

SOUTHERN PACIFIC HEAD IN PORTLAND

President Sproule Comes as
Forerunner to Announce-
ment of Expansion.

OIL LAND TITLE DEFENDED

Railroad Magnate Declares Acqui-
sition Was Honestly Innocent and
So Will Be Proved—Oregon
Development Continues.

"Following each of my previous visits to Portland, something to the benefit of this city and State of Oregon has resulted," said President Sproule, of the Southern Pacific, at the Multnomah Hotel last night. "The immediate cause of my present visit I am not at liberty at this time to make public, but its purpose is along the same lines. Our company permits its officers in each state to govern its own affairs, and it is with them I came to consult as to the advisability of carrying out new plans which they have worked out.

"The recently announced intention to electrify our lines in Oregon is being carried out first by our engineers, with a large force, and as soon as the details are completed bids will be advertised for to do the work and such contracts will be let with the understanding that money and men are not to be spared to complete it early for operation.

Development to Continue.

"The Southern Pacific has always been first in hastening the development of Oregon, and it does not propose to lag behind in the future, as there is every reason to believe that the material growth of the state will reach enormous proportions during the next few years.

"As I said before, my trip is entirely one with reference to the interests of the Southern Pacific in Oregon and what is now decided will be announced later by the local representatives, as has been done following my previous visits.

Oil Lands Defended.

"I notice that The Oregonian has mentioned some suits brought by the Government against our company for the forfeiture of oil producing lands in California. Later it will be learned that these lands were acquired with full honesty long before there was a suspicion that they were oil producing and are as innocent in the matter as if oil should be found on some of the Willamette Valley farms and suits brought against their owners of a similar character.

A luncheon at the Commercial Club will be given on Monday at 12:15 by its board of governors in honor of Mr. Sproule.

HALF HOLIDAY GIVEN HELP

Roberts Bros. Believe in Caring for
Employees.

Roberts Brothers, proprietors of a local department store, have taken the initiative in introducing to Portland the Summer weekly half holiday. This has been in vogue in many of the Eastern and California cities. During the month of August this store will close Thursday afternoons at 1:00 o'clock. Upon being interviewed, Thos. J. Roberts, on behalf of the firm, expressed himself as being heartily in favor of shorter hours for department store workers. "While our beautiful climate does not make the Summer half-holiday imperative, as is the case in many cities," said Mr. Roberts, "we believe that the employees' welfare should be taken into consideration and they should be worked as short a time as is compatible with progressive business.

"The old idea was to get as much as possible out of the help, the modern one to give them as much as possible. And this, in fact, is the more profitable. The time is not far remote when we shall have an eight hour day, Saturday night closing, and the weekly half-holiday; for what is possible elsewhere is certainly not impossible in Portland.

"We believe that the department stores should cooperate in alleviating the conditions of employees, and no one store would suffer if all united in adopting these measures. The public in general should also give its unanimous support.

"During August we shall close Thursday afternoons at 1 o'clock and after this year during July and August."

PERSONAL MENTION.

W. A. Hayes, of Heppner, is at the Perkins.
Joseph F. Fink, of The Dalles, is at the Bowers.
A. A. Henning, of Walla Walla, Wash., is at the Annex.
Mrs. Thomas Jefferson Smith and Miss Elise Bennett Smith, of Frankfort,

Ky. were registered yesterday at the Portland.
F. A. Kinney, of Berkeley, Cal., is at the Multnomah.
Mr. and Mrs. John Blim, of Watploo, Ia., are at the Portland.
Lowell I. Will, a business man of Salem, is at the Oregon.
Dr. H. H. Keena, of Eureka, Cal., is registered at the Oregon.
W. C. Gibbs, of Baker, was registered at the Oregon yesterday.
James M. Metchett, of Spokane, was at the Multnomah yesterday.
Phillip P. Thomas, of Eugene, registered at the Annex yesterday.
Mr. and Mrs. William Thurston, of Hood River, are at the Perkins.
A. V. Wilson, of Tacoma, was registered at the Bowers yesterday.
A. F. Hauser, of Amity, was registered yesterday at the Corneliuss.
T. J. Filinn, of San Francisco, was registered yesterday at the Annex.
W. S. Palmer, of Hoquiam, Wash., was registered yesterday at the Oregon.
George H. Curry, a merchant of La Grande, is registered at the Corneliuss.
Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Yates, of Wasco,

GIRL WHO WILL WED FOR- REST SMITHSON WILL- KNOWN IN PORT- LAND.



