

HIGHWAY COMMISSION CALLS ON COUNTY

Go Over State Highway and Pronounce Selection Best for all

MEET PEOPLE AT CLUB

Go on to Forest Grove, Where They Were Entertained at Lunch

The State Highway Commission, consisting of Messrs. S. Benson, R. H. Booth and Mr. Thompson, accompanied by Engineer Nunn and Secretary Kline, of the commission, visited Hillsboro a few minutes Monday morning, after inspecting the highway route now under contract for cement paving, from the Multnomah line to Hillsboro.

The Hillsboro Club welcomed the commission at the club rooms, and President Easter, of the Club, gave them assurance that their visit was welcome beyond measure. Mayor Wall voiced the sentiment of the club and city in telling the commission that the county was back of them in all respects. Mr. Wall paid his respects to Commissioner Holman, of Portland, for not working in harmony with the state commission, and said that we did not want any "dead ends" to the east of us.

Mr. Benson, chairman of the commission, made a short talk, and said he thought the selection of the route, with its small per cent of grade, and straight course, was a wise one, and thanked the people here and at the Grove for the help in getting the matter settled. Ex-County Judge Reasoner came in for commendation in his work in grading and also for the selection of the route.

Mr. Thompson, of Umstilla County, on the state board, said he was glad to meet with us, and that the commission had decided to loan Multnomah County the money to pave the other end until their budget meet next Fall. It appears that \$60,000 had been voted by the budget last Fall for this work, but that it has been "diverted." Anyway, both Mr. Benson and Mr. Thompson are satisfied there will be no trouble on that score.

Mr. Booth did not express himself, although he was assured that the people of Hillsboro were a unit in his staying on the State Commission.

Mr. Nunn informed the Argus that the contract was let for construction to Hillsboro, and that the contractor would soon start work laying rock and cement.

The commission left here about 11:30 with J. A. Thornburgh and Representative Graham, and they were given a luncheon at the college city.

About fifty members of the club entertained the visitors. Ex-Judge Reasoner told how he had worked in sympathy with the commission during his incumbency of six years, and related that he found them always ready to co-operate with him.

CARD OF THANKS

We desire to express our sincere and heartfelt thanks for the sympathy and kindness shown during the illness and obsequies of our beloved wife and mother, the late Mrs. Reiben, and also for the beautiful floral offerings.

C. Reiben and Family, Roy, Ore., March 22, 1919.

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MRS. CHRISTINA PETERS

Mrs. Christina Peters died in South Dakota, March 4, 1919.

Her maiden name was Christina Lorenzen. She was born at Delle, Schleswig-Holstein, Germany, Oct. 24, 1847, and emigrated with her husband in 1872 to America, first settling in Concessville, Pennsylvania. From there they moved to Belle Plain, Iowa. Afterward they moved to Oregon, where they lived for a time in Cornelius. Later she lived in Portland. At the time of her death she lived with her daughter, Mrs. John Krugger, of Spencer, South Dakota. Her husband preceded her in death 12 years ago, and also a daughter, Mrs. Kathrine Wagnitz, in Portland. Her age was 71 years, 5 months and 10 days. Deceased leaves to mourn her departure one sister, Mrs. Peter Dietz, in Belle Plain, Iowa, and 8 children—Henry Peters, Buckingham, Ia.; Mrs. Anna Tallbot, Cornelius, Ore.; Mrs. Lena Nickel, Hills, Minn.; Mrs. Hanna Steinke, of Spencer, S. Dakota; Christ Peters, Spencer, S. D.; Mrs. John Krugger, Spencer, S. D.; Mrs. Jesse Fairchild and John Peters, Portland, Oregon—and several grand and great-grandchildren.

The funeral services were held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Tallbot, Cornelius, Ore., Monday, March 10, at 9:30 A. M., conducted by Rev. J. H. Karpenstein, of the Lutheran church. Interment was made at the cemetery at Cornelius.

BUY REST OF LOT

The Wells have bought the remaining thirty feet of frontage and all the rear of the block from Mr. McQuillan, and the deal was closed last week. This gives the firm 100 feet of frontage on both Main and Lincoln Streets, one of the best business properties in the city. The new building is to cover the entire frontage on Main, and give them access with their freight to the rear. Building operations will begin just as soon as material can be assembled, and it will certainly help out the looks of old Main.

With a two-story brick, and with no partitions on the ground floor—pillars acting as supports the structure will add much to the appearance of the business section.

DEMMIN—WERRE

Charles C. Demmin, of South Tualatin, and Miss Christina Werre, of near Sherwood, were united in marriage in this city, March 22, 1919, Rev. Jesse D. Anderson officiating. The groom is well and favorably known in his section, and the bride is one of the popular young ladies of the Sherwood district. She is a sister of Mrs. Werre, of Farmington, and has a brother in the service in France. The young couple are receiving the congratulations of a wide circle of friends.

BANDSMAN BACK

Ted Balda, bandsman for the Third Oregon, and who went to France under Col. May, arrived home a few days ago, and came out to Hillsboro to visit at his old birthplace. Ted was a guest of his brother-in-law, O. E. McCarthy, and wife. He looks like a veteran campaigner and says that he wouldn't have missed the trip for a million bucks and wouldn't have missed coming back to Oregon for a couple of million.

