

HILL MEN MEET AT PORT OF PORTLAND

Agree to Long Draw for Bridge Across Willamette Near St. Johns.

WILL KEEP CHANNEL OPEN

Meeting for a Final Decision Will Likely Be Held Monday Afternoon, When the Franchise Will Be Drafted.

It now appears almost certain that the bridge question will be settled Monday afternoon. Counsel for the Port of Portland has submitted a tentative franchise to counsel for the Portland & Seattle Railway Company, and they, in turn, have prepared a statement to be presented at the special meeting of the board, which, it is believed, will be held Monday afternoon, if the members can get together at that time.

STEAMER INTELLIGENCE. Table with columns: Due to Arrive, Steamer-From, Date, Steamer-Destination, Date.

The draw to 230 feet on each side, in accordance with the recommendations of Engineer J. B. C. Lockwood and Commissioner John Driscoll, and it will also dredge a basin between Swan Island and the bridge for a safe anchorage for large vessels.

The question of an upper deck for highway traffic has not been taken up yet, but the railroad has not declared its strong opposition to incorporating this feature in its plans if the public is willing to bear the expense, which, it is held, will be heavy.

At an informal meeting of the members of the board, the upper deck question was discussed at considerable length, and all seemed in favor of having provisions made for it, although it was not deemed necessary to insist upon having that part of the bridge completed with the opening of the bridge for railroad traffic.

COMPANY BUYS STEAMER.

New Line Will Be Established Between Portland and The Dalles.

THE DALLES, Or., March 16.—(Special.)—The steamer George S. Simons, which has been running in connection with the O. R. & N. Co.'s boats between this city and Cascade Locks for the past two years, was sold today to a new transportation company composed of Dalles merchants, whose articles of incorporation were filed here yesterday.

ANOTHER CEMENT SHIP COMING

Raffour, Guthrie & Co. will bring out cargo of English material. Raffour, Guthrie & Co. yesterday chartered the French bark Genevieve Molinos, 186 tons net, to bring a cargo of English cement from London to Portland.

Scalers Have Poor Prospects.

ST. JOHNS, N. F., March 16.—Owing to the continued severe weather since the

sealing fleet left port, a succession of gales unequalled for years, experienced observers fear that the sealing voyage of the present season is not likely to report the average of recent years, as the ice floes probably have been dispersed by the gales, thereby preventing the hunters from securing such catches as in years when the ice is more solid.

ENCOUNTERED SEVERE GALE

Transport Thomas Reaches San Francisco With Passengers of Note. SAN FRANCISCO, March 16.—Among the passengers on the transport Thomas, which arrived today, were Rear-Admiral T. H. Stevens, retired, and Colonel R. A. Garlington, Inspector-General of the Philippines, who is on sick leave.

When a few days out from Manila one of the engines of the transport and for 20 hours the vessel was put under slow bell to allow the mechanics a chance to make the necessary repairs. During this time the passengers were kept busy with the more than 200 passengers became greatly alarmed.

Finishing Barge Contract.

The last two barges for the Portland & Seattle Railway Company, to be used in the construction of the bridge across the Columbia River, are being completed at Supple's shipyard, and will be launched in a few days. All the other barges are in use handling material for the railroad bridge.

Pilot Schooner Goes Out.

ASTORIA, Or., March 16.—(Special.)—The pilot schooner Joseph Politzer left out this morning for her station off the mouth of the Columbia River, with Pilots Wood, Howes and Mathews on board.

Steamer Noyo's Big Cargo.

ASTORIA, Or., March 16.—(Special.)—The steamer Noyo, which crossed out today for San Francisco, carries a cargo of 20,000 feet of lumber, loaded at Westport.

Marine Notes.

The Oriental liner Aragonia left Hong-kong Wednesday for Portland. The steamer Aurelia arrived here during the night from San Francisco. The big steamer Iford sails this morning for Taku Bar with a cargo of lumber. She was cleared yesterday by the Pacific Export Lumber Company.

VESSELS IN PORT.

Julius Gummex, French ship, 1902 tons, loading at Mersey dock for the United Kingdom. Noyah, British steamer, 2788 tons, at Dolphina, to sail for Taku Bar today. Anson, Poulsen & Co.'s mill, loading for Taku Bar and Manila.

Domestic and Foreign Ports.

ASTORIA, March 16.—Condition of the bar at 5 P. M.: smooth; wind, northwest; weather, clear. Arrived at 6 and left at 10:45 A. M.—Steamer Aurelia, from San Francisco, sailed at 6:45 A. M.—Steamer Ransome, for Port Los Angeles and way ports. Sailed at 7:30 A. M.—Steamer Alliance, for Coos Bay and Thurka, and Noyo, for San Francisco. Sailed at 7:30 P. M.—British ship Tokamak.

