

GRAY ON ST. PAUL CONFERS WITH HILL

Railroad Question Affecting Oregon Being Discussed in East.

YEAR'S WORK IS IMPORTANT

Mission of Hill Line Chief Clerk Here
May Be of Much Benefit in Way
of Improvements Planned
in Oregon in 1912.

For the purpose of conferring with J. J. Hill on expenditures, improvements and extensions in Oregon during the coming year, Carl R. Gray, president of the Northern Pacific Hill lines in Oregon, is in St. Paul, having left Portland last Sunday. It was announced at Mr. Gray's office yesterday that he had gone to St. Paul to close the year's work and to make plans for 1912, but it is believed that his mission may be more fruitful of beneficial results for Oregon than mere reports.

When John F. Stevens, Mr. Gray's predecessor, went to St. Paul a year ago on a similar errand he returned with many important plans of development work, included among which was the Oregon Electric extension from Salem to Eugene and the completion of the Oregon Trunk through Central Oregon. Extension of the United Railways to Tillamook Bay also was projected at that time, but unforeseen financial difficulties a few months later caused work on the project to be postponed. It is probable that Mr. Gray will be authorized now to complete that work. It is understood that Mr. Gray has full authority from Mr. Hill to conduct negotiations with the Northern Pacific Terminal Company for the combination of Portland terminal properties, with the end of erecting a new Union Depot in this city. While he has expressed his intention of taking up the question with officials of the other interested lines before the end of the winter, it is believed that he will confer with Mr. Hill on this subject before entering into final negotiations.

Whether the Illinois road will continue its activity in Central Oregon and extend the Oregon Trunk east from Bend and southwest toward Medford, as planned, in addition to the present building activity of the Harriman interests in that section, is another topic that may receive consideration when Mr. Gray and Mr. Hill get together for the purpose of discussing the local situation.

Mr. Gray does not expect to be away from Portland for more than a week, as he has planned to pass Christmas with his family here.

ALASKAN NEEDS RECITED

Grangers Advised That Coal Deposits Should Be Developed.

Contending that the commercial interests of the whole country are closely bound up in the development of the vast coal deposits of Alaska, J. J. Johnson reviewed the coal situation in an address before the Multnomah County Pomona Grange, which met at Woodlawn, Mr. Johnson gave figures of the coal deposits in Alaska and their probable value. In closing Mr. Johnson said he believed that the Government is making an honest effort toward the development of the Alaska coal fields, but that the people, and that the policy of President Taft is nearly like that of ex-President Roosevelt. The general sentiment of the 250 grangers present approved the suggestions of Mr. Johnson.

A resolution presented by R. W. Gill was adopted commending the Presidential preference primary law in this state and declaring that such law should be extended to the other states. Rev. W. J. Douglas gave talks on the commission form of city government. T. J. Kreuder spoke on public markets and urged the grangers to cooperate as a means of co-operation for the cheapening of produce to the consumer. The following figures were reported from the granges: Columbia, Grange, membership 62; Evening Star, 322; Fairview, 84; Greenham, 94; Lewis, 184; Multnomah, 11; Pleasant Valley, 51; Rockwood, 88; Woodlawn, 118; Russellville, 34; total, 1186. It was voted to hold the next meeting at Evening Star Grange, Hall street, March 1. A session was held last night.

COIN OF INSANE IN COURT

Brother Sued for Alimony Assigned Money to Mother.

That Ben C. Eastwick, whose brother, Philip G. Eastwick, of Philadelphia, had him declared insane last week and committed to a private sanitarium, had assigned the revenue from his interest in the Andrew M. Eastwick estate to his mother, Euphemia M. Eastwick, in 1905, is the statement contained in an affidavit filed yesterday by Major Philip Eastwick, Major Eastwick's brother, that the revenue in any one year has not exceeded \$1295.

The affidavit is filed in answer to the demands for temporary alimony and attorney's fees of Mrs. E. M. Eastwick, formerly Mrs. E. M. Harris, who is suing Ben C. Eastwick, for divorce. Major Eastwick says his brother is unable to pay alimony and that Mrs. Eastwick is making sufficient money for her needs. The application of Major Eastwick to have himself appointed guardian of his brother will come up for hearing before Judge Cleeton next Tuesday.

ELK ARE HARD TO SECURE

Warden Finley Says Lodges Must Aid Game Commission.

That the only way by which the lodges of this state can secure elk for various sections of Oregon will be to co-operate with the State Fish and Game Commission in caring for the band of 15 elk which will be shipped to Oregon in February, was the statement of State Game Warden Finley yesterday. The elk lodges at Roseburg and Klamath Falls have asked that bands of elk from Wyoming be shipped

to Douglas, Marion, Klamath and other counties.

