

# THE ROAD BONDS

**Charles Hall Discusses Proposed Big State Issue of \$6,000,000.**

Charles Hall, president of the Coos County Good Roads Association, who returned from Salem Monday night, has this to say about the six million road bond act which passed the legislature Monday evening after a long and stubborn contest in the senate:

"The passage of the Six Million State bond issue for highways by the senate yesterday, marks the first big constructive step in building good roads in Oregon. It is a start which will result in putting Oregon on a par with California and Washington in highway development.

"This bond issue provides for hard surface roads in the more thickly populated sections of the state, and in so doing, the legislature has made it possible for such outlying districts as our own to get the benefit of the state and Federal funds which are to be applied to post and forest roads. The Federal apportionment with the funds which the state must match with the government will afford nearly four million dollars for this work during the next five years. Without the six million dollars bond issue, this Federal and state money would not doubt be absorbed in the more settled portions of the state, and outside aid of any consequence to Coos county would be remote.

"The bill provides for the classification of Eugene-Coos Bay road as a forest road, and the Coos Bay-Roseburg road as a post road. An amendment was made in the bill yesterday at the suggestion of the Coos county people which will make it possible for us to participate in the hard surface improvements. It provides that a portion of a post road of twenty miles or more may be selected by a county if the same has been graded and made ready for hard surface, and removed from the post road provisions. The funds from the six million bond issue will be available for hard surfacing this portion of road. Under this amendment it is possible for Coos county to withdraw that portion of the Coos Bay-Roseburg road between Coos Bay and Myrtle Point which will be placed on permanent line and graded by our own bond issue and obtain funds from the state for hard surfacing.

"The special consideration which was given certain counties in the state which had bonded is justified because those counties have bonded themselves to build state trunk roads and which were not of primary local value to the counties. In Coos county we bonded ourselves to connect up our towns and make a local system of roads primarily and these roads are not recognized as primary state highways.

"Coos and Curry counties are in the position of outlying districts which, compared with the state as a whole are not necessary to its primary development which naturally connects up larger centers. However, we should take the liberal position that the improvement of the roads in the more populous districts in the state will be of indirect benefit to us and will place us in line for the next improvements which are to be made.

"The increase in the automobile licenses will take care of these bonds, principal and interest, without an increase of the present one-quarter mill levy on all taxable property for highways.

"The bond issue in the state is comparable to the Coos county bond issue last year and Coos county in relation to it may be compared with the more remote sections of our own county which will not have roads built to them by our bond issue but which will be taken care of with county funds as the result of it.

"Multnomah county has 38 per cent of assessed valuation of the state, and will have none of the bond issue expended within its boundaries but very naturally will insist on a considerable portion of the money being spent in the territory which is directly tributary to Multnomah county. This is absolutely fair. Coos county has but little more than two per cent of the assessed valuation of the state, and less than one-sixtieth of the state's area. On a basis of assessed valuation we would be entitled to \$120,000 of the six million dollar bond issue, and it is very possible for us to get this much and even more in view of the amendment which allows hard surfacing where the county has prepared the grade. However, even if Coos county did not receive a single cent of this money it would be very distinctly to our advantage to support the issue and help to inaugurate a progressive program of road building in Oregon. In California and other states the initial bond issues have always been followed by others, when taxpayers and voters began to

see the good results which are obtained. This is only a beginning for Oregon. Coos county will be bound to get her share of development not only directly with the present issue, but from the future expenditures.

"The state is now in position to do more for Coos county under the promise which has already been made."

## The New Fishing Law.

(From the Gold Beach Reporter.)

Fishing for chinook salmon and all varieties is permitted in Rogue river from April 15th to November 30th, with a short intermission of 15 days in August and September. Fishing by gill nets and set nets has been legal the entire season. From July 15th to the end of the season the use of seines was permitted. Several bills were introduced in the legislature to restrict this fishing. The substitute bill presented to the legislature by the Fisheries committee, over which such an intense fight has been waged, abolishes the use of set nets and seines, but does not interfere with gill netting in any way. The measure also establishes the dead line near the mouth of the river below which any fishing is illegal, save with hook and line, called angling. This dead line is the same as established by the State Fish Commission last fall. This measure was fought bitterly in the House, was defeated for passage by a narrow margin, then reconsidered and passed by a vote of 35 to 24. It subsequently passed the senate by a vote of 22 to 7.

