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The CLACKAMAS RIGHT-OF-WAY

For the past four months, in the meetings of the Eastern Clackamas Community Club and the Greater Union of Clubs of Clackamas County and in the papers of the county, there has been a discussion of the danger of granting the Portland Electric Power Company a permanent right of way up the Clackamas river from Estacada to the Oak Grove project of that company.

The forest service has had, and should have, a complete jurisdiction over the roads and trails through the national forest. The power company sought to have this jurisdiction set aside insofar as their use of the right-of-way is concerned and to have their project placed solely under the control of the federal power commission, to which commission the power company is now answerable for their use of the water power. It is said by officials of the company that having to keep their records so that two different branches of the government are satisfied, is asking too much. No doubt this is true. Most of us know what a mass of red tape must be wound and unwound at endless expense and exasperation to satisfy the swivel-chairs of the government. Still, it seemed to those who studied the matter that accounting difficulties did not make a sufficient excuse for licensing the power company to maintain a railroad permanently upon a right of way owned by the public. There had been much dissatisfaction with the service the public could obtain over the line. The clubs, too, had every right to know what was to become of their interest in the road.

A resolution was passed which set forth the demands of the public. Meanwhile, the federal power commission and the forest service held conferences in Washington, and as a result, new restrictions are placed upon the power company in their use of the right of way, which are all that fair-minded people could ask.

In the first place, no permanent right is given the company to operate a railroad on the present location. The permit now being offered the company, if accepted by them, will demand that they build a trail where the secretary of agriculture shall designate unless they become a common carrier or grant adequate transportation facilities to the public.

In addition to these requirements, the secretary of agriculture may at any time demand that the rails be removed and the highway restored to its original quality and serviceability or, if desired by the government, the company shall pay the difference between the cost of constructing a forest highway of a standard satisfactory to the secretary of agriculture, located on the right of way of said railroad, and the cost of such a highway located elsewhere along the Clackamas river. Reduced to simpler terms, the new permit leaves everything to the discretion of the secretary of agriculture. He may force the company at any time to abandon the right of way or he may ask that they pay for the cost of clearing, cutting and filling and grading another road up the Clackamas on a location he will designate. Every interest of the public is provided for in the new permit.

These stipulations should be heartily endorsed by the Greater Union of Clubs and if approved by the power company and lived up to by them, no obstacle should be placed in the way of the largest development of the water power resources in the Mt. Hood National forest. More than that, the public should cultivate a greater interest in the problems of this large company. The fact that a million dollars worth of stock is owned by its employees (nearly 3,000 people in this territory are financially interested in it, and that it is our largest taxpayer, entitles the company to our consideration.

The forest service is taking care of the public interest. If the time is ripe for a road up the Clackamas—let's ask them for one.

The city of Portland will spend \$300,000 on fireboats and harbor fire-fighting equipment in the immediate future.

News from the Neighboring Towns

ELWOOD ITEMS

The school children had a three day vacation last week owing to the illness of the teacher, Miss Gregg, who was suffering from neuralgia.

Mrs. W. Jones gave a party for the intermediate class of the Sunday school Saturday evening. New and old games were played and delicious refreshments served.

Rev. R. D. Everett, the Presbyterian missionary, will preach in our church Sunday evening at 7:30.

U. N. Beckley entertained friends from Silverton Sunday.

Almost everyone who owned a "digger" went smelt fishing on the Sandy last week and those who did not were well supplied by their friends.

Mrs. George Brown, who has been at the Good Samaritan hospital for some time, is now staying at the home of S. B. Brown.

Fisher brothers have moved their families into the M. A. Henderson house to reside while they are working on the Market road.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Vallen and daughter Mary visited Mrs. Vallen's brother Walter Cox and wife of Sandy, Sunday.

DODGE NEWS

Friday last being the birthday of our estimable school teacher, the older pupils celebrated by having a social in the schoolhouse in the evening. A pleasant time was spent in games of various kinds.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Keller paid a visit to Mrs. Keller's two sisters at Wilsonville on Sunday. Mrs. Keller is in her 74th year. Her sisters are 71 and 81, respectively. Mrs. Keller's mother was 90 at the time of her death. They have a brother in Florida who is in his 83rd year. Guy Keller drove them to Wilsonville and home again, all having a pleasant time.

Douglas Johnson was at Hillockburn again on Sunday and took away Frank Narus and Frank Miller, two men who have been doing some work there. So Henry Warnock is again in sole charge—a good old standby in confidence can be placed.

Mrs. Whitsett, who has been helping at Mrs. Lacey's for several months, has been called away sick with pneumonia.

The "flu" has left Dodge. It seems like everyone is rid of it and glad of it.

UPPER EAGLE CREEK

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Woodie, Leslie Woodie, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Douglass and children, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Gibson were visiting at the home of Walter Douglass last Thursday evening. Mrs. Douglass asked them to come in honor of Miss Edythe Peters, whose birthday they were celebrating.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Gibson were Dover visitors on Sunday, calling on Mr. and Mrs. Charles Updegrave, and Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Udell.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Douglass, accompanied by Mrs. J. H. Denning and Mrs. D. M. Marshall, made a trip to Oregon City on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Douglass were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Douglass Sunday.

