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CASCADE LOCKS

HOOD RIVER

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Water System Still Awaiting Pen of Mayor

Mayor Charles Nelson Monday night told Cascade Locks councilmen the same thing he told the Taxpayers' league last Friday in the Odd-fellows' hall—that he has no intention of signing warrants drawn against the construction fund for the city water system.

Mayor Nelson says his legal counsel has advised him he has no authority to sign until an injunction suit to restrain the city from constructing the water system, lost in Judge Fred Wilson's circuit court, has been tried before the state supreme court in the fall.

Meanwhile obligations against the water system construction fund continued to mount as Kuckenberg-Wittman, contractors, went ahead with work. Parts of the contract have already been completed, notably all slashing and clearing work along the pipe line from Dry creek to the reservoir and from the reservoir into town.

Councilman Max Millsap reported \$758.59 is due Kuckenberg-Wittman to date, an additional \$200 is due C. M. Hurlburt for engineering services, and \$12,500 worth of pipe is in transit to the job.

Councilman Millsap again went through the routine, enacted twice at last week's meeting, of moving that the warrants accrued be drawn and presented to the mayor for signature.

An audience that packed the stuffy council room waited patiently for fireworks that failed to materialize. Recall petitions for Mayor Nelson and Councilmen Millsap and Carl Epping were filed last week. Mayor Nelson's bearing many more than the necessary number of signatures, and it is expected the council will set a date for the recall election at next Monday's meeting.

Harry Kuckenberg, contractor on the job, said Monday that after June 10, by which time first payment was to have been made to his firm under the contract, he could shut down operations without violating the contract. He said his plans on that score are indefinite and will have to await developments.

City Attorney Teunis Wyers indicated after the meeting that an effort would be made to obtain additional funds from the PWA to match \$3000 in bonds which the city could deposit to the credit of the construction account. About \$2300 was saved for the city by the decision to cut pipe used in the city distribution system from eight to six inches. This change order must be given PWA consent before it will become effective.

Mr. Kuckenberg said the contract was to have been completed in 60 days, but due to uncertainty and delay it might well be August 1 before the system is in.

When gunpowder was first invented it was regarded simply as a plaything, and was used only in the manufacture of fireworks.

COWBOY COPS ON JOB AT BONNEVILLE

Special guards at Bonneville were considerably heartened by the statement of a small boy a few weeks back.

Ed Turrish had just approached a woman who had parked in a forbidden zone. The woman's son was tagging along after her.

"You'll have to move your car, madame," Ed said in his politest tone.

The kid tugged at his mother's skirt.

"Look, mommy," he said. "Cowboy policeman! Cowboy policeman!"

Royal Canadian Mounted Police please notice.

ANIMAL PICTURES TO SHOW MONDAY

Sending out a special appeal to housewives and children in the Bonneville neighborhood, the Isaac Walton league this week prepared for its big free show Monday night in the U. S. E. D. auditorium, when William L. Finley, nationally known naturalist, will explain moving pictures of wild life in Oregon and Alaska.

Projectors will be provided by Al Weisendanger, senior forest ranger, although he himself will be unable to attend.

The films, making of which ran to thousands of dollars, are the result of years of effort on the part of Mr. Finley, and none better or more accurate can be seen anywhere. He will explain the place and method of taking the pictures as they are shown.

A short business meeting will be held at 7 P. M. in the anteroom. All men interested in conservation of wild life are invited to attend. The show will start at 8 P. M.

TUNNEL PROJECTS MAKING HEADWAY

Portals have been placed for tunnels A and B, new drainage projects on the Ruckel slide face, and digging will be carried forward for six weeks or more. While the tunnels will be lengthened six or seven per day, it is expected they will have to be sunk at least 300 feet, probably more, before they tap any of the water impounded back of the slide. Work is being done by United States engineers in charge of railroads and highways.

WINS HONORS

Robert William Beal of Parkdale, an engineering student, was graduated with honors from Oregon State college last week, one of six graduates from this county. There were 398 diplomas given out to senior students at the exercises in Corvallis.

American dye manufacture received its first stimulus during the World War. Previous to that all of our good dye had come from Germany, but since then the domestic product has been made every bit as good as the imported.

CASCADE PIONEER, LONG ILL, PASSES

Death claimed Richard Woodward, 79, resident of Cascade Locks for decades, Saturday after an illness of months during which he was not expected to live from one day to another. Funeral services were held Monday in Washougal, Wash.

Mr. Woodward was born near Cascade Locks in 1857, the son of pioneers on both sides of the family. His father, John Woodward, well-known Indian fighter, died at the Oregon old soldiers' home several years ago. His mother was the daughter of Richard Ough, employee of the Hudson Bay company who came to Oregon with John McLoughlin. The family lived on a donation claim near Washougal for many years.

Besides being Cascade Locks' first school teacher, Mr. Woodward was among the first locks tenders when the government navigation locks were opened here in November, 1896. In 1922 he was taken from active service and made a night watchman, retiring on a pension a few years later.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Emma Woodward; three sons, Clement, of Linnton, Or., and Charles and John, of Cascade Locks; four daughters, Mrs. J. Ross Jenkins, Mrs. Dolly Muller and Mrs. Winnie, of Portland, and Mrs. Ella Laforge, of California. Two brothers are living: Alfred Woodward of Corbett and James Woodward of Portland.