That is the status of the legislation. Fishing is not prohibited in Rogue river, but the use of set nets and seines is forbidden. As to how this will affect the catch of salmon for commercial purposes is best shown by the testimony of Mr. Macleay before the House and Senate Fish committees. Private information and Salem dispatches are that Mr. Macleay stated before the committee that last year he secured 35,000 fish, 11,000 of which were caught by the seine. He had 26 men employed on the seine, and the average was 120 fish per day. Of the total catch for the year one-eighth was by the seine and seven-eighths by the other methods. The set nets above tidewater caught very few fish, and of the 77,000 caught aside from the seine almost all were caught by gill netters. The public at large throughout the state can thus judge for themselves whether the elimination of seines and set nets will destroy the fishing industry on Rogue river. The people living on Rogue river know the answer from experience.

## Blowing Out the Pinnacles.

Speaking of the proposed appropriation by Congress of \$60,000 to clear the channel of the river from Coquille to the sea and give it a 12-foot channel, with an annual appropriation of \$10,000 to maintain that depth of water, the Bandon World says:

"It is also believed that the project would be made to include the blowing out of several rock pinnacles said to project from a ledge on the bar, which would make it possible to get several additional feet of depth at the entrance of the river. Maps of the boring survey made by the government last summer have been completed and copies received by Assistant Port Secretary C. M. Spencer. These show exactly the depth of water from a point well outside of the bar to Coquille, marking all the "high spots" which it would be necessary to remove to deepen the channel.

"Making it possible for the sea-going vessels to dock at Coquille would increase the shipping over the local bar, as it would give the mills at Coquille an opportunity to ship by water as well as by rail. It would no doubt mean the construction of more boats for this river and in that way would be a direct benefit to the local shipbuilding industry."

## Calls Port Orford's Bluff.

We claim that Port Orford has the youngest pupil in Coos or Curry county to successfully pass the 8th grade. Lowell Johnston, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ames Johnston, aged thirteen years, recently passed a very creditable examination and has received his Eighth Grade diploma, and this notwithstanding the fact that he missed one entire year of schooling by reason of the loss of one eye through accident. We challenge the two counties to beat it.—Port Orford Tribune.

The Herald calls the bluff of the Tribune after this fashion:

You'll have to come again, Port Orford; Coos county has at least two young people that passed the eighth grade examinations at a more tender age than 13. Miss Anna Truman, of North Bend, and Miss Lou Hooton, of Bridge, both successfully accomplished the feat several months before reaching that age. Probably there are others.

Butter Wrappers and Trespass signs at the Sentinel office.

## No Use for Trousers.

Our item last week about the parcel post mail being held up between Bandon and Gold Beach, says the Reporter of the latter place, brought prompt and surprising results. A letter from the deputy postmaster at Langlois states that the tracer for the missing package reported it as a pair of pants for Mr. Hoyt, of Gold Beach, that had been misdirected to Langlois, and that it had been sent to its destination on receipt of extra postage. The writer of the letter states that he thinks we owe an apology to "we postmasters along the line," as neither she nor Mrs. Capps at Denmark have any use for a pair of pants.

This recalls to us a fact we had not thought of before, that of the four postoffices between here and Bandon, three of them at least, are in charge of ladies. And we therefore wish to state that we had no intention of insinuating these ladies had any desire to utilize Mr. Hoyt's pants.

## Taken to State Hospital.

The Port Orford Tribune has the following item about Hon. Frank A. Stewart, the father of one of its publishers:

Accompanied by his son, H. T. Stewart, and an attendant from Salem, Frank A. Stewart was taken to the State Hospital Sunday. For several years Mr. Stewart's health has been failing, but not until about two months ago did he commence to break badly. Local doctors held out no hope of curing him of his ailment (hardening of the arteries and high blood pressure) with the facilities at their command. Spells of violence towards those attending him, and the impossibility of giving him at home the care and treatment he should have, made it imperative to send him where he could have the proper attention.

