

RAILS BEING LAID FROM RIVER SOUTH

Oregon Trunk to Complete Track to Crooked River Within 70 Days.

MATERIAL IS ON GROUND

Whole Distance to Bend Will Be Covered Early in Coming Year. Says General Manager—Further Plans Announced.

Tracklaying on the Oregon Trunk line from the Columbia River south through this week under plans which General Manager, Kyle expects will result in completing the work as far as Crooked River within the next 70 days. Six miles of track are now down and with the present force employed about one and a half miles of rails is being laid daily. There is sufficient material on the ground at present to complete tracklaying to Crooked River, in Crook county, a distance of 23 miles from Malmed, Or., the station on the Columbia River. At Crooked River work will be delayed on account of the deep canyon and it will be necessary to build a bridge at that point before laying of tracks can be begun between there and Bend, a distance of 25 miles. The grade for the entire distance between the Columbia River and Bend is practically completed, covering a distance of 156 miles.

The bridge across Crooked River will be 300 feet in length and 50 feet above the bottom of the canyon. Although it is necessary to cross the Deschutes River at three different places with high bridges, the largest and most costly structure will be over the Crooked River canyon. "We have our plans perfected for prosecuting tracklaying on the Oregon Trunk and we expect to have the entire distance to Bend covered and the road completed by the early part of the coming year," said General Manager Kyle yesterday. "We have enough material on the ground to complete the road as far as Crooked River. We are laying rails at the rate of one and half miles a day and we will increase our force immediately so that we can cover two miles daily. We are anxious to open up the road as quickly as possible."

What the road's plans are for extending its line south of Bend have not been announced. Mr. Kyle said that no contracts had been let for work beyond that point. That Oregon's coast may become a rival with Florida as an attractive winter resort is demonstrated by the numerous parties which have been leaving Portland every Saturday night for Seaside and Gearhart to spend Sunday outings. As there is a variation of only 10 degrees in temperature along the coast, between the summer and winter seasons, many Portland people find an outing most enjoyable there at almost any time of the year.

FARMERS ARE HOLDING WHEAT

Demand for Cars to Move Crop Not Yet Insistent.

That there has been no large demand as yet for cars to move the 1910 wheat crop in the Northwest is attributed to the fact that farmers have not begun to dispose of their crops, except in isolated cases, according to F. W. Robinson, general freight agent of the Southern Pacific and O. R. & N. lines. "The farmers in the large producing wheat districts are holding for better prices and as a great percentage of the growers are able to do so, this year's crop has not started to move to a large extent," said Mr. Robinson yesterday. "With a general shortage of crops throughout the country, it would seem that prices will soon become more attractive to the farmers. I look for a strong movement within the next few weeks. Then we will be taxed to our capacity in supplying cars to move the crops to this port."

BRIDGE REPORT IS READY

Repairs for East Twenty-Eighth-Street Crossway Cost \$24,000.

George W. Brown, chairman of the bridge committee of the Executive Board, said yesterday that Waddell & Harrington, the engineering firm agreed upon by the city and the Northwest Bridge Works to dictate the repairs necessary to the East Twenty-eighth-street bridge over Sullivan's gulch to bring it up to specifications, will this week file a report showing the structure to be now ready for traffic. Two weeks ago the Northwest Bridge Works was paid \$80,000 of the contract price. The remainder, \$28,000, will be paid when the structure has been officially accepted by the Executive Board. Should the contracting company wish to collect for repairs, which are said to have cost in the neighborhood of \$24,000, it will be necessary, according to the agreement with the city, for the company to start suit in the courts.

MILK SKIMMED, IS CHARGE

Warrants Issued for Arrest of Restaurant Proprietors.

Warrants were issued yesterday for the arrest of four restaurant proprietors on the charge of selling skimmed milk to patrons without complying with the requirement of the city ordinance that it be so listed. The restaurants involved are the Monte Carlo, 233 Grand avenue, T. Pulos, proprietor; Morrison, 543 East Morrison street, George Brown, proprietor; California Oyster and Chop House, 403 East Morrison, Goodie & Alex Brea, proprietors; Model Bakery, 127 Grand avenue, R. O. Melby, proprietor.

BANKERS GIVEN RECEPTION

Visiting Financiers Guests of Portland, Then Leave for North.

As guests of the Portland Clearing-House Association, over 100 visiting bankers and their families were given a reception and buffet luncheon at the Portland Commercial Club between 9 and 10 o'clock Wednesday night. Many citizens joined with the members of the

association in extending greetings to the visitors. The buffet luncheon prepared by Chef Gottelman, of the Commercial Club, was something out of the ordinary. The main table fairly groaned with toothsome edibles and such offerings as fresh Columbia River salmon, large crawfish and Hood River apples were greatly enjoyed by the guests. Decorations of Oregon grass and white chrysanthemums were attractive features of the buffet room.

