

**IMPROVING O. R. & N. TRACK  
RAISING GRADE EIGHT INCHES HURON  
TO PENDLETON.**

Expense Occasioned in Other Ways by the Big Moguls That have been Bought.

The O. R. & N. is pulling the track from Huron to Pendleton with Umatilla gravel, raising the track eight inches above its present bed. Below Pendleton, where in many places new roadbed has been made for the sake of eliminating many of the sharp curves and steep grades, the new track is being ballasted in the same way. In anticipation of the use of the new 90-ton engines of the "300" class for regular freight service, the "B. & S." department has expended over \$10,000 in strengthening its bridges, and the tracklaying department is putting in thousands of ties. New turntables will also have to be built and means temporary Y's will be utilized to turn the engines. Railroad men say that the ponderous engines will very quickly find the "soft" spots in the trackbed.

The new moguls are thus described by a locomotive expert:

"The new '300' class of engines on the O. R. & N. were built by the Baldwin Locomotive works. They are of the compound consolidated class and have triple cylinders, the third one being a special attachment to the side rods and eccentrics for an instantaneous change from the compound to the simple action, or the reverse. The cylinders are 16 1/2x22, with a 28 inch stroke. The boiler shell measures about 78 inches. The engine alone weighs 93 1/2 tons and the engine and tender, equipped for service, weigh 106 tons. The tank has a capacity of 6100 gallons of water. The tender carries 10 tons of coal. This engine has a pulling power of over 650 tons besides its own weight. The engine is fitted with the New York air brakes, air belt ringing attachment, patent automatic sand blower, electric headlight, steel cab, etc."

**Over Harriman Properties.**

Spokane, Aug. 29.—A special to the Spokesman-Review from New York says:

E. H. Harriman proposes on retirement of Charles M. Hays from the presidency of the Southern Pacific to combine the executive and traffic management of all the great transportation lines controlled by him under one president and one director of traffic. The Chicago & Alton, Kansas City & Southern, Union Pacific and Southern Pacific, Oregon Railway & Navigation company and Oregon Short Line are to be included in the deal and S. M. Felton, president of the Chicago & Alton, will be made president of the entire system. Mr. Felton denies that he is to leave the Alton, but this would not be necessary, as the Alton is embraced in the combination.

**The Recent Changes.**

President A. L. Mohler officially denies that he will become president of the Southern Pacific to succeed C. M. Hays. The St. Louis Post-Dispatch says: "A telegram from Charles Hays, president of the Southern Pacific railway, to a St. Louis friend, announces that he has not yet resigned his position as president of the road, and that at present he has no idea of doing so."

An O. R. & N. circular has been issued announcing the appointment of Wilbur E. Coman to be assistant general freight agent of the O. R. & N., vice R. B. Miller, resigned to take service elsewhere. Mr. Miller has been general freight and passenger agent of the Oregon lines of the Southern Pacific, and C. H. Markham, who now holds that position, will go to San Francisco as assistant freight traffic manager of the Southern Pacific company.

Consolidation of Union Pacific (Oregon Short Line) and Southern Pacific Salt Lake City agencies under the Southern Pacific man, D. K. Gray, let no place there for Mr. Coman, and he was elevated to the assistant general freight agency of the O. R. & N. The position of assistant freight traffic manager of the Southern Pacific was created for Mr. Markham. This left an opening for the advancement of Mr. Miller from the assistant general freight agency of the O. R. & N. to the position of general freight and passenger agent of the Oregon lines of the Southern Pacific. The new appointments will take effect September 1.

Traffic Director Stubbs of the Southern Pacific and Union Pacific railroads, announced the changes in the general office that would be effected under the consolidation of the traffic departments of these two lines in different cities of the country.

The Chicago offices of the two systems will be consolidated under W. G. Nelmyer of the Southern Pacific. He is made general agent in Chicago, with general supervision over the agencies of the lines in St. Paul, Cincinnati and Detroit. J. H. Lathrop, formerly of Portland, will be general agent in St. Louis, with general supervision over the southwest.

