

PLANS ON FOOT TO GRADE SLOUGH

North Bend Council Discusses Roadway Across Pony Slough on Virginia

Grading down of Virginia Avenue between Sherman and the east line of Jackson street was thoroughly discussed at a meeting of the North Bend Council last evening. The City Engineer was instructed to prepare his survey of the street and City Attorney Derbyshire will arrange deeds for a share of the street which is now privately owned; all to the end that the street may be graded through this winter.

According to the rough estimate of the City Engineer it will take approximately 37,000 yards of dirt to make the filling alone in the slough beyond, that is, with a roadway 80 feet wide and extending across to Broadway on the other side. He also allowed thirty per cent for settling in the mud of the slough. His estimated cost of the work was \$9600.

Removal of dirt from the high lots of Virginia avenue, declared Councilman Hollister, would cost not more than 20 cents a cubic yard, one-half of which could be paid by the property owners whose lots were graded and the other share of the expense from the owners of property abutting the roadway across the slough.

At the next meeting of the Council to be held two weeks from last evening, the matter will be definitely settled.

Drain Waterfront Street.—Water under the plank roadway on Waterfront street has become so deep as to almost float the lumber and will result in a total destruction of the plank within a few weeks if the condition is allowed to obtain, was the statement of Councilman Bartle.

To put in a porous tile bordering the road with sewer tile to act as drains across under the railroad track and thence to the bay was the decision of the Council. Beneath the planking will be placed coarse gravel. An estimate of \$200 for the work, which was submitted by the City Engineer, included the cost of labor, one half of which Gorst & King have declared their willingness to pay.

Slides Bother—Slides from the big bluff fronting on the roadway between North Bend and Marshfield have several times blocked the roadway for traffic, declared Councilman Bartle. The first time the expense of removing the debris was paid by the city.

City Attorney Derbyshire was instructed to draw up an ordinance that will levy the expense of all land slides from the bluff upon the abutting property owners. The City Engineer stated there are 400 feet of the high embankment within the limits of North Bend.

\$400 to Fair Exhibit

North Bend is obligated with the other towns and cities of Coos and Curry Counties to stand its share of the expense of the two-county exhibit for the Panama-Pacific Exposition was the belief of the entire membership of the Council, though Councilman Hollister demurred at the appropriation on the ground that the city now owes \$70,000, yet at the same time declared there was no way out but to allow the expenditure. This will be done through an ordinance and the installment of \$400 will be paid on one warrant.

Hawkers Pay Licenses.

Hawkers, vendors of all descriptions, and their assistants, selling goods within the corporate limits of North Bend, will hereafter pay licenses, \$10 daily for the hawker and \$2.50 daily for his assistant. An ordinance to this effect is being drawn up. To it is attached a fine ranging from \$20 to \$100 for failure to observe this law.

Must Move Poles.

From the Oregon Power Company was received a letter protesting the order received by them a few weeks ago, to move several poles on Sherman avenue, which border the corner curbs and do not allow for

a ten-foot radius. "Six months ago," declared Councilman Falkenstein, "we wanted all poles placed on this ten-foot radius. At that time Mr. Jennings, of the Oregon Power Company, talked us out of it. Now the time has come when we must have more than a three-foot radius."

Councilman Bartle declared that Manager Hall, of the telephone company has declared his willingness to comply with the city's wishes. "We ought to have an ordinance which will state exactly where the poles must be placed and also that they be painted," he said.

City Attorney Derbyshire was instructed to draw up an ordinance for submission at the next meeting of the Council which will include these features and also a clause prohibiting the posting of any notices or posters on telephone or telegraph poles within the city limits.

LOCAL OVERFLOW.

Gives to Christmas Fund.—That the spirit of Christmas was abroad was evident when one of the Marshfield bartenders brought \$5 to The Times today to help some poor kids who might not have any toys for Christmas. He was a bit diffident, but his heart was all right. The money will be turned over to the Goodfellow movement and will help bring good cheer and a smile of gladness to more than one poor kiddie this coming Christmas morning.

Pasquin Bradford on Stage.—Harry Bradford today received some copies of The Miner, published at Ketchikan, Alaska, where Mrs. Bradford and the children are visiting at the home of her sister, saying that Master Pasquin has scored quite a hit there. Telling of his appearance at one of the theaters there, The Miner says: "Master Pasquin Bradford, the boy tenor, sang two numbers and was heartily enjoyed. He has a pretty voice and sings strictly in tune. His singing made quite a hit."

