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\$1.75 THE YEAR

JORDAN ITEMS

Earl Phillips is clerking for the Balsigers at Lyons.

E. J. Pepperling went to Lacombe Saturday to buy a farm.

George Wetting and wife of Salem are visiting the Barretts.

Mrs. Enders was called to Scio Sunday to nurse a pneumonia patient.

Joseph Rowin, who has been attending school at Mount Angel, is at home sick.

Thomas Phillips and family of Lebanon are spending the holidays with his parents, the Henry Phillips.

There is talk of the Jordan store suspending indefinitely unless some enterprising party gets busy and takes it over before the remaining stock is exhausted. A fine opportunity for the right party.

OREGON MIST.

Parent-Teachers to Meet.

The postponed meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association will be held Thursday evening, January 8. An interesting program has been prepared and the public is cordially invited to participate.

Annual Telephone Meeting

On Saturday, January 3, at 1 p. m., sharp, occurs the annual meeting of the Scio Mutual Telephone Company at the city hall in Scio. Let everybody interested in the welfare and satisfactory conduct of the telephone service in Scio and vicinity be present. J. L. CALAVAN, President.

Mrs. E. M. Mott of Salem, and daughter-in-law, Mrs. L. H. Mott of Fort Ward, Wash., whose husband, Captain Mott, U. S. medical corps, recently sailed for the Philippine Islands on detached duty, are visiting Dr. and Mrs. S. C. Browne. Mrs. E. M. Mott and Mrs. Browne are sisters.

NEW SCIO POWER PROJECT

Council's Recommendations and Engineer's Estimate of the Cost of Construction

For some time it has been fully realized that some radical changes in the electric light and water system would be required to provide power to operate the plant and give the patrons a first class service.

The services rendered have been very unsatisfactory to the patrons, due entirely to lack of power for operating purposes.

The contract for power with the Scio Milling Company is soon to expire, and it devolves upon the city to secure power from other sources or close down the light and water plant. With this in view, the City Council during the last six months has been making a thorough investigation of all kinds of power—steam, gasoline, crude oil engine, and water power. After considering all propositions, even to the sale of the plant to a private corporation, we submit the following facts for your consideration:

1st—The sale of the plant to a private corporation was taken up and investigated by a company, to transmit power to Scio, but was finally rejected as the expense did not justify the undertaking.

2d—In an effort to secure power from the Mountain States Power Company, the company would not undertake it for the same reasons as given in No. 1.

3d—Securing a contract with the Scio Milling Company for power was also rejected as they had no power to sell, and not sufficient to operate their own plant at times. The engineer's estimate of power developed at Scio by water was 32 horse power at low water stage, which made it impossible for the company to furnish power.

4th—Installing auxiliary power in Scio by steam, gasoline, or crude oil burning engines, was found entirely impossible on account of the high cost of operating expense compared to the limited income available in the city.

5th—The development by the City of Scio of water power on Thomas Creek of sufficient capacity to furnish first class service to all patrons at all seasons of the year. With this in view, a competent engineer, J. H. Cunningham of Portland, Or., was secured and a thorough survey made on the most promising place on Thomas Creek near Jordan. The report of the engineer shows that 326 theoretical horse power, or 208 actual horse power can be delivered at Scio at extreme low water.

Report of Engineer.

Power house at Wilson Park, development for 208 horse power or 155 k. w., with exception of generator, penstock and water wheel, using the present 50 k. w. generator:

HEAD WORKS.		
Rubble concrete dam, 86 yards at \$10		\$ 860.00
Head gate and operating mechanism		250.00
Cofferdam, pumping and excavating		500.00
		\$ 1,610.00
UPPER CANAL		
Excavating 960 yards at 65c		624.00
FLUME AND LOWER CANAL		
Clearing and grubbing		200.00
Clearing right of way, 40 feet		370.00
Flume, 4000 feet		10,400.00
Canal, 1000 feet		780.00
Highway crossing		50.00
		11,800.00
SURGE TANK		
Reinforced concrete		750.00
PENSTOCK		
Clearing right of way, 40 feet		46.00
Wood stave pipe, 500 feet		1,200.00
Anchorage		200.00
		1,446.00
POWER HOUSE		
Excavating 330 yards of rock		660.00
Frame building, 30x50		1,500.00
Machinery foundations		40.00
		2,200.00
HYDRAULIC MACHINERY		
Water wheel with case and draft tube		1,200.00
Governor belting		1,000.00
		2,200.00
ELECTRICAL MACHINERY		
Four stepdown and up, 6600 volts, transformers		2,000.00
TRANSMISSION LINES		
Single circuit, three phase, No. 6 copper wire		6,104.00
Contingencies, engineering and superintendent		4,310.00
Interest during construction, 6 months		1,153.00
Cost of land and water rights		4,230.00
Total		\$38,427.00

This is the plan the engineer recommends as a permanent power for the city, furnishing 208 h. p. at lowest stage of water in Thomas creek.

