

**An Ideal Outing.**  
The Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation company will have on sale August 23rd special reduced round trip tickets to the seashore which will afford their patrons an opportunity to enjoy a delightful outing on the beach. Also the privilege of stopping at Portland and Astoria. The rate for the round trip is only \$10. Children half fare. Tickets are limited to fifteen days. Make your reservations at the earliest practicable moment.



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**GO TO THE SEASHORE**  
for an ideal outing, at little cost, on the finest Beach in the Pacific northwest. Visit the Centennial Celebration at Astoria.

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23rd, at 8 p m**

is the date and the time the special train will leave and the round trip fare is only \$10.00. The tickets are good for fifteen days and permit of stopover privileges at Portland and Astoria. Enjoy a delightful daylight ride down the Columbia river on the salubrious and popular **EXCURSION STEAMER, "T. J. POTTER."**

Passengers may have choice of steamers leaving Ash Street Dock, Portland on the "Potter" at 8:00 a. m., Thursday, August 24th, or Friday, August 25th, arriving on the Beach at 3:30 p. m., or on either the steamers "Harvest Queen" or "Hassalo," leaving Ash St. Dock, same dates at 8:00 p. m., arriving on the Beach at 9:00 a. m.

For sleeping car reservations or further particulars, call on Agent O. W. R. & N. Co.

**W. H. McHUGHAN, GENERAL PASSENGER AGENT**

**COMBINE BUSINESS WITH PLEASURE**

Enjoy an Outing at the Seashore—A Stopover at Portland. Visit the Astoria Centennial celebration. Take advantage of the very low round trip rate of \$10.00 offered by the O. W. R. & N. company from La Grande to any point on the Seashore-North Beach. A special train affording every accommodation will leave La Grande at 8 p. m. Wednesday, August 23rd. Ask your agent for information in detail.

**Notice to Public.**  
My wife having left my bed and board, I refuse to meet any accounts she may accumulate.

**CHAS. JOHNSON.**  
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**CHICAGO BOYS DISAPPEARING**

**WILD WEST SHOW STARTS MANY ON WESTERN TRIPS.**

**Suburban Chicagoans Hope to Soon Use Hydro-Aeroplane.**

Chicago, Aug. 18.—A wild west show, a circus and a great military tournament coming along in rapid succession, proved too great a strain on the self-control of the boys of Chicago, and within two weeks 68 were reported to the police as missing from their homes. How many more "disappeared" that were not reported to the detective headquarters is conjectural, but the number is estimated at two or three times the number reported. Parents blame two diseases, "Wildwestitis" and "Armytheria." The symptoms are the same, and are manifested in a desire to throw the clothes lines over the necks of the family cats, a liking for revolvers, imitation and "real" sombreros, and an energetic desire to tomahawk the garbage cans. In many instances the diseases work themselves out in the form of "shows" given for the benefit of the boys and girls of the neighborhood. So far as the parents of the missing boys are informed, they were lured away from home by the ambition to be cowboys or generals. Usually a few days away from mother and father generates a feeling of homesickness sufficiently strong to shove ambition far into the background. But in many instances the boys have failed to return and no trace of them have been found. The police say that the wanderlust and snow makes home look so good that there is no chance for the disposition to wander to grow rapidly.

The well-to-do men of Chicago who live in Lake Forest and the other suburbs along the lake shore, have been so impressed with the success of the Curtiss hydro-aeroplane in the Chicago international aviation meet, that they are already speculating as to when they can substitute a "hydro" for their automobiles in getting to and from their offices. The ease with which this airship ascends either from land or water, or descends upon either land or water, or travels in the air or on the water's surface or on land makes these speculations seem grounded upon probability. It has been the most interesting feature of the meet. Glenn H. Curtiss, the creator of the hydro-aeroplane which he calls the "Triad" thinks that such craft will be in use by many private flyers before long. "The hydro-aeroplane," he says, "robs aviation of half its dangers and increases the pleasure of flying a hundred fold. It can fly at 60 miles an hour, skim over the water at 35 miles and run over the earth at 35 miles. On the water it can pass the fastest motor boat and responds to its rudder more quickly than any water craft. The timid may become successful aviators, the man of business as well as the practical mechanic. Whether soaring over land or sea the operator of a hydro-aeroplane may always feel sure of a safe landing, either upon land or water. Fear, the one thing that has laid a restraining hand on the sleeve of many a man eager to fly, need no longer be a hindrance to the progress of the aeroplane's popularity."