**NEWELL TALKS IRRIGATION**

Was at Denver at American Forestry Association Meeting.

Denver, Aug. 30.—At the session of the American Forestry association here, a paper was read by F. H. Newell, hydrographer of the geological survey, explained the benefits to the water supply of the forest reserves. He said:

"Full development of the resources of the United States, especially in the arid West, rests upon a complete utilization of the water for irrigation, power and municipal, as well as domestic supply. The conservation of the water and the protection from pollution, both natural and artificial, rests largely upon the proper treatment of the forests at the headwaters of the streams. There can be no question as to the beneficial influence of these forests, although the extent of this influence may be and still is open to investigation and discussion. The forests, with the accumulation of vegetation upon the ground, serve to break the force of the rain and regulate the run off; excessive soil erosion is to a large extent prevented and the water drained from the forests as a rule free from suspended mineral matter. The government has set about the protection of the forests upon the headwaters of the West and congress has under consideration legislation intending to promote the construction of large reservoirs with or adjacent to the forest reserves.

"There are to be found upon the headwaters of the streams many valleys whose outlets can be closed by a dam of moderate height, holding back the water from melting snow or from occasional streams. These natural reservoir sites are being surveyed and

their capacity and cost ascertained. The amount of water available by storage is also being measured and facts recorded so as to make it possible to know definitely the benefits to be derived from the construction of these hydraulic works.

"One of the sources of anxiety and uncertainty in regard to these reservoirs is the matter of silt or sediment. The flood waters roll along sand, gravel and even boulders, depositing them wherever the current is checked. These floods entering the artificial reservoirs are brought to a halt and quickly lay down their load, forming a coating or layer of mud in the reservoir, tending to diminish the storage capacity. If the water comes from forest slopes, where the soil is protected and held by roots, the amount of sediment may be negligible; but if, on the other hand, these forests are cut away, the underbrush and humus burned, the driving storms soon attack and move the loose earth and disintegrated rock, starting it on its journey down the slopes to be finally caught in the reservoir below. Thus it happens that it is of the first importance for the prolonged life of the reservoir that every care should be taken to perpetuate the forest cover upon the catchment areas wherever this can assist in holding the soil."

**TAUGHT ALASKAN INDIANS.**

Miss Mann Here on Route to the East Where She Will Study.

Miss Francis N. Mann, sister of Dr. E. A. Mann, arrived in Pendleton last Sunday from the Aleutian Islands, on her way to New York city. Miss Mann has been for two years in the Indian service at Unalaska, situated near Dutch Harbor on one of the Aleutian Islands. During her stay in Unalaska, she has been employed as principal of the Indian school, assisted by two other teachers. She says that she enjoys her work even though the young Alaskan idea does not shoot as rapidly as the American.

Miss Mann has a fine collection of Indian curios and photographs of Nome City, Dutch Harbor, and other points of interest in that vicinity. Among the collection is a perfect photograph of the midnight sun as it is seen in Alaska. A portion of the views and Indian baskets may be seen in the Tallman drug store show window.

Miss Mann expresses it as her intention either to return next summer to Alaska or to accept a position in Manila. During her stay in New York she will follow a course of English and literature, possibly in Columbia college. On her way east she will spend a few days at the Buffalo exposition.

**Entertaining Newspaper Features.**

Probably no other newspaper in the United States can show so brilliant an array of special features as is found in the columns of the Chicago Record-Herald, which combines in one great newspaper, all the entertaining departments of both the Chicago Record and Chicago Times-Herald. The daily and Sunday editions of the Record-Herald include the Washington letter of William E. Curtis, the Record-Herald's special New York dispatches, its unequalled foreign news service, embracing its own special cables with those of the New York Herald, the New York Tribune and the Associated Press; its pages devoted to the markets and financial and commercial intelligence—exhaustive to the most satisfactory degree, its popular sporting page, its extended editorial department, "Glean Sprigs of Gentility," Kiser's humorous "Alternating Currents," "Stories of the Day," "The Current Topics Club," the departments of railroads and insurance news, music and the drama, society and clubs; the column of book reviews, the colored and the "Woman Beautiful," department, the daily fashion article, "Meals for a Day," news of the great lakes, etc.—all uniting to furnish to the people of Chicago and the northwest, a newspaper which commends itself to discriminating readers as only a newspaper can which combines the world wide facilities of two of the greatest metropolitan newspapers of modern times.

