

C. R. GRAY WILL ON WAY TO PORTLAND

New Head of Hill Lines in Northwest Will Arrive This Morning.

BIG PROBLEMS PENDING

Railroad Men Believe Union Station Project Will Be Taken Up and That Independent Enterprise Will Result.

C. R. Gray, newly elected president of the Hill lines in the Northwest, was confined to his bed in his car with serious illness at Spokane last night, and no one was permitted to see him there.

Mr. Gray was under the care of Dr. T. C. Morris and last night was said to be resting easily. He expected to be able to get up today but has been confined to his bed a great deal of the time since leaving St. Louis on his Western trip.

The cause is given as too strenuous work in clearing his work at St. Louis to take his new position and the strain of the long journey.

Later Visit Contemplated.

It is understood that Mr. Gray will make another trip to Spokane in the near future, due to the fact that he was unable to leave his car while there. He wants to see the road of which he is to become the head and intends to inspect all of the lines as soon as his health permits.

Mr. Gray's duties as president of the North Bank and Hill lines in Oregon will begin tomorrow morning, May 1. For a few days routine business will demand his attention, but after he becomes acquainted with the work of his office he will have many weighty problems to consider. Mr. Stevens will remain in Portland a few days following Mr. Gray's arrival and will initiate his successor into the duties of his office.

The new chief already is thoroughly familiar with the situation on the system of which he assumes charge, having visited Portland for that purpose early in March. He made a trip into Central Oregon over the new Oregon Trunk line and traveled on the electric lines. He learned of the proposed extension of the Oregon Electric to Eugene and of the United Railways to Tillamook Bay, together with the plans for the completion of the Oregon Trunk to Bend and the probable construction of a line from Bend to connect with the Pacific & Eastern at Butte Falls, which will give the Hill system entrance into Meadford. The Pacific & Eastern first was built from Meadford to Eugene a distance of 12 miles, but the remaining 20 miles from Meadford to Butte Falls is a part of the Hill system in Oregon, and may have been announced by Mr. Stevens as a part of the general improvement scheme planned for Oregon, and may be one of the first projects that Mr. Gray will carry out after actively assuming charge of the road.

Question of Station Important. Another question that always was considered one of Mr. Stevens' responsibilities is the depot project in Portland. It has been announced repeatedly that the Hill interests intend building an independent passenger station here because of the inability to agree upon a Union depot station with the Oregon Pacific and the O-W. R. & N. Co., who control 49 per cent and 29 per cent, respectively, of the Northern Pacific Terminal Company, who own the present Union depot and yards.

When J. J. Hill was in Portland last December he declared that he was taking no personal interest in the station situation, inasmuch as he had given full charge to Mr. Stevens. It is presumed that Mr. Gray will have like responsibility on this subject. Mr. Hill has expressed himself in favor of an independent depot in preference to the Hill lines station, and the erection by the Hill lines of a handsome independent station at Seattle is taken as a forerunner of similar action here.

Other changes in the Portland Hill office in consequence of Mr. Stevens' departure will take place.

PORTLAND IS OBJECTIVE

RAILWAY AND BUSINESS MEN LEAVE TWIN CITIES.

Louis W. Hill and Party After Being at Helena Meeting Expect to Come West.

A special train bearing business men of St. Paul, Minneapolis and neighboring cities will leave the Twin Cities of Minnesota this evening for the Northwestern Development League meeting which opens at Helena, Mont., next Monday. The schedule has been so arranged that Louis W. Hill, president of the Great Northern, and a party of his friends can travel part of the way in automobiles and part of the way on the train.

Steps will be made at important towns along the line, which will give the autists opportunity to come on board the special and if necessary bring their machinery on board. Mr. Hill is an enthusiastic automobile driver and usually carries his own machine with him on trips in his private car. He will be accompanied on his westward journey by W. F. Kenney, traffic manager of the Great Northern. According to advices received yesterday by Arthur Gray, general freight and passenger agent of the Great Northern in this city, Mr. Hill and Mr. Kenney will continue their journey to Spokane and Portland following the close of the Helena meetings.

Mr. Hill also telegraphed C. C. Chapman, manager of the promotion bureau of the Commercial Club, to accompany him on the run from Helena to Spokane.

