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LUMBER MILL NEEDED.

From August Peterson comes a suggestion that Cascade Locks should endeavor to obtain a lumber mill. He points out that the town has plenty of skilled mill workers; that there are billions of feet of lumber timber in the Mt. Adams district which must come out by way of the Wind river; that the Columbia, the highway and the railroad offers splendid transportation facilities.

The Chronicle agrees with Mr. Peterson's opinion, but believes that the mill must be built with local capital. No one individual possesses this capital, but it could undoubtedly be obtained if men desirous of creating jobs for themselves were permitted to subscribe the stock on condition that they were to have work and be permitted to enjoy a voice in the conduct of the mill's affairs.

We believe that the character of the men in Cascade Locks who might become members of a co-operative organization would insure success for such a mill. The mill could be small to start with and much of the lumber sold locally. As the market expanded the size of the mill could be increased to take care of the demand for the product.

We should like to see Mr. Peterson and others who may be interested get together and discuss the feasibility and desirability of organizing a co-operative mill company.

INCORPORATION IN AIR.

Of late weeks there has been increasing talk of incorporation in Cascade Locks. Many people believe the time has arrived when a city government must be organized for the administration of local affairs. Others are opposed to the movement and can see no rhyme or reason for it.

The Chronicle believes that common sense dictates the need of organized town government, but it is not dogmatic in its position and has neither the desire nor intention of urging it upon the public if a majority of the people prefer to live under existing conditions.

Numerous reasons for municipal government present themselves. And there may be reasons why the town should not form itself into a municipality.

In justice to everyone, we should like to hear the subject discussed and arguments for and against incorporation laid before the people. We feel that it would be the height of folly for people to work them themselves into a fever over the subject. While it is not a matter that must be settled immediately, like Banquo's ghost it is going to keep coming up and sooner or later must be settled in some fashion. It cannot be quashed

by waving of arms and denunciations that there is no need for it; nor can it be put out of public mind by denying the need of a municipal government.

We are of the opinion that the sensible approach to the subject lies in round able discussion, in which proponents and opponents might come together and iron out the matter in an amiable way whereby those in attendance can obtain information which will be helpful to them in making up their minds when the time comes to act.

HITLER, THE CLOWN.

Adolph Hitler's rise to power in Germany is just a large snicker to the average American, for he is a kick in the pants to intelligent people, and yet he has it within his power to plunge the world into another war.

One marvels that the Germans are so easily led by a charlatan. The only explanation appears to lie in the fact that as a people they are incapable of self-government and must be guided like children in governmental and domestic affairs.

A century and a quarter ago the French gave themselves over to the dictatorial leadership of Napoleon. But Napoleon was a genius. He governed wisely and possessed courage and a certain sense of humor. But at heart he was a ruthless butcher. Hitler makes a clown of himself by attempting to emulate the brilliant Corsican.

Napoleon kept Europe in a turmoil for 25 years. Hitler is no doubt prepared to follow Napoleon's example, but his reign is fast becoming so silly that it must fall in time of its own weight. He will be laughed from power by a world that refuses to take him seriously, for not even a German can stand ridicule by neighbors.

DEPOT IS CLOSED.

After a brief 60-days trial, the Union Pacific has come to the conclusion that it cannot make its station in Cascade Locks pay and has closed it.

The railroad appears to forget it is only a private corporation, and like individuals must hustle for business in this day and age. And it appears to forget, too, if indeed it ever remembered, that it is obligated to give public service.

It is impossible for the public to use the station at Bonneville under existing conditions, and it is to be seriously doubted that the public service commission will permit the railroad to close its station in Cascade Locks if its attention is called to the situation which exists in the Bonneville dam area.

Army engineers propose to erect a new station in Bonneville, near the highway. When that station is finished the railroad might well be within its rights to abandon the station in Cascade Locks.

If the station in Cascade Locks is to be closed, then the railroad must persuade the war department to tear down the fence which shuts the public away from the Bonneville station. We are confident that the public service commission will insist upon one of the two alternatives, for people cannot be denied telegraph, Ee-press and freight service.

STEAMBOATS ON RIVER.

Steamboats are whistling on the river again. It is pleasant music, for some how there is an atmosphere of romance about river boats that cannot be destroyed by streamlined trains, airplanes or super-highways.

The daily service on the river

extends to The Dalles. It offers a low cost form of transportation which has a tangible value to a community seeking industries, and with the opening of the deep sea locks the passage of large barges will be of daily occurrence on the Columbia river.

Daily steamer service means little, either to business men or to the owners of the boat, unless efforts are made to utilize it. In many ways the boats cannot compete with trucks on short hauls, but there are no doubt numerous shipments into the Bonneville dam area which can be more economically handled by the boats than on the highway.

SCHOOLS READY TO BEGIN TERM; TEACHERS HERE

That Cascade Locks will be definitely assured of some help from the government in running its schools this year, was determined last week when a member of the engineer department met with Superintendent V. G. Henderson in a survey of the situation.

The government is spending about \$10,000 in building the new Bonneville school, and will help take care of other costs made necessary because of the Bonneville dam. It was impossible for the government to escape building the new school at Bonneville, for it had taken over the old ground and building. However, had the dam been in Hood River county that expense could have been avoided by transporting the pupils to the Cascade Locks schools.

The local situation is considerably different inasmuch as only one teacher and one more room has been added to the school. There is still plenty of vacant space in the high school, and if another room yet be needed, a little money to improve the heating plant would take care of that.

Superintendent Gibson, talking of the government help for Cascade Locks, stated that he had been in touch with Oregon members of congress on the matter for sometime. Some people contacted at this end thought the influence of the dam surely would not spread to Cascade Locks—"50 miles from the dam." Representative Pierce and Mrs. Pierce, always friends of education, have taken an active interest in the situation, and it largely through their efforts that attention has been brought to the needs here.

Cottages Being Painted.

Charles Olin has painted his group of cottages white. The paint adds materially to the appearance of the buildings, gives them the appearance of being larger than they really are, and makes the entire neighborhood more attractive. The cottages stand up on the hill, back of the Central Lumber company.

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.  
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