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SURVEY STARTED AT HUNT SIDING

CREW DEADED TOWARD
SUMMERVILLE IS REPORT

Preliminary Survey For Extension of Union-Cove Road to La Grande And Over Mountains Commenced This Morning—Management Reluctant in Giving Plans to The Public—Will Run Along Hunt Grade From Hunt Siding.

Reports received by the Observer from Union a couple of days ago in regard to a survey of proposed extensions of the Central Railway of Oregon were confirmed this morning by the actual beginning of the work. A surveying party left Union and beginning at Hunt Siding, will follow the old Hunt grade, and run a line toward Summerville.

The present work will take about two weeks, probably longer. Although the management is keeping their plans quiet, it is believed that surveys through the mountains into Walla Walla before the end of the summer. Wild rumors that the Central Railway belongs to Hill are in circulation in Union, but cannot be verified. Some say that Harriman was the real purchaser at the sale on the 22nd of March, but if any one in Eastern Oregon knows, they are not telling.

GRANTS PASS IN LINE.

GRANTS PASS, Oregon, April 21.—Grants Pass will have a float in the Portland rose carnival parade. Arrangements for it were made by the Commercial club and Ladies Auxiliary. The citizens have subscribed the necessary money. The crowning feature will be a beautiful Josephine county girl to act as "Queen." She has not been selected.

OLD LAWS RULE

TAFT WILL CARRY OUT
FORMER FORESTRY POLICY

Fears of Westerners Alleviated by Announcement That Taft Will Carry Out Old Plans.

WASHINGTON, April 21.—Forester Pinchot has officially announced today that Taft heartily sympathizes with the Roosevelt policies regarding forestry and conservation of natural resources. This is the first announcement that Taft will not undo the work accomplished by Roosevelt, as was feared in the West.

Mrs. George Ackles left for a visit in Portland this morning.

DISLIKE HARBORS

STRENUOUS OBJECTIONS

TO HARBOR LINE PLANS

Willamette River Harbor Plans Are Not Wanted by Those Who Live on East Shore Near St. Johns—Are Mill Men And Need Water For Their Ponds.

PORTLAND, April 21.—Strenuous objections were raised against the proposed establishment of harbor lines in Willamette river from a point opposite St. Johns to Nigger Tom Island at the mouth of the river. The objectors desire harbor line, but not a tentative one drawn by engineers. Excepting one, complainants are owners of property on the east shore of the river where the water is shallow some distance from the water line. Many of them are identified with lumber interests which plan big saw mills along shore and want to plan for log ponds.

BITTER FUED IN RAILROAD RANKS

HILL AND ST. PAUL ROADS
HAVE LOCKED WAR HORNS

St. Paul Road is Said to be Aggressor in Greatest War Between Railroads in Railroad History—Will Start Survey from Fargo North into Coveted Territory in Canada—Will Tap Hill's Minnesota Bread Basket It is Said.

CHICAGO, April 21.—That the rival Hill and St. Paul road interests are locking horns in what promises to be one of the most bitter territorial fights in railroad history is attested to by additional facts made public here today. According to current report the St. Paul is the aggressor in the latest move. It is stated the St. Paul is surveying a line from Fargo N. D., in the direction of Winnipeg. Several surveying parties have been fitted out here, and dispatched west over the St. Paul road. This news follows closely upon the announcement that St. Paul is invading Hill stronghold in the Crows Nest Pass territory, British Columbia. The Red River valley, through which the new survey is being made from Fargo, is generally known as the "Hill's bread basket."

STORMS SWEEP EAST.

CLEVELAND, April 21.—A terrific storm is sweeping over Indiana, Illinois and Western Pennsylvania this afternoon. It is reported that several persons were killed. Houses are demolished in this city.

EASTERN LEAGUE BEGINS.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., April 21.—The baseball season of the Eastern League began today with Montreal playing Providence in this city.

