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Porter Bros. Will Build Foundation

3960 FEET IN LENGTH
Must Ee Completed January
Fisst, 1912.

Oregonian: With the letting Thursday for the construction of the sub-structure of the big
bridge across the Columbia River at Celilo, work bas been started on one of the last links of the chain that will shortly
connect Portland with the great plains of Oentral Oregon.
While no statement could be obtained from the Oregon the bridge, on the grounds that all estimates were on a umit arrived at, it can be anthoritatively stated that the figure for itself is practically 8050.000 ; crete for the approach, which was let at the same time, the

Steel Contract to Be Let.
There yet remains the letting of the contract for the steel work, the responsibility for which has been largely left by Modjeski, the advisory engineer on the bridge. In all prob-
ability the contract for the steel work will be let in a few days so that preparations can
made for assembling the nine million pounds of steel that will be required ia the
tion of the vast structu
The steel contract, including the construction of the Y's at somewhat orer 8450.000 . In this way the bridge will ap proximate $\$ 1,500,000$ in tolal
cost. The specifications call for the completion of the Celito bridg
January 1, 1912. Porter Bros are requited
1911, which gives a time April about 10 months.

Twent-nine Piers required in the construction the bridge and work on thes will probably start next ,month The enormous plant Portil
Bros, will require at Ceilio will necessitate considerable assem bling, so that active construc until the end of June
At this point the Columbia River is filled with rocks wit good sub-soil for fuundation purposes, so the digging and blasting for the foundation wil insure the bridge resting on solid foundation without unusual depth Laving reached to obtain safe bottom The contract specifies fixed charges for a number of vary ing units. These comprise coul crete and stone work, rock ex

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Bridge to Contain 29 Spans. The bridge will be over 3960
feet in length and will consstst of 29 spans made up as follows: Five 75 foot spans.
One 250 foot span. One 350 foot span.
Six 230 foot spans. Sixteen 102 foot spans. bridge spans, the shorter ones,
decks. Some idea ef the great bridge can be gath ered from these particulars: Each of the 75 ffoot spans will be simple deck girders; there one 350 foot through bridge span; the 230 -foot spans will be through bridge spans; the 102
foot spans will be deck plate girder spans. In all there will
be 45,000 tons of steel in the bridge.
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