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COWLITZ BRIDGE CONTRACT SOON

Bids for C., C. & C. Crossing to Be Awarded This Week.

TIMBER OWNERS EXCHANGE

Milwaukee Company Secures Solid Body of Timber on Winston.

Announcement was made here Friday of a highly important deal in timber lands in the Cowlitz river valley in eastern Lewis county whereby the Milwaukee Land Company, a subsidiary of the Milwaukee railroad, becomes the owner of all the holdings formerly held by the Weyerhaeuser Timber Company along the Winston creek extension of the Cowlitz, Chehalis & Cascade Railway, Chehalis' local railroad line. This gives the Milwaukee Land Company additional large holdings of timber of exceptionally good quality in the district named. The deal was made by the two corporations making an exchange of timber lands which is regarded as mutually advantageous, and was announced incident to a visit to Chehalis of R. M. Calkins, assistant to Managing Receiver H. E. Byram of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway with headquarters at Chicago, and C. B. Sanderson of Seattle, general manager of the Milwaukee Land Company. While at Chehalis Messrs. Calkins and Sanderson were guests of President W. E. Brown of the C., C. & C. railroad.

Mr. Calkins, leaving for his Chicago headquaters, Mr. Sanderson will have active charge of the location of sawmills and factories along the extension of the short line railroad, the C., C. & C., which it is expected will have its 14-mile extension completed to a point beyond the Cowlitz river up Winston creek by July 1. The railroad is now completed to the Cowlitz river a mile west of Mayfield, is fully ballasted and in operation to that point. Work on the bridge across the Cowlitz river will be commenced as soon as the contract is let on which the C., C. & C. will call for bids next week at its office in Chehalis. The entire grading beyond the Cowlitz river will be completed shortly after the bridge is built, which will be about April 1. Track-laying and ballasting will follow the bridging of the river and completion of the grading.

TWO FARM DEALS REPORTED.

The Valley Land Investment Company of Chehalis reports the sale of a 59-acre well-improved farm on Claquato hill, known as the J. Buman farm, to H. Harper of Chehalis. Mr. Harper intends to improve the buildings and cut the land up into five and ten-acre tracts, which will be on the market in the very near future. The consideration for the farm is $14,000.

John Kulsley of Montana has purchased the Conrad Schwartz farm in Pleasant valley. Mr. Kulsley has already taken possession and is improving the farm. The consideration was $9000.

NEW RATES OVER C. C. & C.

The latter part of the week the Cowlitz, Chehalis & Cascade Railway of this city received notice that a tariff has been granted on lumber shipments from Onalaska via the C., C. & C. to Gray's Harbor points, equalling the rate granted via Napavine.

A through merchandise rate has also been granted between Portland, Seattle and other northwest shipping points to Onalaska, via the C., C. & C.

FOREST GRANGE PROGRAM.

Tomorrow, Saturday, night there will be a short business meeting of Forest grange, which will be followed by a program. The program will include moving pictures by Mr. Scott, agriculturist expert with the Puget Sound Power & Light Company, music, dancing and eats. The public is cordially invited to attend.

MILK PRICES UNCHANGED.

No change was announced this week in the quotations for butterfat or whole milk at the Chehalis utility plants. Butterfat is quoted at 52 cents per pound and whole milk at $2.25 per hundred.

GRANGE WAREHOUSE MEETS.

Stockholders of the Grange Warehouse Company enjoyed a well attended meeting in the Citizens' Club rooms Monday. It was the annual meeting. Reports indicated the company is in a good condition, with the prospects good for the coming year.

J. R. Imus received his commission Tuesday as postmaster at Chehalis for a four-year term.

Senator R. R. Somerville Now Secretary of Fair

The Lewis county commissioners, meeting Wednesday as a fair board, elected State Senator Robert Somerville secretary of the Southwest Washington fair for the coming year, to succeed Geo. R. Walker. Mr. Walker has been secretary of the fair since it was started 18 years ago, and to his efforts more than any other is due the credit for the fine success the fair has enjoyed. Commissioners Stahl and Stacy voted for Mr. Somerville, and Commissioner Rayton for Mr. Walker. Mr. Somerville has also been identified with the fair since it was organized, especially in connection with the horse and stock entries.

Senator Somerville was not a candidate for the secretaryship, but it is understood that he will accept the place. The matter of selecting a president of the fair board will come up later. F. B. Hubbard has held this place many years.