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WINTER WHEAT CROP FULL OF PROMISE

Indications are That a Bumper Yield Will be Harvested

ACREAGE IS LARGEST YET

Mild Winter Was Beneficial—Just Enough Freeze for Bug-Kill

Washington County now has promise of a bumper yield of Fall and Winter sown wheat, and nothing but untoward weather between now and June 1, or a visitation of bugs or rust, will stop it. The acreage is the greatest ever sown in the county—partly due because of the good price for the cereal during war times, and partly due because of a practical guarantee on the part of the government that prices will remain good for the staff of life.

The weather last Fall was more than good for seeding, and many seeded on until the first of February, and there was just freeze enough to help rather than hinder.

Only in a few spots was the crop injured by rains, and that was where the land laid very low and water stood on the new grown blades.

With any decent kind of Spring there should be many fields yielding from 25 to 30 bushels per acre—a not unusual crop for this section when conditions are right.

Spring work is beginning here and there where the drainage is good, the two or three days of sunshine last week, and a cessation of rainfall having done wonders in drying out the soil.

As it is estimated that there is a gain of 25 per cent, if not more, in Fall sown grain, the Spring work will not represent as much acreage as in other years.

Noticeable is the fact that here and there small farmers who have heretofore raised no wheat now have in from ten to fifteen acres of the Winter grown. And it brings the money these days.

DID HE FEEL IT?

If R. H. Booth, of Eugene, did not leave Hillsboro and Forest Grove feeling that people appreciated his work and presence on the State Highway Commission, it was not the fault of the citizens of the two cities. At each place he was given a token of their appreciation, and the Argus thinks that this feeling prevails all over the state. Mr. Booth is a wealthy man, a man of affairs, and of wide experience, and his work on the commission always insures a fairness to the public as well as to the contractors. Just how he can let go of the commission under the circumstances is hard to realize. He is a splendid third to the commission, and the interests of the state are such that he is wanted to remain just where he is. Mr. Booth would make no statement as to whether or not he would remain on the board.

WAR RECORDS SHIPPED

The Washington County war records, consisting of about 20 boxes of questionnaires and a huge box of index registration cards, have been boxed up by the War Board and sent to Washington, D. C., to the war department for safe keeping. Mrs. Sigman has arranged all the data and manifested the grouping and Carpenter C. F. Smith has boxed up the entire lot. The cards will go by express, but the boxes go by freight, and the government will have to amex a part of the State of Virginia in order to take care of all the county archives in the country.

BISSNER—TURNER

J. E. Bissner, of South Tualatin, and Mrs. C. H. Turner, of Portland, were united in marriage in the Rose City, March 22, 1919. After a short wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Bissner will reside on the Bissner ranch, south of Hillsboro.

The groom is a well known farmer of this section, and the bride is a professional nurse. Their many friends in Portland and Hillsboro extend congratulations.

Four-foot slabwood, \$2.75 per cord; 16-inch wood, \$3.50 per cord. Place your orders.—G. H. P. Lumber Co., South Third St., Hillsboro. Phone 942. 48-4f

SOME OIL WELL

Chas. E. Adams, now at Lusk, Wyoming, writes that he is in a boom town, where people have to almost fight for lodgings, and many walk the streets all night. Chas. visited Salt Lake, Green River, Rock Springs, where he helped put up a bank building; then to Cheyenne, and finally landed at Lusk, the center of a new oil district. Several of the wells are flowing 12,000 barrels daily. There is a natural gas well close by that the promoters are unable to "cap," and the flame from it reaches a hundred feet in height, lighting up the country for miles around. He says that Lusk is to build a hundred million dollars worth of structures this year, and one hotel is to cost over \$151,000. The new court house is to cost \$53,000. Rooms at the hotel are \$2 per night, so Chas. and his nephews are "baching it." They are working at carpenter work and get \$1.12½ cents per hour. Chas. says there are two saloons there and as hundreds are coming in every day it is hard to get up to a bar. Whiskey sells at 35c per, and beer at 25 cents—and only "two per cent" at that. Chas. says the beer is no better than the near beer sold out here and there isn't a decent kick in it. Adams says men work outside there when it is 12 or 15 below and think nothing of it.

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E. J. Hoffman, of South Tualatin, was in town Monday.

Try some Lykmu polish on your car. It is good.—D. Corwin, Hillsboro. 1-3

L. G. Weidewitsch, of Cornelius, was down to the county seat Monday, on legal business.

For fishing tackle, paints, builders' hardware, plumbing supplies and automobile accessories, see D. Corwin. 1-3

Mrs. Sylvia Tucker, of Clarkston, Wash., spending the Winter here, went to Seaside Wednesday morning for a fortnight.

Wanted—A grade Holstein or Shorthorn bull, about a year old. Must be reasonable.—J. Soper, Hillsboro, R. 4, on Hawthorne ranch. 2-4

Fred McNelly, of Meek Plains, was in Monday, taking home a big load of feed. He says that the roads were very fair after two or three days of sunshine.

