

COST FIGURES ON RAILROADS GIVEN

Oregon Commission Gets Statistics From O. R. & N. and Corvallis Road.

REPORTS ARE COMPILED

Original Cost of O. R. & N. \$33,497,827.73 and Could Be Reproduced for \$35,337,195—C. & E. Spent \$4,250,000.

SALEM, Or., Oct. 29.—(Special.)—The Oregon Railroad Commission has just completed an investigation of the original cost and cost of reproduction of the lines of the Oregon Railroad and Navigation Company and of the Corvallis & Eastern.

Two sources of information were resorted to—the records of the builders of the roads and the estimates of a competent engineer who has gone over the property carefully and computed the cost of reproducing the roads at the present time.

From the report of the O. R. & N. Company it appears that the total original cost of construction and equipment, including betterments and additions for lines operated within the State of Oregon, excluding the Columbia Southern, Columbia River and Oregon Central, and the Umatilla Central, was \$33,497,827.73.

The estimate of the engineer as to cost of reproduction of the lines and equipment is \$35,337,195, but this does not include right of way and depot grounds, which amount to \$20,000, making the estimated cost of reproduction \$55,337,195.

It will thus be seen that the estimated cost of reproduction is a little over \$2,000,000 more than the cost of the road and equipment down to date. The estimate provided for steel bridges.

Wallis Nash Gives Figures. The original records of the construction of the Corvallis & Eastern are not available, but the Commission took the testimony of Wallis Nash, who disbursed all the money spent on construction work.

He testified that he disbursed in round numbers \$12,000,000, but that \$2,000,000 spent in an effort to hold a right of way in Malheur County, and large sums, not definitely stated, expended on Willamette River steamships and on an ocean-going tug at Yaquina Bay.

The estimate of the engineer as to cost of reproducing the road and equipment is \$32,337,195. It will be noticed that in each instance the original cost and the reproduction is very close to the statement of original cost.

The reports submitted by the O. R. & N. and the Corvallis & Eastern, giving in detail the cost of engineering, superintendence, right of way, grading, bridges, trestles, rails, local service and numerous other items of expense for each section of the road as constructed. The figures were compiled by J. N. Wilsey, special accountant of the company.

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These reports and estimates were prepared by the companies at their own expense and have been filed in the office of the Railroad Commission. The only expense the state has had to bear was the fee for the assessment of a hearing at Portland, at which time the reports were submitted. In this manner the state has secured information such as other states have paid \$100,000 to \$500,000 in securing. The statistics are available not only for the purpose of determining actual value as the basis of computation of reasonable rates, but also the actual value as a basis for assessment and taxation. The total mileage of the O. R. & N. covered by this report is 543.4 miles, making the average cost of roadbed and equipment \$63,200 per mile. The entire length of the Corvallis & Eastern is 12.7 miles, making an average cost of about \$42,500 per mile.

SCHOONER HITS STEAMER

Scaler Pescawha in Collision With Survey Boat Paterson.

VICTORIA, B. C., Oct. 29.—The sealing schooner Pescawha arrived tonight and reported having been in collision with the United States coast and cutter survey steamer Paterson in the straits this morning at 2:30 during a thick fog.

The schooner, inbound from Bering Sea, with 150 sealers, was being up the straits when the Paterson came up behind in the fog, on her port side, and struck a glancing blow about midships. The stern struck in chains and broke them, cutting into the timbers.

The steamer's bowsprit tore through the foremast and broke the foremast and fore-rigging. The crew of the schooner were awakened by the sound of the lookout simultaneously with the blow of the Paterson's stem, which staggered the schooner. Five of the Paterson's crew clambered on board the schooner and were afterwards returned on board.

The survey steamer took the schooner in tow and dropped her in Royal Roads this afternoon.

PILES SPEAKS FOR TAFT

Greeted by Enthusiastic Audience in Walla Walla.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Oct. 29.—(Special.)—Following the biggest Republican torchlight rally ever seen in Walla Walla, United States Senator Samuel H. Piles, of Seattle, addressed a crowded house in the Keylor Grand Theater tonight on political issues of the day. He took up and discussed at length the Democratic policies, pointing out the weak points in the same.

After improving the audience with the utter impracticability of electing Bryan to the Presidency, the speaker gave a glowing eulogy of the record of William H. Taft, Republican candidate for the Nation's chief executive. Progressive but bursts of applause were intermingled in the speech of Senator Piles.