"There are a number of reasons why the Government cannot grant these requests," said Mr. Finley yesterday. "In the first place the elk belong to the State of Wyoming. The Government has control over them only when they enter Yellowstone Park, which is in the Summer time, when they are hard to reach. The public does not realize the expense connected with the shipping of elk from Wyoming. They must be crated and shipped over a steep mountain road, 50 miles to St. Anthony, Mont. The freight charges from there to a point in Southern Oregon would be very heavy. Then, too, we could not liberate them in many places. They must be fed and sheltered. The herd of elk which is to be shipped here in February will have to be cared for and the lodges would be doing a good work in assisting the game warden to maintain the animals. The Government simply assists in caring

CIVIL WAR VETERAN PASSES AWAY, WITH BURIAL AT SALEM.

James Crawford.
SALEM, Or., Dec. 20.—(Special.)—James Crawford, a member of Sedgwick Post, G. A. R., and a resident of Marion County for 15 years, died at the home of Charles Williamson, at Wheatland last Friday. The funeral was held Monday morning at T. Higdon's Chapel, Salem, and interment was in the G. A. R. Circle of City View Cemetery, also at Salem.

Mr. Crawford was 76 years old, having been born in Ireland, February 7, 1835. On August 11, 1862, he enlisted in the Civil War, in Company G, One Hundred and Eighty New York Infantry. He served until the end of the war, in June, 1865, when he was discharged in Philadelphia. A brother in Pennsylvania, and a sister in Iowa, survive him.

for the elk in Wyoming and is allowed a certain number each year. The Wyoming officials have received requests from nearly every state in the Union for herds of elk. Since the Commission was appointed in 1910 has been expanded out of the anglers' license fund for the propagation of game fish. There has been considerable work done at the various hatcheries in preparation for the propagation of game fish. For this purpose the hatcheries belonging to the state for salmon propagation will be used. As the salmon season is at other time of year the raising of trout can be carried on with a considerable saving. Improvements in the way of flumes, ponds and other equipment are now being made.

GUARD FOR GIRLS ASKED

SOCIAL HYGIENE SOCIETY WANTS 3 SPECIAL MEN.

A request for the appointment of three special policemen for the purpose of keeping young girls off the streets at night, arresting "mashers," enforcing curfew laws, and keeping the roadhouses and questionable resorts constantly under surveillance was made yesterday to the County Court by a committee from the Social Hygiene Society. The petition was taken under advisement.

COUNTY COURT IS REQUESTED TO APPOINT POLICE TO ARREST OGLERS OF WOMEN AND ENFORCE CURFEW.

The committee, which called on the Commissioners and County Judge Cleeton, included Circuit Judge Gatens, Rabbi Jonah R. Wise, Dr. Calvin S. White, President Foster of Reed College, H. R. Reed, Dr. Williamson, W. H. Marshall and W. G. Elliot. Judge Gatens was the principal spokesman. He urged that the time to prevent the spread of the social evil is while young girls are coaxed into diverging to the path toward ruin. He declared that the police do little or nothing to keep "rubbering" men off the streets, and said there are corners in this city which decent women are afraid to pass.

The judge urged that the girls under age who roam the streets for the purpose of "picking up" men be guarded by the consequences of their own ignorance and folly. They should be arrested and treated the same as "mashers" if they failed to depart after warning, he said. The committee told the County Court that it has selected three good men who could be relied upon to do their duty in spite of temptations.

SOMETHING NEW.

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W. C. T. U. Recalls Notable Events.

A number of events were recounted as notable by members, at the Wednesday afternoon meeting of the Central Women's Christian Temperance Union. Among those mentioned were the prohibitory victory in Maine; the vindication of Dr. Wiley, food expert; the Equal Suffrage victory in California; and the successful work of the women of Seattle and elsewhere. A number of comfort bags were brought in for the soldiers. Next week, quarterly reports are expected from officers and superintendents. Each member is requested to bring a cup and saucer. A social hour will follow the meeting.

SUSPECT SEEN NEAR

Laborer Says Lochard Was in Albina Day After Crime.

REPORT TO POLICE MADE

T. Ambrose Declares He Saw Accused in Vicinity of Scene of Murder of Barbara Holzman at 3 o'Clock in the Morning.

Information which tends to weave still stronger about Lewis G. (Leond) Lochard the web of circumstantial evidence against him as the supposed murderer of 4-year-old Barbara Holzman in an Albina lodging-house March 13, was furnished Deputy Sheriff Leonard yesterday by T. Ambrose, a laborer living at 637 Michigan avenue. Ambrose declares almost with the emphasis of certainty that Lochard is the man he saw near the corner of Mississippi avenue and Russell street, in the immediate vicinity of the murder scene about 3 o'clock the morning of March 14. The man who committed the deed had rented the room the afternoon before and it was between 10 o'clock of the morning referred to by Ambrose that the discovery of the murder was made by Mrs. Bertha Nelson, the landlady.