CHEHALIS SHIVERED.

A cold snap with a piercing north and east wind struck Chehalis and vicinity Wednesday, and a light fall of snow fell Wednesday morning. Yesterday morning the thermometer registered as low as 20 and 22 degrees. While the sun shone yesterday, the cold wind prevailed, and Chehalis people had a taste of real winter.

The birdies find it hard picking while snow and cold weather is on, and greatly appreciate a few bread crumbs, scraps of meat and a dish of fresh water occasionally.

TRAGEDY MARKS SATURDAY HUNT

Fred Downs, Well Known Local Businessman, Accidentally Killed.

Lewis county's 1927 hunting season ended with a tragedy Saturday when Fred Downs, well known Chehalis businessman, was accidentally killed while duck hunting at the lake on L. Blaser's farm a mile north of Chehalis. A charge from Downs' shotgun entered his abdomen, causing death instantly. No one was present and just how the accident occurred is unknown. George Petterson, local shoe merchant, a companion, had been away from their stand at the lake half an hour or more, hunting on another part of the preserve, about 1 o'clock. When he returned Downs was found dead.

Deputy County Attorney Russell Ponder, Deputy Sheriff Nort Wynn and Sam Downs, a brother of Fred, who visited the scene, pronounced the killing accidental. The body was removed to Sticklin's parlors pending funeral arrangements.

Mr. Downs was 46 years of age and came to Chehalis sixteen years ago. He was born in Nebraska. Following his arrival here, "Fred," as everyone knew him, was employed for several years as an auto mechanic with the St. John Motor Company. A few years ago he engaged in business for himself and opened a tire shop and service station on lower Market street. More recently he bought a lot on east Market street near Prindle and Cascade, where he built a neat and very modern station and did a good business. Fred always enjoyed hunting and was an expert marksman at the traps and in the field. He kept fine bird dogs and enjoyed his hobby each season in turn. Because of his long experience with firearms his friends were more than surrpised to learn that he had accidentally fallen a victim of his own gun.

Mrs. Nellie Downs, widow of Mr. Downs; two brothers, Sam Downs of Chehalis and Offie Downs of McCleary; and a sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Palmer of Ethel, survive the deceased.

Funeral services were held at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon at the Sticklin mortuary. Rev. E. M. Randall of the Methodist church officiated. The officers of the Chehalis Elks lodge, of which Mr. Downs was a member, had charge of the graveside services at Greenwood burial park.

LAD PLEADS GUILTY.

Forest Patton, the young man who escaped from the state training school, stole an automobile in Napavine and was arrested in Vancouver, was before Judge Reynolds of the Lewis county superior court Tuesday and plead guilty to a charge of wrongfully using the automobile of another. The judge will pass sentence later.

Wednesday Judge Reynolds sentenced the young man to two to four years at the reformatory at Monroe, and suspended sentence, sending the lad back to the training school.

KIWANIS OBSERVES BIRTHDAY.

George Brower gave the names of the committees that are to have charge of various features of the Kiwanis minstrel show at yesterday's weekly luncheon. It is expected to give the entertainment in about three weeks.

The 12th anniversary of Kiwanis was celebrated by the cutting of a large birthday cake, and the giving of three toasts, one to the United States of America, one to Kiwanis International and one to Canada. There were a number of visitors present.

SECOND WEEK OF LEGISLATURE FINDS BOTH HOUSES ARE BUSY

Governor Hartley's Budget of Expenses Creates Much Surprise on Account of Big Sums Recommended —Many Bills Introduced in Both Houses— Investigation of the Department of Labor and Industries Looms.

Interest in the state legislature centered this week on the budget recommended by Governor Hartley. The road building program, unlike previous recommendations, was presented by the governor without reference to the highway committees of the legislature. It calls for an expenditure of $24,701,000, while the estimated receipts for the biennium is only $20,600,000. This huge over-appropriation suggested does not appeal to many of the legislators, as they view with alarm an excess of over $4,000,000, which they claim, provides a political slush fund. They also point out that the budget is $7,000,000 more than he said his budget would be when he delivered his message last week. The budget is said to represent an increase of nearly $5,000,000 in the general expenses of the state for the biennium, and Senator Dan Landon, chairman of the appropriations committee, says it is the most extravagant program ever outlined by a governor of this state.

The governor and his allies claim this amount of money is necessary in order to keep pace with the demands of the state. At any rate, this proposed budget will be the center of considerable argument for several days.