H. S. Gibson sold a couple of horses last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Woodie, Leslie Woodie, Mr. and Mrs. Will Douglass and Fred Hoffmeister and family motored to Troutdale Sunday after smelt, but got none.

RUMOR IS DESTRUCTIVE

The Oregon Voter, in its issue of April 2, in an editorial on the liquidation of the Northwestern National Bank, does not mince matters in regard to the source of the unfavorable propaganda which led to the wrecking of this great financial institution. The finger is pointed to a great store just across the street from the bank. It is stated federal investigation will be made and the responsibility may be fixed. Wherever the responsibility lies, we hope it will be located and the guilty duly exposed and punished. The editor of The Voter commends the heroic action of officers of the bank, entailing much personal sacrifice, which enabled the bank to satisfy all depositors without any loss.

The public is easily taken off its feet and made panicky by persistent rumors. A bank is one of the most sensitive institutions on earth. A rumor may start a run on a bank which is perfectly safe and sound. The law provides severe punishment for the person or persons who start a run on a bank. It is despicable to start or help spread a rumor that may wreck any legitimate institution.

—Gresham Outlook

SPRINGWATER

The Neighborly Club meets with Mrs. Bard next Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Howell entertained a number of friends from Portland on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Park and children were Sunday visitors at the Carl Ward home.

The Alog Dodson family were here during the week-end and packed their household goods and moved them to Washington, where they are living for a time.

Mr. and Mrs. Cogswell of Eagle Creek were Sunday visitors at the Madden home.

Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Tenny and children of Viola were Friday evening callers at the Moger home.

Mr. and Mrs. James Closner and children, of Estacada were guests at the Ed Closner and Walter Strunk homes on Sunday.

Mrs. Ed Ayeock has been visiting relatives in Portland for a few days recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Swanson have moved to Garfield, where Mr. Swanson is working at the Yocum Sawmill for a while.

Callers on Mr. and Mrs. Moger were Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Shibley on Sunday evening and Mr. and Mrs. William Bard on Monday evening.

The many friends in this section of T. P. McAuley were grieved to hear of his death at his home in Portland Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Hansen and son Edison were Oregon City visitors on Monday.

CURRINSVILLE

Friday, April first, was enjoyed by the Currinsville school and will long be remembered by pupils as well as teachers. Some who are not children enjoyed the day of sport even if we did not go to answer a phone call or missed our stage to Portland.

Mr. Grace and family, of Portland visited Mr. and Mrs. Ward Douglass Sunday. Mr. Grace is a brother of Mrs. Douglass.

Mrs. Sarah Webber, of Nebraska, and Mrs. Webber, mother of Lawrence Webber, of Garden Home, and her daughter Hazel and son Frank, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Webber.

J. A. Kitching, W. M. Wade, and Floyd Hale are moving road graders to Garfield this week where they will do quite a lot of road building this summer.

C. R. Lovell made the round trip to Portland Tuesday with Lloyd Ewalt.

The Currinsville Ladies' Aid met with Mrs. Victor Leon Wednesday. Atlee Erickson delivered some nice hogs to Pres Ferrel last week.

Mrs. J. H. Kitching has a birthday Wednesday, April 6th, and although it was not learned which one it was, she has repeatedly shown that she is a real 100% woman. Her care of her long sick husband while she herself has been a sufferer for long years shows what a what a real mother is. As her birthday comes on Wednesday, the day of the Ladies' Aid meeting, they will give her a surprise, and it will be a pleasant one, and all are wishing her many more birthdays.

Mrs. Bowen was remembered by the Ladies' Aid Wednesday, the occasion being her birthday, which came on the eighth.

R. S. Coop says that the rain is not all that is holding his farming back. He left his team for a few minutes and they turned around and tore both handles off his plow.

If you have a news item, please turn it in.

EAGLE CREEK

The community social evening sponsored by the Ladies' Aid of the local church on last Friday night was a decided success. About 50 persons enjoyed the hospitality of the Burnett home. Games were provided for the young folks, puzzle solving, radio music, and social visiting provided for the older people. Toward the midnight hour, partners were selected, and all partook of the delicious refreshments served.

Monday evening was church night at the Eagle Creek church. The purpose was to elect new church and Sunday school officers as well as to plan definitely for the new year. Rev. Mr. Kirkwood presided. There was considerable discussion as to the wiring of the church building for electricity. After the business affairs were dispensed with, the formal business meeting was adjourned and the remainder of the meeting was spent socially. The ladies served light refreshments to all.

Foster Meyers motored home from Corvallis to spend the week-end, returning on Tuesday.

Homer Glover has installed a new radio set in his home.

GOVERNMENT COSTS ARE STAGGERING

Few people realize that the cost of all government in the United States reaches the staggering total of 11 1/2 billion dollars per year—nearly one-sixth of the entire annual income of the country.

