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Good Progress on Road.

The men engaged in building the county road around Smith Point are making excellent progress, and the grade has been leveled as far as the doria's. This road is to connect with the Young's bay bridge, and it is the purpose of the court to make road connections between highways now in existence that will afford a fine drive from the city to Young's river falls and back.

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In every story and every sketch Mr. Davenport unconsciously demonstrates the power of the cartoon. The Western drawl, the easy pose and the effective manner in which is blended the pathos with the humor in all of his stories lends a charm to the man's individuality.

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SPOKESMAN REVIEW GUESTS WILL COME TO THIS CITY

Fair Contestants of Spokane Paper to Have Enjoyable Outing.

A party of 30 popular girls living in Eastern Washington and Idaho are coming to Portland, Astoria and Seaside as guests of the Spokesman-Review, Spokane's leading paper. The paper has been conducting a popular girl contest with a free trip to the fair, Astoria and the beach as the inducement, and the winners have just been announced.

- Miss Bertha Halloway, Spokane 206,068
Miss Clara R. Price, Spokane 128,714
Miss Louise Sinter, Pullman 113,182
Miss Grace M. Cook, Spokane 101,310
Miss Minerva Foley, Republic 95,802
Miss Flora McDonald, Kalso 92,367
Miss Inez Barnes, Spokane 88,142
Miss Dora Briggs, Palouse 86,527
Miss Stella Parker, Wardner 79,220
Miss Alice Shere, Hillyard 70,556
Miss Mamie Turner, Wallace 68,227
Miss Jessie Perry, Davenport 67,885
Miss Alice Janneck, Northport 66,025
Miss Letta Tenneson, Cheney 62,897
Miss Francis Honey, Roseland 56,261
Miss Lillian Thomas, Sprague 52,257
Miss Nellie Harrington, Lewiston 52,073
Miss Laura Reinger, Rathdrum 52,052
Miss Kate Kennedy, Wenese 49,190
Miss Ota Hamilton, Waitsburg 46,437
Miss Belle Starret, Walla Walla 44,884
Miss Theo Russell, Coulee City 40,595
Miss Ruth Hales, Prosser 37,834
Miss Laura Ahlers, Ritzville 37,674
Miss Alice Cogan, Grangeville 33,938
Miss Winifred Buchet, Pomeroy 26,584
Miss Ella Goeck, La Grande 25,530
Miss Jennie Dykes, Milton 24,907
Miss Haidee Price, Ellensburg 21,828
Miss Alice Strom, Dayton 21,479

DEPUTY ASSESSOR GARDINER TENDERS RESIGNATION

Will Be Succeeded by Frank P. Leinenweber of Postoffice.

Deputy Assessor F. W. Gardiner, who has been in the office for several years yesterday tendered his resignation to Assessor Cornelius. At the meeting of the County Court Frank P. Leinenweber was appointed to succeed Mr. Gardiner.

Mr. Leinenweber leaves a \$1000 clerkship at the postoffice to accept the deputyship in the assessor's office, which pays \$1200 and overtime during the rush season. His place at the postoffice will be filled, it is thought, by the appointment of W. M. Peterson, now night clerk in the office.

PERSONAL MENTION.

J. C. Mayo, of the A. & C., has returned from a trip to Corvallis. Miss Fielda McClain is spending a few days with the Martin Foard's. Walter Jackson, who represents a Portland cigar firm, is in the city.

Miss Laura McFarlane, of Tacoma, Wash., is stopping at the Martin Foard home.

Mrs. C. M. Brink, of Oakland, Cal., and Miss Maude Spedden, of San Jose, Cal., are spending a few days at Seaside.

Miss Campbell, instructor of voice at the Annie Wright seminary, Tacoma, Wash., is visiting at the residence of Martin Foard.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Sanborn have returned to the city from their honeymoon and after July 10 will be at home to their friends at the corner of Seventeenth street and Irving avenue.

G. Wingate, formerly a resident of this city, but now of Portland, is in Astoria for a few days' visit. He remarked yesterday that he had observed, with gratification, much improvement in the appearance of Astoria.

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PROPOSE TO BUILD

New Court House By Overcoming Obsolete Restriction.

ALLEN ASKED FOR OPINION

Concerted Movement on Foot To Evade Provision Limiting County Indebtedness to \$5000. Contractor in City to Submit New Proposition.

If the efforts now making are carried to a successful issue, Clatsop county's new court house may soon be a reality. The people want a new court house, and their sentiment is shared by the officials of the county. Ever since work was suspended on the building, enterprising citizens have been casting about for some means of completing the structure, and it is just possible that a way out of the dilemma will be found.

Yesterday Contractor Dougan arrived in the city from Seattle for the purpose of discussing the situation with members of the County Court. Mr. Dougan holds the contract for construction of the court house, but when the supreme court of the State of Oregon held that an obsolete provision of the constitution limiting counties to indebtedness of \$5000 applied to all counties, and that Clatsop could not incur the indebtedness which construction of the court house would entail, the contractor's agreement became void.

There are several ways to secure the new court house, despite the obsolete provision responsible for the present unfortunate situation, but the one most in favor is now under consideration. Briefly, it is proposed to have the court house built with private money, and when the building is ready for occupancy, to arrange with the men who advance the necessary money for a lease until such time as the county can pay off the cost by means of a special levy. The question now at issue is as to whether or not an arrangement of this sort can be legally made.