The affair was entirely informal. Immediately following the reception, the guests went to their trains and left for Puget Sound, where they will make stops at Tacoma, Seattle and Vancouver, B. C. They will return East on the Canadian Pacific line.

E. L. Thompson, acting secretary of the Portland Clearing-House Association, said last night that the visitors were deeply impressed with the reception accorded them while in Portland. He believes that Portland will receive valuable advertising from these visitors and is of the opinion that stronger financial relations between the East and the West may be expected as a result of such acts of hospitality. Portland will be the host to another party of financiers tomorrow when the New York bankers arrive at 9 o'clock from Los Angeles. There will be 375 visitors and they will be given a reception similar to that accorded the party yesterday. The reception in the evening probably will begin at 8:30 o'clock and will be in concrete form. All Portland citizens who may be interested are especially invited to attend the reception and meet the visitors.

WANTED--NEW METHODS

POSTMASTERS OF STATE WOULD SIMPLIFY WORK.

Convention, in Session Here, Will Close Today With Election of Officers--Delegates Dine.

To simplify methods now in vogue in conducting the business of postoffices in order that postmasters and their assistants may enjoy some relief in their work, was one of the principal subjects considered at the annual meeting of the Oregon Postal Postmasters' Association, which opened yesterday in the convention hall of the Portland Commercial Club. Suggestions were made for improved system of bookkeeping, backstamping, newspaper postage business and the foreign money order system. A committee on resolutions was appointed to prepare these items in concrete form and when acted upon recommendations for these changes will be submitted to the Postoffice Department. The committee consists of Postmaster Merrick, of Portland; Postmaster Randall, of Oregon City, and Postmaster Emead, of Heppner.

The convention is being presided over by E. W. Johnson, of Corvallis, the president. Special addresses were made by H. M. Hopkins, postmaster of McMinnville; William J. Lackner, postmaster of Ber, and T. L. Ambler, postmaster of Mt. Angel. At the close of the session in the afternoon the 29 delegates were the guests of Postmaster Merrick, who gave them an idea as to how business is conducted at the Portland Postoffice and mailing station. At 5:30 o'clock last night a banquet was given in honor of the delegates at the Portland Commercial Club.

Today's programme will consist of an address by Postmaster Merrick, of Portland, on "Two Best Assets of a Postoffice Clerk," an impromptu talk by F. J. Carney, postmaster of Astoria, and a discussion of postal savings banks, conducted by Edward Hostetler, of the Dalles. The convention will close its sessions this afternoon with the election of officers.

WOODLAWN TAKES ACTION

Demand for Fire Station Goes Up to Chief Campbell.

A committee of Woodlawn property-holders yesterday waited on the Fire Committee of the Executive Board and requested that steps be taken to supply that section of the city with a fire station. Fire Chief Campbell was



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instructed to investigate the request and to submit a full report. The committee deferred action on recommending the awarding of a contract for the supplying of hose for the department until the return of S. C. Pier, a member of the committee, who was absent yesterday. The propositions of marine architects in regard to drawing plans for and supervising the construction of the proposed fire boat went over for the same reason. The report of Chief Campbell contained the information that all the fire engines of the city except two had gone above their rated capacity when tested by the National Board of Fire Underwriters recently. The average for the whole number was 102.2.

WEST AS A POLITICIAN

Examination Into Make-Up of Democratic Candidate.

PORTLAND, Oct. 12.—(To the Editor.)—As a citizen of Oregon who is visiting Portland at present, one who has mingled a great deal in the public life of the state for over 20 years, has

