

TO BUILD SMELTER

Portland and Grant's Pass Capital Gives Order.

ROGUE IS TO BE DAMMED

Immense Water Power Will Be Developed in Canyon That Will Be Blocked by Slag From the Plant.

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A custom smelter, the first in Southern Oregon, for handling gold and copper ore, is soon to be added to the industries of Grant's Pass.

The order was placed a month ago with a Spokane foundry for the manufacture of the furnaces and the machinery, and work has been received that the first shipments will be made the first of next month.

The smelter will be located at Savage Rapids, on Rogue River, five miles east of Grant's Pass and on the Southern Pacific Railroad, where the smelter company has a large tract of land on both sides of the river.

The smelter for the present will be of 100 tons capacity per day, and of the latest pattern in every respect. The smelter will be so arranged that it can be enlarged at any time.

The last of this month a large force of men will be put at work putting in the railroad siding at the smelter site, and in construction work on the smelter, ore bins and the necessary buildings.

The construction of an industry made that will be far-reaching in its effect in developing the great mineral wealth of Southern Oregon.

At the smelter site Rogue River flows through a narrow granite-bounded canyon, and it is the purpose of the smelter company to dam the river at this point, utilizing the slag for that purpose.

The dam will be a concrete dam, and the plan is feasible, and that the melted slag, when run in and cooled, would make a dam as permanent as the granite bed and walls of the river.

The plan will be to build an arch-over roadway of cement to carry the water of the river during the construction of the dam. The dam will be kept free of water by bulkheads above and below, for the least moisture would prevent the newly poured slag sticking to that which had cooled.

The construction of the dam would be carried up and over the covered roadway, and when the dam was completed the headgate to the roadway would be closed the river above would then rise to the top of the dam.

The banks of the river permit the dam to be made 60 feet high, which at low water would afford, according to the company's engineer, 45,000 horsepower. This great dam will back up the waters in Rogue River and create a great lake that would extend some four miles up the river, about to Woodville.

The dam will be a safe place to store the sawmills that will be certain to be erected along its banks as soon as electric railroads give access to the great bodies of timber in the distant foothills of the Cascade Mountains.

A great electric power plant will be put in at this dam. Such power as will be required will be transmitted to the smelter, but the greater part of this great power will be used to operate electric railroads. This system of electric railroads that eventually is to be built will embrace a main line from Grant's Pass to Crescent City, with branches, one up the Illinois River to the great Takloma and Preston Peak copper districts, one down the Illinois River to the great Takloma and Preston Peak copper districts, one down Rogue River to the Galice mining district, one up Applegate River to the famous Blue Lake.

A line would be extended from the smelter on the south side of Rogue River, skirting the foothills, to Jacksonville, to tap the Plover Creek gold hills, Blackwell Hill, Willow Springs and Jacksonville mining districts. Another line would go up Evans Creek and over the divide to Jump-Off-Joe Creek, to give access to the mines and to the vast bodies of timber in the two valleys.

Indications of extensive coal deposits have been found in Evans Creek Valley. There are coal measures that are reported to be of the same age as the coal measures found in the southern part of the valley, and it is found to contain coal in paying quantities, they will be developed to secure a near-by fuel supply for the smelter.

For the present, such mines as can be reached by the Southern Pacific will ship ore in cars to the smelter, but most of the mines will have to depend on freight teams. Ore contracts have already been made for the smelter, so counting delays in transportation, the smelter will be able to secure all the ore that can be handled.



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refused to permit his daughter to join her husband. Since the young man has prospered, Dr. Hancher has relented, and another wedding will reunite the faithful lovers.

WALKS OFF TRAIN IN SLEEP

Well-Known Resident of Los Angeles Is Severely Injured.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Oct. 14.—(Special.)—W. A. Fields, president of the Hesperia Land & Water Company, is suffering from injuries sustained by walking off a fast Santa Fe train while in a somnolent state. He had been to Hesperia, and at 3 A. M. boarded a train for San Bernardino. He fell asleep, and remembers no more until he returned to consciousness in his home in this city.

Highest Price Yet at Dallas.

DALLAS, Or., Oct. 14.—(Special.)—The highest price paid for hops in Dallas so far this season was realized by John Farley and Plummer & Sears yesterday, the two crops of 40 and 70 bales, respectively, being purchased by Conrad Krebs at 12 cents. Both crops are of strictly choice quality. Other sales reported yesterday were:

A. W. Plankinton, 105 bales to George Dorcas at 12 cents. Hughes and McBee, 45 bales to George Dorcas at 12 cents. Frank Rowell, 130 bales to E. C. Kirkpatrick at 12 cents. Grant & Gray, 61 bales, one-half on contract at 12 cents and one-half sold at 12 1/2 cents. I. F. Yoakum, 101 bales at 12 1/2 cents to R. E. Williams.

Errors in Salem Assessment.

SALEM, Or., Oct. 14.—(Special.)—According to the summary of the 1905 assessment-roll for Marion County, issued this evening, the total valuation of taxable property is \$19,356,178, the exemptions \$43,404 and the net valuation \$19,312,774. This is a falling off of nearly \$1,000,000 against that of last year, although there was no exemption on the 1904 roll.

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JURY VERDICT IS DISMISSED

State Land-Fraud Cases Will Go Over Until January.

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