INVADERS SIGHT CONSTANTINOPLE

MASSACRES CONTINUED
AND 2000 ARE DEAD

Young Turks so Near Constantinople That Troops Can be Seen From Capital—Will Reach The City Within a Few Hours—No Reports From The Sultan—Has Kept Within His Palace Continually—Fanatics Still Slaying.

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 21.—The complete fall of the Sultan is near at hand. Though he has kept within his palace walls today, it is believed that he is ready abdicate as soon as the invaders enter the city.

Young Turk's advance against Constantinople was renewed today. Advances say the invaders are plainly visible from the outskirts of the capital. They are expected to reach the city within a few hours.

Massacres Renewed. Massacre of christians by fanatical Mohammedan hordes was renewed in large part of Asia Minor today.

Massacre dispatches tonight say the loss of life in massacres in the valley of Aleppo number over 5000. The population of Aleppo is 1,000,000.

JUDGE KNOWLES BACK.

Judge J. W. Knowles returned this afternoon from Enterprise where he has been holding court.

PENPUSHERS TO RECEIVE NOTICE

BIG GATHERING OF OPINION MOULDERS AT SEATTLE FAIR

SEATTLE, April 21. (Special)—As a result of a letter received by Director of Exploitation James A. Wood, of the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition, from George Putnam, Editor of the Medford Tribune and President of the Oregon Editorial Association, the exposition, chamber of commerce and the officers of the Seattle Press club will shortly hold a joint meeting to discuss the entertainment of the members of the Oregon Association when they come to Seattle to the Fair.

President Putnam's letter announced that the association would make the trip in a body and would either come in a Pullman special, which could be used as quarters, or rely upon the local hotels.

In his reply, Director Wood advised that the Pullman scheme be carried out, for the reason that it may be difficult to make reservations at the hotels so far in advance and that, during the summer months, it is very probable the hotel capacity of the city will be severely taxed.

The National Editorial Association meets at the Exposition on July 19 and it is understood that the Oregon Association desires to be here at that time. Pending further advices from Oregon, Director Wood will take the matter up with the local hotel men's association to see if their hard and fast rules as to reservations cannot be suspended in favor of the visiting newspapermen.

It is very likely that the Washington State Editorial Association will decline in with the Chamber of Commerce and Press club in the matter of entertainment, as President Albert Johnson of that association is a vice-president of the local press club and it is known that he has been planning an elaborate reception program for visiting brethren.

SCARED INSANE

BOY WITH DEAD SNAKE
FRIGHTENS COMPANION

Seven Year Old Boy no Doubt Hopelessly Insane by Reason of Companion's Antic With Snake.

TACOMA, April 21.—Raving beyond all efforts to quiet him, the seven-year-old son of C. D. Seeley, living at Merritt's ranch, and around whose neck a companion wound a dead snake a week ago, may never recover his reason. The lad was so frightened that he went into hysterics.

Fred H. Currey and Advance Agent Lake, billed Elgin today with the carnival bills.

NOW AT BOMBASSA

COL. ROOSEVELT LANDS

TO VISIT SIR PEASE

Ship Admiral Touches Land at Bombassa And Roosevelt Lands to Spend Some Time With Hunter Fried—Town Suddenly Jumps Into Great Prominence.

BOMBASSA, B. E. A., April 21.—Ex-President Roosevelt arrived here today on the steamship Admiral.

Bombassa is a squat island city, the largest seaport of British East Africa, basking in a hot, tropical sun, its Moorish walls reflecting the light and contrasting brilliantly with the stately palms and the gold mohur tree, with its rare red blossoms. Nestling in this tropical luxuriance are the European bungalows, or native villages. Bombassa has two hotels, and in the public gardens stands a statue of Sir William Mackinnon, one of the greatest benefactors of East Africa.

Leaving Bombassa, the Uganda railway runs past Kilindini and dips down to Salisbury bridge, a fine viaduct 1700 feet long, connecting the island of Bombassa with the mainland, and then begins the steep climb to the small station of Changamwe. The first leg into the wilderness will be made by the Roosevelt hunters by train to Machakos, some 200 miles from Bombassa, where Mr. Roosevelt will visit for a fortnight with Sir Alfred Pease, who has hunted with him in America. Sir Alfred lives twenty miles from the railroad.

