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CONSTRUCTION WORK

Progressing on the Railroad From Cottage Grove to Bohemia

TWO NEW BRIDGES

Completed and a Big Force Grading and Making a Rock Cut.

Mr. F. L. Gunn, of the Winters & Campbell logging camp on Row river, on Bake Stewart's place was a caller at this office Tuesday and informed the LEADER that the new combination railroad and wagon bridge across Row River at the logging camp is nearing completion, and that trains will be crossing within a week. The bridge has been accepted by the county commissioners as a county bridge and the county court bore a small portion of the expense of the bridge. A spur from the O. & S. E. railroad was built into this logging camp making this bridge necessary to cross the river into the timber belt and it will also accommodate much team traffic in that vicinity, the old bridge having become impassable. This camp supplies the Long & Bingham Lumber Co., of this city with logs.

The fine new Oregon & Southeastern railroad bridge across Row River above the Red Bridge Station was completed this week and trains will soon be running beyond this point. This bridge would have been completed earlier had not an early winter freshet swept the falsework away. The railroad grade has been thrown up some distance beyond this bridge and a force of men is progressing with construction work and driving a rock cut in the vicinity of Wildwood post office. As soon as spring opens the construction crew will be greatly increased and the new road will be completed to the Bohemia mines Warehouse, some ten or twelve miles beyond the present terminus, with all haste. The steam shovel has suspended operations for the winter, but ballasting will be resumed early in the spring. In the meantime fills, ballasting and general improvements are being made in the company's yards in Cottage Grove.

Road Supervisors Appointed.

Saturday the county commissioners' court made appointments of

county road supervisors, according to the new law. The court concluded to reappoint the supervisors who were elected at the last county election, if their annual reports were satisfactory.

The court had intended to create additional districts in the mountain and foothill regions, where the districts are large, the roads bad and too much territory for one man to look after, but it was found that the supervisory districts were in accordance with state laws that can not be changed, except by legislative authority, hence the districts will remain the same except in Bohemia, where they are privileged to divide the district.

The list of road supervisors reported up to the present.

District No. 1, C. E. Powers; No. 2, James Wycoff; No. 3, M. L. Hunicutt; No. 4, Geo. W. Riggs; No. 5, C. E. Brattain; No. 6, Scott Gillespie; No. 7, P. M. McPherson; No. 8, J. T. Donaldson; No. 9, J. J. Smith; No. 10, R. J. Hemphill; No. 11, G. L. Gilfray; No. 12, C. A. Sharon; No. 13, C. A. Vanscoick; No. 14, A. L. Woodward; No. 15, J. W. Bemis; No. 16, J. V. O'Leary; No. 17, A. C. McLane; No. 18, T. J. Blakely; No. 19, M. Hagen; No. 20, R. F. Scott; No. 21, E. Nelson; No. 22, Chas. Hadley; No. 23, J. A. Bowers; No. 24, L. Matlock; No. 25, W. Mathers; No. 26, J. Scott; No. 27, J. Duncan; No. 28, W. E. Wells; No. 29, Andrew Gibson; No. 30, C. Lyons; No. 31, W. D. Taylor; No. 32, C. Pope; No. 33, L. F. Prinde; No. 34, H. Kompp; No. 35, I. Slayter; No. 36, D. B. Proctor; No. 37, W. W. Darnelle; No. 38, H. J. Dickey; No. 39, A. Erdman; No. 40, G. F. Christ; No. 41, M. F. Castell; No. 42, G. Smith; No. 43, G. M. Bonnett; No. 44, M. Leabou; No. 45, Wm. Smeede; No. 46, Fred Wright; No. 47, L. Lockard; No. 48, F. F. Judkins; No. 49, G. M. Neet; No. 50, S. B. Mayben; No. 51, J. A. Clearwater; No. 52, M. B. Stone; No. 53, Joel McCormick.

J. D. Fuller Falls From Train.

J. D. Fuller of Creswell, while enroute to Pomona, Cal., fell off the train near Pixley in this state last week and was killed. The victim was well advanced in years.

Coroner DuBrutz has so far been unable to locate any relative of the deceased and in case none are found the sum of money \$350 found in P. O. orders together with the \$60 found on his person, and other property he may be found to possess, will be paid into the county treasury after the funeral and administration expenses, etc., have been deducted, and which sum will go to the state.—Visalia (Cal) Times.

J. D. Fuller had resided on his farm of 120 acres four miles west of Creswell for the past four years and was well-known and liked by everybody. He sold his place Saturday Jan. 2, for \$700 and left for California to reside. Deceased was a bachelor aged 79 years.

LATEST WAR NEWS

Russia Must Yield to Japan's Demands or War Will be Declared

HARBORS FROZE UP

Japs Will Blow up the Trans-Siberian Railroad.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 13.—While some diplomats express the hope of a peaceful solution, there is a general feeling that war is inevitable, and that actual hostilities are a matter of a few days only. The Czar shares this feeling.

