

ENGINEERS SHOW COST OF PAC.-INT.

ESTIMATE MADE ON FIRST UNIT OF CONSTRUCTION.

\$290,115.32 TO HAYS HILL

Figure Includes Road Built and Fully Equipped for Fifteen Miles From Grants Pass.

Figured down to the last yard of earth to be moved and the driving of the last spike the first unit of the Pacific-Interior railway, the 15 miles to Hays Hills, will cost exactly \$290,115.32.

The amount given above includes every possible item of expense that can enter into the construction and the equipment of this line, the portion that is to represent the Grants Pass-owned road. The engineers have been working for days upon the details of cost, and every culvert and cattle-guard has been built on paper, and a fence erected along each side of the right-of-way, while equipment including engines, flat and box cars, coaches, handcars and a railway velocipede have been provided for in the items of cost.

No Engineering Problems.
This first unit contains no engineering problems that will run into big money. There are no deep cuts and no great fills, and the average cost per mile, including equipment, is \$15,944.58.

There is not a yard of rock work encountered for the first seven miles. In the eighth mile there is a total of 5,145 yards of rock excavation, with only 10,415 yards in the entire distance. The cost of this excavation is placed at \$1 per yard. The heaviest cut on the fifteen miles occurs at the sixth mile, where 58,500 cubic yards are moved, and the greatest fill is on the seventh mile, where 34,130 yards are put in. The handling of this earth is figured at 25 cents per yard. It will require 114,200 feet of timbers and two tons of iron to make the trestles on the fifteenth mile, the trestles on the entire unit demanding 286,150 feet of timber and five tons of iron. Lumber for culverts will cost \$1,196. Thirty-eight cattle-guards at a cost of \$10 each, will be installed. The total cost for the grading, bridging, etc., of the 15 miles to Hays Hill will be \$109,901.80.

42,240 Ties Required.

The 70-pound rails at \$42 per ton will cost \$5,174.40 per mile, or \$82,790.40 for the 15 miles. The 42,240 ties required will cost 40 cents each, or \$16,896 in the aggregate. The spikes used will fill 512 kegs and the bolts another 112 kegs, the cost of track and siding, 16 miles in all, figuring \$111,231.04.

Engines and Equipment.

For equipment, two engines will cost \$4,000, and 10 flat cars, five box cars, one combination coach, one day coach, two hand cars, two push cars, a velocipede, and tools will run the equipment expense up to \$13,690.

A depot at Grants Pass will cost \$1,200 and two other depots out on the line will cost \$400 each. Two section houses are provided at \$500 each, and with engine sheds, tool houses, tanks, turn table, track scales, telegraph line, engineering, etc., this feature of the construction will amount to \$20,290.48.

All of these various items that enter into the building and equipment of the road to Hays Hill total \$255,113.32, but in addition to this there is the cost of the 26 acres of terminal in this city and the right-of-way and survey all of the way to Crescent City that have been purchased at a cost of \$35,000, that will run the grand total of all expense to the city to \$290,113.32.

Two Truss Span Bridge.

The estimates above include the cost of two truss span bridges, one of 200 feet where the road crosses the

Rogue on leaving the city, and another of 300 feet where the road crosses the Applegate on the tenth mile.

In arriving at the figures the engineers have omitted no detail, but the estimate leaves the road completely built and equipped and ready to enter upon its destiny of making available the forests of timber and the mountains of mineral that lie along its length.

With Crescent City undertaking work upon a unit of the system at that end of the line, the company will be in a position as soon as this work is done to finance the balance of the connecting road, and so give to Grants Pass connection with the sea.

SETTLE WITH OLD G. P. & R. R. RAILROAD

With the sale of the assets of the Grants Pass & Rogue River railroad company to S. H. Riggs the affairs of the old corporation will be closed up by the courts and receiver discharged. The dividends to be paid upon the claims against the company, however, will not be of great extent, and if the final disbursement of the proceeds of the sale return those who have claims for labor and for materials furnished ten per cent of the demands the creditors can consider themselves fortunate.

Papers on file in the clerk's office in this county show that the court accepted the offer of Mr. Riggs for the railroad property, the figure named being \$1,500. Mr. Riggs made alternative offers for the property, the first of \$2,000, the court to guarantee that the temporary bridge built across the Rogue would stand intact during the present winter. The other was that Riggs would assume responsibility for the safety of the bridge, the price for the property in this event to be \$1,500. The latter proposition was accepted, and the sale on that basis was confirmed by the court.

