

PACIFIC HIGHWAY THROUGH OREGON

Commercial Club Asked to Participate in Movement by Sending Delegates to Meet Those of All Other towns Along the Route.

The Medford Commercial club, along with other Commercial clubs and county courts from Portland to Astoria has been invited to send delegates to the Pacific Highway meeting, which has been called for 1 o'clock Friday, March 3, in the convention hall of the Commercial club. Because they are taking great interest in the plan of building a feeder highway between Portland and the sea, commercial interests of St. Helens and Astoria were invited to send representatives. The county judges of the counties between Portland and the sea were also invited.

It is designed that the Pacific Highway movement in Oregon and Washington shall promote the building of an interstate bridge between Vancouver and the point on the Oregon bank of the Columbia river. To place the necessity of such a bridge squarely before the authorities of both Multnomah and Clark counties, the county courts and commissioners have been invited to come to the meeting and discuss ways and means and feasibility.

Judge J. T. Ronald, president of the Pacific Highway association, is expected from Seattle to tell what has been done in actual construction in Washington and British Columbia.

THE POWER OF A MILLION HORSES

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a gorge of Rogue river between Table Rock and a shoulder of the Coast mountains at the lower end of Rogue river valley. The bed and the shores of the river at this point are solid rock, and on this everlasting foundation the dam, which is of concrete, rock and steel, was built. The dam raises the water of the river to a height of 20 feet, and develops 10,000 horse power. About one-half this power is being used, this being generated by huge steel turbines and taken up by a battery of dynamos. The main transmission lines are aluminum, with 8 inch insulators.

The main line of this plant carries 20,000 volts. When the wire was first strung, six-inch insulators were placed, but these were found to be too light. Aluminum being lighter than copper allows the wires to be strung tighter, and there is less sagging and less danger of being torn down by heavy winds. Though the lines lead through mountainous sections, and through densely timbered regions, no trouble or delay from broken wires has occurred, a wide right of way having first been cleared. Only a few "line-walkers" are required to patrol the entire system, and telephone lines and stations put every part of the route in close touch with the central plant.

Besides the generating of electricity for power distribution, the Rogue is also being used, and will undoubtedly be more generally used, to supply power pressure for hydraulic mining. The Golden Drift Mining company, which has an immense dam and plant near Grants Pass, has demonstrated that hydraulic mining can be done on a mammoth scale by pumping or forced power. This is overcome the embarrassment of long seasons of idleness through the summer months, waiting for rains and water enough to supply a "pipe-head."

In the construction of the Golden Drift dam over 4,000,000 feet of timbers and lumber was used, and 3,000,000 tons of rock was filled into the monster crib. The fall of the water over the crest of the dam is 20 feet, and this develops 6000 horsepower. At present four turbines are operated, developing 1200 horsepower. The monster pump, which is the heart of the plant, is of the five-step centrifugal type. Its weight is 35 tons and its tested maximum pressure is 250 pounds. Its capacity is 13,000,000 gallons per 24 hours, or 9000 gallons per minute. This tremendous volume of water is delivered through 1500 feet of 22 inch steel pipe, and is lifted to a height of 170 feet before dropping into the diggers and forking to the eleven-inch giant pipes. With this system from two to four giants can be operated day and night the entire season.

As previously hinted, there is a long stretch of the Rogue between Grants Pass and the sea, a stretch of 55 miles, but little known to man. It is almost as wild and uninhabited now as it was when the red man ruled supreme in the Oregon country—a

APPLES BRING HIGHER PRICES

Liverpool and New York Markets Bullish in Tone—Spitzenberg Bring as High as \$3—Stocks in Cold Storage Decreasing.

Sogbel & Day issue the following under date of New York, February 18: The English markets as per cables received now stand as follows:

Liverpool—L. Connolly & Co. cables: Newtowns—California—4 tiers, 8-6; Newtowns—California—4½ tiers, 7-6 to 7-9; Newtowns—Washington, 7-6 to 9; London—M. Isaacs & Sons cables: Newtowns—Watsonville—4 tiers, 8-3 to 9.