"There are many matters I want to see you about in Helena," he said in

the message, "and hope we will have an opportunity for a good visit. Quite likely you will be returning to Spokane on the evening of May 5; if so I shall be glad to take you over, as I will be going west probably that night."

On his last visit to Portland Mr. Hill pronounced the Portland Commercial Club and the publicity work conducted by Mr. Chapman the most aggressive combination in the United States and attributed much of Portland's and Oregon's growth and development to these forces. He has a strong admiration for those at the head of the promotion work in this city and consults with them on mutual interests at every opportunity.

Mr. Kenney may not come to Portland at this time, as he was here only two months ago, but Great Northern



H. S. Rowe, Who Has Resigned As General Agent for Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway, in Portland.

officials here believe, that inasmuch as Mr. Hill has announced his intention of coming to Spokane he will continue his trip to this city.

ROWE TO QUIT POST

MILWAUKEE OFFICIAL TO BE SUCCEEDED BY J. R. VEITCH.

General Agent in Portland to Retire on Account of Other Interests and Age.

George W. Hibbard, general passenger agent of the Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound Railway, will arrive here this afternoon to arrange for the removal of H. S. Rowe from active service for the Milwaukee, who for nine years has been general agent in Portland of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway, the parent of the Puget Sound extension.

On account of his interest in other affairs and because of his advancing years, Mr. Rowe has been eager to sever his connection with the Milwaukee ever since the younger road became active in the local field. The company, however, was reluctant to allow him to go until satisfactory arrangements had been made for his office with that of the new road had been made. Mr. Hibbard has been in San Francisco for the past few weeks and it was known that upon his arrival in Portland the affairs of Mr. Rowe's department could be turned over to J. R. Veitch, district freight agent for the Puget Sound road.

On his recent trip to St. Paul and Chicago Mr. Veitch prepared to take up the added duties and beginning tomorrow morning will have jurisdiction over both systems. The identity of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul road will not be lost, however, as it will continue to originate and attend to the local office which is being transferred to the new road and its name will be presented to the people of Portland in old-time prominence.

Mr. Hibbard is one of the best known railroad men on the Coast, having been identified with the Harriman interests for many years. He served a term as superintendent of the O. R. & N. line and retired from that position to fill the office of Mayor of Portland, which he occupied for two years. He was appointed to the general agency of the Milwaukee in this city July 1, 1902, and has remained in that position continuously since then.

WIFE DESERTER ARRESTED

Man Subsequently Married in Portland Is Taken to Michigan.

Sheriff Herrick, of Cornua, Mich., arrived yesterday with requisition papers for Roy W. Crawford, charged with wife desertion. The requisition was issued by Governor West yesterday and the Michigan Sheriff will start East with his prisoner tonight.

Crawford was formerly salesman for the Reliance Motor Truck Company and had charge of the Northwest district five or six years. He married Miss Mollie Fitzgerald, daughter of Mrs. J. Fitzgerald, 423 East Twenty, fourth street North, last March. He represented to Miss Fitzgerald that he had been divorced and said last night that he thought he had been divorced. Sheriff Herrick said Crawford sent his wife and two children money up to the time of his marriage to Miss Fitzgerald, and then remittances stopped. He said Crawford's wife and children were left destitute.

Crawford said he would resist extradition and a plea was advanced that wife desertion was not extraditable because it is not a felony in Oregon. At the hearing before Governor West yesterday afternoon Crawford's attorney withdrew his protest, when Sheriff Herrick presented his evidence and affidavits.

Sixth Ward Promoters to Meet.

A meeting of the Sixth Ward promoters, a newly organized political society, will be held in Weber's Hall, Nevada street and Macadam road, Fifth and Commercial, tonight at 8 o'clock. A general invitation has been issued to the public and to all candidates for office, who will have an opportunity to address the public.

Crash Kills Express Team.

A sixteenth-street car and team belonging to Cooley Bros. Transfer Company, collided at Fifth and Montgomery streets at 4:15 last evening, killing one horse and so seriously injuring the other that it was shot. It is said that the accident was unavoidable. The driver was not hurt.

