

ROAD GRADE OUT; LOSS IS \$250,000

Union Pacific Line Between Rochester and Cosmopolis Demolished.

CONTRACTORS HARD HIT

Bridges, Three Locomotives, Steam Shovels, Dumpcars and Tools for 500 Men Lie at Bottom of the Chehalis River.

HOQUIAM, Wash., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—The entire line of the Grays Harbor and Puget Sound, Union Pacific Railway Company, from Rochester to Cosmopolis, will have to be rebuilt and work is to begin at once. This decision was reached today when the members of the contracting firm of Winter, Coughren, Smith & Company and members of the engineering corps of the railway company returned from a tour of inspection.

It is impossible to estimate the amount of damage done, but the figures will easily reach \$250,000. In addition to the roadbed, grading and bridges being total losses, three locomotives, two large steam shovels and a number of dumpcars and tools for 500 men lie at the bottom of the Chehalis River and cannot be recovered until the water goes down.

Bridge Is Carried Away.

Near Rochester the company had built a bridge across the Chehalis River and had it nearly completed, when it was carried out by the storm of three weeks. A double crew was put to work and another bridge erected. It was all but complete when the water carried it away. The bridge across DeLano Creek, Independence Creek, the Chehalis River at Montesano, all were lost, the latter was 1500 feet long and when it went down a locomotive and many cars were lost. Near Independence Creek, on the Chehalis River, two locomotives and two steam shovels are somewhere in the bed of the river. All of the tools used in construction have been lost and will probably not be recovered.

All Grade Washed Out.

All the grade has been washed out and in addition 100,000 yards of earth moved last summer by a discharge of several tons of dynamite has been washed away and another blast may be necessary to get a grade, as the river hugs the cliff at this point.

STORM LOSS IS \$2,000,000

Railroads of Pacific Northwest Suffer Half This Damage.

BELLINGHAM, Wash., Dec. 2.—For three days Bellingham and Northwest Washington has been cut off from communication with the outside world, boat service alone furnished a connecting link. No trains are now moving except between this city and Bellingham. South and service cannot be renewed inside of a week. Telegraph wires were restored today. Twenty miles of railway track in Skagit County is gone. South of Mount Vernon 20 miles of track is still under water and the damage there is unknown.

Miles of Track Gone.

The Anacortes branch of the Great Northern has lost half a mile of grade at Avon, while a mile of track has been washed away at Westport. Practically the whole of 40 miles of the Rockport branch of the Great Northern must be reconstructed. The right of way between Lyman and Hamilton must be relocated for a distance of five miles.

Depot Removed by Storm.

At Hamilton the depot was carried from the south side to drifting hay and tracks. Four townships of farm land in Skagit County is under water, caused by the breaking of the dikes at Mount Vernon. LaConner is under seven feet of water, and in places on the bottom the water is three feet deep. LaConner's loss is placed at \$150,000. In stocks of goods destroyed, and two warehouses filled with grain and hay which collapsed and slipped into the flood. In the country north of Laconner 1000 head of cattle were drowned, while 400,000 sacks of oats and 8000 tons of baled hay is a total loss.

Sloughs and bays for miles from LaConner are covered with drifting hay and sacks of oats.

One barn, containing 250 feet of hay was found floating in Puget Sound by a north-bound steamer yesterday.

Farmers' Loss \$60,000.

The loss to the farmers here is estimated at \$60,000 in livestock, hay and grain. Skagit County towns and towns in the north part of Whatcom County have been without mail since Sunday. Bellingham is securing mail by steamer from Seattle.

Wahkiakum County FLOODED

Considerable Damage Wrought in Some Localities.

CATHLAMET, Wash., Dec. 2.—Reports from all sections of Wahkiakum County are that high water prevails everywhere, and that considerable damage has been wrought in some localities. Grays River, Deep River and Crooked Creek, in the lower part of the county, are all out of their banks and the valleys inundated. Families being forced to abandon their homes or move into the upper stories thereof in some settlements. Skamokawa Creek has overflowed a goodly portion of the town of Skamokawa in several feet under water, causing great inconvenience and some damage. The Elcoman River, emptying into the Columbia at Cathlamet, is higher than it has been

FLOOD ON VANCOUVER ISLAND

Fourteen Washouts Reported on E. & N. Railroad.