When this company was organized two years ago work of building was commenced and stock in the corporation was placed on the market. The liabilities of the company included some \$10,000 or \$12,000 for labor and material claims unpaid, and \$50,000 for stock sold. The labor and material claims are largely held by residents of Grants Pass, while the stock in the main was subscribed by the Riggs and Chapin interests.

The expenses of the receivership will eat up practically all of the funds turned in to the court for the property. Mr. Riggs says that it is not probable that the holders of the stock will make claim for participation in the distribution of whatever dividends there may be, all of the balance to go toward the liquidation of the labor and material claims. These will not be much affected by the distribution, however.

The property turned over to Mr. Riggs by the court includes the mile or two of constructed trackage, the bridge across the Rogue that was partly washed out by last season's high water, locomotive "No. 1," and such survey and other rights are to remain intact.

Mr. Riggs is taking means for the protection of the bridge during the winter, and will maintain the property and will probably merge it with the recently incorporated Portland and San Francisco Coast line that has lines projected into this territory.

Lad in Juvenile Court—

G. W. Doney has made complaint in the juvenile court before Judge Jewell charging that Howard Chambers, a lad about thirteen years of age, had used vulgar and abusive language toward him in the presence of his wife, had assaulted him, and had otherwise made himself objectionable. The boy's father has been cited to produce the alleged offender before the court Friday morning at ten o'clock.

Trains Delayed by Wreck—

The south bound Shasta Limited and the morning trains on the Southern Pacific were all delayed Thursday morning for several hours by the wreck of freight 221 in Cow Creek canyon.

\$500 IN GOLD FOR THE WINNER IN COURIER SUBSCRIPTION CONTEST

Valuable Prizes for all who Enter Whether They Capture the Capital Premium or not. Cash Commissions Given

On another page of today's Courier will be found an announcement which should prove of interest to everyone in this city and surrounding territory.

The Daily and Weekly Courier are offering to give more than \$1,200.00 in gold or other valuable prizes or commissions to the wide-awake and industrious young people in Grants Pass and vicinity.

The full details of the campaign will be found in today's paper. The campaign opens tomorrow and closes March 15, next, just a little over a month. The contest will be conducted along business lines and the books and accounts will be open at all times to the contestants.

H. P. Leavitt has been secured to conduct the Courier subscription campaign. Mr. Leavitt has had extensive newspaper and contest experience.

To quote from one of South Dakota's daily papers where he recently took charge of the circulation campaign:

"Mr. H. P. Leavitt, who has had charge of the Sentinel subscription campaign, formerly edited and managed one of South Dakota's daily and weekly papers. He has endeavored to keep the Sentinel's contest above criticism in every way and obtained a thorough campaign in this portion of the state. Business men who furnished prizes and also individual candidates have written us personal letters commending his work and fairness. He has kept a good natured rivalry among the candidates and made many friends in this vicinity for himself and for the paper. As a result the Daily Sentinel has more than doubled in circulation during the last six weeks."

The Courier will advise the young people of this vicinity to remember that "the early bird catches the worm." Start early while the subscriptions come easy. Read the details of the campaign conditions in today's Courier, fill out the nomination blank and bring it to the office or see the contest manager in the Schmidt building, room 2. He is here to plan the work for the contestants and aid them to get well started on the road to success. Lists of subscribers may be had at the office and back collections will pile up the votes rapidly.

EVERY ONE WINS.

At the close, the contest will be put in the hands of three local judges

MANY PRIZES FOR BLUE-BLOOD POULTRY.

E. S. Veatch has added another feather to his cap as a poultryman since the announcement of the awards in the Josephine county poultry show. It is not because the silver cup offered by the association for the best display of birds in the show has passed into his possession, but it is because so competent a judge as Hinds should place the blue ribbons largely where Mr. Veatch himself had placed them on the same entries at the Ashland fair show.

At the Ashland show, where Veatch was judge, the Fuller pen of White Wyandottes was given first prize, and under the scoring of Mr. Hinds it has again carried off that honor. Likewise the Rhode Island Red cockerel of G. H. Parker that won sweepstakes at Ashland, and that made a remarkable record at the shows to the north, was a winner here. This bird was a high scorer at the Portland show, but because of a clipped wing was disqualified from winning the premium, and in scoring him here Judge Hinds gave him within a half point of the same mark he received at Portland.

For honors for the best pen in the show there was a close race between the White Wyandottes exhibited by

who will count votes and award prizes. The contestant having the largest number of votes will be given first prize. The second prize will be given to the one having the second largest number, and so on. Any contestant who has worked to the close and is not fortunate enough to receive one of the six prizes will be paid a 10 per cent commission on all subscription money he or she has collected. Every one will receive a fair compensation for all effort put forth. There is no chance to lose.

