

TWO STORIES OF RAILROADS

One from Tacoma, the Other from Portland—Which is Reliable?

MOFFAT ROAD FOR BAY

Tacoma Dispatch Tells of Coos Bay Terminals for D. N. W. & P. Road.

(San Francisco Call.)

Tacoma, Oct. 2.—D. H. Moffatt, a Denver banker and railroad builder, is acquiring terminals for another transcontinental railroad at Coos Bay, on the Oregon coast.

Business men of Marshfield who are now here say Kinney is trying to obtain a franchise for the proposed belt line railroad through Empire City, North Bend and Marshfield.

It is supposed that Moffatt is acquiring terminals for the Denver Northwestern and Pacific railroad, which he is building to Salt Lake.

(Oregonian, Oct. 7.)

That the Mount Hood Railway & Power company's electric line is to be the western link in the Rock Island system, giving that road entrance to Portland making the Rose City its western terminus, now seems probable.

Into eastern Utah and western Colorado surveyors have been literally poured during the past few weeks by the Denver & Rio Grande and the Union Pacific.

Another Neglected Empire.

The territory is not unlike the central Oregon country in that it is said to be one of the largest fertile sections of the country without railroads.

Campaign in This State.

Of no less interest than the apparent determination of Harriman and Gould to protect themselves in western Colorado and eastern Utah is the recent dispatching of surveying crews to central Oregon by the Oregon Short Line.

Build Occupation Lines.

By building short occupation lines, the progress of new competing roads into central Oregon may be either stopped altogether or delayed for years.

sion of the Moffat line to the Pacific coast is now apparent, and the haste of both to head off the invader is the best proof of the imminent danger to both interests.

Few Gateways Not Closed.

Harriman has almost every other entrance to the interior of this state well bottled up. The passes along the Cascade mountains are taken.

Puts Up the Bars.

To shut these gateways is the evident intention and purpose in sending surveyors there. More railroads, incorporated by the Harriman interests and destined never to be built, and more rights of way secured lest another line may get them, will shortly, no doubt, be the developments in Harriman's campaign to complete his fence around this state.

TO SEARCH FOR LOST TREASURE

Barring unforeseen accidents or delay, gold and treasure to the amount of \$1,575,000 which was lost when the ship Golden Gate sank in 1862 off the coast of Mexico near Manzanilla will be recovered during the first months of next year.

The shipwreck lies 200 feet from the shore and is completely covered by sand in fourteen feet of water. A pier will be built to the place where the wreck lies and from the end of it a dredge pump will be operated.

The lost treasure consists of \$1,500,000 in bullion and coins in the strong room, \$65,000 in jewelry and money in the safe and \$10,000 in a second smaller safe, besides money and valuables the passengers threw away in attempting to save themselves.

ROOT WELCOMED IN MEXICO CITY

Chapultepec Castle Placed at His Disposal During His Stay.

Mexico City, Oct. 8.—Greeted by several thousand persons, among whom were many members of the American colony in this city, Secretary of State Root arrived in Mexico City by special train.

Shortly after the arrival at Chapultepec castle tea was served. The officials of the city and several government officials, with their families, were present.

Had Sudden Illness.

T. Howard, the jewelry merchant, was taken very sick Monday evening and continued vomiting the greater part of the night.

DYNAMITE FOR DENVER PEOPLE

Governor Buchtel Narrowly Escapes Death from Infernal Machine Sent by Mail.

MOFFAT ALSO IN DANGER

Railroad Magazine Received Explosive Package—Police Had Information Which Saved Them.

Denver, Oct. 8.—Governor Buchtel, President Moffatt of the First National bank, and President Kounz of the Colorado National bank, received today through the mails infernal machines containing sufficient dynamite to have caused great destruction of lives and property had they been exploded.

Bigelow confessed also that he sent infernal machines to Lawrence C. Phipps and Edward Chase, but these had not been delivered today. The machines received by Moffatt and Kounz were turned over to the police department.

The other infernal machines were counterparts of this one. Bigelow gave no satisfactory explanation of his motive for sending the machines and seemed to have no other motive than to cause a sensation.

THREW STICK OF WOOD IN WINDOW

The night officers were called to the home of Mrs. Wall Monday night on the information that somebody was trying to gain entrance in her home.

CITY DADS ORDER CHEMICAL ENGINE

Street Car Franchise, Which Interests the Citizens, Laid Over for Next Meeting.

At the city council meeting held on Monday evening, some of the old business was disposed of in order to clear the way for the many new matters which the new quarter has in store.

The principal matter which the spectators attended the meeting for was not brought up and those who expected to hear the franchise for a street car line discussed, were disappointed.

Disposition of the city garbage, which has been a bother for so long, was taken care of by the decision to purchase two lots on the tide water lands across the channel from Marshfield.

