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BORING RAPIDLY COMING TO FRONT

Good Chance of Becoming the Metropolis of Eastern Clackamas.

HAS INDUSTRIES AND MEN WHICH WILL WIN SUCCESS

Among Its Prominent Men Are W. H. Boring, J. Root and O. A. Palmer.

The territory tributary to the Oregon Water Power railway in Clackamas county is improving so rapidly that one has hard work to keep track of all the good things going on. A visit to Boring, the coming center of north-western Clackamas, was not only a pleasure, but a real surprise. Ye scribe had imagined that Boring was (simply a station on the railroad) a point of call as it were, behold our astonishment then when we found that Boring is the biggest shipping point on the whole of the Oregon Water Power line. A few facts gathered from W. J. Telford, the obliging agent of the Oregon Water Power Co., is sufficient proof of this assertion. Through the Boring station is handled about 325 tons of freight per month, 200 car loads of ties and lumber; 200 carloads of wood; and fully 1500 passengers per month come and go through Boring.

Boring is to Northwestern Clackamas what The Dalles used to be to the region East of the Cascades, a shipping center. The roads are literally lined with teams, coming from every direction, and heavily loaded with lumber, ties, shingle, hay and farm produce of every kind, returning with freight for the merchants at Orient, Pleasant Home, Cottrell, Sandy, Firwood, Dover, Cherryville, Salmon, Welch's, Bull Run, Aims, Marmot, and other flourishing points East and West of the Sandy.

From Boring also starts all the stages of the various lines and postoffices, which in summer time are literally lined with tourists and summer campers in quest of sport and health at the numerous summer resorts of that region.

Fully 200 men are on the pay rolls of the big mills, logging and wood camps in and tributary to Boring. A few of the mills at present hauling to Boring are the Straus Lumber Co., Proctor & Beers, N. E. Donahue, Davis & Davis, Johnson Bros., Rich & Hall, J. B. Chapman, beside the big modern mill recently constructed by O. A. Palmer & Son in Boring.

The business enterprises contributing to the public welfare in Boring are two general merchandise stores, owned by J. W. Root and S. E. Card; two hotels operated by Chris Larson and A. D. Herr; one saloon, owned by T. M. Allison; one livery stable recently built and opened by Morgan & Harris; a good blacksmith shop run by O. D. Roe; a large skating rink and confectionary parlors owned and operated by Louis Ritzer; a large carbolineum plant owned by Fischer Thornton Co.; besides the big sub-station and electric generating plant of the Oregon Water Power Co.,

which, until recently has generated all the juice used by the cars of that company on the whole line east of Sellwood. This plant alone represents an investment of almost \$100,000.00 and is ably operated by chief engineer J. M. Davis, assistant, Ed Edwards, and oiler, Homer Fisher.

The office of postmistress is ably filled by Mrs. A. Morand, who attends to the wants of about 200 patrons, beside caring for the Farmers and Pacific States Telephone lines centering at Boring.

The Oregon Railway & Navigation Co. and other railways also have a tie inspector (F. M. Morgan) located here, whose entire time is taken up in the inspection of ties and lumber bought for the different companies.

One of the most important industries located at Boring is the big creamery of Vetsch & Sons, this creamery is shipping 500 pounds of the finest butter every day, is known all over the Pacific Coast, and brings a top notch price. A new and modern factory has just been finished by them at great cost to the firm, which will enable them to turn out a yet larger supply with very little more labor.

Education and religion, the two most important things in any community has kept pace with the progress of the rapidly growing town, a splendid schoolhouse stands on the eminence overlooking deep creek, and near by is a neat looking new church under construction by the members of the M. E. church, which when completed will be a credit to the community.

This article would not be complete without a word concerning William Boring and his estimable wife, after whom the town takes its name. For many years Boring precinct was a factor in Clackamas county politics, it was known all over the county and over a good portion of the state, because when the Oregon Water Power built their lines through the place the name Boring was adopted as the one most fitting to remember the work of the old time and highly respected settlers.