ACCIDENT WON HIM BRIDE.

NEW YORK, April 21.—The marriage of Frank Bernard York, son of ex-Police Commissioner York, and Miss Genevieve Marie Daly, daughter of former Commissioner of Public Works Daly, took place today at St. Stephen's church. This is the culmination of a romantic incident.

Mr. York and Miss Daly met first in the Adirondacks three summers ago. One afternoon Miss Daly was riding horseback with an uncle on a mountain road. They came upon a young man unhorsed, at the side of the road. The uncle recognized Mr. York and gave him assistance. The acquaintance begun that day between Miss Daly and Mr. York grew into friendship and then into love.

DISLOYAL HUSBAND.

Because Hubby Would Not Kiss Her She Suicides.

HAMMOND, Ind., April 21.—Because her husband, to whom she was married a month, denied her a kiss when he left home this morning, Lena Adelaperger shot and killed herself with his revolver.

TO START WHARF.

PHILADELPHIA, April 21.—The transfer of land at the foot of Dock street will be effected today and the construction of the new dock will be begun at once. It will have three decks.

WOMAN LOST IN PORTLAND HOTEL

DARK MYSTERY SURROUNDS
A SUDDEN DISAPPEARANCE

Husband Searching Portland For His Wife Who Has Mysteriously Disappeared—Her Trunks Are Missing Also—Had Considerable Money When she Put up at The Imperial Hotel—Her Trunks Were Frisked About The City.

PORTLAND, April 21.—Believing his wife was murdered, abducted or hypnotized in Portland on her way to Bangor, Maine, on a visit, H. W. Mix, a member of the board of directors of Commercial club, and vice-president of the Seattle Italian club, representing the Pacific Coast Supply company is here searching for the woman.

She arrived here Wednesday with \$2500 and remained at the Imperial hotel for two days, then dropped from sight. It developed later her trunk was taken to two different places about the city. A man giving his name as E. L. Carrol was arrested and accused of larceny. An expressman identified him as the man who received her trunks.

James E. Birdsell of this city was adjudged bankrupt in the United States court at Portland yesterday. The hearing of creditors will be held on May 4th at Portland.

ROUGH LUMBER DISCUSSED AGAIN

PILES OF WASHINGTON ANXIOUS
TO TAX IT AT A \$2. RATE

WASHINGTON, April 21.—Senator Piles of Washington, today offered an amendment to the tariff bill imposing a \$2 duty upon rough lumber. It is the understanding that it is more the Senator's favor of a restoration of a \$2 rate than his favor of free lumber. He replied, it would be difficult to get that rate unless the oil men make a trade with lumber, lead, oil, barley, free hides men, as done in the House when the free lumber was defeated.

CHANCE FOR ELECTRICIANS.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, April 21.—The United States civil service commission announces an examination today to secure eligibles from which to make certificates to fill a vacancy in the position of assistant electrical engineer, expert in wireless telegraphy, in the signal service at large, at a salary of \$1500 to \$1800 per annum, depending upon the experience and qualifications of the appointee. The person appointed to the position for which this examination is held will probably be located for the major portion of his time in Washington, D. C., but will also be required to travel about the United States visiting wireless telegraph stations, which visits may be of a few days or several months' duration.

PITTSBURG STRIKE.

Motormen And Conductors at Odds With Railway Companies.

PITTSBURG, April 21.—Motormen and conductors of street railways in this city today voted to strike. This afternoon officers of the carmen's union conferred with officials of the railway and demanded either an agreement to new wage schedule, or settlement of differences by arbitration.

Were You There? Where?

At the COME and FIND OUT SALE of course

TUESDAY'S SPECIAL WAS

\$1 and \$1.25 long sleeve Embroidered white waist for 70c

Something startling each day You will not be told until the next so you had better COME AND FIND OUT what it is for Yourself.

A New Special Each Day

THE FAIR STORE

LA GRANDE, OREGON