Scio Light and Power Plant—Estimated cost of operation and income:	
Interest on \$40,000	\$2400.00
City superintendent at Scio	1350.00
Power house superintendent	1350.00
Assistant	1200.00
Incidentals and repairs	200.00
Total	\$6500.00

INCOME	
Revenue from Scio to Jordan, as signed for	\$1500
City of Scio, present income	3000
City of Scio, power for manufacturing purposes	750
City of Scio, day use of electricity	700
Street lights and water	1050
Total	\$7000

The light and water item is placed at one-half the price charged by private corporations for the service; the cost to the city under private ownership would be not less than \$2000.

The above income can be materially increased by extension of the system. The extra revenue, with prospects of a greater development, would provide for a sinking fund for the bonds.

On the proposed route of the power plant forty individuals have signed for and agreed to take light and power. These same individuals have signed and agreed to pay to the city the sum of \$527 as a bonus or donation toward building the line proposed.

Thirteen patrons in Scio have signed for and agreed to take power of about 72 h. p. for manufacturing purposes.

In submitting this proposition to the citizens of Scio the Council has gone into details in all matters pertaining to power for the city. Competent engineers and attorneys have been employed, to the end that there would be no mistakes. The plan as outlined is the only practical one left to the city for a permanent power station.

Water power, when developed, is the cheapest power available, and Scio is fortunate that within eight miles she can secure all the power needed. It will require from six to twelve months to complete the project and should be undertaken as rapidly as possible, as materials for this line of work are advancing in price all the time.

Engineer's plans, specifications and complete reports can be seen at the Recorder's or Mayor's office.

In due time an election will be called for your final consideration as to whether you want lights and water, or go back to coal oil lamps and candles.

Councilmen—E. C. Peery, F. T. Thayer, Henry Stepanek, Roy Shelton, W. J. Chromy, John Wesely, John Sticha.

A. G. Prill Mayor; O. B. Cyrus, Recorder.

POWER PLANT ON THOMAS CREEK

The following persons have contracted for and subscribed for electric light and power along the proposed power plant from Scio to Jordan:

Early Phillips	Z. J. Clarke
J. W. Frost	N. Enders
A. W. Arbuckle	G. C. Westenhouse
O. Eichinger	Bert Hollis
J. B. Couey	Ed Fleming
Tony Rosprofsky	W. M. Rhoda
A. & J. B. Fleming	V. W. Arnold
A. L. Arnold	John Shimaneck
J. H. Wortman	Jos. R. Rorer
H. E. Burmester	W. E. Burton
J. A. Burton	C. C. Burmester
M. Bilyeu	G. M. Wert
G. T. Cree	Henry Phillips
E. G. Balsiger	J. W. Shimaneck
Joseph Patry	John Stellmacher
Rev. Bonaface	Floyd Shelton
V. E. Shelton	Haman Shelton
J. S. Hannah	C. Schneider
D. H. Hildreth	Wm. Gorger

This makes a showing of 40 patrons on the line. It is estimated that each patron will use on an average of \$3 per month for light and power, a total of \$1440 per year. In addition to the above, the patrons have subscribed the sum of \$527 as a bonus and donation to the city to help build the line.

For Sale—A bunch of pure bred Duroc pigs; one registered Holstein bull; for prices and pedigree write H. S. Nolan, Lacombe. 20 2t

Scio Improvements.

While Scio has not anything like a boom or has made progress about which one can boast, she has made quite a step forward during the 12 months just closed.

The condensery has spent quite a bit of money during the year in the way of new machinery, a new, neat and commodious office building, the whole costing several thousands of dollars. The monthly pay roll of this concern for labor and milk is in the neighborhood of \$35,000 taking the average for the year.

The Scio Logging & Lumber Co. extended the lumber flume to town during the year at heavy cost, and we understand will enlarge the capacity of the sawmill. The planers, resaws or cutup saws are being established at this end of the flume from whence the finished lumber is hauled by truck to West Scio for shipment. The monthly pay roll of this concern must be considerable as 30 or more men are employed.

The Wesely picture house (Peoples Theatre) had a new front constructed during the past summer at a cost of over \$800, and the placing of new seats for the occupancy of the audience.

Mrs. Sarah Morris and John Sims have each constructed new residences during the year.

George Bino last Monday evening met with a painful accident in which both of his hands were badly burned. While lighting a gasoline lamp near the stove, the gas caught fire and the lamp exploded in his hands. He was brought to town and Dr. Browne dressed his injuries. At last report Bino was doing as well as could be expected.

At The Peoples Theatre

On Saturday and Sunday evenings of this week Mrs. Wesely presents Wallace Reid in "Alias Mike Moran." The inimitable Fatty Arbuckle will furnish the comedy.

Kant Leek

Hot Water Bottles

And other rubber goods

C. A. EVERETT

Druggist and Stationer
SCIO, OREGON.
THE REXALL STORE

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