

PLAN TO GET MAIL SERVICE

Capt. Edwards Suggests Means for Aiding South Coos River Residents

The question of mail delivery on the inlets around Coos Bay is arousing much attention in view of the unfavorable report made on it by the Postoffice Department. There is a growing demand for the mail service especially a daily service for along the inlets.

Capt. Edwards of the Alert stated today that about eight years ago a Postoffice inspector went over the inlets and reported adversely. Then the inspector insisted that in order to carry mail a special boat would be required that would not be permitted to carry passengers and handle freight. As they only wanted to pay \$50 per month it was out of the question to get anyone to do it. Then Capt. Edwards arranged to have Allegany made a postoffice and by doing so was enabled to establish mail service on the North Fork. The Allegany postoffice does not give daily service, or rather Sunday service, but it is an improvement on the old system.

Capt. Edwards suggests that if the Coos River residents would get together and have a postoffice established at Daniels Creek or near there, then the mail service could be put on the same basis as on North Coos River and Allegany.

It is likely that something will be done in this direction.

HOLD MEETING IN NORTH BEND

Marshfield M. W. A. Camp Elects Delegates to County Convention

At a meeting of Marshfield Camp, M. W. A., last evening the following delegates were elected to represent the camp at the Coos county convention of the order to be held in North Bend the first Wednesday in April:

Delegates—D. A. Jones, Charles LaChappelle, John LaChappelle and George N. Bolt.

Alternates—S. J. Immel, H. H. Wilson, Harry Bradford and Dr. A. L. Houseworth.

The convention in North Bend will take up various matters concerning the order and will include a social time at which the North Bend camp will be the host. Delegates to the state convention will be elected there.

BENJ. ROBERTS FUNERAL HELD

Drain Stage Delayed Yesterday—E. W. Wright's Experience

The funeral of Benj. Roberts, the Ten Mile pioneer, was largely attended at Lakeside yesterday, his friends and neighbors gathering to pay a final tribute to their friend. Nearly all of the family were present, there being nine children, thirty grandchildren and three great-grandchildren surviving him.

The children surviving are Mrs. Isiah Monson of Ten Mile, David Roberts of Smith River, Mrs. Emma Liggett of Ten Mile, Jas. S. Roberts, Mrs. Edith Benson, George Roberts, Abraham Roberts, Allan Thomas Roberts and Joseph M. Roberts, all of Ten Mile. Two children are dead and they were Mrs. Amelia Stewart and Miss Elizabeth Roberts.

Rev. G. Leftoy Hall highly eulogized the deceased and read the following sketch of the pioneer: Benjamin Roberts was born in England March 6th, 1845 and died February 22, 1914, in Templeton, Oregon, U. S. A., at the age of 68 years, 11 months and 12 days.

During his boyhood days, as early as ten years of age, in England, he worked with his father at mining. When he was about eighteen years of age he came to this country, where, in the state of Maryland, he industriously followed the mining operations.

When he was about twenty years of age he was united in marriage to Mary Ann Thomas, who was a native of Wales. Eleven children were born to this union.

Later on Mr. Roberts and his family moved westward to California for a season, but finally they came to Oregon in 1872 and to Coos county, where in the various mines at Eastport and elsewhere he again applied himself for a period of four years at mining.

In 1876 he took up a homestead which has become his home to the time of his death. He was among those who organized the Lakeside Creamery, being a director and manager for years. He was also the first school clerk in the Templeton district and remained in that office during all his life until last year.

He was a successful miner as well as farmer, making, and in his quiet way, holding, friendship wherever he went. At one time he was the honored postmaster at Templeton, Oregon. In England he was a member of the Church of England.

He was very fond of music, being in the first musical organization on Coos Bay as cornetist in the brass band. When between fifty and sixty years of age he bought an organ and taught himself to play hymns and tunes.

For over forty years his career has been wrought amongst us and he was never known to leave a single enemy among men, always known to be square in all his dealings, and during the past four years, since his wife's death, he seemed to live in a sad dream and his grief for his loyal partner in life's battles seemed to tell on him perceptibly.

Last year he resigned his Post-office commission and made his farewell trip to his old home in England. The power of human grief and sorrow for his loved one became too great a pressure for him to bear alone, even more than was realized, which no doubt caused his tragic end.