Some time ago the council indicated that it would likely purchase a chemical engine for use in the downtown districts where a fire could be extinguished with such an engine with a great deal less damage than would ensue by using the regulation fire apparatus.

The city attorney was instructed to have officers arrest any person who attempts to build within the city fire limits without complying with the late ordinance.

HONDURAS FORCES CAPTURE ACAJUTLA

Steamer From Panama Brings News Fall of Salvadoran Army.

San Francisco, Oct. 8.—The steamer San Jose, from Panama, today brought word of the capture of port of Acajutla in the latter part of September by Honduras forces, after a battle with the army of Salvador.

NOTICE

—To members of Coos Tribe, No. 33, I. O. R. M. are requested to meet at their Wigwam on Thursday Eve., Oct. 10, at 7:30 sharp to participate in the adoption of Paleface.

WILL FORCE THE STATE

Pettibone's Attorney's Have Whipsaw on Prosecution and Embarrass It.

HAYWOOD COST \$140,000

Miners Distribute Pamphlets Showing Great Cost of Justice—Darrow Is Well Again.

Boise, Oct. 8.—Another fruitless conference of attorneys was held today on the proposition of postponing the trial of George A. Pettibone, charged with complicity in the assassination of Former Governor Steunenberg.

Mr. Ripley's views are shared by President Earling of the St. Paul, but the latter does not express them so freely for publication.

MILLINGTON HAS A SUNDAY SCHOOL

Will Convene Every Sunday Afternoon—Preaching by Rev. Thurston Afterwards.

Forty Millington people gathered at the school house last Sunday and effected the organization of a Sunday school, and held the first meeting that afternoon.

STEAMER IN TROUBLE

Government May Confiscate Cargo of Netherlee, at Bremerton.

Washington, Oct. 8.—No record can be found in the departments here which shows that the British steamer Netherlee was promised immunity from paying duty for tonnage and light dues at Bremerton as claimed by her captain.

RIPLEY SETS UP CALAMITY

Country Has Hysteria—Even in High Places Make Thing Unpleasant.

Chicago, Oct. 8.—"Under existing conditions I could not as president of the Santa Fe road advise anyone to invest a dollar in any of the west ern states through which our rail road extends," said E. P. Ripley, president of the Santa Fe, today.

"I take a very gloomy view of the future," he said. "I cannot see how we can escape hard times. The country has been worked into a terrible hysteria over railroads and corporations until the people are likely to do most anything, so long as a railroad or a corporation is hit hard.

"I can see evidence of trouble ahead, despite the fact that the railroads just now are busy. In a short time there will be two men to every railroad job, instead of two jobs to every man.

"As for railway building, I could not recommend to our directors to build another foot of road in Texas with the laws they have passed there, nor in one or two other states I could mention."

The reason for Mr. Ripley's foreboding probably lies in the fact that the August earnings of the Santa Fe showed an increase in gross of \$727,000, but a decrease in net of \$538,000. In July the net decrease was \$115,670.

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USELESS WASTE OF RESOURCES

Prof. Holmes Declares Fuel Supply Will Be Gone by End of Century.

Washington, Oct. 8.—That the present prodigious waste of the nation's natural resources must stop at once if we are to continue to prosper is the warning given to the people of the United States by J. A. Holmes, chief of the technology branch of the United States geological survey, who has just returned to Washington after a three month's inspection trip through the west.

Toured Entire West.

Mr. Holmes, who is an expert on fuels, and one of the best known scientists in the country, toured the entire west at the instigation of the government to learn just how serious the conditions are. He returns with the statement that in the mining operations of the present time nearly one half of the total coal supply is being left under ground; that water, the most valuable of all mineral resources, as a source of power is being wasted day after day and year after year to the extent of millions of horse power, and that forest fires have burned more lumber than has been used in the building of homes or in the industries.

"One of the great national problems is the conserving of the fuel resources," says Mr. Holmes. "At the present rate of increase in consumption the better part of the fuel supply of the country will be gone by the end of the present century unless the proper steps are taken."

"The future ascendancy of American industries will depend largely on our manufacturers being able to secure cheap fuel. The value and cost of labor will never be reduced in the United States to what they are in foreign countries, but this fact renders all the more essential in the struggle for industrial and commercial supremacy, that the manufacturers of this country be able to obtain fuel supplies cheaper than they are to be had in other countries.

Commence Laying Stone.

The work of laying the stone for the Flanagan-Bennett bank building was commenced yesterday. The first stone was laid on the front street frontage and the work will progress well as the greater part of the stone is prepared and ready for laying.

Alliance Leaves This Morning

The Alliance will leave this morning at nine o'clock for Portland.