

## HARRIMAN FIGHTS HILL FOR IDAHO

Interesting Railroad Situation Develops in Gem State Contest.

EXENSIONS ARE COSTLY

Idaho Northern, Recently Acquired by Oregon Short Line, Brings \$2,000,000—Road Is Being Built at \$50,000 a Mile.

BOISE, Idaho, April 23.—(Special.)—The rivalry between the Harriman and Hill interests has developed an interesting railroad situation in Western Idaho, causing the construction of two costly extensions in the building of the Idaho Northern, the Harriman line from Emmett to the Payette Lakes, and the rushing of the Pacific & Idaho Northern, the Hill road north into the central part of the state with the idea of making it the north and south road of Idaho. Hundreds of thousands of dollars are being spent in construction work along.

The fact the two roads are parallel and both building in the same direction is taken to indicate here that the owners who represent the two great railroad systems of the West have deeper plans than appear on the surface.

The Idaho Northern is what is known as the Dewey road. It was sold recently to the Oregon Short Line of the Harriman system. The fact has just come to light here the price paid for this road by the Short Line was \$2,000,000, an excellent price in view of the fact that it was only built north from Nampa as far as Emmett and south as far as Murphy, the entire distance being less than 100 miles. A year ago, when the deal was closed, and the Harriman system came into control, contracts were let for the extension of the road north a distance of 100 miles to the Payette Lakes. Since then the Utah Construction Company, which handled the contract and sub-contracted with other firms, has had nearly 2000 men at work on the extension.

**Extension Proves Costly.**  
It is known in railroad circles here that it is costing the Harriman system between \$5,000,000 and \$10,000,000 to build the extension, or over \$50,000 per mile, due to the fact the survey takes the line into and through the steep Payette River Canyon, where there is magnificent scenery, but little tonnage, aside from timber, in sight.

It has been a busy year for the Short Line, so far as this extension work is concerned. The recent action taken in letting the final contract to the Payette Lakes proves the fact the Harriman system is anxious to have the new line installed and has something else in view besides a terminal at the lakes. This object is to push on north and beat the Hill system to the north and south road, declare railroad men here who are known to be close to high officials of the Short Line, and are taking an active interest in the race for control.

The Pacific & Idaho Northern, the Hill road, is apparently just as determined to reach the north. This road now operates from Weiser north through Midvale, Cambridge, Council, Fruitvale, Tamarack to New Meadows, the latter town having been installed as far north as the Payette Lakes. The gap between the New Meadows terminal of the Pacific & Idaho Northern and the northern part of Idaho where connections can be made with a north railroad is less than 100 miles, but the country is one of the most baffling for railroad construction.

**Evidence of Fight Seen.**  
Evidence of the purpose of the Pacific & Idaho Northern, or the Hill road, to keep ahead of its rival, the Idaho Northern and Harriman line, is shown by the recent placing of an order with Eastern railroad manufacturers by President Heighway for additional rolling stock, including new and heavier locomotives of the Mikado type, with four pairs of 45-inch driving wheels and weighing 272,000 pounds each. A standard Browning combination steam shovel and piledriver, with a three-quarter yard dipper and a capacity of excavating with coarse gravel, has also been ordered. The rolling stock and steam shovel will be delivered to the Pacific & Idaho Northern within the next ten days.

The Hill road figures it will have time to proceed with the straightening out of its present line between Weiser and New Meadows before starting with its northern extension work or before the Harriman road, the Idaho Northern, can possibly build its extension to the Payette Lakes. Therefore, the steam shovel will be unloaded and installed for operation in the 19-mile canyon between Weiser and Midvale, widening the right-of-way and taking out some of the sharp curves.

From this canyon on north to New Meadows the road will be ballasted and improved to handle increased and heavier traffic. President Heighway has also placed an order for 30,000 new fir ties, the average life of which is seven years, and these will be used in replacing rotted and worthless ones in the roadbed and farther north on the extension.

There are now 20 miles of this road ballasted with coarse gravel, and this year the rest of the line will be given the same treatment. A two 50-foot span bridge has just been installed across the Weiser River, just above Goodrich Station, and a 25,000-gallon tank erected at Diamond Springs.

**LIFE ENDED BY BULLET**

Walla Walla Man's Body Found With Hole in Temple.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., April 23.—(Special.)—Albert Foster, aged 63 years, son of the late John H. Foster, at one time one of the best-known farmers of the Walla Walla Valley, and later of Portland, committed suicide yesterday afternoon at his home in this city.

His body was found this afternoon by friends, who broke into his apartment. There was a hole in his right temple and a 25-caliber revolver lay across his breast. His wife is living in Baker, Or., and relatives live in the East and on the Sound.

**HILL SPEAKS AT ALBANY**

Rain Does Not Keep Crowd From Hearing Good Roads Talk.