The thanks of the writer are due to J. Telford, the popular railway agent, and to J. W. Root, the owner of the Boring townsite, and one of its moving spirits. Mr. Root was one of the first to see the wonderful resources of Boring and to profit thereby, he has however not been selfish in the matter and anxious to push Boring to the front, has laid out numerous blocks and lots and is rapidly disposing of them to permanent settlers.

We confidently expect to see Boring one of the best towns on the western slope of the Cascade range and The Herald hopes to be a decided factor in its growth.

Presbyterians Will Build.

Rev. G. A. Blair is pushing forward the organization of a Presbyterian church in Montavilla. Services are held in the Odd Fellows Hall Sunday evenings and Sunday school at 10:30 a. m. Mrs. J. E. McCaslin is president of the Ladies Aid society.

Lots have been purchased of Mr. Hubbard two blocks north of Sperger's store where a chapel is being built which will be ready for use about April 1st.

Mr. Blair recently organized a new church at Vernon and steps are being taken towards the building of a \$6000 edifice here. The Presbyterian church on East 12th and Taylor streets is a monument of Mr. Blair's work. There seems no doubt of the success of his undertaking in this queen of suburbs.

TWO ELECTRIC LINES NOW IN PROSPECT

Farmers of Eastern Multnomah and Clackamas Counties Highly Favored.

(Special to the Herald.)

PORTLAND, March 14, 1907. — The farmers of Multnomah county can scarcely realize the prosperity that is coming to them, in addition to that which they now enjoy. If the indications are correct, there will be two electric railways to the base of Mount Hood built in the near future. The past week the Portland council granted the Portland & Mount Hood Railway company a franchise over certain streets on the East Side and the county court has granted the company the use of some of the county roads on condition that it build a spur to Kelly Butte, where the county rock crusher is located and also that it carry crushed rock free of charge. Dr. M. G. McCorkle of East Portland is the apparent promoter of this enterprise and he declares that work will start on this road as soon as the mayor signs the ordinance. He says also that there is ample capital at the back of this enterprise and gives assurance that it has already been financed.

Dr. McCorkle's road must not be connected with the Mount Hood Railway and Power company, which has acquired large property east of the Sandy river at the junction of Bull Run. This is a separate enterprise from the other. It has been in the field for some time purchasing property on the East Side for terminal facilities, having bought lots and parts of blocks to the amount of \$50,000. Outside of Portland its route has not been determined, but it is understood that it may be located between the Base and Section line roads. This company will also erect a big power plant on its land at the junction of the Sandy and Bull Run River.

If these two electric railways are built, as now seems probable, traversing the country between Portland and the base of Mount Hood, the advantage to the farmers cannot be estimated. Dr. McCorkle proposes to erect a sanitary on Salmon river, and his enterprise includes the construction of a cog-railway up the side of Mount Hood, the same as is done in many Eastern places. When completed one can buy a ticket to the top of Mount Hood, which will be going some, won't it?

Mrs. M. B. Sleret's 75th Birthday

Mrs. M. B. Sleret recently celebrated her 75th birthday at her home at 1135 E. Taylor street, Portland. Those present were, Mr. and Mrs. John Sleret, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ruegg, Mr. and Mrs. George Sleret, Mrs. Lewis Shattuck, of Gresham, Mr. and Mrs. C. Idlenan, of Montavilla, Mrs. J. W. Townsend, of Troutdale, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Lindsey, of Portland. All her children were present except E. E. Sleret.

Mrs. Sleret resided in Gresham for many years being a pioneer in this vicinity. She has many acquaintances and friends here. It will be a surprise to many to know that she has attained the age of 75, being well preserved for her age.

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Mrs. Horberg is enjoying a visit with her mother.

H. G. Knox made a business trip to Oregon City Thursday.

Ellis Richey was out from Portland Sunday.

W. H. Boring visited with his brother at Damascus last week.

Miss Carrie Hecock visited with H. H. Peters one day last week.

