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FIRE PROTECTION PLANS GO AHEAD; STATE TO HELP

Definite progress toward providing Cascade Locks with adequate fire protection was disclosed last week, following a surprise visit by K. D. Lytle, engineer for state highway district three, with headquarters in Bend.

Lytle's brief stay, which was prompted by a Chamber of Commerce delegation visit with Leslie K. Scott, chairman of the state highway commission early last week, was spent in discussing the proposed tapping of the government water main.

Through the proposed rural fire protection district organization is dependent upon the starting of work here, it was agreed to forward a dummy contract within the next week, which will include the preliminary tapping statistics as well as complete state plans and measurements for grading the highway and widening the roadbed.

Present arrangements include one controversial point, the placing of a pipe line and reducing pipe in the culvert through which the government main to the hydraulic locks runs.

The valve, which is necessary for the 275-pound pressure carried in the ten-inch line, will be placed directly in the center of a reshaped concrete manhole. The latter will emerge between the improved pavement and a six-inch curb, built to protect the state's sidewalk project.

Lytle disliked placing the manhole in the culvert, but as a different position would necessitate welding job, estimated at \$50 in addition to the \$350 reducer, it is believed local plans will be accepted by the state board.

The fire pipe lines, which will extend at least 200 feet to the east and 1600 feet to the west, can be laid in a short time, it was asserted, possibly between the grading and finishing work on the highway.

It is planned to use frequent "T" connections along the mains so that lateral pipes may be run back to the residential districts and the line extended whenever additional funds are raised.

The new sidewalk—which on the original state map was set for the south side of the highway only, but on later copies for both sides—has long been in demand here. Pedestrians have been subjected to the danger of being struck down while walking on the highway. Officials announced last week that Columbia highway improvements would get under way in the near future.

ONE COMPANY MAY INSTALL NEW BOARD

Specific Telephone & Telegraph company officials are flirting with the idea of replacing the old board in Cascade Locks with a new board. If the change is made the new board will have at least six jacks.

The change is said to be necessary due to the increase in volume of business resulting from the daily growing population in the district. There are now more than 1000 phones in town and the board is becoming inefficient. It has been in use for 30 years.

PARTY FRIDAY NIGHT

The Cascade Locks Women's club "get acquainted meeting" will be held Friday night at 8 o'clock, in the Inn of the Bridge of the Gods. It is planned to provide music and amateur vaudeville, as well as card tables and dance music. Free sandwiches in the course of the evening. Mrs. R. E. Andrews, Mrs. May Silva and Mrs. Charles Haggblom, committee in charge, announced.

LOCKS TO SEEK 80 FOOT ROAD DOUBLE WALKS

Acting at direction of the Chamber of Commerce, a committee will visit the state highway department and ask for an 80-foot roadway through Cascade Locks, from the toll bridge to the fox farm, and sidewalks on both sides of the street.

The contract for the new roadway is reported to provide for an 80-foot street from the toll bridge only as far as the high school, and for a sidewalk only on the south side of the street.

Highway engineers estimated cost of a sidewalk on the north side of the street at about \$2,000. The chamber took the position that the additional cost of the sidewalk on both sides of the street would be small in comparison with the \$60,000 to be spent in making the street improvements.

Specifications for the street work are said to be completed, and are now on file in the state highway engineer's office. Call for bids on the work are to be sent out at an early date, and the chamber wants to check the plans. If provisions have not been made for a wide roadway the entire distance through the town the chamber will ask that the specifications be altered to provide for one.

The work in Cascade Locks will tie in with construction of the new super-highway. Hope is expressed that the state will undertake construction of the unit from the toll bridge to Bonneville by the time the contract in the town proper is under way.

INITIAL FIGHT CARD TO BE PRESENTED FRIDAY

A double main event, featuring four well-known northwest fighters, will headline Promoter Fred T. Merrill's boxing card at the Roosevelt theatre in Bonneville Friday night.

Eddie Spina, heavy Portland Italian, will tangle with Mickie McCafferty, 135, in one of the top bouts, and Young Harry Wills, 135, with Don Mack in the other. Both are slated for six rounds.

Johnny Shaw, Portland, 145, battles Roy Ranbeau in the feature of the four-rounders, Merrill announced. A heavyweight bout, between Jimmy Brooks and Harry Carroll, who weigh in at 175 pounds, and a classy curtain raiser, also for four rounds, between Dick Johnson and Guy McKinney, 155, complete the card, which is slated to get under way at 8 p. m.

Jean Scheiber spent the weekend here visiting relatives and friends.

WEST COAST TO OPEN OFFICE IN CASCADE LOCKS

The West Coast Power company's latest move to provide the Bonneville Dam area with a more efficient service was disclosed with the announcement that Ralph J. Williams will open an office in Cascade Locks.

Though Williams' repair and maintenance duties will confine him to the Oregon side of the river, for the present time at least, he will work directly under manager Hayles of Stevenson.

The move was deemed advisable by the power company because of the poor repair service available in the area between the Bridge of the Gods and Warrendale during the winter months.

Present plans call for a small office, preferably at the west end of town, because of the nearer proximity to the trouble center, which will be used as headquarters for Williams.

In addition to the present control switch at the toll bridge, a second power line will be run directly into the new office, which is also to be used for the payment of light bills when located and occupied.

