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CONTRACTS LET FOR WATER WORKS

Many Bidders Submit Prices

Local Foundry is Successful in Bids On Fittings. Redwood Pipe Favored Over Fir. Committee Report Adopted As Submitted. Other Business Transacted.

The Pacific Tank and Pipe company, United States Cast Iron Pipe & Foundry company, Rensselaer Valve company and the W. E. Rodgers Foundry company were the successful bidders for the pipe, hydrants and valves and fittings to be used in the construction work of improving the municipal water system. The contracts were awarded by the Council at adjourned meeting in the City Hall, Friday evening.

Bids were first opened at the regular meeting last Wednesday, but because of the technicality of the bids it was moved and passed that a committee be appointed to consider and report on the bids. The report of the committee, composed of Mayor Topping, and Councilmen Pape, Dippel, and Chaturrn and City Engineer Sawyer, was accepted and the bids let as they recommended almost without change, except for one or two revisions in the wording. After going into the problem at length in a special meeting held Friday afternoon the committee reported as follows: That the contract for the wood pipe to be used be let to the Pacific Tank and Pipe company, of San Francisco, for 48 feet of 6 inch and 1816 feet of 10 inch iron pipe to the United States Cast Iron Pipe & Foundry company, for valves and hydrants to the Rensselaer Valve company, of Seattle, Wash., and for cast iron collars and fittings to the Rogers Foundry, of this city.

There were a large number of bidders on all of the different articles for which the contracts were let and the work of figuring them all down to the same basis for comparison. In the matter of pipe it also had to be decided which of the several kinds were the most suitable for the use to which they are to be put. Bids were submitted on two kinds of wood pipe, fir and redwood. Upon investigation the committee decided that the latter would be the most suitable as experiments had shown that the fir pipe would not last as long as the wood with which it is wound, while the redwood will outlast the wirebinding by a short period of time. It was also stated that the redwood pipe is wound about 20 per cent closer than the fir. A local firm, Brown and Gibson, were bidders on the contract for wood pipe, but their proposition that the city forward the money necessary for the construction of a plant did not find favor with the committee.

"We desired to favor home industry if it were possible and that phase of the matter was thoroughly discussed," said Councilman Chaturrn. "Upon investigation however, we found that it would be hardly feasible to award the contract to the local bidders". Brown and Gibson's bid was about 450 dollars above the lowest bid on fir pipe.

It was pointed out that while on the surface the accepted bid for redwood pipe was about \$5000 higher than the bid submitted for fir, the real difference is only about \$1500, due to the fact that the redwood pipe is wound considerably closer than the fir.

The Mayor, City Recorder and City Engineer were authorized to enter into the contracts with the several successful bidders and arrange for suitable bonds.

Under the head of new business the Council took up the matter of hiring a caterpillar tractor for use with the big county grader in grading the streets that have become badly cut up during the winter. Marshall Holman was instructed to hire the tractor for five days at the rate of \$20 per day and do as much surfacing work as possible, beginning with Elmer street and taking the other streets in order of their importance. F. B. Perry made the suggestion that some of this work be done on Franklin Avenue as it might give property

owners along that street grounds for remonstrance against the contemplated permanent improvements if the street was put into passable condition. Another question to come up was that of allowing the "jitney" owners to park their cars along the main street, but no action was taken on the matter. It was recommended that the City Attorney draw up a letter to the Port Commission asking that rock be dumped along the river side of the beach walk where it is built on piling over the tide flats to protect the foundation from the action of the water during storms.

FORMER NORTH BEND SALOON KEEPER UP FOR BOOTLEGGING

When district Attorney Liljeqvist and several officers raided the supposed soft drink parlor of Chris Grohs in North Bend, Friday afternoon, they found what resembled the warehouse of a wholesale liquor house; cases of booze, kegs of booze, bottles of booze and even glasses with some booze left in them. More than one wagon was needed to carry the supply to the police station. Grohs has been suspected of bootlegging for the past two months but the complaint upon which Friday's raid was based was made by Mrs. Max Timmerman. The liquor was found in the soft drink parlor and apartments occupied by Grohs.

