

COS FIGURE FOR 30 FOOT CHANNEL

Major McIndoe Estimates Expense of Improving River at \$3,250,000.

2 DREDGES PROVIDED FOR

Port of Portland Commission Seeks to Reduce Drydock Charges and to Solicit Patronage in All Parts of World.

Estimates of the cost of providing a 30-foot channel from the foot of northern end of Ross Island to the Pacific have been placed at \$3,250,000 by Major J. F. McIndoe, Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army, who has been appointed by the chief of engineers at Washington. The data are in compliance with a provision in the river and harbor bill of March 4, 1909. The estimate includes the cost of two suction dredges of the type maintained by the Port of Portland Commission, which will cost approximately \$250,000. The channel now has a uniform depth of 16 feet and by January 1 the Port of Portland will have lowered it to 27 feet. For dredging necessary to lower the depth to 20 feet Major McIndoe has placed the cost at \$1,167,500, and for the removal of bars between Ross Island and the sea at \$937,715.

New Dams and Dykes Wanted.

For the construction of dams, dykes and other bank protection recommendations have been made for an appropriation of \$1,144,500, and it is suggested that maintenance for a few years, until the channel becomes permanent, is calculated at \$250,000. These facts were yesterday learned by the Port of Portland Commission in monthly session, though Major McIndoe had previously written President Swigert regarding his recommendations, and requested that the Commission advise him what its future plans were and to what extent it would co-operate with the government, as it had been requested to do in the past by Congress.

Barge Has Lone Passenger.

One lone passenger, a man, made the trip north on the barge Gerard C. Taylor, which arrived yesterday morning and berthed at Columbia dock No. 1. It is the intention to send the vessel back to the Golden Gate with her cargo, which is probably a regular flour shipment to the Far East on liners.

Lower Tariffs Proposed.

Another important matter brought before the Commission was contained in a communication from the Willamette Iron & Steel Works and Oregon Drydock Company, bearing recommendations for the Port of Portland drydock at St. Johns. It was suggested that the published tariff be reduced 4 cents on large vessels and 2 cents on smaller craft, as the charge now ranges on steamers from 15 to 24 cents a ton an hour on steam vessels and from 15 to 19 cents on sailing craft.

Bonds to Be Sold.

It was decided by the Commission to advertise locally and in the East for bids on \$72,000 of Port of Portland towage bonds. The bonds would be used in carrying out the next meeting. It was said that the cost of the tug Onetona was met from funds on hand and that the proceeds from the bonds would be used in carrying out the money and in providing for other towage improvements.

Movements of Vessels.

PORTLAND, Sept. 8.—Arrived—Gasoline schooner Delta from Astoria; Gasoline schooner G. H. from Astoria; British steamer Amyer from Seattle; barge Gerardo from Vancouver; tug Onetona from Astoria; tug Onetona from Astoria. Departed—Gasoline schooner G. H. for Astoria; British steamer Amyer for Seattle; barge Gerardo for Vancouver; tug Onetona for Astoria. **Sept. 9.**—Arrived—Steamer Pomona from Portland-Newberg run and she will not return until about October 1. The steamer Oregon will arrive at 10 A. M. from the round trip to Misson and Dayton.

MUCH LUMBER GOES TO CHINA

Lumber drawn by the China market since January 1, including an estimate of what will be dispatched on tonnage under engagement, will aggregate \$6,000,000, according to figures compiled by local lumbermen who are interested in the Far Eastern territory. It is said that because of the unusual amount of lumber to that country the market is so well supplied that the demand is lax and it is not expected to assume new life this year.

SCOTTISH MONARCH IS TAKEN

Wheat Season Will Receive Impetus in October. When Two Ships Sail.

Portland's facilities for transporting grain to the United Kingdom were increased yesterday 2367 tons through the charter of the British steamer Scottish Monarch, she sailed from Northern for Chimbura and will be here for Fall loading. The tramp Uganda was taken last week for the same service and the business there is expected to be good. The season will be reopened in October with the departure of the bark Andromeda and General de Bolaffre, and two more sailing vessels will be in port then, a fairly good showing is expected by January 1. In October, 1909, seven vessels sailed for the United Kingdom.

