

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.

NO PLEASING SOME FOLKS

In Western Oregon frost and cold has given way to the rains and everyone appears to welcome the change. The webbing between the toes has thawed and eyes are brightened by gladness. Folks from less hospitable climates are often mildly amazed by the desire of Oregonians to see the rain patter down, but after a winter or two the strangers come to appreciate the difference that 15 or 20 degrees make in living conditions among a people whom nature has spoiled. After while we will weary of the wet weather and wish the skies would clear. And about that time the skies will clear and a cold blast of wind will sweep out of the east, bringing low temperatures and snow and ice. Then we will have cause to dance and weep and pray for a return of the rains, as we did two weeks ago. There isn't, it seems, any pleasing some people.

PAVILION AN ASSET

The joyous crowd of pleasure seekers who flowed into Merrill's Columbia Gardens Sunday night to enjoy a dance must prove to the most skeptical that the huge pavilion is a decided asset to Cascade Locks. The crowd came from both sides of the river and for considerable distances. People came to enjoy themselves—and they did not go away disappointed. They found Cascade Locks one of the friendliest of towns—a town where the police are not continually nagging. But they found that it was necessary to respect the rights of other people. And that is about all there is to law and order, after all. In coming to Cascade Locks the visitors enjoyed their money's worth, were justly treated, went home happy. While in town they created business for the butcher, the baker and the candle stick maker. If the pavilion could be operated every night it would soon come to be widely known throughout the state and this in itself would be instrumental in spreading the fame of Cascade Locks as an amusement center—and it is going to be an amusement center after the lake is formed back of the dam.

LAWMAKERS GO HOME

The state legislature has completed its special session of 20 days and gone home, to the great relief of the people. Called for the

express purpose of appropriating moneys for a new capitol, it found time to pass 73 bills.

In many states, if not in a majority of states, the legislature cannot go outside of the items specified by the governor in his call for a special session. This should be true in Oregon. If adopted it would prevent much jockeying and horse trading and speed up the legislative machinery.

Legislatures have become unwieldy bodies which do not enjoy public confidence and the voters dislike to see the lawmakers get together, except in event of an emergency. Down at Salem the lobbyists and peace seekers rushed in under the cloak of the call sent out by Governor Martin and managed to get a considerable number of pet measures introduced. These fell into the hopper with bills which were really deserving of attention. In time we shall learn through the grapevine that inability of sponsors of certain measures to obtain satisfactory action on bills influenced their vote one way or another on the capitol site and the amount of money to be spent on a new building.

No great harm has befallen the state as a result of the special session. And neither has any great good come from it. The capitol could have waited and everybody might have gained if it had been put over to the regular session, because in the bickering and quarreling that resulted neither Salem nor the state as a whole came off entirely satisfied.

The new building will be erected on the old site. There is an abundance of ground, although additional ground might well have been used to advantage. Still, it is not too late, for the extra ground can be purchased next year.

FREE BRIDGES

Years ago, when the West was new, it was a common practice with legislatures to grant franchises of toll roads and toll bridges. The custom of building toll roads has been abandoned, and the people of Washington and Oregon have seen about the last of the toll bridges. Motorists dislike tolls. As a class they prefer to pay for their bridges and roads in gasoline taxes or in some other painless manner. In Washington the legislature has bought up the majority of the toll bridges, if not all of them, except the two across the Columbia at Cascade Locks and Hood River. And they should be made free bridges.

It is inconceivable that the Mid-Columbia can enjoy full development so long as the territory is split in twain by a river which cannot be crossed in the ordinary intercourse of business, except for a fee. The tolls on the two bridges prevent trade and prevent travel. Oregonians and Washingtonians are separated by the bridges in the sense that Canada and United States are separated by tariff barriers. We visit back and forth on occasion, but the visits are limited and people on both side of the river are strangers to their neighbors.

There has been much talk of working for free bridges, but nothing constructive has been accomplished and no program has been laid down. A strong organization, wholly divorced from any commercial organization, should be created, and some person placed at the head of it who can direct an inter-state campaign. The subject is one to be laid before the legislatures at Salem and Olympia and the earlier the campaign is opened the greater chance we are going to have of accomplishing our purpose.

Rent your rooms and apartments thru a classified ad in The Chronicle.

"The Dreamer"

By JOHN BOYLE O'REILLY

I can feel no pride, but pity
For the burdens the rich endure;
There is nothing rich in the city,
But the patient lives of the poor.
O, the little hands too skillful,
And the child mind choked with weeds,
The daughters heart grown wilful,
And the father's heart that bleeds.
No, no, from the street's rude bustle,
From trophies of mart and stage,
I would fly to the wood's low rustle
And the meadow's kindly page.
Let me dream as of old by the river,
And be loved for the dream always;
For a dreamer lives forever,
And a toiler dies in a day.

MANY PARTIES HONOR
MISS HARRIET BURKS

In anticipation of her coming marriage to Lt. Robert G. McDonnell, Miss Harriet Burks has been the honor guest at a series of luncheons and parties this past week.

Mrs. Colby Myers gave in her honor a shower luncheon for 26 guests Tuesday.

Mrs. Stanley Wells entertained with a linen shower tea for 20 last Friday.

Thursday night Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Steele entertained the Burks family at dinner.

