

TO START WPA RODENT CONTROL PROJECT

The Hood River County Court last week voted to carry on a WPA rodent control project, for which \$3709 in WPA federal funds would be made available. Cost to the county would be \$300.

Sheep grazing bids were rejected, as they were considered to be too low.

Contracts were let for supplying the county with gasoline. For the ensuing five months, gasoline will be purchased from the Grange Co-operative; then for three months from the Standard Oil Company, and for the following three months from the Richfield Oil Company. The Texas Company will supply all greases and Deisel fuel.

The commissioners conferred with State Highway Engineer J. E. Peck regarding prospective improvements in the Mt. Hood Loop. This would entail improvement at Fike's corner, which does not come under the \$38,000 road improvement program for the county, as was announced last week.

The Court also gave consideration to the Trout Creek gravel pit, where coyote holes are now being

drilled by Jesse Carpenter, preparatory to blasting. Bids will be called for the shooting of 15,000 yards of rock, 10,000 of which will be sold to the state, and 5000 retained for the county.

Commissioners also decided they were considering replacing county trucks, probably two this year. Four of the trucks now in use are 1929 models.

SLIDE BLOCKS HIGHWAY

A rock slide west of Mosier Tunnel early Monday morning completely covered the road and blocked traffic on the Columbia River Highway Monday morning. One-way traffic was out through shortly before noon.

LEGAL NOTICE

EAST FORK IRRIGATION DISTRICT NOTICE

All operation and maintenance taxes assessed by the East Fork Irrigation District for the years 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937 and 1938 must be paid before water will be turned on, the coming irrigation season.

East Fork Irrigation District,
By John N. Mohr, Secretary
Dated February 2, 1939.

MID-COLUMBIA CHAMBER OPPOSES PIERCE BILL

Opposition to the government in business, especially in the proposed building of a chlorate plant near Bonneville through the enactment of the Pierce bill, was voiced at the Mid-Columbia Chamber of Commerce meeting, held Friday evening at the Columbia Gorge Hotel. Quelling this proposed federal procedure was voiced as the principal immediate objective of the industrial committee of the Chamber.

UNEMPLOYED PAID \$8442.42

Insured unemployed workers in Hood River county received \$8442.42 from the state unemployment compensation during January. This was 1.7 per cent of the state total of \$506,935, officials said.

Distribution of benefit checks and comparison of the claim load and new applications for jobs reflects the general improvement in Oregon employment conditions over January, 1938, it was pointed out.

LOCAL CHAMBER OPPOSED TO GOVERNMENT PLANT

The board of directors of Hood River Chamber of Commerce yesterday passed a resolution opposing the Pierce Hill (H.B. 196), which provides for construction of a government Chlorate plant at Bonneville. Copies of the resolution were sent to all members of Oregon's delegation in Washington.

Australia's building boom is believed to be flattening.

CONTRACT AWARDED FOR ROCK ON LOOP HIGHWAY

Bids for furnishing 600 cubic yards of crushed rock in stock piles for the Polallie Creek-Hood River section of the Mt. Hood Loop Highway were opened by the State Highway Commission at a meeting in Portland Friday. The contract was awarded to the A. S. Wallace Company of Roseburg. Following bids were received:

