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POWER PLANT FOR COOS CO.

Coos Bay to Get Electricity From the Brewster Valley.

FOR LIGHTING AND POWER

Plans and Specifications for the New Project Are Ready and Reservoir Site Secured.

The Coquille Valley Power Company, which has been working on the quiet for some time, has its plans and specifications ready for a power plant at the head of the Brewster valley, the development of which will result in giving Coos county a lighting and power system with a minimum capacity of 4,000 horse power.

Near the source of the company's power is a natural reservoir of 35 acres that will carry a depth of 30 feet of water, the outlet from the reservoir being about four feet wide and ten feet deep through solid rock that can readily be closed by a dam. The reservoir is fed by small streams and springs.

The water will be flumed for a distance of about 5,000 feet, when it will be given a 300-foot fall through a pipe to the power house. The company has secured a 2-acre site for the power station and has bought 120 acres for the reservoir site.

For nine or ten months of the year a sufficient supply of water will be taken from the east fork for the use of the power plant, and during the balance of the season a reserve and auxiliary supply will be drawn from the immense reservoir.

The power will be transmitted electrically to Myrtle Point, Coquille, Marshfield, North Bend and Bandon, and will therefore be available for power or light in nearly any part of the county. A good substantial power house is in contemplation. There will be two units in water wheels, and two electrical units, being in duplicate.

The work of locating, measurements, and other preliminaries has been done under the direction of J. S. N. Smith as consulting engineer. Mr. Smith has had extensive experience in this sort of work, managing a number of projects on the coast. He is at present manager of a big power system at Ashland. The surveying has been done by A. N. Gould. A number of substantial business men of the valley are interested in the new project. The work of development, it is expected, will be advanced throughout the coming summer.

It is not the object of the company to antagonize or compete with any of the lighting or power plants now established, but it is expected to sell to such companies or firms the power they will require at a figure much below that at which they can afford to develop their own power for their various purposes.

There is no doubt but that the development of such a system will be of inestimable value to Coos county, which is already rich in natural resources, and with cheap power can invite the attention of capital in working such resources into manufactured products. The Coquille valley and all portions of the county will receive an impetus through the inauguration of such a system that will speedily convert it into a busy hive of industry and wealth, while those that have an interest in the power plant may reasonably expect to become independent as the result of a judicious investment.—Enterprise.

ANNUAL MEETING OF I. C. STOCKHOLDERS

Adjourns After 15 Minutes Session Because of Inability of Committee To Make a Report.

(By Associated Press.)
CHICAGO, March 3.—The annual meeting of the Illinois Central stockholders adjourned after a fifteen minutes session until two o'clock tomorrow. The inability of the proxy committee to present a complete report is the cause.

PHONE 111 for messenger boy to carry parcels or run errands.

CZARINA TO COME TO BAY

Southern Pacific Commences Operations for Developing Mines.

The Southern Pacific Company is further enlarging the scope of operations for the developing of its heavy coaling interests around Coos Bay. The enormous output, of which the hundreds of acres comprising the Beaver Hill coal mining properties are capable, has not been worked by the Southern Pacific company, only enough being mined, for shipping, to meet the capacity of the Steamer Breakwater, which carries a cargo out of the bay on every weekly trip. In the near future however, the steamship *Czarina*, will be put on the Coos Bay-Portland run, and this first class steamer in connection with the Breakwater will be devoted exclusively to the coal trade.

Davis-street dock in Portland has been leased for a term of 15 years by the Southern Pacific Company and bunkers will be built on the property for the purpose of handling Coos Bay coal. This dock has been utilized for the dumping of coal brought north by the Breakwater, for several months, but it was not until recently that the lease was signed and the company decided on extensive improvements.

ALLIANCE ARRIVES IN FROM PORTLAND

Due to Depart Wednesday Morning at 9 O'clock—List of Boat's Passengers.

The steamer *Alliance* arrived in from Portland Monday afternoon. She will sail from Coos Bay Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock. Following is the list of passengers arriving:

Miss G. Moody, W. M. Russell, H. Kirkman, W. E. Berry, W. C. Wilson, J. J. E. Rich, G. E. Meridan, Celia Meridan, E. L. C. Farrin and wife, Mrs. P. L. Blake, Elsie M. Tilmann, Grace Gilkey, A. M. Arneson, W. W. Holland, Mrs. C. J. Quinn, Miss Clarke, J. B. Finnegan, Cy Meloin, L. M. Ackerman, G. W. Hollister, Mrs. C. M. Ward, Dan Ward, Josephine Ward, Perry Ward, L. A. Murray, S. C. Norton, Miss Tupper, L. P. Russell, V. Y. Moyer, F. Munn, D. L. Harris, W. C. Schultz, M. Harris, Miss Harris, E. D. Williams, Ed Lenery, B. Van Duzen, I. C. Jennings, Fred Foote, J. J. Currie, Fred Robbins, Mrs. E. Noble, J. E. Oren, Captain F. Westdatt, H. G. Van Duzen, E. Madden, E. Perrson, General William Gouls, G. A. Bergstrom, A. Hagstrom, G. Bloom, J. L. Mauney and wife, L. E. White, Asa Gibson, W. E. Shine, C. A. Hall, D. B. Bennett, G. N. Johnson, and twelve steerage.

