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This Week's Thought
He who rides a tiger dares
to dismount.—Chinese
proverb.
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Work on Wedge Cribs Is Rushed

Work on the new wedge cribs which will bring the faces of cribs 28 and 28-A back to perpendicular was rushed this week so that the east wing of Columbia Construction company's cofferdam might be closed as soon as possible.

Crib 28-A will be supplemented by a structure three and half feet wide at the bottom and eleven feet wide at the top, measuring 59 feet deep and reaching clear to the river bottom. Crib 28's companion piece will be much narrower and not so deep, and will be hung from the super stream edge of the dam rather than resting on the bottom.

As soon as the wedge cribs in place sheet piling will be driven along the upstream face, beginning with piling already set against crib 7, easternmost of the cribs in midstream parallel to the river flow. This piling is bowed out slightly but will be brought back solidly against the crib before pumping operations are begun.

Up to 8 A.M. Monday 15,000 cubic yards of rip-rap had been dumped from the railroad trestle along the north bank into the gap between crib 22 and the north bank, the last part of the east wing to be sealed. This operation so far has met with success and is expected to complete the water-tight eastern side of defense against the stream. The east wing should be finished within three weeks of a month, while another month to six weeks will pass before pumping can start, according to army engineers.

The engineers have decided to alter the bottom construction of cribs 30, 31 and 32, to do whatever excavating is necessary to fit them to the stream bottom between cribs 29 and 33 in the west wing of the cofferdam. Designs for crib 29, the only one not yet built, have been completed but measurements will be held up until cribs 30, 31 and 32, the three renegades which were returned to Hamilton island last week from a point several miles downstream, have been placed. Crib 29 will be set at the southeast corner of the cofferdam. Necessary salvaged cribs will be underlaid in places with logs to give them a level footing and prevent the rock fill from tumbling over into adjacent crib area.

Work which remains to be done on cribs 33 to 36 includes pulling and driving of some of the sheet piling along their downstream face, and building a parapet or raising the deck level so a roadway can be laid over the top of the cribs.

BACK TO CASH

Saturday night will be Cold Cash Night again at Merrill's the management announces. Johnny Walker's band will be on hand to tickle the patrons' dancing from 9 P.M. until 1 A.M.

BOWE AND TORPEN TOPS AT FISHING

Ed Bowe and Ben Torpen carried off the major honors Wednesday night when the American Legion post met in French's tavern to award prizes for the three-month fishing contest which closed June 30.

Bowe was given the award for the largest salmon caught in April, a McMonies fish basket, ticket to the Roosevelt theater, haircut and shave. Bowe also caught far more salmon—23—than any other one person during the course of the contest, three others being tied at six. A nine-foot surf-casting pole was his prize in this event.

Torpen displayed the best trout catches in May and June, winning a red fish basket, show tickets, haircut and shave for May, and a tapered line and reel for June.

Other prizes went to Dell Bradburn, largest salmon in May, 16-inch leather boots, show tickets, haircut and shave; Charley Bellarts, best trout catch in April, rubber fishing boots, show tickets, haircut and shave; H. E. Holden, second largest salmon in April, Oregon woolen mills shirt; John Buchholz, second largest in May, camera.

Ray Shortridge got a shirt for the second best trout catch in April, while Larry Lull copped second honors in May and June, winning a pair of hiking breeches and a pair of gloves, show ticket, haircut and shave.

Ray Shortridge received a fishing pole and case donated by Nudelman brothers for the largest trout caught during the contest, a rainbow weighing three and a half pounds and measuring 21 and a quarter inches.

Ralph Markwart was given a hunting coat for the first salmon caught and displayed.

John A. Tucker, Carl Bretano and Karl Swenson each won six quarts of Triton motor oil for having the second greatest salmon catches. W. W. Laxton won a shirt for the third best trout catch. Virgil Anderson carried off two show tickets as junior honors.

Jack Berry, who cut his wrist while chopping wood three weeks ago, is still in St. Vincent's hospital, Portland. Although blood-poisoning complicated recovery, he is nearly well

Legion Is Ready For Hood Climb

Between 150 and 200 persons will scale Mount Hood Sunday, July 19, when the Hood River American Legion post holds its annual public climb.

This event, which has attracted nationwide attention during the 16 years it has been conducted, brings up to 2,000 campers to the Tilly Jane Legion camp grounds every summer. About a tenth of those who come make the climb, the others remaining for late breakfast and Sunday morning church services.

The camp is reached via the spur that leads past Cloud Cap inn to the Tilly Jane forestry camp, with the Legion camp grounds just across the creek.

Meals will be furnished at restaurant prices by the Legion, but campers are expected to bring their own bedding, tents if desired, and other personal equipment.