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 2.—Torrential rains during the past 60 hours, which still continue, have caused floods on Vancouver Island and 14 washouts on the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railroad, all trains on that road being cancelled in consequence. The train which left Esquimalt Saturday morning is still stalled in Ladysmith. Southbound passengers walked in from Colatood, eight miles to Victoria. Fire engines are pumping water from the basement of the Julian Hospital. Water mains were broken by a slide in a section to the northward, and reports of blocked sewers have been received by the city engineers from many parts of the city.

McKenzie River Bridge Gone.

EUGENE, Or., Dec. 2.—Among the several bridges in Lane County destroyed by the recent freshets is the one across McKenzie River at Belknap Springs. No one was at the spot at the time of the flood, and the news of the washing out of the bridge did not reach here until yesterday.

OFFICER CUTS OWN BILL

County Commissioner Refuses \$2.25 Extra in Pay Envelope.

ALBANY, Or., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—A county officer cutting his own bill was the unique procedure here today in the session of the Lane County Court. County Commissioner O. H. Russell cut a bill submitted in his own favor from \$11.25 to \$9.

During last month, Commissioner Russell, who lives at Sweet Home, worked four and one-half days feeding the rock crusher working in the Waterloo road district, which adjoins the Sweet Home district. He worked because Road Supervisor Heyne could secure no one else at that time to handle the machine and as he was interested in the improvement of the road and worked more for accommodation than remuneration he told the supervisor to allow him only \$2 per day, the rate allowed the other laborers on the work. Instead of \$2.50, the rate usually paid for the rock-crusher feeding.

When Heyne's payroll came before the court today Russell was listed at the rate of \$2.50 per day and the commissioner himself reduced his bill to the same rate allowed other workmen on the job.

MAN, THOUGHT DEAD, LIVES

Albany Farmer Sees Story in Paper and Hurries Home.

ALBANY, Or., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—Reading in The Oregonian yesterday morning a relative feared he had been waylaid in Portland, J. B. Moore, who resides four miles north of Albany, hurried home last night to assure them that no evil had befallen him. Moore walked into the Court-house here this morning and told Sheriff Smith to discontinue the search which had been instituted at the request of his friends.

PARSON SEES FIGHT FILM

Oregon City Officials Refuse to Suppress Johnson-Ketchel Pictures.

OREGON CITY, Or., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—Rev. E. Clarence Oakley, pastor of the First Congregational Church, and Rev. Sol A. Hayworth, pastor of the First Baptist Church, appeared last night before the city council and demanded that the Johnson-Ketchel fight pictures be suppressed. The pictures were scheduled to be shown today at a local theater. Mayor Carr and the members of the council did not agree with the clergymen, but ordered the police to keep children out of the theater while the pictures were being shown.

INDIAN SQUAW SUES HUSBY

Oregon Woman Declares Spouse Threatened to Kill Her.

ALBANY, Or., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—Cecile Brainard, a full-blooded Indian woman, filed a suit for divorce in the State Circuit Court here today against Warren Brainard, also a full-blooded Indian. Both Brainard and his wife raised on the Sitka Reservation and they were married in 1906. They separated last May.

OREGON CITY HAS 5227

Census is Official. So New Lodge of Elks Will Be Formed.

OREGON CITY, Or., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—The city has a population of 5227, according to a census just completed by David Caulfield at the instance of the City Council. The census was taken because it is intended to organize a lodge of Elks in Oregon City, and before this can be done the city must be shown officially to have a population in excess of 5000. The census is confined to the city limits, and does not embrace West Oregon City, Canemah, Maple Lane and other populous suburbs.

Eugene Firms Consolidate.

EUGENE, Or., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—Supplemental articles of Incorporation were filed with the County Clerk here today by the Lane County Abstract Company. The new company is the result of a recent amalgamation of the Lane County Abstract, Title & Trust Company, A. E. Wheeler & Co., abstractors, and the Eugene Abstract Company. The officers of the new company are: J. E. Bell, president; Paul Merrill, vice-president; E. F. Skene, secretary, and Fred G. Stickles, treasurer. The capital stock of the company is \$50,000.