For some time past Judge Trenchard and Commissioners Clarke and Larson have been figuring on the proposal and when the County court met yesterday it was decided to refer the question above stated to District Attorney Harrison Allen for an opinion. Mr. Allen's opinion will probably not be rendered for a week to come, as he will necessarily be careful about advising the County court. If he should decide that the county may mortgage the court house to some person who will advance the money for its construction and that an arrangement can be entered into between the capitalist and the county whereby the latter can return to the former in installments the amount involved, then the court house may be built.

It was stated yesterday that Contractor Dougan had a proposition to submit to the County court, but that it would not be submitted until the opinion of District Attorney Allen had been rendered. Just what Mr. Dougan has in view was not divulged, but it is known that he is working to get the construction under way again. He is in touch with some men of means and enterprise, and it is thought probable that, should the opinion of the district attorney be favorable, arrangements may be made without difficulty for the resumption of work.

The County court, while always adhering to the principle that the court house should be a building of which the people would be proud, now appreciates that concessions must be made on all sides, and it is planned to modify the specifications and reduce the cost of the structure originally contemplated. The plans upon which the contractors figured, including furnishings, called for the expenditure of about \$160,000. The furnishings were to be elegant, and the interior finishing was also to be beautiful, the plans calling for considerable marble.

Now, however, members of the County court hope to be able to modify the original plans so that the cost of the building may be reduced by \$30,000 or \$35,000. Already nearly \$43,000 has been expended on the building and if a reduction of \$35,000 can be effected there will be a balance of but \$70,000 or \$75,000 necessary for completion. The matter has already been considered and it was stated yesterday that the cost could be reduced by at least \$25,000, and perhaps by \$35,000. It is proposed

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to scale the contract in all departments and bring the cost down without detracting either from the appearance or conveniences of the court house.

Nothing can be done until Mr. Allen's opinion is filed. Then the interested parties will hold a conference and if possible arrange for resumption of the work.

Grand Sight at the Fair.

Mr. Peter Grant, accompanied by his son Dick, arrived down from Portland last night. Mrs. Grant and Master Jack will arrive in a few days and remain for several weeks. Mr. Grant said last evening that the scene at the exposition on the night of the Fourth was a beautiful one. During the day 53,739 people passed through the gates and the crowd on the night of the Fourth was the greatest that ever assembled in one inclosure in the Northwest.

BOASTED BEFORE DEATH.

Lineman Killed by Live Wire, Had Laughed at Danger.

Sea Cliff, Long Island, July 5.—Five minutes after he had boasted that no live wire would ever burn him, Thomas Monahan, a lineman in the employ of the Nassau Light company, was killed on Sea Cliff avenue this afternoon.

While he was unscrewing a meter and disconnecting it the woman in whose house it was remarked upon the danger he ran. Monahan remarked, "Oh, I never give those wires a chance to hurt me."

After finishing inside Monahan climbed a pole near by. The man on the ground heard a crackling above and saw Monahan lying across the wires, with smoke coming from his clothing and flesh. The helper ran to another pole and turned off the power. Monahan's body dropped to the ground, badly burned and charred.

W. C. T. U. Social.

The W. C. T. U. social which was postponed last week will be held in the Baptist church today at 2:30 o'clock. All members are invited to be present.

C. W. Halderman has returned from a West Side visit of a few days.

ASTORIA HOSE TEAM WINS BOTH RACES

Last Day's Running at Oregon City Proves Auspicious Occasion.

In a speed race run at Oregon City yesterday the Astoria hose team were the victors, making the run of 200 yards in 24 2-5 seconds. Oregon City came in second. This race is known as the "Hub and Hub," which is purely a running contest, no hose being unreeled.

The second race, and most important of all, the New York championship, followed. In this the team must run 150 yards, unreeled 300 feet of hose, break coupling and obtain water. Then the last link of the hose is picked up and four men carry it back to the hydrant. The second link from the hydrant is taken out and replaced with the other. Water must be again turned on and the time taken. Astoria won this test time 53 3-5 seconds; Oregon City, second, 55 4-5 seconds and Vancouver, 62 1-5 seconds.

With the conclusion of the races the Astoria boys left for Portland where they visited the exposition. They are greatly pleased with the splendid treatment accorded them by the Oregon city and state that they have greatly enjoyed themselves during the visit. They will return on the noon train today.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

Occident. H. F. Lewis, Chicago; Miss, Lewis, Chicago; Miss B. Lewis, Chicago; Mr. and Mrs. Mulliken, Washington; J. D. S. Stubbs, N. Y.; C. E. Codfelter and wife, Portland; F. A. Mason, and Miss Julia Mason, Liverpool, Eng.; Joe Gold-D. Pillsbury, Oregonian; M. Wanstien, Portland; W. Walker, Portland; en, San Francisco; C. Bradshaw, St. Louis; J. H. Cadogan, San Francisco; James Hunt, A. L. Wakeman and wife, M. Sweeney and children, Jos Meyers, A. F. Flegel, C. C. Palmer, W. Jones, Portland; S. B. Leighton, Gus Wells, J. Blake, Chicago; C. A. Lethers, California.

Troops Coming to Coast.

Superintendent McGuire of the A. & C. returned last night from Portland but will leave today for the metropolis to arrange for the transportation of the Oregon National Guard to the Coast. The state troops are to go into camp there during the summer. Details of the encampment will be announced later.

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