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COQUILLE RIVER WILL GET SURVEY FOR NEW PROJECT

PROVISION MADE FOR SURVEY FROM COQUILLE TO PACIFIC OCEAN IN ADDITION TO \$90,000 APPROPRIATED.

Message From Congressman Hawley to This Effect.— Port Commission Now Working On Large Projects for Harbor Improvement.

In the responses received from Senator Lane and Congressman Hawley to telegrams sent by the Port Commission, it is stated that in addition to the \$90,000.00 appropriation for the river, there is a separate provision for the survey for a new project from Coquille to the ocean; this is the project the Commission is especially boosting in order that we may have fourteen feet of water from Coquille to Parkersburg and twenty feet from Parkersburg to the ocean, including twenty feet on the bar at low tide. Following is the text of Mr. Hawley's message:

"Am advised that the coming Rivers and Harbors Bill will provide for survey of the Coquille river from Coquille City to Pacific Ocean—the ninety thousand is another item."

This is even better news than the original report, as it is reasonably

certain that the new survey will result in a practically permanent appropriation to assist the port and this means that the Coquille River will even more rapidly than at present forge forward to her true position of first harbor on the Oregon coast.

If the Port Commission proves as successful in defending litigation as it is in procuring financial results pending the litigation, it and the people of the Valley are to be congratulated. The three mill tax, \$250,000 bond issue, new survey for a new project and the consequent larger appropriations that are bound to come, coupled with the phenomenal growth of our commerce in the past two years, all in connection with the economical administration of the present Commission, are going to make a showing hard to beat for some years to come.

Patron-Teacher's Meeting Friday

The Patron-Teachers meeting will be held at the High School Friday evening, Feb. 27th.

An interesting program has been prepared and it is hoped the patrons will turn out in force.

Following is the program:

Subject, "The Authority of the Law Over the Child."

Overture, Mrs. Gelsendorfer and Miss Crane.

Paper, "Right Guidance," Miss Rodgers.

Solo, Mr. Howard Johnston.

Address, Mr. G. T. Treadgold.

Talk, Mr. E. H. Fish.

"The Attitude of the Parent Towards the School."

Solo, Miss Chitburn.

MASS MEETING LAST NIGHT

CITIZENS DISCUSS PROPOSITION OF BUYING FIRE ENGINE.

Better Fire Protection Keynote of the Meeting.—Various Plans Discussed.

A mass meeting of citizens was called at the Commercial Club hall last night for the purpose of discussing the proposition of better fire protection for this city. The meeting was called at the instigation of a Mr. Savage, who was here representing the American-La France company, manufacturers of fire-fighting apparatus, and who desired to sell the city an automobile fire engine which he claimed would travel over most any kind of roads, and had a speed of sixty miles an hour on level streets, with 18 miles an hour on a 20 per cent grade.

The proposition was discussed and approved by the citizens present, but nothing definite was done, as there were many different ideas as to what kind of fire protection should be had, although it was the unanimous opinion that something should be done.

The idea of a salt water main and electric pump for the down town district seemed to meet with the greatest approval, and it was decided to write to the Insurance Underwriters Commission to find out which system would reduce the insurance premiums to the greatest extent. Beyond this there was nothing definite done.

The meeting had the effect, however, of setting people to thinking and today there is considerable talk on the streets, which if put into action, may result in something being done to better the fire protection, a greatly needed asset.

RAILROAD NEWS

PORTLAND PAPER SEES A NEW S. P. MAINLINE DOWN THE COAST.

Prospects of a new Southern Pacific main line between Portland and San Francisco by the coast route, says the Portland Journal, loom up larger with the actual filing of the government's suit to dissolve the Central Pacific and the Southern Pacific, according to railroad men and property owners along the coast in southern Oregon. How this line would be the logical outcome of the severance of the parent Central Pacific lines from the Southern Pacific company has been the basis of much recent discussion.

The Southern Pacific is now building a line westward from Eugene to Coos Bay. This is known as the Willamette Pacific. A line, ostensibly built as a logging road but made up of unusually heavy bridges and substantial rails now extends southward from Marshfield.

Northward along the coast from San Francisco a line of rail road has been built under the joint ownership of the Southern Pacific and the Santa Fe. This will reach Eureka, Cal. this summer. Another line, known also as the Willamette Pacific, is to be built northward to Trinidad, Cal. From Trinidad to the southern terminus of the so-called "logging road" is an interval of a little more than 200 miles. Thus 500 miles of the 700 miles is cared for.

Surveying parties have been working along this interval all winter, say residents of the tidewater towns in that section. Many projects for crossing the Coquille and Rogue rivers have been tried at various points and the whole country has been analyzed topographically, cross sectioned and found to afford a feasible railroad route. Maximum grades of 7 per cent are said to prevail, with only one section where especially heavy work would be required.

Local officials of the Southern Pacific profess ignorance of the intentions of the company to undertake any new construction, but the announced reopening of the work on the Willamette Pacific next month with 3000 men that the Coos Bay line may be finished this summer is taken to be significant.

