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Highway Work To Start Next Week

Word was received today that the awarding of the highway building contract for the stretch east of Eagle Creek was in the mail from Washington, D. C. to the low bidder on the job, McNutt Bros., Eugene. It is expected that the Eugene firm will start work the first of the week. Under the contract they must start within ten days after they are notified.

The first work to be done will be a detour on the point overlooking Sheridan Point. Contrary to earlier reports, the uncompleted short cut located there now will not be used as the new cut will practically be directly under it. The detour will be south of this location. This temporary stretch will be about 1000 feet in length and considerable excavating will be necessary. The excavating for this cut will be part of the excavation for the main cut. When completed, the huge cut for both the new and the temporary detour will be 220 from one bank to the other and will be about 60 feet deep.

Just west of the old gravel pit is a new section that is scheduled to pass over the present road on a 30-foot fill. For the present a viaduct will be placed in here to allow uninterrupted travel on the present highway. It is hoped that by the time McNutts get their job graded, the state highway department will decide to call for bids on the 4099 feet left from the end of this section to the main street of Cascade Locks. If this is done the entire stretch can be surfaced at once next summer. If this is not done, the detour and the viaduct will have to be used and the new stretch will lie idle till it is done.

The Bureau of Public Roads men, under Resident Engineer D. H. Cadmus, is working on plans and estimates at the present time for this new stretch.

STEAMER TO MAKE BONNEVILLE VISITS

Winter excursions on the Columbia river to Multnomah falls and Bonneville will be inaugurated by the Bonneville Navigation Company with the steamer Cascades October 23, when a party of 300 German Baptists will take a joy ride to Multnomah Falls and return, rain or shine, Ralph J. Staehli, president of the navigation company, announced yesterday.

When Bonneville locks are opened late next month for ship traffic, the same company proposes to take a party of democratic engineers through the locks to The Dalles and to bring back a party of excursionists from The Dalles to Portland.

Unless the river rises a few feet during the next few weeks, the steamer Cascades will be used for these trips, the deeper-drafted Lake Bonneville being unable to negotiate some shallow-depth sand bars at present.

The Lake Bonneville will be used as a club ship for clubs and private parties, remaining at her berth at Shaver Forwarding Company moorage, just below Oceanic terminals, Mr. Staehli stated.

State Official Speaks On Unemployment Law

Declaring that the Oregon Unemployment Compensation Law should go far in helping to stabilize employment, Albert G. Johnson of the Oregon State Employment Service, spoke yesterday noon at the Hood River Chamber of Commerce Forum. The system goes into effect on January 2, 1938.

Johnson pointed out that employers will pay a rate for the insurance that will be based on the employer's own record for maintaining stable employment. Thus they will be encouraged to make no more changes in their personnel than are absolutely necessary in order to secure as low a rate as possible.

North Goes South To Return North

Mrs. Blanche North left her post as Bonneville Postmaster Sunday to accompany delegates from the east on their special train to the annual conference of the National Postmasters' Association in San Francisco.

Mrs. North will be back on the job again early this coming week.

Damsite Area Of V.F.W. Elects Officers

At the Monday meeting of the Damsite Post of the V. F. W. in the Auditorium at Bonneville, the following officers for the coming year were elected:

Commander, E. C. White; sr. vice-commander, Saunders; jr. vice-commander, Ballinger; quartermaster, Johnson. Incidentally Johnson was reelected for another term, as his work is declared to have been exceptional. Chaplain, Jim Hutchins; Judge Advocate, Noble F. Hyde; and Surgeon, Charles Segle.

These officers will be installed by Past Commander Roy Lush on the first Monday of November, and all members are requested to be there. The motto is: Everybody bring a Buddy.

Don't forget the Turkey Shoot, which will be held by the V. F. W. Post! This shoot will take place November 21, the Sunday before Thanksgiving, and another one the Sunday before Christmas, Dec. 19. The location will be announced later.

Local Contractor's Bid Recommended

The United States Bureau of Public Roads recommended bids of E. L. Gates, Portland, and Sam Orino, Bonneville, for awards on two construction projects on which bids were opened Wednesday by W. H. Lynch, district engineer.

