HARRIMAN TRIES TO BLOCK BRIDGE

His Agency Back of the Opposition to the North-Bank Road.

President of Portland & Scattle Line Interviews Commissioners of Port of Portland for Right of Construction.

Opposition to the Swan Island bridge of the North Bank Road is being made by the Harriman lines, headed by W. W. Cotton, their attorney, aided by river pllots in their employ, and allied inter-ests, in order to keep from the Portland & Seattle Rallway that inlet into Port-

And just as the Harriman lines are all possible obstacles in the way of the North Bank right of way along the Columbia River above Vancouver and be-tween this city and that river, so they trying to hold up the Swan Island

Opposition Laid Bare.

This opposition was laid bare at a session of the Port of Portland Commis-sion last week, when Mr. Cotton and Captain Emken, representing five river pilots, declared that the Swan Island site was not the right place for the navigation interests of the port, in face of the obvious fact that this same argument could be raised against the North Bank bridge wherever it should be placed.

The Port of Portland Commission has power, under state and Federal statutes, to pick the site for the bridge, subject to the approval of the Chief of Engineers and the Secretary of War. Officers of the North Bank Road are endeavoring to convince the Commission that the Swan Island site, aside from being the most favorable for their purpose, will not obstruct navigation there any more than at any other place, and that it is better for the port than the one proposed at St. Johns, because it will stand at right angles to the current of the river.

Interested in Bridge.

The president of the Portland & Seattle Railway, C. M. Levey, of Tacoma, was in Portland yesterday; also J. B. Kerr, in charge of the legal department at Vancouver, Wash. L. C. Gilman, attorney for the Great Northern at Seattle, accompanied Mr. Levey. B. S. Grosscup, f Tacoma, division counsel for the forthern Pacific, was also here. Mr. Levey went to Tacoma last night. All ich interested in the bridge ques-

Mr. Levey said that while he was not prepared to say that refusal of the Port to grant the Swan Island site would cause the North Bank Road to stay out of Portland, it would certainly make de-lay, "and I fear to say what would be the Portland by the most direct route and the easiest grade, in conformity with the whole North Bank project, and that a bridge anywhere else would make curvature and grades, which Mr. Hill was re-

In the course of the day Mr. Levey interviewed P. L. Willis, J. C. Alneworth, C. F. Adams, and John Driscoll, mem-

they were impressed with his arguments.
"If Portland is to be a great city," said
Mr. Levey last night, "it needs the rail
connection which the North Bank Road
is offering, and, in my opinion, ought to allow us this access to its limits."

Mr. Levey conceded that the bridge would be somewhat of an obstruction to navigation wherever built, but insisted that no site was more favorable for the river interests than that at

for the river interests than that at Swan Island, some 4800 feet below which the bridge would be built. The draw span would make an opening through the bridge 205 feet wide on each side of the draw pier, whereas the widest draw opening in any of the city bridges at present—that of the Morrison viaduct—is 157 feet. Both above and below the Swan Island bridge, approaching vessels could be C. M. LEVEY COMES HERE

A vessel approaching the bridge at seven miles an hour—the maximum speed at that point for big ships—would be nine minutes distant when first sighted and a train would not consume more than three minutes in crossing the draw. crossing the draw.

May Offer to Widen Channel.

The new railroad will probably offer to widen the 25-foot channel above the bridge from 300 feet to 606, thereby giving safe anchorage for ships, that might drop their anchor on account of draw delays. Anchoring would be necessary only in very rare cases, and the widening of the channel would be simply a precaution.

The bridge as planned will stand 25 feet above low-water mark, possibly 44 feet. W. B. Ayer, president of the Eastern & Western Lumber Company. Eastern & Western Lumber Company, is heading an effort to have this height raised to 60 feet, in order, as he says, to allow steamboats to pass under the structure. Mr. Levey said that such a height would necessitate a grade at the west approach to the bridge heavier than anywhere else on the road between Portland and Kennewick, aimost one per cent, which is newick-almost one per cent, which is the heavy pull of the O. R. & N. up Sullivan Guich out of Portland. The maximum grade on the Columbia River will be two-tenths of one per cent.