As the propossed budget was studied closer Tuesday and Wednesday, more of the members of the legislature expressed surprise at the increases it provides.

Tuesday the house adopted a resolution for an investigation of its own on sales of state timber. Chairman Jacobs of the committee said that so many charges had been made concerning state timber, that a special committee of the house would also make its investigation.

The new motor code was introduced in the house Tuesday, providing for many changes. The speed limit is abolished under this proposed measure, and reckless driving made the basis of arrest. Stiff penalties are provided for reckless driving, and magistrates are compelled to cancel the licenses of drivers who are found intoxicated. A much stricter regulation of drivers is provided for.

Senator Heifner of Seattle presented a bill Tuesday to return to the party convention of nominating candidates, with one or two minor changes from the old system.

Senator Heifner also introduced a bill to reapportion the legislature.

Senator Palmer of King county introduced a bill to provide a western Washington school for training defectives, with $200,000 appropriation attached.

Wednesday a bunch of new proposed bills were introduced in the house, including one to provide for a constitutional amendment to permit a verdict by nine or more jurors in criminal cases; a memorial petitioning congress to grant autonomy to the Philippine islands; a measure creating a transportation automobile fund; one placing a tax on automobile transportation companies for the use of highways based on seating capacity; compelling Washington fruit and vegetable packers to advertise their home state, and many others.

Senate committees have been busy with their assignments. The senate committee on industrial insurance, Senator Somerville of Lewis county, chairman, is planning to make an inquiry relative to the manner in which the department of labor and industries is conducted. The committee has received many complaints from employers and employees as to this department.

There is some talk of the house and senate passing some rule that will hereafter limit the power of the executive control over the highway department. This comes as a result of Governor Hartley's budget, which, it is claimed, provides for highway expenditures in excess of $2,000,000 over the highest estimate made by Highway Engineer Hoover, and nearly $4,500,000 higher than the estimates made by the road and bridge committees in both houses.

Governor Hartley's highway budget provides for $261,000 for Lewis county roads, and $831,000 between Chehalis and the Astoria ferry on the Ocean Beach highway.

Sub-committees of the roads and bridges committees are working on the governor's budget, and plan to cut about $4,000,000 from it. It is reported also that the committee is opposed to opening the way for new roads at this time, until the primary state roads are completed according to the program started several years ago.

A committee met with the governor yesterday to get his views on a proposed bill to establish a department of highways to include the highway engineer and patrols, operating under a commission of five elective men. There seems to be a disposition among many of the legislative members to fix things so the highway department will not be under the control of one man.

Congress was memorialized this week by the state legislature, favoring the proposed St. Lawrence river canal project, to connect the Great Lakes and the ocean.

SCHOOL FUNDS APPORTIONED.

The January state school fund amounts to $335,129.14, of which amount Lewis county's share is $13,580. This fund will be re-apportioned among the county school districts by School Superintendent Mrs. Myrtia Bright.

LEBAM 31, ELKS 17.

The Elks basketball team journeyed to Lebam Wednesday evening and dropped a game to the fast team of that place by a score of 31 to 17. The alibi of the Elks for losing the game was that neither Wallace nor Stanley Kelso, two crack players, were in the lineup.

APPEAL CASE LOST.

Olympia, Jan. 19.—After failing during a period of more than two years to make transmission in money or credit to the National Bank of Greece, Lamia branch, a sum equivalent in Greek drachmas to $2000, the First Guaranty Bank of Centralia cannot thereafter require their client seeking the transfer of money to accept settlement here now in the depreciated value of the drachmas originally purchased, it is held by the supreme court.

John Heitzman of Seattle visited Sunday in Chehalis with his brother, Robert Heitzman.

C. H. Boggs, local manager of the Grange Warehouse Company, was in Kent Thursday on business.

Eight Negative Teams Win in School Debate

Eight teams in the Southwest Washington high school division debating the negative side of the direct primary question won the debates last week-end, these being the finals, according to reports made to City Superintendent R. E. Bennett of Chehalis, manager in charge. Five teams debating the affirmative won. Centralia and South Bend did not debate, the last named team appearing to debate but finding that for some reason the debate had been called off. Yelm forfeited to Vader.

