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BUSINESS MEN TO GET BEHIND NEW BUS LINE

Merchants and Professional Men Pledge Support to Make the Venture a Success.

Business men in Cascade Locks are preparing to throw their full strength behind the new bus service, with every intention of making it so successful that in time Wallace Almack, the owner, will find it necessary to put on additional equipment.

At Wednesday's meeting of the Chamber of Commerce the business men expressed a willingness to purchase tickets and use advertising in the bus to help make the service a financial success.

Almack is hauling more passengers each day, but so far the service is not on a paying basis and the opinion prevails that 60 to 95 days will elapse before the service can be placed on a paying basis.

The owner of the bus is preparing to offer tickets for sale in 5- and 10-cent denominations, and he has asked the public service commission for permission to sell a card, good for \$1.20 in rides, at one dollar.

Much of the meeting was given over Wednesday to a discussion of the best methods of enlisting support for the bus. Oscar Hyde was named chairman of a committee which will call on business men throughout the district and ask them to buy tickets.

J. B. Laber, who was present at the luncheon, and Dr. E. B. Berger were named members of a committee to call on Major Charles F. Williams, district engineer in Portland, and ask permission for Almack to operate his bus through the reservation to the railroad tracks and the Union Pacific depot.

RECREATIONAL CENTER TO BE NEAR BIG CAMP

Construction of the building which will house the concession for the recreational center at the dam will be commenced at an early date. Building has been delayed by failure of the war department to formally accept the successful bid. However, the bid is in Washington and the war department has promised to act upon it one way or another. Feeling persists that the bid will be accepted within the next few days.

The concession will house a general store, a theatre, pool hall and probably a beer parlor, although it does not appear to be definitely known whether the government will allow the amber brew to be sold on the reservation through a canteen.

A site has been chosen for the concession at a point just west of the railroad station. The building will stand on the vacant land situated between the Atkinson camp and the new camp which the Columbia Construction company is building at the mouth of Tanner creek.

BUS SERVICE

Launching of bus service between Cascade Locks and the dam is recognized as a major development in the Bonneville Dam area. Wallace Almack, owner of the bus, is to be congratulated upon the type of equipment he is using, and upon the service he is giving.

But The Chronicle does not believe that the people of the Bonneville Dam area will be satisfied with the mere formality of extending congratulations, for it is common knowledge that the service cannot be maintained on the congratulations of well wishers.

The service needs to be extended west to Warrendale. The immediate assistance of business men all through the district is essential to get the necessary permit.

To obtain and hold patronage the bus must be permitted to operate down to the Union Pacific station in Bonneville.

The public must be encouraged to ride the bus—to use it as far as possible until the habit becomes general and daily receipts are built up to a point where the owner can take a reasonable return from his investment.

The weather will turn off bad within a few weeks and fares will increase. Meantime, the entire community owes it to the owner of the bus to give the service whole-hearted support.

ODD FELLOWS LODGE TO START REBUILDING

Plans for the new building which the Odd Fellows will erect on their lot on Main street are now in the hands of contractors and bids are being received by the lodge. The new building will be two stories in height and several feet wider than the building destroyed in the July fire.

The state has taken ten feet off the front of the property for highway purposes, but enough property yet remains for a building that will provide ample accommodations for tenants. The new structure will provide for offices on both the ground floor and on the second floor.

Silver E. Perras has his plans for a new building on the property adjoining that of the Odd Fellows in hand and will start to build by the time the lodge gets its building under way.

To Bridge Slough.

The Union Pacific is putting in three additional sidings at Bonneville. One track will be carried across Bradford slough to Bradford island for the accommodation of the Columbia Construction company, which will be unloading large quantities of material for the spillway dam. Workmen have been busy for several days unloading ties and steel in the yards.

New Manager Arrives.

William A. Heggman of Arlington has arrived in Cascade Locks to take over the management of the Standard Oil company's wholesale distributing plant. He succeeds W. D. Dunlap, who opened the plant and had been in temporary charge.

The company expects to maintain an office in Bonneville where it will handle sales to contractors on the dam. The Bonneville office is in charge of E. W. Halsted.

No word has been received yet to would indicate that the company is preparing to open a retail service station in Cascade Locks, but the report persists that the station is to be built at an early date.

SCHOOL SPRING GOES PROHIBITION; REPEALS

Local school officials received quite a shock last week when Charles Haggblum reported that the spring from which the school gets its water supply had gone prohibition, was evidently dried up, as the new cement reservoir was quite without water.

The matter was immediately taken up with the United States engineers to see if some plan could not be evolved whereby a temporary connection between the pipe line that serves the locks and the high school line could be made. These pipe lines cross at right angles near the crater, and only about two feet of space separates the lines.

However, the morning after the "dry-out" process, the spring went new deal and the school system was again functioning and water running out the overflow of the reservoir.