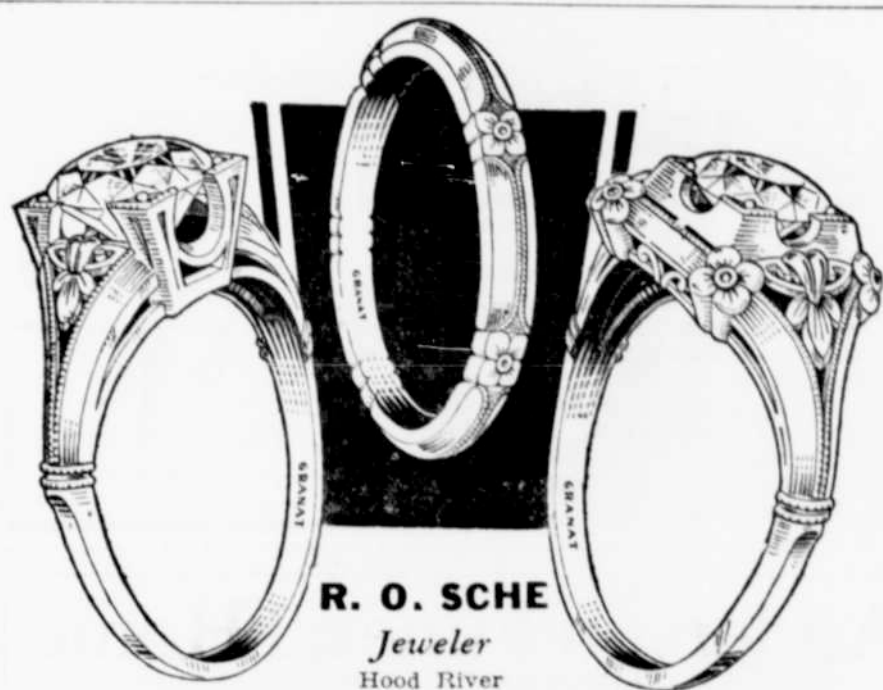
Van Cleave & Van Cleave, Hoquiam (bid irregular, not signed by contractor), \$8,340.00.

A. S. Wallace, Roseburg, \$11,090.00.

R. O. Paul and Warren Bros., Portland, \$11,960.00.

Dolan Construction Co., Tillamook, \$12,500.00.

Homer G. Johnson, Portland, \$14,700.00.



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Land Transactions

Following were land transfers in Hood River County between January 25 and February 1, according to listings published by the Hood River Abstract & Investment Co.:

Joseph D. and Caroline V. Smul-lin to State of Ore. Highway Comm. warranty deed, conveys a parcel of land lying in NW 1/4 SW 1/4 Sec. 9, T 1, State Highway Commission has permission that Hood River County Court will be permitted to take rock for road purposes in this district—Parkdale.

Charles F. Batchelder to Mabel S. Loomis, warranty deed, conveys Lot 8, and W 1/2 of Lot 7, Block 2, Riverview Addn.

Central Lumber Co. to Velvet S. Hyde, deed, conveys in Cascade Locks the following: S 1/2 Lots 3 and 4, Block 9; S 1/2 Lots 5 and 6, Block 9; S 1/2 Lots 7 and 8, Block 9; N 1/2 Lots 10 and 9, Block 9; S 1/2 Lots 1 and 2, Block 10; N 1/2 Lots 3 and 4, Block 10; S 1/2 Lots 5 and 6, Block 10; S 1/2 Lots 7 and 8, Block 10; S 1/2 Lots 9 and 10, Block 10; N 1/2 Lots 11 and 12, Block 10; S 1/2 Lots 11 and 12, Block 10.

Emma C. Johnson to Elizabeth F. Kerns and Marion L. Johnson, warranty deed, conveys N 1/2 of SE 1/4 of NW 1/4 Sec. 9, T 2, and tract containing 13.75 acres in NE 1/4 NW 1/4 Sec. 9, T 2—West Barrett district.

Elizabeth F. and W. Ronald Kerns to Marion L. Johnson, quitclaim deed, conveys N 1/2 of SE 1/4 of NW 1/4 Sec. 9, T 2, also containing 13.75 acres in NE 1/4 NW 1/4 Sec. 9, T 2—Same as last above.

Oregon Lumber Co. to Pacific Power and Light Co., ease, deed, conveys easement over tract in Benson D. L. C. and in Sec. 30, T 3—East of Hood River R. R. Bridge.

W. E. Setser to Melissa Setser, quitclaim deed, conveys S 1/2 of NW 1/4 of Sec. 16, T 2, also land in NE 1/4 of Sec. 17, T 2—SE of Hood River about 4 miles.

The Federal Land Bank of Spokane to Albert C. and Rose E. Krussow, deed, conveys NW 1/4 of NW 1/4 of SE 1/4 of Sec. 12, T 2, also SW 1/4 of NE 1/4 of Sec. 12, T 2, exc. tract of 4 acres lying east of Mt. Hood R. R. r/w, and in SE corner of said SW 1/4 of NE 1/4. Also SE 1/4 of NE 1/4 of Sec. 12, lying west of Mt. Hood R. R. r/w, also roadway 16' wide along east side of SW 1/4 of NW 1/4 of SE 1/4 of Sec. 12, T 2—South of Hood River about 3 miles.

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