

SUMPTER VALLEY ROAD IS SCORED

State Railroad Commission Orders Immediate Action to Remedy Defects.

SWITCHES ARE UNBLOCKED

Depot at Sumpter Declared in Bad Condition and Station at Prairie City Has No Water for Accommodation of Passengers.

SALEM, Or., June 30.—(Special.)—In an order directed to the Sumpter Valley Railroad, the State Railroad Commission today declared that the method of operating the trains and the services and practices of that road are unjust, unreasonable, inadequate and unsafe and lay down peremptory mandates for a permanent record before as well as supplementing the order by a letter containing many recommendations, which the commission makes for the betterment of the service and the safeguarding of passengers who ride on that road.

The Sumpter Valley operates from Baker to Prairie City via Sumpter Junction and also operates a branch line from Sumpter Junction to Sumpter. The commission discovered that train orders are transmitted by telephone and that no record is kept of them. The order requires that the railroad company reduce to writing all orders for a permanent record before as well as supplementing the order by a letter containing many recommendations, which the commission makes for the betterment of the service and the safeguarding of passengers who ride on that road.

Flagman Must Be Well Supplied.

It is also provided that all trains shall be supplied with flags, torpedoes and red and white lanterns for the use of the flagmen must be provided. The company is also compelled to provide written rules and regulations for the government of the trainmen and employes engaged in the transportation of trains. These rules shall conform as closely as possible to the rules of the American Railway Association. This order is to go into effect within 60 days after service.

In its supplementary letter the Railroad Commission makes the following recommendations for the betterment of conditions along the road.

"It seems to us imperatively necessary that there be some responsible operating official directly in charge of the operation of the line," writes the commission. "Our deliberate judgment is that the system, or rather the lack of co-ordination and system, inevitably results in bad service, confusion and conflict of authority. We believe, from our talks with trainmen and others, that they will give a warm and responsive welcome to any responsible official on the ground."

"Attention was called to the condition of the bridges. Your attention was directed to one which is a suitable one and requires immediate renewal and two others which call for extensive repairs upon the ground. We will be pleased to hear from you whether or not these bridges will be replaced or repaired in the manner indicated as necessary."

Frogs and Switches Unblocked.

"We noted that many of the frogs and switches were unblocked. This is a dangerous condition which should be remedied at once to prevent unnecessary loss of time."

"The depot at Sumpter is not in good condition. The high platform is a menace and the low platform needs renewal. The law requires that separate toilet buildings should be erected for men and women which should be kept in a sanitary condition. There is but one at Sumpter which is unfit for use. In view of the age of the structure and the necessary repairs that should be made as indicated in the suggestion, we require that a suitable new structure be installed in lieu of the present building."

"The depot at Prairie City has no water for the accommodation of its patrons. This is in distinct violation of an order of the commission. . . . We noted that considerable portions of your line are still unblocked. If there is any reason why the terms of the statute should not be complied with . . . we will be pleased to entertain your application, otherwise it will be our duty to report the apparent violation of the statute to the Attorney-General for appropriate proceedings."

SPRINGFIELD MAYOR OUT

W. M. Sutton Resigns to Become School Head at Enterprise.

SPRINGFIELD, Or., June 30.—(Special.)—W. M. Sutton, Mayor of Springfield, today announced his resignation, to take effect on August 17. Mr. Sutton, who represented Lane County at the last session of the Legislature, will give up the Mayoralty and a business in this city to go to Enterprise, Or., where he has accepted the principalship of the schools of that city.

Mr. Sutton has been at the head of a City Council that has done much for Springfield, and to him is due much of the credit. It is under his administration that Springfield has entirely rebuilt its system of streets with macadam pavement at a comparatively small cost. On one street the lowest contractor's bid was \$13,000, while the city did the job itself for \$4500. Mr. Sutton states that any city in the state can do this if it puts the management entirely in the hands of one man.

SEATTLE ASSAYERS JOYFUL

British Columbia Gold Comes to Rescue of Puget Sound Office.

SEATTLE, Wash., June 30.—(Special.)—With the assay office force busy over the prospect of losing part of their gold receipts to the San Francisco office through the proposed change of rates on August 1, British Columbia came to the rescue today in most gallant style by sending \$100,000 worth of gold to the Seattle office.

The British Columbia sources of gold are Atlin, Hedley and Trail, with others unclassified.

ALLEGED THIEVES CAUGHT

Men, Accused of Robbery, Arrested by Glendale Authorities.