BURY EARL DODD AT NATRON

Hunter Who Lost Life in Woods Is Laid to Rest at Home.

EUGENE, Or., Oct. 29.—(Special.)—The body of Earl Dodd, who was found dead from exposure and exhaustion in the Cascades near Waldo Lake, was buried at his home at Natron today. Coroner Gordon did not hold an in-

QUEST AFTER HEARING THE STORIES OF MEN WHO WERE WITH DODD AND WHO, AFTER THREE DAYS' SEARCH, FOUND THE BODY.

John Gold, who was one of the party, returned to Eugene today, giving a complete story of the unfortunate experience. Last Wednesday noon young Dodd, who had sighted a deer near camp, set out with his gun. The snow was about three feet deep and the moon in camp cautioned the young hunter not to go away. But Dodd, who was a good hunter and at home in the woods, went and little was thought of it until evening, when he did not return.

Thursday the men began hunting for him, finding his tracks but no trace of the body. All day Friday they searched, with no better result, and Saturday morning they found the body in an opening about three-quarters of a mile from camp. Circumstances indicate that the body had been exposed some time during the second night. His latest tracks led away from camp, although he had just previously walked five or six miles straight to the camp. He had sat down to rest about every hundred feet for several hundred yards before he finally gave up.

ELECT TAFT, OPEN MILLS

MEANS WORK FOR 2000 MEN IN CLARK COUNTY.

Managers Make Announcement That Saws Will Begin to Hum if Republicans Are Victorious.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Oct. 29.—(Special.)—The owners and managers of sawmills all over Clark County give it out, politics out of the question, that if Taft is elected the mills which have been closed for the most part during the past year, will open within a short time after November 3, but that if Bryan should be the next President the chances of resumption of the former active lumber business are very much in doubt.

Along the Lewis River, in the northwestern part of the county, and its various branches, there are some 20 mills. None of these is running now, for the most of them are the mills and the railroads are not buying much now, and what offers they make are at a rate of \$8 to \$15. The mill men say that they cannot make any money unless they get \$10, and they have formed something of a combine with a view to getting that price when the mills do start.

The opening of these 20 mills would give employment to 2000 men.

FORGES TO FRONT IN EAST

Laurence L. Driggs Out for Congress in New York City.

OREGON CITY, Or., Oct. 29.—(Special.)—Laurence L. Driggs, a candidate on the Republican ticket for Congressman from the Eleventh District of New York, is in news to the hundreds of people of Oregon City and Portland who knew "Laurie" Driggs as a boy, who loved his devil-may-care frankness, and who smiled at his numerous escapades. But Laurie is 34 years old now and his letter heads read "Laurence L. Driggs, Counselor at Law, 43 Cedar Street, New York."

He is the son of the late M. L. Driggs, who for many years was connected with the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, that city about two years ago. The boy was born at Oregon City and was educated at Portland High School and at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. About 12 years ago he went to New York.

Before an audience which crowded and overflowed the Circuit Court room of the Courthouse, Senator Charles W. Fulton delivered an eloquent address here tonight. He was frequently applauded and the rally was the biggest of the campaign in Linn County.

Republican county chairman, presided at the meeting and Senator Fulton was introduced by ex-Senator Percy L. Kelly.

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HOLD BIG RALLY AT KELSO

Eight Hundred Republicans Listen to Address by H. A. McLean.

KELSO, Wash., Oct. 29.—(Special.)—The active Republican campaign in the City of Kelso, in the Puget Sound, the final grand rally being held in McDonough's Opera-House, under the auspices of the Coville County Central Committee and the local Taft Club. The orator of the evening was Henry A. McLean, of Seattle, who paid a glowing tribute to the Republican National, state and county candidates.

Intense enthusiasm prevailed throughout the Kelso Glue Club and the Cornet Band rendering campaign songs and patriotic music. The county nominees were all present and short talks were given by F. L. Stewart, Victor J. Miller and J. E. Stone, candidates respectively for State Senator, County Clerk and Prosecuting Attorney.

Over 800 people were in attendance at this, the most successful political rally ever held in southwestern Washington.

