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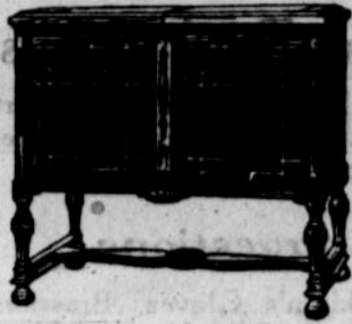
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NEW BRIDGE IS NOW OPEN

CELEBRATION DREW A BIG CROWD

Saturday Hood River, White Salmon and Underwood Folk Began Era of New Acquaintanceship

With a simple and brief ceremony the Hood River-White Salmon Interstate bridge across the Columbia river was thrown open to traffic at 10 a. m. Saturday. The last spike in the viaduct, the total length of which is 4,246 feet, was driven by Leslie Butler.

"This is not a mere bridge," said Mr. Butler, before he welded the sledge and sank the iron spike to its head. "It is a monument to the spirit of cooperation among the people of Hood River county, Oregon, and those of Klickitat and Skamania counties, Washington; a spirit of cooperation that made possible the construction of the interstate span."

E. O. Blancher, member of the board of trustees of the bridge, had charge of the program on behalf of the Hood River Chamber of Commerce. This body took the lead in generating a sentiment favorable to the bridge here summer before last, and this sentiment, although mid-Columbia apple growers had sold their 1922 crop at a loss, resulted in a \$15,000 over-subscription of an allotment of \$75,000 in preferred stock to the mid-Columbia committee.

Following the driving of the last spike Mayor Perigo of Hood River, stopped and the news laid back and grasped the hand of Ira J. Hyde, mayor of White Salmon. When the mayors had extended greetings, County Judge Hasbrouck gave a brief speech, recalling the doubt that existed in the minds of many when the bridge project was first suggested. He cited the spans as a refutation of the spirit of pessimism in the mid-Columbia. He paid a tribute to the vision of the engineers, E. M. Chandler and Harry Gray, who first announced the feasibility. Originally it was decided to christen the new interstate span the Waukoma bridge, the aboriginal name for Hood River, meaning a place of big timber.

Judge Hasbrouck expressed an appreciation to the officials of the bridge company for agreeing to change the name to Hood River-White Salmon Interstate bridge, thus bringing beneficial publicity to the two towns most immediately affected by the opening of the span.

Engineer Chandler was presented on the chair of honor, and gathered on the floor of which sits nearly 100 feet above the Columbia's surface. The crowd was about equally divided between Oregon and Washington citizens, the former on the south side and the latter pressing forward from the north side of the space cleared for the opening celebration. Mr. Chandler paid a tribute to C. N. McDonald, veteran northwestern construction man, who superintended construction of the project for the Gilpin Construction Co., of which he is vice president. The crowd gave the veteran bridge man, who has been engaged on major bridge work through the Northwest and in Alaska since 1887, an ovation.

Mr. Blancher then presented J. A. McEachern, president of the construction company, who declared that his task was being bridged not talking "I do, however," said Mr. McEachern, "want to pay my respects to these boys who built the bridge." And in a gesture he took in a coterie of men, bigger than any of the assembled laymen and who had ascended steel stringers for vantage point of view. "I want you to know that much credit must go to these men, who aided Mr. McDonald and Alvin Larson, his lieutenant, for the successful completion of the span."

Mr. Blancher read a telegram of congratulations from the following officials of the O. W. R. & N. Co.: J. P. O'Brien, A. S. Edmonds, William McMurray and J. H. Fredrick. "You people of Hood River and White Salmon are making history today. You are winning the plaudits of the people of the two states."

This completed the brief ceremony and immediately the peoples of the (Continued on page seven)

C. N. McDONALD HAS BUILT MANY BRIDGES

With the opening of the bridge across the Columbia between Hood River and White Salmon, another undertaking has been brought to completion by C. N. McDonald, veteran bridge builder and construction man of the northwest.

"Charlie" McDonald, as he is familiarly known in construction circles, is responsible more than any other man for the successful construction of this big structure for he was the man on the job who had to fight the elements every day during the construction of this bridge and the credit is due him for its successful completion. He has been identified with bridge construction work in the northwest for the past 37 years. He came to Portland in 1887 and secured employment on the old Alsworth dock, which was at that time being built.

Among the numerous projects Mr. McDonald has been connected with was the construction of the John Day bridge in 1887 and 1888 on what was then the O. R. & N. Company's line. This was a 300-foot iron bridge and was the first of its kind to be erected in this part of the country. In 1897 and 1898 he was in charge of construction of steel bridges on the Astoria & Columbia River Railway between Portland and Astoria. During 1901 and 1902 he was superintendent of construction on steel bridges and arch culverts on the Northern Pacific Railway between Portland and Kalama, the most important of these bridges being the one over the Lewis river. In 1906 the Wells-Fargo building was built in Portland and he superintended the erection. Five steel

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Another Meeting Called for December 19 To Hear the Economic Conference Reports

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LOTTE FLINT WINS HOME LIGHT CONTEST

The lighting educational committee, consisting of Mrs. A. G. Lewis, chairman, Walter Colby, Treasurer, Butler, L. B. Gibson and Joe D. Thomson, has finished grading the essays submitted by the boys and girls of Hood River and has announced the following prize winners:

Girls—1st, Lottie Flint, 21 E. State street; 2nd, Wilma Murphy, 1629 Cascade ave. 3rd, Lucille Tomlinson, Belmont ave.