Though highly efficient service is already provided throughout the business district, Williams asserted that ultra-modern equipment would be installed when highway repair work starts in July. At that time it will be necessary to set the poles and lines back at least five feet from their present location.

Williams, who is also accompanied by his wife and six-year old daughter, Mary Ann, was transferred here from the Yamhill Electric company, where he has been employed for the last four years.

The Herman creek station of the company was forced to run at two-thirds efficiency for several days last week when a main bearing, long defective, burned out. Two broken oil rings were announced as the immediate cause of the trouble.

Monarch Machine company of Portland was forced to make two

CHAMBER MEETING THURS.

The weekly of the Cascade Locks Chamber of Commerce will be held Thursday noon at the Inn of the Bridge of the Gods. Arrangements have been made for a twenty-five cent meal to be served at 12 o'clock sharp. In this manner it is hoped to speed up the meetings so that they will be over by 1 o'clock.

COMMITTEE TO FIX LIMITS OF FIRE DISTRICT

Authority to determine the boundaries of the proposed rural fire district was placed in the hands of the water committee by the Cascade Locks Chamber of Commerce at its weekly meeting Thursday.

W. J. Carlson, chairman of the committee which obtained signatures for a petition, addressed to the county engineer, asking for maps and valuation in the territory to be included in the district, reported that the work of making up the necessary data was being delayed by failure of the community to determine how much territory was to be taken into the district.

Census of opinion, expressed at the chamber meeting, favored a district which would extend east to Herman creek. People living in the territory will be given an opportunity to voice their views on the subject, but formal action cannot be taken until after the proposed boundaries have been fixed, and the valuations for taxation purposes figured out by County Assessor George Knox.

Trips to the hampered station, one for measurements and the second for installation of the new bearing, the latter step being completed Friday.

It was also disclosed that Jess Kollenburen of Clatskanie took over the operation of the station Saturday. J. C. McCormick was the old operator.

Liquor Commission Ignores Protests And Gives Agency For Store To Oscar Hyde

Sweeping aside protests of residents of the Bonneville Dam area, the state liquor control board commission Tuesday transferred its stock of hard liquors from the Cascade Food store to the new quarters which Oscar Hyde has built for his store, next to Merrill's barbeque.

Last week more than 200 residents of the district signed petitions, urging the commission to leave the agency with "Dick" Morris, proprietor of the Cascade Food store. The petition, filed with Administrator George Sammis, brought an investigator to Cascade to Cascade Locks, but failed to halt the order for the removal of the stock.

Tuesday noon a truck backed up in front of the Cascade Food store. Soon men were loading it with wet goods. Morris grunted. Hyde

smiled with satisfaction. Under the new set-up the agency will pay \$100 a month.

STORM WORST IN TWO YEARS

Heavies snowfall in two years blanketed the Bonneville Dam area Tuesday. The storm swept down on Eastern Oregon Saturday, but did not strike the Gorge until Monday. Before night Tuesday there was more than six inches on the ground and the end was not in sight.

"TUCK" ANDERSON ILL

W. C. "Tuck" Anderson, president of the Central Lumber company, is in the Hood River hospital with double pneumonia. He was taken to Hood River Saturday. From the hospital yesterday came reports that he was resting comfortably.

SUPER-HIWAY WORK TO START IN LOCKS AREA

First unit of the proposed super-highway down the Columbia river will be constructed between Cascade Locks and Bonneville, according to plans of the state highway department.

Construction of this unit will necessitate the building of two tunnels a Eagle creek, unless the Union Pacific railroad finally consents to share an open cut with the state highway department. Hope that the railroad is going to make this concession has been practically abandoned, both by the state and the federal government.

The forest service has appropriated \$150,000 toward construction of a tunnel under Tooth rock just west of Eagle creek, and is expected to contribute toward construction of the second tunnel through the hills just east of Eagle creek. These moneys will become available when the state puts up its money.

Condemnation proceedings looking to the acquisition of a 275-foot highway through property of E. G. Guedhart, proprietor of the Eagle creek tavern, has been started by the United States engineers. This right-of-way, although intended for use of the railroad, will be wide enough to carry the highway.

With a right-of-way through the tavern property and two tunnels at Eagle creek, the highway would run west from Cascade Locks to Bonneville on a light grade. The road, when built, will possess no bad curves or hills and will cut the running time to the dam almost in half.

The Union Pacific engineers continue to demand their pound of flesh and the government is giving them a better line than the railroad could hope to have obtained in many years. It is practically been decided to use an open cut in preference to a tunnel at Eagle creek, but this is not final. However, it must be determined before April, when work on the section of railroad between the toll bridge and Eagle creek is to be started.

State highway department officials have labored for months in an effort to obtain consent of the Union Pacific to use of the open cut, but have made no headway. They have reached the point where further negotiations are almost useless and may be expected to go forward with plans for the tunnels.

Federal funds will be available for road building purposes early in July. Just how much of this money will be spent on the highway between the toll bridge and Bonneville has not been determined.

DRAMATIC CLUB

A meeting for the purpose of organizing a city dramatic club was held Monday afternoon at the Cascade Locks high school, with more than a dozen attending. Miss Margaret Lacey was appointed temporary chairman and Miss Rheta Long temporary secretary. The pair are to contact residents this week concerning the feasibility of such an organization, reporting at a second meeting a week from tonight, January 23, also at the high school. It is planned to take in 15 charter members, with all others to be voted upon by the original number.