For Sale—Two passenger Maxwell, in fair repair. Good rubber. Will consider trade on team for farm.—Telephone 525 Patton, through Forest Grove Central. 2-4f

Mr. and Mrs. Gail Wells, of Portland, were out Sunday, the guests of the C. E. Wells and L. A. Long's. Gail is one of the electricians working for the Columbia Shipbuilding Corporation.

Only monument dealers in Washington County. Drop us a card, and we will show you our samples. Write or call on us, at 1363 Main St., Hillsboro.—Oregon Monument Works, Hillsboro, Oregon. 49-4f

A marriage license was granted Earl H. Mattoon, of Clatsop County, and Etha Kennedy, of Portland, the past week, and another to Chas. C. Demmin, of Blooming, and Christina Werre, of Farmington.

For Sale—Barred Rock eggs, O. A. C. strain, \$1 per setting. Also young registered Jersey bull, 16 months old, all from registered-merit stock. Also some young heifers, bred.—Wm. Schulerich, Hillsboro. 48-8

State Highway Commissioner Thompson Monday told a good story on himself and A. C. Slute. It seems they were together at Corvallis, and came down from that city to Hillsboro in Slute's car, a few years ago. They reached Hillsboro about midnight, and Thompson had telephoned from McMinnville to Portland for a car to meet him here in Hillsboro, at the Shute Bank. The car arrived a quarter of an hour ahead of Slute and Thompson, and the chauffeur waited in front of the bank, while the night officer kept an eye on him as an embryo bank robber. At midnight Slute and Thompson rolled in. Slute's car was not recognized by the night watch, and when A. C. took Thompson in to show him the niceties of the banking house the officer rushed up and hammered on the door demanding admittance. He thought there was a bank robbery being pulled off and was going to pinch the bunch until he recognized Slute. And at that they couldn't go and buy a drink for Hillsboro was bone-dry.

THOUSANDS SPENT FOR PERMANENT ROADS

N. W. Steel to Finish Two More Steel Ships

FORD MAY COME OUT WEST

May Turn Out a Car for Two Hundred and fifty

Madras—North Unit irrigation district carried election for \$5,000,000 bond issue, to be guaranteed by state.

Salem—State fair grounds to be landing place for the airplane fleet.

Pendleton and Walla Walla soon to be connected with permanent highway.

Waldport—Reports from oil field continue encouraging.

Astoria completing reservoirs to supply city 4,000,000 gallons daily.

Toledo—Yaquina bay sawmill, electric plant and logging road to be in full operation by new company by March 25.

Willamette Valley tie manufacturers are organizing to extend output.

France is in the market for 2,000,000 railroad ties.

Henry Ford looking for water power to establish plants, and may establish in Portland. He expects to build a still cheaper car at \$250.

Railroad fares from Portland to San Francisco to be increased from \$20 to \$22.51 or full three cents a mile. All special and excursion rates are abolished under new ruling of government operation.

Astoria—California capital is planning large milk and vegetable cannery to be located here. Greatest obstacle is shortage of suitable labor to milk cows and grow vegetables.

Petitions are out to refer national prohibition amendment.

Portland—N. W. Steel Co. authorized to finish two more steel ships.

Portland macaroni factory has 200-barrel per day drier.

Astoria—Clatsop county cranberries averaged 35 bushels to the acre.

Pendleton to get \$25,000 Standard Oil distributing station.

Echo—Contract let to Warren Co. for \$1,000,000 irrigation project.

Sutherlin—New cannery incorporated here for \$50,000.

Prairie—Work on highway between John Day and Fish Cr. to start soon at cost of \$111,000.

St. Helens—Contract for new school house let for \$38,000.

Bend—Immediate construction to begin on The Dalles-California highway.

Bend—1160 acres of land, 2300 ewes and 200 tons of hay in this vicinity sold for \$75,000.

Linn county to get hard surface roads. First unit of 6.9 miles between Santiam River and Albany to be built this summer at cost of \$168,000. Highway Commission awards \$146,000 contract for grading and paving of 7 miles Albany to Jefferson road.

Pendleton—About 8 miles more of Wild Horse road, passing through Aibena and Adams, will be immediately hard surfaced.

Salem—\$500,000 paper mill to be established here.

Twenty-two miles good road will be constructed from Medford to Crater Lake this year by state and county assisted by federal government. Cost \$246,000.

Marsfield—Coos county dairymen organize to better their herds.

Sutherlin—Cannery and fruit drier to be built here.

Marshfield—Management of Beaver H 11 Coal mine undertakes additional development and is increasing output.

Secretary C. B. Stewart, of the Utah Woolgrowers' Association says that a special effort will be made to encourage farmers to raise more sheep so that every farmer will have at least a few. He says: "Not until every ranch and farm owner does this will production of livestock be sufficient to meet the demand for meat in the future. That sheep by nature of their close grazing habits can eat the weed and grasses of the farm that cannot touch and thus practically maintain themselves is in favor of the 'own a few sheep, campaign'."

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