

RAILROAD LINES ARE NOW ASSURED

Riparia Branch, Huntington to Grangeville, Both to Be Built.

HARRIMAN WIRES FACTS

O. R. & N. and Northern Pacific See the Advantage of the Down-Haul, Which Insures Pre-eminence of Portland.

HARRIMAN'S MESSAGE. NEW YORK, N. Y., May 25, 1905.—Oregonian, Portland, Or.: In answer to your message. Yes; the Riparia branch is to be built at once and from there on after engineers have agreed on proper location.

Will Build Down Snake River Agreement Between the Union and Northern Pacific for Railroad.

NEW YORK, May 25.—(Special.)—The Union Pacific and Northern Pacific executive committees met separately on Thursday and passed motions to prepare for building a joint line from Huntington or such other point on the Oregon Short Line as may be chosen near Huntington to either Clearwater or Clearwater on the Northern Pacific.

Cost Fifteen Millions. This line, which will be the longest to be built according to the present plans of the two roads, will cost close to \$15,000,000 and work will be commenced upon it at once.

As will be seen by the accompanying telegram from E. H. Harriman, the O. R. & N. will at once begin to build the Lewiston-Riparia line of approximately 75 miles.

The Lewiston-Riparia road will be, as has been said, practically 75 miles in length, and will cost in round numbers, \$15,000,000.

Agreement Between Companies. It is understood that both lines will be built by the O. R. & N., though there is an agreement between the two companies that the cost of the Grangeville line shall be borne by the Northern Pacific.

The Lewiston-Riparia line now has a grade of 23 miles completed, though it will have to be done over and rebuilt in several places where it has been damaged by the storms of the past five years or more.

Value to Portland. The value of these lines to Portland cannot be estimated, and the men who have been laboring for so long to open the Clearwater and Lewiston country to railroad transportation with Portland are greatly elated over the outcome.

The construction of the line means that the Northern Pacific will ultimately have terminal property in Portland, and that the bulk of the tonnage from that district, instead of being hauled over the mountains to Seattle and Tacoma, will come down the water grade into Portland.

Mr. Levey and the other officials of the Northern Pacific will say nothing as to the north bank route for their lines along the Columbia, but it is known that in time these lines will be built.

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Due to Portage Road. The, to a certain extent, unexpected decision of the two companies to build the two lines is taken by those who have been behind the portage road plan for opening the Columbia as the first fruits of that work, which is just completed. It is argued that the portage road opened the river to Lewiston, and thus afforded water competition to both the O. R. & N. and the Northern Pacific from that point down to the coast.

It is also understood from good authority, though Mr. Worthington will make no statement on the subject, that the general manager advocated the construction of the Lewiston-Riparia branch upon arriving at Portland, and that his recommendations had a great deal of weight in the outcome.

Altogether, the decision is taken as a great victory by the advocates of the newly applied principle that the only way to get a thing in the railroad line is to go out after it and force the hands of the railroad. They think they have forced the deal, and are, therefore, correspondingly happy.

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lived by Charles Emory Smith, ex-Postmaster-General of the United States. Mr. Smith, before beginning his speech, announced that word had just reached him that 150 citizens had called upon a Councilman in an outlying ward and demanded that he pledge his vote against the lease, which he refused. After Mr. Smith concluded his address, a number of citizens came to a Councilman in the Twenty-eighth Ward had also pledged himself tonight to go along with the Mayor.

Among the others who addressed the meeting were William T. Tilden, secretary of the meeting; Frank M. Ritter, ex-Director of Public Safety; S. Solis Cohen, physician; Professor Leo S. Rowe, president of the American Academy of Political and Social Science, and Right Rev. Dr. Alexander Mackay-Smith, bishop coadjutor of the Protestant Episcopal diocese of Pennsylvania.

A letter written by Mr. Justice, chairman of the meeting, was read, in which he suggested the raising of \$150,000 to carry on an extensive campaign against the organization, and pledging himself to contribute liberally to the fund.

The Y. M. C. A. hall was also taken to its capacity. Addresses were made there by half a dozen prominent citizens, including Charles Emory Smith. There was great enthusiasm when Mr. Smith said that "the black flag of piracy was not the flag of Republicanism, or of Lincoln, or of McKinley, or of Roosevelt."

In Y. M. C. A. hall several thousand persons were gathered who could not gain admission to the big Academy building. Word was sent inside, and three citizens were sent out to address the crowd from a balcony outside, the meeting closed with the singing of "Nearer, My God, to Thee," and "My Country, 'Tis of Thee."

HAY WILL START FOR HOME

DECLINES KING AND KAISER'S INVITATIONS TO VISIT.

Finishes Course of Baths at Bad Nauheim and Goes to Paris. No Business Till Autumn.

