

Hood River Glacier

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These reports have been expressed over publicity given the past several days to the matter of the proposed road, which will within the next year at least, maybe sooner, be constructed, to connect the new interstate bridge over the Columbia river with the existing road system of the state and county and the city. It is true that the Hood River public interpreted erroneously a statement carried in Portland newspapers to the effect that the State Highway Commission had decided to place such a road on the Oregon highway map. The misunderstanding came when the citizens of city and valley coupled the news item with the interpretation placed on it by County Judge Hasbrouck. The latter, apparently, last Saturday considered that the highway commissioner's action had definitely located the bridge road over the route that would have carried it from the present terminus of the Loop road across an O-W, R. & N. viaduct and thence by a high trestle to the bridge. It may incidentally be stated that such a route would take the bridge road by a service station operated by Judge Hasbrouck at a point where the Loop Highway, as supposedly extended, would cross the Columbia River Highway.

We believe no regrets should be expressed or felt over the publicity the matter of the bridge road location has gained. We believe the public was due some of the circumstances surrounding this bridge road matter; that the time had come for frankness and for placing facts in cold type. It is true that some definite action should have been taken on the bridge road matter long ago. We are fully convinced that the bridge road would long ago have been selected and probably already built but for the obscurity and determination of one man, Judge Hasbrouck, to have the road located on the overhead crossing.

The people found out, before they were asked to vote on the diversion of the surplus Loop Highway road bonds, that Judge Hasbrouck had secured a location for a service station on this route. This fact doomed the bond issue in advance. In fact, the route sponsored by Judge Hasbrouck has never had a chance. Even though the route were the most economical and feasible, which it is not, that service station, sticking up there like a sore thumb, would in all probability shift sentiment toward some other location. We are not dealing in ethics of county officials now, which is a matter all by itself and should have special mention some time. We are simply digging out the cold facts.

Now that the storm has broken, without material damage, except to the hopes of Judge Hasbrouck, and the atmosphere has cleared, we believe that the matter of selecting a route for the bridge road will progress with astonishing smoothness. Indeed, all factions of Hood River valley last winter made a unanimous recommendation in the matter. There may be a better way to the bridge than following closely the old road. We do not believe there is any that is more economical or practical. Seventy-five per cent of the bridge traffic is either leaving or proceeding to Hood River, and this end of the road should be as close to the city as possible.

Hood River folk have directed no censure at the State Highway Commission. And it appears that the two county commissioners have endeavored to act in accordance with the wishes of the people. The moves that have been made up to date in the matter of the bridge road have smacked too much of Judge Hasbrouck's personal views and interests. If any criticism could attach to the commissioners it would spring from their lack of vigilance and failure to discern this. Such vigilance is a matter of protection to themselves. It will prevent them from assuming official responsibilities that they have not reaped.

PORTLAND COPES AND HOOD RIVER GUIDES

We will not accuse Chief Jenkins of swiping the thunder of the Hood River Guides. His recent address to the members of the Portland police force, instructing them to inform themselves on Portland industry and points of interest, and the fact that our local booster organization had already started its members on a similar task, was an interesting coincidence. We wish to congratulate Chief Jenkins on his instructions to his policemen.

We heard a man several years ago, telling about his first visit to San Francisco. He crossed from Oakland to the ferry building early in the morning. As he was en route south, he asked a policeman how to get to Third and Townsend station. That policeman had probably been reared in San Francisco. He knew the way about and he thought all the world ought to know. Indeed, the answer was so simple to the policeman that he proceeded to "haul out" the visitor as an ignoramus. Portland policeman can learn a lot about Portland that they do not already know. They should be able to answer correctly and courteously the thousands of questions that motor visitors are going to ask them this summer.

And here in Hood River the men who wear guide badges are going to

study until they know all there is to know about Hood River valley and Mount Hood, and as a result motor tourists are going to find Hood River a pleasant place to visit.

FOREST WEEK

Forest Week should mean as much to Hood River valley folk as Apple Week in the late fall. Were our watered woodlands destroyed we might lose our orchards. Even though sufficient water remained to irrigate the fruit tracts, our homeland would be far less appealing, surrounded by a wilderness waste. We should protect our forests from purely material, selfish motives as well as from the aesthetic viewpoint that is developed in everyone who loves nature.

We cannot combat the elements and prevent those fires started by the lightning darts of Jove, but we can train ourselves into careful men, women and children when we enter the forests bent on recreation. Many disastrous fires are started annually through man's carelessness. Stay out of the forests unless you will practice the rules laid down by the United States and Oregon forest services.

DO YOUR PART

The Paint Up and Clean Up campaign, about which Hood River folk have talked since the first of the year, has been launched in earnest. Everyone can participate in this campaign. Nothing so marks a city and gives so favorable an impression to visitors as well painted business houses and residences. But the movement should not stop with mere painting. Sometimes, too, a householder is unable to repaint a resident. But everyone can help in the clean up campaign.