"The new road will be the best in this country," remarked Mr. Levey. Its greatest curvature will be 3 per

Practically all the east-bound freight business of the Northern Pa-cific and of the Great Northern, from Puget Sound, Mr. Levey said, would travel up the Columbia River, instead of going over the Cascade mountains. The new road would afford a route to Spokane shorter than the O. R. & N.

cent: that of the O. R. & N. is 10 per

and would compel improvements in the O. R. & N. track by its competition. The Swan Island bridge can be built The Swan Island bridge can be built within one year after it shall have been authorized by the Secretary of War. Mr. Levey said that the North Bank Road would be finished within 15 months from this time and that 16. 900 men would be working on it very

Drives Out Wife and Children.

D. F. O'Brien, of 670 East Main street. evening on complaint of his neighbors. who telephoned police headquarters to the effect that a man had terrorized his family and expelled them from the house. Policeman Stuart was sent to the scene an dfound Mrs. O'Brien and her four little children in the yard shivering in the rain. He immediately entered the bouse and found the husband much the worse for liquor, whom he placed under O'Brien denies that he treated his children shamefully, but was so drunk he could hardly articulate. Mrs. O'Brien informed the officer that she would come to the Municipal Court this morning and he added, remarking that James file a complaint against the prisoner.

Gas Inquiry Is Deferred.

It had been arranged for the special the Council, appointed to investigate the gas situation, to hold its initial meeting at 2 o'clock this after-noon, but consultation with some of the in the course of the day Mr. Levey interviewed P. L. Willis, J. C. Afnsworth,
C. F. Adams, and John Driscoll, members of the commission, and would have
seen the other members had the day been
long enough, or had they been accessible. He would not say that those with
whom he talked were favorable to the

Chinese to Celebrate Their New Year

P ORTLAND'S sons of Confucius are his own belief. If he travels the pace it in training. For weeks they have is because control in training. in training. For weeks they have is because some wily devil has taken a been getting ready for a great en- fancy to him and is acting as pacemaker. counter, and now every mother's son of Hence, instead of making resolutions to them is ready for the fray. It is no mere, be good, as does his white brother. John ordinary mortal they have got to meet;
if Jim Jeffries was the opponent they wouldn't worry. But it is nobody less benediction with a lot of devils hanging around loose, while with the devils gone



than his royal nibs, the devil, accom-panied and assisted by all his sub-devils who have been building their way into Chinatown during the last year and must

now be routed. Chinese New Year's will open tonight at midnight, and will last two weeks. When Occidentals have a New Year they alt up all night, hold prayer meetings or get drunk, according to their varying fancies. But with the wily, slant-eyed, pork-eating.

But with the willy, slant-eyed, pork-cating, laundry-destroying heathen it is different. He loafs around for a fortnight scattering mysterious red paper, chasing hallucinary devils. smoking "dope," shooting firecrackers and soting like a cross between a small boy on the Fourth and a disciple of Bacchus.

Thus Chinatown will be filled with hideous sounds for some days to come. The Orientals have secured permission from the Mayor to make all the noise they wish. The first few days will be the worst, and after that the supply of firecrackers will have run low. Besides, the latter portion of the season is supposed to be devoted to revelry of a quieter and more refined order, such as making friendly calls, chanting heathen ragitime to propitiate the gods, filling up on Chinese gin, and then rounding off the day with the calming influences of a pill or two of oplum. or two of oplum.

A Chink isn't a free moral agent, under

resolutions are a waste of energy.

Firecrackers are the most efficient medium of ridding the Chinese quarter. His Satannic Majesty desplace Chinese fire-crackers just as much as the white man's devil is reputed to detest holy water. Portland Chinese have secured several tons of firecrackers to apply to this end, and when they get through they don't intend to have a devil left this side of

Chinese New Year is not an occasion of Chinese New Year is not an occasion of festivity for the few. Every Chinese on earth who has not yielded to civilization, and many who have, participate. Choo Gum, the laundryman, is just as enthusiastic as Lung Gone, the pork seller, Rai Sell, the barber, or Long Tung, the harb doctor, or Flop Dice, the queued seiler, Rai Seil, the barber, or Long Tung, the herb doctor, or Flop Dice, the queued gambolier. Just at this time Chinatown is thronged with celestials from all over the Northwest. They but recently closed their Summer's work and have money for the proper celebration of this great time in the Chinese calendar. They will spend their money freely for pork, gin, incense, punk sticks and punker cigars. If any of them go broke in the process, it has been the custom for his Tong to keep him in rice until the sun of Spring sails forth from its bianketed seclusion, whereupon he will hie himself to the salmon canneries and fisheries to make a salmon canneries and fisheries to make a stake for next Winter's louf.