Professor Packard Dies.

PRINCETON, N. J., Dec. 2.—William Alfred Packard, Ph. D., D. D., Professor Emeritus of Latin in Princeton University, died suddenly from heart-disease at his home here today, aged 79.

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HUGE SMELTER IS BAKER CITY HOPE

Copper Mine Sale Promises Reduction Plant for the Seven Devils.

BIG DEAL NOW PENDING

Transfer of Iron Dyke, McDougal Group and Other Diggings Predicts Big Enterprise—Homestead May Be Site.

BAKER CITY, Or., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—What is said to be the largest mining deal ever consummated in Eastern Oregon is pending in Baker city. When completed it will transfer the Iron Dyke copper mine, the McDougal group and several other minor properties along Snake River, besides placing the Seven Devils copper camp in a position to work hundreds of men. This means, it is believed, the erection of a smelter in the Snake River canyon, for the ore of the Iron Dyke mine is not high enough grade to warrant shipping any distance.

Some time ago the Salt Lake Copper Company, in reality an Eastern corporation, entered the canyon and first purchased the McDougal group of copper claims, situated several miles below the homestead. Other parties were then negotiating for the Iron Dyke, but the deal failed to be completed. Then the same company endeavored to purchase several copper mining properties including the Iron Dyke. At the same time it entertained a plan for the erection of a smelter sufficiently large to treat all the ore the Snake River district is capable of producing. It is this gigantic undertaking that is now taking shape. Before the first of the year it will, no doubt, be finished.

Ore Guarantee Wanted.

Not alone are the copper mines mentioned necessary to assure the erection of a smelter, but a guarantee of tonnage from other properties is being exacted that the company may feel safe in its ore supply before going to the expense of erecting a plant for treating it.

In the Seven Devils very high grade copper ore is found, and this camp has been slow to take hold of the cooperative plan proposed. The "Arkansas" copper mine, owned by Baker City people largely, is ready to contract a certain amount of ore each day, but the old Peacock mine, owned by Montana people, is where the friction, if there has been any, existed. The owners of the Peacock have been holding it at a high price considering the amount of development work done. At least, this is the expression of mining men. Besides holding the property's value high, overtures made regarding tonnage for a smelter had, until recently, met with little encouragement. There is a belief, however, that the latter feature has been overcome. If so, a smelter is positively assured.

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Site Not Yet Picked.

Just at what point in the canyon the smelter will be located no definite information is obtainable. Copperfield, the new town, was planned at Homestead, located at the Iron Dyke mine, contends it is more convenient. Many believe it will be located at Homestead.


It is interesting to know that the Iron Dyke mine has, in the opinion of most mining people, been the trail blazer for the Snake River copper country. Rich ore has been obtained in the Seven Devils for years but no way could be planned for transporting it at a profit. When the Iron Dyke mine was sold to Pittsburgh, Pa., capitalists a number of years ago, they set to work to make a copper mine of it and await transportation, for at that time it was 40 miles from a railroad. Frank Pearce, for years the manager, stayed with the property year after year, working a crew of men all of the time. The work done was pure development work. Now he has in sight hundreds of thousands of tons of low-grade copper ore. The capitalists interested in the mine secured a right of way down the Snake River for a railroad. Later the Harriman people saw that the Snake River route is the only opportunity to avoid the Blue Mountains and they looked with favor on a project to build a line from Huntington to Lewiston. The route was so feasible that the Oregon Short Line, assisted by other capital, has built 57 miles of water-gate

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Mrs. Dora Hadley died early this morning at her home in Tangent, six miles south of Albany, after an illness of only three days with pneumonia. Mrs. Hadley is survived by her husband and five children. Albert Hadley, of Portland, and Ash Harrison, Ella and Elgin Hadley, of Tangent. She also leaves two sisters in Albany, two brothers in Benton County, a sister in Portland and a sister in Lakeview. Funeral will be held here Saturday.

Sick Three Days, Woman Dies. ALBANY, Or., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—

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