

NEW DREDGE CONTRACT LET

Portland Iron Works Gets Construction of Coos Bay Dredge.

IT CAUSES COMMENT HERE

L. J. Simpson is Still Active in An Efforts to Induce Portland Firm To Do the Work at this Point.

"Colonel S. W. Roessler forwarded a recommendation to the department at Washington this morning that the bid of \$80,000 received from the Portland Iron Works for the construction of a dredge to operate along the coast of Oregon and Washington coasts be accepted. He also suggested the substitution of a steel tank in place of wood, as had been called for in the specifications, which will entail an additional cost of \$11,000. A tank is needed for carrying fresh water, as the vessel will be operated almost wholly in salt water.

According to the terms of the contract the successful bidder must have the vessel completed and ready for service in eight months. She will be equipped with powerful machinery and will be one of the most serviceable dredges on the coast. An enormous amount of work has been laid out for the craft at Coos Bay, Tillamook, Grays Harbor and at other points in Oregon and Washington.—Portland Telegram.

Considerable comment is being made in Marshfield over the awarding of the bid to build the Coos Bay dredge to the Portland Iron Works, of Portland, and this without considering the offers made by prominent lumbermen on the bay to help bear the expense of construction.

When the appropriation was asked for the dredge was to be used entirely for Coos Bay, but in the political shuffling which the bill had to pass through at Washington, the dredge was to be used for the ports of Washington and Oregon.

Messrs. L. J. Simpson and C. A. Smith, the biggest mill men on the bay, offered to give all the lumber needed for the construction of the dredge, which could be used to such advantage in the harbor. This would have added materially in the cost of procuring the dredge.

The delay before the opening of the bids which was in Portland on December 21, Kruse & Banks received notices for sending in the bids. The specifications were sent at the time, but the plans were not, and in the meantime in which the mail was being handled it was impossible to make arrangements to bid on the construction of the dredge in time.

The manner in which Coos Bay has been ignored in the matter, since the appropriation originated on the bay, has caused considerable indignation among local people. The latter believe that it would have been more feasible to have the body of the dredge constructed here and the machinery could have been shipped. It would also have proven to outsiders that Coos Bay can do some things for the construction line here.

When the dredge is being built at Portland, it is felt that Coos Bay's chance to acquire the use of the dredge at an early date will not be probable.

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LATER.
Since the above was placed in type it has been learned that with highly confidential public enterprise, L. J. Simpson has not yet given up the plan to bestir up the dredge built on Coos Bay. As soon as he learned that the Portland Iron Works was the successful bidder he immediately set to work in communication with various influential persons for the construction of the dredge on Coos Bay and making suggestions that would be advantageous to the Portland firm to have the work done at this point. As the contract has not been signed by the government there have been no developments along this line as yet.

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WALK 75 MILES TO GET TO POINT 5 MILES AWAY

Party of Medford Men Have an Unusual Experience While trying to Reach Mine.

MEDFORD, Ore., Jan. 13.—In order to reach a point just five miles from their place of starting, a party of prospectors recently arrived at Blue Ledge mine, near this city. The men had gone forth on a prospecting expedition, when they found their return to the mine shut off by snow.

After several attempts to reach Blue Ledge, they were compelled to walk seventy-five miles to Hornbrook, Cal. From there they came by train to Medford, and from this place went to the mine by stage. Throughout their long tramp to Hornbrook they encountered snow from one to seven feet deep. The miners making the trip were Frank George, Fred Nelson and Frank Smith.

THE MEANEST MAN.

Bill Nye had truth well told when he said: "A man may use a wart on the back of his neck for a collar button; ride on the back coach of a railroad train to save interest on his iron; till the conductor gets around; stop his watch at night to save wear and tear; leave his 'I' or 'T' without a dot or cross to save ink; pasture his cow on his mother's grave to save corn; but a man of this sort is a gentleman and a scholar compared to the fellow who will take a newspaper two or three years and newspaper to pay for it puts it into the office and has it marked 'Refused.'"

FLOQUENT BOOSTERS.

Chamber of Commerce Secures Able Talent For Tomorrow Evening's Talk.

Legal lights will shine at the chamber of commerce meeting tomorrow night. "Coos Bay's Opportunity for 1908," will be the theme and the subject will be introduced by Judge Guerry, the eloquent lawyer of North Bend. Judge Guerry will be followed by Marshfield attorneys who believe in the future of the bay. The addresses will not be cut and dried but delivered of hand by lawyers who feel and believe what they say. The meeting will open at 7:30 and is open to everybody.

Wedding at Same Hour—Sister Only 17 Years Old.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Jan. 11.—At the hour his 17-year-old sister, who had eloped to Youngtown with her young lover, was going through the marriage ceremony there, little Donald Snyder, aged 6 years, died this morning at his home in the suburb of Oakdale.

