

ENGINEERS OFF MONDAY TO FOREST

W. E. Herring and B. F. Heidel Leave Tomorrow for Crater National Forest, Where They Will Go Over Selected Route of Crater Lake Highway and Prepare Plans.

WILL CALL FOR BIDS SOON FOR ROAD-BUILDING

Engineer Heidel Will Also Prepare Estimates for Contracts for That Section of Road to Be Built by Popular Subscription.

W. E. Herring, district engineer of the forestry Bureau, and B. F. Heidel, highway engineer, office of public roads, department of agriculture, leave Medford Monday for the Crater Lake highway and prepare plans and estimates for bids to be called for within a month for construction of the highway within the limits of the forest reserve.

At the same time Engineer Heidel will prepare estimates for contracts for that section of the highway adjoining the reserve to be built by public subscription, so that both contracts may be let at the same time. The forestry bureau will spend \$5000 before July 1 in bettering the highway in the reserve. Seventeen miles of the highway extend through the reserve, before the national park boundary is reached. Within the park the department of the interior will have charge of the construction. The fifty miles between the reserve and the Southern Pacific railway must be built by public subscription and Jackson county.

The route the road will traverse will not be decided upon until Engineer Heidel completes his estimates. Preliminary estimates made last year will be revised to meet the changed conditions.

Mr. Heidel plans that the highway will vary in width according to the nature of the country traversed. Sharp curves will be rounded with an extra wide roadbed so that there will be no danger of collisions. The distance between gutters will average 24 to 36 feet. At all points the road will be wide enough for teams to pass each other. Materials used for roadbed will vary with the character of the country, where the necessary macadam will vary in thickness from four or five inches of rolled crushed rock up, according to soil conditions. Some soils, like pumice, require special treatment, and in some no macadam is needed.

POLICE SAY BANDITS ARE MESSENGER BOYS

LOS ANGELES, Cal., April 9.—The police today are working on the theory that the masked bandits who shot and killed Officers David Brooks shortly after midnight were messenger boys. Further than stating that persons who saw the thugs declared them to be mere youths, the officers refuse to tell upon what they base their belief.

Brooks was shot down by the holdup men in South Grand avenue, a fashionable residence section of the city. When he showed fight the shot that ended his life was fired. Brooks lived with his wife and three little sons within half a block of where the shooting occurred. The wife and children were waiting for Brooks to come from his rounds and rushed to the street when they heard the shots. A heartrending scene followed Mrs. Brooks' recognition of her dying husband, around whom a crowd had hastily gathered. The men who shot Brooks are thought to be the pair who held up the Vernon saloon in Grand avenue half an hour previous to the shooting. Persons who were in the saloon furnished the police with a fair description of the men. The face of one robber was covered by a white handkerchief.

Fate of La Fean Bill Up Soon

House Committee to Vote on Whether to Report It or Not Next Wednesday—May Table It.

WASHINGTON, April 9.—The house committee on agriculture will take up the Lafean apple-box bill next Wednesday, and a vote will be taken to determine whether it shall be reported or tabled.

The motion to table the bill was made by Representative Howell, but as several members were absent the chairman decided to postpone action until next week. It is believed a majority of the committee will vote to table the bill, which will mean that it cannot be considered this session or next.

1100 One Week's List of Dead

Ten Thousand Turkish Troops Mobilized on Albanian Borderland—Much Fighting in Mountains.

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 9.—Ten thousand Turkish troops are being mobilized on the Albanian borderland to go to the aid of the harassed forces that are fighting the Albanian insurrectionists.

Several warships were ordered today to proceed to the Albanian coast and bombard the towns which have proved rebellious. A careful estimate of the week's fighting is that 500 are dead on the Turkish side and 600 rebels dead. The number of wounded exceeds the dead.

Monopolies Are Alone To Blame

So Says Attorney General Wickersham in Discussing Present High Cost of Living.

CHICAGO, Ill., April 9.—The remedy for the high cost of living is to check the growth of illegal monopolies and combinations and prevent practices tending to increase the cost of food, declared Attorney-General Wickersham here today. To do this, he said, we must indict the persons responsible and ask the dissolution of the combinations.

