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Locks Gets Reemployment Office

Columbia Blasts Out 120 Feet Of Cribs; Junior Cofferdam Leaks Fixed; Inspection Tunnels Wet

With a blast that shot a geyser of timbers, water and gravel high into the air, Columbia Construction company early Monday morning began in earnest on its program of removing the south crib cofferdam.

Two tons of explosive tore a 120-foot gap in the upstream leg of the cribs, demolishing cribs two and three and allowing the Columbia river free access to lap against the partially-finished piers of the spillway dam. The cofferdam had been allowed to fill from seepage over the weekend.

Water started pouring into the junior cofferdam, protecting the highway and other uncompleted work along the Bradford island shore. The inspection tunnels running through the spillway's concrete mass were also filled with water, but engineers believe that the blast caused no damage to the dam. They say the water leaked through the joints between the piers which later will be filled with grouting. Three pumps worked Monday at full speed and after adding ballast was dumped on the junior cofferdam cribs, were able to remove the water behind it as the ballast solidified under the water pressure so men could resume their work Tuesday.

The terrific shot sent a 12 by 12 where it crashed into a giant flood-

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Dam P.O. To Get New Postmaster

Bonneville, as well as Cascade Locks, will soon have a new postmaster.

Acting Postmaster Henry Edlund this week announced receipt of a letter from Congressman Walter M. Pierce stating that an appointment to the Bonneville post would soon be made.

Although the name of the new man has not been announced, it is understood in reliable political circles that Vernon Henderson, former superintendent of schools of Cascade Locks, is slated for the job. Henderson is now employed at the CCC camp at Baker. He stood among the highest who took the civil service examination for the post last summer.

Edlund, pioneer postmaster at Bonneville, plans moving to Salem when his successor takes over, he said. He will be employed in one of the state offices.

LEAP YEAR TWINS

Ken Ackley, Columbian carpenter helper, became the father of leap year twins born February 29 in Portland. Named Gerald Lee and Cherry Rose, they will have a birthday only once in each four years. Mother and children are doing fine.

SEEK NEW BASIS ON WATER SUIT; DECISION FRIDAY

The Cascade Locks water situation is still in the same status today that it was last week, with the exception that the attorneys for the parties bringing the injunction are looking about for new legal grounds for their cause.

At the hearing Saturday on the demurrer (which means in common language that we grant that the complaint is correct but we still do not believe you have grounds for your action) before Judge Fred W. Wilson in Hood River, City Attorney Wyers scored when he pointed out to the other attorney, George Shephard, that the statute he was basing his claim on was repealed by the 1933 legislature.

Judge Wilson ordered briefs to be filed with him and that the pleadings be placed in shape for a hearing and final decision Wednesday morning. Attorney Shephard was ill Wednesday so the hearing was postponed to Friday.

E. C. Kelly, PWA counsel, has wired Washington, D. C., for approval to proceed on the basis that the injunction now being sought has no basis and is only delaying for a time the starting of the work.

The city council instructed Attorney Wyers to look into the law regarding the suing of the plaintiffs in this suit if they lose their fight. Holding up the contract as this suit is doing is likely to cost the city money with the contractor and the PWA.

LOIS MERRILL AND JACK COLLINS WED SATURDAY

Miss Lois Merrill and Jack Collins of Cascade Locks surprised their many friends when they slipped across the river to Stevenson, Wash., Saturday morning and were married. Miss Merrill's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Merrill, accompanied them. Following the ceremony, the couple spent a honeymoon weekend in Portland and returned to the Locks to make their home in one of the Penn's tavern cabins.

Mr. Collins is a signalman for the riggers on Columbia Construction company highline. He comes from Dallas, Texas. Miss Merrill was born in Cascade Locks, as was her mother. She graduated from the Locks high school in May, 1935.

The Cascade Locks firebreak is advancing rapidly towards completion next week with a force of 40 CCC men employed.

LOCKS VOTES IN MAY ON \$8,000 CITY HALL ISSUE

The Cascade Locks city council voted Monday night to place on the May ballot the question of whether or not the people of Cascade Locks want to increase their bonded indebtedness by \$8,000 for the purchase of ground and erection of a City Hall to house all of the city offices and activities.

Present plans as explained at the meeting were to include the expenditure of \$7,000 for a building and \$1,000 for a lot.

The PWA would pay \$3400 or this amount leaving \$4600 for the city to pay. In addition, there would be included \$400 for furniture and office equipment, \$2,000 for fire and water department paraphernalia, making a total of \$7,000. The PWA requires a bond issue of about 10 percent more than the actual estimate so in this case it would be around \$8,000.

Payments on both principal and interest were explained as being around \$450 for the first year, a little more than \$12 per month better than the city will be paying for a place to meet and a place to store fire equipment when the fire chief gets around to storing the fire truck under cover.

No mention was made of what the payments will be after the first year. Fourteen branches and departments of the city will be housed in the new edifice, if constructed.

The council also passed in final form Ordinance 14, commonly termed the "nuisance ordinance." Control of contagious diseases, garbage disposal, handling of fireworks and firearms, curfew, drunkenness, vagrancy, the penning and staking of livestock and fowls, dog licenses and setting up a health department are included in the ordinance.