Ambrose explains his own presence in the neighborhood at that early hour by saying that he was on his way home after working the greater part of the night in unloading a boxcar in the O. W. R. & N. Company's Albina yards.

HAWKES TAKEN TO PRISON

Governor West Revokes Parole Given by Governor Chamberlain.

The parole from the State Penitentiary of J. F. Hawkes, the wealthy East Side resident implicated in a series of wholesale thefts by the confession of Leond Lochard, was yesterday revoked by Governor West. Hawkes was rearrested yesterday by Deputy Sheriff Phillips and Constable Hall, of Lewis, and last night was taken back to Salem to serve the remainder of an indeterminate sentence of from one to ten years, inflicted by Judge Gantenbein for horse stealing on February 6, 1908.

Hawkes was paroled by Governor Chamberlain on February 10, 1909, after serving the minimum of his sentence. The law of the state is such that absolute power is placed in the hands of the Governor to revoke a parole at any time. It was therefore found to be necessary to convict Hawkes under the indictments recently found against him, following the Lochard confession, to insure his return to the State Penitentiary.

Hawkes was at liberty on heavy bail and was preparing to make a strong fight to escape conviction. The Governor's action relieves the County of Multnomah of the trouble and expense of having him again found guilty. Ample ground for the Governor's action is found, say the officers, in the fact that the truth of Lochard's confession was proved by the recovery from the East Side residence owned by Hawkes of a great deal of the loot.

ROAD HIRES SOIL EXPERT

C. L. SMITH APPOINTED AGRICULTURIST FOR O. W. R. & N.

Duties of New Official Are to Visit Farms and Advise Growers in Upbuilding of Territory.

C. L. Smith, a farmer of many years' experience, yesterday was appointed agriculturist for the O. W. R. & N. Company, a position just created. Mr. Smith, who is a resident of Spokane, will assume his new duties at once, and will establish offices and headquarters in the Wells-Fargo building in Portland. He is expected to pass much of his time in traveling over the territory served by the road, for the purpose of getting into direct touch with the farmers and studying their needs. His work will be under the direction of the traffic department.

Official of the railroad company expect Mr. Smith to co-operate with the agricultural colleges in their territory and to do what he can to improve agricultural conditions generally throughout the Northwest. He will devote particular attention to the encouragement of diversified farming, to grasses, grains and livestock raising. He will attend meetings of farmers' organizations and endeavor to learn at first hand the various problems presenting themselves to the farmer. It is his intention also to go out upon the farms, visit with the farmers and help them in their actual work if necessary that can be done to improve the general farming conditions and make the farms more productive. He will be associated with the demonstration train that the company will send out in the future, and is detailed to make himself active and useful wherever farmers are engaged in the pursuit of their vocation.

50-YEAR LEASE TAKEN

E. E. Merges and Others to Build on Seventh and Morrison Corner.

A six-story building, and possibly a 12-story structure, of steel or reinforced concrete, will be built on the northwest corner of Seventh and Morrison streets as soon as the leases on the present building expire, in October, 1912. R. M. Gray will occupy the building.

Masons Install Officers.

Washington Chapter No. 18, Royal Arch Masons, installed the following officers at the headquarters on East Burnside street last Tuesday: Roy Quackenbush, excellent high priest; C. R. Praxler, king; E. M. Amesbury, scribe; Penumbra Kelly, treasurer; J. E. Martin, secretary; Holman G. Norton, captain of hose; Frank M. Peterson, principal soldier; Angus Fleming, Royal Arch captain; H. H. Young, master of third veil; J. W. Little, master of second veil; George E. Higgins, master of first veil; Thomas H. Brickell, sentinel. A feature of the evening was the presentation of past high priest gold medals to the retiring Excellent High Priest D. L. Clouse and Past High Priest Fred A. Vankirk.

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FLAMES DESTROY PLANT

Multnomah Mill & Construction Company's Loss \$5500.

The starting from a stove placed close to a wooden work bench destroyed the plant and building of the Multnomah Mill & Construction Company, at 455 East Madison street, shortly after 6 o'clock last night. Frank Swoboda, president of the company, estimates the loss at \$5500, to plant, building and machinery, and gives the insurance as being about half the value of the plant. The building was directly gutted and machinery and finished woodwork in the place were ruined by fire and water.

Swoboda says he left the office of the plant at 5:30 P. M., leaving a fire in the office stove burning. When the flames were discovered and two boxes hung in to the fire department, the fire was directly in the front of the building, coming from the office, and Swoboda asserts that the fire started from the stove, which he neglected to danger when he left the place.

About 25 persons will be put out of employment by the fire. The plant is owned by a company, of which Frank Swoboda is president, Caroline Swoboda vice-president and Arthur C. W. Swoboda secretary-treasurer. The plant required several companies an hour to extinguish.

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