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ROAD PETITION IS ALLOWED

LATERALS MADE PART OF THE LOOP

Highway Commission, However, Says Hood River County Must Pay Construction Costs

Capt. Geo. R. Wilbur, spokesman for the Chamber of Commerce, is hearing before the State Highway Commission in Portland last Thursday, when a delegation of some 35 local men met the body and appealed to it to have three short stub laterals of the Mount Hood loop highway included as a part of the state highway system, says the decision of the commission, awarding the appeal on the contingency that this county will stand the expense of constructing the laterals, was nevertheless gratifying to local citizens.

"While we asked the state to join us on a 50-50 basis in building the short laterals, which in the aggregate will not reach a mile and a half, we will not reach a mile and a half, we will place these connecting laterals on the state highway map. The Mount Hood Loop up through the Hood River valley is a great market thoroughfare for the orchardist but it is more than that. It is a scenic road. The laterals will enable motor tourists to penetrate the orchard section and reach many points of absorbing scenic interest. We of the valley will profit by this. It will enable us to get a distribution of the motor tourists after their arrival. They will not stream straight through. They will get out and see the points that we wish them to see."

The impression was left in Portland newspaper reports of the hearing, Mr. Wilbur said, that Hood River folk failed to thank the commission. "This was an error," he declared. "On behalf of the Chamber of Commerce, I expressed my appreciation to the body, following the announcement of their decision. I stated that I believed the people of the valley would accept their verdict gratefully."

The following Hood River men were present for the hearing of the commission:

H. L. Hasbrouck, F. H. Blackman, Alling Fletcher, Kent Shoemaker and John Baker, county court; Geo. R. Wilbur, Wm. P. Allyn, Leroy Childs, Leslie Butler, E. O. Blanchard, A. L. Peters and J. D. Thomson, Chamber of Commerce; Geo. Palmeter, A. L. Mason, Ed Hawkes, M. D. Odell, B. Forden, F. H. Batten, Geo. Galligan, O. L. Walker, S. G. Oxborrow, W. T. Forrey, Ed Dresser, A. A. Mohr, Thos. Leacy, J. D. Saults, W. C. Smullen, H. N. Goodenow, E. Borenstein, Robt. Frey and Ang. Guignard, the grange.

In a penitential mood the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Company, through C. E. Hickman, division commercial superintendent, appeared before the State Highway Commission and expressed its deep regret over the vandalism of its employes in destroying timber along the Columbia River highway between Bonneville and Cascade Locks.

The company, said Mr. Hickman, was willing to make amends and it was suggested that some arrangement might be reached whereby the denuded state park on the point overlooking the river just west of Cascade Locks might be converted into a park or beautified in some way as partial compensation for the damage done.

In way of extension, he explained that the company had secured a permit from the railroad company to clear the telephone company's right of way and that it was thought that the park in question was on railroad land. After the damage had been done the record was looked up and it was found that the state had purchased the land from the railroad company.

The telephone company, he said, was willing to do what was possible to straighten out the matter and regretted the devastation along the highway, while it did not admit error.

His non-admission of error was later modified when he assented to the statement of Commissioner Van Duzer that the company was where it had no business to be.

It was impossible, said Hickman, to restore the trees but he thought something in the way of parking places, comfort stations or other useful accessories might be put in their place.

Chairman Doby appointed Commissioner Van Duzer and Engineer Klein to confer with the telephone people with a view of reporting back to the commission some concrete plan of compensation.

Just before the appearance of the telephone hearing, the commission passed a resolution commending the public spirit of the Shevlin-Hixon company, of Bend, for surrendering timber along the Dalles-California highway in Deschutes county that it might be preserved standing.

Mr. McDonald refers to the following homes built by him last year:

A. L. Anderson, 1802 Sherman. Simpson Copple, 16th and Montello. Roger Moo, 6th and Sherman. A. D. Moo, 12th and State. Mrs. Ruth Wilson, 12th and State.

THIRTEENTH CHAIR A REMARKABLE PLAY

"The Thirteenth Chair," mystery play to be presented Friday evening at the Rialto theatre by the Business and Professional Women's club of the Dalles, under the auspices of the local Rebekah lodge, promises to be one of the best evening entertainments offered to Hood River people this year. The play is classed with "The Bat" and the "Cat and Canary" as the three best mystery plays produced in recent years.

The woman's lead in the play is taken by Mrs. Virgil Anderson, who has had a number of years training in dramatics, and who was a member of a stock company, the Eddy Players, of Spokane, following her graduation from Willamette University where she majored in the dramatic art. She was also with the Cheney Lyceum circuit as a member of casts for their productions, and as a director of performance.