It will mean a great deal to win a lump sum of \$500 in gold. Those who enter should work as never before, and if you work with a determination to win your friends will all work for you. That is the real "secret of the game," and the one who wins will be the one who wins will be the one who is able to solicit the most aid.

THE PURPOSE OF CAMPAIGN.

The Courier feels that with the coming of the new railroad and eventually, cheaper and better transportation facilities, a new era of prosperity will reign in Grants Pass and vicinity. The spirit of the people has already changed and many are looking forward to the "better times period" in the very near future. The Courier wishes to be on the ground floor of the new business awakening with a large and substantial circulation and it is with this in view that the management has decided to go to the expense of putting up this wonderful array of prizes. This campaign to double the Courier circulation may be the beginning of "the good times period;" at least the management is willing to take the risk.

Votes which count toward the prizes can be obtained by securing subscriptions to the Daily and Weekly Courier and with every dollar in trade at the following stores: Rogue River Hardware Store, A. M. McFarland Furniture store, Stanton Rowell Music store, and Letcher and Son Jewelry store. The announcement of other stores of the city which give votes will be made in a later issue.

The prizes are the best that can be secured and are all on display in local stores. Those interested are invited to call and look them over. This is the time to act. Fill in the nomination blank today for yourself or for a friend and send it to the contest manager.

Mr. Fuller and the pen of Buff Leghorns entered by A. A. Ingalls of Grants Pass, a fraction of a point deciding the contest. The pen of Wyandottes scored 187 3-8, while the Ingalls entry totalled 187 1-8.

The list of awards in the show are as follows:

Best display—Silver cup by Grants Pass Poultry association, won by E. S. Veatch.

Youngest exhibitor—Setting of White Orpington eggs by G. D. Wilcox, won by Carrol Steffen, 8 years old.

Largest number of varieties—\$2 worth of Talbot's Poultry Remedies, M. Clemens, won by S. A. Pottorf.

Best male in American class—Hand-painted vase by E. H. Davis, won by John H. Fuller.

Best female American class—Box chocolates, by the Spa, won by John H. Fuller.

Best male, English class—Sack of flour by Grants Pass Rochdale Co., won by Edward Bobzein.

Best female, English class—\$3 picture by L. B. Hall, won by Joe Pottorf.

Best male, Mediterranean class—Umbrella by Mashburn & Co., won by A. A. Ingalls.

Best female, Mediterranean class—Ten pounds Pardee's scratch food, won by A. A. Ingalls.

Best solid colored bird—Primula

by Bert Barnes, won by John H. Fuller.

Best parti-colored bird—Cake by Moore's Bakery, won by S. B. Gillette.

Best display of pigeons—Pound of coffee by Grants Pass Rochdale, won by Edward Babzein.

Whitest bird in the show—Package of Hess' Pan-a-see by Geo. C. Sabbin, won by William Steffen.

Best display by a lady—\$2.50 hatpin by A. Letcher, won by Mrs. Wm. G. White.

Highest scoring male—Silver nut crackers by R. Singer, won by A. A. Ingalls.

Highest scoring female—Hand-painted plate by O. F. Wittorf, won by John H. Fuller.

Best exhibit by boy under 15 years—\$1 jack knife by Jos. Wharton, won by Carrol Steffen.

Highest scoring pens in the show—John H. Fuller, Talent, White Wyandottes, 187 3-8. A. A. Ingalls, Grants Pass, Buff Leghorns, 187 1-8.

Barred Rocks—Carrol Steffens, pullet, 1, 2; cockerel, 3; pen 3. Ed. Harris, pullet, 3. U. L. Upson, Jr., cockerel, 2, hen 3.

White Plymouth Rocks—Ed. G. Harris, cockerel, 2; pullets 1, 2.

Partridge Plymouth Rocks—Rodney Marshal, pullet, 1.

White Wyandottes—John H. Fuller, cock, 1; pullets, 1, 2, pen, 1; William Steffen, cockerel, 1, pen 2; Will Scoville, cock, 2; hen, 1, 2, 3; cockerel, 2, 3; pullet, 3.

Partridge Wyandottes—S. B. Gillette, all awards.

S. C. Rhode Island Reds—Geo. H. Parker, cockerel, 1; pen, 1; E. Challison, cock, 3; cockerel 2, pullets 2, 3.

White Orpingtons—W. L. Ireland, cockerel, 2. J. Herman Harrison, cock, 2; pen, 3; Mrs. Wm. Steffen, hen, 3; pullet, 2. G. D. Wilcox, cock 1, 3; hen, 1, 2; cockerel, 1, 3; pullet, 1.