We are glad to see the Liverpool market higher than our last report and are surprised that London has not advanced owing to the moderate shipments from here the past two weeks. The shipments this week are approximately 23,000 boxes.

On Thursday one car of Watsonville red apples auctioned here, Langfords and Ben Davis \$1.65, Black Twigs and White Pearmain \$1.60. This was a car of rather ordinary fruit. For next Monday two cars of assorted California apples are advertised for auction.

At private sale since our last report many cars have been sold but the market is a little stronger, glad to say. A car of Wenatchee Spitzenbergs sold \$2.25 to \$2.50, Hood River Spitz \$2.25 to \$2.75, possibly a few at \$3.00, and various other red apples at all sorts of prices from \$1.50 to \$2.25.

The stocks in cold storage are decreasing, market on barrel apples continues to advance, best Baldwins now \$5.50 and we shall undoubtedly see a stronger market here on box apples so that we think it quite safe in urging your shipping if you have the stock.

Weather through the week has been disagreeable and not favorable for the heavy consumption from stands and wagons through the streets.

wilderness of mountain forests, grassy plateaus, crags and peaks. The United States government through the medium of the forest service is now building a trail along the river through this territory, to reach the heart of the forest reserve. The trail will be public, and will lead to the settlement and use of much of the region that is now uninhabited. Through this region the waters of the Rogue are confined very largely to deep, narrow and tortuous canyons. At one point the rock walled banks tower nearly 2000 feet above the river, and the waters are confined to a channel but 20 feet in width. The one man who made the remarkable journey by boat through this gorge said that from down there on the black waters the sky is but a long strip of blue far aloft, and but little sunlight filters through, even at noonday. Up till 10 o'clock the stars are visible.

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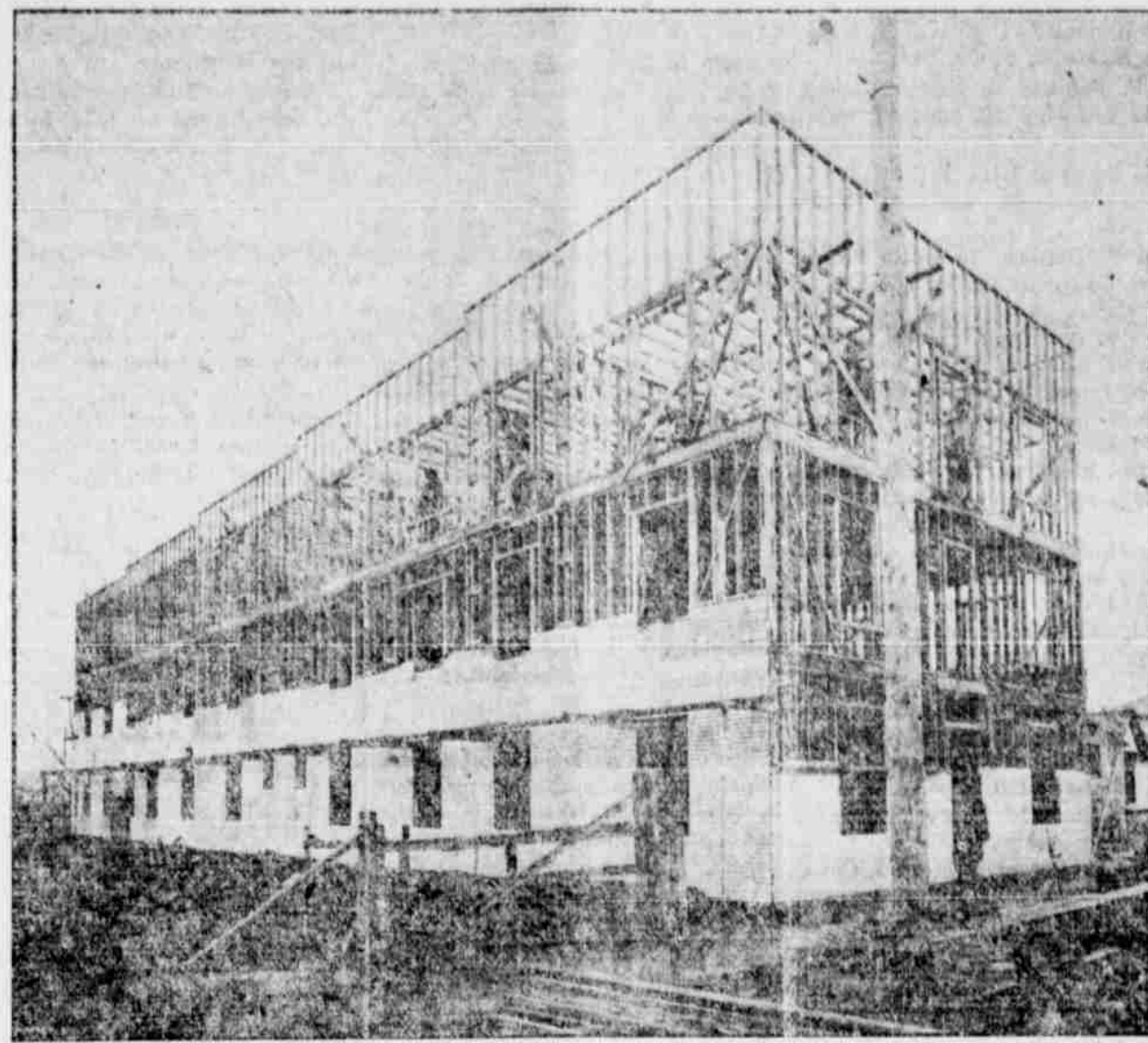
The bonds will be dated at the date of delivery and mature 20 years thereafter, but will be subject to redemption by said school district 10 years after date of bond.