A few vines, rose bushes and flowering annuals can make beautiful the most humble cot. They can turn it into more of a real home. Flowers will stimulate your pride. They will tend to more wholesome living. The local spirit has caught the drift of the campaign when he announces this week, "Say it with flowers."

Let everyone in Hood River do his bit, and there will be new home pride in the town this summer, and maybe we will attract some new residents.

Let us make a suggestion for Paint Up and Clean Up campaign. Do not discourage some householder who is endeavoring to reseed some corner grass plot or establish a flower bed at some point that is a neighborhood path by trampling down his efforts. Be careful and courteous and respect your neighbor's desire to make beautiful some bare spot. This is a bit of advice that school children might do well to heed.

Southern Oregon strawberries have arrived in Portland. They are the heralds to foretell the coming of the king, his majesty Clark Seedling from Hood River.

The truth will out. The Germans have elected Von Hindenburg. The mask is lifted.

INDIANS REFUSE A TRIBAL PHOTOGRAPH

Tribal prejudice against photography was the cause of a near riot Thursday in the tribal council tent at the convention and convalesce at the Rock Creek Indian settlement in Klickitat county, 15 miles east of Goldendale.

The trouble started after a flashlight picture had been taken of the interior of the tribal council tent by a photographer who went to the camp with Robert Ballou, press representative of Goldendale.

The newspaper man and camera man were quickly surrounded by an angry crowd of Indians who objected to pictures being taken of tribal regalia and costumes in the sacred precincts of the tribal council tent.

Chief William Yallup commanded silence and after a few minutes' parley in the Indian dialect Ballou was informed by Thomas K. Yallup, educated Indian and son of the chief acting as interpreter, that while his father was sorry, as he had previously granted permission for the taking of the picture, that the objections made under tribal law were so strong that the picture must not leave the tent.

Ballou, who is a personal friend of the chief and conversant with Indian laws and customs, ordered the photographer to destroy the plate and the camera man complied. Order in the camp was then restored.

Attempts afterward to get the objecting Indians to withdraw their protests were of no avail. However, outside views of the camp were permitted.

In talking about the matter afterward, Ballou, who knows many of the Indians well, said: "Outside of my knowledge of Indian laws and customs I knew from the looks on the faces of the angry bucks who dashed into the tent that it was up to me to comply with the mandate of the chief or the camera man would lose a very valuable camera."

About 800 Indians attended the gathering this year. Indian tribes represented, who came from other reservations in the Northwest, were: Wasco, Burns, Applegate, Umatilla, Pendleton, Oreg., Colville, Spokane, Wash.; Coeur d'Alene, of Spokane; Warm Springs, Minnansho, Yakima, Toppenish, White Swan, Wapato, Parker, Satus Creek, all on the Yakima Indian reservation. Most of the outside Indians came by automobile.

Traffic Association News

The Hood River Traffic Association, composed of all local fruit shipping organizations, adopted a resolution which was carried by a vote of 10-2 to include all fruit shipping agencies of mid-Columbia Oregon and Washington points.

The traffic body designated A. F. R. Steele to attend a meeting of Northwesters' fruit growers at Olympia next week, when the proposed plan of changing the entire rate structure of the nation's rail lines will be discussed.

Slashing Fire Alarm

A huge volume of smoke arising from Underwood mountain just opposite here yesterday led local folk to believe a serious forest fire was raging. The Hicks sawmill in the vicinity which was called by telephone reported that slanting of a large logged area was being burned. The fire, it was reported, was under control.

The column of smoke was blown for eight miles up the Columbia gorge, and led to inquiries from up river neighborhoods.

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The Paris Fair - New This Week - Special Misses' and Children's Hose 15c - Special Men's Corduroy Pants the pair \$2.75 - Special Shoes for Boys \$2.48 - Boys' Scout Shoes \$1.79

Notice to Watkins Patrons - I wish to notify my customers that I have removed to 407 1/2 Street. New phone number, 2094. V. A. BOWER, The Watkins Man.

FOR RENT - Four other rooms facing Second street in the Eliot building. E. A. FRANZ CO.

FOR SALE - Rhode Island Red eggs for hatching. For Sale - 7 weeks old pig. W. Winchell, phone 484.

20th Century - It's true the 20th Century's economical method of distribution enables you to save. Yes! Not only on these specials, but what's more, it's the saving on every item in a 20th CENTURY STORE that counts—every day in the week.

Offerings Saturday and Monday May 2nd and 4th, 1925 - CRISCO ROYAL WHITE SOAP Standard Sliced Pineapple - KERR'S BEST PATENT FLOUR - FISHER'S SCRATCH FEED WESSON OIL Carnation or Federal Milk - MINCED CLAMS - CARNATION WHEAT FLAKES NORWEGIAN SARDINES KARO SYRUP - CITRUS POWDER - SHRIMP - LUX ROYAL GARDEN TEA - 20TH CENTURY COFFEE - CROWN JIFFY OATS LIBERTY BROOMS - FRUIT AND VEGETABLE SPECIALS