

WATER POWER IS GRIFFITH TOPIC

Portland Man Tells Rotarians of Vast Unused Resource of Oregon

When the chairman announced at Rotary club luncheon Wednesday noon that the Salem Kiwanis promised to win the international attendance prize in the Kiwanis contest with 1100 clubs participating, the Rotarians cheered as loyally as if it had been their own victory, and they were going to dine again at the expense of the Kiwanians.

They will dine together, but the Rotarians will pay the bill. The big spread is set for Thursday night of next week, and the Rotarians will pass up their regular Wednesday noon luncheon to center all their efforts on this joint feast. The Kiwanians are miles ahead on the percentage basis. If they should all stay away next week, they would still win from the Rotarians this year. The Rotarian hosts, however, promise to make the dinner a monumental social event. They agree that they are losing to some good fellows who earned it.

Franklin T. Griffith of Portland, vice president of the National Electrical association, was the speaker for the day. He went in a detailed statement of the amount of used and unused water power in the northwest, showing that Oregon has 3,900,000 potential horsepower, and only 300,000 in use; Washington with much greater possibilities, but only about one-half as large proportion; and California with only about 25 per cent of her hydraulic energy put into service.

Mr. Griffith explained the workings of the federal permit system, that aims to keep the water powers in the hands of the people. The federal authority extends to 85 per cent of all the unused water power of the nation. It is even larger than that in Oregon.

The speaker gave an admirable semi-technical explanation of the conditions that govern the development and use of power, explaining how it is necessary to have a large "safety load factor" or excess power available, to supply the peak loads that must occur in the operation of power and light enterprises. He showed how the development of great industries that utilize a practically continuous power, like the Salem paper mills, is the ideal for the power company. The paper mill for instance,

uses 7,500,000 kilowatt hours in a year, and all the rest of the Salem demand is only 10,500,000. The paper mill does not use nearly as much as the peak load from the rest of the city, but it uses it year around.

Kells Is Sworn in as Federal Employment Agent

W. H. Fitzgerald, federal employment agent for Oregon, and Arthur Stone, deputy state labor commissioner and city employment agent for Portland, were Salem visitors Wednesday. Mr. Fitzgerald swore in C. A. Kells of the local YMCA as the Salem agent for the federal service, and hereafter the work here will be carried on under the official federal sanction and with its aid. It is expected that it will be a great life to the Salem bureau, in the getting of jobs and of men to fill them.

The Salem free employment bureau is to meet today at 12 o'clock at the Argo hotel for luncheon. Following that they will hold a conference at the Y on the labor situation. The members are F. B. Guthrie, chairman; J. P. Aspinwall, Cervais; H. H. Mumford, Liberty; Carl Abrams and D. W. Eyre.

STAYTON NEWS

STAYTON, Or., May 2.—J. L. Sneed was taken to Salem to the hospital a few days ago when he was operated on for appendicitis. The Sneed family live across the river in Linn county.

Miss La Vern Shank took the noon stage Saturday for Salem where she spent the week end with her aunt, Mrs. Nadstaneck.