BAD NAUHEIM, May 25.—Secretary Hay has finished the course of baths here and will start tomorrow for Paris, where Mrs. Hay awaits him. Professor Groedel is quite satisfied with the effects the taking of the baths has had on Mr. Hay, but he has advised him to abstain from all official business for several months, such a course being usually necessary after this course of treatment. Mr. Hay expects, therefore, to spend the summer at his country home, and to remain there until the autumn.

Emperor William invited Mr. Hay to come to Wiesbaden and visit him, but the secretary declined under the advice of his physician. King Edward also invited Mr. Hay to an audience, but this invitation also was declined.

During his visits to London and Paris Mr. Hay will remain very quiet, and will make no formal official calls. The call of King Leopold of Belgium upon him Thursday took the secretary completely by surprise, as it was not announced beforehand.

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CHINA PUTS ON WAR-PAINT

Russian Transports and Cruisers Put Into Woosung and Are Ordered Away—Chinese Prepare to Enforce Order.

RUSSIAN FLEET NEAR WOOSUNG

Report Which May Be Exaggeration of Shanghai Shift.

TEING TAU, May 25.—The whole Russian fleet assembled near Woosung, and the German squadron at Teing Tau is preparing for eventualities.

The report from Teing Tau, the port of the German concession at Kiaochow, Shantung Peninsula, is in all probability a magnified version of the dispatch of the Associated Press from Shanghai yesterday, saying that it was credibly reported that certain Russian vessels had arrived at the mouth of the Yang-tse-Kiang River yesterday afternoon.

Both Woosung and Shanghai are situated on the branches of the Yang-tse-Kiang River. Five steamers of the Russian volunteer fleet, three colliers and one Russian cruiser were the vessels reported to have arrived off the Yang-tse-Kiang. Later the cruiser put to sea and three of the volunteer fleet vessels went to Woosung. It is quite probable that the Chinese shore command has been ordered to make a statement that the Russian fleet was assembling at Woosung.

No news has been received from any other point tending to alter the facts cabled to the Associated Press yesterday from Shanghai, and there is no doubt that if the Russian fleet really had assembled off Woosung such important news would have been flashed from Shanghai, which is only 11 miles south of that place.

JAPANESE SPECULATES ON TACTICS OF RUSSIAN ADMIRAL.

TOKIO, May 25.—(U. P. M.)—It is believed here that the action of the Russians is sending some vessels to Shanghai is part of a diversion plan to draw off a portion of the Japanese fleet. It is thought that possibly the Russians intend to enter the slower craft, but the visit and withdrawal of the faster vessels is regarded to be without purpose unless as a diversion.

The whereabouts of Admiral Rojstvensky's fleet is not reported, and opinion is divided as to whether it has entered the bay and returned to the lower Chinese coast.

RUSSIAN FLEET NEAR SHANGHAI

SHANGHAI, May 25.—There are indications that Rear-Admiral Rojstvensky has divided his fleet. Several vessels of the Baltic fleet anchored at Saddle Island last night. It is believed that they cooled there, and that from that point they will proceed north.

LONDON, May 25.—A dispatch to Lloyds from Shanghai today says it is reported that Rear-Admiral Rojstvensky's fleet has divided and that the main body of the fleet is expected to arrive at Saddle Island, a group of 25 small islands situated about 60 miles south-east of Shanghai. The dispatch adds that three vessels of the Russian volunteer fleet, the Vladimir, Voronej and Yaroslavl, and three colliers, the Livonia, Meteor and Curonia, are anchored off Shanghai.

CHINA ENFORCES NEUTRALITY

Cleaves Ships for Action to Drive Out Russian Ships.

LONDON, May 25.—The Chinese correspondent of the Daily Express says: "All the Chinese cruisers in these waters cleared for action today, and the Taotal went to the Russian Consulate and demanded that the Russian ships leave within 24 hours."

Cable from Shanghai, the correspondent of the Daily Mail says he believes the vessels of the Russian Baltic squadron off Saddle Island have proceeded on their voyage, and gives a rumor that the main Russian fleet is in the neighborhood of Fuchan, Province of Shantung.

The correspondent says that President Roosevelt has wired the Viceroy and Taotal commending their steps to preserve Chinese neutrality.

IGNORE ORDERS FROM CHINA

Russian Ships Remain at Woosung Beyond Time Limit.

SHANGHAI, May 25.—The Russian war vessels, which were off the Saddle Islands last night.

The Chinese authorities ordered the vessels of the Russian volunteer fleet which were anchored off Woosung to leave within 24 hours. The Russians have thus far entirely ignored the order.

STRIKERS AGAIN GROW RIOTOUS

Lumber Wagons Mobbed on Chicago Streets and Police Have to Shoot.