Gates' bid of \$156,535 was low for grading 3.3 miles of the rim road in Crater Lake National Park, from Vidae Ridge to Government Camp, and for 8.2 miles of bituminous treatment for subgrade from Kerr Notch to Government Camp.

The contract will complete the grading of 36 miles of the rim road, begun by the Bureau in 1930.

Orino submitted the low bid of \$64,822 for constructing a 72-foot concrete arch span over Deer Creek, on the East Side Highway in Mount Rainier National Park.

Japanese Business Men Visit Dam

Bonneville dam was seen Wednesday by two prominent visitors from Japan, Masataka Tazawa, director of Bongyasha Prime Mover Works Ltd., and K. Mimura, mechanical engineer of the same concern, who arrived in Portland for a brief visit Tuesday night. The visitors were escorted to the dam by Y. Oka, chancellor of the Japanese consulate here.

The Japanese party is on a combined buying trip and survey of American electrical plants and equipment. It may remain two or three days as guests of the consul. From here the visitors will go to Seattle and on to Chicago, Cincinnati and New York.

SIGN ON FIREHOUSE

For fear, we suppose, that visitors in Cascade Locks or perhaps even some of our smarter residents would not or did not know what the building was, Fire Chief Elmer Erickson and crew painted an outstanding red sign on the newly-painted fire house to the effect that the structure did house that particular department of the city's government.

Nevertheless we will bet that there are few small towns the size of Cascade Locks that have such an attractive fire station.

Poor Old Jack Frost!



Benefit Dance To Be Held Thurs. Oct. 28

Next Thursday night, October 28, is the night of the big Amer can Legion Hallowe'en dance for the benefit of the annual Children's Christmas Party. The dance, a masquerade affair, will be held in the Civic Auditorium at Bonneville.

Prizes will be awarded to the best costumed woman and the best costumed man and in addition a prize of five gallons of gasoline will be awarded to the best costumed person in Cascade Locks. This last prize is donated by M. L. Morgan of Cascade Locks.

This dance and the other benefit dance, to be held on Armistice Day, will be two of the biggest and finest dances of the year. All of the proceeds will be turned over to the fund for the children's party at Christmas time. At this party all of the school children of Bonneville and Cascade Locks will take part.

Nation To Recognize Navy Day Oct. 27

Friday, October 27, is Navy Day throughout the United States, a date set aside annually to remind the public of its value not only as a protective agency but as a peacetime servant. Theodore Roosevelt's birthday was selected for observance, in honor of the great development made by the navy while he was president.

Stress will be laid on the Navy's contribution to commerce, radio, marine engineering, ship construction, aviation, navigation, hydrography, observation, communications, diplomacy, and international good will.

NEW SCHOOL BUS GARAGE

Leo Astrander and crew are plenty busy this week building an attractive garage to house the new Bonneville school bus. The new structure will have a pointed roof and will be painted white to match the other buildings.

Return From Trip

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Carns returned home Monday night from a trip through the Willamette Valley, Newport and other coast towns. They called on their old-time friends, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Haggblom of Warrenton, Ore., and visited friends and relatives in Portland.

Receives New Mexico Appointment

Miss Helen Caldwell, former first grade teacher of the Locks, has received an appointment to a position in New Mexico.

Attend Funeral

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Merrill left Tuesday for Portland to attend the funeral of Mr. Merrill's sister-in-law, Mrs. Dewey Merrill.

4-H Clubbers To Meet Tonight for Program

Tonight the 4-H Clubs of Bonneville will meet with their parents and friends in the school gymnasium at 7:30 for an achievement day program.

Exhibitions and demonstrations are the order of the evening, with Multnomah County Agent Miller speaking and perhaps organizing other groups in 4-H work.

Umatilla Dam To Be Built, Nelson Says

The next dam on the Columbia River will be at Umatilla, W. S. Nelson, manager of The Dalles Chamber of Commerce, told the Inland Empire Waterways Association at Walla Walla Wednesday.

Nelson said United States army engineers had shown how waterways may be developed and it was now strictly up to the people to secure enactment of necessary legislation.

Colonel T. M. Robins, Portland, army division engineer, predicted Inland Empire wheat would move from tidewater down the Columbia River and through Bonneville Dam shiplocks by December. Major Theron D. Weaver, Portland, Bonneville district engineer, spoke on that project.