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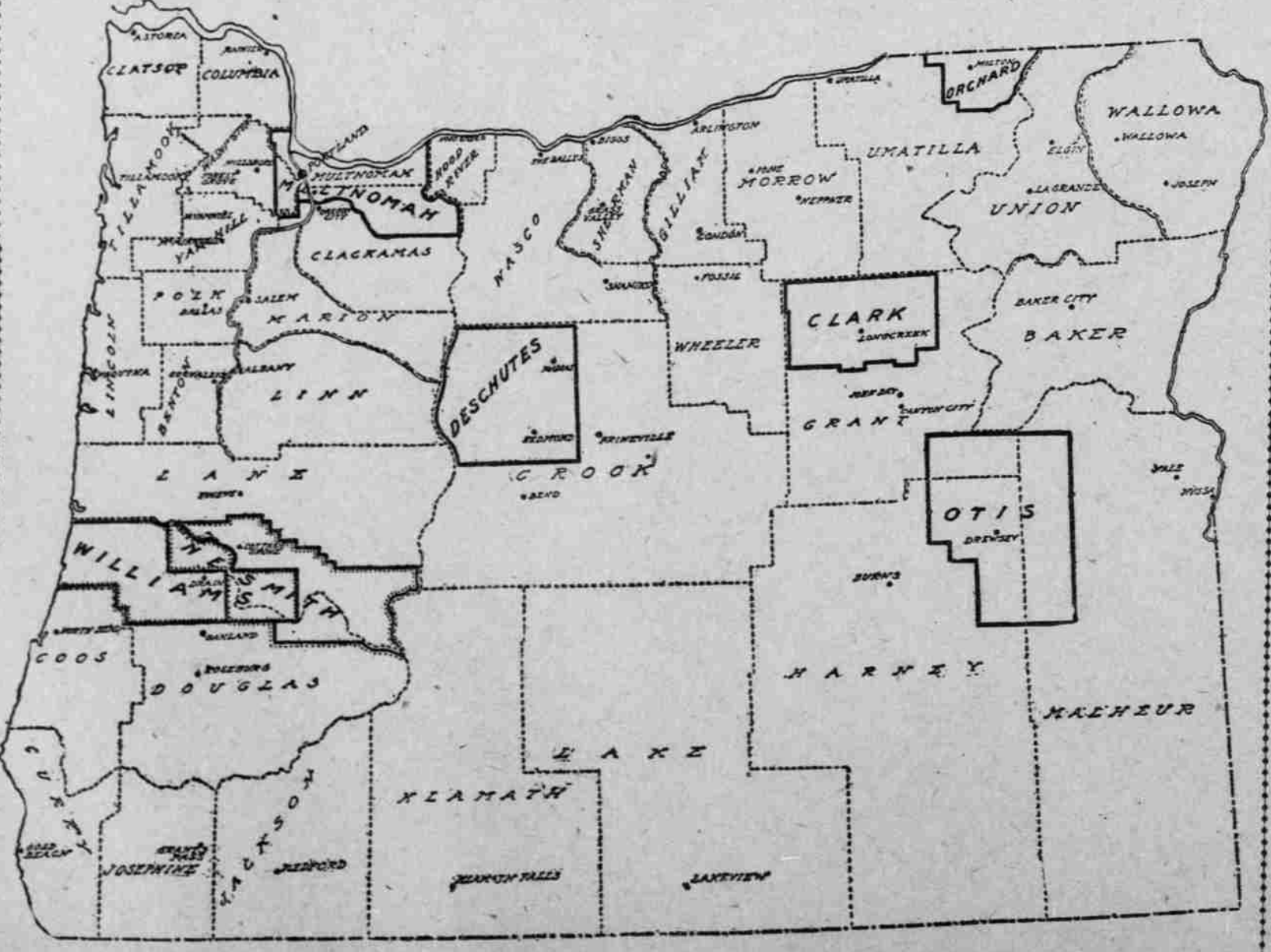
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MAP OF OREGON SHOWING BOUNDARIES AND COUNTY SEATS OF NEW COUNTIES, CREATION OF WHICH IS PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE MEASURES; ALSO SHOWING BOUNDARIES OF TERRITORY PROPOSED FOR ANNEXATION TO MULTNOMAH COUNTY.



DARK LINES INDICATE THE BOUNDARIES OF NEW COUNTIES OR COUNTY DIVISION STRIPS; DOTTED LINES INDICATE PRESENT COUNTY BOUNDARY LINES. FURTHER EXPLANATION OF MAP WILL BE FOUND IN ARTICLE PRINTED ON EDITORIAL PAGE.

time to Sunday school work. Baraca classes throughout the world now have nearly 1,000,000 members. Several of them have been organized in Portland Sunday schools. Mr. Hudson will reach Portland the afternoon of October 24, and at 6:30 o'clock will speak at a dinner, open to all men, in the auditorium of the Young Men's Christian Association. Following this, at 8 o'clock, he will deliver an address in the White Temple to both men and women, no admission charge being made. He comes to Portland under the auspices of the adult Bible class department of the International Sunday School Association.

Are Lights for Protection.

St. Paul Pioneer Press. The president of the Chicago drainage board says an arc light is as good as a policeman, as a measure of protection. And it is ever so much easier to find.

CHURCH WORKER COMING

Founder of Baraca Sunday School Movement to Lecture.

Marshall A. Hudson, of Syracuse, N. Y., founder of the Baraca movement, a world-wide Sunday school organization, will be in Portland Monday, October 24. Mr. Hudson is coming to Portland to stimulate interest in Sunday school work and especially to inspect the work of local Baraca classes. The Baraca movement was founded by Mr. Hudson in 1898. A few years later he sold out his interests as a crockery merchant and now devotes his entire

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