Here for Christmas.—Homer Ring, the well-known coon fancier from Tar Heel, arrived here last evening to do his Christmas shopping. The last time he was up, he won the wager of a "shoe shine" from Cell Ireland and after the latter lost he only paid five cents for shining one of Homer's shoes. Homer insists that a shoe shine means that both shoes should be shined while Ireland still insists that a "shoe shine" means one shoe and that when two shoes are included it is "shoes shined." Anyway Homer says he is going to have the other shoe shined now.

Dismissal Charges.—Charges of petty larceny preferred against Mrs. Sullivan and Joe McKee, of North Bend, were dismissed this afternoon in Judge Shuster's court after a jury of six had been selected, part of the jury being women. Attorney Graves objected to the women, saying they could not legally hear a case. It was claimed that the two had taken bedding belonging to Bert Rush, who preferred the charges.

AMONG THE SICK

Mrs. Edith Simmons, daughter of Chief of Police Carter, was taken seriously ill with an attack of appendicitis and was rushed to the hospital this morning where she underwent a successful operation. She is much better this afternoon.

Andrew, the 13-year old son of Dave Alexander, fell last evening and broke his arm at the wrist. A doctor was called and the injured member dressed. He will have it in a sling for some time.

Mrs. L. L. Thomas is recuperating after a severe attack of quinsy. The baby of Mr. and Mrs. Vineyard, of Eastside, is improving from its attack of pneumonia.

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PERSONAL MENTION

E. DAGGETT, of Coos River, spent the night in the city.

E. R. LEEKLEY was down this morning from Allegany.

J. A. GOODWILL of Coos River was a Christmas shopper today.

H. W. WILKINS is in from Lakeside on a short business trip.

NOAH FOLK of Allegany was an over-night visitor in the city.

E. E. GRAY was a visitor here today from his home at Coos River.

Z. T. THOMAS, of Allegany, was in the city today on a business trip.

DAN WALKER, of Templeton, was down on a business trip this morning.

FRED VERING of Haynes Inlet, was here today doing his Christmas shopping.

ROBERT TEMPLETON of Haynes Inlet was down today on a business trip.

GENE VANBERGER, of North Inlet, was down today on a shopping trip.

OSCAR JOHNSON was here this morning on a shopping trip from North Inlet.

ARCHIE JOHNSTON has gone to San Francisco to spend Christmas with his parents.

WM. WATKINS, of Lakeside, was among the out of town visitors in the city today.

R. M. WEBSTER was among the out-of-town visitors here today from Allegany.

MR. AND MRS. IRA METCALF were up shopping this morning from South Inlet.

C. P. COLEMAN was among the out-of-town visitors in the city today from Templeton.

E. W. SCHIFFLE was among the business visitors in the city today from Haynes Inlet.

MRS. CHARLES CROUCH was down on a shopping trip this morning from Haynes Inlet.

MRS. J. H. STRETCH came down shopping this morning from her home at North Inlet.

E. E. SPRAGUE came in yesterday on business from Lakeside and remained here over night.

MRS. L. L. THOMAS was able to be down town today after a two-weeks' seige of illness.

T. M. McMURPHY, of South Inlet, came up this morning doing his Christmas shopping.

OTTO FREDERICKSON was among the out of town visitors here today from South Inlet.

L. A. LILJEVIST, district attorney, was here from Coquille today on business and pleasure.

MRS. JEAN TERRY was among the shopping visitors in the city today from Allegany.

MRS. S. E. JUDD was among the out of town visitors in the city today from North Inlet.

NOEL NOAH, of Allegany, came down this morning to attend to some matters of business.

J. W. ARMSTRONG, of Lakeside, came in yesterday on business and spent the night here in the city.

DONALD CHARLESTON and family are going to Bandon to spend Christmas at the home of her mother.

WILLIAM ROBINSON and wife came down from Allegany this morning to do their Christmas shopping.

MRS. SARAH JORDAN arrived home today from San Francisco and Alameda, where she has been visiting her children.