**That Trifling Nigger Groom.**

A young woman of Kansas City who returned recently from a visit to friends in rural Kentucky, brought back a good dandy story. When they reached the house of their friends she was given, as is the custom there, a colored girl who was to be her personal servant during her stay. After about a week, the colored girl asked permission to be absent one night at the wedding of a girl friend. The next morning her temporary mistress asked her about the wedding. "Oh, we had a fine time," said "Maudy," "lots of eat and lots of ice cream and cake, and fiddling and dancing all night. And the bride, she wore a white dress and white satin slippers and a big, long white veil." "And how about the groom?" asked her mistress. "Don't you know," replied "Maudy," "that trifling nigger never did show up."

**Hobbies as Safety Values.**

The East Oregonian, an excellent paper with a few impractical hobbies—which we all ought to have, to be used as safety valves, as it were—a few days since made its annual roar because Baker county mines are not assessed their proportional share of taxation. There is no equity in taxation; that conception is an iridescent dream. But the subject of mining taxation is a reality in the shape of a county problem, in the same category with the taxation of mortgages and other such "invisible" wealth, which statesmen of the ages have wrestled with; always to be thrown, the best five out of three. Will the East Oregonian kindly devote a spare moment to the subject and solve the problem?—Sumpter Miner.

**Story of the Boer War.**

When the Transvaal war was at its height, Paul Kruger sent a commissioner to England to find out if there were any more men left there. The commissioner wired from London to say that there were 4,000,000 men and women "knocking about the town" and that there was no excitement, and that men were begging to be sent to fight the Boers, Kruger wired back: "Go North. The commissioner found himself in Newcastle eventually, and wired to Kruger: 'For God's sake, stop that war! England is bringing up men from hell, eight at a time in cages.' He had seen a coal mine."

**Memories of Old.**

A young girl was caught kissing her sweetheart a few days ago. Her mother took her to task for such actions, but the girl silenced her by a question, "Whatever ye would that men should do unto you do ye even so unto them." The old lady witted. Memories of old were brought forcibly to mind.

One-half of the atmosphere is within two and a half miles of the earth's surface.

**A POLICE COURT SENSATION**

PORTLAND JAILER ACCUSED OF TAKING MONEY.

Woman Paid \$25 to Secure Her Release From Prison.

Portland, Aug. 31.—There was quite a sensation sprung in the police court this morning when Belle Naylor, a colored woman, declared upon the witness stand that she had given Jailer Mitchell of the Multnomah county jail \$25 in order to secure her release.

It appears that the woman had been sentenced by Judge Cameron of the municipal court to pay a fine of \$50 or serve 25 days on a charge of assault and battery. She served six days when friends came to her rescue. By paying \$25, they got her released. It was probably figured that the six days in jail equaled \$12.

Instead of Mitchell turning over the money to Judge Cameron and the money put in the city funds, he remained silent and it was not until this morning that the facts became known. When the woman was released, Judge Cameron saw her upon the streets and upon making an inquiry at the county jail, he was told by Mitchell that the woman had been dangerously ill and that the county physician had advised him to let her go.

Today the woman was again arrested on a charge of vagrancy. When questioned by Acting Judge McDevitt as to why she was at liberty, the woman told the story about the \$25 and as soon as court adjourned McDevitt went to Mitchell and asked for an explanation. Just what took place at that time is not known, but Mitchell will return the money.

Before being appointed jailer, Mitchell was a deputy constable. He was before the last republican convention for the nomination of constable, but was unable to get it. As a sort of a salve for his wounded feelings, he was appointed jailer, after much opposition.



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