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WILL BE THE ROCK ISLAND.

It will not be long before another railroad is built through La Grande and the Grande Ronde valley. Much talk has been heard and there are several companies looking over the proposed route. Our guess is that the Rock Island will be the road that first builds through and this railroad will doubtless claim the Summerville pass. At least that is the talk in inner railroad circles at the present time.

From Walla Walla the Rock Island will build into the Grande Ronde valley and from here it will reach North Powder and thence down the Powder river to Snake river. A rumor that seems to have some merit states that the Rock Island has an option on the Northwestern road which was built down Snake river from Huntington last year. This will give connection through the Blue Mountains and will enable the Rock Island people to reach Central Oregon through Ontario.

The Hyllesbys and others have had men in this section looking up surveys, but the Rock Island railroad will doubtless be the first to turn over the dirt and lay a track. This will likely occur within eighteen months.

Such big things move slowly until a certain point in development is reached and then very suddenly all roads in the territory make a jump for the coveted prize. The time is about ripe for that jump to be made at the famous old Summerville pass and the Grande Ronde valley.

By coming this way the Northwestern railroad originally planned to go from Huntington to Lewiston; need never be completed for the same results will be obtained and it will not be necessary to go to the enormous expense of building through the box canyons of Snake river where no tonnage would be obtainable. No one should become discouraged for another railroad is sure to come and with it that tremendous development that accompanies the second road.

The continual talk of Frank Benson's illness is growing monotonous, and strikes his friends in a spot that hurts. Mr. Benson's health is steadily proving and his physicians say indications are good for his complete recovery. He is a candidate for secretary of state, and will be nominated at the primary election, without doubt. But what do you think of anyone that will make capital out of a man's physical

condition, in order to attempt to get office. This applies to the republican side of the house, for it is but natural for a democrat to seek any nomination he may choose. If Frank Benson had not been reported very ill, it is very likely there would have been no candidate in the field for nomination against him. No man ever stood better with the people of Oregon than does Benson, and he probably has more personal friends than any other man in the state.

Colonel Roosevelt is talking some very sane and sensible talk in his speeches on this trip. Can it be that the Colonel, who is the most popular man the world has ever seen, has come to a full realization that the muckrake must be hung on the wall for a time at least?

Brady is one Idaho man who knows how.

Thanks to kind providence, the rains has at last come.

Have you secured space in the Observer's Annual Industrial edition? This is an issue you cannot afford to miss. It is a record of achievement in the Grande Ronde valley and every public spirited person should see that he is mentioned.

KERMIT'S LATEST TRIP.

Return of the Colonel's Son to Paris Reveals a Romance.

Although Master Cupid was not mentioned as being one of those who accompanied Colonel Roosevelt on his triumphal tour of Europe, it now appears that he was with the colonel's party most of the time and made at least two crack shots. His victims, it is said, are Miss Margaret Rutherford and Kermit Roosevelt, and the latter has now returned to Paris, where the young lady is spending the summer. The two were much in each other's company while the ex-president was in the French capital, and it is hinted that a bond greater than friendship exists between them.

Miss Rutherford is the first daughter of Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt, Sr.



KERMIT ROOSEVELT

She is about Kermit's age and a noted beauty who has attracted much attention abroad. The present Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt, Sr., was Mrs. Samuel S. Sands, Jr., whose husband was killed while riding to bounds. Later, in 1890, she married Lewis Morris Rutherford, Jr., and to them were born two daughters, Margaret and Barbara. Death left Mrs. Rutherford a widow for a second time, and in 1903 she became Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt, Sr., in London. From each hus-

band had come a competitor, but when she married Mr. Vanderbilt she became the wife of a multimillionaire, and little Margaret Rutherford became a conspicuous member of society and an heiress to some of the Vanderbilt millions.

Young Roosevelt has gone to Paris accompanied by any member of his family. He is, however, twenty years of age and well able to take care of himself, having plenty of self reliance. He has spent one year at Harvard and intends to do some studying while abroad. Returning by way of Switzerland, Kermit expects to try chamois hunting in the Alps, depending upon this pastime to get himself into good physical condition for study when he resumes his university course.

The second son of the ex-president is a lean, loose jointed young man and looks as thin and undeveloped as his father did at his age and later when he went west to rough it and build up the remarkable strength of body and mind which have made him one of the most striking characters in the world. Kermit is a splendid shot and as good on the back of a horse as the best of young riders. He keeps himself in splendid trim by outdoor work and was one of the most active members of the party that hunted big game in Africa.

AVIATION RACES.

Now the Proper Thing at State and County Fairs.

