrangements have been completed for giving a harvest picnic at Canby on the 22nd of August. A number of speakers of considerable prominence are being sought for the occasion, among them being Governor Chamberlain. The affair promises to be one of more than local importance.

Victor Conaroe and I. Purcifull, who went to the mountains last week for a hunting trip, report the killing of a fine buck in the eastern part of this county. The deer is the first one to be killed in this county this season, and is a magnificent specimen, having six points.

A party of five will leave here next Saturday for a wagon trip to Crater Lake, Pelican Bay and Klamath Falls.

The party will consist of O. L. Williams, Ed Reckner, Frank Freeman, A. W. Cheney and Rhea Cole. They will go by rail to Medford, where they will take a wagon.

John Rex, of Marquam, is in the county jail, charged with the larceny of a rifle valued at \$7 from Warren Gray. The crime is said to have been committed July 26. Rex was committed by Justice Labour, of Marquam, and will have a hearing at the next term of the Circuit Court.

Saturday Mountain View Tent, K. O. T. M., will give a picnic at Highland, this county, for the benefit of the order. Hon. Geo. C. Brownell has been secured to make an address and a number of other prominent citizens from this county will attend.

Invitations were issued Tuesday for the hop of the Florodora Club at the Canemah Park pavilion next Friday evening. Turney's orchestra has been engaged for the occasion, and an enjoyable time is anticipated.

Eva L. Todd has been granted final citizenship papers by the county court. She came to the United States from England at the age of six years and has resided here continuously ever since.

James W. Chase arrived Monday night from Bandon to visit his family and will remain until after the marriage of his youngest daughter Ina to Mr. Lewellyn Adams on Wednesday, August 5.

A marriage license was issued Friday morning to Miss Carrie Thorsen and Andrew L. Kleve. The latter is from Canby.

Mr. L. McAdam was Tuesday night elected principal of the Eastham school at a salary of \$75 per month.

The Florodora Club will give a dancing party in the Canemah Park pavilion Friday evening, July 31.

A license to wed was issued Saturday morning to Adolph Kraxberger and Christina Walch.

Estray Notice.

Red yearling steer, with white spot on the right flank, taken up Tuesday, July 21, 1903, by Paul Miller, upper Seventh Street, Oregon City.

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