A prominent English social worker, Prof. J. J. Findlay, has come to the defense of Chicago and after making a thorough investigation of the Ghetto, the slums and tenements, says that "Chicago has no poor" as compared with London or any of the big European cities, or with New York. "Of all American cities," says Prof. Findlay, "New York alone is right in talking of her poor problem." Prof. Findlay is a member of the faculty of the University of Manchester, England, and was invited to deliver a lecture at the summer course at the University of Chicago, on "The Lowest Strata of City Life." He called attention to the radical differences of the causes of poverty in America and Europe. "Poverty in the United States," he said, "is due to temporary circumstances such as injury, death or sickness, whereas the poverty in Europe is a poverty permanent and

chronic, a part of the settled life of the community." Touching Chicago, he said: "A great deal more work has been done in Chicago than in New York for the foreign element."

The heart of Chicago is worth more than half a billion dollars, the real estate a mile and a half square, lying between the river and Twelfth street, the lake and the river on the west, being valued at \$575,528,517 by the board of assessors. Last year this land was valued at \$486,519, 826, and the increase during the year has amounted to nearly one hundred million dollars. The most valuable land in the city is along State street between Monroe and Washington. These two blocks are valued at \$12,900 per front foot. The least valuable land is along State street near Park Row, which is declared to be worth only \$400 per front foot. The two blocks of State street from Monroe north to Jackson are valued at \$11,000 per front foot; the block from Washington north to Randolph at \$10,000. Madison street, the second most important retail business street, runs from \$1,500 per foot at the river, to \$6,000 per front foot for the stretch between LaSalle street and Wabash avenue.

The citizens of Maywood, a suburb on the Desplaines river, that touches the western limits of Chicago, are facing the problem of disposing of about 5,000,000 dead fish as the result of their midnight attack on the power dam of the North Shore Electric company. The river runs through the town and the stagnant lake formed by it was breeding mosquitos in such numbers the citizens decided they could not stand it. A notice was served on the company to remove the dam in five days, but was ignored. At midnight a band of men led by the town marshal, L. H. Sweeney, armed with picks and shovels, gathered at the town hall and marched on the dam. Next morning there was no lake, but the ground that was once covered with water was strewn with fish, most of them already dead. The citizens are now burying and burning the fish.

**CORPORATIONS HINDER LAWS**

**COLORADO REFERENDUM APPLIED ON NEW HURD LAW.**

**May Require Another General Election to Settle Dispute.**

Denver, Colo., Aug. 19.—The newly enacted Colorado referendum constitutional amendment is being used by corporations to defeat or postpone the operations of laws distasteful to the state's big interests. They have filed a petition to refer the Hurd eight hour law, which was passed by the last legislature and was backed by the Western Federation of Miners. Unless referred the law goes into effect Oct. 1 next. If referred it cannot be voted on until the next general election which will defer its operation 14 months, to the financial benefit of the big coal and metal interests.

President Moyer of the federation declares that while there is no doubt but that the measure will become a law, the mine owners are attempting to defer its operation so they can operate the mines for the next 14 months without interference and with a faint hope that the next legislature will not be so progressive.

**Special Train Excursion to Seashore.**  
The Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation company will operate a special train consisting of free reclining chair cars, tourist and standard sleeping cars to Portland in connection with their steamers to North Beach resorts and Astoria. The special train will leave La Grande at 8 p. m., Wednesday, August 23rd, arriving at Portland the following morning at 7:15. Passengers may have their choice of steamer Potter, leaving Portland at 8:30 a. m. August 4th and 5th or the steamer Hassalo, leaving Portland on the same dates at 8 p. m. A round trip rate of \$10.00 will be named which includes stopover privileges at Portland and Astoria on return trip; limit 15 days from date of sale. Make your sleeping car reservations now.

**NOTICE.**  
city of La Grande, Oregon, until August 30th, 1911.  
By order of the city council, August 16th, 1911.  
**C. M. HUMPHREYS,**  
City Recorder.

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