Mrs. Anderson's work on the stage was done under her maiden name of Martha Malbury. She specializes in Irish character parts for which she is specially fitted by reason of her Irish ancestry. In "The Thirteenth Chair," she takes the part of an Irish spirit-alistic medium whose aid is sought to solve the mystery surrounding the death of Spencer Lee, a member of an exclusive society set.

Miss Eunice Bolton promises to be very successful in her portrayal of the "catty" member of the social group who monopolizes the conversation in order to show her supposed cleverness. She antagonizes the Irish woman, and the tilt between these two furnish opportunity for clever lines and characterizations.

Owing to the mystery nature of the play, not a dull moment is experienced from the first curtain to the end of the play.

Edward Wales, played by Irvin N. Wiley, is a friend of the dead man, and has employed every means to learn who murdered Spencer Lee by thrusting a knife into his back. At last he calls in Rosalie La Grange, who appears in the home of Roscoe Crosby, played by Klindt Nielsen, at the time when a society group is gathered for a dinner. The social set is the one to which Spencer Lee belonged, and it is thought that one of the party is the murderer.

Suspicion is thrown on practically every person present, from the members of the Crosby family to the most suave of the guests, and the final solution of the mystery is dramatic and unexpected.

The play is being directed by Miss Teresa Cox, of The Dalles high school faculty. The complete cast in the order of their appearance on the stage follows:

Helen O'Neil, secretary to Mrs. Crosby; Miss Myrtle Byers Will Crosby, son of the host; H. W. Brown Mrs. Roscoe Crosby, the hostess; Mrs. Edith Anderson Roscoe Crosby, the host; Klindt Nielsen Edward Wales, friend of Spencer Lee; Irvin N. Wiley Mary Eastwood, society belle; Miss Eunice Bolton Mrs. Helen Trent, Crosby's daughter; Miss Ruth Barry Elizabeth Erskine, guest of Crosby; Mrs. Irene Barlett Grace Standish, a guest; Miss Geraldine Peters Howard Standish, a guest; Veri Sewell Philip Mason, a guest; Harry Wickman Braddish Trent, a guest; Henry Wilbur Delock C. E. Hays Rosalie LaGrange Irish spirit-alistic; Mrs. Virgil Anderson Tim Donahue, a policeman; Virgil Anderson Sergeant Dunne; D. Bolton

MOSIER WANTS A HERD LAW

HOOD RIVER COOPERATIVE WANTED

Fruit Growers Association in Annual Meeting Last Week Endorsed Cooperative Moves

At the annual meeting of the Mosier Fruitgrowers' Association Friday, when all of the old directors and officers were re-elected, plans for securing a herd law for the fruit district formed one of the chief topics of discussion. A decision of the supreme court last year declared invalid an initiative law adopted by the Mosier fruit growers several years ago.

"Our growers," declared R. D. Chatfield, manager of the Mosier association, feel that some immediate action should be taken to bring about an effective herd law for our district. We border on a vast grazing area, and much of our orchards are unprotected. We would like to have our directors meet soon with the growers of the Hood River valley and over the proposed plans with District Attorney Baker, of Hood River county, and District Attorney Galloway, of Wasco county."

Orchardists of this valley, whose places border the grazing areas on the edges of the fruit section are also eager to secure the adoption of an enforceable herd law, and it is anticipated that a meeting will be held at an early date.

The officers of the Mosier Fruitgrowers' Association are: Dr. C. A. Macrum, president; Lee Evans, vice president; J. M. Carroll, secretary; and Mosier Valley Bank, treasurer. Other directors are J. P. Ross and C. A. McCargar. Mr. Chatfield has been manager of the cooperative organization for 14 years.

The Mosier growers expressed themselves as unanimously in favor of the proposed federation of mid-Columbia sales units, in order to gain an orderly control of the Newtown and Spitznberg apple tonnage of the Northwest. The growers also went on record as endorsing the proposed inter-district sales machine, proposed for the entire Northwest.

AGRICULTURAL CONFERENCE APPROACHES

False prophecy of the groundhog came true for the farmers of an agricultural conference of this county, as was revealed Monday by Leroy Childs.

The local conference, which will be conducted along lines of conference already held in Long, Jackson, Josephine and Deschutes counties, will be an outgrowth of the state economic conference held at the Oregon Agricultural College early in February. L. E. Childs, who with a number of other citizens, represented the county then, when asked to suggest a tentative date for Hood River suggested early March. He said he anticipated that weather conditions by that time would not be so advanced as to have orchardists busy in their fields. The fear was expressed that growers would be too busy to attend.

