D.R.&N.PROPERTY WORTH \$7,783,863

Estimates Include Right of Way and Station Ground in the State.

HEARING BY COMMISSION

Object Is to Find Basis for Reasonable Rates and Also to Assist Assessors in Determining True Value of Physical Property.

With the submission of testimony before the Oregon Railroad Commission yesterday by J. W. Morrow, right of why and tax agent of the Oregon Railroad & Navigation Company, the railway company's estimates of the physical valuation of all its operating property in this state is complete.

The testimony submitted by Mr. Morrow yesterday dealt only with right of ways and station grounds exclusive of improvements. The values on improvements and non-physical values have heretofore been submitted to the Commission. The total value on right of ways and station grounds in Oregon owned by this company is placed at \$7.783.883.34 in which total the Portland terminals are included at \$4.14.682.34.

It is an interesting feature of the evidence submitted that the non-physical value of the system in this state is placed at a higher figure than the actual value of the right of ways and terminal grounds. The non-competitive characteristics of the road, the low grades and other features of that character are estimated to give the system in addition to its physical worth an additional value of \$5.538,000.

Want to Know About Rates.

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The valuations of the railroads in Oregon are being secured by the Railroad Commission as a basis for determining the reasonableness of rates. This is a work that has been taken up by Wisconsin, Minnesota and Washington. Oregon is following the Minnesota and Wisconsen plan of securing the initial figures from the railroad companies and then having the testimosy checked over by the Commission's own engineers. In Washington the valuations were determined in the first instance by Commission engineers and then testimony was taken from the railroad representatives.

The Washington plan is the nuch more expensive having cost that state, it is said, about \$40,000. The Oregon Commission has an appropriation of only \$5000 for completing its work.

The engineer who will check over the railroad companies figures has not yet been selected and in fact the work is by no means near completion. The Southern Pacific will not have its estimates ready before June or July and some of the smaller roads are yet to come in. The Northern Pacific, it is understood, has nearly completed its data and will submit the testimony in the near future. Each road is presenting its figures in voluminous form. The maps, schedules, testimony and other matters are in thick volumes of large sheets but in such form that a competent engineer can check them over and determine their accuracy.

May Help the Assessor.

The valuations on railroad property, in addition to becoming a basis for determining the reasonableness of rates, have been found in other states to be of immeasurable benefit in determining true assessable valuations of railroad property.

erty.
It is suggested that the Oregon, Railroad & Navigation Company may have had this in mind in submitting testimony as to the value of the Northern Pacific terminals in Portland, 40 per cent of which is chargoable to the Oregon Rail-road & Navigation Company, in deterread & Navigation Company, in deter-mining the value of the latter's property. The Northern Pacific terminals have heen put in at about \$1.89 per square foot. It is claimed that similar realty in the vicinity of the terminals has sold for four times that figure. The latter sales were of course at speculative prices and perhaps indicate an excessive value for railway terminal purposes.

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"The railroad company was between the devil and the deep sea," was Commissioner C. B. Aitchison's explanation of the low valuation placed on the Northern Facific terminals. He explained a high valuation on railroad property might justify high freight and passenger rates but it would also mean high taxation.

Taxation Vs. Rates.

A low valuation would tend to result

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- ... \$7, TS3, S67, 54 Value of Water Frontage.

In estimating various items in the Portland terminals, Mr. Morrow put in the West Side river front north of the Steel bridge at \$2.50 per square foot, and the Albina shops, property includng 8000 feet of river frontage, at

evening the Commission went to Asteria, where a hearing will be held today on the complaint of Alex-ander Gilbert concerning freight rates on the Astoria & Columbia River Rail-road between Portland and Seaside.

Baker City Grain Rates.

R. J. Slater, a Pendleton atterney, was in Portland yesterday represent-ing the interests of the Eastern Oregon farmers at the hearing given by the State Railway Commission to the compiaint of the Baker City farmers that the rates on grain are unfair and ex-cessive. The matter was taken up by the Commission itself against the O. R. N., and the hearing will be resumed later in Salem, where the actual ques-tion of the rates will come up for hear-

PRISON YAWNS FOR COOK

court by Juvenile Judge Gantenbein yesterday afternoon because he refused to tell where he had secreted his five-year-old child, Lyda. With the jail confronting him, he told where she could be found. Probaflon Officer Krum was immediately sent out for the child, and she was committed to the Boys' and Girls' Ald Society, with the order that each parent pay \$5 a month for her support.

