

THE DAM CHRONICLE

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OUR PROGRAM

1. Develop a fire protection system.
2. Create a water district and develop lands between Craigmont hotel and Herman creek.
3. Install street lights.
4. Lay down sidewalks—even though they are wooden sidewalks.
5. Urge the federal government to purchase the toll bridge and make it a free bridge.
6. Launch a campaign to make the lake back of the dam the most popular resort on the West Coast.

SECOND POST UNNECESSARY

A movement has been started to organize an American Legion post in Cascade Locks. This is unfortunate and can only have the result of splitting the forces which the veterans command in the Bonneville dam area.

The Bonneville Dam post has a membership of nearly 100 members. It is strong, well directed and highly organized. It has excellent quarters in which to meet and is deserving of the support of every business man in Cascade Locks and of every veteran employed at the dam.

To divide the force by organizing a second post within the district would bring on discord at a time when all veterans should be working for a common cause.

LET PARENTS ACT

With opening of the school term only six weeks away considerable agitation is growing up for return of Principal Autreith, who was dismissed by the county school board on recommendation of the local school board.

Prior to the school election in June it was understood that no contracts for teachers in the Cascade Locks schools would be signed until the people had an opportunity to express their wishes at the polls. But the county board did not wait for the vote to be counted. It did not offer contracts to either Principal Autreith or Miss Stewart. And now neither Principal Autreith or Miss Stewart have schools, for the board, in effect, disbarred them and they are finding it difficult to obtain positions.

By common consent both Mr. Autreith and Miss Stewart are recognized as two of the best teachers who ever taught in the schools of Hood River county. And it is quite generally agreed that neither was treated with justice.

Reason for their dismissal has never been explained to the public. Captain Rosenback, Erwin Broliar and Gene Lovell, members of the local board went contrary to the wishes of the people in dropping them from the teaching staff.

When it became known that Principal Autreith and Miss Stewart were to be dismissed the wo-

men of the town went about with a petition and obtained a large number of signatures requesting the county board to retain the two teachers. This petition was ignored and has been ignored.

Feeling was current that when W. J. Carlson became chairman of the county school board he would seek to bring about reinstatement of Principal Autreith and Miss Stewart. The fact that he has failed to act does not relieve him of a responsibility, for he was named to office by voters who expected him to represent the schools of Cascade Locks. The fact that Captain Rosenback and Erwin Broliar have acted contrary to the wishes of the parents does not release Mr. Carlson from his duty. He should go before the county board and insist that the wrong done Principal Autreith and Miss Stewart be righted.

Talk has been going the rounds of a meeting, to be called for the purpose of bringing Captain Rosenback, Mr. Broliar and Mrs. Sprague, of the new local board together with Mr. Carlson. This would appear to be the sensible way out for it would enable the parents to fix responsibility and enable them to demand justice for Principal Autreith and Miss Stewart. The county board will no doubt listen to Mr. Carlson and act upon recommendation of Captain Rosenback and other members of the local board. If the parents want the two teachers returned let them say so in no uncertain terms at a public meeting.

SUPER STATION NEARS COMPLETION AT LOCKS

Four new offices are being completed by M. L. Morgan across the front of the old Highway garage, Cascade Locks, now being remodeled by Morgan as a Standard super service station. They are all expected to be leased within a short time.

The new garage entrance will be on the east side, to be entered via the service station driveway. W. L. Jordan's barber shop, adjoining the garage, will be moved to make room for the entrance. The station and garage were both painted gray last week, brightening up that end of the town considerably.

Morgan's station is open from 5 a. m. to 11 p. m. daily with a full line of gasoline, oils and accessories. An experienced mechanic is in attendance to make repairs, give tune-ups, fix tires, grease cars.

"Any man who dies rich dies disgraced."—George Francis Johnson, president Endicott Johnson Corporation, shoe manufacturers.

U.P. LINE SHIFTED FOR NEW GRADE WIDENING

Widening the grade of the Union Pacific's relocated line under the bluff west of Tanner creek viaduct was started this week by S. H. Newell Estate, subcontractors under Orino, Birkenmeir & Saremal.