Mail Departure And Arrival Changed Today

Bay Cities Turn Out in Force to Greet First Train

The railroad is now open. Marshfield and North Bend turned out in full force to greet the first train over the Willamette-Pacific last Wednesday, despite the fact that through service has not yet been inaugurated and all passengers and freight have to be transferred across the Umpqua river at Reedsport. At North Bend all of the business houses closed and the high school band turned out to play the entrance march—entrance roll might be more proper. Many people from both of the bay cities made the first round trip to Reedsport and return and when the incoming train drew up at the foot of Central Avenue in Marshfield, the coaches were well filled.

Contrary to expectations the mail did not shift over to the railroad on the opening day, but by special arrangement the Portland papers were brought through to Marshfield the same day they were issued. The mail change was made yesterday morning and had the boat made connections with the train at Coquille last night, the mail which left the Valley points would have been in Bandon shortly after supper.

Hereafter, the mail will leave Bandon at 5:45 in the morning and will reach here 7:00 o'clock in the evening.

Passengers for Portland leaving here on the mail boat will make connections with the train in Coquille at 7:20 a. m. and will arrive in Portland about 10:30 that night. In order to reach Bandon on the same day they leave Portland passengers must catch the train leaving the city at 1:30 o'clock in the morning.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC AGENT SPEAKS HIGHLY OF BEACH

Willis H. Jenkins, traveling passenger agent for the Southern Pacific, was in Bandon Friday, getting acquainted with the country which his company is to serve in the future. Mr. Jenkins was one of the party of railroad officials who made the first trip over the new road.

"I am convinced that the coming of the railroad is to mean great things for Coos county," he said. "This is the first time I have been in this section for 12 years and I was surprised at the progress that has been made during that time. With rail connections with the outside, the growth of this county should be many times as rapid during the next few years as it has been during the past few.

Before leaving on the noon boat Mr. Jenkins spent several hours on the beach and was loud in his praise of the wonderful natural attractions we have. "The most beautiful beach on the Oregon coast," was his verdict.

PORTLAND BUSINESS MEN WISH TO VISIT BANDON ALSO

"Let Us Come Without Pads Or Pencils To Get Acquainted" Say Delegation To Railroad Celebration. Co-Operation With Bay Cities Urged

Thursday, Friday and Saturday are the days selected by the Coos Bay Chamber of Commerce for the big railroad celebration. The week will be either the last one of July or the first one of August, next.

The Salem Cherrians are now perfecting arrangements to come in an all Pullman Train of their own charter consisting of 6 or 8 cars with a diner. They will appear in uniform dress and bring a band. They have said you don't need to bother about entertainment, we will entertain ourselves.

The Portland Chamber of Commerce, is making arrangements for a special excursion train of its own, which will run separate and independent of the Cherrians. The Portland Journal from the very beginning has planned a Journal Train and it does not propose to have its plans merged with or swallowed up by the Portland Chamber of Commerce plans, so the Journal will run an all Pullman Train, separate from and independent of the other excursionists. The biggest attendance may be expected from Eugene. To use the words of some of their enthusiasts, they all figure on coming. Contemplate closing up their business, by general and common arrangement, and tack a big placard over the door with the inscription "Gone to Coos Bay" will return Monday.

The several excursion trains will to some extent, rival the Pendleton Round-Up excursions each September which in addition to rounding up all the wild horses in the country also rounds up about 20 special trains, and from twenty to fifty thousand people. The people of that city later found that they have incidentally rounded up and added to their bank deposits something over a quarter of a million dollars. This will not be a wild horses round up, but it will be the jolliest best natured great big, gigantic picnic affair ever pulled off west of the Mississippi river it will be a state affair. It will be the very middle of the beach season and no small per cent of Portland's fifty thousand who annually visit the beach will come on this trip for the novelty. Most every body will do anything once, and whether they will ever, ever, ever, come again or not, depends entirely upon first impressions, but they are all coming during the big excursion, there will be most likely three to five thousand visitors in the county during those three days, and at least three visiting brass bands.