WILLIAM KAISER came in this morning from the Hauser & Hauser camps. He expects to spend Christmas here with friends.

MRS. J. C. McCULLOCH, accompanied by her daughter Elizabeth and son Charles, came down on business from Haynes Inlet this morning.

JOE SCHILLING, Sr., and Joe Schilling, Jr., of the Guerita Hotel, at Myrtle Point, came over this morning to attend to some matters of business.

DUNCAN DOUGLAS, who is taking a law course in Portland, has returned to spend Christmas at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. U. Douglas.

HARRY RHODES, who was here from South Inlet yesterday reports two of his daughters are ill and they feared that they were coming down with scarlet fever.

MISS FRANCES WILLIAMS, Nora Tower and May Preuss arrived here today from California State University on the Nann Smith, to spend the Christmas vacation at the home of their parents in this city.

SYLVESTER JONES was over from Myrtle Point last night looking after business here. He is in the meat business at Myrtle Point, doing both a wholesale and retail business.

MRS. EFFIE FARRINGER and daughter, Miss Ursula, arrived here today to spend Christmas with relatives here. They have been in San Francisco for the last few months.

BRADFORD WHEELER expects to leave overland Thursday morning for San Francisco, going out via

GARDINER MAN IDENTIFIES PHOTO

Deputy Sheriff Smith Says California Suspect Was in Gardiner—No News Yet

ROSEBURG, Or., Dec. 23.—That Richard O'Connor, now in jail at Visalia, Cal., on a charge of murdering a police officer of that city, is believed to be one of the persons who recently entered the offices of the Gardiner Mill Company, and appropriated something over \$3000 in cash was the statement made here by one of the prosecuting officers.

At the time O'Connor was arrested in California charged with murder he made a confession in which he said he was implicated in the robbery. Although giving a detailed description of the Gardiner affair at the time, the officers doubted his statements and were inclined to believe that he was desirous of serving a term in the Oregon penitentiary in preference to being hanged in California for murder. District Attorney Brown later sent a number of questions to Visalia, which he requested O'Connor to answer. Nothing has been heard from the prisoner since that time.

A few days ago photographs of O'Connor were sent to Gardiner and from Deputy Sheriff Smith of that place to the effect that the suspect had been seen there on the day preceding the robbery of the Gardiner Mill Company's offices. O'Connor will be tried in California on a charge of murder. If he should escape conviction there he will probably be brought to Roseburg and prosecuted on a charge of robbery.

NO NEED OF PORK CHOPS CHRISTMAS

Turkey Famine, Which Threatened at Thanksgiving, Has Been Avoided

When there was a near famine of turkeys at Thanksgiving time and several of the housewives went home from the market place in tears and with pork chops instead of fine, fat succulent and juicy National bird because they had put off their shopping until the last minute—when all this happened, the butchers, all of them, then and there vouched down deep in their hearts that never again would such a dearth exist.

They have been true to their vows. There are plenty of turkeys this Christmas. Into the highways and the byways the butchers went a-seeking. They brought the birds from far and near, literally herding them in herds most any morning lately the optimistic "gobble-gobble" could be heard in varying strains.

Today they gobble no longer. Acting on the advice that "it is better to be seen than heard" the big gobblers, the little gobblers and the middle-sized gobblers all lie in state and coil in the market place with their main duty in life still before them. They have done well; they have staved off a famine—and on Christmas Day there will be plenty of them to be had at 25 cents a pound.

Mapleton to inspect the railroad work. Mrs. Wheeler will leave Saturday on the Nann Smith.

CLARENCE WALLACE came in yesterday from Empire on a visit. He said he saw the craft in North Bend that is expected to take four men to South America. The men are working hard getting the boat ready for the trip.

T. C. RUSSELL and wife and baby will leave tomorrow for Bandon where they will spend Christmas at the J. T. Sullivan home. Mr. and Mrs. Russell recently took apartments at the Myrtle Arms for the winter.

MESSRS. McLAY and Goldbloom, the advance guard of the Blue Ridge Tigers, arrived here last evening to spend Christmas. The camp closed down yesterday and it is expected that there will be a big contingent down today.

GEORGE D. BURNS expects to leave on the Elder tomorrow bound for Portland, where he will spend Christmas at home. Mr. Burns has been employed in the engineering department out at the Hauser & Hauser camps near Lakeside.