VETERAN RANGER OF LOCKS DIES SUDDENLY

Eugene Wheeler, district ranger at Columbia Gorge station at Herman creek from 1922 to 1930, died suddenly of heart disease Saturday at his home in Corvallis.

Mr. Wheeler is survived by his widow and two sons, Frank and Wallace. Entering the United States forest service in 1907, he began his work on the Colville national forest near Republic, Wash. Illness brought on by strenuous field work caused his retirement due to total disability in 1930. He was 58 at the time of his death. Burial was in Corvallis.

EXHIBIT BADMINTON

The Portland Badminton club will appear today at 8 p.m. in the auditorium for an exhibition of badminton as it should be played.

The Ladies Aid of the Cascade Locks community church will meet today at 2 p.m. in the church for potluck.

ANCIENT DOG RUSTY MAKES DAILY CALL TO GET JUICY BONE

Wise, old dog is Rusty, red Irish setter belonging to Silver Perras of Cascade Locks.

Each morning Rusty trots laboriously—12 years has stiffened his joints, made his eyes rheumy—down from the Perras home on the hill back of the Odd Fellows hall. Turning the corner by the drugstore, he makes a straight line for Fred Harrop's butcher shop, where once his master sold Bologna and pork chops and tenderloin steaks.

Rusty's tail wags longingly as he surveys the juicy meats in the cases, but he waits patiently, sometimes for hours, while Butch-

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ROSE CECILIANI HIGH POINT GIRL IN 'QUEEN DERBY'

Rose Ceciliani is the leading contender for the title of "Miss Cascade Locks" this week following counting of votes cast at the Cascade Locks chamber of commerce's first benefit dance Saturday night at Merrill's.

Miss Ceciliani polled 350,000, Thelma Daugherty, 290,000; Clara Nix, 190,000; Norva Jenkins, 170,000; and Katherine Ugar, 80,000. A number of supporters for various candidates are believed to be holding votes until the final night, so the present standings are subject to radical change.

In the "He-Queen" contest, Bill Keeler is out in front with 550,000 votes, followed by Carl Epping with 340,000, L. Ludwig with 175,000, H. E. "Lightnin'" Pointer with 135,000 and Noble Hyde with 10,000. Ted Hauser dropped out to support Ludwig. Other sponsors are: Keeler, Bonneville post VFW and J. A. Merrill; Epping, Locks high school; Pointer, Texaco Oil company; Hyde, Townsend club.

A large crowd attended the Saturday dance, netting the chamber some \$50 after all expenses. Next dance will be March 28, following the final windup April 11, when the winner will be crowned. Nearly all Locks merchants are giving coupons good for 100 votes with each 50 cent purchase.

The spectacle of some or the town's leading business men turned "horse" will be seen today noon on Main street when the ticket-selling team captained by M. L. Munkres of the Safeway store is drawn on a old fire engine by C. C. Chapman's team, which failed to sell as many tickets last week. The teams will meet at 11:45 a. m. in front of Dew Drop inn. A real old Missouri jack-ass will be featured.

JOB SERVICE TO OPEN BRANCH IN LOCKS MONDAY

A state reemployment office to provide jobs for residents of this end of Hood River county, will be opened in Cascade Locks Monday afternoon.

Through efforts of The Chronicle and Forrest L. Moe, Hood River county commissioner, A. G. Johnson, district manager for the Oregon state reemployment service, and Mrs. Jimmie Catherwood, county manager, decided Wednesday morning to extend their service to Cascade Locks.

The Chronicle is donating the use of its office, across from the post-office, for the reemployment service each Monday afternoon. Mrs. Catherwood will arrive Monday about 1:30 p.m. with all her files and remain until 5:30 p.m.

Mrs. Catherwood is requesting all men, whether working or not, to check with her when she is in Cascade Locks on Mondays to eliminate any errors that might be made in the files. When men are laid off on completion of their jobs, they are asked to report to her so their names may be changed from the inactive to the active list and new employment obtained as soon as possible.

The real need for a branch reemployment office in Cascade Locks has long been seen. The Chronicle took the matter up with Mr. Moe in Hood River Tuesday. Mrs. Catherwood liked the idea, as presented by Mr. Moe, but action was delayed a day by the wait for District Manager Johnson's final Okeh.

Since October, 1933, when Bonneville dam was started, to last Saturday, 1,468 men from Hood River county have been placed by the reemployment service. Establishment of the Cascade Locks branch is expected to mean greater convenience for Locks residents, removing the inconvenience of the 21-mile drive to the county seat.

BELLARTS CHOSEN HEAD OF LEGION FISH DERBY

Charles Bellarts, U. S. guard, was named chairman of the annual fishing derby sponsored by Bonneville post of the American Legion when it met last week.

Bellarts will be assisted by his two partners on last year's fishing contest, Lee Summerville and Charles Shinn. The committee plans an early meeting to have the competition under way when the season opens April 5.

Valuable prizes will be given the fishermen who bring in the largest trout and largest salmon. Important changes are planned to make the contest even better than last year's. Fishermen will probably be restricted to some such radius as 50 miles from the dam in which to make their catches.