Coos Bay is already making big preparations and all towns over there are co-operating. T. T. Bennett of Marshfield and L. J. Simpson of North Bend have recently visited Portland and San Francisco business men concerning the event and working it up. The big Portland dailies are giving the matter considerable attention.

Mr. Bennett was in Bandon last Friday and Saturday and took the matter up with C. R. Wade, President of the Bandon Commercial Club. He stated that it was the desire of the Portland business men to take in all that was to be seen, and they specifically mentioned that what ever (Continued on page two)

Jury Venire For Coming Session of Court is Out

Summons Being Served on Men who Will Act in Circuit Court Box

Deputy Sheriff W. C. Laird is dodging around the county in search of the 31 men whose names have been drawn as the ones who are to make up the grand jury and trial jury during the coming session of the Circuit Court, jurymen:

- From Marshfield—Oscar Gulovsen, A. E. Campbell, George A. Baines, Milo D. Sumner, J. H. Stadler, John Hillstrom.
- From North Bend—C. A. Nouner, W. G. Barnes.
- From Bandon—E. Lewis, J. W. Mast, Preston C. Stephenson, H. C. Dipple, John Dirkey, E. M. Kay and H. A. Guerin.
- From Myrtle Point—Ray B. Deament, Fred B. Garrett, C. H. Butler, William H. Wise.
- From Coquille—W. C. Rose, Nick Johnson, J. F. Beyers.
- From Rural—T. D. Land, John P. Hayes.

Bandon-Curry Road Third Census Shows

1700 Answers Sent in Out of 4000 Inquiries

County Roadmaster Murdock has completed his road census and the figures show that the county highway between Bandon and the Curry county line was third in the list of recommendations for improvement. About 4000 queries were sent out to owners of vehicles with the request that they name the road which, in their estimation should be improved. Out of 4000 cards sent out 1700 answers were received. The results in part follow: Marshfield to Coquille 262 Coquille to Myrtle Point 234 Bandon to County Line 230

- From Eastside—R. T. Witty, Charles J. Furbop and Frank Bowron.
- From Hauser—W. Hillis Short.
- From Tompleton—John Steinlecker.
- From Parkersburg—Thomas Deereaux.
- From Allegany—Alfred Rodine.

ANNOUNCEMENT

SOMEWHERE IN ONE OF THE ADVERTISEMENTS APPEARING IN THIS ISSUE IS A WORD THAT HAS BEEN PURPOSELY MIS-SPELLED. CAN YOU FIND IT? THE FIRST PERSON APPEARING AT THE REORDER OFFICE AFTER ONE O'CLOCK P. M. WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12, AND CORRECTLY POINTED OUT THE MISTAKE WILL RECEIVE ONE DOLLAR IN CASH. BE SURE TO BRING A COPY OF THE PAPER WITH YOU. MISS FAYE WOLFE WON THE DOLLAR LAST WEEK. MISS WOLFE WAS THE FIRST OF NEARLY 50 PEOPLE WHO BROUGHT A COPY OF THE PAPER TO THE OFFICE ON THE FIRST DAY AFTER IT WAS ISSUED. BESIDES THESE MANY USED THE TELEPHONE TO MAKE INQUIRIES.

Arthur must Still Submit to Guardian

Court Rules Coach Heir Cannot Be Own Financial Boss

Arthur Coach, who is said to have squandered \$48,000 since his father died, on dogs, automobiles, cafes, saloons, player pianos and various and sundry other articles, and whose remaining part of the late Colquhoun Coach estate was put in the care of a guardian appointed for him, must still submit to the guardianship. The Circuit Court has dismissed his plea to have his guardian discharged on the following grounds, thereby confirming the order of the County Court that the guardian be retained.

First: That Mary E. Cary was appointed and qualified as guardian of Arthur T. Coach, spendthrift.

Second: That Arthur T. Coach since September 1911 has received from his father's estate \$44,271.67. That during the same period that entire sum has been spent and dissipated by him, and in addition thereon he has incurred obligations amounting to \$4,000.

Third: That to preserve the remainder of the Arthur T. Coach estate it is necessary that he should be under guardianship and that his guardian should not be removed.