LOWELL WILL SPEAK TONIGHT

OREGON CITY, Oct. 29.—(Special.)—The only rally of the Presidential campaign by the Republicans of Clackamas County will be held at the Shively Theater tomorrow night, when Judge Lowell, of Pendleton, will talk in behalf of Taft and Sherman. Mrs. Imogen Harding Brodie will render vocal solos and the Oregon City Band will play. Officers of the committee are preparing for a banner meeting.

LEE DRAWS CROWD AT KENT

KENT, Or., Oct. 29.—(Special.)—J. D. Lee, Republican candidate for Presidential elector, spoke here Thursday night to a good-sized audience. His speech was well received. His argument reviewing the past history of the two political parties and their candidates was forcible and convincing.

LOWELL SPEAKS AT SILVERTON

SILVERTON, Or., Oct. 29.—(Special.)—Judge Stephen A. Lowell, of Pendleton, addressed a rousing Republican meeting here tonight. He was listened to for two hours by a big audience and his excellent address was frequently interrupted by prolonged applause.

YORAN SPEAKS AT FAIRMOUNT

EUGENE, Or., Oct. 29.—(Special.)—S. M. Yoran addressed the citizens of East Eugene this evening at Fairmount Hall, on the political issues from a Republican standpoint. There was a good crowd in attendance and the speaker was enthusiastically received.

MEET AT KLAMATH NOV. 7

Good Road Convention and Session of Crater Lake Commission.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Oct. 29.—(Special.)—November 7 there will be held at Klamath Falls a good roads convention, to be addressed by Judge Scott, president of the Oregon Good Roads Association, and simultaneously there will also be held here a session of the Road Commission appointed by Governor Chamberlain to plan and

GETS OPTIONS AT HOQUIAM

John D. Farrell, Railroad Man, Is Seeking Timber Land.

HOQUIAM, Wash., Oct. 29.—(Special.)—View-President John D. Farrell, of Washington and Oregon Railway, who has been in this city since yesterday, is said to have secured an option on valuable holdings of the Northwest Lumber Company, including a logical location for a bridge over the Hoquiam River. He has also attempted to secure option on property lying adjacent to, and parallel with the Northern Pacific holdings through the city. In each instance he made overtures for right-of-way leading through Hoquiam across the Little Hoquiam River, one mile north of the city and to Lake Quinalt.

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SECURES FEDERAL CONTRACT

ASTORIA, Oct. 29.—(Special.)—C. G. Palmberg, of this city, has been awarded a contract by the Department of War, for making repairs to the wharf at the Federal Quarantine station on the north shore of the river.

SPEAKS FOR TAFT

Henry McGinn Makes Telling Argument at Baker.

TAFT IS ECHO OF NO MAN

Helped to Make Roosevelt Policies, Declares Speaker—Points to Candidate's Accomplishments in Philippines and Cuba.

BAKER CITY, Or., Oct. 29.—(Special.)—Henry P. McGinn, of Portland, delivered a rousing address this evening before a representative audience in Elks Hall. He was introduced by Walter Meacham.

"Detractors," said Judge McGinn, "say that Taft is the echo of no man. Roosevelt himself says the Judge Taft did as much to do with the making of the so-called Roosevelt policies as he himself. Bryan says that he advocated these same policies. All honor to Mr. Bryan, but Roosevelt first put them into effect and brought the trusts to his feet."

They were Roosevelt's policies before Bryan adopted them. Mr. Bryan is a gifted man, more eloquent on the stump than James G. Blaine, but so far he has accomplished nothing. Taft and Roosevelt have done many things to the benefit of the common people of this great land of ours. That is the kind of man the people want for President.

"You know what Judge Taft did in the Philippines Islands. He had to give up the dream of his life to do it—a place on the Supreme Bench. He went over there, won their love and confidence in spite of all obstacles, and taught them to be honest, law-abiding citizens, so that in time they might learn to govern themselves. When he left the people followed him to the steamer with tears in their eyes and begged him to return to them soon."

"What did he do in Cuba? I need not tell you. He brought order out of their first ineffectual attempts to govern themselves, so that these people are now able to walk alone. We have set the pace; do we want the high mark we have made to continue? I think we do. I believe all right-thinking men will vote for him November 3, as he says he will carry out the Roosevelt policies which he himself had so large a part in making."

SENATOR FULTON FLAYS BRYAN

Principal Speaker at Big Republican Rally at Albany.

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Officers Capture Man Who Jumped Ball Three Years Ago—Faced Smuggling Charge.