GLENDALE, Or., June 30.—(Special.)—Deputy Sheriff and Constable Hanks tonight arrested G. M. Leag, on Cow

PLANT AT DARGAIN SOUGHT BY TRUST

Agent of Sugar Men Tells How He Inquired Into Segal's Finances.

ROOSEVELT IS DEFENDED

Cousin of Director of American Says Philadelphia Told Him Refinery Was Built to Be Sold at Profit.

WASHINGTON, June 30.—The story of how the Sugar Trust got possession of the Philadelphia Sugar Refining Company's plant was told today before the House Sugar Trust investigating committee by David S. Stetson, of Philadelphia, a cousin of Washington B. Thomas, of the American Sugar Refining Company.

Stetson said he wrote Thomas that he thought Segal was "about busted and would sell," and estimated the cost of the refinery at between \$1,000,000 and \$2,000,000. Friends told him, he said, that the Real Estate Trust Company was on the bonds of the Pennsylvania refinery and was in danger of going to the wall.

Segal's Plight Recognized.

"I made up my mind then," said Stetson, "that if I could not make a good commission, I'd block the game. I informed Thomas of the dangerous financial condition of Segal and that if the American Company would hold off they could get the Pennsylvania Refinery for a song."

Roosevelt Has Champion.

"Any man who attacked Theodore Roosevelt as Segal did yesterday," said Stetson, "should not go unretaliated. I am a friend of Mr. Roosevelt."

NEW STUDIES TAKEN UP

Pullman Summer School Folk Learning of Manual Art.

STATE COLLEGE, Pullman, Wash., June 30.—Out of the three hundred and some odd teachers who attended at the Summer session for teachers at the college, there are about 50 high school principals and superintendents whose special purpose seems to be to acquire as much information as they can pertaining to agriculture, horticulture, domestic art, manual art, and kindred subjects. Professor Charles Timblin, principal of the Summer session, says:

"The demand for instruction in the manual arts in high schools and country schools is increasing rapidly, and which is certainly significant. This new demand has arisen largely during the past three years, and this year has reached the strength it had in the past, a fact plainly shown in the demands made upon teachers, principals, and superintendents in some localities to qualify themselves along these lines."

POWER SITES ARE SECURED

Move May Mean Electric Line on White Salmon River.

HUDEM, Wash., June 30.—(Special.)—J. W. Davis, of Portland, right of way agent for the White Salmon Electric Light and Power Co., has acquired rights of way for power sites upon the mouth of the White Salmon River for a distance of five miles, and within this distance in some instances high prices have been paid for bluff land.

As lands have been secured aside from the limitations for power sites, residents are hoping that it is the purpose of the company to construct an electric railway up the White Salmon River.

WASHONGAL Gets New School.

Washington, Wash., June 30.—(Special.)—District No. 21, known as the Skye district, is to build a new, modern and up-to-date schoolhouse. This building is one of the most progressive in this section of Washington.

The building is to be 35x35, with a full concrete basement. The basement will contain the furnace, lavatories, natatorium and playground. The main school room will be thoroughly modern, being well lighted, heated and ventilated. The basement work is being done by S. C. Ray, of Portland, and the woodwork and general building by Thomas Jeny, a Washongal contractor. The building will be completed by Fall.

Commission Plan Considered.

GRANTS PASS, Or., June 30.—(Special.)—The charter committee appointed by the Mayor a few weeks ago has concluded to submit the commission form of government and at the same time submit the old form of government in the way of a new charter to a vote. The old charter must be amended as to procedure in the Council relative to public works, in order to out down incidental expenses, which occur before the property owners have time to offer opposition.

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HANLEY MAKES HIT

Central Oregon Listens to Talks at Prineville.

PHONE TOLL RATE FOUGHT

Upper Hood River Merchants Say Expense Is Too Great.

HOOD RIVER, Or., June 30.—(Special.)—If the 10-cent toll charge of the Home Telephone Company is allowed to stand, it will have added to my expenses more than \$15 each month," said W. S. Gribble, addressing the meeting of the Hood River Merchants' Association. Mr. Gribble says that every merchant in the Upper Valley will be burdened likewise.

Committees from the Upper Valley Progressive Association and the Odell Development League have met the local merchants in order to devise some means to induce the telephone company to rescind its action. The members of the local merchants, who are also affected by the toll rate, is that the telephone company is discriminating between them and the Upper Valley citizens. A joint committee from the different bodies will meet with the management of the company and endeavor to get it to make a flat rate.