BULLETS FROM AIR-GUNS

All Manner of Missiles From Howling Mobs Greet Teamsters. Strike Affects Building. Will Not Call Troops.

CHICAGO, May 25.—Rioting broke out fresh today in the teamsters' strike and, although nobody was seriously hurt, there was a number of vicious fights in the lumber district, during which the police were compelled to use their clubs, and in one instance revolvers, in order to disperse the mob.

A serious fight took place at the corner of Canal and Madison streets, adjoining the passenger station on the Pennsylvania Railroad. The wagon of an express company, although protected by a policeman and a deputy sheriff, was attacked by a large crowd, despite the fact that it bore on each side a large placard declaring that all people had been enjoined from interfering with the wagon by a Federal court. The policeman displayed his revolver, but the crowd, paying no attention to him, rushed at the wagon and, seizing the wheels, attempted to overturn it.

A riot call brought from the Desplaines-street Police Station, four squares distant, a large force of officers, who dispersed the crowd and arrested about 40 of the most active in the disturbance. The police also entered the buildings and warned occupants to keep away from the windows, threatening with arrest all who refused.

The worst fight in the lumber district occurred at Twenty-second street and Ashland avenue, where a crowd of men and boys had all through the morning hurled stones and clubs at every passing lumber wagon. Finally a wagon from which Police Officer Baginski was a passenger came along and the mob greeted it with the usual volley of stones. It also threatened to attack the driver and the situation was so serious that the officer, drawing his revolver, fired six shots at the crowd, which broke and fled in wild confusion. None of the bullets hit anybody.

Rioting Becomes General.

This evening general rioting was prevalent throughout the lumber district, and particularly in the territory near the intersection of Thirty-fifth street and Center avenue. The lumber wagons returning from making deliveries were attacked by crowds at every available opportunity. Large numbers of men, armed with clubs, slungshots and bricks, accompanied by jeering women and excited children, filled the sidewalks along Center avenue, Thirty-fifth street, Loomis street and Archer avenue, awaiting the passage of wagons which were believed by the crowd to be unguarded.

At Two trucks appeared, with one policeman on each. They were immediately "bombed" with bricks and stones, and scores of air rifles were brought into play. A bullet from one of these weapons seriously wounded Policeman James Fitzpatrick in the hand. The two policemen drew their revolvers and fired over the heads of the rioters, holding them at bay until the drivers managed to reach their destination at the yards of the Rittenhouse & Embree Lumber Company.

Strikers Use Air-Guns.

At Thirty-fifth and Morgan arrests 20 lumber and shoveling wagons, 14 of which belonged to the Rittenhouse & Embree Company, and guarded by upwards of 40 police, were attacked by a crowd of more than 400 strike sympathizers with bricks, stones and slungshots. While the police used clubs, the fight waged indecisively. Finally the police drew revolvers and charged the crowd. The sight of the firearms quickly quieted the rioters, the mob generally feeling no arrests were made. At Thirty-fourth street, near by, police on guard were ordered to clear the street of the strike sympathizers. Armed themselves with small air rifles and from lumber piles and buildings, fired intermittently at the police, a number of whom were struck without being able to see the assailants, and were finally forced to take refuge in office and other nearby buildings.

Strike Reaches Building Trades.

The strike today spread in a small degree throughout the building trades. There were a number of instances where woodworkers refused to receive the material delivered by nonunion teamsters and walked out. This move in every instance was made by the men as individuals only. No official action was taken by any of the trades unions looking to active sympathetic support of the teamsters' strike. Several of the labor leaders in the ranks of the material trades have declared within the last 24 hours that there is no prospect in their opinion of any complete cleup of the building trades by a strike of the men.

Building Trades Will Keep Out.

At a meeting of the Associated Building Trades tonight, at which 29 trades affiliated with the building industry were represented, it was decided that no action will be taken which will tend to drag the building trades into the teamsters' strike. This action will go far toward restricting the strike to its present limits, as it means that the members of the building trades unions will work with material irrespective of the fact that they are

Japan Detains Colliers.

NAGASAKI, May 25 (Noon).—Three British steamships which were loaded with coal at Moll (terminus of the Kishuu Railway, Japan) for Hong Kong, have been detained under orders from the Government.

Two Cruisers Guarded Transports.

LONDON, May 25.—The correspondent of the Standard at Shanghai says the Russian transports now at Woosung were conveyed by the cruisers Rion and Smolensk.

Alfonso's Plan for New Navy.

MADRID, May 25.—King Alfonso today approved for presentation to the Cortes a plan for the rehabilitation of the Spanish fleet. The project contemplates the construction of eight cruisers of 14,000 tons, five protected cruisers and other units, the cost to be spread over six years.

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