The present main line of the UP was shifted 15 feet northward without traffic interruption so the new bed could be widened to its full width of 10 to 12 feet in preparation for rail-laying next month.

The job will require hauling 6000 yards of dirt to be taken from near View point. Laying steel is expected to begin late in August or early September when the government-furnished rails arrive. OBS has unloaded four carloads of spikes, bolts, fish-plats, has all the ties ordered. Orino is setting up a plant, brought from Spokane, in which will be crushed thousands of yards of rock for a gravel ballast.

TOWNSEND CLUB IS ORGANIZED IN CASCADE LOCKS

Frank Hall was elected president of the Cascade Locks Townsend club when advocates of the old-age pension plan met Friday night at the high school to organize, following acceptance of its application petition by the national group.

Mrs. George Heggblom was chosen secretary and William Keeler, treasurer. G. A. Cobb, Locks attorney, presided over the meeting.

Principal speaker was Judge John Jeffrey of Portland, noted Pacific coast lecturer on the Townsend plan. Judge Jeffrey told the audience that chief opposition to the plan comes from five per cent of the people who own 95 per cent of the wealth of the country and want to keep it. He emphasized the need of thousands of young people to have jobs and said the Townsend plan would provide work for them.

Miss Dorothy Utterback, 11 years old, youngest Townsend speaker on the platform, captivated her audience with her charm as she told her ideas of the plan.

The group set the first and third Fridays of each month for its meetings, to be held at 8 p. m. in the high school auditorium. Next Friday, organization will be completed, with naming of committees and other work.

Athletic Club Files Articles

Organization of the Cascade Athletic club with quarters in the building formerly occupied by the We-Ask-U-Inn in Cascade Locks was formally launched Monday with the filing of articles of incorporation.

The club, of which Max Millsap is secretary, will have lockers and admission will be to members only. Membership is open to the public.

Object of the club, it is pointed out in the articles, is for the purpose of developing the physical and mental capacity of its members and the promotion of better acquaintance and a closer association, and to provide entertainment and social enjoyment for its members.

VIEW POINT PLANNED

U. S. engineers are thinking of making a view point on the Washington side of the Bonneville dam opposite the crib cofferdam and east of Columbia's tall highline tower. Panoramic pictures taken from the spot by A. R. McAden, senior photographer, show the wide view obtained from the spot. Moffet Hot Springs company owns the property.

LAWYERS VISIT DAM

There was a decided excess of legal talent on the Bonneville dam reservation Saturday afternoon. Six busses with 163 members of the American Bar association, homeward bound from their annual convention at Los Angeles, dropped in, looked over the dam. Lawyers from all over the country, they were eager to see the Columbia river highway. They were met at Hood River by a UP train, which took them east via Spokane and Yellowstone.

U. S. Guard Morris Babcock has taken up his lodging at the home of Dr. Floyd Dodd, at Wee Cove. Babcock previously lived with Guards Bonny Whitsett and Geo. Harris at Dodson.

Try a want ad in the Chronicle.

NEW RUSTIC SIGNS IN PLACE ALONG HIGHWAY

First of the new rustic signs to mark forest camps and ranger stations along the entire Mt. Hood Loop highway were set up Friday at Eagle creek ranger station.

The new signs, hand carved so the letters stand out, replace the old painted signs, are much more in keeping with their surroundings.

Their finish suggests a bit of the antique, stained dark in spots with highlights in ivory paint.

Eagle creek station is now marked by several large rectangular signs of the new design, mounted beside the highway on artistic red cedar poles.

12-ROOM ANNER BUILT BY ROOSEVELT HOTEL

The new bachelor quarters of Roosevelt Inn in Bonneville will be ready for occupancy in about two weeks.

The building, back of and on higher ground than the inn, is practically finished. Interior paneling with insulating board is now being done. Furniture, same type as used in the present hotel, is expected to arrive soon. The building is 150 feet long with a porch extending the full frontage of the building.