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

List of unclaimed letters remaining in the Marshfield, Oregon, Postoffice for the week ending February 24, 1914. Persons calling for the same will please say advertised and pay one cent for each letter called for:

- Agee, Harley (2); Blake, W. L.; Boyd; Alex; Bower, J. C.; Carpenter, Frank; Coos Bay Land Co.; Cox, Paul; Drugan, James; Doyle, William; Duffy, Roy; Fraer, Mrs. Violet; Hayber, Robert E.; Hewitt, Roy R.; Holmes, Mrs. B.; Houke, Geo. A.; Illingworth, Chas.; Kilpatrick, Wm.; Labor Commission; McCarthy, Grover; Millsap, J. D.; Morgan, Miss Edith; Murl, William; Patterson, Goran; Phelps, M. L.; Pellanda, Joe; Foliar, W.; Powers, L. A.; Richard, R. G.; Scammel, W. S.; Smith, J. S. (2); Sedda, Salfotre; Talley, J. T.; Touzer, Conrad; Van Fleet, Raymond; Walkup, F. C.; Wik, Anna; Willey, B. F.

W. B. CURTIS, Postmaster.

FOOD RISE IN PRICES.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 24.—During the year from October 15, 1913, which includes the first seven months of President Wilson's administration, the prices upon thirteen of the fifteen principal food staples advanced in price, while only two declined, according to figures just published by the Bureau of Labor.

The increases range from one to over forty per cent. Here are the figures for the rise of retail prices in the country at large between October, 1912, and October, 1913.

- Potatoes advanced 42.3 per cent, eggs advanced 14.2 per cent, round steak advanced 12.9 per cent, ham advanced 10.6 per cent, rib roast advanced 8.8 per cent, sirloin steak advanced 8.2 per cent, bacon advanced 8.2 per cent, hens advanced 7.5 per cent, pork chops advanced 6.3 per cent, butter advanced 3.7 per cent, milk advanced 2.7 per cent, corn meal advanced 1.7 per cent, and lard advanced 1 per cent. Sugar declined 8.8 per cent and flour declined 2.6 per cent.

High temperature and the rapid passage of a current of air through it features a California inventor's evaporation device with which he claims to preserve food perfectly for long periods.

HAD BAD TRIP TO COOS BAY

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E. W. Wright of Portland arrived here late yesterday from Portland to look after property interests on the Bay. His trip in was one of the worst he ever experienced, he says.

They were to have left Gardiner about 3 o'clock yesterday morning but the steamer Eva was not working good and they did not get away until after 4 o'clock. As a result the tide was in when they reached Ten Mile Creek and they could not cross.

Mr. Wright and the others did not want to wait so long, so they proceeded up Ten Mile Creek, where shelter was found for some of the women passengers. Then he walked to Lakeside and from there back to the North Slough landing. It was raining all the time and he was soaked, but he continued and finally got here at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

Prospects Good. Mr. Wright says that the prospects are for a very good season for Coos Bay and Oregon. He says they will soon be rushing construction on the railroad as fast as the weather will permit. He says that it will not take more than six months to build the big Coos Bay bridge.

Stevens for Governor. Mr. Wright thinks that Bob Stevens of Portland, formerly sheriff there, is likely to be the next Governor of Oregon. He says he is a fine man and would make an excellent chief executive. Stevens was teller at the Ladd & Tilton bank for seventeen years. The first time he was elected sheriff by five votes, the second time by 4000 and the third time by 16,000. Stevens will be on Coos Bay in the near future.

START CHURCH IN NORTH BEND

Christian Congregation There Begins Erection of Fine Edifice

The construction of the new Christian Church in North Bend was started today and it will be rushed to completion as rapidly as possible. Rev. Samuel L. Gregg, of the Marshfield Christian Church, who organized the congregation at North Bend, has secured Mr. Gurnes to take charge of the construction which will be done by day labor. It was decided to build it this way, as many had promised to donate their labor towards the new building. The church is being erected at the corner of Union and Vermont streets. It will be 24x36 with a seating capacity of 140 and Rev. Gregg says it will be one of the finest little edifices that has been built here.

BURNS CARGO TO SAVE SHIP

Capt. Paulsen Saves Steamer Eureka by Heroic Efforts

The following dispatch from Los Angeles will be of interest here, as the Steamer Eureka is owned by C. P. Doe, owner of the Alliance, and was formerly on the Coos Bay run:

"By feeding all the inflammable cargo and ship's fittings into the furnaces, Captain Paulsen saved the steamer Eureka from being dashed on the Morro rocks in a storm and docked safely in Port San Luis, Cal., according to the crew of the revenue cutter Manning, which arrived here after going to the Eureka's assistance several hundred miles up the coast.

"The regular fuel supply was exhausted and the vessel began to drift helplessly toward the rocks. 'All hands to the box shoeks,' ordered the captain, and this part of the cargo was fed into the fire, followed by the ship's fittings, which were nearly all gone when the Eureka reached port."

You Will Surely
be pleasantly surprised when you come and see the new suits we are showing and note what uncommonly fine garments we are selling this season at our extra value prices. Yes, we planned the values and prices so as to satisfy our old customers better than ever and to win us many new customers. We're succeeding too, as you will learn when you come "a looking."