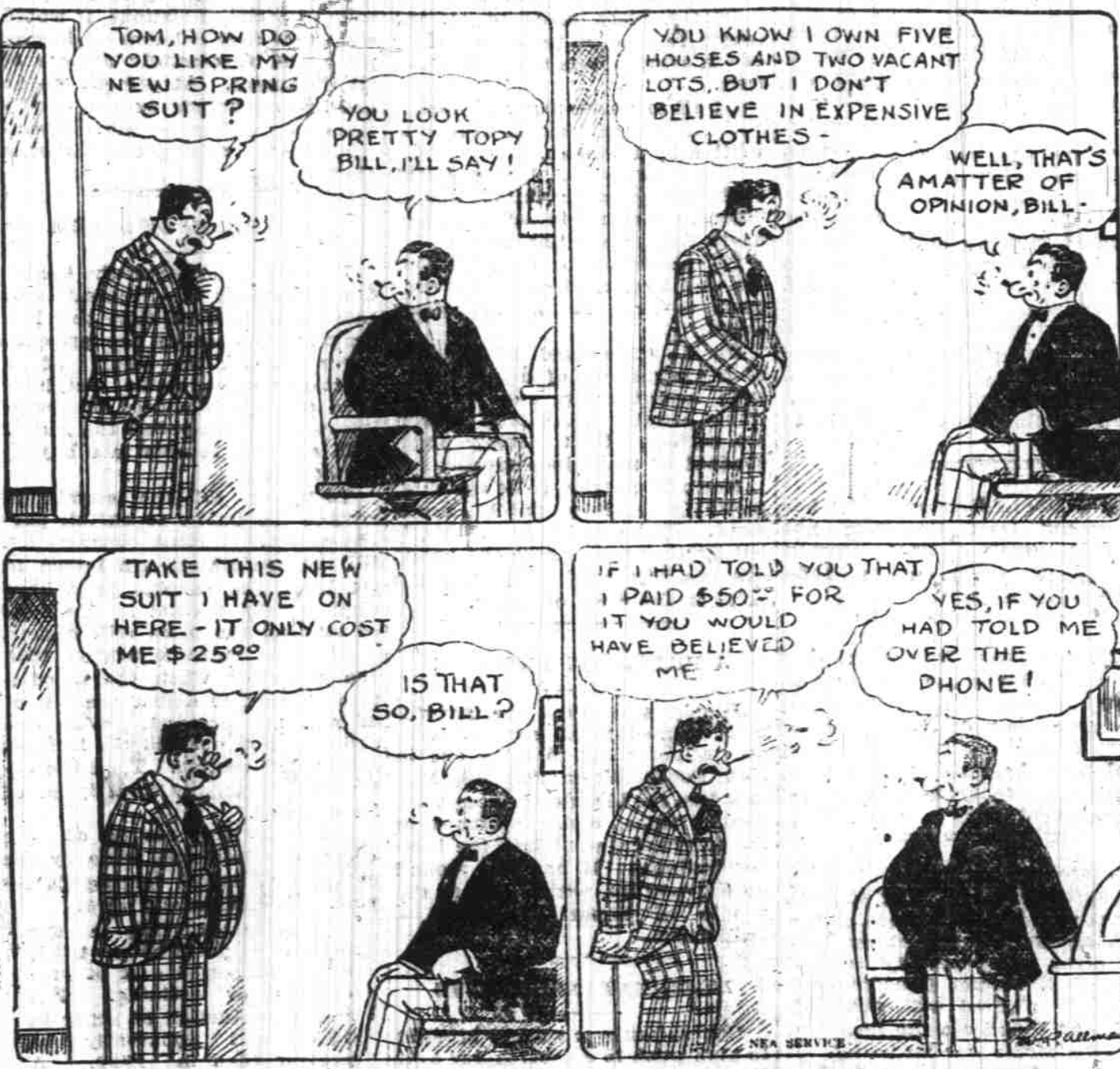
Mrs. J. L. Lambert and her mother, Mrs. Hattie Ray drove over from Jordan Friday and spent the day shopping in Stayton.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Todd came down from Silver Creek Logging company's camp near Mehama and spent the week here with her mother Mrs. Albert Frank.

David B. Smith passed through Stayton Monday on his way home to Warrenton after several weeks spent at Detroit. Several years ago Mr. Smith was a resident of

DOINGS OF THE DUFFS—Seeing Is Believing.

BY ALLMAN



Stayton and conducted a drug store here.

Clair Thomas was down town Saturday for the first time in several weeks, having been laid up with a badly injured leg which he hurt while working with the dredging crew on the Salem ditch.

Charles Gehlen was confined to his home Monday by a slight illness, but is able to be about his duties again.

Dick Davis and family came up from Portland Sunday for a visit at the J. P. Davis home.

The carpenter and mason work on the apartment house, being erected on High and Second streets by F. I. Jones, has been completed and is now ready for the plasterer. The new building has 38 rooms, is strictly modern and a valuable addition to that section of town.

The inviting name of "Motor Inn" has been given the new service station opened up by L. A. Thomas. The name was suggested by C. A. Beauchamp, who received 10 gallons of gasoline for submitting the most suitable name for the place.