Mrs. Clara Minier applied to the Juvenile Court for assistance in locating the child, who had been taken by the father from a home on the East Side, where it was placed by the mother. The father was ondered by the court to bring the child to the Courthouse yesterday afternoon at 3:30. He was present himself, but did not bring the girl. The mother lives at 341½ Morrison street, while the father lives at the Arcade rooming-house, 146½ First street. The couple came to Portland recently from Los Angeles. Those familiar with the case express the helief that the Minters intend to obtain a divorce, as the father of the girl charges his wife with staying in a Morrison-street beauty parlor, and she accuses him of infidelity. Morrison street beauty parlor, and she accuses him of infidelity.

UP REED ESTATE

Final Accounting Is Approved by the Circuit Court.

There being no objections to the final account in the Amanda W. Reed estate

NATIVE OF PACIFIC NORTHWEST



Mrs. Minia Zehrung, for several ears a resident of Kern Park, died at Portland Sanitarium at 5 o'clock Thursday. She was a member of the Order of Eastern Stars and Rebeccas and spent her entire life in Wash ington and Oregon. She was born in Walla Walla, July 9, 1877, Later she resided in various parts of Washington and in Ashland, Medford and Pendleton, in this state. Mrs. Zehrung is survived by her husband, W. M. Zehrung; a son, Lester; her mother, Mrs. E. H. Gavitt, and a brother, George F. Gavitt, of Seattle

case, when it came up for hearing in the County Court yesterday morning. It is probable that Judge Webster will sign the order this morning closing the estate. The amount of money bequeathed to the Reed Institute was \$1.094,338. In addition to this Mrs. Reed left bequests to the amount of \$342,336.

Martin Winch, the executor of the estate, says everything is in readiness now to take up plans for establishing the institute. The five directors will hold a meeting at the Abington building today, to talk matters over. The board is com-

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Three Defendants Arraigned.

Thomas Holbaner was arraigned in the United States Court yesterday charged with sending an obscene letter through the mails in December, 1908. Walter Bomson, an Indian on the Umatilia indian Reservation, was arraigned yesterday on the charge of stealing a saddle from another indian, Joe Allen, in October last. Charles Page was also arraigned on the charge of setting fire to timber, underbrush and grass within the limits of th Sisklyou National Forest in August last

LEASE CLOSED ON GROUND FOR NEW HEILIG.

Project for Modern Playhouse at Seventh and Taylor Streets Assumes Definite Shape.

Another step forward in the deal for theater to be erected by Calvin Hellig was made yesterday. The northwest cor-ner of Seventh and Taylor streets was secured some weeks ago by Mr. Heilgr from Asley Vantine, as part of the ground upon which the new building is to be exected, but it was desirable to get the adjoint of the in order to provide enough ground for a theater of the dimensions deemed necessary.

Mr. Vantine owned an inside 50x100-foot lor street, a trade was effected through which the lot running east and west was given over for a corresponding 160 feet running north and south, making the Hellig holding 150x100.

From April 1 a 99-year lease was made yesterday for the ground, a bonus of something like \$500 having been paid to the owners of the additional lot in order to effect the trade.

As a matter of comparison, the Marquam Theater occupies a space of 120x90, with its auditorium. On the Seventh and Taylor site acquired by Mr. Heilig, an auditorium 125x80 may be constructed, and yet leave atuple light space all around the building and also provide exits on all four sides.

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His Little Girl.

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Morrison street, was ordered confined in the County Jail for contempt of

Swell English

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MAYOR IS SLAPPED

Park Board Does Not Want to Abolish "Zoo."

MISCHE'S REPORT TABLED

Open Breach as to Whether Bears Lions, Monkeys, Beavers and Other Beasts Really Suffer in Captivity in Oregon Climate.