Little Andrew Hederman, who is suffering from a broken limb, is getting along as well as could be expected.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Wilmarth visited Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Stark of Portland last Saturday.

Will Hederman is laid up with an injured hand.

E. B. Smith is visiting his daughter at Baker City this week.

Walter Hall's baby is very low, the doctor was called on Monday.

Mr. Miller from above Sandy was visiting Mr. Vetsch's the first of the week.

Eva Johnson is visiting relatives in Washington.

Grace Baptist Church Notes.

On Sunday, March 31, there were fourteen decisions to live the christian life. On Sunday, the 10th, there were three baptized upon profession of faith, and three more professed conversion.

The bids for the contract for the new building will be opened in a few days then the building will proceed.

The young peoples' business meeting and social on Wednesday evening was largely attended, and a very interesting literary and musical entertainment was greatly enjoyed.

Alfred Ohlson and wife of Moline, Ill., are visiting their aunt Mrs. Oliver S. Ohlson for a few days. He is much pleased with the Pacific coast and Portland and if he can arrange his business to suit will make his permanent home here.

Rev. Gilman Parker has moved from the corner of Spencer and Baseline road to 103 Grove street.

Subject of sermons for next Sunday service will be as follows:—In the morning will be the fourth sermon in the course "The Divine Presence"; subject, The Presence, With Christ at his Baptism. In the evening a sermon to young people on "Launching out into the deep."

FAIRVIEW

FAIRVIEW, ORE., March 12.—The concert given in the Methodist church on Friday evening under the direction of Mrs. E. Smith was a success. The proceeds will be applied to the pastor's salary. The program was as follows: Organ solo, Mrs. E. A. Whitney; recitation, Miss Ethel Heslin; solo, Mrs. E. Smith; recitation, Mrs. C. Cree; solo, Mrs. A. L. Stone; recitation, Mrs. J. M. Ashcraft; baritone solo, Rev. C. E. Crandall; solo, E. E. Heslin; recitation, Miss Cloe Crandall; organ solo, Mrs. E. A. Whitney; solo, Miss Pearl Crandall. Axtell & Cree are at work on Mrs. A. B. Moller's new house.

PROSPECTS ARE CONSIDERED GOOD

Wider Villa Avenue Wanted By Property Owners and Farmers.

The executive council of the Montavilla Improvement Board met last Monday evening at the office of the Secretary, to hear the report of the committee having the improvement of Villa avenue in charge. W. J. Burden of the committee, reported that they had called upon the representatives of The Oregon Real Estate Co. and The Northwestern Guarantee Co., both large holders of property along the proposed improvement and found them heartily in favor of an 80-foot street. When the fact is taken into consideration that the Ladd interests, the Jones estate, and other owners of large tracts, as well as a large number of small property owners, have already declared themselves in favor of a wide street, it can readily be seen that the chances of securing an eighty-foot roadway from Grand avenue to the Eastern city boundary are exceedingly bright as the city council cannot but recognize the vast amount of benefit it would be to the territory traversed, and when backed up by the large majority of the frontage will not hesitate to pass the necessary ordinances. Nor will it stop at the city boundary, as the farmers to the eastward, almost to a man, are demanding the extensions through Fairview, and are only waiting for the city to take definite action to put their demands in proper shape before the county commissioners.

The committee also reported having visited the city engineer's office, and that the plans and profiles were practically completed.

Dr. Deveny of the committee on new school building, reported that work along that line was being pushed and that it was expected that a representative from the building committee of the school board would soon visit Montavilla with a view to looking up a suitable location in the north end.

It was also suggested that Montavilla should have a block of ground set aside for park purposes, and this will likely be taken up at the next regular meeting of the board.

The electric power which will be used to operate the new grist mill here will be supplied by the Cazadero plant. The poles and wires for that purpose are already in place.

The poles and trolley wires for the Cedarville to Troutdale extension are nearly all in place and we hope to see cars running in a few days.

The route for the Troutdale to St John's extension is being surveyed. The right-of-way through some of the farms has already been secured. Some of the farmers, whose places will be almost ruined by the road, are not cherishing any fondness for the O. R. & N. company.

