

Fishermen to Save Oregon's Premier Trout Stream



Railroad Bridge Over Rogue River at Gold Hill, Oregon; Wagon Bridge Just Beyond, Built in 1876.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Gold Hill, Or., Aug. 15.—The Gold Hill chamber of commerce has issued a call for a meeting of the fishermen of Oregon who are interested in angling to convene at Gold Hill on Saturday, September 14.

The growing dissatisfaction throughout the state with the present conditions has recently been expressed in long petitions to Governor Chamberlain asking for relief.

Rogue river is far famed as possibly the most noted fishing stream on the Pacific coast, and the vicinity of Gold Hill is known as a veritable anglers' paradise.

At one time a rod and gun club of this section of the state erected a \$4,000 clubhouse a short distance up the river from Gold Hill and fishermen came here from southern California and other equally distant sections to camp for a few weeks on the banks of the roaring Rogue.

Wets Now Sweep the Stream.

Within the past few years net fishing has become a very prosperous industry and at points on the river, especially in Josephine county, so great has the industry become that this year \$5,000 has been received by the fishermen of that immediate territory.

The fishermen have adopted the plan of hauling their boats up the stream to convenient points and sweeping the stream down with the current and absolutely denuding it of every vestige of

Grants Pass, D. H. Miller of Medford, W. F. Isaacs of Medford, H. G. Van Dusen, master fish warden; J. W. Baker, master game and forestry warden; J. L. Hammersley of Gold Hill, and W. A. Carter of Gold Hill.

The chamber of commerce of Gold Hill has conducted the present campaign for better conditions and the committee having the matter in charge has learned that Master Fish Warden Van Dusen has striven in the past to have equitable laws enacted.

During a recent visit of Mr. Van Dusen to southern Oregon he received the promise that at the next session of the legislature the fishermen of this section would unite in an effort to have the present laws amended.

Representation at the Meeting.

The committee calling the present Anglers' convention has arranged that each rod and gun club or anglers' club send two delegates. Each city, each commercial body by one and each county may be represented by one delegate, named by the county court in the case of a county. Thus, a city having two or more commercial bodies, would be entitled to more than one delegate.

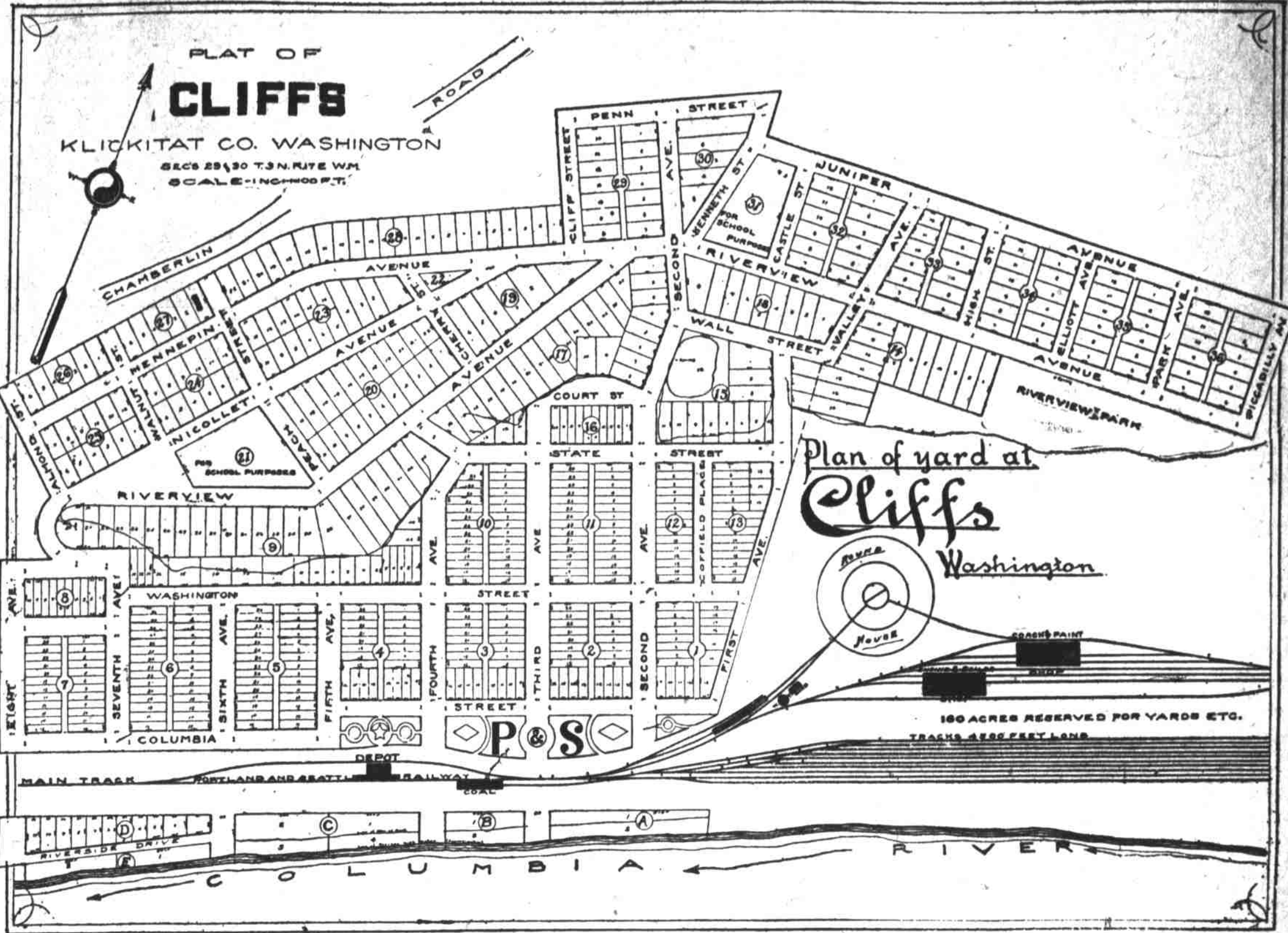
On the day following the convention, September 15, there will be a series of fly-casting events, and each anglers' club sending a delegate is expected to send a contestant for these events. The local committee will make an effort to see that those coming from a distance and wishing to remain a few days, shall be located on desirable stretches of the river.

