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BUS TO FURNISH HOURLY SERVICE WITH LOW FARES

Machine With Capacity of 20 Passengers to Operate Between Locks and Bonneville.

Interurban bus service between Herman creek and Bonneville became a reality Thursday when Wallace Almack put his new 20-passenger machine on the run up and down the highway.

Business men in Cascade Locks and people living on the highway and employes at the dam have been anxious for bus service since early spring, and there is every indication that the new line will receive whole hearted support.

It has been generally understood that the service would extend from Penn's Tavern to Warrendale, but the public service commission's permit only allows the bus to operate to the dam and does not let it run on down the highway to serve people living west of Bonneville.

The bus will operate on an hourly schedule—10 cents fare between Cascade Locks and the dam. Last bus to leave Locks at midnight, but extra runs on special occasions. Mr. Almack said the first schedules are subject to change and that application would be made to extend the service west beyond Bonneville.

Pre-School Clinic.

A pre-school clinic for children who will be starting to school this year for the first time will be held next Monday morning in the grade school building. Dr. E. H. Berger of Cascade Locks and Dr. Wells, government physician at Bonneville dam, and who also lives in Cascade Locks, will examine the youngsters. The clinic will start at 10 a. m. There will be no charge and the school authorities are urging all parents to take their children for an examination. A dental clinic will be held late in September, after school gets well under way.

Traffic Increases.

Traffic through Cascade Locks was a third heavier in August than in July, according to the traffic count taken by "Doc" Carns of the highway department.

The count totaled 1882 Oregon passenger cars and 749 out-of-state passenger cars in a single day, from 6 a. m. to 10 p. m. The July count stood: Oregon cars 1169; foreign cars, 558.

REBEKAH LODGE WILL DANCE AT MERRILL'S

The Rebekah lodge, I. O. O. F., will hold a benefit dance at Merrill's pavilion on Saturday night, September 1. The lodge suffered quite a loss in the late fire and hopes through the dance to put itself in position to carry on its affairs. The dance is open to the public and the ladies are anxious that as many people as possible attend and thereby make the evening a most pleasant one for everybody.

STANDARD OIL OPENS ITS WHOLESALE PLANT

Foreshadowing what is believed to be a development of some importance in Cascade Locks, the Standard Oil company has reopened its wholesale plant down by the railroad station.

The plant was closed eight years ago and since then the tank has stood empty. During the eight years the company has made its wholesale deliveries on both sides of the river in this district from the Stevenson plant.

Officials of the company said when here that considerable prosperity was in prospect for Cascade Locks. This has given rise to a report that the Standard expects to open a first-class service station.

Seattle People Given Contract

A contract for feeding the employes of the Columbia Construction company has been awarded to the National Commissary company of Seattle.

F. J. MacDonell, general manager of the Seattle firm, has been in Bonneville getting things in shape to take over the task of feeding the men when the camp is formally opened. His firm will have charge of the dining room and kitchen in the large central building which is now going up on the property to be occupied by the camp at the mouth of Tanner creek.

The contract provides for feeding 800 men, but it is improbable that the maximum number will be reached for some time—probably not before spring.

Foundation About Complete.

Workmen employed in pouring concrete for the foundation of the new \$15,000 Bonneville public school are making rapid progress and indications are that work will be commenced next week on the superstructure.

Army engineers are pushing the work forward in a feverish effort to complete the building at the earliest possible date in order that school may start sometime in next month.

Due to considerable amount of detail work which must be done, no attempt has been made to fix a date when the building will be finished and ready for the pupils.

Capt. Charles Nelson found time to stop over Wednesday for a brief visit with his family while the steamer Cascade was passing through the locks. Captain Nelson has been running on the river again for the past month. The Cascade is making three round trips a week to The Dalles. It carried a cargo of wheat down the river Wednesday.

The report is current that the government proposes to resume work of blasting rocks out of the river channel opposite the locks, starting September 1. However, no official word has come through as yet. The work was suspended in June after the water became too high to permit of continuing the work.

LABER TO SELL TOWN LOTS IN LOCKS AT \$100

New Policy Governing Sale of Town Property Expected to Stimulate Building of Homes.

J. B. Laber, largest property owner in Cascade Locks and chief factor in fixing the value of property in the Bonneville Dam area, announced this week that he would throw residential lots on the market at \$100 each.

The announcement has attracted wide attention and given rise to a belief that real estate will become active in the district and bring about the construction of many homes.

First subdivision to go on the market lies just off the highway, fronting on the river, below the high school, east of the Stewart tract. It is being placed on the market under the name of Lakeview Acres. There are only a few lots in the tract and several of these are reported to have been disposed of in advance of the public announcement.

A second subdivision will be laid out just west of the state highway garage, William Keeler, residential agent for the Laber organization, announced yesterday. This tract contains more than 40 acres and is wooded.

Other residential property over town is to be placed on sale at \$100 per lot just as fast as the demand warrants, Keeler said.

Feeling is current that the new policy governing land values will encourage Portland people and people from the Willamette valley to invest in Cascade Locks property, both as an investment and for the purpose of erecting their own summer cottages.