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COUPLE WED IN COQUILLE

Miss Catherine Bessey and Jack Childers of Coos River Married

A wedding that came as a surprise to the people of Coos Bay took place at Coquille on Tuesday, when Miss Catherine Bessey, of Coos River, and Mr. Jack Childers, of Tillamook, were united in the bonds of matrimony.

The bride is the daughter of H. E. Bessey, one of the substantial ranchers of Coos River. The groom, Mr. Childers, is a cheese maker. He is to have charge of the cheese plant at the Coos Bay creamery this summer. Miss Bessey gave her age as 18 and Mr. Childers gave his as 26.

The couple returned to Marshfield last evening in contemplation of an extended trip to California.

FACTS YOU MAY NOT KNOW

It takes fifteen days for the average human body to recover from the loss of two consecutive night's sleep.

Of every 200 persons who live to be 40 years old, 125 are married.

Mrs. Hannah Greenside of New York, on her 99th birthday, calculated that she had slept 265,000 hours of her life away.

HOUSEKEEPERS Must be Watchful

For great efforts are being made in this vicinity to sell baking powders of inferior class, made from alum acids and lime phosphates, both undesirable to those who require high-grade cream of tartar baking powder to make clean and healthful food.

The official Government tests have shown Royal Baking Powder to be a pure, healthful, grape cream of tartar baking powder, of highest strength, and care should be taken to prevent the substitution of any other brand in its place.

Royal Baking Powder costs only a fair price per pound, and is cheaper and better at its price than any other baking powder in the world.

BAND CONCERT NEXT SUNDAY

Director Fenton Announces Program for Entertainment Sunday

Director R. N. Fenton today announced the program for the free band concert to be given at 2:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon at the Masonic Opera House, to be as follows:

March, "Invercargill" . . . Lithgow
Overture, "Hungarian Lustspiel" . . . Kellar-Bela
Waltz "Ciribiribin (by request) . . . Pestalozza
Village Life in the Olden Time, . . . Ch. Thiere
Synopsis—Night in the village. Sunrise. Astrir in the village. Children are going to school. Blacksmith shop. The May Queen. Maypole dance. Curfew bell. The village choir. Moonlight. The Lover's Serenade. Finale. Pilgrims' Chorus from Lombardi
Verdi Selection "La Traviata" . . . Verdi
March "La Pere de Victoire" . . . Ganne
Star Spangled Banner.

AT THE HOTELS.

The Chandler Hotel.
Ed E. Jones, Chicago; R. S. Wright, San Francisco; Earl D. Doran, Portland; T. B. Kleck, Seattle; A. L. Porter, S. McKean, San Francisco; L. J. Hart, San Francisco; C. H. Bryson, San Francisco; A. H. Noto, San Francisco; H. O. Plamer, San Francisco; M. H. Savage, E. W. Wright, Portland; E. W. Imeson, Portland; W. T. Mammert, Portland; H. A. Mealey, Albany; T. M. Dimmick, Coquille; C. S. Markhoff, San Francisco.

The Lloyd Hotel.
W. Banion, Allegany; H. S. Bandon; G. McDonald, Norway; W. A. Kerman, Portland; E. Wynn, South Inlet.

The Blanco Hotel.
James K. Childers, Coos River; Maurice Fernan, Coaledo; J. Robinson, Portland; Mrs. H. E. Bessey, Coos River; C. C. Carter, Strickland; A. A. Miner, Florence; C. F. Coquille; S. M. Roberts, Coquille; McAdam, Coquille.

SPORTING TALK.

Who said Jack Johnson was laid out and down and out, ostracized and that sort of thing? Well, here's Jack McKettrick's word for it and he ought to know since he is on the ground in Paris. Johnson, he says, owns three automobiles, has bought \$100,000 worth of diamonds and gets \$100,000 out of every wrestling match he competes in. It is not hard to guess why McKettrick is giving Johnson the boost.

NEW DATE OF DUCK SEASON

COQUILLE SPORTSMEN PETITION TO HAVE IT CHANGED BUT COOS BAY HUNTERS DO NOT AGREE WITH THEM.

Deputy Game Warden Thomas has returned from a trip down the coast and while at Coquille a petition was presented to him asking for a change in the open season for ducks and other waterfowl. The Coquille residents claim that the present dates practically shut them out, as the flight of ducks begins there usually in January and continues to the first of March. The petition is addressed to W. L. Finley, state game warden. They want the open season from December 15 to March 1.

Mr. Thomas says the Coos Bay hunters are opposed to these dates, but want the season extended to February 15 instead of closing January 15. L. A. Lewis of the Federal department is willing to recommend any fair change.

DANCE AT FINNISH HALL, SATURDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 28.

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