BURGLAR SHOOTS AT PATROLMAN

Bullet Goes Through Helmet of L. K. Evans, Who Was Watching Crooks.

ESCAPES IN THE DARKNESS

Two Criminals Were About to Rob the Residence of Dr. George F. Wilson When a Policeman Arrived on Scene.

Portland police force, had a narrow esdeath at the hands of two burglars, whom he caught in the act of attempting to break into the residence of Dr. George F. Wilson, 621 Hoyt street, about 9:30 o'clock last night. Evans was patrolling his beat, and on approaching the residence of Dr. Wilson noticed two men standing on the veranda of the house, and at first paid no attention, thinking they were members or friends of the family, but another look on the part of the officer caused him to become suspicious, and he decided to in-vestigate, and proceeding to the Twentieth-street side of the house, he entered the grounds from the rear, and walking up the carriage driveway, came upon the prowlers suddenly.

Burglars See Patrolman.

The officer's approach was unnoticed by the would-be burglars until he was within 20 yards of the veranda, and as he was still uncertain as to their object he had failed to pull his revolver. Sud-denly one of the men called to his part-"Make your get-away. Here's a and immediately ran from the cop," The other man was evidently startled for a moment, but recovered quickly and before Evans could get his weapon into play, the burglar fired at the officer. The builet went through Evans' helmet, penetrating just above the wreath and coming out at the back near the top The officer fired in return, and gave chase to the man who had shot at him, pursuing him to Nineteenth; and as his quarry turned the corner going north the officer fired again. The fleeing man Tan down Nineteenth street to Johnson, where a new church is being erected, and as the officer was close on his heels, he dodged into this building, plunging through an opening into the basement As the man disappeared into the base-ment Evans fired at him the third time, but so far as he knows none of the shots took effect. The scene of the escape is piled with rubbish and pieces of timbers used in construction work, and the of-ficer watched the outside of the building until lights were brought, when a search vealing the whereabouts of the burglar, who had evidently made his escap through the rear.

His Assailant Escapes.

Detective Welch and Patrolman Parker were sent to the scene by Captain Slover who was notified of the affair by Dr. Wilson, who was aroused by the shooting. The Wilson family had not yet retired at the time of the visit of the burglars, who were probably waiting for the inmates of the house to do so, but were interrupted by the vigilance of the officer, who is keenly disappointed at not capturing at least one of the men. Evans describes his assailants as being

rather well dressed. The man who sho and wore a light suit of clothes; the other was about 18 or 20 years old, and wore dark clothes.

MRS. M. J. WALLER DIES

Pioneer Woman Who Crossed the Plains Passes Away.

Mrs. M. J. Waller died vesterday at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Winters, 674 Washing-



ton street. She was 70 years old, and was born in Quincy, Ill. She crossed the plains with her mother in 1863, settling near the present site of Eola, Polk County. Her mother took up a donation land claim there, and the family lived at that place until 1875, when they moved to Dixle, Polk County, now known as Dairy. In 1885 she was married to G. T. Waller, of Eola. He died at Monmouth, Or., where he was a merchant, 12 years ago. Mr. and Mrs. Waller moved to Monmouth shortly before the death of Mr. Waller, and the home of the widow has since been

there.

Mrs. Waller is survived by seven children, who are: Oliver F. Waner, living in California; Mrs. Emma Fell, of Tacoms; Mrs. A. C. Wright, Carlton, Mrs. A. J. Winters, 674 Washington street, Portland; L. W. Waller, Monmouth; Mrs. E. B. Hewitt, Monmouth, and Alton J. Waller, Monmouth. The funeral will take place Wednesday at the Christian Church, Monmouth, interment being in the Mor

Will Discuss Smelter.