It is pointed out that the territory along this coast route is almost entirely undeveloped, though it has billions of feet of standing timber and other resources that would afford plenty of traffic. Few towns are to be found in this district, because now there are no railroads there at all, especially in Curry county.

The recent application of the Southern Pacific company for permission to float an enormous bond issue, part of the proceeds to be used in fortifying existing lines and in extensions, is another strong indication that the company is planning to maintain its position even though the Central Pacific is taken from it.

If the Central Pacific lines were taken from the Southern, leaving the present Oregon & California section ending at the California line, it has been pointed out that the government, in the dissolution, could assign the engine line, from Ashland to Eugene, to the Central and one of the Southern Pacific's Portland, Eugene lines to the Southern, and the other to the Central.

The Port Case Up Today

Attorney G. T. Treadgold went to Coquille this morning to try the case of the State of Oregon vs. Port of Bandon, which was brought up to test the legality of the Port, and if the Port wins in the Circuit Court which it no doubt will, the case will probably then be taken to the Supreme Court where it will be finally settled. In the meantime the Port Commissioners are going ahead with their work and will levy a tax, issue bonds, etc., so that the work of improving the river and harbor can go ahead at once, as soon as the Supreme Court hands down its decision, and providing, of course, the decision is favorable to the Port.

ENTHUSIASM AT MEETING

INITIATION FEE REDUCED TO \$1.00 FOR THE NEXT THIRTY DAYS.

Plans Commenced for Getting Out Literature Advertising the Advantages of Bandon.

A very enthusiastic meeting of the Bandon Commercial Club was held last Friday evening, there being about forty present.

The report of the committee on the revision of rules and initiation fee was received, and in substance was that the initiation fee be reduced to \$1.00 and that the by-laws be changed so as to issue a member one-fifth of one share of stock instead of a full share, and that all members have the same voting power. This met with some opposition, and finally Elbert Dyer moved that the rules be suspended for thirty days and that new members be given a full share of stock, during that period upon the payment of \$1.00, and that at the end of the thirty days the fee be placed back to the present amount of \$5.00. This motion was carried unanimously and an active campaign will be made for new members during the period. Four new members were taken in last Friday night.

The subject of securing literature for advertising purposes was brought up, and as the funds are a little low it was decided to give a dance sometime within the next month for the purpose of raising funds and a committee composed of W. C. Sells, T. M. Nielson and Donald MacKintosh, was appointed with full power to act.

The Woolen Mill subject was not brought up as R. E. L. Bedillion was not present, and consequently it was impossible to get any definite information.

The time for election of officers was set for Friday evening, March 20th, after the campaign for new members closes, so that all may have an opportunity to express their choice for officers.

Several communications were read and considerable business of minor importance was transacted.

The Club will hold another meeting Friday night and everybody interested is earnestly urged to be present, as there will be a number of important items to come before the session.

SHOW PRODUCE

STATEWIDE EXHIBIT WILL BE MAINTAINED AT ASH- LAND IN 1915.

Portland, Ore., Feb. 24.—At the great development convention held in Eugene Feb. 19, it was the unanimous opinion of the delegates that there would be a statewide exhibit of Oregon products maintained at Ashland during 1915. A meeting to discuss and definitely determine the cost and other details of such an exhibit will be held at the Portland Commercial Club rooms on Thursday, March 12. All of the members of the last legislature who can make it convenient to be in Portland on that date are urged to be present. Also state officials. Representatives from all the commercial clubs will be welcome and all the communities represented at Eugene last week will name special delegates.

Of course, under the law, no member of the legislature can give a definite pledge as to an appropriation to be made in the future, but as a citizen, he can give his opinion as to the common sense of such an exhibit as will be under discussion. Ten thousand dollars will construct the building, pay for gathering the products and for every other character of work up to Jan. 1, 1915, when the legislature will meet. Twenty-five thousand dollars will pay for the entire year's work. The Portland session will welcome suggestions pro and con.

Land owners occupying approximately forty square miles of bottom and prairie land between Corvallis and Monroe, have begun the formation of the first drainage district under state law in the Willamette Valley. It is believed that a successful demonstration of the good results of drainage will cause the movement to spread until it takes in fully one-fifth of the total arable land in the valley, or nearly one million acres, and that the entire cost of the work can be paid for in three years from increased farm products. It is stated that the lands to be drained are now producing crops averaging \$15 to \$50 per acre, and this production is expected to be increased from 100 to 300 per cent.

B. Gratch, the agent of a large colony of Russians who desire to settle on Oregon lands, was in Portland a few days ago. He states that these Russians have been in this country for eight to ten years, and that they want a tract of not less than 10,000 acres of grain land. They are said to have plenty of money to put into a good proposition where they can build up a community of their own. The colony consists of about 200 families at the present time, but their agent states that within a short time the number will be increased to 2,000 or 3,000, and that each family will

WANTED-A-WIFE BOAT LAUNCHED

THREE ACT COMEDY GIVEN FOR BENEFIT OF BANDON W. R. C.