Indeed, D. L. Pierson arranged that big crowds would be assured, in case the meeting days were rainy. It was finally, however, on motion of C. H. Caster, D. L. Pierson seconding, voted to hold the conference, March 17 and 18 were the dates set.

H. L. Ballard, supervisor of county agents and representative of the Oregon Agricultural College extension service, was present, telling of the scope of the Corvallis conference. He cited that the surveys presented at the conference showed that Oregon, except for sugar, pork and corn, had become an exporting state with regard to farm products. He declared that Oregon, formerly a purchaser of imported eggs, now imported dairy products. He showed how the survey presented at Corvallis showed the need of slowing down on certain products while others could be expanded. He said that the extension department would send a representative here to aid in securing data and in developing local problems that need solution.

Mr. Childs, who with Gordon G. Brown was named to head the committee to arrange for the Hood River conference, said the Corvallis meeting was of great importance. Mr. Childs said that the 1919 freeze here, originally considered a disaster, might prove in the end to be beneficial, in that it will cause the orchardists to diversify far more than they otherwise would have done.

Mr. Brown, who is chairman of the Chamber of Commerce agricultural committee, declared that problems here should be confronted with all candor. The single cropping system, he said, has proven untenable. Mr. Brown said he thought that apples would always be the predominant industry here. Pears, he named as second place. Cherries, strawberries and raspberries were cited as leading fruits for small fruit diversification. Mr. Brown said he thought at least 2,000 acres of land here could be profitably utilized in dairying, which, he said, should be expanded for general prosperity.

Leslie Butler, who was at the Corvallis meeting and it was akin to a big school for the 600 delegates; that all returned home having learned something of the other fellows' problems and some ideas that would aid him in solving his own.

G. A. Palmeter, too, a delegate at Corvallis, said he considered the problems facing growers as pertaining to marketing rather than production. He cited the dairy business and urged that dairymen be given protection through a defeat of the referendum that has been directed at the oleomargarine bill. He declared that Oregon would have a home market for her dairy products, if the sale and manufacture of oleomargarines were prohibited.

Twenty men were present at the luncheon meeting held at the Hotel Oregon to hear Mr. Ballard.

FLOWER PICKING ON HIGHWAY IS TABU

Signs were posted last week along Mount Hood Loop road forbidding motorists to pick, dig or otherwise appropriate the shrubbery within 300 feet of the highway. The forest service is responsible. A forest ranger will patrol the road inside the national forest to see that the regulation is carried out.

T. H. Sherrard said that during the recent bright weather many motorists returned to Portland from the vicinity of Twin Bridges with carloads of rhododendrons. The new regulation is directed toward the preservation of the rhododendron plants along the highway.

BERT RILEY SUCCEEDS GLEN SLOAT

Bert Riley, son of Capt. Riley, formerly of the Portland police force, assumed the duties of city night marshal Saturday night. Mr. Riley was appointed by the city council to succeed Glen Sloat, who became a deputy sheriff, assuming duties at once in the office of Sheriff Johnson. Mr. Sloat will devote a part of his time to traffic work.

Season is Early

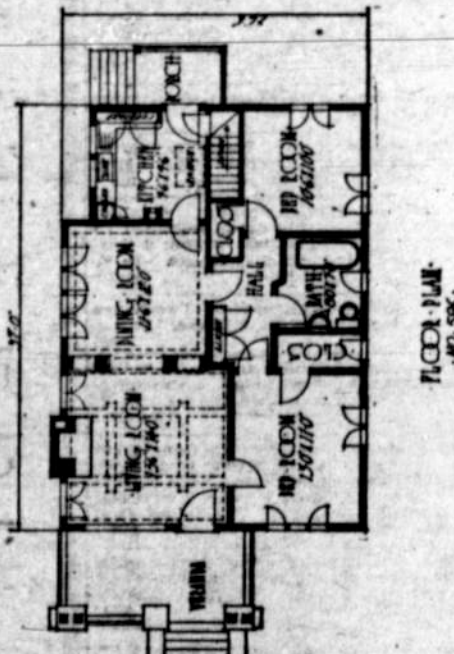
The ground hog proved a false prophet for the mid-Columbia, and the season here is two weeks advanced over last year. Scores of citizens Sunday spent the afternoon preparing early garden tracts. Others by the scores visited the Oak Grove golf links of the Hood River Country Club. Many motored to the east over the Columbia River highway, seeking wild flowers which are blooming in profusion.

C. O. Huelat picked from his lawn Sunday a large bouquet of violets.

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