The promotion committee of the Port-isand Board of Trade will hold an ad-journed meeting Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock, in the boardrooms, for the dis-cussion of important business. The smelt-

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Clearance Sale of Ribbons



3000 yards of all silk Dresden Ribbons in beautiful styles and great assortment, 7 to 8 inches wide; regular \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 value at low price of, yd..... 69c

Immense lot of Satin Merveillieux Ribbons, satin brocade ribbons, Roman striped ribbons and moire ribbons; also pin stripes and checks; ribbons worth 35e to 85e a yard on sale for, yd 15¢ 3000 yards of print warp Ribbons and dolly varden ribbons 5 to 7 inches wide, all silk; very best styles and colorings; regular 50e to 75e value on sale at, yd. . . . 33¢ 10,000 yards of all-silk Taffeta and Satin Taffeta ribbons in a variety of 20 of the leading

2500 yards of hand-embroidered Ribbons, polka dots on all silk satin, chiffon and taffeta ribbons; best 65c values, yard ... 25¢

NOTTINGHAM LACE CURTAINS AT \$1.79 A PAIR

500 pairs of handsome white Nottingham Lace Curtains, plain centres with floral borders; detached figure centers and allover patterns; extra large size, 54 inches wide by 31/2 yards long; 12 patterns to select from; an advantageous purchase from a large importer enables us to offer the best \$2.75

and \$3.00 values at the low price of, pair..... \$1.79 Rope Portieres in the best patterns and colorings; chenille and hard cord; \$3.50 values at. \$2.80 \$4.50 values at. \$3.60 \$6.50 values at. . . . \$5.20 \$7.50 values at. . . . \$6.00 \$7.50 values at.....\$6.00 Mission and Leather Portieres; flat and braided styles-great values; \$6.75 values at......\$5.40 \$12.50 values at....\$8.75 \$15.00 values at....\$10.50 \$12.50 values at.... \$8.75

Women's \$18.00 Suits for \$ 7.45 Women's \$25.00 Suits for \$11.45 Women's Velvet Suits at Half Price



Special lot of women's failored Suits in jacket and 34-length tight-fitting styles; tweeds and cheviots; strap trimmed; jackets satin lined; black navy and grays; all this season's garments; regular \$18 val...\$7.45 Women's 34-length tight-fitting Suits with plaited skirts; cheviots only, in black, navy blue and brown; splendidly tailored; best \$11.45

Women's high-grade velvet Suits in eton, box and jacket styles; handsomely trimmed with fancy gimp and braid; colors are green, navy, red, black and brown; this season's handsomest styles at low prices-\$32.00 Velvet Suits, each ... \$16.45

\$34.00 Velvet Suits, each ... \$17.25 \$45.00 Velvet Suits, each ... \$22.85 Women's Walking Skirts to be sold at a ridiculously low price. Two lots as follows: Cheviot skirts, pleated

front and back, circular side, black,

blue, brown and green. Tailored cheviot skirts with straps, plaited and button trimmed, well made and finished throughout. Skirts selling regularly at \$10.00, \$12.00 and \$14.00 each; your choice while they last at \$3.85

BUY TABLE AND BED LINENS

Pink and pale blue Marseilles Bebspreads; best patterns; res-ular \$3.00 values for.

Hemmed white Marseilles pattern beispreads. The best \$1.76 \$1.21 values for.

Fringed Marseilles pattern bedspreads in fine patterns; regular \$1.38 Fringed Macsellies pattern bedspreads in the pattern \$2.00 grades at Bleached cotton Huck Towels; lee values Hemmer Union Linen Huck Towels; lie values on sale at the low 21c All-linen hemstitched Huck Towels; 30c values on sale at the low 21c price of
Bleached satin damask Table linen, full 72 inches wide; handsome 90c designs in great variety; \$1.15 quality on sale for, yard.

Bleached satin damask Table Linen, 2½ yards wide, heautiful \$2.32 patterns and quality; regular 1.75 value on sale at, yard.

5000 yards of heavy bleached Table Damask; handsome patterns; 66c full 66 inches wide; value extraorlinary at, the yard.

Bleached satin damask Teacloths; 1 yard square; hemstitched, each \$1.10 Bleached satin damask Teacloths; hemstitched and open work, ea. \$1.52 Bleached satin damask Teacloths; 2 yards square, hemstitched ea. \$1.53 All fine Linens, Sheets, Pillow Slips, Sheeting, etc., on sale at low prices.