The results were as follows, the team first named debating the negative side at home, the second named team being the visitors and debating for the affirmative: Montesano lost to Hoquiam; Castle Rock lost to Washougal; Elma won from Ilwaco; Kalama won from Adna; Union High (Vancouver) won from Ridgefield; Klaber lost to Chehalis; Lebam won from Rochester; Pe Ell won from Menlo; Winlock lost to Camas; Olympia won from Napavine; Oakville lost to Raymond; Tenino won from Mossyrock; Onalaska won from La Center; Centralia-South Bend, no debate; Yelm forfeited to Vader.

The Chehalis debaters won three out of the four debates, defeating Centralia, Onalaska and Klaber, and losing to Olympia. The winning team will be announced within another day or two, states Mr. Bennett.

In the recent series of four debates on the subject of retaining the Washington direct primary law, the decision of 97 judges was favorable to debaters who debated the negative side of the question, against the present law. The decisions of 75 judges favored debaters advocating the affirmative.

Eight Rooming Houses Are Granted Licenses

Eight rooming house and hotel licenses were granted at Monday evening's meeting of the Chehalis city commission, this being the principal business transacted. The list was as follows: Brunswig hotel, Jean Carrison; Washington, Butz & Creil; Lewis Rooms, T. Hyat; Chehalis hotel, T. W. Stranger; U. S. Rooms, Nellie Williams; Columbia hotel, Marie Hoffman; The Roycroft, Lois Taylor. A card-room license was granted E. E. Burgan for his place on lower Market street.

The commission had a conference with H. R. Vercler with reference to his taking over the work of city milk and dairy inspector, and it is probable that a plan may be worked out for him to handle the work.

The entire commission attended the meeting.

MORE HIGHWAYS CLOSED.

Lewis county commissioners have closed the W. H. Gordon, C. A. Burchard and F. D. Burns roads in southern Lewis county against the hauling of forest products for a four months' period dating from January 18. W. M. Burton and others have petitioned the board for vacation of a portion of the J. W. Blankenship road. Hearing will be held on this petition February 7.

SEE WHAT'S COMING!

The Lewis county treasurer and his assistants are busy preparing tax statements for 1926, both real and personal, which are due February 7. A few days before this time 21,000 statements are to be mailed.

CHEHALIS SOAP TO BE BOOSTED

Reorganized Factory Board Plans for Intensive Merchandising.

The recently elected board of directors of the Northwestern Products Corporation, a Chehalis organization which manufactures and markets Tizrite soap, met at the factory in Chehalis Tuesday night and elected officers. H. R. Martin was elected president; O. F. Saindon, vice-president; Ray Brown, secretary-treasurer; C. H. Crockard, manager and in charge of sales. The company has undergone a reorganization and rejuvenation, and Mr. Crockard, an experienced merchandising man, has taken over the marketing of the product.

The company has on hand several hundred letters from people from various parts of the west ordering the product, and speaking in high terms of its quality, but heretofore volume production has not been possible. Under the new organization, and plans that have been outlined carefully by Mr. Crockard, it is expected to put the plant on a quantity production basis within three or four months. An intensive advertising and merchandising campaign is being outlined, with the object of getting the product into as many homes as possible for a thorough tryout of the product.

Wherever introduced and tried, the soap has won a good reputation. Powder, laundry and a mechanics' soap are manufactured.

VADER REGULATES DANCES.

Vader, Jan. 19.—The city council held the first business meeting of the new administration Tuesday evening. The principal business transacted was the amending of the dance ordinance which forbade dancing on Sunday. The new amendment allows dancing Sunday morning and reduces the license fee for dances on Saturday nights from $9 to $6. The measure passed by a vote of four to one. The ayes were Roark, Nolan, Groleau and Lotz; no, McMurphy.

The following appointments were made: City attorney, Floyd M. Hancock; clerk, Gladys Pumphrey; marshal, George Pumphrey; and police judge, James Smith.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Following are the marriage licenses issued by the county auditor since the last report:

Walter H. Sprague and Ellen Plumb, both of Centralia.

Joe Inderbitzen and Anna Fassbind, both of Chehalis.

Pete Ostling of Centralia and Ella Wallin of Ferndale, Wash.

Johnnie Peters and Miss Lorina Koher, both of Randle.

Calvin Bogar and Alice Fenton, both of Centralia.

A number of the local Elks lodge motored to Longview Wednesday to see the grand exalted ruler of the Elks lodge. Thursday a number went to Olympia to attend the meeting, at which the grand exalted ruler was present. L. A. Vimont, exalted ruler of Chehalis lodge, attended a banquet in Tacoma Thursday evening given in honor of the visiting grand exalted ruler.