Guard Shoots To End Fight

Prisoners at Walla Walla Engage in Combat and Guard Shoots Both in Order to Put End to Scrap.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., April 9.—Firing when two convicts would not stop fighting at his command, Fred Staff, a guard at the state penitentiary, this afternoon shot and seriously wounded Jack Johnson, colored, and James Casey, a white prisoner. The men were working in the jute mill and became engaged in an altercation and then went to blows. Casey, who is more than six feet tall and weighs over 200 pounds, seized a big wooden spool and hit Johnson over the head. Staff saw him and ordered that the fighting be stopped. Neither paid any attention and he fired, breaking the leg of Casey above his knee. Casey fell to the floor, where he writhed in agony, while Johnson, grabbing up the spool he dropped, in turn used it for a club. Staff again fired and Johnson fell, shot through the hips, but not fatally hurt.

FINE DEPOT IS PLAN OF P. & E.

Will Be Situated on East Side of Bear Creek, Between Main and Jackson Streets, and Will Be a Handsome Edifice—Will Be Erected in Near Future.

NEARLY ENTIRE RIGHT OF WAY SECURED; SUIT STARTED

Roundhouses and Yards Will Be Located at Junction—Is Probable Site of Central Station of New Electric Road.

The Pacific & Eastern Railroad company plans to soon start work on the erection of a handsome depot between Main and Jackson streets, just east of Bear creek. It is probable that near this depot will be established the central station of the new electric line.

All of the right of way for the road has been secured, with the exception of one tract where the owners were unreasonable and suit has been instituted in the circuit court to condemn a right of way through this tract.

The car barns and roundhouses of the company are to be located at the junction, but the terminal of the road will be across Bear creek from the new station.

The company plans to erect a handsome building and it is probable that the central station of the electric road will be situated on this tract.

Pacific & Eastern traffic is increasing by leaps and bounds and a better train service is promised when the road is completed, in June, to Rutte Falls.

MAY BUILD COLLIER AT MARE ISLAND NAVY-YARD

VALLEJO, Cal., April 9.—The government collier Jupiter, for the construction of which congress appropriated a million dollars a year ago, may yet be built at the Mare Island navy-yard.

Today a telegram was received by the Vallejo chamber of commerce from Congressman G. R. Knowland at Washington. It read:

"The attempt to give the contract to build the collier to a private yard by a paragraph in the naval bill was stricken out by a point of order made me. The house voted that all future contracts with private yards shall be made under an eight-hour day. This places navy yards on greater equality with private yards."

When the bill appropriating the money to construct the Jupiter was passed it was stipulated that the vessel was to be built at the Mare Island navy yard.

OKLAHOMA OFFICIALS FIGHT: RESIGNATION TENDERED

GUTHRIE, Okla., April 9.—Following a clash between Governor C. N. Haskell and Adjutant-General Canton of the Oklahoma National Guard, which nearly resulted in a personal encounter last night, General Canton today tendered his resignation.

Haskell has not announced whether he will accept the resignation, but it is believed that he will.

General Canton's resignation was tendered at the advice of friends, who in this way hope to prevent any further differences between the chief executive and the commander of the guard.

The quarrel which resulted in last night's clash was over a political matter. Friends of the governor and General Canton separated them.

HAD 16 SONS IN CIVIL WAR, IS LIVING AT AGE OF 102

MOONSVILLE, W. Va., April 9.—Still living in Moonsville at the age of 102 is Mrs. Sarah Brandon, who holds the United States record as the mother of the largest number of civil war soldiers. No less than 16 of her boys served in the battles of that war, 14 on the Union side and two with the Confederates.

T. R. To Be Chief Insurgent of All? Such Is Opinion in Washington



PINCHOT WILL MEET WITH TEDDY ON MONDAY

Politicians Believe That Roosevelt Will Make Declarations on His Return to United States, Which Will Place Him on Record as the "Greatest Insurgent of Them All"

POINTED OUT THAT HE IS FOE OF ALDRICHISM

Republican Party May Split If the Colonel Sides Against Administration—Politicians Are All Agog Over Situation.

