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CONTROL CITY WATERFRONT.

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local people and that between \$10,000 and \$15,000 more would be sufficient to build and equip the first mile and a half of road. This amount should not be embarrassing to a community with the wealth, resources and prospects of Coos Bay.

Mr. Blake and the writer have discussed this railway franchise on several occasions. One was after the council refused to hold his franchise in abeyance. In that talk I said to Mr. Blake who has some high ideals of public service that if he had sincerely devoted himself to public service in his railway promotion and not capitalized an actual expenditure of \$33,000 at \$250,000, and then presented his proposition to the entire public it would have succeeded. Mr. Blake then sought to justify the capitalization by stating that there was actual and increasing value behind it. I asked him where. "In a mile and a half right of way along the street," he replied and added, "why to make a turn on Broadway to get to Front street I found it necessary to go through a corner of the C. A. Smith property. Mr. Smith wanted the railway and was willing to make concessions to secure it. He made me a low price for a narrow strip 29 feet wide a short distance through that property. The price was \$20,000 and I now hold an option at that figure, which I think is cheap. If that strip of right of way is worth \$20,000, don't you see what all the rest of it is worth?"

"Well," I replied, "that already belongs to the people. Why shouldn't they retain it?"

"It would be a good thing, but they won't," was Mr. Blake's answer.

The incident is related here merely to prove from the practical promoters standpoint the value of some of these franchises that we are holding so lightly now and if they were good security for an issue of stock of \$250,000 why should not the city conserve its own resource.

If it is found necessary why shouldn't the city issue bonds and offer them to local people? The Times believes there is enough patriotic pride on Coos Bay and enough money, too, to finance a street railway that will protect the waterfront forever and offer it to all railways that may seek entrance on equal and equitable terms.

J. N. Teal, the prominent Portland attorney, in his address before the Chamber of Commerce recently was emphatic in his declaration that the city should protect its waterfront because of its vast importance in the control and development of commerce.

Coos Bay should profit by this advice of one who has studied the problem for eight years and who has seen its importance in the growth and development of Portland.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

A Report From the County Clerk's Office.

For the first six days in July four marriage licenses were issued by County Clerk Watson. The first was issued to Otto W. Fredrickson and Alma Louise Rosa. The balance were the following couples:

1. C. Franklin and Lottie E. ab.

Personal Notes

C. A. RAY left for Portland on the last Breakwater.

CAPTAIN HARRIS has returned from a trip to the Siuslaw.

MISS GERTRUDE SCAIFE is spending the week with friends up Coos River.

DAVID ROBERTS of Empire was greeting his friends in Marshfield Saturday.

W. F. SQUIRE returned on the Redondo from a business trip to San Francisco.

MR. and MRS. E. L. C. FARRIN and W. J. Conrad spent Sunday on Coos River.

MRS. G. W. KAUFMAN is the guest of Mrs. J. A. Matson at the Nook, South Coos River.

MR. and MRS. EARL SAVAGE will move into the Lawhorne bungalow at Millington tomorrow.

MR. and MRS. ARTHUR McKEOWN and son, Joe, returned Sunday evening from their camp at the Maze.

MRS. COLBY PERRY went up Coos River today and will spend a week as the guest of Mrs. J. T. McCormac at Deer Lodge.

HUGO QUIST, Enoch Holmberg Cornell Lagerstrom and W. Isaacson spent Sunday at the Ark on South Coos River.

MR. and MRS. JOHN LAFON and Mr. and Mrs. Downing were among the Marshfield people who spent Sunday up Coos River.

ENOCH HOLLAND, who is now in charge of the Libby mine property at Libby for the new owners, was a Marshfield visitor Saturday.

MISS RITA KEANE of San Francisco arrived on the Redondo to be the guest of Mrs. C. F. McCollum of North Bend for the summer.

REV. FATHER SPRINGER of North Bend was called to Florence Saturday by the serious illness of Mr. Cassidy, a pioneer of that section.

E. DEHRUNG, who was injured at Smith Powers Camp No. 7 Saturday and who is now at Mercy hospital, is reported slightly better today.

S. D. MAGNES came down this morning from the Nook, J. A. Matson's summer home on Coos River where he was a guest over Sunday.

ELSIE TILLMAN of Gravel Ford, Coos county, left for Eugene this morning after a few days' visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Pennie, in West Roseburg.

MISS VIOLET HENDERSON received a night letter from Hugh Brown stating that he arrived in San Francisco Saturday at 4 p. m. leaving Coos Bay Thursday. The trip was a most pleasant one.

H. LOCKHART and Judge Coke returned to town this morning from the Lockhart bungalow on Coos River. Mrs. Lockhart and Mrs. Coke will remain for a week's visit at the cottage.

DR. and MRS. J. W. INGRAM left for Marshfield, Maxine and Dickie and Miss the doctor was called by a telegram on business. He will return next week but Mrs. Ingram will spend a month visiting relatives in that city.

MRS. D. A. JONES and two daughters, Maxine and Dickie and Miss Mills of Portland, will go up to the Orchard, South Coos River, tomorrow where they will establish camp. They will probably remain

until September.

R. R. DUNNIWAY, a prominent attorney of Portland, who has been a guest at the Chandler hotel, went over to Coquille on this morning's train. He expects to leave on the Breakwater Wednesday for his home.

MR. and MRS. M. C. HORTON and the Misses Ruth and Dorothy Horton returned today from an outing spent at the Goodwill place on Coos River. Miss Lucy Horton remained up the river as the guest of Miss Nellie Tower at the Terrace.

JAKE GOLDIE writes Coos Bay friends that he expects to leave Portland for Marshfield July 15 for a fortnight's vacation visit with friends here. He says he expects to bring a party of eastern friends who are coming to investigate the prospects of the Coos Bay country with a view to investment here. He also says there is much Coos Bay talk in the Rose City and a number of Portland real estate men are figuring on flocking here if anything opens up.

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