Miss Irene Geary, of the approaching marriage of Forrest Smithson, champion athlete, to Miss Irene Geary, was of interest to many Portland persons, not only because of Smithson's Portland connections, but also because the bride-to-be has many Portland relatives and received her education here.

Miss Geary is a grand-niece of the late Senator Mitchell, and a niece of Detective John Price. Her mother was Miss Mary Price, a sister of the detective, Miss Geary is a graduate of a Roman Catholic school here and also attended the public high school. She was especially accomplished in music. She lived at the home of Detective Price until recently and had a position with a music company. Her father is a well-known sporting writer, who for 25 years held a position on the San Francisco Call. He is now editor of the San Francisco Graphic.

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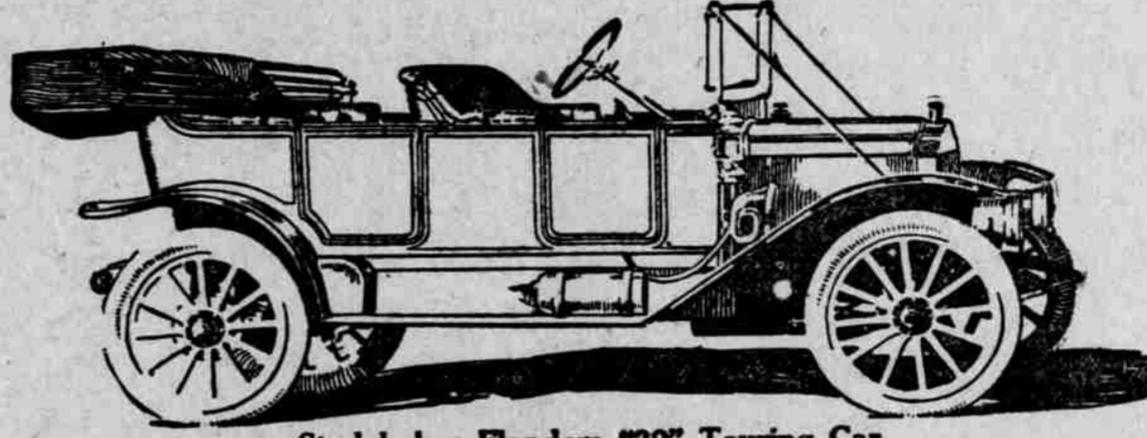
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But that isn't the main point. The thing that ought to bring you to a decision to send for the "20" tomorrow is the certainty that you're not taking a chance. It might be wise to take more time if the "20" were just a motor car.

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ganization than in any other way," said Miss Wood yesterday. "The suffragists have a captain to direct the work and a place of meeting. The members attend the public meetings, find out the sentiments of candidates, and make a house-to-house canvass by which they are enabled to judge of the strength of the suffrage movement. These methods should be pursued here. The precinct workers, but recently organized under Mrs. A. C. Newell, have set about their work on the right lines and they will accomplish a wonderful amount of good.

Success Is Foreseen.

"All indications point to a successful issue at the polls. I have spoken to many men on the subject since my arrival in Oregon, and one prominent business man told me yesterday that he had no doubt but that equal suffrage would pass. City and rural conditions are favorable. I think that the fact that Oregon is surrounded by suffrage states will have a good influence with the voters.