HOQUIAM LEADS IN BASKETBALL

Chehalis Wins One Game and Loses One on Trip to Gray's Harbor.

KLABER LEADS IN COUNTY

Chehalis Defeats Aberdeen 22 to 10, but Hoquiam Wins, 20 to 11.

Southwest League Standings.

Team:	Won	Lost	Pct.
Hoquiam	3	0	1.000
Olympia	2	0	1.000
Vancouver	2	0	1.000
Raymond	1	0	1.000
Aberdeen	1	1	.500
Chehalis	1	2	.333
Montesano	1	2	.333
South Bend	1	2	.333
Centralia	0	1	.000
Shelton	0	2	.000
Kelso	0	2	.000

Scores Last Week-End.

At Montesano 18, Hoquiam 20.
At Hoquiam 20, Chehalis 11.
At Aberdeen 10, Chehalis 22.
At Raymond 2, Montesano 0. Forfeited and protested.
At Vancouver 30, South Bend 20.
At Kelso 11, South Bend 27.
At Olympia 33, Shelton 15.

Chehalis high school basketball players invaded Gray's Harbor cities last week-end and annexed one game and lost one. Friday evening at Aberdeen Chehalis had the long end of a 22 to 10 score, despite the fact that Coach Taylor used ten men in an effort to stop the Chehalis bunch. The effective work of Bennett and Frost as guards kept Aberdeen from making a field basket during the first half, and Koski, Deeds and Short, who played forward for Chehalis, were reported to have roamed the floor at will, intercepting passes, dribbling the ball and keeping Aberdeen guessing; Jones did most of the scoring and was at his best. The line-up was as follows:

Aberdeen:	Pos.	Chehalis:
Murphy (4)	F.	Koski (1)
Hartley	F.	Short (3)
Laukkanen (1)	C.	Jones (9)
Quillen (2)	G.	Bennett (2)
Hovies (3)	G.	Frost

Substitutions: Aberdeen — Spoon for Hovies, Hovies for Laukkanen, Christensen for Hartley, Karshner for Christensen, Kolts for Spoon, Hartley for Karshner, Laukkanen for Hovies, Hovies for Kolts, Hicks for Hartley. Chehalis — Deeds (7) for Koski, Roy for Jones.

Saturday night at Hoquiam Coach Kelso's bunch did not fare so well, losing 20 to 11. Hoquiam had won, 20 to 18, a hard game Friday night over Montesano, which had previously on a visit here smothered Chehalis. The better work done by Chehalis against Hoquiam and the victory of our boys over Aberdeen would indicate that the crimson and gray bunch is showing great improvement. In the Hoquiam game the score was tied 7 to 7 at one time, but it was only once. After having the game sewed up, Hoquiam put in a bunch of fast subs. The line-up follows:

Hoquiam:	Pos.	Chehalis:
Erskine	F.	Short
Kosoff (6)	F.	Koski (4)
E.Erickson (12)	C.	Jones (6)
Landis	G.	Frost
Hubble	G.	Bennett

Substitutions: Chehalis—Roy for Short, Deeds (1) for Roy, Cieslak for Deeds, Short for Koski, Roy for Jones; Hoquiam — Connor (2) for Erskine, O. Erickson for Hubble, Grant for Kosoff, Anderson for Landis, Gerula for E. Erickson.

Olympia Here Saturday.

Tomorrow evening at 7:30 at the Cascade gymnasium there will be two basketball games. The Chehalis second team will meet the Olympia second team in a curtain raiser and following this game the two first teams will battle. The contests promise to be highly exciting and all the local fans are urged to turn out and root for the crimson and gray bunch.

Pe Ell 27, Morton 8.

In their second game of the Lewis County Basketball league Pe Ell high school defeated Morton 27 to 8. Klaber had previously won from Pe Ell 22 to 21, but only after an exciting overtime period. The line-up and score:

Pe Ell—Kroll (8) and Milanowski (10), forwards; Cutlip (8), center; Boyer (1) and Ballard, guards.

Morton—Clevenger (4) and Blankenship (1), forwards; Lester (1), center; Coston and Davis, guards.

Substitutions: Pe Ell — Klah for Milanowski; Morton—Chapman (2) for Blankenship, Frank for Coston, Temple for Davis.

Dropped Through the Basket.

Napavine high school defeated Winlock at the former place at basketball Friday night, 26 to 14. The

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