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This Week's Thought

Life is a vale between the cold peaks of two eternities.

-Ingersoll

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HOOD RIVER

CASCADE LOCKS

BONNEVILLE

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Cofferdams Yield to **Powder Blasts**

About two weeks' work remains before no traces will remain of the north bank cofferdam which for seven months kept the Columbia river away from the foundation of the spillway dam.

The Bucyrus-Erie monighan is hauling out refuse from the bottom Portland of the river as fast as the downstream leg is shot to pieces.

Nearly the entire river flow is now passing through three bays, following the placement of another gate. The river level, now at 26 feet, is two feet above the crest of the spillway aside from the three open bays.

Assembly of the hub for one turbine unit has begun. Two of the five at 2:30 P. M. in the school auditorblades were in place Tuesday. The ium will have a pleasing musical prohub is the large member near the bottom of the turbine, into which the ing to Mrs. Fred Downing, program blades are fitted.

Parker Schram company is ready for the last pour, containing 400 cubic yards, in the block filling the temporary ship channel at the east end of the navigation locks.

They are now putting sheeting on the cofferdam bulkhead, and will probably have completed their 45day contract also in about a week when their workmen get through with the upper guide wall founda-

New Scout Patrol to Be **Formed Today**

A new Explorer patrol will be formed by members of Boy Scout troop 390 of Cascade Locks at their meeting tonight, according to Scoutmaster M. L. Morgan.

To be eligible for membership a boy must be at least 15 years of age and four matches: first class Scout. Seven or eight | Clare and Mylne, 4, 14; Barnett and boys are expected to join the patrol. Poppy, 21, 21.

Ranger Roy Weeman of the Columbia Gorge ranger station will be the official instructor for the patrol. He has already sent the troop a set of books on forestry work. The boys will study forestry, pioneering, and make several field trips under Weeman's direction.

Troop members have completed some of their benches at their new meeting room in the old grade school gymnasium and have finished most of their Court of Honor furniture. Bill Morgan's stamp board has been put up in the room, as have a pingpong table and a demonstration compass, the latter by the Bob White

patrol. The next court of honor will be held in May, with members of the Parent-Teacher association as guests.

Miss Elin Sundsten Weds Unexpectedly

Quite a flurry of excitement followed the unexpected announcement last week of Elin Sundsten's marriage last week to Martin F. Whalen. Mr. Whalen is from Long Beach, California and is driving an Asbury gasoline truck which makes daily trips through here. The couple were married in Stevenson March 24, much to relatives' and friends' surprise.

Elin Sundsten is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Sundsten of the Locks. They plan to make their home in Portland but haven't decided definitely as yet.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Butler, parents of Mrs. Max Millsap, Inetta Butler, her sister, and Mrs. Millsap's daughter Suzanne this week moved into the former Becker house near the

high school, where they will live at least through the summer. Miss Butler is an acrobatic tap-dancing teacher and may give lessons here.

BRIDGE TIFF DUE

Bridge sharks from the Alderwood club in Portland will visit Bonneville Back of Plan Thursday, April 8, to renew the longstanding feud with local contract experts. A squad of about 20 men is experts. A squad of about 20 men is expected.

Bonneville won a decisive victory in the last encounter, last fall, and the Alderwood boys are after revenge. The dam employees are slightly ahead over the stretch.

Radio Stars Billed by P-TA

The April 7 meeting of the Bonneville P.-T. A. which will be held gram as the main attraction accord-

The entertainment will be furnished by a group of radio artists from the Portland council of the P.-T. A..

Mothers from Mr. Robertson's room will be hostesses for the after-

Later in the month another card party will be sponsored by the association the date to be anounced next week. A nominating committee is to be elected at this meeting, so it is hoped there will be a large attendance of members.

SWATTERS SPLIT AGAIN

For the second time recently the Bonneville handball artists broke even with pill-slappers from the Portland fire department, the match being played a week ago Thursday on the Fourth and Taylor street station court in Portland. Bill Jones and John Haak, who starred for the dam last year, were among the specta-

Following are the results of the

Fisher and Kroll, 21, 13, 21; Dumas and Hendrickson, 15, 21, 16.

