

THE STATE'S CENTER

O. R. & N. Project May Soon Be Carried Out.

MOHLER GOES TO SEE HARRIMAN

Conference Expected to Result in Something Definite—Harriman Lines Give Large Order for Locomotives.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 9.—(Special.)—From high official sources it is learned that Harriman has taken up the proposition of extend the O. R. & N. line into Central Oregon and has intimated that this will be his next important move on the Pacific Coast. The news leaked out through the recent mysterious departure of A. L. Mohler, president of the O. R. & N.

Mohler, it has been ascertained, went to New York to meet Harriman, who has just returned from Europe, where he had gone to recuperate after the operation performed on him for appendicitis.

The advantages of the O. R. & N. extension would be to permit the Harriman lines to invade the lumber districts and by a direct eastward route avoid the present roundabout way of backhauling to northern points. It is expected that the conference between Harriman and Mohler will result in something definite that will interest the northern railroad.

There are a number of O. R. & N. construction projects on foot and it is thought that Harriman at the present conference will decide what are feasible. The construction of the Columbia Southern has been pending since the magnate retired to Europe. During his absence a comprehensive report on the country the contemplated extension of the line has been prepared and the substance of that report was called to Harriman.

There is hardly any doubt, according to reports from the same source, but what the Columbia Southern will eventually be built, and the northerners are provoked at the delay, for they realize that the development of the country has been retarded and that another season must elapse before active operations can be commenced.

Those who claim to be on the inside also state that there is a proposition on foot to run a line from Bellingham Bay to Spokane. If this is done it will mean a great cut-off as a short route to Puget Sound. This road, if built, would open up new territory and one that could ably support the railway, but the fact that it would be in more or less direct competition with the Columbia Southern has a deterring effect on its being built.

That there are contemplated improvements is evidenced by the fact that over locomotives have been ordered from the Baltimore Locomotive Works by the Harriman lines.

FORESTRY EXPERT TALKS

Tells Why The Tracts in Northwest Have Been Reserved.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Sept. 9.—(Special.)—H. E. Langille, agent and expert of the Bureau of Forestry, arrived in Hood River yesterday from Seattle, where he has been examining proposed reserves in Washington. He has been in the employ of the Government for four years, and is now an examiner of proposed forest reserves in Oregon and Washington. He has done work in several different bureaus of the Forestry Department, and for one year was inspector of forest reserves for the Secretary of the Interior.

During the past year four parties under his direction have been at work in these states making careful detailed examinations of each tract withdrawn for the purpose of determining the character of the lands and their suitability for reserve purposes. He has visited personally most of the reserves and some instances has made full examination himself.

In the course of this examination, says Mr. Langille, "it has been found that certain lands which should have been included in the original withdrawals were not all taken in, and this has led to a request for the immediate withdrawal of these lands from sale or entry, pending examination of the different tracts, and in consideration of reports to be submitted to the Department of the Interior, nearly all withdrawals made in Oregon during the past season have been made upon by recommendations of these reserves are rather sweeping in the areas covered, and perhaps certain lands are included which should not have been; but all sections of agricultural or non-timbered lands I will recommend to be excluded from the reserve as finally established."

"It would appear from The Oregonian's statement relative to these withdrawals that they were made at the instigation or in the interests of corporations or individuals, who would ultimately be benefited by availing themselves of opportunities to acquire the selections. Nothing can be farther from the truth, I have asked for these withdrawals simply and solely in the interests of communities and in the interests of these lands, and in the interests of the state."

State's Future Interests Concerned.—"The time has now come when Oregon should look well to the future of her timber interests, and I am fully convinced that these interests will suffer less at the hands of the Government than they will if monopolized by speculative syndicates, into whose hands the greater part of Oregon timber outside of the reserves has already passed. From the newspaper statements of the sentiment existing throughout the state, it would seem that public opinion is unanimously against the extension of forest reserves. It is true that there is opposition, but this expression comes mainly from those who are engaged in the appropriation of Government lands, newspapers which will suffer from cutting off of timber land notices and those whose interests are of selfish character, rather than those of the community.