Boys—1st, Ray Henry Steubling, 922 Eighth street; 2nd, Harold James Ford, R. F. D. No. 3; 3rd, Richard DeBridge, Box 157.

Honorable mention—Georgia Eleanor Forden, R. F. D. 3, Box 57; Margaret Ann Smithson, 806 Twelfth avenue; George Palmer, 1723 Sherman avenue; Dorothy Anderson, 1802 West Sherman ave.

The first prize in each case consists of merchandise to the value of \$25. Second prize, merchandise to the value of \$15. Third prize, merchandise to the value of \$10. The merchandise to be purchased from some Hood River store at the option of the winners.

The essays show that a great deal of thought had been given to the lighting of the home at the present time, and the means whereby it could be greatly improved.

The prizes were donated by Max Moore, Apple City Electric Shop and the Pacific Power & Light Company.

POULTRY SHOW AT OLD U. B. CHURCH

The old United Brethren church, which has not been used for the past 10 years for religious purposes, will be the scene December 19 and 20 of the second annual Hood River County Poultry show. The pews of the auditorium will be removed and display cages of the valley's finest fowls will be placed there.

The old church, recently purchased by Albert Krieg, a local contractor, will be remodeled immediately and turned into an apartment house.

Edward Thornton, arranging for entries to the show, urges that all valley folk who wish to make displays get in touch with him at once by dropping a postal card or telephoning No. 2622.

All birds must be numbered and banded this year. Entry fees are as follows: Pews of five, four hens and a rooster, \$1; individual birds, 25 cents each. Nobody in Hood River county will be barred. A handsome premium list is being prepared by the merchants and business folk of Hood River.

The silver sweepstakes trophy cup, which was won last year by E. F. Batten, will again be competed for this year.

Miss Anna Spring GIVES BRIDGE STOCK

E. O. Blancher Saturday announced a gift of 10 shares of the Hood River-White Salmon Interstate bridge stock by Miss Anna M. Spring to the Hood River community hospital fund. Two years ago Miss Spring donated an East Side 8-acre orchard place as a nucleus for a community hospital. The property was sold for \$4,500. Miss Spring, who owns another orchard place in the valley and a home at Point Loma, Calif., made Mr. Blancher trustee of the fund, which now, exclusive of the bridge stock, has reached an approximate \$5,000.

Chas. F. Duffy, traveling passenger agent for the Northern Pacific Co., was here last week calling on friends and distributing calendars.

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FOSTER TELLS OF LAND SETTLEMENT

Arthur Foster, field representative of the department of land settlement of Portland Chamber of Commerce, was chief speaker at the Chamber of Commerce meeting at the city hall Monday evening. Mr. Foster told of the work of the department in securing settlers for the state. The past year 600 families have been secured for Oregon, of which 100 have settled on the land. The greatest success, he said, had come from the settlement of logged off land in Columbia county, where former farmers of the dry country are building up new homes in a land where they can make a living and progress with their little farms.

Mr. Foster spent the past summer at the Portland Automobile camp, greeting incoming tourists. He is a great exponent of proper greeting to tourists at auto camps, declaring that an auto camp may be made the greatest asset or the greatest liability of a city.

The first six weeks of greeting at the auto camp, Mr. Foster said, found 90 per cent of the tourists from California. They are in many instances middle westerners who had spent the winter in the south. They had left imprinted at the country. The next crop came from Idaho, Montana and Alberta, he said. They had worked their crops and were out to look around. They were not folk of money and were eager to settle here only if they could exchange their places in other sections.

The next influx of tourists came from the middle west, Kansas, and as far east as Indiana, he said. These always thought in terms of corn production.

The last influx, Mr. Foster said, came from California and they were the best. They had come to the realization, he said, that they can no longer make a go on land that sells for \$1,000 to \$3,000 per acre. The lower cost of Oregon lands appeal to them. He said they were especially interested in walnut and almond raising. He stated that several were thinking of buying land in Hood River.

Mr. Foster said that a system by which the land settlement department had secured a correct appraisal and listing of lands in various counties was working out successfully in liberating prospective settlers.

He stated that gateway offices of his department will be established at Ontario and Ashland next year. He urged the local chamber to provide these offices with plenty of literature on the valley.

Leslie Butler reported Monday night that a committee composed of L. R. Wheeler, Geo. W. Joseph and T. H. Sherrard had been appointed to interview Homer A. Rogers over the valuation of Cloud Cap Inn. Mr. Rogers, it was stated, is asking \$100,000 for the property.

A meeting of the Old Oregon Trail Association will be held in Portland at the Green room of the Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Butler and Ed Baker will attend. All others of the local chamber in Portland today are asked to be present.

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