The program will consist of papers upon the following subjects: "Obstruction in Streams," "Fish Ways," "Net

Cliffs, Wash.

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Northern Pac. and Great Northern
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GATEWAY TO AND FROM THE KLICKITAT VALLEY



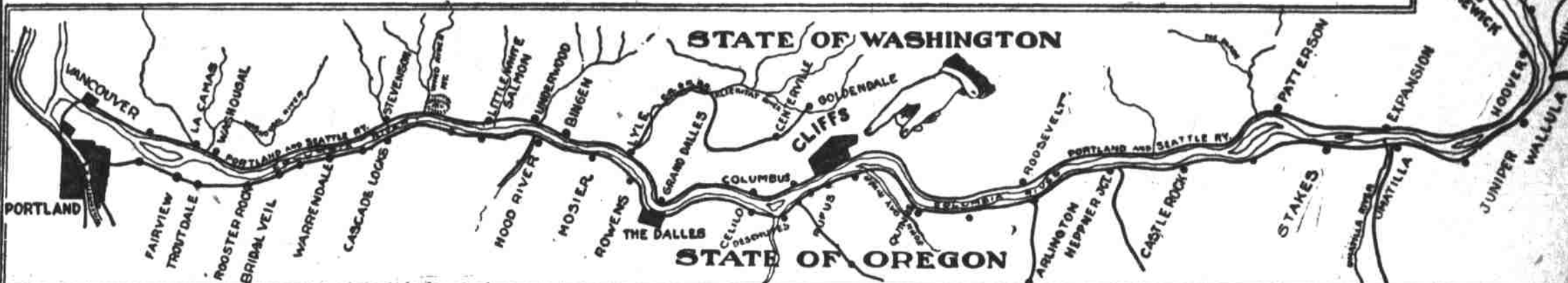
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View on Rogue River, Just Above Gold Hill. The Elevation in the Fore-ground is That From Which Gold Hill Received Its Name.

fish until a new school of fish would come up. They cast their nets immediately below the dams, which have been built within the last few years, and they literally wipe the bottom of the stream.

This illegal practice of fishing under the dams is winked at by the authorities, or is explained away by the fact that while the fisherman casts his net within the 600 feet of the dam no fish are taken out because they drag the stream down to a point below the 600-foot limit.

This practice has continued until now one of southern Oregon's greatest attractions is being wiped out for the benefit of about 40 or 50 fishermen.

It is estimated that the thousands of tourists who annually visit this section for a few weeks bring into the country and leave with the inhabitants no less than \$100,000 a year.

The beautiful clubhouse on the banks of the river just above Gold Hill has been abandoned and a very deplorable state of affairs has been reached, all to satisfy some two or three score of shiftless fishermen.

The taking of 60 or 70 tons of fish from the stream annually has so reduced the stock of small fish that now the most expert anglers sometimes come home after a half-day spent on the river with almost nothing to show for their time, whereas formerly any inexperienced person could make a good catch.