E. C. Titus drove to Jefferson Sunday and spent the afternoon visiting at the home of E. H. Howell.

Mrs. Vern Sloper who visited last week with Mrs. Edna Sloper returned to her home in Salem Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Gardner left the first of the week for Baker for a month's visit with relatives and friends. At Portland they will be joined by their daughter, Mrs. Carl Fryer. The trip is being made by automobiles over the scenic Columbia River highway.

H. C. Ackerman a successful automobile salesman of Salem was here last week and placed a new car with the E. T. Mattie family.

The James Leffler family are moving from their Linn county farm into Stayton, where they will reside. Their son, Arthur Leffler will take charge of the farm.

SCOTTS MILLS

SCOTTS MILLS, Or., May 2.—Several from here attended the dance in Monitor, Saturday night. Eva and Kermit Barkhurst of Portland have been visiting friends here for the past week.

Grandma Dale has returned home from Portland where she has been visiting for the past month.

Harry Kells of Silver Falls camp has moved his family back to Scotts Mills. He expects to work for the Butte Creek Lumber company. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Rich and son, Almond, and J. O. Dixon motored to Tacoma Saturday to see I. D. Wordon who is sick in a hospital there.

Oscar Striker of Molalla spent the week-end at the G. W. Myers home.

Mrs. J. C. Jennings was shopping in Oregon City Thursday.

Mrs. Fred Schafer of Molalla and her daughter Lela spent Sunday at the Guy Schafer home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Jennings had as their Sunday dinner guest Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Myers and son, LaNoel, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Phillips and Oscar Striker.

Carl Millard, the rural mail carrier had the misfortune to be hurt quite badly while plowing. Clarence Gidley is taking the mail for him.

J. C. Jennings and Oscar Striker attended the ball game in Woodburn, Sunday.

Mrs. Harmon of Marquam was buried in the I. O. O. F. cemetery here Monday.

Little Harry Groshong has the whooping cough.

Mrs. Calvin Phillips was transacting business at the court house in Salem Saturday.

CLOVERDALE

CLOVERDALE, Or., May 2.—Oscar Fillet has completed his work in Salem and is home again for a few days.

W. F. Wright, the road patrol man, expects to begin road work Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Kunke went to Salem Tuesday.

There are many friends here of F. A. Woods' uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. William Jones, who may regret to hear that but recently word came from Colorado that they are both dead.

F. A. Wood of Salem came out and removed his tractor and separator from the farm he recently sold, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Hennis and daughter Mary were shopping in Salem Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wilson and nephew Orville Thomas spent Friday visiting in Salem with Mrs. F. A. Wood.

Mrs. Grace Thomas and Mrs. May Hadley spent Wednesday in Salem.

Southern Pacific Shows Big Revenue in Oregon

The operating revenue of the Southern Pacific lines in Oregon for 1922 was \$19,408,727.40, according to the annual report filed with the public service commission. Figures for the general Southern Pacific system are: Operating revenue, \$195,705,452.61; operating expenses, \$138,268,426.67; taxes \$15,619,676.55; operating income, \$41,726,068.69. The operating ratio was 70.65 per cent, meaning a profit of about 30 per cent, or in the neighborhood of \$6,000,000.

MUSICAL COMEDY BIG FUN MAKER

Salem People Highly Laud "Struttin' Along" and Mamie Smith Troupe

Mamie Smith and her jazz hounds, who Wednesday night presented "Struttin' Along," musical comedy in two acts of four and five struts respectively, were the most galvanic bunch of comedians and musical artists who ever made an appearance in Salem. It's customary to make a similar remark about any performance that a reporter has to write up along about midnight but in this case it happens to be a perfectly correct statement.

The play was practically all for the purpose of making fun, but there were one or two serious songs that showed artistic and dramatic acumen to a high degree.

Mamie Smith herself sang two songs that required the best of acting by this clever Broadway favorite. These were "You've Got to See Mama Every Night" and "Don't Mess With Me" which turned the audience into a storm of laughter and applause.

From a hayloft to king of a harem was the life story of Frisco Nick, as presented in the play; and the bare scene which opened the second act was one of the knockouts of the performance.

