

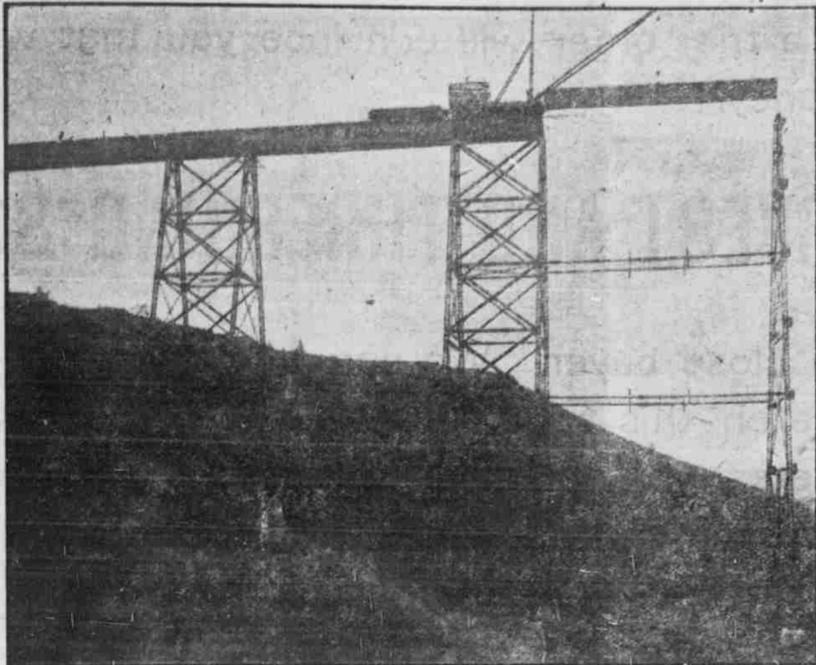
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W. R. & N. VIADUCT ACROSS WILLOW CREEK CANYON FINISHED TODAY

Photograph of Willow Creek Viaduct Showing Workmen Swinging Heavy Steel Girder in Place



The last big steel girder spanning Willow creek canyon, on the line of the O. W. R. & N., less than a mile from Madras, was swung into place early today, and by the first of the month the work train with its engineers and laborers will commence laying steel southward. The above photograph was taken about three weeks ago and shows a huge steel girder, 100 feet long, being swung into position at a height of 250 feet from the ground. The viaduct is 1050 feet long, 250 feet high and is supported by eight mammoth steel towers like those shown in the cut; besides the towers the structure receives support from two cement abutments, set in solid rock, at either approach. Seventeen heavy steel girders, ranging in length from 40 to 100 feet, were used. In all 1518 tons of steel and iron, weighing 3,036,000 pounds and costing more than \$200,000 was required in the construction. It took approximately six months to finish the work, it having been started the first of last March. Geo. Mattis, assistant engineer in charge of the work, stated Tuesday evening that work trains would pass over the bridge daily, but that regular passenger service would not commence until about the first of October.

of the votes cast at the last election, this amount being all that is required to adopt the amendments.

The meeting was adjourned until Monday evening, the 21st, at which time it was expected that definite action would be taken on the plans for the jail, but there were only three councilmen present, and a continuance was taken until Monday, the 28th. There were two sets of plans filed with the recorder by the committee, and these will be gone over carefully before the next meeting and some suggested changes may be made before action is taken definitely.

O. W. R. & N. WELL DELAYED BY CAVE-IN

Well drillers at work on the O. W. R. & N. well about a half a mile from town received a temporary delay last Friday, when 50 feet of loose gravel, sand and clay caved in, filling the hole and burying the tools that were in the well at the time.

To prevent a further cave-in, the hole for several feet was filled with cement, forming a collar or brace. Work was resumed Tuesday morning again, it being necessary to bore through the cement, and at the time of going to press, practically all of the distance caused by the cave-in had been regained.

Hereafter an eight inch casing will be driven as fast as the dirt is removed, thus eliminating any danger of a future cave-in. Two shifts working night and day are rushing the well to completion as fast as possible.