So brave was the old man in his illness that for months he refused to have a doctor. His family arranged with Dr. M. E. Johnson of Cascade Locks to drop in as if for a friendly call and see if he could be of help. Dr. Johnson came in one day as agreed.

"Glad you called, doctor," said Mr. Woodward from his bed. "If I ever get sick enough to need anybody, you'll be the man I call."

That was characteristic of the spirit of this man who has just left the fast-dwindling ranks of our real pioneers.

Bonus Checks Here June 15

World War veterans whose applications for bonus payments have been approved will receive their "baby bonds" and checks by registered mail beginning June 15.

As delivery of all bonus mail must be made in person, local men will be required to call at the post office to receive theirs. No arrangements have as yet been announced for keeping the post office open beyond regular hours, but this will be done if there is sufficient necessity for it.

While 500 bonus application blanks were drawn here when they first arrived, it is impossible to determine how many Bonneville men will receive payment, since some of the veterans drew more than one blank and many have since moved away or will receive their bonds at some other post office.

RIPRAP DUMPED TO HALT UNDERCUTTING

To forestall further undercutting along the north bank of the Columbia, 1700 yards of riprap were dumped into the Columbia up to Tuesday and army engineers said they would order as much more as might be necessary to halt inroads by the river. The rock is being hauled by railroad from Portland.

Since high water came three weeks ago there has been some erosion along the bank where the north end of the main spillway will eventually rest, and engineers want to guard against a serious attack on the shoreline.

Temporary O.K. Given Franchise

Granting of permission to conduct business and maintain equipment in the city of Cascade Locks to the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company was passed to a second reading by the council at its meeting Monday night.

A tax of two per cent on gross income from local tolls would be levied over a period of 20 years according to the proposed agreement. Information as to exactly what tolls would be subject to tax will be in the hands of the council before second reading.

It is estimated the tax would bring in about \$40 per year.

W. J. Carlson, city recorder, was instructed to send a letter suggesting a similar arrangement to the West Coast power and light company, who requested that the city mail them a tentative proposal. The council decided that terms should be the same as for the telephone company.

Action on the city jail was postponed due to the inability of the committee studying the situation to locate any property suitable to purchase as a jail site. The council is unwilling to erect a concrete structure on leased property.

A resolution to turn over streets in Lakeside addition, owned by J. B. Laber, to the city of Cascade Locks for the use of the public was presented by Councilman Millsap and passed.

Councilman Millsap also introduced a motion to increase the salary of City Recorder Carlson by \$10 per month out of the emergency fund. The motion carried. Councilman Millsap pointed out that the recorder now has charge of clerical work in connection with the water system which he did not handle before, and is entitled to extra remuneration.

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LEGION TO MEET

Bonneville post of the American Legion will meet Wednesday, June 10 in the west lounge room of the auditorium for a general business meeting and nomination and election of officers for the ensuing year. Dave Marvin has asked the entire membership to attend, as it is important that every man express his preference on the ballot.

Liquid hydrogen is the coldest substance ever produced or discovered by man.

WORKMEN ACTIVE THO WATER HIGH

Anyone who looked over the list of jobs the Columbia Construction company is working on now would be convinced activity has not been entirely stopped by high water, even though a skeleton crew is being carried at present.

Three more concrete "pours" remain before the nine piers of the spillway dam now under construction are completed. When the new concrete has hardened steel girder spans will be swung into place between the piers at the 96-foot, or roadway, elevation.

Sections of the fish ladder above water will also be completed soon. General-Shea companies are pouring now on the fishway outlet that empties into Bradford slough above the locks after leading up across Bradford's island from the main channel.

Some work also remains to be done on the south wing wall. The north wing wall will not be attempted until the north half of the main channel is cofferdammed later in the summer and the entire north bank is laid bare.

No attempt will be made to bait seepage through the north bank. Columbia officials said last week. Amount of seepage there would not justify construction of a cutoff dam, although some rumors have said a sub-surface wall 2000 feet long would have to be run back from the north bank to stop seepage.

Gravel and sand pumped from the river bottom to permit construction of the first nine piers and stored on Bradford's island north of the Columbia offices is being removed to fill in behind riverside concrete work. Eventually it is expected the island will be restored to its original grade.

WPA URGES MEN INTO OTHER JOBS

Although WPA project workers who go into private employment during the spring and summer months will be eligible to return to the Federal payroll as soon as their private employment comes to an end, and will even be given preferred status over workers who remain on the Federal pay roll, according to a statement issued last week by E. J. Griffith, works progress administrator for Oregon.

District directors of the WPA will encourage all workers to accept private employment during the harvesting season and assured such workers that they will be given preferred consideration for reemployment after the peak for seasonal labor in private industry has passed.

Reports received from all parts of the state indicate an unusually strong demand for labor. Many men are needed on farms and in logging camps. There is also an increased demand for labor from manufacturers.

In building a house, Chinese carpenters build roof first and continue to jack it up as they progress with the lower structure.