Bandon to Coquille 192 Sunset Bay to North Bend 128

That almost everyone traveling over the road from this city south is sufficiently interested to take the trouble to fill out the blanks and send them to the Roadmaster's office, is indicated by the number of recommendations made for the improvement of this road. On the Marshfield-Coquille road, where there is considerable more travel, only 34 more reports were sent in and on the road from Coquille to Myrtle Point the vote only exceeded the Bandon-Curry county vote by four. The sentiment throughout this section is that the coast road should be improved, but there seems to be a wide difference as to the methods which should be followed.

According to the reports of those who have been over the road during the past few days, it is better than at any time last summer and probably better than it will be at any time during the coming dry spell. The only bad spot between here and Langlois, the time honored mud hole near the Pressey mail box, is being planked from the old planking in the cut about 800 feet towards the mail box. This work will put the entire road in passable shape for the summer, but with the coming of the rainy season the same old conditions will prevail in the opinion of the auto men and teamsters.

It is hoped that should the road boards carry, that a proportionate amount of the money derived (figuring on the basis of the number of recommendations made for each of the roads in the county) will be spent on the road, grading and surfacing with Fluoria creek or other good gravel. It is

MACLEAY IS HERE ON WAY TO CURRY

Says Fishing Prospects Good

Head of Wedderburn Trading Company Make First Visit of Season to Rogue River. Supplies For Local Cannery to be Purchased in Oregon. May Develop Deep Sea Fishing.

Roderick MacLeay, head of the Wedderburn Trading company, which recently purchased the co-operative cannery here, passed through Bandon last week on his way to Wedderburn with a party of friends from Portland. They arrived in the city Friday night and continued down the coast Saturday morning. Mr. MacLeay will spend a couple of weeks getting the Rogue River plant in shape for the opening of the fishing season, April 15.

That deep sea fishing on a commercial scale may be a new branch of the company's industry in this part of the state, is the word brought by Mr. MacLeay. Experiments in deep sea fishing are to be made and it is hoped that a product similar to the fish flakes that are manufactured on the Atlantic coast can be made here. He is of the opinion that the ling cod would be suitable for canning and would be developed into a very popular dish. Such an industry would mean that the cannery would be operated the year around instead of just the few months while the salmon are running, as is now the case. The company's cold storage plant at Port Orford is to be used for sea fish during the coming summer with the idea of handling fresh fish.

Chas. Johnson has been appointed manager of the cannery here and will commence putting things in shape for the next canning season at once. He is the son of Geo. Johnson, who for many years has been in charge of the company's Rogue River plant.

Mr. Macleay announces that all of the supplies for the local cannery will be purchased in Oregon and as many of them as possible, right here in Bandon. Formerly most of the supplies were bought in San Francisco taking considerable money away from home. Company freight between here and the north will be taken care of by the Elmore line boats.

Speaking generally of the fishing and canning situation Mr. Macleay stated that he looked for a good season on the Rogue River. Although most of the big canneries along the coast have large supplies of first grade salmon left over from last years pack and the price for that grade is about 40 cents lower than last fall, the price for "seconds" is high and the demand is strong. This latter is due to the large war orders that are being placed for salmon.

Mr. Macleay will spend the coming summer attending to his cannery interests in this section and in Portland directing his campaign for representative from Multnomah county. His political plea is business men for a business administration.

FIFIELD SLIPS HER MOORINGS SUNDAY NIGHT

During the high tide of Sunday night the Fifield broke the moorings which held her up on the beach where she had been drawn and slid back into the surf, turning broadside. It was the rough surf rather than an extremely high tide which caused the ship to break loose. The work of getting her up on the beach for which about \$2500 was expended, is now of no avail and work of towing the ship out to sea will be greatly increased.

Judge John S. Coke spent Friday night in Bandon on his way to Gold Beach, where court is in session this week. The docket for this term is small and Judge Coke expects to return north the latter part of next week.

understand that Chas. Hall of the Good Roads Association, has prepared a map showing how the expenditures are to be proportional but none of these maps have yet made their appearance in Bandon.