SEATTLE, Wash., Oct. 29.—(Special.)—Reth B. Stevens, known as "Big Steve" to every customs officer on the American and Canadian sides of the British Columbia boundary, who was arrested in Seattle on Wednesday as a fugitive from justice for having jumped a bail bond in the sum of \$1250 three years ago, said today that his great desire to see Seattle was responsible for his arrest. He came here from Vancouver, B. C., where he has since resided, and was picked up by special agent of the Treasury in a cave on the outskirts of the city.

"I was married only three weeks ago," said Stevens today, "and my wife is heartbroken, not knowing that I had ever been involved in such affairs as smuggling. I would give every dollar I possess to be released and be back in British Columbia tonight."

Stevens and his first wife, who died about two years ago, were arrested in Seattle in September, 1905, charged with smuggling prepared opium into this country from across the line. With them a man named George Berger, who was superintendent of the Pullman Palace Car Company, was arrested.

He was subsequently tried and acquitted of the charge, but the Stevens jumped their cash bail and kept away from the city until Stevens was arrested Wednesday.

So far it has cost the Government at least \$20,000 to lay hands on Stevens, and the loss in revenue in consequence of the limitation of contraband goods by Stevens is incalculable. Stevens may escape prosecution on the old charge because more than three years have elapsed since the crime was committed and he may successfully plead the statute of limitations if the prosecution renews its charges.

He has been serving a term in the King County Jail for smuggling.

CHINESE RETURNING HOME

Nearly 700 Leave Victoria to Celebrate New Year in Orient.

VICTORIA, Oct. 29.—The Blue Funnel liner Ninchow sailed tonight with a cargo valued at \$62,000 and 697 Chinese who are bound back to South China for the approaching New Year holidays.

The steamer Strathairn, which is discharging nitrate here, reports that shortly before she left Antofagasta the steamer Tellico, which was doing duty for the Pacific Steam Navigation Company, was pirated and part of the cargo stolen by harbor thieves, who came alongside with a lighter. They were frightened away by the mate, who fired a number of shots with a revolver.

The steamer Inoquo, which stranded at Shile Point, near Nanaimo on Monday night during a thick fog, was floated tonight by the British Columbia Salvage Company's tug Willing Jolliffe. The damage, while the steamer was submerged, is estimated at \$5000.

SUES FOR \$10,050 DAMAGES

Woman Becomes Nervous Wreck Because Ladder Falls on Her.

OREGON CITY, Or., Oct. 29.—(Special.)—Mary A. Paulus, who formerly conducted a restaurant in Portland on East Morrison street, has filed a suit against the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Company for \$10,050 damages, which she is said to have sustained May 20, 1907, when workmen of the company permitted a ladder to fall through her window and she was cut on the head and face by the glass and became a nervous wreck.

She is said to have been capable of earning \$50 per month prior to the accident.

ATTACKS BOY WITH KNIFE

O. M. Galloway, Washington County Farmer, Placed in Jail.

HILLSBORO, Or., Oct. 29.—(Special.)—Sheriff Hancock tonight placed in jail O. M. Galloway, a prominent farmer living a mile north of Forest Grove, on a charge of assault with a dangerous weapon on his 17-year-old stepson.

The boy was about to start to the elder mill with a load of apples, when the stepfather objected and began throwing the sacks off the load. The boy resisted and his mother says Galloway drew a knife and attacked her son, and was stopped only by the in-



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bring about construction of the Crater Lake road and Oregon state road.

It is probable that a farmers' institute will also be held in conjunction with the other convention, with its sessions the afternoon and evening of November 6, thereby enabling those from distant parts of the county who attend to be present at both meetings.

J. W. Bailey, State Dairy and Food Commissioner, will be in attendance, with other prominent educators of the agricultural, horticultural and dairy industries.

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ELECTROCUTED ON DYNAMO

Workman Gets Tangled in Belt and Meets Instant Death.

ROSEBURG, Or., Oct. 29.—(Special.)—While participating in a riotous debauch in a Howard-street lodging-house, Mrs. Nellie Peterson, aged 28, died suddenly last night. According to the two men and another woman who were participating in the carousal, the Peterson woman asked the other to kiss her, which was done. The Peterson woman then walked over to a sofa and fell dead.

She is survived by a husband and child living at Winora, Minn. The police and coroner are investigating the case.

LOSES ARM WHILE STEALING RIDE

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