Is the aviation race to supplant fast horses and balloon ascensions at our county and state fairs? Are we to have aeroplane days, and is the bird

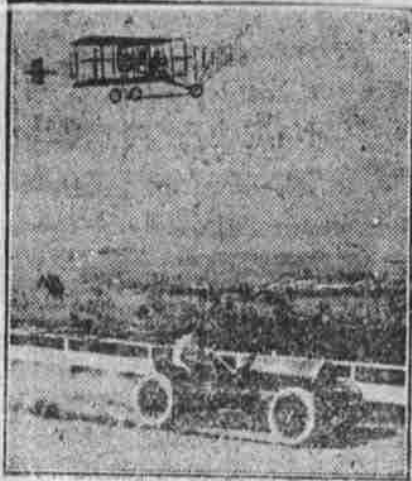


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GLENN H. CURTISS AND BARNEY OLDFIELD

man to take the place of the prize pumpkin as a prime attraction? We move fast in these days, and already the aeroplane is racing the locomotive, as was so recently witnessed in Glenn H. Curtiss' race with a New York Central special from Albany to New York city and Charles K. Hamilton's speed contest with a Pennsylvania train from New York to Philadelphia and back again.

Curtiss has also figured in a race with an automobile. It occurred at the Minnesota state fair grounds on June 23. The man in the automobile was Barney Oldfield. Despite the many distressing accidents met by aeroplanists and balloonists of late, records continue to be broken. The thrilling flight of Curtiss over the sea, where he covered fifty miles at Atlantic City in a little more than an hour, broke all records of over-sea flying, although flights had already been made across the English channel and New York bay.

Extraordinary.

"That's funny. There's a lapse of two years between the acts"—

"Well?"

"And they've got the same help."—Lippincott's

MIND YOUR TEETH.

The Value of Keeping the Mouth and Gums Perfectly Clean.

A man is known by the teeth he keeps. The worst thing that can happen to our teeth is for them not to have enough to do. It is the worst thing that can happen to us also. Spiritualized and cultured as we have become, we still fight the battle of life with our teeth, though we no longer chew our enemies' ears or throats. Bone cored, enamel coated and rock ribbed as the hills, our teeth are more absolutely under our control than almost any other structure of the body. Neglect them and they decay at once. Give them proper attention and they will go on repairing themselves for forty, fifty, sixty years.

Give children plenty of roughening food to chew, and they will get the pearly vigor of the savage tooth with the endurance of the Caucasian's. Above all, the food should be of such a character as to give exercise and massage to the gums. Part of this can be given by plenty of coarse food in addition to real food—not as a substitute for it—and part by intentional and vigorous friction with the toothbrush. To brush the gums well is half the value of brushing the teeth.

Keep the mouth and gums strictly clean, and the teeth will take care of themselves. There are thirty-three distinct named and labeled sorts of bacilli or bugs in our mouths as normal parlor boarders, but they'll behave with perfect propriety unless you give them carrion to get drunk on.—Dr. Woods Hutchinson in Survey.

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The Eagles will have an interesting series of short speeches at the Labor Day picnic on Labor Day. The complete list is not ready for announcement, but will include many of the city's best speakers.

Cardinal Vannutelli Arrives.

Montreal, Sept. 1.—When his Eminence Cardinal Vannutelli leaves the Empress of India at Quebec today, he will be the first papal legate of the rank of cardinal to set foot upon the North American continent. The visit of the distinguished churchman is for the purpose of attending the Eucharistic Congress to be held in this city next week and which will be the first gathering of its kind on this side of the Atlantic.

Cardinal Vannutelli has long been prominent in the councils of the church. He has represented the present and late pope on many historic

occasions, even so far back as the coronation of Alexander III. of Russia, when the Cardinal acted as the delegate of His Holiness Leo XIII.

Cardinal Vincenzo Vannutelli will be seventy-four years of age on Dec. 5 next. He was born at Genazzano, in the diocese of Palestrina. After holding many minor offices in the church, he became titular archbishop of Sardes and apostolic delegate at Constan-

tinople in 1880. Two years later he was appointed internuncio in Brazil, where, however, he did not go, being appointed shortly after nuncio at Lisbon. He received the cardinal's hat on June 5 of the same year. He has an elder brother, Serafino Vannutelli, who is also a cardinal bishop. There are only six cardinal bishops in the church, so that one third of these honors are in the Vannutelli family.

Political Announcements

This column is open to any candidate regardless of Faction or Party and is paid advertising

S. F. WILSON, Athena, Oregon, candidate for joint senator for Umatilla, Union and Morrow counties subject to decision of republican primaries. "I firmly believe in the direct primary law, economy in the use of public funds, good roads, better schools, strict and prompt enforcement of law, the square deal and eternal progress of man and his institutions."

C. A. BARRETT, Athena, Oregon.—I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the nomination for joint senator for the district embracing Union, Umatilla and Morrow counties, subject to the choice of republican voters at the primary nominating election to be held on September 24th, 1910. If nominated and elected I will work for the interest of all the people of my district to the best of my ability.

favor the maintenance of the direct primary law and people's choice for senator and believe the people are as competent to nominate as they are to elect their officers. Very respectfully yours, C. A. BARRETT.

DR. C. T. BACON, La Grande, Oregon.—The Observer is authorized to announce the candidacy of Dr. C. T. Bacon for coroner of Union county, subject to the decision of the republican voters at the primary election

DR. CLYDE T. HOCKETT, Enterprise, Oregon.—I wish to announce my candidacy for joint representative for the 24th representative district subject to the voters of the republican party at the primary nominating election to be held in said representative district, September 24, 1910. CLYDE T. HOCKETT.

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