FINE SILK WAISTS AT LOW PRICES-2d Floor

Exceptionally low prices pre-vailing on all our fine Silk Walsta. Taffetan, Peru de Cygne, chiffon, radium silks, made fancy yoke trimmed, lace embroidery and tucked, all the leading shades and prettient

All our colored border fancy silk Handkerchiefs, 56c value, ea. 35c All our fine linen Handkerchiefs at greatly reduced prices.

Men's Pants at \$1.85 Pair

Extra special bargains in Men's Trousers in the Second-Floor Clothing Store today - 400 pairs of men's fancy worsted and Oregon cassimere pants in good patterns and styles-Well-made and finished-Just the quality for the mechanic to wear to work-Marvelous values at \$1.85 a pair—Second Floor— Men's all-wool blue serge and dark blue cheviot trousers - Fast color -Sizes, 30 to 34 waists-All lengths-Pants selling regularly at \$3.00 and \$3.50 pair-Your choice @ at this low price, pair....



Men's Suits, Overcoats and Raincoats at exceptionally low clearance sale prices. Best styles and materials; all grades.

Clearance Sale Pictures--2d Floor

Great special lot of Matted Pictures; 20x20 and 15x20 9c inches; good subjects in large variety; each...... Inframed water colors; regular \$1.25 values for, each 50¢ Remington's cowboy pictures; size 20x26 inches; in 69c colors; regular \$1.00 value on sale for 8x10 framelets; assorted colors; great special value at ... 23¢ Oil Paintings; sizes 20x30, 20x36; great values at....\$1.45 25 per cent discount on our entire stock of framed pictures. 15 per cent discount on all picture framing orders. 2d floor.

Boys' Clothing Bargains

Boys' all-wool 2-piece Suits in dark plaids, checks and fancy mixtures; ages 8 to 16 \$4.00 value on sale for \$2.49 Boys' all-wool Norfolk Suits in navy blue,

serges and cheviots; also fancy tweeds; ages 8 to 14 years; regular \$5.55 \$7.50 values on sale for Little boys' Overcoats in neat dark mix-

tures; ages 21/2 to 7 years; best styles-\$3.00 vals. \$1.98-\$4 vals. \$2.85 \$4.50 vals. \$3.35-\$5 vals. \$3.85

Young Men's Clothing

Young men's fine all-wool cheviot, tweed and cassimere Suits; single-breasted coats in the very latest styles; ages 14 to 20 years; regular \$12.50, \$13.50 and \$15.00 values on sale at the low price of \$9.95

Young men's Suits in dark mixed tweeds and cheviots, single or double-breasted coats; ages 16 to 20 years; \$12.65 regular \$18.00 and \$20.00 values on sale for ... \$12.65 All young men's Overcoats and Raincoats at low prices.

\$10.00 values \$ 7.95 ea.-\$12.50 values \$ 9.95 ea. \$13.50 values \$10.30 ea.-\$15.00 values \$11.60 ea. \$18.00 values \$13.60 ea.-\$20.00 values \$14.85 ea.

Extra Specials in Fine Laces

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Women's patent leather and vici-kid Shoes; odds and ends in sizes 2½ to 5 only; shoes of standard style and quality; values up to \$4.00 a pair; many of them are suitable for misses 10 to 43 years of age; phenom-enal values; your \$1.00 Women's fell luisties of the best Women's felt Juliettes of the best quality; fur trimmed; colors are brown, drab, wine and green; all sizes; regular \$1.50 and \$1.75 values, the pair.\$1.00

\$1.00 Shoe Sale

All lines of men's Shoes at clearance prices. Men's heavy shoes at low prices.

Men's 'Kerchiefs

Men's white twilled, silk hem-stitched Handker-chiefs; 3 for.......\$1.00 Men's extra quality white twilled silk Handkerchiefs; 75 val... 59e Men's large size white twilled silk Handkerchiefs, \$1.00 value. 79c

Knit Underwear for Women

Women's gray mixed heavy ribbed Union Sufts, high neck and long sleeves, ankle length; best \$1.50 values for \$1.19 women's heavy wool mixed Vests and Pants, gray or white, form fitting, all sizes; best 5c values on sale at this ex-59c traordinary low price... 59c Women's fine white mercerized Vests and Pants, medium weight, handsomely finished garment, all sizes; \$1.25 values for the low price of 38c

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