"We were married at 10 o'clock. Can we come home?" read the telegram received from the young bride at noon.

"Your brother died at 10 o'clock; come home," was the sad answer that went back over the wires.

THE EXILE

What care I for the lees of life
When I have drunk the wine?
How should I take the grass to wife,
When sweet Red Rose is mine?

Or, having danced the saraband
Within the palace gate,
And bent above the young queen's hands
In stolen tete-a-tete.

How should I stoop to meaner joy,
Carousing at the inn—
A barmoid for my vulgar toy,
A headache for my sin?

Nay—standing at the palace gate,
As any beggar might,
I'll sing my love song as I wait
Into the lonely night

Perchance an echo of my voice
May find its way within,
And help her to some queenly choice
Where else a doubt has been.

While in some lull of music there,
A memory may rise
Of kisses on her royal hair,
And Love's lost Paradise.
—Friedrick Truesdell.

Knew of Missing Man.—E. E. Harris and his daughter, of Marshfield, report that Arthur Campbell, the young man whose parents are seeking him by mail in Coos county, left this section for North Yakima last September on the Breakwater. The young man boarded at their home for quite a while, but they have not heard from him since he left for Washington.

Never pay a debt with regret. Use cash.

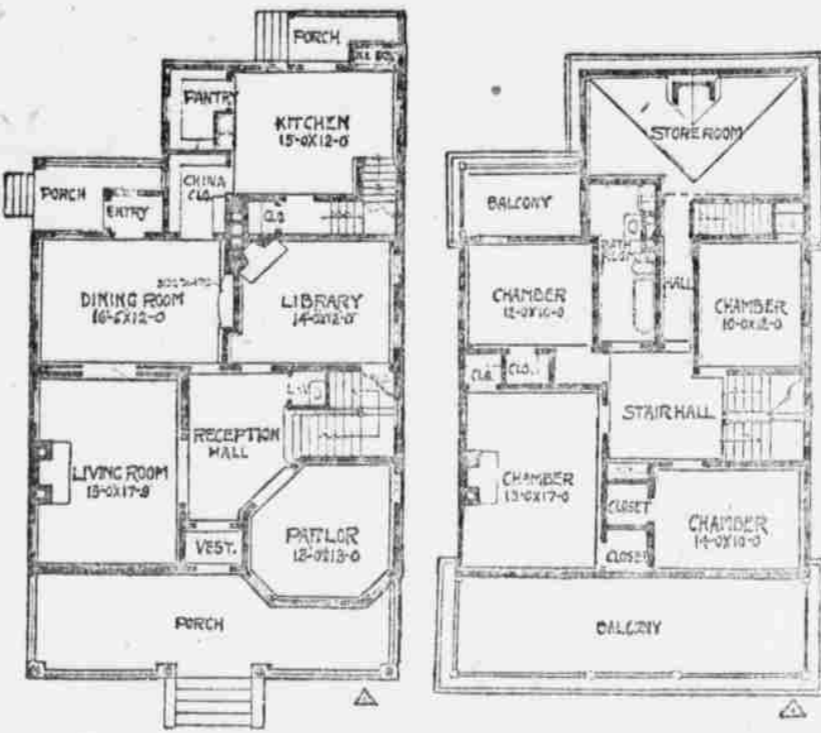
Colonial Cottage.

Refined Type of the Style Now So Much in Vogue. Estimated Cost, \$3,250.

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PERSPECTIVE VIEW.



FIRST FLOOR PLAN.

SECOND FLOOR PLAN.

This neat colonial cottage has proved very popular in suburban towns in Minnesota. Special attention is called to the fact that there is no little waste space in the plans. The abundant and roomy closets are also to be noted, as well as the archway opening between the rooms. The first floor should be finished in Flemish oak and red birch stained mahogany color, with hull and staircase in white enamel. The second floor should be finished entirely in white enamel. Estimated cost, \$3,250.

GLENN L. SAXTON.

THE DECEMBER HARBOR RECORD.

ARRIVED—DECEMBER—SAILER.

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| Dec. 1, sch. Orient. | Dec. 1, sch. Boulaix. |
| Dec. 6, bkt. Arago. | Dec. 6, sch. Ivy. |
| Dec. 6, sch. Virginia. | Dec. 6, bkt. Encore. |
| Dec. 7, sch. Oceania Vance. | Dec. 7, sch. Esther Buhne. |
| Dec. 7, sch. Repeat. | Dec. 7, sch. Sausalito. |
| Dec. 8, sch. Sausalito. | Dec. 7, sch. Orient. |
| | Dec. 8, sch. Oceania Vance. |

STEAMERS.