THINKS THERE WILL BE WAR WITH JAPAN

Curry County Boy Just Returned From Philippines Says War Preparations Are on Extensive Scale.

PORT ORFORD, March 3.—Julius Smith was in town Saturday on his way to visit his boyhood home at Gold Beach, after an absence of several years, during which time he served four years in Uncle Sam's navy. He is fresh from the Philippines, where he says extensive war preparations are being carried on, and he believes that a clash with Japan is inevitable. Julius has twice rounded the world, and has been in many foreign lands, yet he says that in his travels he did not find a place that looked as good to him as old Curry does.—Tribune.

ILLINOIS CENTRAL TANGLE UP AGAIN

Another Injunction Asked to Prevent Voting of Shares Held by Union Pacific.

(By Associated Press.)
CHICAGO, March 3.—Judge Ball denied the petition of H. W. Leman for an injunction restraining the voting of 281,231 shares of stock held by the Union Pacific and Railroad Securities Company at the annual meeting of the Illinois Central today. The denial of the motion will operate to place the suit on the regular trial calendar of the superior court of Cook county, and it will not be reached for several months.

CONTESTANTS MAY WIN SUITS

Portland Timber Locator Gives Views on Oregon Land Grant Case.

THINKS SETTLERS MAY WIN

Will Lose Only Their Filing Fees in Event Courts Decide in Favor of Railroad.

George W. Douglass, a timber locator of Portland, believes that persons filing on lands embracing in the Oregon-California (Southern Pacific) land grant will have a prior right to their selections, should the proposed suit to compel the railroad corporation to comply with the terms of the grant be decided in favor of the Government. Mr. Douglass contends that applicants for these lands are acting clearly under the terms of the grant, which have been violated by the railroad, and he argues that at best all these intending settlers can lose, even should the suit be decided against the Government, would be their filing fee. He says:

The terms of the Southern Pacific Railroad grant, by act of Congress, explicitly provide that the lands must be "sold to actual settlers in quarter sections only to one person and at a price not exceeding \$2.50 per acre." Many citizens have applied for this land under the terms of the grant, but the railroad, realizing the enormous value of their holdings, refuses at this time to comply with the law.

Now if these applicants do apply in good faith to purchase a quarter-section of this land and the railroad in bad faith refuses to let them have it, is it not reasonable to suppose that, after the Government compels the railroad to live up to the terms of the grant, those who have applied and offered to purchase will surely be upheld in their rights and eventually be accorded the land. The applicant at this time does comply with the law, notwithstanding the fact that the railroad violates it. At the time the applicant applies he makes a tender as an actual settler, offering the legalized rate of \$2.50 an acre.

I read in today's Oregonian that Postal Inspector O. C. Riches claims that those filing now will have no prior right to this land and that in his estimation the land will go back into the public domain. I would like to know by what authority he makes this statement, as his official position will give it weight with the public.

I am filing and locating citizens on this land and have kept myself posted as to all the published proceedings of the Government. The Fulton resolution, passed by the United States Senate recently, was to the effect that the railroad be compelled to comply with the grant which, it is reasonable to suppose, it will eventually do. Now if it does, is it not reasonable to conclude that applicants whose filings are properly recorded and who have tendered the required \$400 in accordance with the terms of the grant and who have in the presence of witnesses made affidavit to that effect, will be entitled to their portion of the land?

There is a diversity of opinion on this subject and as a great number of citizens are deeply concerned the regularity of these filings should be passed on so that the question might be finally settled. Postal Inspector Riches is no doubt honest in his convictions regarding the matter, but there are others just as honest who feel that the courts will recognize priority claims to these lands and eventually will require the railroad to sell each particular quarter-section to the first applicant.

However, viewing the situation in its present condition, those filing do so in a spirit of speculation. If they secure the land, it means a small fortune to them, but should the suit by the Government be decided adversely, applicants would only forfeit their filing fee, which is insignificant when compared to the great value of the land applied for.—Portland Oregonian.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.
The Western Union wires are down between Coos Bay and Roseburg, thus curtailing the regular Associated Press report of The Times.

J. P. MORGAN FOR PRESIDENCY

Pennsylvania Lawyer Says Financier Would Make an Ideal Leader.