Tomorrow Colonel Roosevelt is to meet Gifford Pinchot, ex-forester, and at that time there will ensue one of the most interesting meetings from a political standpoint which has occurred in many months. It is unlikely however that any intimation of its result will be given to the world, at the present time at least. The meeting is one which was requested by Colonel Roosevelt. Without doubt the Ballinger controversy will be thrashed out and later Colonel Roosevelt is expected to give his views.

MACADAM ROAD TO COUNTY SEAT

County Court Orders 14-Foot Roadway of Crushed Rock, Rolled, Between Medford and Jacksonville—Work Starts at Once.

The county court has ordered that a 14-foot macadam road be constructed between Medford and Jacksonville, and that the work start at once. The foundation of the road is to be of coarse crushed rock, rolled and the top dressing of finer rock well dampened and solidly rolled.

There was considerable discussion as to the width of the road, Judge Neil wishing to make it wider, but it was thought that the road would cause too great an expense. The court also decided to build a bridge across Bear creek at Phoenix and have asked for plans and specifications from the Columbia Bridge company, which company constructed the Woodville bridge. The plans will be considered at the May term and bids advertised for thereafter.

In the matter of a change of the road in Sardine creek district petitioned for by a number of citizens it was found that the petitions were irregular and while the court was satisfied that the road should be ordered it could not do so under the circumstances. As a consequence it will be June before the road can be ordered.

The following plats of tracts and additions were approved: Midway tract, near Talent; Rose Park addition to Medford; West Walnut Park addition to Medford; Palm's Second addition to Medford; Donegan Orchard tract; Hall View addition to

Peru Makes Up Mind To Fight

Starts Negotiations With France to Secure Loan of \$1,652,400 So War Can Be Waged on Ecuador.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 9.—That Peru is determined to go to war with Ecuador was indicated further today when the state department here received notification from Charge d'Affaires Cresson at Lima that the Peruvian government is negotiating for a loan of \$1,652,400 in France.

The dispatches from Guayaquil express regret over the attack of mobs of Peruvians. The danger of war remains unchanged, however. From information received at Lima from officials along the border, it has been established that the Ecuadorians have dispatched troops for the boundary presumably to prevent the Peruvian troops now marching toward the line from invading Ecuador in the event that war is declared. A large force is encamped at Lorja, according to information from Lima.

FUNERAL OF MRS. MARTIN HELD THIS AFTERNOON

The funeral of Mrs. Mamie Martin, who died at the Southern Oregon hospital Friday morning, will be held this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The services will be at the South Methodist church, corner of Main street and Oakdale avenue.

Mrs. Martin was 19 years of age and leaves a husband and babe 17 months old.

HISTORY OF ROAD TOLD IN COURT

Interesting Data Concerning Medford & Crater Lake Railroad Comes Out at Hearing of Claims of A. A. Davis and Others.

Interesting data concerning the organization of the Medford & Crater Lake railroad was brought out in the circuit court Friday and Saturday in the suit brought by A. A. Davis against Receiver J. F. Roddy to compel payment of Davis' claim of \$19,400 and interest for money loaned the railroad during its initial construction. The plaintiff, Attorney Holbrook Withington and others gave testimony.

Vouchers for \$19,400 were submitted by Mr. Davis, who stated that the money was advanced by him while president of the road and expended in construction work in 1905. The claim with interest now exceeds \$23,000. The receiver claims that the money should be regarded as payment on the stock held by Davis and not paid for, or for an assessment levied against stockholders which, though shown by the minutes, was never paid.

The history of the road, as brought out by examination of the witnesses, shows that the promoters put in but little money and paid nothing for their stock, but that after \$260,000 in stock had been taken by them, \$27,000 worth of stock was subscribed and paid for by the people of Medford. The records of the company show that on January 21, 1905, the directors levied an assessment of 100 per cent, payable March 10, 1905. There is no record of its having been paid. A resolution was passed authorizing the directors to pay \$260,000 cash to the organizers for promotion work. The case was continued until after the Josephine county term of court, when more evidence will be submitted and arguments made. Colvig & Durham represent Mr. Davis and A. E. Reames and Franklin T. Griffith of Portland the receiver.