ALBANY, Or., April 23.—(Special.)—Although a hard rain was falling a big

crowd was present in the auditorium of the Albany Armory tonight to hear the "good roads" lecture of Samuel Hill, of Washington, who with his secretary, J. B. Middleton, arrived in Albany from Salem by automobile today.

Governor Oswald West, who intended to come to Albany this evening to address the meeting was forced to abandon the trip at the last minute owing to important matters which came up for his attention. Mr. Hill was introduced by County Judge J. N. Duncan of this city and many county officials, prominent farmers and good roads' enthusiasts were numbered among the audience.

Mr. Hill's talk was enthusiastically received by the audience, whom the speaker impressed with the importance of substantial roads and their relation to better schools, farms, markets, etc. Hill and his secretary were the guests of Governor West in Salem, this morning, where they made an inspection of the state institutions and the highways which have been improved in that vicinity by the use of scientific methods.

**BURTON HOTEL SCORED**

SLOVER SAYS FUNDS TO GET EVIDENCE ARE LACKING.

Chief of Police Declares Judge Gatens in Juvenile Work Has Not Seen All Iniquity of Resort.

"We are keeping close surveillance upon the Burton Hotel, and doing all in our power to put it out of business," said Chief of Police Slover yesterday commenting upon a letter from Judge Gatens, of the Juvenile Court, calling his attention to the corrupting of youth which the writer finds going on in the hotel. "However, we are hampered by lack of secret service funds, which are the only means by which conclusive evidence can be obtained against such places as this. Another place in the same neighborhood, which is about as bad, is the Glenwood, at Second and Salmon streets, but though we arrested and convicted the proprietor, no final result rewarded our efforts."

Chief Slover coincides with Judge Gatens in his indictment of the Burton, formerly the Drexel, at Second and Yamhill streets, and points out that the court, viewing the conditions simply from the viewpoint of his juvenile work, has not yet probed the depths of the iniquity found within the place. Police records day by day demonstrate that no single place in the whole city is the vortex of so much crime and disorderly conduct as this place. Illicit traffic in liquor, harboring of disorderly women and professional criminals, debauching of the young, bribing of public officers, are only a few of the things which the records display.

Two years ago the conditions became so bad that J. W. Courser, the proprietor, was arrested and received a prison sentence of 90 days for running the place. He appealed and in Circuit Court had the sentence cut down to 190. Courser has made affidavit that a certain police officer to whom he protested against the constant molestation his business was suffering, received a bribe of \$40, in the presence of a third person, who has supported Courser's statement.

After this conviction, Courser soon abandoned the business, and his successor, changing the name to the Burton, called upon the police officials and announced his intention of keeping an orderly house. The pledge was not kept, and frequent raids brought forth disorderly women, vendors of illicit liquor, and gamblers. In some cases it was shown that elevator boys were guides to the visitors to the place. Disorderly women testified that upon arriving in the city they were directed by waiters in grillrooms and other places to the Drexel as a place where they could operate without molestation.

Being a substantial and clean-appearing structure, close to the retail district, the hotel is all the more insidious, as many reputable persons drift to it in ignorance of its character. The proprietors of the place defend themselves by saying that they are not responsible for the conduct of those who rent rooms in the place, and in recent months there has not been the evidence formerly offered of actual complicity on the part of the management.

The Glenwood, mentioned by Chief Slover, has a less extensive record. The proprietor, Mrs. F. A. Ellabrook, was convicted recently in Municipal Court and was fined \$250. She appealed, and inability to hold the witnesses resulted in a failure of the charge in the upper court.

**BROTHERS ARE NOMINATED**

D. B. McKnight After Linn Judge-ship—George Aspires in Malheur.

ALBANY, Or., April 23.—(Special.)—Two brothers, D. B. McKnight, of Albany, and George McKnight, of Vale, each received the Republican nomination for the office of County Judge in Linn and Malheur Counties, respectively, as a result of the Oregon primary election last week.

Both men are prominent Republicans and each received the nomination for the office of County Judge by a big margin. D. B. McKnight, of this city, has served as county clerk for several terms, and was assessor of Linn County, and at the primary election last week was a candidate for the office of County Judge to succeed J. N. Duncan, of this city.

His brother, George McKnight, of Vale, is a prominent sheepman of Malheur County, where he has resided for many years, and has been actively identified with the progress of Malheur County and Vale.

**CORVALLIS TO GET CARS**

Traction Company to Spend \$250,000 This Year on System.

CORVALLIS, Or., April 23.—(Special.)—Following the granting by the City Council last night of a franchise to the P. E. & E. Railway, officials of that company announced that it will begin at once the construction of an electric streetcar system in Corvallis, expending \$250,000 during the coming season.

The franchise covers a number of streets, two of them to be used by the traction system, for which the company has executed bonds. This franchise with the streets used by the Southern Pacific Company and those on which the Hill system will operate, will leave but a few streets in the central portion of the city without railroad tracks.