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| Dec. 5, str. M. F. Plant. | Dec. 5, str. Breakwater. |
| Dec. 8, str. Hunter. | Dec. 8, str. M. F. Plant. |
| Dec. 13, str. Hunter. | Dec. 13, str. M. F. Plant. |
| Dec. 13, str. M. F. Plant. | Dec. 13, str. Redondo. |
| Dec. 16, str. Fulton. | Dec. 16, str. Carmel. |
| Dec. 16, str. Breakwater. | Dec. 16, str. Hunter. |
| Dec. 17, str. Carmel. | Dec. 17, str. Heather. |
| Dec. 18, str. Redondo. | Dec. 18, str. Breakwater. |
| Dec. 22, str. M. F. Plant. | Dec. 22, str. Fulton. |
| Dec. 24, str. Alliance. | Dec. 24, str. M. F. Plant. |
| Dec. 24, str. Breakwater. | Dec. 24, str. Redondo. |
| Dec. 31, str. Alliance. | Dec. 24, str. Breakwater. |
| | Dec. 31, str. Alliance. |

PERSONAL MENTION.

(From Saturday's Daily.)
ROY JAMES, of Bandon, is a visitor in Marshfield today.
C. H. NEAL was a visitor in Marshfield today from Bandon.
E. C. THRONE, of Glendale, Ore., is visiting friends in this city.
W. F. WYLAND, of Myrtle Point, arrived here on the noon train today.
R. CHAPMAN, of Coquille, arrived in the city today on the noon train for a short visit.
GEORGE H. FERRY, of Coquille, was a pleasant visitor to friends in Marshfield yesterday.
J. C. GREENE, of San Francisco, arrived in the city on the noon train from Coquille.
W. E. BRONSON, of Portland, was an arrival on the Breakwater, who will do business in this city.
F. D. HARRINGTON, H. B., of St. Louis, arrived in the city this morning on the Breakwater.
A. R. AND R. M. BEAN, arrived in the city this morning and will leave for their home down the valley.
P. HANER, of Portland, arrived in the city today on a business trip

to the cities and towns of the county.

TOM BENNETT, who was gone for a couple of weeks from college left on the Delhi for Oakland to resume his studies.

ARCHITECT A. H. EDDY, who has been down visiting his family at San Jose during the holidays, has returned to this city anxious to resume business.

MRS. S. A. HAMMOND returned to this city this morning on the Breakwater from Portland and was met by Mr. Hammond's aunt accompanied her to their home at Coquille.

Wm. J. SMITH the well known and popular Coos Bay miller, has just returned from a protracted holiday visit in San Francisco. His brother, John R. Smith accompanied him on his return to land after some investments here.

"If two-thirds of the girls who go on the stage would go to the Brecken instead, there would be a whole lot more happiness in the world," says the Birmingham Age-Herald. But not if their cooking is as bad as their acting. Even if sugar were across there would be considerable questions on Coos Bay.

HUGH DAILEY LEAVES FOR MINNEAPOLIS.

A banquet was tendered to Hugh Bailey, bookkeeper at the C. A. Smith Lumber company's mill on Saturday night by his office associates and friends in Marshfield. Mr. Bailey will leave on the next trip of the Plant for Minneapolis by way of San Francisco. He will join the ranks of the benedicts by marrying Miss Laura Bisanger, of his home city, and will engage in business for himself at that point.

Mr. Bailey has been bookkeeper at the mill for nearly a year and during his stay here has made numerous friends both among the other employees of the mill and among the young men of the city. Consequently when he sent in his resignation and prepared to depart, these same friends desired to show their appreciation of him and an excellent banquet at the Melroe grill was held for this purpose last Saturday evening, when the following sat down to a seven course dinner:

Bert Dimmick, Harry Butler, L. Liljeqvist, H. McLain, Alvin Loughlin, J. E. Oren, Hugh Bailey, C. H. Jenkins, Will Ekblad, W. J. Conrad, B. B. Asplund, G. A. Brown, D. A. Allison, G. F. Mitchell, George Goodrum, Claude Nasburg, Laurence Holmberg, A. E. Fiske, John Dahlquist, Warren and Fred Painter.

Mr. Oren was toastmaster on this occasion and numerous responses mostly of humorous character were made. Mr. Bailey and his prospective bride were the subject of much congratulation and hearty good wishes, to which he responded in the manner in which they were extended. Mr. Allison, who recently arrived to take Mr. Bailey's place, was also toasted and responded to his "Impression of Coos Bay" in a way which showed he was greatly taken with his new quarters.

"Gents Furnishings and Poetry," was the toast George Goodrum was asked to respond to, which he did in a neat and humorous speech. Harry Butler talked on "Teddy Bears" and Claude Nasburg talked of Coos Bay. "Any old thing," was the subject selected for Mr. Liljeqvist, who proved conclusively that he could make a neat oration on any subject. Mr. Fiske made a funny little speech on "Vicissitudes of a Purchasing Agent's Life," while Bert Dimmick made a touchdown on "Training for Football."