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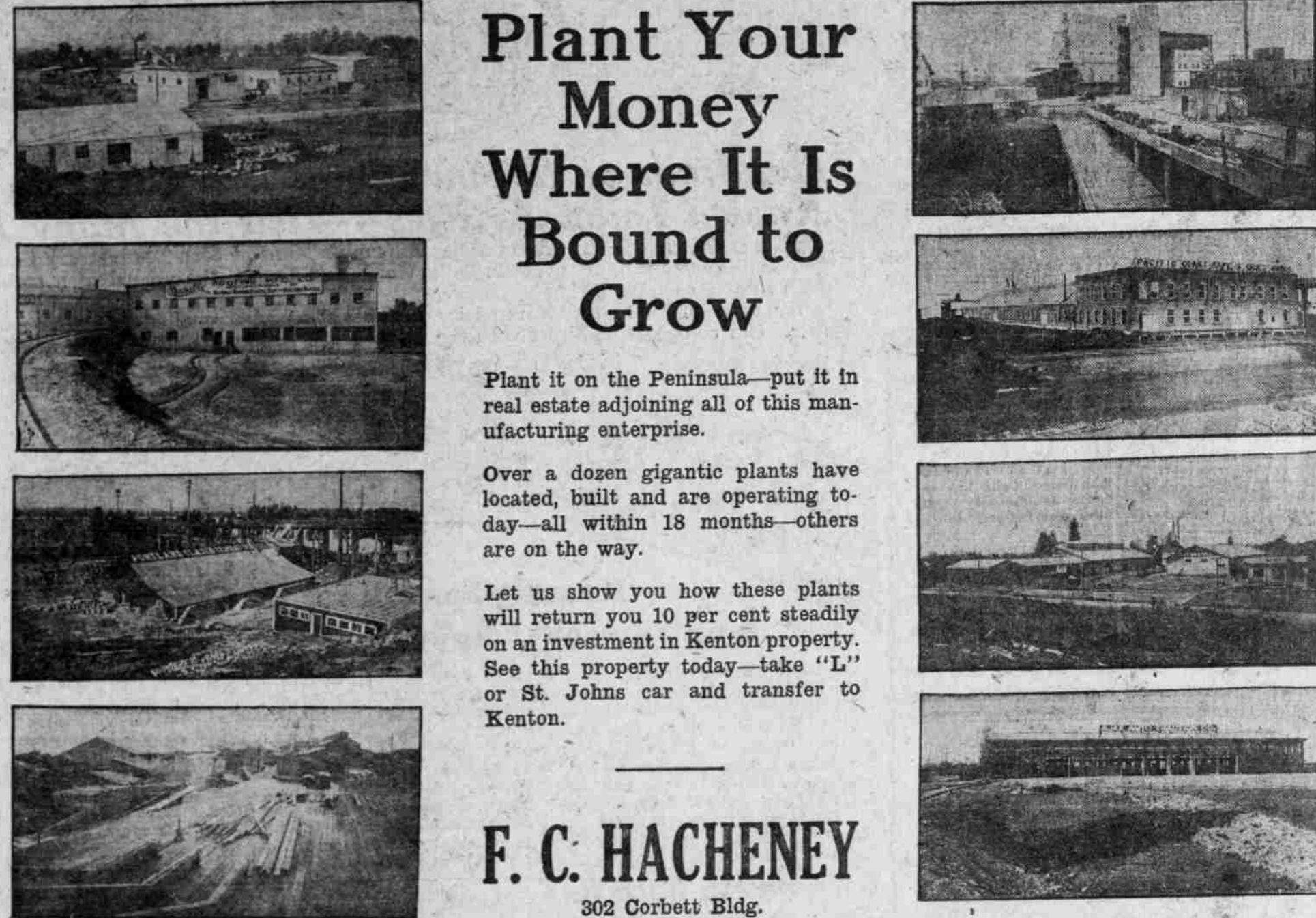
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SINGER'S DAY OVER

L. Gaston Gottschalk Suffers From Serious Affection.

LIFE'S WORK ABANDONED

Friends Believe Death of Famous Star and Instructor Will Follow. Soon—"Toreador Song" His Greatest Success.

Falling to recover his health in Portland, L. Gaston Gottschalk, baritone singer of world-wide reputation, has left for Chicago, to spend probably his last days among old associates and in a familiar environment his physician, Dr. John A. Beaumont, intimates. Mr. Gottschalk is troubled with a serious affection of the throat which, it is feared, will terminate fatally before long.