A certified check of \$1000 shall accompany bid in favor of school district No. 22, Talent Jackson county, Oregon, shall accompany each bid, which check will be forfeited to said school district No. 22 as liquidated damages in case the bidder fails to take and pay for the bonds at the price stipulated in the bid.

The successful bidder must furnish the blank bonds.

The directors of district No. 22 reserve the right to reject any and all bids.

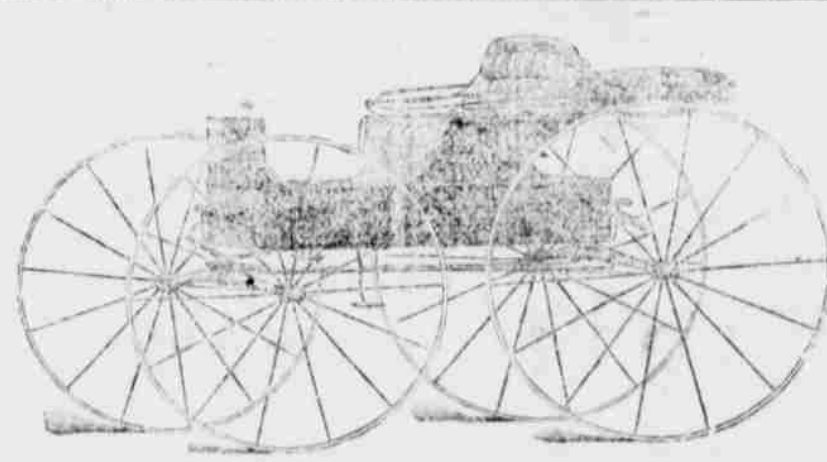
All bids should be addressed to the clerk of school district No. 22, Talent, Jackson county, Oregon, and marked proposals for school bids. C. W. SHERMAN, Clerk of School District No. 22, Jackson County, Oregon. 291



A South Riverside Apartment House

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