

BEING ARRANGED

DOCK COMMISSION PROPOSES TO COMMENCE CLEARING SITE BEFORE LETTING CONTRACT.

PORT DREDGE IS DESIRED Steel and Other Material Which Can Be Made on Pacific Coast Will Be Ordered at Home. Shipyard Track Allowed.

Several important steps, preliminary to the creation of a 1,000,000-bushel grain elevator and certain water terminal facilities at St. Johns, were authorized yesterday by the Commission of Public Docks, to prepare the site and start on foundation work in the latter part of the month, has been made possible through the acquisition of about seven acres of land from the O. W. Smith, which lies between two corporations' plant and that of the Coast Shipbuilding Company.

As a result of an inspection tour of the lower river made by Robert E. Hicks, the assistant to the dredging chief engineer, and other members of the Commission, it was reported that the Port of Portland has been asked to assign the dredge Portland there to dig the first slip. It is estimated that 450,000 cubic yards of material will be removed to dig the slip to 30 feet at low water and that the material can be used in filling elsewhere on the island. More material would be available from excavating the elevator site property to a depth of four feet above low water.

Advisability of purchasing certain steel and like material to be used in construction of the port, occupied by the Commission, was also discussed. The recommendations were adopted and Mr. Heggard instructed to arrange with the Port of Portland for the dredge.

Bids received at a former meeting for dredging in front of docks Nos. 1 and 2, ranging from 60 cents to one dollar per cubic yard, were rejected and ordered readjusted.

As a means of correcting an ordinance number was passed yesterday granting the O. W. R. & N. a revocable permit to lay a spur track to the Grant Smith-Guthrie-McDonald shipyard at St. Johns.

In the interest of the reorganized Kaola Company, the Commission amended its dock charter to permit the use of across open docks for delivery at the plant at 10 cents a ton, that being a reduction of one-half in the rate provided for a ship to transfer elsewhere the rate will remain 20 cents and 25 cents if stored there. The rate on potatoes was increased from 20 to 25 cents a ton.

Purchase of Car Authorized. On motion of Commissioner Knapp, the purchase of an automobile and repair office was authorized. Considerable discussion ensued as to the type of automobile to be purchased and it was finally decided that a car should not exceed \$700. An ordinance was passed creating the position of an additional clerk, made necessary through the increase resulting from elevator construction details.

A proposal from the Supple-Ballin Shipbuilding Corporation to rent a small building on the site of No. 2, built as a meat inspection booth, was held up pending a counter proposal from the commission that the corporation should build an emergency hospital at the shipyard.

The United Oil Company was authorized to erect and maintain two oil tanks on its property near Linton, it being agreed that they must be protected with an embankment and the space between that and the tanks kept free of water.

An indemnity agreement was filed, signed by those interested in the Markley tract at St. Johns, on which the grain elevator will be built, protecting the citizens of the two ports or any others arising in the future. The abstract of the property is being gone over and the purchase is to be concluded shortly.

YAQUINA WORK IS APPROVED Toledo and Newport Commissions Agree on Improvement. NEWPORT, Or., Sept. 13.—(Special)—The joint port commissions of Toledo and Newport held a well-attended mass meeting of the citizens of the two ports yesterday to consider the immediate improvement of the bar at Yaquina Bay.

A resolution was introduced declaring it the sense of the meeting that the two commissions proceed at once in the lawful manner with the improvement of the bar in accordance with the permit granted.

Mr. Long is going to Central Saturday to attend a meeting of spruce manufacturers of the Northwest to discuss the details of handling the Government orders for airplane stock. The production of the mills has been commended by the War Department and the manufacturers desire to work out plans to co-operate.

YARD GETS MORE ACRES

Columbia River Plant to Have 23 1/2 Completed on Seven Acres.

Enlargement of the yard of the Columbia River Shipbuilding Corporation, which is engaged in building 8800-ton freighters and will have the first in the water in a month, has been made possible through the acquisition of about seven acres of land from the O. W. Smith, which lies between two corporations' plant and that of the Coast Shipbuilding Company.

The intention is to use most of the space for the purpose, though, if necessary, at least two ways can be built there. As yet the company has not acquired the property, occupied by the Portland Shipbuilding Company, lying next to its yard on the river, and if that is taken several more ways can go. The Port of Portland Commission has agreed to complete a fill on the seven acres secured, it being estimated that about 10,000 cubic yards of material will be required. That will be done next month, when another small fill made on the property of the Northwest Steel Company.

FISHERIES NEAR CHANNEL Government Takes Action to Prevent Barriers to Navigation. As a result of an inspection tour of the lower river made by Robert E. Hicks, the assistant to the dredging chief engineer, and other members of the Commission, it was reported that the Port of Portland has been asked to assign the dredge Portland there to dig the first slip.

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Two Hauls of Lignin Made. Dave Haten, an Asmyrian, was arrested by deputy sheriffs yesterday as he was leaving the steamship Rose City with eight pint bottles of whisky in his possession.

BOATS ASKED

Pilotage and Tonnage Securities Expected to Bring Par.

The money will be devoted toward the cost of a powerful, sternward steam, plans for which are being drawn. The sale of bonds will provide about half the estimated cost of the vessel. The boiler was ordered several months ago and the engines and hull will be contracted for soon.

The Commission arranged the dredging schedule yesterday and if fuel does not become scarcer it is intended to continue dredging work during the next few months as in the past, until funds are exhausted. The dredge Columbia, now at Reeder's, will go in a week to Westoffice Bay. The dredge William, now at Morgan's, in two weeks will shift to the municipal grain elevator site.

The dredge Tualatin, now clearing the channel off the O. W. R. & N. "boneyard" property, for the new shipyard project, will go to the upper harbor on finishing there, while the dredge Portland, now in the port, will be ordered to the St. Johns elevator site.

The Commission intends to do dredging in its own behalf at the St. Johns drydock, where the basin will be deepened and the material dumped behind a bulkhead built last year. Other drydock maintenance outlined includes re-laying roadway on South dock. On the fill for the Grant Smith-Guthrie-McDonald yard, St. Johns, 288,288 cubic yards of material have been donated over Oregon and Washington and over Nevada, Idaho, Utah, Montana and Wyoming.

The Marine Engineers' Beneficial Association, have given notice that October 1 wages of chief engineers on Pacific coast vessels will be \$130, first assistants \$145 and second assistants \$120, instead of \$150, \$110 and \$100 as at present.

Information from San Francisco that no change had been made in wages there, though chief engineers on ocean-going tugs were paid \$150.

Port and vicinity—Rain; gentle southerly wind. Oregon and Washington—Fair, calm, rain. Idaho—Fair, calm, rain. California—Fair, calm, rain. The Willamette River at Portland will remain nearly stationary for the next two days.

Government to List All Who Are Willing to Serve Nation. Oregon's women, like Oregon's men, will have a chance to show their loyalty to the country in war time tomorrow, when voluntary registration for military service will be held.

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THE WEATHER

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