**TACOMA RELEASES THREE PITCHERS.**

TACOMA, Wash., April 23.—(Special.)—President Rothermel announced three releases tonight. O. F. Baldwin, who has started twice and been hit hard, was made a free agent. Lee Wolfe, another pitcher, was also cast aside. Emil Hennicke, a young Tacoma shortstop, was sent to Boise in the Union Association with an optional agreement attached to his contract.

# J. L. Bowman's Great Closing Out Sale Draws People From All Over the State

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## BOURNE BLAMES PRESS

NEWSPAPERS GET CREDIT FOR SENATOR'S DEFEAT.

Statement Declares Another Factor Was Limited Personal Acquaintance in Oregon.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, April 23.—In a statement issued this morning, Senator Bourne credits the press of Oregon, and particularly The Oregonian, with having brought about his defeat. Other factors contributed slightly to this result, he admits, but the principal cause of his downfall was opposition of newspapers in his state. His statement follows:

"I realize that my plan of making no campaign leaves voters without complete information upon which to base their judgment. I have very limited personal acquaintance in Oregon except in Portland. There are about 250 newspapers in Oregon, and so far as I am informed only six of them advocated my renomination. The counties wherein these papers are located, with one exception, gave me a plurality vote. During most of my six years of service a newspaper of the greatest circulation in the state has misrepresented me and the work I have done, and has expressly given to others credit for some of the important things I have accomplished.

"In the campaign newspaper misrepresentation was aided by the personal work of an extensive organization built up by the reactionary element. I am advised that expenditure of money against me was limited only by opportunity for spending it. Five years of misrepresentation and industrious and well-planned spreading of poison during the campaign left voters with one-sided information. They acted on that information. Because of my advocacy of the parcels post, country merchants were practically unanimous against me, and they formed a working force whose influence could not be suppressed, particularly since they based their opposition on other grounds, chiefly because of my staying in Washington to attend to official duties, instead of going back to the state during each recess, thus claiming I was practically a non-resident of the state.

"I have no regrets. The plan is right in principle. Demonstrated efficiency is the measure of retention or promotion of employees in business, and should and ultimately will be in government. Senator Bourne's complaint that The Oregonian has made little mention of his work should be considered together with the fact that for four years past the Senator and his clerk have declined to furnish The Oregonian with news, and in supplying such news as they had to correspondents of other Oregon papers, have repeatedly cautioned them not to give it to the correspondent for The Oregonian.

**Bryan Acts as Best Man.**

PHILADELPHIA, April 23.—William J. Bryan acted as best man at the marriage here today of Mrs. Cathrin Carlson, of this city, to W. J. Dwyer, a newspaperman, at Washington. Dwyer and Bryan have been friends many years.

## BILLS FOR COAST PASS

SENATE GIVES PORTLAND LAND FOR WIDER STREETS.

Public Buildings at Vancouver and Klamath Falls Authorized.

Entry Laws Changed.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, April 23.—The Senate today passed the following bills:

Granting to the city of Portland a strip of land around the Postoffice and Custom-House sites to enable widening of the streets.

Authorizing construction of public buildings at Vancouver and Klamath Falls and increasing the limit of the cost of buildings at Albany and The Dalles.

Providing that no entryman on a Government irrigation project shall be subject to contest if he fails to maintain residence on his land prior to the time water is available for irrigation.

Granting extension of three years in which to make proof of desert land entries.

Authorizing establishment of a station on the Pacific Coast for investigation of marine fisheries.

Establishing a fish cultural station in Idaho.

Extending the surface rights act to state selections, so that states may select public lands classified as coal, acquiring title to the surface, mines

## RIGHTS BEING RESERVED TO THE GOVERNMENT.

SENATOR HUGHES, OF ARIZONA, WAS THE ONLY MEMBER OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE TO RECOMMEND FAVORABLE ACTION UPON THE SUFFRAGE BILL. AFTER TODAY'S VOTE HE DECLARED THAT EQUAL SUFFRAGE LEADERS WOULD INVOKE THE INITIATIVE TO OBTAIN SUBMISSION OF THE AMENDMENT TO A VOTE OF THE PEOPLE.

**SUFFRAGE MEASURE LOST**

Arizona Senate Votes Down Bill by Vote of 11 to 7.

PHOENIX, Ariz., April 23.—Woman suffrage was defeated in the Arizona Senate today by a vote of 7 to 11. This action of the Senate followed an adverse report on the measure by the committee on constitutional amendments, to which was referred the bill that had passed the House.

Senator Hughes, of Tucson, was the only member of the Senate committee to recommend favorable action upon the suffrage bill. After today's vote he declared that equal suffrage leaders would invoke the initiative to obtain submission of the amendment to a vote of the people.

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