The banquet was what might be termed a "howling" success and the guests were at their best in the flow of language turned loose after the main part of the dinner had been disposed of, and when the cigars were reached everybody present was happy and anxious to toast Mr. Bailey for the last time as a bookkeeper, and to wish him "bon voyage" and a happy and prosperous future.

A CURRENCY COCKTAIL.

Amateur Bandon Backstop Takes a Gold Piece With a Jail Chaser, C. A. Marcy, well known in this section, was arrested recently for taking \$28 from the tin of Marston's saloon in Bandon. The bartender left him in charge of the place for a few minutes and on his return the money was gone. Marcy was arrested and taken before the city recorder, and was given a sentence of forty days in the county jail.—Coquille Sentinel.

CUBA TO BE SET FREE AGAIN.

Gov. Magoon's Encouraging Showing Prompts Talk to Promise Complete Withdrawal of Troops.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—In transmitting the report of Governor Magoon, of Cuba, to President Roosevelt, Sec. Taft commits the United States to promise to withdraw completely from Cuba in the spring of 1909. Magoon's report shows conditions are encouraging in Cuba.

It's funny the way some Marshfield folks who climb on the water wagon on New Year's will get dry a few days later.

CHILD FALLS 20 FEET

Daughter of Waitress at Blanco Injured by Bad Tumble Yesterday Afternoon.

After suffering a terrible fall on Sunday afternoon about 2 o'clock the little girl of Mrs. Della Robinson of this city is lying in the General Hospital suffering from a fractured head, but with good chances for recovery. The child fell nearly twenty feet and landed on her head on a boat wharf and was unconscious for several hours. She became conscious late last night and today is sleeping in a dazed condition, being looked after by Drs. Houseworth and Ingram.

Mrs. Robinson is a waitress at the Blanco hotel and rooms above the printing office of the Coos Bay Monthly magazine, where her sister, Mrs. Geo. Coleman has apartments. During the mother's absence Mrs. Coleman has been accustomed to attend to the child, but yesterday afternoon the little one wandered onto the rear platform extending out from the building without Mrs. Coleman's knowledge, and shortly afterward Mrs. Robinson returned home and found that the child had fallen to the wharf below.

Half frantic, she grasped the little girl, who is not quite two years old, and hurried up Front street with her unconscious burden, in search of a doctor. Seeking assistance at several offices she found no doctors and finally took the child to the Blanco hotel, and after considerable delay a physician was secured. The child was then taken to the hospital.

Little hope was held out for the child's recovery yesterday, but since she recovered consciousness there are prospects of her becoming well again, according to reports from the hospital today. The physicians are anxious to have the child recover without an operation if possible, but in case she takes a change for the worse, this will be attempted as a remedy. The fracture was sustained at the back of the head, but how bad the injury is will not be ascertained until the expiration of forty-eight hours or more, and meanwhile the child's condition is said to be quite favorable toward recovery.

MAIL SERVICE PROTEST

Congressman Hawley will Call on Department—Coquille's Complaint.
The Sentinel received word from Orvil Dodge last week saying that Congressman Hawley and himself were going to visit the postoffice department and file a protest against allowing Fenton to take more time in bringing the mail from Roseburg and also protest against the condition in which the mail reaches Coos county. If Congressman Hawley can do anything to improve the mail service he deserves the thanks of the people, as does Mr. Dodge in calling his attention to it.

The mail has been arriving in a little better condition, though Monday we had none, as the stage as usual broke down at Enchanted Prairie and a team was sent from Myrtle Point to bring it in. It arrived in that place at 6 o'clock Monday evening but was not brought to this city until 11 o'clock Tuesday when the Echo brought it down. Most of the paper mail arrives in a wet and bedraggled condition and some of the papers it takes several hours to dry out so that a person can read them.—Coquille Sentinel.

CONSOLIDATE CREAMERIES

Two Coquille Butter Factories are Amalgamated.
Fred B. Haight & Co., of San Francisco, who run the O. K. Creamery in this city, have purchased the building and property of the Coquille Creamery above town, and have moved the machinery from their creamery in this city to the new location. It is the intention of Mr. Peoples, the manager, to make some important improvements in the new creamery that will make it easily the most up to date creamery in the county. F. B. Haight & Co. have a lease on the present building for a number of years, and it is the intention of Mr. Peoples to make it a warehouse.—Coquille Sentinel.

Takes State Examination.—Dr. A. Houseworth returned to Marshfield on Saturday last after an absence of several days in Portland, where he took the state physicians' examination. The result of the exam will be known in a few weeks. The doctor returned by way of the Drain stage line.