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This Week's Thought

A rose by any other name
Would smell as sweet . . .

—Shakespeare.

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HOOD RIVER

CASCADE LOCKS

BONNEVILLE

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October Is Peak Month For Concrete

October's bright blue weather, immortalized in verse by Helen Hunt Jackson, was canonized in concrete just as enduring by Columbia Construction company workmen who turned the sapphire days to excellent advantage by dumping 100,000 cubic yards into the forms during the month, setting a new high mark for the project. Eight hundred yards were poured on the Oregon side, the remainder within the north cofferdam pit. Gate slot steel grouting in the completed piers took 150 yards.

The wingwall, poured to plus 28 feet, is now five feet ahead of the cutoff wall. The backfill is about as high as it can be brought for the present, and is being compacted and leveled above the upstream revetment slab. About 500 yards of concrete went into the slab in two days, and it will be poured to plus 52 feet without delays.

Half of the downstream end of the fishlock block has been poured to minus 10 feet, the remainder standing at minus 20. The upstream end is about ready to be poured to plus four feet, and the A-1 training wall is ready to go to plus 14 feet.

Pier five is still the leader among the piers, and will probably remain so until they have all been poured to deck level. Block S-A has reached minus 13 feet, and one section of the downstream nose of the pier has been poured. The ogee section in section seven has been begun, but no pier concrete has gone in.

All deck slabs have been completed except 0-B, and all baffles are in except in sections 0-B and 1-B. The pier one training wall is poured to minus six feet and two footings have been poured for the fishladder in section 15.

ARMISTICE DAY JIG COMING AT GARDENS

Another of Johnny Walker's holiday dances at the Columbia Gardens, which proved popular on the night of Roosevelt's re-election, will be held Wednesday evening in celebration of the signing of the Armistice just 18 years ago.

A big crowd attended the election night dance, and Walker expects as many more to turn up the night of Armistice Day.

"Armistice Day is a day of celebration, not of sorrowing," one vet said, and Walker promises the celebrants plenty of good music as late as they want to dance.

SERVICE FOR ARMISTICE

Members of Bonneville post, No. 88, American Legion, will be guests of honor at a special Armistice Day service at the Bonneville Community church Sunday, November 8, with Rev. E. J. Aschenbrenner leading the service. All members of the post are requested to attend.

HORTON VISITS

Bonneville rubbed elbows with greatness again this week when Edward Everett Horton, famed movie comedian of the deprecating manner, called to inspect the project. Accompanying Mr. Horton were Colonel Charles F. Williams, district engineer, and Mr. King of Portland.

LAST XMAS MAILING DATES ARE LISTED

For the information of those who will be mailing Christmas packages to foreign countries the following tables of closing dates is printed:

England, Dec. 16 (from New York). Also France, Germany, Italy, Ireland and Scotland.
Bermuda, Dec. 22 (from New York).
Panama, Dec. 18.
Hawaii, Dec. 15.
Bulgaria and Yugoslavia, Dec. 12 (from New York).
South American countries, Dec. 11 to 14, depending on distance.
Russia, Dec. 9 (from New York).
Philippines, Nov. 27.
Australia, Nov. 18.

Any questions about mailing dates or postal rates will be answered at the Bonneville or Cascade Locks post offices.

V.F.W. Post Installs New Heads Monday

Irving Hall was installed as commander of Dam Site post, No. 3051, Veterans of Foreign Wars, at a meeting in French's tavern Monday night with Past-Commander M. A. Butterfield acting as installing officer.

Others to take office were E. C. White, senior vice commander; C. C. Olmsted, junior vice commander; Theo "Ted" Johnson, quartermaster; Noble F. Hyde, chaplain; M. A. Butterfield, past advocate; Dan Hallowsell, surgeon.

Hall announces the following appointments:

Patriotic instructor, Roy Lusch; historian, L. A. Belanger; guard, Leon Sorber; senior color bearer, Lem Saunders; junior color bearer, Bill Romans; officer of the day, Bud Hawkins.