STEAMER INTELLIGENCE.

Due to Arrive.		Scheduled to Depart.	
Name	Date	Name	Date
Uganda	Sept. 10	Scottish Monarch	Sept. 10
Uganda	Sept. 11	Scottish Monarch	Sept. 11
Uganda	Sept. 12	Scottish Monarch	Sept. 12
Uganda	Sept. 13	Scottish Monarch	Sept. 13
Uganda	Sept. 14	Scottish Monarch	Sept. 14
Uganda	Sept. 15	Scottish Monarch	Sept. 15
Uganda	Sept. 16	Scottish Monarch	Sept. 16
Uganda	Sept. 17	Scottish Monarch	Sept. 17
Uganda	Sept. 18	Scottish Monarch	Sept. 18
Uganda	Sept. 19	Scottish Monarch	Sept. 19
Uganda	Sept. 20	Scottish Monarch	Sept. 20
Uganda	Sept. 21	Scottish Monarch	Sept. 21
Uganda	Sept. 22	Scottish Monarch	Sept. 22
Uganda	Sept. 23	Scottish Monarch	Sept. 23
Uganda	Sept. 24	Scottish Monarch	Sept. 24
Uganda	Sept. 25	Scottish Monarch	Sept. 25
Uganda	Sept. 26	Scottish Monarch	Sept. 26
Uganda	Sept. 27	Scottish Monarch	Sept. 27
Uganda	Sept. 28	Scottish Monarch	Sept. 28
Uganda	Sept. 29	Scottish Monarch	Sept. 29
Uganda	Sept. 30	Scottish Monarch	Sept. 30

SEALS CLEARED WITH GRAIN AND FLOUR.

Seals cleared with grain and flour, three sealed in September and one in July, the last mentioned being for the Orient with a small shipment of flour. This season there has been one square rigger, the British bark Inverna, to get away and she left in July though there have been regular flour shipments to the Far East on liners.

FEW STRONG SPOTS DURING THE DAY'S SESSION.

CHICAGO, Sept. 8.—Barring a little bulge early, when corn advanced on frost scare, there was no strong spot in the wheat market. A depressing influence was the disposition of buyers to back away from cash wheat here and in other centers. The preliminary estimate of the yield per acre has been 1.34, as compared with 1.44 last year. The average condition on September 1 of some other crops reported was:

Crop	1910	1909
Wheat	75	87
Barley	70	78
Oats	70	78
Apples	47	54
Peaches	47	54

WHEAT IS LOWER AT CHICAGO.

CHICAGO, Sept. 8.—Wheat, 1 1/2 cts. lower; 1 1/2 cts. lower; 1 1/2 cts. lower. The market was generally quiet, with a few scattered transactions. The price of wheat was 1 1/2 cts. lower at 1 1/2 cts. per bushel. The price of barley was 1 1/2 cts. lower at 1 1/2 cts. per bushel. The price of oats was 1 1/2 cts. lower at 1 1/2 cts. per bushel.

GRAIN AND PRODUCE AT NEW YORK.

Item	Price
Wheat	1.14 1/2
Barley	1.14 1/2
Oats	1.14 1/2
Apples	1.14 1/2
Peaches	1.14 1/2

GRAIN MARKETS OF THE NORTHWEST.

Item	Price
Wheat	1.14 1/2
Barley	1.14 1/2
Oats	1.14 1/2
Apples	1.14 1/2
Peaches	1.14 1/2

SPRING WHEAT LOW

Crop Report Places Condition When Harvested at 63.1.

WASHINGTON AT SIXTY

Average Condition of Corn on September 1 Is Below the Ten-Year Average—Large Crop of Oats Is Indicated.