In some instances I have been appealed to by the residents of different localities who asked me that forest reserves be established in order to assure a permanent supply of timber, the conservation of the water supplies and protection to stockmen. Withdrawals based upon such appeals are among those which are being most severely criticized, even though subsequent investigations have demonstrated that the withdrawals were timely.

Salvation of Stock Interests.

"The stockmen or Oregon, whose interests it is alleged are jeopardized by the creation of the forest reserves, are really their warmest advocates. I believe it would be difficult to find a stockman in Eastern Oregon, who has seen the benefits derived from Government occupation of the existing Cascade forest reserves, who is not favorable to the administration of the whole range by the Government. Some of the most prominent of these men have stated to me that the allotment of ranges as practiced within the Cascade reserves has been the salvation of the stock interests of Eastern Oregon."

When Mr. Langille was in Crook

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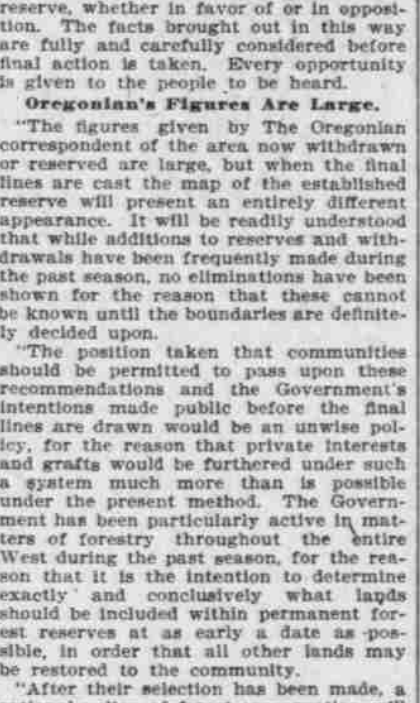
Washed Off Forging Place and Drowned, With No One Near to Help Her—Body Recovered.

ALBANY, Or., Sept. 9.—(Special.)—Mrs. Samuel Harvey, who resides near Knox Butte in Linn County, was drowned while endeavoring to ford the Santiam River near the Albert Bond place yesterday afternoon. The accident happened about 3 o'clock in the afternoon and was witnessed until this morning.

The fact that the drowning occurred within a short distance from the Harvey house at the regular fording place of the Santiam River, where the water is very shallow and not considered dangerous in the least, caused some apprehension of foul play, but when all the facts were ascertained by the coroner, the suspicions were dissipated.

Mrs. Harvey was visiting at the home of Everett Knox, a short distance from the Borer ranch, on which the Harveys live, and across the river. There is no bridge spanning the Santiam River at this point, but the water is very shallow and real-

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dent of the neighborhood are accustomed to ford the stream. Mrs. Harvey successfully crossed the Santiam while en route to the Knox home. When she started to return to her home about the middle of the afternoon, Mrs. Harvey carried a basket of fruit, and had gathered up the front of her apron and placed some plums and pears in the bag formed by the apron. It is thought she lost her footing while encumbered with these loads, and was unable to right herself in the swift but shallow water until she became weak from strangulation and finally succumbed. Her body was found a short distance below the ford in the rapids and bore no signs of violence other than would have been sustained from the rocky bed of the stream.

Mrs. Harvey's tracks were traced from the Knox home to the edge of the river. There the place where she had sat down to remove her shoes and stockings and the place of entering the water were also found.

Mrs. Harvey was 35 years of age. She is survived by a husband and two children, a girl aged 16 years and a boy aged 17 years.

HANGS HIMSELF IN ALBANY JAIL.

D. O. Maris, Locked Up for Drunkenness, Uses Sheet for Rope.

ALBANY, Or., Sept. 9.—(Special.)—Suffering from the effects of a protracted spree, nervous to the verge of prostration and weary of life, D. O. Maris, of Mill City, committed suicide last night while in the City Jail in Albany. Chief of Police McClain found the body this morning.

The position of the body would indicate the determination of the suicide, a strip of sheeting torn from the bedclothes was attached to a staple driven into the door casing and thence extended almost to the floor. As the staple in the door casing is but 40 inches from the floor, it is evident that Maris' neck could not have been dislocated by a fall, but that he was strangled to death.