DROP OTHER CANDIDATES

"Put Aside Roosevelt Claptrap and Form New Party Headed by Employer of Labor."

NEW YORK, March 2.—J. P. Morgan has been named for president of the United States by F. Carroll Brewster Jr., a prominent lawyer. Wall street in general and many bankers in particular second the nomination.

According to the Wall street view Mr. Morgan, as one of the greatest employers of labor in the country and as the financial giant of the age, could restore confidence and set all industries dancing for joy. Many of his friends doubt whether his nomination would be accepted seriously by the public, but they would be delighted to see his name put out as standard bearer.

Mr. Brewster suggests Mr. Morgan in a personal letter written to a New York stock exchange member. Brewster is the son of Judge F. C. Brewster and nephew of Benjamin Harris Brewster. His family has a record for public service in Pennsylvania and at Washington.

"An Ideal President."

"I doubt whether Mr. Morgan would accept the nomination," said Francis L. Hine, vice president of the First National Bank, which is the great Morgan institution. "If he could be induced to accept it, however, he would be an ideal president. He has never failed in anything he undertook. He is not working for his own aggrandizement, but is looking out for the good of the people. When there is anything to be done, he is right there pushing with his big shoulder. He never hunts a cyclone collar in a storm. The politicians are all trying to get position on an anti-platform. They are anti-everything, and a substantial business man as president would be a good thing for the country."

"For fear that some day we may have to fight with the rifle," said Mr. Brewster, in his letter, "I should say, let us drop these revolutionary democrats and republicans and have a third party—a business man's party or property party."

"Let us make the issue clear now and fight at the polls before we are utterly ruined by unconstitutional robbery in congress. Seven-tenths of the men with from \$100 to \$100,000,000 will join such a party. It is the only thing to do. Spread the thought. It will run now like a prairie fire. Let us drop all democrats like Bryan, Culberson, Cochran, Johnson, and all republicans like Knox and Taft. Even Hughes of New York should be avoided. All democrats and all republicans who are appealed to restore our prosperity would flock to the new party, and the half-starved working men would join in en masse."

"Drop Roosevelt Claptrap."

"The republican the first day of the session should have drawn the line and crawled over it, leaving Roosevelt on the other side. Now they are too late. Brayan has them on the hip. As a Roosevelt republican is sure to be beaten by Bryan or any other Roosevelt democrat, I think the whole Roosevelt claptrap should be dropped and a new party formed. New York city and state is the place to start it. The rest of the country will fall in line."

"A good business man opposed to all the fallacies should be put up. Property owners, big and little, have been attacked; therefore, let them be brave and stand together and nominate the biggest property owner they can find. My choice would be J. Pierpont Morgan."

THREATENS PASTOR'S LIFE.

Chicago Clergyman Receives Letter Demanding \$1000.
(By Associated Press.)
CHICAGO, March 2.—Rev. P. Neuzil, pastor of the St. Procopius Roman Catholic Church notified the police he had received a letter in the slav language demanding one thousand dollars and threatening death on refusal.

NORTH BEND SHOW SUCCESS

Burnt Cork Artists Score Decided Success—Good Attendance.

North Bend devoted itself to minstrelsy Monday night. Several hundred persons gathered in Eckhoff hall and enjoyed the work of the amateurs. The show was good. The whilom cork artists provoked many a laugh, in many instances the mirth being called forth by incidents not on the program. The first half of the show savored strongly of a vocal musical recital. Following is the program:

Opening chorus—Whitmark overture.
Only a message from Home, Sweet Home—Dr. Bartle.
All the Girls Look Good to Me—Charles Keane.
When Love Alone Is King—F. E. Monroe.
He's a Cousin of Mine—H. Heacock.
Fever's On—L. A. Frey.
Sometime You'll Come Back to Me—Charles Keane. (Just Awearin' for You—Encore.)
Specialty Song by Warren Painter.
Sometime I Know You'll Love Me—A. C. Knight.
Waiting at the Church—Charles St. Dennis.

Following are those who participated in the minstrel:

Dr. I. B. Bartle, Charles Keane, A. C. Knight, O. A. Thorson, J. A. Ward, F. E. Monroe, H. Imhoff, Bert McGraw, D. Hendry, L. A. Frey, Charles St. Dennis, H. Heacock, A. J. Alger, L. McGan, Charles Alger, Lon Murr, W. H. Painter, Fred Glazier, manager.

L. A. Frey, North Bend's versatile clothing man, got off the only local quips. They were sizzlers, and made up for the absence of this generally strong feature of minstrelsy. The Times had a bunch wrapped up and here they are:

Mr. Glazier, interlocutor, to Frey—How are you this evening, Mr. Bones?

"I'm feelin' pow'ful scumpious, Mistah Glazier, but I done bin feelin' bad yistiday."