Elimination of the Polar bear, the African Hon, the monkeys and the beaver from the City Park Zoo was ecommended by Superintendent Mische of the Mayor and members of the Park doard at a meeting held yesterday norning. Inasmuch as the members of the board at a meeting held yesterday norning. morning. Inasmuch as the members of the board are not in sympathy with Mayor Lane and the Humane Society, they promptly laid the report on the table. Secretary Shanahan, of the Humane Society, was not present to represent the cause of the animals, and it is regarded as very improbable that anything further will ever be done about the matter. It has been apparent from the outset that the Park Commissioners are out of harmony with ent from the outset that the Park Com-missioners are out of harmony with the Mayor, the latter being radically opposed to retaining the wild animals in captivity, and the Commissioners feeling that his views are not sound. Superintendent Mische had been in-structed to submit a report on the mat-ter, and did yout the rest. ter. and did so at the session yester-day morning. He went into details somewhat, as to the expense of the Zoo and other minor matters, but his rec-ommendation was that the Polar bear, the ilon, the monkeys and the beaver be eliminated from the aggregation of captives in the City Park. Little at-tention was given the report by the Commissioners, and it was laid on the table, probably never to be taken off. Animals Suffer Here.

It is the opinion of Superintenden Mische that the animals have as unfit for life in the Zoo should be chloroformed or shipped to another and more congenial climate. He states that they are not well here being unused to a cold climate, and that they ought not to be kept here. All of the other animals, he said, thrive quite well at the park, and he recommends that they be retained, but declares that they are not well here, and that they ought not to be kept here. All of the was engaged in making arrangements he was engaged in making arrangements for railroad connections in order that in its year's grain crop might be adequated by handled.

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building and also provide exits on all four sides.

Now that the ground has been secured for a theater site, the next move will be to raise by subscription capital stock to provide funds for the building, the dimensions of which rests with those who own property in the vicinity. Considerable capital already has been offered, and it is confidently expected that the amount will be swelled to such proportions that the new theater will be not only an ornament to the city but will be a money-making investment.

As at present outlined, the main entrance will be on Seventh street, and the preliminary plans call for stores on the two principal streets. It has been unofficially announced that a prominent San Francisco architect is appropriate and the proposition of the animals from the zoo, it seems the four sides.

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keep well in this climate. It will thus be impossible for the board to pur chase any more animals.

Want Park Improved.

A delegation from the South Port land Improvement Club urged the Park Board to improve Terwilliger Park this Spring, and prepare to give band concerts there at intervals this season. This request was granted. The delega-This request was granted. The delegation asked the board to care for the roses, planted in the Holman schoolyard, but this matter was taken under consideration. Mayor Lane said he believes that, if the Holman roses are cared for by the board, all the other schools will be entitled to the same treatment and this world said. treatment, and this would entail a very large task. Superintendent Mische wo where roses have been planted

EASTERN CAPITAL WILL BE IN-VESTED HERE.

Fred Muller, Secretary of Board of Trade, Says Work on Plant Will Be Started Within a Month. Eastern capitalists, represented locally

by Fred Muller, secretary of the Board of Trade, will bulld a dock and grain elevator in Portland this Summer, which will be operated in connection with some of the various farmers' association with which the Board of Trade has got in Complete plans for the dock have been drawn by Goodrich & Goodrich architects of the Penton building, and both

dock and elevator are expected to be ready by August 15. Mr. Muller would ready by August 15. Mr. Muller would make no definite statement as to the docation of the dock, or whether it would be located on the Willamette or the Columbia. It is known, however, that there has been some movement around Glen Harbor, and the leading grain firms of the city are inclined to view Glen Harbor as the prospective site of the elevator.

It is stated that borings have been made in that locality and that the site

made in that locality and that the site would be eminently suitable. Mr. Muller said yesterday that the land had been bought and that all the boring necessary had been done. At present he was engaged in making arrangements for railroad connections in order that this year's grain crop might be adequately handled.

grain exports that is being carried on from Portland, the large export firms of the city do not consider any arrange-ments that might be made in the line of

"They may store the grain, but we shall still buy and sell it and conduct the usual export business," said D. A. Pattullo, of Baifour, Guthrie & Co.

Thugs Shove Man to Death.

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While the Park Commissioners do not approve of the elimination of any of the principal streets. It has been unofficially announced that a prominent San Francisco architect is preparing drawings for the theater, and that this architect has completed recently plans for two of the principal theaters in the Bay City.

Swell English pumps at Rosenthal's.*

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Rasmus Elde. A Norwegian fisherman, was picked up in an unconscious condition, suffering from a broken backbone, shortly after midnight. Elde is paralyzed from his breast down and will die.