State	1910	1909	1908
North Dakota	73	74	75
South Dakota	73	74	75
Minnesota	73	74	75
Wisconsin	73	74	75
Illinois	73	74	75
Indiana	73	74	75
Michigan	73	74	75
Ohio	73	74	75
Pennsylvania	73	74	75
Virginia	73	74	75
North Carolina	73	74	75
South Carolina	73	74	75
Georgia	73	74	75
Florida	73	74	75
Alabama	73	74	75
Mississippi	73	74	75
Louisiana	73	74	75
Arkansas	73	74	75
Missouri	73	74	75
Iowa	73	74	75
Nebraska	73	74	75
Kansas	73	74	75
Oklahoma	73	74	75
Arizona	73	74	75
New Mexico	73	74	75
Texas	73	74	75

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Yesterday's car receipts: Wheat, nine cars; oats, 12 cars; barley, two cars; hay, 15 cars.

MINNEAPOLIS, Sept. 8.—Wheat

Wheat, 1 1/2 cts. lower; 1 1/2 cts. lower; 1 1/2 cts. lower. The market was generally quiet, with a few scattered transactions. The price of wheat was 1 1/2 cts. lower at 1 1/2 cts. per bushel. The price of barley was 1 1/2 cts. lower at 1 1/2 cts. per bushel. The price of oats was 1 1/2 cts. lower at 1 1/2 cts. per bushel.

LONDON, Sept. 8.—Cargoes

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LIVERPOOL, Sept. 8.—Close

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DULUTH, Sept. 8.—Flax

Duluth, Sept. 8.—Flax, on track in store to arrive Sept. 27. 1 1/2 cts. lower; 1 1/2 cts. lower; 1 1/2 cts. lower. The market was generally quiet, with a few scattered transactions. The price of flax was 1 1/2 cts. lower at 1 1/2 cts. per bushel. The price of barley was 1 1/2 cts. lower at 1 1/2 cts. per bushel. The price of oats was 1 1/2 cts. lower at 1 1/2 cts. per bushel.

NEW YORK, Sept. 8.—Standard

New York, Sept. 8.—Standard copper dull. Spot and September, 12 1/2 cts. lower; 12 1/2 cts. lower; 12 1/2 cts. lower. The market was generally quiet, with a few scattered transactions. The price of copper was 12 1/2 cts. lower at 12 1/2 cts. per bushel. The price of barley was 1 1/2 cts. lower at 1 1/2 cts. per bushel. The price of oats was 1 1/2 cts. lower at 1 1/2 cts. per bushel.

NEW YORK, Sept. 8.—No fresh

New York, Sept. 8.—No fresh features were reported in the market for cooperatives. The price of copper was 12 1/2 cts. lower at 12 1/2 cts. per bushel. The price of barley was 1 1/2 cts. lower at 1 1/2 cts. per bushel. The price of oats was 1 1/2 cts. lower at 1 1/2 cts. per bushel.

NEW YORK, Sept. 8.—Coffee

New York, Sept. 8.—Coffee closed steady at a net gain of 10/100. The price of coffee was 10/100 higher at 10/100 per bushel. The price of barley was 1 1/2 cts. lower at 1 1/2 cts. per bushel. The price of oats was 1 1/2 cts. lower at 1 1/2 cts. per bushel.

ASTORIA, Or., Sept. 8.—(Special)

Astoria, Or., Sept. 8.—(Special). The appraisers of the estate of Samuel Elmore, deceased, filed a report in the Probate Court this afternoon showing the value of the portion of the estate in Clatsop County to be \$527,732.21.

METEOR PROBLEM SOLVED

Chemeketa Residents Think Several Aerolites Fell Last Sunday.

SALEM, Or., Sept. 8.—(Special)

Salem, Or., Sept. 8.—(Special). People of Chemeketa, nine miles north of here, confess to have seen several meteors which flashed across the sky last Sunday, when they state they saw a meteor going directly south. The meteor reported by so many people Sunday morning was going in a northerly direction. Chemeketa residents say they saw a huge flaming object come out of the north and disappear in the south. This meteor was reported as written on at 11:55 A. M. while the other meteor was recorded at 12:22 P. M. at this point. They believe that there have been several meteors and the presence of this shower explains the many reports of meteoric fragments which have been reported as falling.

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