"I have met some of the so-called anti-suffragists, and not one seemed as if he had real convictions against the movement, but rather was opposed because of jury service and other duties to which she might be liable. As I pointed out to these women, very few voters now serve on juries or want to do so, yet they would be indignant if their privilege were taken away from them for that reason.

"The cause of suffrage in New York is Miss Boswell is an expert on industry

trial conditions connected with the welfare of children and women-workers. She has done good work in New York in these lines, and established eight women's clubs in the Panama Canal Zone, with the approval of President Taft. Miss Boswell is a believer in the equal wage for equal work maxim, though she does not uphold the minimum wage bill, believing it to be unsuitable to the needs of this country. She also is an ardent worker in the equal suffrage cause.

Right to Vote Urged.

"Improvements in every case, cannot be carried out without the help of women," said Miss Boswell. "Every woman should have the right to express her opinions, where the expression of opinion counts the most, namely at the polls.

"As an instance of the good accomplished by women, Miss Boswell cited the establishment of the Women's Clubs at Panama and their work for the betterment of industrial and moral conditions there. She declared that the women had shown their fitness to perform civic duties well.

"The state's duties are simply like

those of keeping house," continued Miss Boswell, "though on an enlarged scale. Man has helped to remove a woman's interests from the home. Where can she turn better than to that large home, the state, and give her intellectual best to the amelioration of conditions in that big house?"

Powers May Lecture Here.

If arrangements can be made an address will be delivered in this city on July 24 by Le Grand Powers on the system used in the large cities in the compilation of financial transactions. Mr. Powers is connected with the Census Bureau, and has been attending the National convention of Municipal Leagues at Los Angeles. It is his intention to return East by the way of Portland.

St. Johns to Have Library.

ST. JOHNS, Or., July 13.—(Special).—St. Johns will have a free public library building costing approximately \$25,000. The Portland Library Association has given assurance that the

money is available for this purpose from the Carnegie fund. The only provision entailed upon the city of St. Johns is that it must obtain title to a piece of land in the business district not smaller than 100x150 feet. The county will pay all costs of maintenance after the building is constructed. The city now owning such a plot of ground, it is expected that the Council will make a call for bids on suitable tracts at its next meeting.

Liquor Sellers Sentenced.

W. C. Blaxill and Frank Rodriguez were arraigned in the United States District Court yesterday on charges of having sold liquor to Indians on the Klamath reservation. Both pleaded guilty and were sentenced to serve 60 days in the County Jail and pay a fine of \$100.

Bishop Warren Critically Ill.

DENVER, July 13.—Bishop Warren, recently retired by the Methodist Episcopal Church, is reported critically ill with inflammatory rheumatism at his residence in University Park.

LARGE PARTY GIVEN BY MRS. VINCENT COOK IN HER GROUNDS, 426 FIFTH STREET, YESTERDAY IN HONOR OF NOTED SUFFRAGE VISITORS.



VOTES FOR WOMEN ADVOCATES LISTENING TO SPEAKER.

Had it been possible, every one interested in the suffrage question would have been present at the party given by Mrs. Vincent Cook yesterday afternoon in the spacious grounds of her home, 426 Fifth street. As it was Mrs. Cook was compelled to make the occasion an invitational affair to avoid the overcrowding that would have been sure to take place. Four women were the guests of honor. Hardly any are better known than they for their work in the cause of suffrage, betterment of the conditions surrounding women and children at work in the factories, social and economic conditions. They are Mrs. Frances Squire Potter, the noted woman lecturer, who spoke before a large audience at the Taylor Street Methodist Church Friday evening; Dr. Cordelia De Bey, Miss Helen Varick Boswell, of Panama Zone fame, and also acknowledged expert Mrs. Mary Wood, famed in Washington, D. C. as a lawyer and lecturer.

The four women were repeatedly asked their opinions as to the likelihood of the success of the campaign and their favorable opinions were the cause of much jubilation, while they will act as an additional spur to the endeavors of all those who are working hard to bring Oregon into line with California, Washington and Idaho.

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