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County Crew Starts Work On Section Of Old Sauk Highway

The Skagit County road crew, taking advantage of the open winter, is now busy clearing a one-mile stretch of new highway on the old Sauk road from the Government bridge to the Hidden Valley Ranch. The right-of-way had been secured some time back and fences moved in preparation for road building.

County Commissioner Howard Miller states that the work is part of a continuing program to bring the South Skagit and Sauk highways up to county standard. Jobs will be under way at both ends of the presently untouched section from the old ranger station on the west to Hidden Valley.

Work now in progress will allow for straightening and widening of the present Sauk road for some three miles in that area. The section now under construction will be about one mile of full width, ballasted and graded highway on an alignment away from banks of the Sauk river, which have a tendency to cut.

The road which serves to connect the South Skagit road from the Dalles Bridge to the Sauk river bridge, will provide another more accessible route for growing traffic in this area.

Alderwood Manor Man Lands 18-lb. Steelie

Mark Rogers of Alderwood Manor took home the prize fish, an 18 pounder netted from the Sauk River this weekend. Rogers' catch was the only steelhead checked out of the Sauk River with four fishermen counted over the weekend.

Sixty-seven anglers took 17 steelhead out of the Skagit between Rockport and Concrete, reported Bill Hoffman, Game Department wildlife agent.

WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY CLOSURES P.O., BANKS

Washington's birthday, Feb. 22, will be observed on Monday, Feb. 23, with state and county offices closed. The Concrete post office will be closed as well as the State Bank of Concrete.

New Newhalem Creek Power House Ready To Go Into Producing Power

The Newhalem power plant, Seattle City Light's first Skagit powerhouse, is undergoing checkouts before going back into operation this month. The plant has been rebuilt after it was destroyed by fire on July 16, 1966.

The 2,000 kilowatt plant was first built in 1921 to provide temporary power during the construction of Gorge plant, first of City Light's three main plants in the Skagit Hydroelectric Project. After the Gorge plant was finished in 1924 the Newhalem generator was kept in operation, adding its 2,000 kilowatts to City Light's other sources until it burned nearly four years ago.

The steel penstocks and tunnel built in 1921 were still in good condition and have been retained to supply water to the new powerhouse.

City Light architectural and engineering staff gave special attention to the design of the new powerhouse and intake structure so that they would be of rustic appearance to blend with the heavily wooded surroundings.

The powerhouse has several windows so that visitors may observe the operation of a small generating plant of the type used in the early part of the century. The new powerhouse, as was the old one, is remote-controlled from Gorge powerhouse.

The powerhouse, diversion dam and intake structure were constructed by W. H. Gregory Co. of Portland, Ore., at a cost of \$167,900. M. Ray Ross's Valley Ready-Mix company of Concrete had the subcontract to furnish and pour concrete for the structure and dam.

Death Of Niels Larsen Occurs Last Thursday

Niels Larsen, 71, of Van Horn died Feb. 12 in the United General Hospital. Mr. Larsen had been in ill health for some time.

He was born Dec. 4, 1898, at Sauk, a member of the pioneer Larsen family. He lived in the upper valley until 1923 when he moved to Port Angeles to work for the Crown Zellerbach company until 1943 when he joined the SeaBees. He returned to Port Angeles in 1946 and resided there until 1923 when he moved to Concrete.

He was married to Mary Park of Concrete in 1949.

Survivors are his wife, Mary; three sons by a previous marriage, James Larsen of Sitka, Alaska, Robert Larsen of Olympia; and Harold Larsen, El Monte, Calif.; two brothers, Merc Larsen of Concrete and Elmer Larsen of Clarkston; 10 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren.

Services were held this Monday at 1:30 p.m. at Lemley Chapel in Sedro-Woolley with Pastor Dale Olson of the Mt. Baker Presbyterian Church officiating.

Pallbearers were Oscar Lund, Ray Stidham, George Duffy, Ray Jordan, William Cupples, Wallace Crawford.

Services For Bert King, Pioneer, Tomorrow

Memorial services for Bert King, 92, a pioneer Concrete area resident who passed away at the Skagit Valley Hospital last Wednesday, will be held tomorrow, Thursday, 7:30 p. m. in the Concrete Community Bible Church. The Rev. William Bridge will officiate.

Mr. King had been a resident of Skagit County for the last 54 years. He worked as a logger in the Concrete area for many years. He was born Aug. 30, 1877, in North Carolina. He was married to Cynthia Jones in Missouri. She preceded him in death in 1958.

For the last 10 years Mr. King had been in the Barth Nursing Home in Anacortes.

He is survived by one son, Lloyd R. King of Anacortes; three sisters, Mrs. Nieshi Little, Mrs. Frieda Arndt, Mrs. Rose Etta Little, all of Missouri; a grandson, Don King of Mount Vernon; one granddaughter, Mrs. Frances Jones of Los Gatos, Calif.; and one great-grandson. A daughter preceded her parents in death in 1926.

Concrete School Board Calls Special Meeting

A special meeting of the Upper Skagit School District No. 102 board of education will be held this Friday evening, February 20, at 8:00 p.m. in the high school to hear a report on the proposed grade school building by Johnson & Associates, the architectural firm.

Preliminary plans and cost estimates will be presented to the board for information in setting the amount of the bond issue to be put before the voters on April 14th, date set for a special election.

Others

the Duster

The Over-time Editor

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are silently complaining organs no one hears but the icy hand of death grip- your heart. The clutch of plague tightening on your (Continued on page 4)

Births

RA RICHARDSON

and Mrs. John Richardson ingham are the proud par- of a baby daughter, Tamara orn at St. Joseph's Hospital 8. She weighed 6 lbs., 13 nd was 20 1/2 inches long at

ndparents are Mr. and Mrs. e Nims of Concrete and nd Mrs. Myron Richardson ate 3, Sedro-Woolley.

D ALLAN HURN

and Mrs. Allan Hurn of 1, Concrete, are the par- of their third child, a son, Allan, born Feb. 16 at Ska- alley Hospital, Mount Ver- The baby weighed 8 lbs., 4 nd measured 21 inches at.

He joins two sisters, Bev- and Alane.

ndparents are Mrs. Sanford of Concrete and Mr. and Clifford Hurn, Route 1, Mal- great-grandparents are Mr. Mrs. Bert Boner of Raymond; nal great-grandparents are Emma Eastlake of Everett Harry Stanton, Troy, Mont.

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