Hering and Neiss, 21, 21; Lowe and Nichols, 16, 18. Ansley and Badurina, 15, 14; Mil-

Before you Buy This week is set aside for

question asking and question answering! Before you buy ask

yourself: "Am I helping or hindering my own prosperity?"

The production of this area is GOOD—it is manu-

factured by your and my neighbor! The amount of

money he, you or I receive, is in direct proportion

to the sale of this production—for a sale MUST BE

REPLACED with MORE production. This builds

PAYROLLS and payrolls build PROSPERITY!

THIS WEEK let's start our own Pros-

perity Cycle. Let's know, then buy, from

"Unite for Prosperity"

the grand production of this area.

Remember to ask ...

VHERE DID IT

ler and Nelson, 21, 21.

Gorge Solidly

Communities the length of the gorge were lined up solidly in favor other favorites. of retention of bridges at Cascade Locks and Hood River and their al-William Keeler reported on returning Locks High teration at government expense, from the hearing held last Friday in Portland by the United States engi-

A number of the communities included requests for free governmentowned bridges in their briefs, although this opinion was not specifically asked for by the engineers in issuing the call for the hearing.

Every conceivable point in favor of retention of the bridges was brought out at the hearing. Some of the less obvious were:

That there is no hospital in the mid-Columbia on the north side of the river, most communities there relying on the Hood River institution.

That the United States forestry department frequently makes use of the bridges, particularly in connection with fighting forest tires, mobilizing equipment and men.

That the United States engineers have profited immensely from having use of the bridge during dam construction. Otherwise they might have found it necessary to build a span themselves, from Bradford island to the north shore.

That the railroad and highway on the south bank were both altered at government expense; why deny the bridges this privilege?

That the bridges have marked military value as a means of quick transportation of men and materials between the north and south banks of the Columbia.

Any necessary alteration of the Bridge of the Gods would have to be begun this year, as formation of the pool behind the dam will prevent work on parts of the piers.

MISS GUSTAFSON RESIGNS Miss Theodora Gustafson this week

announced her resignation as teacher at Cascade Locks high school, effective at the end of the current school year. Miss Gustafson plans to in lending us things we needed: Mrs. receive her master of science degree from Oregon State college in June Mrs. W. O. McKinnon, Mrs. Lew and tour the orient during th summer months.

OLD-TIME D'ANCE

Sponsored by the Powerhouse Serenaders, a group of fiddle-twangers and piano-pounders headed by Maude Brolliar of Cascade Locks, an oldtime dance will be given at the Civic Auditorium in Bonneville Saturday night. The public is invited to attend and enjoy the Paul Joneses and

Hoop Dinner Closes Season

The basketball season was formally brought to a close Friday evening, March 26, with a delightful threecourse banquet served in the grade school in honor of the lettermen and their parents.

Amid blue and gold tapers, yellow daffodils and pussy willows, and clever favors, the guests enjoyed, not only a fine dinner, but an unusually clever program. The theme of T-E-A-M was introduced by Toastmaster Clayton Kyle and carried out by the speakers. DeEtte Moore freshman; Ted McGarrigle, freshman; David Moffet, senior; and Mr. Sherwood, principal.

The climax of the evening was reached when Ivan Embree, coach, awarded the letters to the following lettermen: Cy Jenkins, Chuck Hill, Jack Fisher, Curly Helvogt, Henry Brink, Laurie Brink, Clem Kollenhurn, Elmer Glazier and Chet Wood-

Guests of the evening were Mr. and Mrs. S. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. William Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. Brink, Mr. and Mrs. Kollenhurn, Mr. and Mrs. Woodward, Mr. and Mrs. Kyle, Mrs. Embree, Mr. and Mrs. Haggblom and Mrs. Mary Gustafson.