A program will be put on Saturday night. Sunday morning the climbing party will breakfast and start the trek by 3 A.M. A radio broadcast from the climbers over short wave will be amplified by a sound truck at the campsite from time to time during the day.

The mountain will be lighted Saturday night on a much more ambitious scale this year than last, with four times as much money appropriated. The flares will be ignited about 10 P.M. Saturday. Fireworks and bombs suitable for 5 miles will be set off from the mountain top.

This year the minimum age for climbers has been set at 14 years. Required equipment includes calks or hobs in shoes, both heel and sole; smoked glasses, and alpenstock, rentable at the camp. Headgear, a cot or sweater, and gloves are advised for the comfort of the climbers.

George Iiams is Big Squeak of the Craig Rate who will furnish guides for the climb. P. F. Bucklin of the First National bank is chief guide. Head of the committee in charge of the climb is Kent Shoemaker, who has headed every committee but one since the inception of the affair in 1921.

Persons who passed the Lakeside market late Sunday night were smitten in the nostrils by ammonia escaping from a broken pipe in the refrigeration system. The leak was repaired Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Stevens spent last weekend with their families near Medford.

Jack Gerst of Portland has been visiting Bill McGarigle here.

TUNNELS ALREADY AID RUCKEL SLIDE

Danger from land-slips along the Ruckel slide face has already been lessened by four tunnels run back to divert water impounded behind impervious strata, according to employees of the United States engineers' highway and railroad department, in charge of tunneling operations along the slide.

Tunnels 6 and 7, formerly labeled A and B, have been sunk 200 feet, but it is expected their length will have to be trebled or quadrupled before much runoff can be looked for.

Tunnel 2 is still the star performer of the group, having a steady flow of between three and four cubic feet per second.

Work on Water Level Highway Slated for 1937

Work on the new water-grade upper Columbia River highway between Troutdale and Dodson apparently cannot be started until the summer of 1937 at the earliest, the state highway commission determined Wednesday.

Before that time, and possibly not then, the United States army engineers do not expect to have funds with which to dredge the ship channel in the Columbia and supply part of the material for the fill on which the rerouted road will be built.

Colonel T. M. Robins, division engineer of the army engineers, told the highway commission at a conference that even should congress approve the project when it reconvenes in the fall it probably would take several months to actually get the money.

He added, however, that President Roosevelt had the power to provide the money from some other fund if he desired, but was not following such a policy.

The rerouted highway from Portland to The Dalles will cost \$10,000,000. The section in question, from Troutdale to Dodson, will require \$2,828,786 of which \$2,058,980 will be spent between Troutdale and Mt. Hood falls.

In consulting with Colonel Robins, the highway commission learned that the army engineers will dredge only certain sections of the channel and that material for the road will be available only at these points.

The highway commission will begin dredging at the other points.

Mr. and Mrs. James Teegarden, their daughter Jeanette, Burton and her daughter, Rena, of Moro visited the Pointers here Tuesday.

Tunnel at Tooth Rock Is Started

Rock began to fly in earnest yesterday as Orino-Birkemeier-Saremal crews went to work on the Tooth Rock highway tunnel project, which has been delayed some time because shovels, trucks and other equipment was diverted to the railroad fill project just west of the Tanner creek bridge on the old Union Pacific track. This equipment is now available and it is expected work will be stepped up to full speed on the tunnel, say C. B. Speaker and D. H. Cadmus, resident engineers respectively for the Oregon state highway department and the United States bureau of public roads.

Preliminary blasting was done Wednesday to outline the portal and set the stage for commencement of underground operations Thursday.

Rock from the tunnel will be removed to a stock pile north-east of the highway near the county line, where there is a long fill with plenty of room for dumping. Much of this rock will be used later in laying the new roadbed from Eagle creek west to a point near the Bonneville school.

Cadmus said the blasting in the tunnel will be light, just sufficient to strip away the rock as fast as it is carried out. For this reason work on the east portal can be started when the tunnel has been run about 150 feet into Tooth rock.

Crews will wait until the entire roadbed is complete, including the tunnel unit, before putting on blacktop, as it will be cheaper to do the whole job at once.

Dr. and Mrs. M. E. Johnson will leave Saturday for San Francisco, where Dr. Johnson formerly worked, for their vacation. While there they will visit Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Williams of the West Coast Power & Light company. Mr. Williams is also leaving Saturday to join his wife in California. She has been staying at Santa Cruz. During Mr. Williams' absence the power office will be looked after by Jess Collenburn and Miss Thelma Dougherty. Dr. Johnson is making arrangements for someone to take care of his practice.

Mrs. Marvin Lambert and Miss Jane Geitner visited in Portland last Wednesday.

Ed Matheny, who has been working for the forest service the past month, was expected home from the job Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Piper and their sons, Kenneth and Bobby, are moving to Hood River Friday, July 10.