HEALTH is the Most Important

No one can tell good baking powder from bad merely by the appearance; The price is some guide, but not an infallible one; Some cheap brands may raise the dough, yet contain unwholesome ingredients.

There is one safe, sure way,—to follow the recommendations of the U. S. GOVERNMENT ANALYSTS, THE HIGHEST AUTHORITIES ON HYGIENE THROUGHOUT THE WORLD, THE BEST HOUSEKEEPERS EVERYWHERE

ROYAL BAKING POWDER ABSOLUTELY PURE

THEY SUE RESERVE BOND

TWO INVESTORS BRING ACTION IN EAST. Many Portland Residents Are Investors in the Company Which Has Agency Here. Many Portland capitalists and business men will watch with interest the outcome of a suit filed Wednesday of this week against the American Reserve Bond Company of Chicago by Levi Hake and Mary Welch, of Louisville, Ky., investors in the company.

GIRL MISSING FROM HOME

Ebel Horsemann, Anxious to Go on Stage, Suddenly Disappears. Without warning or a word of goodbye, Ebel Horsemann, the 16-year-old daughter of Mrs. D. H. Horsemann, of St. Johns, packed bag and baggage and left her home Thursday night with the evident intention of joining a theatrical troupe in Portland.

Says Company is Stable.

"So far as the stability of the company is concerned, we have at the present time, as shown in our statement of December 30, 1905, \$2,871,259 in resources, composed of gilt-edged securities. Liabilities amount to \$2,170,224.51, with a surplus of \$694,730 and 27,000 fully paid up capital stock and a total of \$1,174,009 of assets over liabilities to bondholders. We have on deposit with the State Treasurer of Missouri, \$1,045,071; Kentucky, \$237,660; Michigan, \$290,000; Indiana, \$25,000; Texas, \$3000; a total of deposits with different states in which we do business amounting to \$1,325,971.

TRACTION LINE AT WORK

ISSUES RUSH ORDERS TO HASTEN COMPLETION. Material Sent to Salem and Test Borings for Bridge Across Willamette Will Begin. No sooner was the front-street franchise question settled than the Willamette Valley Traction Company put forth added efforts to construct its Salem road at the earliest possible date. Material and implements for grading are now being sent to the Salem end of the line where construction will be pushed. A test boring now to determine the character of the strata underlying the bottom of the Willamette at Champego, where the river will be bridged, is now on its way up the river and borings will be made to determine the foundations required for the bridge. This structure will be high bridge, about 85 feet above the river at low water, so that boats can pass under without opening a draw, thus avoiding delays to the trains.

FORESTRY BUILDING DEED

Structure Will Be Formally Given to the City. President Jefferson Myers and Secretary E. C. Gittner, of the Oregon State Commission, yesterday signed the deed of the Forestry building, which will be turned over to Mayor Lane Monday afternoon.

Milwaukie Country Club.

Los Angeles and Oakland races. Take Sellwood and Oregon City cars, First and Alder. Spend a day in Salt Lake City, and another in Colorado Springs or Denver. You have this privilege if your tickets read via the Denver & Rio Grande. See Colorado's famous peaks and gorges in their Winter garb. Call upon or write W. C. McBride, 41 Third street, for particulars.

Footbal Captain on Debating Team.

WHITMAN COLLEGE, Wash., March 16.—(Special.)—R. V. Ferris, captain of the Whitman College football team for the past two years, will be a member of the debating team which will argue for the abolition of football against the Washington State College on March 30. Ferris takes the place of Galus Greenslade, who resigned. The team which will meet the agriculturists now consists of Roy S. Wolfe, Walter Kells and Roy Ferringer.

A Favorite Remedy for Babies.

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ALASKA. FAST AND POPULAR STEAMSHIPS LEAVE SEATTLE 9 P. M. "Jefferson," March 18, 25, 9 P. M. "Jefferson," March 24.

O.P. & N. OREGON SHORT LINE AND UNION PACIFIC. 3 TRAINS TO THE EAST DAILY.

UNION DEPOT. Leaves. Arrives. CHICAGO-PORTLAND 9:15 A. M. 5:25 P. M.

RIVER SCHEDULE. FOR ASTORIA and Coos Bay, with steamer for Ilwaco and North Beach.

EAST via SOUTH. SOUTHERN PACIFIC COMPANY.

Leaves. UNION DEPOT. Arrives. 8:45 P. M. O'FALLAN EXPRESS.

ASTORIA and COLUMBIA RIVER RAILROAD CO. Depart. Foot of Jefferson Street.

Leaves. UNION DEPOT. Arrives. 8:00 A. M. For Mayaguez, Rainier, Clifton, Astoria, Warrenton, Payson, Hamlet, etc.

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