A three act comedy at the Grand under the able direction of Roy Thom and a competent cast of local talent. This rollicking three-act comedy will be offered next Friday night, Feb. 27. The entertainment is presented for the benefit and assistance of the Woman's Relief Corps of Bandon. This organization is worthy of loyal support by all Bandon people and in attending the play next Friday evening you will see an entertainment that will please you and you will also be assured of the fact that the money realized will go to a worthy cause. The players have been rehearsing faithfully for the past two months and are sure to fully meet the approval and expectations of the public. The cast of characters is as follows.

Dan Gillispie..... Roy Thom
Jorkins Jobson..... Jack Thom
Deacon Smith..... C. A. Mead
Louisiana Johnson..... R. Bowers
Sally..... Stella Shields
Miss Campson..... Annie Tucker

The Place—Gillispie's Country House.

Act I—Arrival of Deacon Smith.
Act II—Brand New Coon in Town.
Act III—A Terrible Misunderstanding.—The clouds clear away and all ends well.

An excellent program of pictures will be provided. Admission for adults 35c, children 25c; all seats reserved. Seat sale begins at Boyles Jewelry store Wednesday, Feb. 25.

MYRTLE POINT COMPANYS NEW BOAT SOON TO BE IN SERVICE.

The Telegraph, the new passenger boat of the Myrtle Point Transportation Co., was launched Sunday at Herman Bros. ship yard near Prosper.

The new boat will be one of the finest appointed boats in this section of Oregon. She is eighty-five feet long and will have 280 horse power.

The new boat will carry from 150 to 200 passengers, and will be one of the speediest boats on the river. She will be furnished with street car chairs, will have double cabins and all the equipment of a modern passenger boat.

The Telegraph will probably be in operation in about a month, and will run regularly between Bandon and Myrtle Point.

Myrtle Point Items.

Elders F. J. Chitburn and D. W. Carpenter of Bandon attended the semi-annual conference of the Southwestern Oregon District of the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, which convened at this place Feb. 13, 14 and 15.

Born, Sunday, Feb. 15, 1914, to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Clinton, of Norway, a daughter.

Several of Myrtle Point's citizens went to Prosper on the Steamer Dora Sunday, Feb. 22, to witness the launching of the new Steamer Telegram.

Elder C. E. Crumley, C. J. Eddy and Miss Dora Panter left Friday morning for Bandon, where they took the Steamer Elizabeth for San Francisco Saturday morning.

W. R. Mavity was here from Bandon several days ago looking after some of his insurance business.

"The Joining of the Oceans."

The latest moving picture of the Panama Canal, showing the world's greatest engineering feat in a state of completion. This is the finest series of motion pictures ever taken and will be of interest to young and old. The great Culebra Cut, the mighty locks and all the important points from ocean to ocean are clearly shown in the pictures. This is the real feature—don't fail to see it at the Grand, Thursday, Feb. 26.

WIN 1; LOSE 1

FIRST H. S. TEAM LOSES TO RIVERTON; SECOND TEAM IS WINNER.

The Bandon High School basketball team went to Riverton Friday evening, where they lost the game with the Riverton High School team, the score being 13 to 30.

The Bandon boys give poor lights the blame for their poor showing, claiming they could hardly see the baskets.

The second team from Bandon fared better and won from Riverton's second team.

Curry Official Seriously Ill.

County Treasurer Frank Coughell was taken suddenly and seriously ill last Thursday morning with what proved to be appendicitis in its most violent form. Dr. Dunlap was called and stayed at his bedside almost continually until Sunday morning when the disease commenced to yield to the treatment. So serious was the case that preparations were made Sunday morning for an operation as last resort, but by the time the room was prepared for the operation, a decided change for the better came, and the operation was not performed. As soon as he recovers from this attack Frank will undergo an operation.—Gold Beach Globe.

Lost, Strayed or Stolen.

Grave fears are entertained here that one Moss Averill has either been lost, strayed away or stolen. The prevailing opinion here is that he has been stolen, as a report from Bandon says he was last seen on board a ship (probably a "lime-juicer.") The report did not say whether any of the fairer sex were connected with his disappearance or not.—Gold Beach Globe.

Herbert Lockhart of Marshfield was in Bandon on business Saturday.

WILL BUILD A NEW DOCK

Bids will be let within the next day or two by J. L. Kronenberg and Chris Rasmussen for a dock 100x380 feet, beginning at the corner of Chicago avenue and extending to deep water in the Coquille river. This

Hunt-Coolidge.

Mr. Charles Hunt and Miss Ida Coolidge were married Sunday evening at the home of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hunt, Rev. Jackson of Myrtle Point officiating. The bride is an accomplished young lady and has many friends here. The groom is an industrious young man and has been in the employ of the life saving service at Empire, but has been transferred to Tillamook, for which place the happy couple will leave on the next Breakwater. They take with them the best wishes and congratulations of a large circle of friends.

acquire about 160 acres of land.

According to the annual report of the Rogue River Fruit & Produce Association, which ships about one third of the total output of the valley, 359 carloads of fruit were shipped during 1913, 153 cars of pears, 205 cars of apples and one car of peaches. Prices for the crop were exceptionally good.

In Bandon, and will be a valuable addition to the city's wharfage. This property is right next to the city property, and this would be a good opportunity for the city to get busy and build a dock at the same time. will greatly increase the dock room