This cost is not only enormous, but is growing at a rapid rate. In 1925, government cost more than 12 times as much as in 1890. The increased cost of government in these 35 years outstripped the growth of population by more than seven to one. In 1925, we spent for government nearly one-half the value of our railroads.

In the five years ending with 1925, the cost of running the federal government was decreased by one-third. But at the same time the cost of running the state and local governments more than doubled.

The greatest single item in the cost of government is the public payroll. So many people are now supported by the government that for every ten people employed in other than government work, there is one person supported by the government.

During the past five years our state and local governments have put us deeper into debt at the rate of \$3,300,000 a day. During 1925, this rate was increased to \$3,800,000 a day—more than ten times as much as it was 25 years ago.

We are finding it hard now to pay only the interest on these immense debts our state and local governments are piling on us. What are we going to do when the time comes to pay off the mortgage?

Everyman's Almanac

Rattlesnake's Rings

The rings on a rattlesnake do not tell exactly the age of the snake. The biological survey says that the rattlesnake acquires from two to four rings a year, usually three. Under normal conditions one ring is added each time the snake sheds its skin. The young rattler is provided with a single button at birth, and within a few days it sheds its skin and commences feeding. In about two months it sheds its skin for the second time and then the first ring of the rattle is uncovered or added. This has been growing under the old skin, and its pressure was apparent in the swollen appearance of the tail at the base of the original button. The last seven or eight vertebrae fuse together shortly after birth and form a composite bone known as the "shaker," and it is around this bone that each cap or ring of the rattle forms.

Little Sermon

Lo, the young intellectual!
He is esthetic.
He dwelleth among his kind and talketh confidently of his art. He leteeth his hair grow long and discourseth of Freud. He saveth not, but he understandeth the futuristic. He laugheth to scorn the conventions and prateth of free love. He derideth industry.
And yet, being hungry, he buyeth sustenance with money which his father hath earned. For he remaineth esthetic only so long as he is comfortable.
So we mock him, knowing in our hearts that we, too, would be esthetic. But for the absence of rich fathers.—Kansas City Times.

Beaten Path Monotonous

Our associations are greatly responsible for our lives. Happiness or otherwise follows upon the heels of our companions. The mighty help us to prevail. The great create an atmosphere for us. Train the heart and mind to be at home in the great places and to live on the broad plains. The superlative alone can give us cheer. Get away from the humdrum and regular. Sometimes have courage to depart into the country unknown. Remember, if a rolling stone gathers no moss, a fixed one gathers little else. It is earthbound.—Exchange.

Currinsville Store Prices

Mill run '80s	\$1.35
Roller Oats	\$1.60
Corn Meal (Compare this)	\$2.50
Land Plaster	\$1.00
3 pks Jersey Cornflakes for	21c
Potatoes, per 100 lbs.	\$1.50
No. 2 potatoes, per 100 lbs	\$1.25
Garden Seeds, Pkts.	5c
Lipton's Coffee, per lb	55c

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GIVE US A TRIAL

Varieties of Bread
Generally speaking, the difference between whole-wheat bread and graham bread is that there is less coarse bran in the so-called whole-wheat bread than in graham bread. True graham bread is made from graham flour. Dr. Alexander Graham was the first to advocate milling the entire wheat, adding nothing and subtracting nothing. In some mills the whole wheat flour is a product of the whole wheat put through a process to take out the coarsest bran. Bakeries' graham bread is made from a mixture of pure graham flour and white flour, proportions varying—sometimes being half and half.

Easy to Fix Clock
A commercial traveler staying at a small hotel wished to catch an early morning train, and asked the proprietress for the loan of an alarm clock. She produced the clock and remarked: "We don't often use it, sir, and sometimes it sticks a bit, but if it doesn't go off just touch the little hammer and it'll ring all right."—London Tit-Bits.

CLACKAMAS COWS MAKE A STRONG SHOWING

The report of O. K. Beals, tester for the Clackamas Cow Testing Association, shows that 521 cows were tested during the month of February, stated John J. Inskeep, County Agent, yesterday. The three high testing purebred

Sandy; H. C. Kanne, Canby; and J. C. Kraft, Canby. The cows in these herds averaged respectively, 57, 46.5, and 40.3 pounds butterfat.

The three high grade herds belong to J. L. Lienhart, Woodburn; C. E. Kraft, Canby; and G. A. Plieth.

Cows producing over sixty pounds of fat belong to W. F. Fischer, Sandy Lusher and Sons, Boring; Buxton Bros., Molalla, and C. E. Kraft.

The good records made by the cows in the association indicate the reason for the popularity of Clackamas County cows in Canada and in neighboring states.

GRIMM SEED RECEIVED

The County Agent's office recently received a shipment of certified Grimm alfalfa seed. This variety has been found best for Clackamas County conditions and is being distributed to growers planting an alfalfa acreage in 1927.

PYROTOL NEARLY GONE

The sixth car of Pyrotol ordered since September will be ready for distribution the latter part of April to those ordering. This is the last car to be ordered before fall.

The U. S. department of agriculture has notified the Oregon Agricultural College that no more Pyrotol will be available after Christmas of 1927.

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