It will be available only to men. D. R. Scoffern, inn manager, declares, to provide a place where the he-men of the dam won't be bothered with women.

FERTILIZER-MAKING TO BE DAM POWER USE

Processing extensive deposits of phosphate rock located in southeastern Idaho by electricity furnished by Bonneville dam to make fertilizer will probably become a major industry of the region around the dam. Raymond M. Miller, metallurgical engineer, told the Oregon Geographical society Thursday evening in Portland.

Idaho contains a huge amount of phosphate rock ideal for making into fertilizer, which is needed in large quantities, particularly in California, the engineer said. As years pass, more of the soil in acidic, coast farming regions will need fertilizer. Bonneville will have an enormous amount of the cheap electricity necessary for processing the rock, which, coupled with river development to make cheap steamer transportation of the raw material possible, points to a large industry of the future.

FALLING TREE SNAPS HIGH TENSION WIRES

Electricity in the dam area was cut off last Tuesday afternoon for a short period when a tree fell across the West Coast power company's 6900-volt lines just west of enn's tavern.

Melvin Vile, clearing land, cut down the tree, according to Ralph Williams of the power company. The tree fell the wrong way, into the wires. Sparks flashed, literally burning the ground, setting a small grass fire. A crowd gathered, luckily kept at a safe distance. Williams cut the switches, re-routed electricity around by the Washington side to serve Bonneville and below. Juice was cut off for an hour in Cascade Locks while wires were spliced and replaced.

Ranger Albert Wiesendanger left Eagle creek Saturday for Breitenbush lake, Olallie lake, Bear springs and Timberline cabin, contacting forest guards. He will return to Eagle creek next Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie McVeigh of Cook's addition in Bonneville have had as their guest for the past three weeks Mr. McVeigh's sister, Miss Florence Gurnea of Oakland.

Engineers Order Tunnel Extension

Last concrete for the tunnel under Tooch which the government is building for the Union Pacific's main line was poured Friday by Orino, Birkenmeir & Malcom, contractors.

But the job isn't finished. Friday came orders from U. S. engineers to put a concrete extension 90 to 100 feet out from the west portal of the bore to permit trains from possible, and probable, falling rock. This "bullet" a tunnel in a cut," as the contractor expresses it, will be actual finish of the tunnel to 40 days even if all goes well.

Ticklish problem is drilling and blasting the west face of the rock, necessary in preparation of the extension. The rock is hard and the Columbia river is hanging on a shelf a hundred so feet above, is in a precarious position. Drilling was started immediately on receipt of order which will add approximately 1000 yards of pour.

80 EAGLES DANCE TO MEMBERS' ORCHESTRA

Eagles and their ladies of Cascade Locks aerie, 40 or so couples strong, danced last Tuesday evening in the Old Idaho hall at the Locks for the of their monthly social meeting.

Music was by Eagle members themselves, those who could play turns playing in the orchestra. Among musicians were Brink on the accordion, "Billy," on the harmonica, Erickson and Mrs. Herman Vogt on the violin, Mrs. P. Banks at the piano, Frank on the banjo and his son regular, and Ed Trimble on the tar.

Refreshments were served the party adjourned to hold ward to the next Eagle event, a month away.

GETS ASSISTANT

A new face greeted passers Bonneville postoffice last third new face since the first the month.

Charles G. Coulter is the assistant to Postmaster Edlund. He came from three service in the North Post postoffice to replace two who had successfully proved themselves incapable through of experience, of handling mail as efficiently as was necessary.

RETURNS TO CASH BANK

Since the high water came and work fell off at the dam Andrews & company have been tending credit to customers of the Columbia Construction company preparing to return to work on the spillway dam policy of extending credit is suspended.

"We have endeavored to everyone we could," Bob Andrews said yesterday, "but we are going to ask them to get back on a cash basis. We sure everyone will understand cooperate."

EAGLE CREEK

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas G. ing were visited several days week by Mrs. Lawrence and son, Richard, of Portland.

BIRTHDAYS

Shirley Lois Woodward years old, July 26.  
John Thomas Woodward years old, August 4.