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Great Southern Line Is Under Way.

STARTS FROM THE DALLES

Steel Rails for First Thirty Miles Ordered.

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Rails and equipment for the first 30 miles of the Great Southern, the railway which is to extend from The Dalles to Dufur, for the present, have been purchased, traffic engineers met with the O. R. & N. Co., and it is positively promised that Fall wheat of 1906 will be brought into the northern terminal by this road.

Quietly the promoters of the road have been at work, but yesterday it was announced that rails and equipment, costing \$250,000, had been ordered from the Colorado Fuel & Iron Company through the Portland agents. The first delivery is to be made within 60 days. The grade is almost completed as far as Dufur.

Road Aims at Bend.

Within the next few months, according to present intention, the road will be pushed on to Bend, Crook County. The new line will then come into more direct competition with the Columbia Southern. Near the Columbia River, the two roads are separated by the Deschutes River and a distance of 50 miles.

The man who will principally control the affairs of the new company is John O. Heintz, who will act as general manager. Julius L. Meyer is the secretary of the company. The other officers are John Heintz, president; W. F. Nelson, of Seattle, and T. H. Johnston, of The Dalles.

Rolling stock for the new road will be ordered within a few weeks. The rails contracted for are heavy, as the road is to be standard gauge.

Easy Grade to Dufur.

The line parallels the O. R. & N. track from The Dalles as far as Seufert's siding, then strikes southwest and follows Fifteen-mile creek, crossing the Columbia River at a comparatively easy grade to Dufur. Terminal arrangements have been made at The Dalles, and the road will be in such close touch with the O. R. & N. Co. that its tickets will be valid to the O. R. & N. office in The Dalles.

It is the ultimate aim of the company to extend the line beyond Bend, going through Crook and Wheeler counties to Coquille County. A road into California is also mentioned in the prospectus, recently issued.

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The agreement between the Portage Road contractors and the Open River Association was discussed yesterday by members of the open river committee and the Chamber of Commerce. The agreement will be signed this week, but on the contract which the builders of the road, McCabe and Hawks, will sign with the State Portage Commission. Details of the agreement are not yet complete, but an attempt will be made to finish the negotiations this week.

The meeting was attended by J. N. Teal, Henry H. A. Lewis and A. H. Devers, of Portland, and W. J. Marner, of Blackrock. McCabe & Hawks will give a \$100,000 bond to build the road according to specifications, which will finish the work by May. They will receive about \$135,000 from the state, for which they will bind themselves to do the work, but will receive an additional sum from the Open River Association, which is an extra amount shall be not been determined precisely, according to testimony of the open river committee.

Receivers Want to Improve Road.

CHICAGO, Nov. 30.—The receivers for the Union Traction Company have filed in the Federal Court a petition asking permission to issue an indefinite amount of securities, which will be a first lien on all the property of the company and all its underlying companies, and "superior to the lien of all mortgages or other charges upon said property and the assets of the company," to carry 6 per cent interest and run for two years.

The amount desired is \$2,500,000, and is set forth in the bill to be filed for improvements. The petition also asks the court to authorize the receivers to borrow from time to time "such sums of money as, after a hearing of the petition, the court may determine."

RIOT NARROWLY AVERTED.

Union and Nonunion Longshoremen Clash on Dock.

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The trouble has been brewing for a long time, and only took form in the outbreak of yesterday. The union officers have closed the books to all outsiders, refusing to permit them to become affiliated. It is said. They make only the excuse that they have a full membership and do not desire any additional. It is claimed.

This alleged arbitrary action on the part of the union officers has called forth an emphatic protest from about 150 men who have been working at the business for many years, but are denied the right to join the union. As a result, a movement has been started to form a new and independent union, the purpose being to affiliate with the Federated Trades Council if possible.

A large number of signatures have been received to a petition to the Federated Trades Council which was set in circulation yesterday by the promoters of the new union. In addition to their appeal to the local council, they state, an appeal will be made to the headquarters of the International Longshoremen's Union, asking for a reversal of the decision of the officers of the local union and praying for the right to become members.

No question of wages enters into the fight, as it is stated that the new union

Monthly Meeting on Friday.

The regular monthly meeting of the Portland Proseal Association will be held Friday, December 3, at 3 P. M. in the kindergarten at St. Helen's Hall. Programme: Song by training class; "Work in the Kindergarten for December," Miss Ethel Walter; song, "Xmas Carol," training class; "Why Do We Study Pedagogy?" Miss Elizabeth K. Matthews; discussion, Miss Alice McCormack; vocal solo, Miss Beesse Louise Finley.

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