A Port Arthur special says that the Japs are leaving. Russians regard the Japanese seizure of Melphe as probable with the object of making Russia fire the first shot.

Fulford Bush, a British merchant at New Chwang says that at least 200 Jap military engineers disguised as Chinese coolies have already been distributed at points along the Siberian railroad with instructions to blow it up as soon as war is declared.

The important Korean seaport of Vladivostok is ice-bound thus effectively preventing any naval operations from this base at present.

THE PANAMA TROUBLE.

It is expected that all of the warships will leave Colon at once to make a demonstration along the San Blas coast. The vessels will land an attacking force as soon as Colombian troops cross into Panama territory. Colombia has 4000 men ready to march upon Panama. The outlook is very warlike.

Business Change.

Marion Veatch purchased the furniture stock and business of Cochran & Lauder in this city last Saturday and assumed charge of the store Monday. Mr. Veatch retired from the Meat Market firm of Bartels & Veatch recently and will now turn his attention to the furniture and undertaking business. He is an energetic, genial and conservative young business man and will no doubt succeed in his new business enterprise. Messrs Cochran & Lauder have not yet decided as to their next business venture but will be ready to grasp the first promising business opportunity that presents itself.

EUGENE FIRM SOLD OUT.

R. W. Welch Returns to Cottage Grove to Engage in Business.

F. W. Henderson and J. M. Wells, of Portland, have purchased the shoe store of Gilbert & Welch in the Chrisman block at Eugene and the new proprietors have taken charge. They are experienced men in the business.

T. A. Gilbert will conduct the old firm's store at Albany, and R. W. Welch will again devote his time to Cottage Grove, where he has an interest in another store, the clothing, shoes and furnishing establishment of Welch & Woods, who "Has it for Less." This firm will now increase its stock, take a room in the fine new brick of Jones & Phillips and by the same liberal, hustling and business-like methods continue to increase their business at the same rapid pace it has been growing since they established here a year ago. After looking over the town a while Mr. Welch will invest in some desirable town lots and build a commodious modern home, as his partner, L. R. Woods did the past year. The LEADER heartily welcomes Mr. Welch and his estimable family to our city. Mr. Welch will go East to assist in settling up the estate of his father, who died recently, and will then return to close up his business affairs at Eugene.

Interior Mills in Hard Luck.

Robert Alexander, of the Pacific Timber Co. who has been in the

lumber and round timber business at Cottage Grove, for the past six years, assisting in operating one of the 150 sawmills of the Willamette and Umpqua valleys, was in Portland recently on his way to San Francisco. He told the Oregonian that owners of these country sawmills generally are inclined to feel that they have been shut out of business by the 50 per cent advance in rates on lumber made by the Southern Pacific, which went into effect January 1. California was really the only outside market these mills find for their timber, and it is now impossible to compete at points accessible by water transportation. The country mills have managed to hold a share of business under any rates heretofore made, and hope that there will still be some chance for them at interior points in California. Mr. Alexander is going down there to look into the situation and see what their chances are.

A Juvenile Lodge.

A new star has arisen in Cottage Grove's fraternal firmament and it is a bright and sparkling one at that. The new secret society is known as the Cottage Grove Star, and its membership comprises nearly a score of the brightest lads of the city. The rear room of Welch & Woods' clothing store has been equipped in style by the lads for a lodge room and regular meetings are held on Wednesday and Saturday evenings of each week. They have a regular business and social routine and play at lodge work in a manner similar to many of their elders and little less instructive, entertaining and elevating. They have a library and games for entertainment and edification of Star members. The officers are: Robert Sherwood, President; Roy Woods, Secretary; Harold Fredrickson, Treasurer; Clifford Jarred, Sargt. at Arms. Saturday afternoon the "Stars" gave a banquet to their "lady friends," in their lodge room, nearly a score of girls being present and a very pleasant afternoon was passed.

New Modern Hotel.

The LEADER has knowledge of a movement on the part of several responsible persons, toward the organization and incorporation of a hotel company, with the object of erecting and conducting a modern hotel in this city. The plans were exhibited in the LEADER office recently and a more convenient, up-to-date and complete hostelry than this one as designed, is not to be found in Western Oregon, south of Portland. The structure will be an imposing one, three story, with offices, bar, bath rooms, electric call bells, complete heating system, lunch counter, modernly equipped kitchen and dining hall, parlors, baggage room, etc. in fact a modern hotel in every particular. We are informed that negotiations for a favorable site is in progress and that the promoters of this big hotel enterprise are only awaiting favorable developments in securing the desired site to announce their plans in detail and let the contract for the building, which it is hoped to have completed and ready to open to the public by the Fourth of July.