Much credit for a successful dinner goes to Mrs. Kelsay, president of the P.-T. A., and Mrs. Melvin Har- lighting for the new highway. rington who carefully planned and prepared the dinner, which was ably served by the four young ladies dressed in blue and gold aprons, Jean Hardy, Eileen Sprague, Helen Rosenback and Verna Weeman.

Acknowledgments go, also, to the following people who were generous C. A. Brolliar, Mrs. H. E. Pointer, Morgan and Mrs. A. Geitner.

LOCKS BALL TEAM BEATEN BY FRANKTON

Cascade Locks grade school's playground ball team bowed to the Frankton nine at Frankton last Friday, 12 to 10. Cy Jenkins of Cascade Locks high school refereed.

Box score: (12) Frankton Cascade Locks (10) (1) Okamura Morgan (2) Hyde, N. (1) (2) Cable (0) Tenney Jenkins (1) (1) Okamura Collins (0) (2) Tenney Hess (0) (2) Scheer Todd (1) Strader (2) (2) Krieger Lovell (0) (0) Hudson Merrill, J. (2) Merrill, A. (1)

JUNIORS PLAY TONIGHT

directed by Miss Ethel McRae, will be presented by members of the Cascade Locks junior class in the high school gymnasium at 8 P. M. tonight. A small admission will be charged.

Viola DeCamp of Portland visited her sister in Bonneville recently.

Stevenson high school will let out for a three-day spring vacation a week from next Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Tharp of the Bridge of the Gods were shopping in Stevenson and North Bonneville Wed-

Bill Ryer, ex-editor of the Chronicle, and his brother Tom visited in Cascade Locks last week-end.

Highway Body Likes No-Curve Stretch Here

A highway following nearly - 2. straight line from Eagle Creek to Cascade Locks will be adopted by the state highway department, #1 was decided at the last meeting, instead of a highway with a southern curvature and greater elevation, near the present right-of-way.

Construction of this section is scheduled to begin next summer. It will tie into the improved stretch which passes over the new Eagle creek bridge and through Tooth Rock tunnel on the west, and into the widened stretch through Cascade Locks on the east.

In making its decision the commision decided it was in keeping with its policy to make the highway as straight as possible and that the view of the dam could be had at another point than the one on the line recommended by the federal bureau of public roads.

The commission also had as a reason for its decision the fact that the new location will be more suitable for a four-lane base, as recommended by the Mid-Columbia chamber of commerce's water-grade highway committee, of which William Keeler of Cascade Locks is chairman.

Keeler says a representative of a large electric company has testified to the feasibility of running high tension transmission lines from the dam through tubes protected by a proposed center curbing in the new watergrade highway, rather than building expensive towers. The problem of insulation would be the chief factor, but could be overcome, according to the electric company man.

Highway department engineers are also interested in the question of

Around the Dam

The old Columbia is about a mounta late in coming up this year, as if was last year. The spring rise usually starts about March 10, but the river has been hanging around between 80,000 and 90,000 cubic feet per second for several weeks now, and hasn't shown any hurry about starting the annual upward climb.

The old railroad depot is now a thing of the past, having been completely wrecked. Chris Ceciliania of Cascade Locks was high bidder on the salvage, so he's trucking it away. His figure was \$1 for the works, 'tis

Columbia Construction company is planning to remove about 5000 cubic yards from Lancaster point, whence they will haul the rock over the Bridge of the Gods to the north bank. The rock will be used for additional riprapping on the downstream shore revetment.

In order to please the salmon people and also to keep a check of the effect of the dam on fish migrations, the United States bureau of fisheries "Mr. Bob," a rollicking comedy has stationed F. G. Morton at Bonneville to keep an eye on the spring salmon run during the high water and through the summer months.

> Jimmy Tanner of the Bonny Villa tavern came face to face with his Past the other day, but he couldn't remember her countenance or her name, even though she recalled to him an entire evening's activities a couple of years ago. Seems it had something to do with cough drops and wedding rings.

> Three temporary fishladders being built to take care of the salmon during this summer's flood are now practically ready for use and will be operating as soon as the water rises high enough to flow through