Great Loss in Tourist Business.

The greatest loss to the community, as stated, is the destruction of its attraction, which alone is capable of adding hundreds of thousands of dollars to the wealth of the state.

Governor Chamberlain has arranged to visit Gold Hill, September 14 to consider the question of this wholesale destruction of fish. He has appointed a committee of seven local men to investigate with him the conditions. The committee consists of M. C. Ament of

Fishing, "Fish Hatcheries," "The Stocking of Streams," "Game Fish."

Initiative Movement, Perhaps.

Persons who can prepare papers upon any of these subjects are requested to correspond with Dr. R. C. Kelsey, secretary of the chamber of commerce, who will be pleased to reply to any questions. The titles of papers should be forwarded early.

H. L. Kelly of Lodell, Oregon, superintendent of the United States government hatchery, has been requested to be present and address the convention. The convention will be called to order at 11 a. m. for appointment of committees, and again at 2 p. m. Following the evening session, should the delegates so desire, an effort will be made to banquet the governor and those of his committee present.

The initiative will be invoked next June should the delegates decide to start such a movement.

Potter Schedule for Beach.

The steamer Potter will sail from Portland, Ash street dock: Monday, 10 a. m.; Tuesday, 12 noon; Wednesday, 1 p. m.; Thursday, 6:30 a. m.; Saturday, 7:30 a. m. Get tickets and make reservations at city ticket office, Third and Washington streets. C. W. Stinger, city ticket agent.

PICKPOCKETS LIFT PORTLANDER'S ROLL

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Walla Walla, Wash., Aug. 17.—Pickpockets robbed Willard Wallace, a farmer, of certificates of deposit amounting to \$625 while he was at the circus Thursday. The theft has been reported to the police and payment on the certificates stopped. Wallace is from Portland.

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Rogue River Rapids, at Gold Hill, Oregon.

land and the certificates were drawn on Portland banks.

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SMALL BIRD SAVES LOST WOMAN'S LIFE

Bride Who Disappeared Is Found Exhausted in the Woods.

(Special Correspondence.)
London, Aug. 17.—Mrs. Dorothy Hill, the young bride who disappeared from her parents' home at Sparkbrook, Birmingham, a week ago, has been found in a wood on the outskirts of the town.

Two men who were passing by the wood had their attention attracted by a bird which flew out from it. They approached the spot and heard a low voice calling "Mother, mother!"

On climbing a fence they found Mrs. Hill lying on the wet grass. She was very exhausted and could give no account of herself, but kept repeating that she wished to go home.

They took her to a neighboring farm house, where she was given some milk. She then revived somewhat and walked to the tramway terminus, whence she travelled in a car to her home.

her family were sitting she was too ill to speak. A doctor was sent for and she is now making good progress.

Mrs. Hill states that she had been in the wood since Monday week. She realized where she was on Saturday last and left to buy biscuits and ginger beer but when she went back she collapsed. She had previously suffered from nervous breakdown but was thought to have recovered.

NEW STEEL REACHES UMATILLA CENTRAL

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Pendleton, Or., Aug. 17.—Steel rails for use on the Umatilla Central have arrived, and tracklaying will be resumed. Steel was sent here from the Washington division of the O. R. & N. where the rails have been replaced by heavier steel. A crew of 45 men is now stationed at the O. R. & N. camp at Birch creek, a few miles from this city.

SURVEYORS AT END OF C. & E. LINE

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Albany, Or., Aug. 17.—Another party of surveyors was in the city Thursday and early yesterday morning left for the present terminus of the Corvallis & Eastern above Detroit. Several surveying parties have passed through Albany within the past few days and all seem to be working on the survey of the

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proposed extension of the Corvallis & Eastern into the eastern Oregon country. One party is now camped at Sand Mountain, about 10 miles from Fish Lake.

These evidences of activity along the old line of the survey of the Corvallis & Eastern, which was established in 1890, leads the observant ones to conclude that the extension of the road into eastern Oregon is only a matter of a few months and that section which has been awaiting the advent of better transportation facilities will soon be connected with the busy world.

Mainsprings, \$1. Metzger's, 342 Wash.

Their Powder Wouldn't Burn.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Spokane, Aug. 17.—Two unknown men who attempted to rob a hardware store at Connell were foiled by the failure of the explosives to work. They took five revolvers and 25 knives with them and are now at large.

Major John C. Hemphill is out on the coast of United States Senator Lamar of South Carolina. Major Hemphill belongs to an old South Carolina family and is known as a scholar and an orator of rare attainments.