COOK PURCHASES TYRELL PROPERTY

Archie Cook, former owner of the Radio club in Portland, has purchased the Tyrell property, opposite the reservation gateway in Bonneville, with the expectation of developing it into a popular restaurant. He and Mrs. Cook are now busy remodeling the place. They are preparing to turn the entire second floor into a dining room.

The property is well located. For the past year it has been under the management of W. A. Westerlund, but only a small part of it has been used for business purposes. Mr. Westerlund is casting about with a view of entering business in the Bonneville Dam area.

Phone Company Builds Line.

The Pacific Telephone & Telegraph line has a crew of linemen busy in Bonneville constructing a line from the exchange office on the highway to Bradford island. The wires are being carried across the highway in a cable. A second stretch of cable will carry the wires across Bradford slough.

HIGHWAY TO BE REBUILT WITH STATE'S MONEY

Commission Takes \$50,000 From Locks for Use on Wilson River Road Through Timber.

Reconstruction of the Columbia River highway through Cascade Locks will be paid for out of state money, rather than out of federal funds, it was agreed at a meeting of the state highway commission last Thursday.

The Chamber of Commerce determined Wednesday to demand immediate construction of the highway. It directed the secretary to write the commission and will send a delegation to Portland to the next meeting of the commission to ask for action.

The change in plans is expected to eliminate the speedway features which had been incorporated in the new grade, established after use of \$50,000 of federal funds had been approved by the commission.

At the meeting Thursday the commission voted to take the \$50,000 in federal funds, originally allocated to Cascade Locks, and spend it on the coast highways. At the same time it was promised that the state would carry forward the construction work out of the funds obtained from the gasoline tax.

The change in plans appears to be satisfactory to business men of Cascade Locks, provided the state does not delay making the fill and laying the new paving.

A delegation of four composing S. O. Clodfelter, Clarence Plant, C. Anderson and Dave Chamberlain went down to Portland to attend the commission's meeting. J. B. Laber was also present and he and Clodfelter addressed the meeting.

The state had expected to build on a mild grade, but was compelled to amend its plans in order to make the section of the highway through town conform with specifications of the United States bureau of roads. It is understood now that the state will return to the original grade, and thus eliminate the sharply banked road.

More New Homes.

The Central Lumber company reports sale of material for a dozen cottages in the Bonneville Dam area during the week. Among those who have started homes are:

J. M. Ferguson and Howard Wineland, on the Williams tract east of town; F. H. Jones, J. H. Jackson, a Mr. Larson and F. E. Johnson, in Enquist's addition at Bonny Villa, and G. B. Keller at Eagle creek.

Meat Market Spruces Up.

The interior of the Andrews meat market has been repainted within the week and now the fixtures are being gone over with the brush. Melvin Andrews and his sons are enjoying a good business at the market. They have started a daily delivery service that carries them down to Warrendale.

GORLINSKI PUTS EXTRA WORKMEN ON NEW SCHOOL

Carpenters Will Work in Two Shifts at Bonneville in Effort to Complete Building on Time.

Inability of the army engineers to obtain prompt delivery of lumber has led to some unexpected delay on the new school building at Bonneville.

The foundation for the building is practically completed and Lieut. G. S. Gorlinski, resident engineer, under whose direction the building is being erected, announced yesterday that with the arrival of necessary materials a double shift of carpenters would be put on the building.

Mrs. George Linnton, clerk of the Bonneville school board, has completed her census of the district. She found nearly 100 children of all ages, but only 77 of school age. Of all the children who will attend the school, only four are of high school age.

Steady growth of the population in the district would indicate that there will be probably 100 children enrolled in the school at the opening of the fall term.

Lieutenant Gorlinski is hopeful that the new building will be ready for use by October 1. If an attempt is made to open school before that date it will be necessary to use the old building, down by the Atkinson camp and the Community Center.

No decision has been made on the school bus by the school board but the indications now are that either the district or Multnomah county must pay the cost of transporting the children to and from school.

ROAD TO BE BUILT TO BONNEVILLE DEPOT

Army engineers have laid out and are preparing to build a new road through the reservation to the railroad station at Bonneville. Lieut. J. S. Gorlinski, resident engineer at the dam, said yesterday that the new road would make it much easier for the public to gain access to the station. The road will extend from the main entrance to the railroad tracks and then parallel the railroad tracks past the administration building to the station. It probably will be completed before the end of September.

Narrowly Escapes Drowning.

Mrs. Tom Stubblefield narrowly escaped drowning in the Columbia river while swimming near the old mill site last Saturday afternoon. She was seized with cramps and went down before help could reach her. After being taken from the water she was given first aid and rushed to a hospital in Hood River.

Supt. Henderson Builds.

Superintendent Vernon G. Henderson of the Cascade Locks schools has commenced work on a new cottage which he is erecting in Hyde park. It is hoped to have it ready for occupancy within the next two weeks.