Buff Orpingtons—S. A. Pottorf, cock, 2; hen, 1. Joe Pottorf, pullets, 1, 2, 3; Edward Bobzein, cock, 1; hen, 2.

White Leghorns—Geo. P. Cramer, cock, 1, 2; Edward G. Harris, pullet, 1, 2, 3.

Brown Leghorns—Mrs. Wm. G. White, cockerel 3; hen 1, 2; Edward Ament, cockerel, 1; Harold Taylor, pullet, 1. Lester Calhoun, hen, 3.

Buff Leghorns—Theo. P. Cramer, cockerel, 1; hen, 3; pen 2. A. A. Ingalls, cock 1, hen 1, 2; pen, 1.

S. C. Black Minorcas—E. S. Veatch, all awards.

Silver Spangled Hamburgs—Fay Caldwell, cockerel, 1.

Bantams—Robert Bestul, pullet, 1. Buff Orpington Ducks—E. A. Pottorf, all awards.

Best one dozen white eggs—Allen Taylor.

Best one dozen brown eggs—Carrol Steffen.

WARRANT TO ARREST DETECTIVE GARDNER

E. Gardner, the man who supplied the evidence upon which numerous convictions were had in the police court for violations of the anti-gambling laws, is today himself a hunted man, a warrant having been issued from the juvenile court by Judge Jewell, charging Gardner with contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

The specific complaint laid against Gardner is that he induced Willard Crawford, a seventeen-year-old boy, to make a bet with him upon a game of billiards in the Lawrence & Skillman billiard and pool hall. The stakes of the wager are alleged to have been a drink of soda water, it being said that Gardner could not get a different bet than that from the boy.

Gardner, a detective from Portland, put in several weeks here getting evidence against numerous parties for gambling, the games ranging from cards with chips at one cent each to side bets on billiards, and some \$550 in fines were raked in by the city in the way of penalties when the parties complained of either said "guilty" or were convicted in the trial that followed.

Criticism followed regarding the methods employed by Gardner to get games with some of the young men

LOS ANGELES PAYS BIG FOR APPLES

O. H. BERNARD SEES ROGUE FRUIT AT \$4.50 PER BOX.

PROFITS TO THE MIDDLEMEN

Pres. Hobart of Commercial Club Says Producers and Consumers Must Come Together.

"There is something wrong with the system that yields the grower of Rogue River apples the prices they receive and then the same apple sells in the Los Angeles market at \$4.50 per box," says O. H. Bernard, who has recently returned from a trip through the state to the south.

In the southern cities Mr. Bernard made a systematic investigation of conditions surrounding the apple market, and the wide difference of prices received by the producer and that paid by the consumer proves that there is something radically out of joint somewhere. In the various fruit stores which he visited he found an inferior apple, grown in California, selling at \$2.50 per box. The quality of this apple, he says, was poorer than the fruit that is discarded in Oregon orchards. Some fancy Rogue River apples in the same markets were being sold at \$4.50 per box, those offered him on the day he inquired having been packed by a Central Point grower.

The price paid by the Los Angeles apple-eater is high enough. The trouble is that not enough of this price finds its way to the pocket of the man who has given his time, his talent and his money to the growing of an apple that will command the price.

In speaking of this condition, President Hobart of the Commercial club, says that the solution must come through organization of the producers themselves and the elimination of the middlemen who prey upon them. He wants to see a system worked out whereby the grower can sell his produce more directly to the consumer with more profit to himself and more satisfaction to the purchaser. It is this system that the members of the local grange organizations are now discussing and that they hope to have on an operating basis by the time another crop is ready for disposition. If Rogue River apples are worth \$4.50 per box the Rogue river rancher wants in on the deal.

GROCERY STORE IS ENTERED BY BURGLARS.

Darnall's grocery store was entered by burglars Friday night, and cash to the amount of \$1.80 and three pocket knives were taken.

The midnight marauder entered the building from the rear, removing the glass from the sash door and reaching through he unlocked the door. Mr. Darnall had left the till open on leaving the store in the evening, the small change to the amount of \$1.80 being left in it. So far as known no goods were taken from the store except the three knives.

brought before the court, and this charge against him follows, the complainant being Fred Costain, one of the young men who plead guilty to the charge of playing pea pool with Gardner at 25 cents a cue. Gardner left here Tuesday night supposedly for Portland, although the officials had been notified to arrest him, and a special officer has left here to bring him back to this county as soon as he was under arrest.

When Gardner is arrested the case will come before the juvenile court of which Stephen Jewel is judge. Prosecuting Attorney E. E. Kelly came over from Medford, and has been working on the case today.