LESLIE BLANCHARD arrived here yesterday to spend Christmas at the home of his brother, Arthur Blanchard. He states that there is several feet of snow in the mountains southeast of Myrtle Point, where he has been on his homestead and that he and G. Norburg, who is also homesteading there, have become quite expert with skis.

GRADING CREWS ON LINE ARE CUT

Only About 700 Employed on Coos Bay and Eugene Road—Grading Nearly Done

EUGENE, Ore., Dec. 23.—With the gradual completion of the grading on the Willamette-Pacific line between Eugene and Coos Bay, forces are being materially decreased. With the exception of a few places, which will not be finished until April, the completion of virtually the entire grade is now a matter of a few weeks, according to H. P. Hoey, engineer in charge. He returned from a brief inspection yesterday, accompanied by C. D. Burekhalter, superintendent, H. A. Hunshaw, general freight agent, and Joe Porter, superintendent of Porter Bros., contractors.

During the past few weeks the force has been cut down from more than 1200 men to 700. This figure does not include 100 tracklayers and others not under the contractors. At present the grade is complete from Eugene to Acme, and from Acme to Coos Bay, the 40 miles along the coast, the grading is now between 85 and 90 per cent completed, according to the engineer's estimates.

Construction is being concentrated along Lake Takhtehitch, near Gardiner. Two weeks more will see the connecting up of a large portion of the line. The weather during the fall has been remarkable for construction work. Under normal conditions such work along the coast would be impossible.

About \$6,000,000 has been spent upon the line being built to Coos Bay during the past two years. This includes much of the steel for the bridges already purchased. The Sluslaw bridge at Acme is delayed by the failure to complete negotiations for right of way across a rock quarry below Mapleton.

SEEK STATISTICS ON COUNTY DAIRY PRODUCTS

Will Make Comparison For Year With Output of Tillamook County

Seeking an estimate of the total butter and cheese product of the county for 1914, Secretary Motley, of the Chamber of Commerce today addressed letters to every creamery and cheese factory in Coos County, asking them to help him in making a total. This, as soon as it is received, will be placed along a similar report from Tillamook for comparison.

For years the county in the north has carried off the blue ribbon as far as production in dairy products in the state is concerned. With the impetus given the dairy business here during the last year, Mr. Motley believes that Coos County is now ranking close to the top among the counties of Oregon.

Of previous years there has been no definite total made out for this county, figures generally being based on estimates. With the reports from the creameries and cheese factories, it is expected that the final total will carry definite figures.

In 1912 Coos County sent out about \$600,000 in dairy products; the entire total for the state was close to \$16,750,000.

THE NEW MODELS WORLD BEATERS

GEORGE GOODRUM SAYS DODGE AND CADILLAC CARS ARE WONDERS—WILL HAVE NEW MACHINES IN FEW WEEKS.

According to Geo. Goodrum, who has just returned from Portland where he made a personal inspection and investigation of the eight-cylinder Cadillacs and the new Dodge automobiles, both cars are above and beyond their specifications as the greatest automobiles in the world.

The eight-cylinder Cadillac proves itself in operation to be superior to any car ever shown before. In power, in convenience, in comfort, in finish, in all that goes to make a car desirable, the Cadillac is in a class by itself.

The Dodge duplicated in Portland the success and sensation it has created everywhere that it has been exhibited. For a moderate priced car it is in its field what the Cadillac is in the larger and more luxurious class to which it belongs.

"I cannot say too much in praise of both of these cars," Mr. Goodrum remarked, "and I can guarantee that both will make good in every thing that is said."

Both cars created a sensation in autos were enthusiastic in their praise.

Mr. Goodrum expects demonstration cars of both Cadillac and Dodge in a few weeks.

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A number of guesses have already been registered varying all the way from 800 pounds to 1600 pounds. Step in and make a guess.

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XMAS GREETINGS

We wish everyone a Merry Xmas and a New Year and especially our friends and customers who have given us their hearty support and patronage. Our business has increased wonderfully last year and has demonstrated to us as well as our customers, that to do business in a business way is the way to win and that fair and square dealing is the method to follow. During the next year we will be glad to give even better service and better deals for than we have given. When you buy things from us the future always GET A RECEIPT and save.

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