Colonel Robins said residents of the interior of the Pacific Northwest might obtain a comprehensive development of the Columbia and Snake Rivers by guaranteeing sufficient electric power could be sold in 50 years to amortize the whole estimated cost of \$275,000,000 for the projects.

EVA JUNE ANDRES

Funeral services for Eva June Andres, who died at Cascade Locks October 17, were held Wednesday in the Hendry Gardner Chapel in Stevenson. She was born in Janeville, Wisconsin, January 21, 1854--83 years old at the time of her death.

She was married to Theron O. Andres November 7, 1874. To this union were born three boys and one girl, three of which survive--Clarence Henry Andres, having died in infancy. Surviving are Thomas Oswald Andres of Stevenson; William Henry Andres of Portland; and Edna Eva Clark of Cascade Locks; and two grandchildren, Donald Wesley Clark and Willard H. Andres, both of Portland. One sister survives, Kitty Lennell of Black River Falls, Wisconsin.

Mrs. Andres was a member of the Eastern Star. After the first part of the funeral services, the Star took charge of the ritual. Mrs. Andres had been a resident of Cascade Locks for 30 years. Her husband preceded her in death in 1906. She was laid to rest beside his grave at Carson, Wash.

Transformers Arrive for Powerhouse

Three "stepper-uppers" arrived this week on the Bonneville reservation and will soon be escorted to their proper place on the roof of the powerhouse. These units are huge transformers used to "step up" the power from 13,500 volts to 110,000 volts. Each transformer requires three of these units to transform the generated power into an economical voltage to send out over the transmission lines if and when they are built.

Each transformer is mounted on a steel bed frame which is equipped with car wheels and can be transported on a standard gauge railroad track directly to its concrete cell.

1938 County Budget Offers Few Changes

A 1938 budget for Hood River County which offers no radical changes from last year's budget and will call for approximately the same amount of taxation, was drawn by a budget committee last week. The amount to be raised by taxation next year is \$186,301.50, as compared with \$186,747.96 for 1937, or \$446.46 less.

The most omnivorous tax eater is the county's road fund, which is budgeted at \$63,200. Major items on this bill are \$10,000 for labor, \$8,700 for bridge repairs, \$4,500 for a new tractor-grader, \$4,000 for a rock crusher and \$3,000 to erect a new machine shed to house road equipment. The 1937 road fund was \$61,205.

Against this, it is estimated that \$21,343 will be collected in receipts other than property taxes, principally \$18,000 from the state's motor license fund. It is also estimated that \$6,735 will be collected in fees and fines towards paying the general fund.

The general fund budget amounts to \$63,159.50, as compared with \$61,205 for 1937. The biggest items here are \$10,000 for care of the poor, \$3,000 less than in 1937, and \$10,000 for old age assistance, \$4,000 more than last year. Other large items are: elections, \$2,000; county library, \$2,450; health association, \$2,450; experiment farm, \$1171.50.

New items to appear in the general fund are: new car for sheriff, \$750; the blind, \$750; dependent children, \$750; court house insurance, \$100. Budget items dropped are sheriff's car hire, county institute, dairy disease control, dependent mothers; indigent veterans, publicity, and \$150 to the Inland Empire Waterways Association.

It is proposed that salaries of the two deputy sheriffs be lowered from \$1600 to \$1500, and that the assessor's deputy receive a decrease from \$1200 to \$1000. The assessor will receive \$1600 in place of \$1300, as fixed by the state legislature.

There are three other major departments in the budget: county school fund, \$35,840; interest on Loop Highway bonds, \$13,680; sinking fund on Loop Highway bonds, \$20,000.

The budget committee is composed of the following: H. L. Hasbrouck, County Judge; J. D. Smullin and R. W. Perry, County Commissioners; Frank C. Dethman, George M. Gallaway, and L. M. Baldwin, freeholders and taxpayers.

A public hearing on the budget will be held at the Court House on November 18, at which any person can make objections or recommendations to the budget as proposed.

BUS STATION MOVED

Last Friday the Bonneville bus station for stages operating up and down the Columbia River gorge was moved to the Roosevelt Inn. Passengers may now procure their tickets from Eldon Armstrong, manager of the hotel. The station was formerly located at Cook's Tavern.