More of Title Bank's Indebtedness to Be Liquidated.

MARQUAM SALE HELPED

After Mortgage of \$215,000 Is Paid off, Balance of \$135,000 Will Go Into Fund for Depositors. Will Hold Up Ladd's Claim.

Sale of the Marquam property, corner Sixth and Alder streets, by the Oregon Company to Ben Seiling and Mrs. Raiph Jacobs, will expedite the announcement of another dividend among the creditors of the Title Guarantee & Trust Company. The Oregon Company is one of the subsidiary companies organized and managed under the management of the defunct bank. The sale price was \$350,000, and from the proceeds a mortgage of \$215,000 must be paid. The balance of \$125,000 must be proceeded of the transaction have been closed, will be turned over to R. S. Howard, Jr., receiver of the Title Guarantee & Trusts Company, which holds the stock of the company making the sale.

Receiver Howard yesterday said it would be impossible for him definitely to indicate when another dividend of the receipts from the suspended banking institution could be made. He did say it was his policy to distribute these funds among the depositors as soon as a reasonable surplus had accumulated.

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When George H. Hill, vice-president of the suspended bank, assumed charge of its affairs, November 8, 1907, as receiver, there was owing to depositors a total of 31,920,049,48. According to the last report of Receiver Howard, January 8 last, the aggregate of these unpaid claims was 35,528,651,52, showing that the liabilities of the defunct hank to depositors had been reduced to the amount of \$401,572,96. Since the date of the receiver's last report, additional claims have been paid, so that the aggregate closely approximates \$500,000. This total includes the aggregate of the first dividend of 10 per cent, declared August 1, 1908, and other settlements effected through the other settlements effected through the

other settlements effected through the receiver.

Since the bank went into the hands of a receiver 20 months ago, 4200 creditors, including all of the smaller depositors, have been paid off in full. Of that number, W. M. Ladd has paid the claims of 1208 depositors, according to the terms of 1998 depositors, according to the terms of his agreement. Under the terms of the receivership and the administration of the affairs of the suspended bank, the claim of the Ladd & Tilton bank, aggre-gating \$607,000, is to be held up until the claims of all depositors have been liqui-dated.

As soon as the receipts from the re As soon as the receipts from the re-ceivership reach a reasonable surplus. Receiver Howard will apply to Federal Judge Wolverton for an order directing that another dividend be declared. In the meantime, the receiver is devoting his energies to a businesslike adminis-tration of the large estate, including in-cidentally the cash sale at proper valua-tions of the assets of the suspended in-stitution.

Rockwood Lodge Elects Officers.

CLEONE, Or., April 2.—(Special.)—The L. O. O. F. lodge, recently instituted at Rockwood, last night installed the following officers: John Brown, noble grand; A. W. Davies, vice grand; J. T. Davies, past grand; Walter Quesenberry, secretary of lodge; Thomas McCartney, inside guardian. On April 10, a big rally

DISCUSS TERMINAL CASE President Clarke, of S. P. & S., Says

Settlement Has Not Been Made.

While Mr. Clarke stated that the terminal question was the only matter considered at the joint conference, it would appear that other features of a Hill-Harriman programme were discussed. Harriman programme were discussed. Mr. O'Brien stating yesterday that a-large number of other questions came

As the present agreement entered into is but tentative, it is believed that the Portland conference, at which Louis W. Hill will be present, will be the means

President Francis B. Clarke, of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle, returned yesterday from San Francisco and confirmed the interview given by both Mr. Hill and that given by General Manager O'Brien, of the O. R. & N., on his return from San Francisco.

"No aefinite agreement has been made," said Mr. Clarke, "and by that I mean that the details of the scheme are not yet settled. A conference will be held here in Portland shortly, and I think that after that time the Union Depot will be open to all roads desiring to use it. It is not so much a question of competition as of convenience to the public."

Portland conference, at which Louis W. Hill will be present, will be the means of disposing of other issues in controversy.

British Ruler Not Stricken.

BIARRITZ, April 2.—There is no truth in the report published in Germany that King Edward has suffered a stroke of an oplexy. His Majesty, who is in excellent the Basque fate at Sare, which was organized in his honor. The King went to Sare in an automobile. Previous to going to Sare, the King walked on the beach here.

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