The Creole chorus and the dancing girls delighted everybody. Orchestration was perfect, and the costuming and color arrangements were highly elaborate.

Rucker and Perrin with their specialties drew voluminous acclaim.

WILTED BLOOMS ARE EXPLAINED

Root Condition Cause of Withered Pear Blossoms, Says Prof. Barss

An explanation of the wilted condition of pear blossoms manifested in orchards throughout the county this spring and which is being looked upon with anxiety by Marion county orchardists, was received by County Fruit Inspector Van Trump from H. F. Barss, professor of botany and plant pathology at Oregon Agricultural college.

According to Professor Barss, the condition of the pear blossoms is due largely to the serious effect of the excessively dry conditions of last summer. The root system is said to have been injured to such an extent that it cannot supply a normal amount of moisture to the opening blossoms, with the result that they shrivel and wilt. Those conditions are found to be worse, the letter continues, in grounds which are shallow or which have

not been fully drained. A similar condition may be noted in cherries and even apples, the letter continues, which condition seems to exist over the county in general.

These trees some time recover, however. Professor Barss states when the new root system gradually becomes established from the development of further young feeding rootlets in the upper layers of the soil to take the place of those killed off by the dry weather conditions which prevailed last summer.

Specimens of pear branches were sent to Professor Barss recently by Fruit Inspector Van Trump.

New Modern Building Will Go Up at Dallas

DALLAS, Or., May 3.—(Special to The Statesman.)—Arrangements have been completed by the B. H. McCallon estate to erect on the site of the old wood-stone buildings on Main street between the C. L. Cyder building and the Kersey confectionery an up-to-date brick or concrete building. The structure will consist of two large store rooms and these have already been leased by local business houses. The estate may yet decide to erect a two-story building and rent the upper floor for lodge room purposes.

GIDEON STOLZ AND HIS PRUNE DRIER

He Is Not Deceiving Any One, Much Less Himself, With His System

Editor Statesman: It has come to me through several reliable sources that a report is abroad that in my statement on results of my last year's experience with my partial recirculating fan system, I had deceived myself, and had not given the full facts, and was now thinking of installing larger fans. It is scarcely necessary for me to reply to such an effort on the part of interested parties who may be selling fans, or those who advocate the large fans only as possible of success.

I am not making plans for any changes at my drier; my results were all that was promised me by Professor Wigant of OAC, had I installed the full seven-foot fan. A careful reading of my little booklet will convince anyone that I am not trying to deceive anyone, least of all myself.

You will also note that I do not advocate that same results can be had in all kinds of driers, for there are scarcely two alike, and this is the deplorable fact, and is a factor in our dried prune output. Many of the so-called driers in use now should be condemned as unfit. Respectfully,
—GIDEON STOLZ.
Salem, Or., May 3, 1923.

CONTRACT IS LET FOR WATER MAINS

Dallas to Have Better Fire Protection By Time Hot Season Arrives

DALLAS, Or., May 3.—(Special to The Statesman.)—The Dallas city council has awarded the contract for extending the city water system into the industrial district in the south part of the city to O. B. Gates of Portland at a price of \$14,816.80, with an additional sum to be added for the installation of at least nine fire hydrants with apparatus attached for use of pumping facilities in case the city should at some future date purchase a pumper fire truck.

Mr. Gates' bid was the only one received which covered the cost of laying the water main and furnishing the materials. Several other bids were received for materials only. It is the intention to begin work immediately and have the work completed at least by the time the extremely hot, dry weather of the summer season arrives.

The extension of the water system was authorized by the people at a special election held the fore part of last month. What part of the system that at

present runs into the industrial district is too small to afford any protection in case of a bad fire like the sawmill fire of two years ago. Since that time several industries have been built in the district and more have been promised when adequate fire protection was assured. It is predicted that the step just undertaken by the city will mean the addition of several thousand dollars monthly to the payroll of the city by the building of new industries in this part of the city. The mains, which will be of eight and 10-inch pipe, will also afford better protection to the public school, the Southern Pacific depot and freight house and several prune packing plants.

LEGAL BLANKS

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