O. W. R. & N. DEPOT IS NEARLY FINISHED

Large and Commodious Baggage Room and Comfortable Waiting Room Are Features

Workmen are rushing work on the new O. W. R. & N. depot, and the foreman, C. Moore, stated Monday that the building in all probability would be ready for occupancy in about three weeks. When completed, the depot will be 22x70 with two large rooms on the ground floor and a living room 22x30 over the ticket office and waiting room where the agent will reside.

The baggage room will be 22x40 and will be so arranged as to minimize labor required in the handling of baggage. The small building now occupied temporarily as a depot, will be used for a freight warehouse.

The ticket office and waiting room will be 22x30. In the waiting room will be seats for the comfort of passengers and on the cold winter nights a big stove in the center of the room will radiate its warmth throughout the building. Directly over the ticket office and waiting room will be comfortable quarters fitted up for the agent and his family.

The structure is similar in design and size to other depots along the line of the O. W. R. & N., and when finished up and painted will present a very neat appearance.

BLACKSMITH INJURED BY VICIOUS MARE

Jas. Maddron Suffers Concussion of the Brain and Otherwise Injured as Result of Kick

As a result of being kicked by a vicious mare in his shop last Thursday afternoon, Jas. Maddron, well known local blacksmith, is out of commission for a few days, and for a time his condition was serious. Mr. Maddron was out on the street Tuesday, the first time after the accident, and his face and head bore the resemblance of having been massaged with a battleship.

In relating the accident, Mr. Maddron said he had just returned to work after dinner to finish shoeing a small sorrel mare, weighing about 900 pounds, that he had partly finished in the morning. He had picked up one of her hind feet to fit a shoe, and had just set it down when the animal cut loose with both feet, landing him among a pile of boards and rubbish in a remote corner of the shop about 20 feet away.

His partner, who was working with him in the shop at the time went to his assistance and together with a young man that happened in the shop shortly after, succeeded in getting the injured man to his home where his wounds were attended to by Dr. Gale. For three days he lay unconscious, suffering from concussion of the brain. The doctor stated Tuesday that there was a possibility of a fractured skull, but unless serious complications set in he will be able to return to work in a couple of weeks.

Arthur S. Phillips Stricken

Mrs. J. E. Beddingfield received a telegram this morning from her brother, Oliver Phillips, conveying the sad news that her father was dying in a hospital at Kamloops, B. C.

Arthur S. Phillips, for several years resided in the vicinity of Madras, and is remembered by many of the old timers. For several months he has been a

MISS VERNICE RAMSEY WINS SILVER MEDAL

M. E. Church Filled With Interested Listeners

SIX PEOPLE IN CONTEST

Program Opens With Prayer by Rev. Weaver and Music by the Church Choir

The Methodist church was pretty well filled last Friday evening with friends of the six young people who participated in the silver medal declamatory contest, the winner Miss Vernice Ramsey, being roundly applauded for the excellent manner in which she handled her subject.

Others who took part in the contest were the Misses Verl Ramsey, Mabel Grant, Oral Moore, Velma Klann and Bernard Ramsey.

The program opened with prayer by Rev. M. W. Weaver, pastor of the church and special music by the church choir.

Besides the speaking by the six young people, Mrs. M. W. Weaver sang a beautiful and appropriate solo, selected especially for the occasion. The contest was entirely successful, and it is hoped that others will be held from time to time.

sufferer of stomach trouble, and recently was removed from his home at Ashcroft to the hospital at Kamloops. He failed to respond to medical aid and death is momentarily expected.

Mr. Phillips and family have made their home in Canada for the past 18 months, and of late have been conducting a livery and feed business at Ashcroft, where the family now resides.

He was held in high esteem by his acquaintances here and regret is expressed that his illness should prove fatal.

Mrs. W. A. Booth of Prineville was registered one day this week at the Madras hotel.

PASSING ALONG THE TROUBLESOME ONE.



Judging from the trouble congress had with it, our Canadian cousin is due for anything but a merry time. —Spencer in Denver Republican.