Workmen Build Lookout.

Men working under direction of army engineers have built quite a sizeable platform on the bluff overlooking the reservation, where visitors to the dam may watch the operations going on at the dam site. The lookout is located just below the Samuel C. Lancaster cabin. Guards report that an average of 1000 people visit the spot every Sunday.

CHURCH SERVICES

Community M. E. Church

Cascade Locks

Rev. Lewis F. Smith, Pastor.

Sunday School 10 a. m.

Public Worship 11 a. m.

Evening Service 7:30 p. m.

Prayer Meeting Wednesday Evening.

Community Center - Chapel

Bonneville.

Rev. S. D. Trefren, Pastor.

Sunday School 10 a. m.

Preaching 11 a. m.

Young Peoples' Meeting 7 p. m.

Public invited to all services.

G. N. Heggard is building another residence on his property immediately up the hill back of the Lakeview market. He proposes to build three or four other cottages on the property just as rapidly as he can get around to them.

DON FRANCIS OPENS NEW BUSINESS HOUSE

Don Francis, former manager of the local drug store, has opened a used furniture and second-hand store on Main street, next door to the Texaco garage. He is putting in quite a stock of dishes, kitchen utensils, hardware and other articles just now in demand in the Bonneville Dam area.

The new store, to be known as the Cascade Bargain House, will fill a need that has existed ever since work got underway on the dam, and should save any number of people the trouble and expense of running down to Portland.

Liveliest demand to date is used kitchen stoves.

Union Pacific To Close Depot

The Union Pacific notified the Chamber of Commerce at the regular weekly noonday luncheon last Wednesday that it proposes to close the railroad station at the end of this week. The reason for closing was attributed to lack of business.

The station was opened nearly three months ago, but the railroad did not go after business in an aggressive manner and the public was not generally aware that Cascade Locks had an agent.

At the chamber meeting it was decided to protest the closing. This may lead to a protest being filed with the public service commissioner at Salem. After the station is closed it will be necessary for the public to depend entirely on the station at Bonneville, and the road leading to that station has been closed by the war department.

In the absence of President A. W. Meyer, Dr. E. H. Berger, vice-president of the chamber, presided at the luncheon, which was held at Erick Erickson's. Next week's meeting will be held at the Bridge of the Gods hotel.

Well Is a Success.

Water has been found on the reservation at Bonneville at a depth of 127 feet in the well being drilled for the purpose of providing the 20 homes at the dam with water for domestic purposes.

The water has raised 50 feet in the well, but the engineers are not satisfied with the strata of rock where the water was encountered and drilling will be continued until gravel is found.

Sewers About Finished.

Work of laying sewers in the residential area of the dam is just about completed. Workmen are now employed in trenching and laying pipe for the main which will empty into the river.

Laying of water mains has not yet been started but will be soon, now that the ground on which the houses stand has been brought up to grade.

Mr. and Mrs. Silver Perras are home from a vacation trip to Victoria, B. C. They drove north to the British Columbia capital last week with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Fleming and returned on the boat as far as Seattle.

WORK ON DAM DEEP SEA LOCKS IN PROGRESS

Contractors Working Crews Night and Day in Four 8-Hour Shifts, Seven Days Week.

Actual construction work was started Tuesday on the \$1,200,000 sea lock at Bonneville which means an increased force of workmen at Bonneville totalling 300 men by the end of September.

Under the setup advocated by President Roosevelt when he visited Bonneville August 3, later recommended by Colonel Thomas N. Robins, United States army engineer in charge of the power and navigation project, approved by the secretary of the war department, drainage and excavation operations were put under way last Tuesday.

Orders to start work came from Washington, D. C., to holders of a joint contract for the masonry work on the lock and power house superstructure. Orders to proceed with the work were received on Friday of last week, according to information given out at the office of Major Charles F. Williams, United States district engineer.

In compliance with the war order, the army engineers here are forwarding to the chief engineers at Washington, D. C., estimates covering the additional work and quantities of materials required in enlarging the original estimate for the barge lock to a sea lock. The estimates will be utilized in the modification of the existing contract of the General Construction company and the J. F. Shea company.

The initial work of enlarging the barge locks will comprise deepening the present excavation another 11 feet. Drilling for this has been started as well as the drilling of the basic rock walls for anchor bars which will hold the concrete in place. Additional excavation required consists of extending the gap already made through the rock on the site of the old Union Pacific railroad cut 150 feet eastward, or upstream, into the channel of Bradford slough. The extension will make the lock

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WAR VETERANS TO GIVE PUBLIC DANCE

Dam Site Post No. 3051, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will hold a public dance at the Bridge of the Gods hotel on Wednesday night, August 29, preparatory to closing their charter.

The post now has a membership of 70 and meets weekly at the Community house in Bonneville. After September 1 the charter will be closed and veterans who join after that date will be compelled to pay a higher fee.

Tickets for the dance went on sale this week.

The Ladies Aid society will meet next Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Jesse Everhart, whose home is on the government reservation.