George McKinly of Spokane was a recent guest of friends here.

Mrs. A. W. Zimmerman and daughter, Miss Rae, formerly of Portland, will make their home in Fairview this summer. They are now residing in part of the house vacated by N. W. Rice and

Report of the Experts.

At the regular annual meeting of the members of the Oregon Fire relief Association, in January, a resolution was passed directing the trustees to have published the report of the experts who were going over the accounts of the officers of the association. In following out this direction, we beg to call your attention to the attached report which they have filed. We have not published the figures contained in their report as they are only a recapitulation of the figures contained in our annual report. We wish to assure the public, however, that at any time they will call on us, we will be pleased to show them any of the records of the office.

W. C. HAGERTY, Secretary.
To Hon. H. H. Hewitt, S. A. Riggs and Chas. Cleveland, Committee appointed to examine the books and accounts of the Oregon Fire Relief Association.

Gentlemen: We beg to report that we have made a complete and thorough examination of the accounts of the secretary and treasurer of the Oregon Fire Relief Association, having checked all receipts and disbursements for a period of three years, beginning Jan. 1, 1904, up to and including Dec 31, 1906. We have found the system of keeping the accounts of the members of the association one of exactness and in which an error, if made, can be readily found and corrected. The books are kept in a business-like manner and the balances on hand in the different funds as reported by the secretary and treasurer on Dec. 31, 1906, are correct. The officers and entire office force have aided and assisted us in every way possible in making this examination.

We desire to make special mention of the neatness and accuracy of the books and accounts kept by the accountants of the association:

We find cash deposits, subject to check covering the balances as shown in said accounts in the McMinnville National Bank. Also, the following bonds, to-wit: Expense fund bonds and mortgage face value, amounting to \$22,559.

Prepaid loss fund bonds, \$10,000.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Signed
F. M. Redfield,
John W. Roland,
Accountants.

Dated Jan. 16, 1907.

family. Messers. Campbell, McLaw and Zimmerman are preparing to erect residences for themselves on their large farm here in the near future.

Mrs. A. T. Axtell has been entertaining Mrs. W. C. Bailey from Tillamook.

Fimer Jenkins and wife of Portland spent Sunday with Mrs. G. O. Dolph.

Mrs. M. J. Littlepage, who has been spending the winter in Portland, returned to her home here a few days ago.

Oral Snover of Portland spent Sunday with friends here.

Miss Alta Wilcox visited relatives in Portland the last of the week.

Rev. F. E. Bellington, state secretary for the Oregon Christian Missionary Society, visited his sister, Mrs. A. T. Axtell, recently while on his way to his home at Cottage Grove from Athena.

Mrs. J. M. Ashcraft, Miss Nellie Hunter, Miss Irene Stone, Mrs. A. L. Stone, D. S. Dunbar and wife, Mrs. Ethel Heslin and Mrs. A. O. Jackson were recent Portland visitors.

SPECIAL

ALL STORES find when spring opens up that they have some goods that are not fast movers, do not sell as they should, some broken sizes or the fag end of a line. Most stores hang on to them and keep their stock looking old and shelf worn. Now we are putting all this this stuff on a special bargain counter and will offer it very cheap. All good and clean goods, but slow to go. You can get them cheap. Call in and see our bargain counter. Everything marked in plain figures, so you may see for yourself.

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So we will know who to notify. You save \$1.00 by so doing.

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Spring Time Means Seeding Time

And we have the essentials for this particular season of the year including all varieties of Garden, Lawn and Flower Seeds, also Field Seeds, including Silver Mine Oats, White Russian Oats, Spring Vetch and Clover, Timothy and Alsike Clover seed. We want to call your attention to our seed Oats—all re-cleaned and perfect seed. Call and inspect them and be convinced.

The Finest and Most Complete Line of Men's Furnishings

That has ever been shown in a country store just received from San Francisco, California. There is nothing better in Multnomah county. You are invited to call and see for yourself.

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