## Pat Jumps His Bail.

Pat McDonald, a logger, and a sailor off the Elizabeth whose name could not be learned were arrested for drunkenness Saturday night says the Bandon World. Boose was taken from their possession. McDonald put up a bail of \$24, which was all he had in his possession, and the other man put up \$25, both to appear in Municipal Judge Mast's court Monday morning. Neither of them showed up and the city is \$49 to the good. The new ordinance which makes \$25 fine the minimum for getting drunk is proving very effective. At that price legs will soon be a rarity.

## He Slew 3,000 Deer.

A Roseburg dispatch states that W. H. Redfield, of Glendale, well known throughout southern Oregon, has the distinction of having killed 1,000 deer for hides in early days, when deer skinning was in vogue, and thinks this a big record. The Gold Beach Reporter says there are numerous people along the coast section who squaled and even exceeded that figure. We remember one man who in 1898 told us that he had quit the work altogether; that for years he had kept track of the deer killed, but after the number reached 3,000 he quit counting them.

## Swept Down the Bay.

George Herron who tows logs for the McDonald and Vaughn company came near being swept down the bay and perhaps to sea Monday afternoon. He was towing a large raft when the wind was at its height and the raft turned him and before the logs could be secured to a dock four launches had to go out and assist Mr. Herron. It was nearly seven o'clock before the trouble was righted. The logs were left at Old North Bend over night.—Record.

## O. A. C. Hens Still Lead.

In the Northwest egg-laying contest now in progress at the state college at Pullman, Washington, the January record for egg production goes to Barred Rock No. 1198, owned by the Oregon Agricultural College, the hen laying 27 eggs during the month. Among all the pens in the contest, the S. C. White Leghorn pen owned by J. A. Hanson, of Seattle, leads with 264 eggs. Second place among the pens goes to the quintet of White Leghorns owned by the Oregon Agricultural College, with 232 eggs.

## Looking Up on the Coquille

Nonda Anderson, who has recently finished a logging contract in the Bear creek district near Bandon, is taking a short vacation at the Bay and renewing Marshfield acquaintances. Mr. Anderson says things are looking much better on the lower Coquille and both the Moore and Prosper mills are running on full time. There is no immediate prospect of the Johnson mill starting, so far as Mr. Anderson is informed.—Record.

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NOTICE is hereby given that under and by virtue of an execution and order of sale issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Coos, on the 19th day of January, 1917, in a certain cause wherein S. K. Gulliford is plaintiff and E. H. Kern and Mary E. Kern, husband and wife, are defendants, commanding me to make the sum of \$223.50 with interest thereon at the rate of 10% per annum from the 11th day of January, 1917, and an attorney fee of \$25.00, and costs and disbursements taxed at \$10.20, and costs upon said execution out of the herein-after described real property. I will, on Saturday, the 3rd day of March, 1917, at the hour of Ten o'clock, in the forenoon of said day at the front door of the County Court House, in the City of Coquille, Coos County, Oregon, offer for sale and sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, all of the right, title and interest of the said defendants in and to the following described real property, to-wit: Lots One and Two in block Sixty-four in Elliott's Addition to Coquille City, Coos County, Oregon, according to the plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the County Clerk of said Coos County, Oregon. Said sale being made subject to redemption in the manner provided by law.

Dated this 27th day of January, 1917.

W. W. Gage,  
Sheriff of Coos County, Oregon.

## NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT.

Notice is hereby given that the undesignated did on the 19th day of January, 1917, file in the office of the county clerk of Coos county, Oregon, his final account in the matter of the Administration of the Estate of J. H. Kime, deceased, and the county court has fixed the 26th day of February, A. D. 1917, at 10 o'clock A. M. as the time and the office of the county judge in the county court house in the City of Coquille, Coos county, Oregon, as the place for hearing objections to such final settlement of the estate.

Charles I. Kime,  
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