Directly following the wedding ceremony the couple will go on a short honeymoon to the Oregon beaches. They will reside in Fort Lawton near Seattle. The same house in which Captain and Mrs. Colby Myers lived in several years ago has been assigned to them.

MISS HAZEL MEYER
MARRIED IN PORTLAND

Friends of Miss Hazel Meyer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Meyer will be pleased to hear of her marriage to Wilbur J. Brown of Portland. The ceremony took place at the Mt. Tabor Presbyterian Church Saturday evening. Mrs. Elmer Meyer was matron of honor and Miss Gretchen Granstrom assisted at the reception following the ceremony.

MACY'S ANNOUNCES CONTEST

Macy's Ladies' Ready-to-Wear shop in Cascade Locks early this week announced the giving away with every 50-cent purchase an opportunity of securing one of three prizes to be presented to someone at the Columbia Gardens Wednesday night, December 11. The prizes consist of a sport coat, sweater coat, and three pairs of hosiery.

MECHANICS' DANCE

The mechanics of the Bonneville dam are sponsoring an invitational dance at the Craigmont hotel Saturday night. The dancing will start at 9:00 and dinner will be served at 11:00. Fritz Howard will furnish the music.

Three months after its death, NRA's payroll is still \$200,000 a week—believed to be an all-time high for professional pallbearers at one funeral.—Detroit News.

When it shall be said in any country in the world: "My poor are happy; neither ignorance nor distress is to be found among them; my jails are empty of prisoners, my streets of beggars; the aged are not in want, the taxes are not oppressive; the rational world is my friend, because I am a friend of its happiness"—when these things can be said, then may that country boast of its constitution and its government.—Thomas Paine.

Judge—You are accused of shooting squirrels out of season. Have you any plea?

Him—Yes, your honor. Self-defense.

Once a Western town held a Charley Chaplin contest. Prizes were to be given to those who could imitate Charley Chaplin. When Charley heard about it he immediately entered the contest. He came in second.—American Humorist.

"What would I get," inquired the man who had just insured his property against fire, "if this building should burn down tonight?"

"I would say," replied the insurance agent, "about ten years."—New York Post.

An item of interest is the news that a machine delicate enough to register pulling power of a flea has been assembled. Now we can learn the tensile strength of a "binding treaty."—Troy (N. Y.) Record.

Most of the wealthier families probably will be able to afford roast pork for Thanksgiving; the rest of us will have to be satisfied with the usual turkey.—Springfield (Mass.) Union.

Our voice-in-the-wilderness prize goes to the W.C.T.U., which has just issued recipes for making drinks out of blackberries, huckleberries, cranberries, rhubarb, and barley.—Boston Evening Transcript.

There may have been surprise that Great Britain let Mussolini's Army through the Suez Canal. Tolls already collected, amounting to \$10,000,000, will serve as an explanation.—Savannah Morning News.

CASCADE LOCKS, OREGON
WATER WORKS
IMPROVEMENT
P.W. A. DOCKET
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BIDS

Sealed proposals will be received at the office of Recorder of the City of Cascade Locks, Oregon, until 6:00 o'clock P. M. November 29, 1935, for the construction of a water system. These proposals will be publicly opened and read at 6:00 o'clock P. M. at said office and place.

These improvements will consist of: An intake, retaining concrete reservoir, water supply and distribution line and necessary appurtenances.

Plans, Specifications, Instructions to Bidders, Federal Construction Regulations, General Provisions, and other contract documents are on file for examination at the office of the Recorder of Cascade Locks. Copies of these documents may be obtained upon application to said Recorder and payment of a deposit of Ten (\$10.00) Dollars per set with said City Recorder. The deposit will be refunded upon the return in good condition of said documents.

No proposal will be considered unless it is submitted upon a form of proposal furnished by said City of Cascade Locks. Attention is called to the prequalifying requirements of Chapter 225, Laws of Oregon, 1931.

The work is to be paid for whole or in part out of funds furnished by the United States Government and all work and materials must be performed and furnished in accordance with the rules and regulations prescribed by the President and the rules and regulations relating to applications and projects under the Emergency Appropriation Act of 1935.

Attention is called to the fact that employees on this work must be paid not less than the minimum hourly rates of wages set out in the Federal Construction Regulations. These minimum rates for skilled labor will be \$1.75; for semiskilled or intermediate classes of labor \$1.55; and for common labor \$1.45.

Bidder's proposal must be accompanied by certified check or bidder's bond in an amount equal to 5% of total amount of the proposal as a guarantee for the execution of the contract and the furnishing of the required bonds in case the contract is awarded to the bidder.

Acceptance of the proposal, proposals and the awarding of the contract or contracts is conditioned upon satisfactory assurance that the City of Cascade Locks, Oregon, will be able to secure from the Federal Emergency Administration of Public Works the aid necessary to finance the project. The City of Cascade Locks reserves the right to hold bids for a period of sixty days from the date of the opening thereof.

The United States Employment Service has designated an agent at Hood River, Oregon, to furnish labor lists for this work.

The City of Cascade Locks reserves the right to reject any and/or all proposals and to accept such proposals as are in the best interests of the City of Cascade Locks.

BY ORDER OF THE CITY OF
CASCADE LOCKS, OREGON.
By CHARLES NELSON, Mayor

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