"How's that, Mr. Bones?"

"Well, you see, Mistah Glazier, you see I wuz comin' down de street an' I sees Mistah William Brouillard, Mr. Arnold and Dr. Burmester, and I done felt bad."

"How's that, Mr. Bones?"

"Well, you see, Mistah Glazier, I's pow'ful sure this town's goin' to have trouble. These gents all had ropes, knives, guns, an' I seed a 'Nick Carter' novel stickin' out o' their pockets."

L. J. Simpson, Peter Loggie, J. G. Horn, Harry Huntley, Judge Guerry and Attorney Derbyshire all came in for shafts from "Bones." Following is the program in the olio:
Novelty ring act—Messrs. Murr and McGraw.
Belle of the Bowery—Charles Keane.

Banjo specialty—A. J. Alger.
Horn Solo—Charles Keane.
Illustrated song—A. C. Knight.
Moving pictures—J. P. McGan.
Sketch (Ill Treated II Travatore)—Members of the company.
Goodnight.

There were a number of extremely clever sketches by the members of the cast. Following are the different characters impersonated:
Manrico—Charles Keane.
Leorna—F. E. Monroe.
Servant—Charles St. Dennis.
Count—D. Hendry.
Sentry—H. Heacock.

The music of the volunteer orchestra at Monday night's show was of the very best, and many expressions of praise were heard. Following is the personnel of the orchestra:
P. L. Swearinger, musical director;
B. F. Gebhardt, cornet; J. C. Toeie, 1st violin; Miss Laura Vigers, piano;
J. Jacobson, clarinet; Charles Keiser, cello; R. Simpson, trombone; Will Forrest, bass; H. L. Sumner, 2nd violin; Miss Freda Eckhoff, flute.

REV. W. R. THURSTON, of Marshfield, has returned from Coquille, where he has been holding revival services for the past two weeks. Last Sunday evening Mr. Thurston held services at the U. B. church at North Bend.

ANOTHER DUTY FOR CARTER

City Council Empowers Him to Pay Bounty of Five Cents Apiece on Rats.

W STREET FOR FERRY USE

Ordinance Is Passed Dedicating It as Landing for Eastside Ferry Boats.

A price of five cents apiece has been put on the life of every rat in Marshfield. A five-cent bounty was determined upon by the city council at its meeting Monday night, following a statement by Mayor Straw concerning the possibility of scattering the bubonic plague by the rodents.

The plague exists in San Francisco, the mayor had been informed, and much interest is taken in that city in killing off rats. According to Mayor Straw, rats are purveyors of infectious diseases, and all known precautions are necessary when there is a possibility of their carrying the germs of the plague. In the event a case of the plague should be reported on the bay, it is feared that a quarantine would be established which would put an end to shipping as long as it lasts. Dead or alive, every rat presented to the marshal will be paid for at the rate of five cents apiece.

An ordinance was also passed Monday night establishing a ferry landing at the foot of W street. The only vote against the measure was that of Councilman Lockhart, who stated that he had friends owning property on either side of the foot of W street who were opposed to its use as a ferry landing.

The matter of street paving received some attention, but no action was taken.

GREAT NORTHERN MAKES WHOLESALE REDUCTIONS

Curtailing Expenses in The Telegraphic Department—Some of Block System Out.

(By Associated Press.)
GRAND FORKS, N. D. March 3.—The Great Northern is making wholesale reductions in its telegraphic department. Stations are being closed and telegraphing is being done away with as much as possible. Between Grand Forks and Devils Lake, the block system has been put out of commission.

REFUSES TO GRANT ALL PETITIONS

No Extension of Time Allowed Petitioners in Which To Comply With The New 9 Hour Law.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, March 3.—The Interstate Commerce Commission today decided to unanimously deny all petitions for the extensions of time within which to comply with the so-called "Hours of Services Law," the nine hour law.

FEBRUARY WEATHER.

U. S. Department of Agriculture Weather Bureau; co-operative observer's meteorological record; station, Marshfield; county of Coos; state of Oregon. Summary report for the month of February, 1908:

Temperature.
Mean maximum, 53.5.
Mean minimum, 38.3.
Mean, 49.5.
Maximum, 65; date, 21st.
Minimum, 28, date 2d.
Greatest daily range, 32.
Precipitation.
Total 6.81 inches.
Greatest in 24 hours, 1.14 inches.
Total from September 1st, 1907, 43.18 inches.
Normal, 47.15 inches.
Deficiency, 3.97 inches.
Snow fall, none.
Number of days with .01 or more precipitation, 15; clear, 11; cloudy, 18; rainy days, 17.
Date of thunderstorm, 29th; date of hailstorms, 28th and 29th; fog, 9th, 10th, 22nd and 23rd.
E. MINGUS,
Co-operative Observer.