The arms indicate that he deliberately placed his head in the noose and then pulled the rope. He had stretched himself full length across the doorway and then while resting on the floor on one elbow had drawn the noose over his head. Maris' body was cold and stiff, the deed having evidently been committed shortly after his supper was taken to him last evening.

D. O. Maris has been an employe in the sawmill of the Curtis Lumber Company at Mill City for some time. About three weeks ago his hand was crushed in some of the machinery and he came to Albany for treatment. Maris had \$35 in his pocket when he came to Albany. For the past three weeks Maris had been drinking very freely and had eaten practically nothing for over a week.

The police took him in charge last Sunday and placed him in the City Jail to sober up. Maris had about recovered his free and rational use of his mind yesterday and could eat a little, but said he was so nervous that he could not remain quiet but a moment at a time. Maris was about 45 years of age.

PERILOUS TRIPS AT SEA.

Fishermen Reach San Francisco in Small Boat.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 9.—(Special.)—Sixteen days and nights without any sleep whatever, 16 days and nights alone in a small open boat, if days and nights at mercy of the waters of an ocean that is usually no respecter of persons—such is the record of Nik Gougos and Nik George, two young Greeks, who have landed in Vallejo after a hazardous and strenuous sea voyage as any deep-sea-sealing veteran would care to attempt.

The young Greeks, following the vocation of fishermen, lived in Astoria and each owned a small open boat, about 25 feet in length, with a beam of about seven feet, whereby they eked out a slender existence. Wishing to come South and join the colony of fishermen, they took the bay, they got out in their small craft. Accordingly the sturdy Hellens, with a month's water and provisions, a change of clothing, a sextant and a little tobacco, set forth on the hazardous journey, leaving late in August. They reached Eureka safely and remained there three days, leaving that port after providing themselves with a few extra necessities for the remainder of the voyage.

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MISSOURI WANTS CAREY SNYDER.

Said to Have Held Up a Kansas City Pawnbroker for Diamonds.

Placed Under Bond at Salt Lake.

KANSAS CITY, Sept. 8.—Governor Dockery issued requisition papers today calling on the Governor of Missouri to deliver to the State of Missouri Carey Snyder, who was arrested in Billings yesterday on a charge of highway robbery. One of the Kansas City detectives now in Billings will go to Helena and ask that the papers be honored. Snyder is in jail at Billings and will not return voluntarily to Missouri.

About a year ago a wealthy pawnbroker and his wife were held up in this city while returning from a theater and robbed of thirty thousand dollars in diamonds. Snyder is charged with this robbery.

Strike on Carpet Mills Ends.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 9.—With the return today of 290 strikers and 130 tapestry carpet weavers to John J. Jameson's plush and carpet mills, the strike at these plants, which began three months ago, was ended. None of the demands of the strikers were granted, and the mills are working on the old schedule.

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Advertisement for Hazelwood Cream Co., featuring the slogan "WILL HAVE TO TRY AGAIN" and "LIPTON'S HOPES WERE CONSTRUCTED ON A SHAM-ROCK". Includes text: "and was wrecked when a snag named 'Reliance' was struck. Our business has been constructed and gradually built up from bed-rock and we always steer clear of snags."

Advertisement for Kingsford's Corn Starch. Includes text: "A fair trial will convince the most skeptical that KINGSFORD'S Corn Starch is a valuable and economical article of food; while the simplicity with which it may be prepared appeals alike to the unskilled cook and experienced chef.—Mrs. Helen Armstrong."

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Advertisement for Stiletto Cutlery. Includes text: "\$3,000 FORFEIT Will be paid by the World's Dispensary Medical Association, Proprietors, Buffalo, N. Y., if they cannot show the original signature of the individual volunteering the testimonial below, and also of the writers of every testimonial among the thousands which they are constantly publishing, thus proving their genuineness." and "THE MAN WITH THE BIG HEAD—Go 'way! Git out! I'm sick! I want to die! THE MAN WITH THE LEVEL HEAD—Ah, you old sinner! No rest for the wicked! You will go on a bat while your wife's in the country, will you? You ought to suffer! But, why didn't you do as I told you when I left you last night, and as I did myself: take a CASCARET Candy Cathartic before going to bed? You'd feel good like I do. They work while you sleep, fix up your stomach and bowels, cool your feverish liver, and make you feel fine and dandy the morning after."