On the entertainment committee will be Warren S. Hicks, Carl Krogstad, Bill Romans and C. C. Olmsted.

The membership committee will be composed of Bill Keeler, Robert F. Bennett and H. V. Christenson.

LINTON WNS PRAISE

Frank Linton is looking down on the other "dummies" around Bonneville these days.

Following his participation in Crockford's club tournament in Portland last week, where he matched wits with the coast's best, he received a letter from the Pacific Bridge league which read in part:

"You showed yourself to be a good bridge player as you were up against good players."

Frank was rated at two points following the tournament.

SUNFLOWER DROOPS

As an aftermath to President Roosevelt's overwhelming victory Tuesday, a sorrowing sunflower, croftily fashioned from crepe paper, was to be seen drooping mournfully in the middle of the roadway entrance to Bonneville reservation on Wednesday morning, draped with black crepe. The spectacle provoked much amusement among the faithful.

The longest telephone call possible entirely within the United States is from Eastport, Me., to Bay, Calif., a distance of about 2,950 air-line miles.

Piano Wire Used to Line Up Pit Steel

Two rigid survey towers for use in lining up the heavy embedded steel placements in the two main units of the power house were recently completed, and the work of preparing a bed for the big turbines will begin in earnest.

From the center of the towers fine piano wire will be suspended, weighted by plumb-bobs which will dangle in buckets of oil to prevent sway. The wires will represent the physical center of the turbine pits, and will serve as reference lines in taking measurements for embedded steel parts.

Makeup joints in the tubes have been completed in unit two and nearly completed in unit one. They will be followed by placement of the speed rings, throat rings and pit liners.

Concrete used in contact with steel parts is mostly low-heat concrete mixed with a special low-heat cement, although some grouting will be used.

A large temporary shed which will be used as a mechanical and electrical shop and store room during placement of heavy machinery in the power house is being built just across the road at the south end of the power house. It will take the place of the halfway shacks just south of the power house, which are too small to take care of new work.

Red Cross Roll Call to Start

One more week will pass before the annual Red Cross roll call starts, lasting from Armistice to Thanksgiving day.

Since the Bandon disaster, \$25,000 has been received from the national Red Cross and \$30,000 from the Oregon chapters. An emergency housing program is to be started immediately. Eighty emergency houses, small but warm and comfortable, will replace the tents now being used, and as fast as the funds will permit other houses will be built.

"When the Red Cross workers visit the homes and places of business, it is the hope of your own chapter that you will be as generous as possible and that you will give in a spirit of thankfulness that we are allowed to do our bit to aid in the work of caring for the unfortunate," a local worker said.

BOYS SEE DAM MOVIES

As part of the educational program for the new C. C. C. boys at the Wyeth camp, most of whom are from the middle west, motion pictures of Bonneville dam construction were shown at the camp Wednesday evening following dinner. The pictures were shown through the courtesy of the United States engineers.

EAGLES INITIATE

Members of Gresham aerie, Fraternal Order of Eagles, attended the initiation meeting of Cascade Locks-Bonneville aerie last night and assisted in inducting the men into the organization, according to George E. Thomas, secretary. The meeting was held in the I.O.O.F. hall in Cascade Locks.

ROOSEVELT SWEEPS BONNEVILLE, LOCKS

Bonneville precinct went Roosevelt with a bang at Tuesday's election, giving the president 538 votes to Landon's 66. A total of 620 ballots were cast.

Cascade Locks likewise was strongly pro-Roosevelt, tallying 485 votes for him against Landon's 60.

Willis Mahoney carried both precincts against Senator Charles McNary, barely edging out at Bonneville, 293 to 286, but winning handily in Cascade Locks, 314 to 200.

The Locks also piled up a huge majority for Congressman Pierce, giving him 434 votes to Ritner's 68. Francis Galloway, running for state senator, took Pete Stadelman's measure, 311 to 156, in the Locks, although Stadelman won the office by piling up majorities elsewhere.

Fishladder Digging Gets Under Way

Excavation is sailing ahead on the west half of the Bradford's island fishway, where a doughty little shovel is eating northward into the bank at the north end of the power house viaduct.