The noted singer came here last October, giving up his work as head of the Gottschalk Lyric School of Chicago, and being able to live in a milder climate. He undertook vocal instruction in Portland, but his condition grew steadily worse, necessitating the abandonment of his work.

"His condition is very serious," said Dr. Beaumont, "and we came to the conclusion that it would probably be better for him to return to Chicago, where he can obtain a greater variety of medical advice on his ailment and be among old friends and in the old environment."

Mr. Gottschalk was at luncheon at the Commercial Club a few days ago with Mr. and Mrs. Beaumont. Several selections were played on the phonograph. Finally came the toreador song from the opera "Carmen," a selection which Mr. Gottschalk made famous all over the world.

"His eyes filled with tears as he remarked: 'I'll probably never be able to sing that again,'" said Dr. Beaumont in describing the incident. "It was one of the most pathetic scenes I have ever witnessed."

BRITISH TOURISTS WONDER

Liverpool Fruit Broker Astounded by Hood River Country.

HOOD RIVER, Or., April 29.—(Special.)—Two prominent English politicians, Walter J. Bellis and W. S. Chantrell, who arrived here from Hood River, have just finished a tour of Hood River Valley, inspecting local methods of fruit culture. Both are members of the Council of Wallasey, the last established borough in England, although the former is a not Liberal and the latter a Conservative. Mr. Bellis, in addition to belonging to the Council, is

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FISHING BEGINS MONDAY

Previous Observance of Law Insures Big Early Catches.

ASTORIA, Or., April 29.—(Special.)—The Spring fishing season on the Columbia River will open at noon Monday and will continue until noon August 25. Already a large number of gill-nets have placed their boats in the water and the indications are that more gear will be in the river on the opening day than at the corresponding time in many years.

On the Lower Columbia the closed season has been strictly observed and better than last year, fairly good catches will be made the first few days of next week.

Dimick Is Land Board Attorney.

OREGON CITY, Or., April 29.—(Special.)—Gordon E. Hayes, for 25 years attorney of the State Land Board in Clackamas County, has resigned, and Walter A. Dimick, State Senator, was appointed today to succeed him.



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was \$18,500, but some time after the transaction McNair confessed that Fawk had given him a rebate of \$1500. When the defendants in the suit decided yesterday discovered that McNair had received a rebate and had not acted in good faith with them in the transaction, there was a meeting of plaintiff and defendants in a room in an office building, January 15, 1911, at which McNair was told that he must pay the money desired, sign away his claim to the property and give personal notes to repair the wrong they said he had done them. If he failed to do so, the defendants declared, they would make public his bad faith in dealing with them and disgrace him.

McNair testified that he was terrified with the prospect of having his previously good name tainted and he was willing to compromise in any possible way. He asked permission to go home and talk the matter over with his wife, but his "captors," as he charged them with being, refused to let him do so until he had first fulfilled the requirements they demanded. McNair then obeyed.

Foresters to Meet in Albany.

The Oregon Grand Lodge of Foresters will hold its annual convention in Albany Tuesday, May 16, with Dr. F. C. Brostus, of Hood River, chief ranger, presiding. It is expected that 50 representatives from all parts of the state will be present at the meeting. Delegates from Court Mount Hood No. 1, of Portland, were chosen at a recent meeting. They are H. C. Baker, W. E. Snyder, Fred Mason, J. T. Richards, W. F. Grunow, F. R. Binigley and A. L. Brown.

Man Dies of Bullet Wound.

G. W. Laughlin, of Tremont Park, died from the effects of a bullet wound in the groin at St. Vincent's Hospital yesterday afternoon. The coroner took charge of the body and will make an investigation. The account of the shooting, which occurred a week ago, as given by the family, is that Laughlin and his brother were cleaning two revolvers when one of the weapons was accidentally discharged and the bullet struck Laughlin.

Mothers' Congress to Meet.

The monthly meeting of the Oregon Congress of Mothers will be held in the Y. M. C. A. auditorium on Tuesday afternoon, May 2. The convention committee meets at 1:30 and the regular meeting at 2:30. The nomination of officers will take place during the session.

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