INDIANS TO HELP HURRAH

Celebration at Waukiacus to Have Assistance of Redmen.

LYLE, Wash., June 30.—(Special.)—"Prince" Stock-Ish, alias Frank Waukiacus (Indian), says that the Indians at Waukiacus in real earnest are joining the settlers in the first Fourth of July celebration at Waukiacus, but he believes Chief Skookum, in response to urgent requests, will spend a portion of the day in Lyle. Rev. C. W. Betts, who writes after his name "Cowboy preacher," has assured the committee that he will deliver the oration at Waukiacus. Rev. Mr. Betts, after being in the saddle week days, preaches Sundays to his fellow associates, while in the service of the cattle queen, Mrs. King, of New Mexico.

SIXTEEN WOULD BE CITIZENS.

VANCOUVER, Wash., June 30.—(Special.)—Sixteen foreigners are to be examined for citizenship tomorrow. They come from eight different nations, Sweden, Finland, Greece, Russia, Italy, one and Canada one.

JURY HAS SLANDER CASE

CRABTREE TEACHEE'S SUIT RUNS TO NIGHT SESSION.

FARMER DEFENDANT LEADING WITNESS, DENYING ARTICLE WRITTEN IN SCIO NEWS FOUNDED IN MALICE.

ALBANY, Or., June 30.—(Special.)—After a strenuous trial extending over three days, including two night sessions in court, the damage suit of Ada Compton, school teacher in District No. 4, near Crabtree, against E. A. Easton, a prominent farmer of that district, came to its happy tonight. Introduction of evidence was completed shortly after 2 o'clock and the attorneys then spoke for five hours, a night session being required to complete the argument. Attorney George W. Wright and Dan Johnston, of Albany, spoke for the plaintiff, and Samuel M. Garland, of Lebanon, and J. K. Weatherford, of Albany, for the defendant.

Easton was a leading witness today. He denied that he made the statements attributed to him regarding Miss Compton, whereby she is seeking to recover \$2500 for slander, and stated that the article he wrote in the Scio News, on which the teacher is endeavoring to secure an additional \$100 for libel, was not founded in fact, but was written merely in answer to a form regarding school troubles in District No. 4, which the plaintiff admits she wrote.

The testimony presented today each party to the case endeavored to impeach witnesses who had testified for the other.

"AGGIES" TO REORGANIZE

Alumni Association, Now 1200 Members, to Be Increased.

CORVALLIS, Or., June 30.—(Special.)—The Alumni Association of the Oregon Agricultural College, which has a present membership of nearly 1200, is to be reorganized. The executive committee, of which Edward Aldrich, editor of the Pendleton East Oregonian, is chairman, has prepared a plan for more thorough and effective organization which will be submitted to the members of the association for a mail vote.

S.S.S. DRIVES OUT

MALARIAL POISONING

Malaria is a disease which gradually destroys the strong, nourishing elements of the blood. When the malarial poison begins to absorb the rich, red corpuscles of the circulation, we see pale, sallow complexions and a general impairment of health. As the blood becomes weaker the appetite fails, digestion is disturbed, chills and slight fever are frequent, and in aggravated cases boils and eruptions break out on the flesh. Malaria is blood poverty, and the only way to cure the trouble is to enrich and purify the circulation. S.S.S. is especially adapted to the cure of malarial troubles because it contains no harmful minerals, and while ridding the system of the malarial germs, S.S.S. builds up the entire constitution by its fine tonic effects. If you are suffering with Malaria begin the use of S.S.S. and rid yourself of this weakening disease. Book on the blood and any medical advice free. S.S.S. is for sale at drug stores. THE SWIFT SPECIFIC CO., ATLANTA, GA.

BRIDGE WORKER WANTED FOR MURDER.

VANCOUVER, Wash., June 30.—(Special.)—Edward J. Cranfield, a bridge worker on the North Bank road, was arrested here last night by Chief of Police Sechrist and Jesse Troeb, on telegraphic instructions from Sheriff Welch, of Star County, North Dakota. It is said that Cranfield is wanted for murder in Dickinson, N. D. He will waive extradition.

A Talking Machine Find

Left on sale: A very fine Columbia talking machine, with a very large selection of records by a claim in it, is going to travel extensively, making a trip around the world. This machine and all the records and the cabinet can be had for exactly half price. The outfit has been in absolutely perfect shape. It comes from one of the best makers in the world. Eilers Music House, Talking Machine Dept.

Hair Health

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