The only problem which General-Shea company faces in completing the excavation and placing concrete for the fishladder is brought about by water which is seeping through the island and which covers the bottom of the pit, which must be dry when the floor of the ladder is laid.

The plan is to build a low dike or embankment across the north end of the pit and ditch the sides, placing a pump on each bank to suck the water out of the ditches. The dike will divert the ground water into the ditches, leaving the bottom of the pit relatively dry.

The fishladder will swing north across the island, under the present General-Shea stock piles, joining the section which leads west from the end of the spillway dam just before it cuts back across the island to the outlet above the power house.

OFF ON DATES

Misguided faith was responsible for a letter sent to the Dam Chronicle this week, addressed only to "Bonneville Newspaper, Bonneville, Or."

The letter, signed by Mrs. Fern Henefer of Salt Lake City, Utah, requested a copy of our "Sunday paper." Mrs. Henefer enclosed 18 cents in stamps to cover cost of the paper and mailing.

Exhaustive search of our files failed to disclose a single Sunday issue, even though in the early days the paper sometimes didn't get delivered until Sunday, it was always religiously dated on Friday.

The Dam Chronicle will mail a regular Friday issue to Mrs. Henefer and await a reply.

EXAMS LISTED

A civil service examination for a carpenter foreman, pipefitter foreman, pipefitter and pipefitter's helper for duty at Bonneville was announced this week by the United States civil service commission. Applications must be on file with the secretary, board of United States civil service examiners, U. S. engineers' office, 664 Pittock block, Portland, not later than November 13, 1936.

Manchester In Again; Hesgard Gains Council

G. E. Manchester was returned as mayor of Cascade Locks Tuesday in an election which also saw Franklin D. Roosevelt swept into the White House for a second term and Charles McNary re-elected United States senator from Oregon.

Manchester polled 239 votes against 170 for William Keeler, his only opponent.

G. N. Hesgard snagged the open seat in the council, all other council members being re-elected. Julius Carlson was the only member who did not seek a second term. E. J. Erolhar and August Petersen were beaten.

Polling the highest number of votes for councilman was Silver Perras with 342. Following Perras in order were Jim Merrill, 312; Hesgard, 311; Carl Epping, 277; Max Millsap, 269; W. H. Clark, 265; Erolhar, 254; Petersen, 249.

Colon Merrill was named marshal in his race against E. A. Brink, getting 263 votes against Brink's 139 for the biggest margin of the local election. W. J. Carlson, recorder, and Mrs. Vera Sprague, treasurer, were returned to office without opposition.

Both of the charter amendments, calling for establishment of a water board and a four-year term for councilmen, were passed by heavy majorities, winning by votes of 261 to 108 and 261 to 106. Their passage was regarded as a formality by persons who sponsored them.

WICKED FORMATION PASSED AT TUNNEL

Worst of the troubles are over for Orino-Birkemeier-Saremal crews engaged in running the Tooth Rock Columbia River highway tunnel east of Bonneville, unless the totally unexpected occurs, as the loose, seamy formation and blocky material has been passed from the east end, no water flow has been encountered and slaty strata are the only present tribulations of the hard-rock men.

The crews have tunneled about 70 feet through the bad formation, which they struck more than three weeks ago, and are beginning to hit firmer rock on the right. They have been following the tunnel face closely with timbers, and have been using three and four-foot holes for blasting.

Some concrete has been poured in the tunnel lining just inside the west portal, and forms are ready for another section.

BOOKS FOR BANDON

Books for a new library at Bandon will be provided by American Legionnaires all over Oregon, and members of Bonneville post, No. 88, are requested to bring fiction and miscellaneous non-fiction books to the next meeting November 18, Commander Jeff Olsen announces. The Legion post at Bandon offered to provide the town with a new library, and is seeking other posts of the state to cooperate.

Fur of the humble rabbit is much used in imitating rarer and more expensive furs. The strange part of it is that the rabbit fur often looks better and wears longer than its prototype.