May success crown the efforts of the promoters of this big enterprise.

Good News From Bohemia.

Phil Spong, who owns a claim near the Ridge hotel, Bohemia, has just returned, having finished his annual assessment for 1903. He says he uncovered an 18-foot ledge that contains solid ore the entire width. Over half of the width of the ore body is free-milling and the rest is base. He says gold can be seen in lots of the ore, and brought in a number of free gold samples to certify this assertion. The tunnel on this claim is in only 30 feet, and the ore body is the largest yet found in the entire district. The Ridge hotel is about four miles from Bohemia proper, on the old Noonday wagon road. There are hundreds of locations in this immediate vicinity and many properties have shown good pay values.

The country is very rough and steep and is covered with a fine forest of timber as have ever been seen on the Pacific coast.

Anyone desiring to fit up for housekeeping can secure a bargain about 50 per cent discount by inquiring at this office at once.

MASQUERADED AS A MAN

"Joe" Monahan Proves to be a Woman and Creates a Sensation

ROMANTIC CAREER

Sudden Demise Causes Fact to be Learned by Unsuspecting Neighbors.

ONTARIO, Or., Jan. 12.—Joe Monahan dropped dead on Sucker Creek, Malheur County, Monday. That fact of itself was enough to startle that quiet community in which "Joe" has resided for 18 years as a farmer and stock raiser, but when friendly neighbors started to prepare the body for burial the community was given a decided shock when it was announced that "Joe" Monahan was a woman.

For 18 years the woman masqueraded as a man, owned her own farm and stock and performed all the labor allotted to the average husbandman. For years she has ridden after her cattle over mountains and plain, camping with men under all conditions and in no instance was her sex questioned.

Time over and again "Joe" Monahan has been summoned by the Sheriff to serve as a juror. In every case she responded promptly and participated in preparations of verdicts rendered. Further than that, she held the distinction of being the only woman in the State of Oregon who has exercised the right of franchise accorded only to the male sex. Her masquerading was so successful that she was registered as a voter and cast her ballot at every election.

The dead woman had accumulated considerable property, including a good ranch on Sucker Creek. The mystery surrounding her life precludes any facts regarding any relatives. The property has been taken in charge by former neighbors pending an investigation.

C. M. A. BAND.

Increasing Its Membership—Making Rapid Progress Under Its New Director, H. R. Berry.

It is observed that the C. M. A. Band, which has long borne a very creditable reputation throughout the upper Willamette Valley as a musical organization, is increasing

rapidly both in its membership and musical efficiency under the able instructions of its new director, H. R. Berry, who took charge of this splendid musical organization some three months ago, having located permanently in our city late last fall to follow his trade, that of paper hanging and painting. But no sooner was it ascertained that he was a successful and practical band instructor than his services were enlisted by the local band, and his efficiency as a band master has already been fully demonstrated. Not only have the boys secured elegant and expensive uniforms, but many fine new instruments are being added to the band from time to time, and its membership is being rapidly increased; in fact, we are informed by Mr. Berry that while the band now consists of 16 pieces, he expects to increase it to fully 34 pieces by the opening of spring, and that his effort will be crowned with success seems assured, from the fact that members of many of the new families which are locating in our city, are experienced band men. The family of Henry Holterman, who arrived in this city two weeks ago from Iowa, has three young men who own good instruments and are efficient in band music. The McReynolds brothers of Salem also expect to locate here, and they are slide trombone and French horn stars, respectively. Mr. Sparr, a young cornetist, is a new man here and is rendering the band good service. Orvil Taylor has purchased a fine Bb baritone of Eber Brown and will take a turn at second bass, while Brown will take up the cornet. Menzo and Ed Finnerty also contemplate identifying themselves with the band and will take up tenor and alto, respectively. O. H. Hawley has purchased Will Thompson's cornet and will join the band, while Thompson has ordered a fine new cornet. With these additions and others yet to be heard from it is needless to say that Director Berry will soon give Cottage Grove a band that will be second to none in Western Oregon, outside of Portland, and our citizens should be proud of it, and are, no doubt. Cottage Grove excels!

Homesick.

Medley & Milne received a letter from W. W. Masterson, written at Ventura, Calif. to the effect that he had concluded to return to Cottage Grove and make it his permanent home and authorized these gentlemen to secure him a residence. He writes that no rain has fallen there since April last and that the dust is a foot deep in many places. It will be remembered that Mr. Masterson some two months ago sold his home here and was going to make California his home. We predicted that he would return. Come on "Bill"—glad to see you.

Until Further NOTICE

we will continue our closing out sale until the entire stock is disposed of. The extremely low prices that we have been and are yet quoting on the goods positively cannot be duplicated by any concern in this part of the country, quality of goods considered. It was a large stock to begin with and you will yet find many bargains in many lines of seasonable goods.

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