

EXCURSIONISTS SEE
PLEASURES OF YAKIMA

Visitors Convinced of Need of
Shorter Railroad Con-
nections With Portland.

WEALTH AWAITING MARKET

Business Men Realize Opportunity
to Bring Community Into Its
Natural District by Lessen-
ing Distance of Haul.

BY R. G. CALLVERT.
NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., April 26.—(Special.)—In the Spring the alfalfa comes forth in vivid emerald green and carpets the floor of the Yakima Valley. In the Spring the apple trees and pear trees put out their clouds of white blossoms and the peach trees don a brilliant pink dress. Given the alternation of emerald green with white or pink and the effect when seen from an eminence is not to be forgotten. But when the green of the alfalfa is a direct background for the blossoms, when it rests lush between rows of trees that are celebrating in their merriment the return of warmth and sunshine, then there is nothing more beautiful out of doors.

It was this the members of the Portland business men's excursion were permitted to look upon and rejoice in today. After a close and intimate inspection of the farming wealth of the valley, the party wended its way in a long string of automobiles to Lookout Point. There from a height of perhaps 1200 feet the Yakima and Naches valleys lay spread out at their feet.

Beauty Convinces Visitors.
It was a beauty that was practical. No talk or persuasion was required to convince the visitors of the truth of the statement that the products of this section last year aggregated in value more than \$10,000,000.

Another perfect day, smooth, dustless roads and the hospitable of the people collaborated, together with the beauty of the countryside, to make the event a memorable one. Hospitality found its vent in a yellow truck load of yellow Newtown apples hauled to Lookout Point, where they were washed down by the visitors with sparkling apple juice.

It is not the fault of nature that the people of Portland do not know this great and wealthy community better in social and commercial ways. If a wild goose took a notion to fly from North Yakima to tidewater, it would skim over a low range of hills and sail without effort down the Columbia. But when the thinking human animal made arrangements to get from North Yakima to tidewater he spent vast sums to climb unnecessarily over a mountain range.

Country Naturally in Columbia Basin.
In slangology it is termed a certainty that God made little apples. It is just as much a certainty that God made this country to be tributary commercially to the markets of the Columbia River. While there has been discussion in Portland of routing the true destiny of the country by connecting the North Bank Railroad via Goldendale, it is said here that there is a more feasible and more direct route straight across the Yakima Reservation to White Salmon.

The distance is about 100 miles. Between White Salmon and the southern boundary of the Yakima Reservation lies a country rich in timber and livestock. This railroad would reduce the rail distance between Portland and North Yakima approximately 100 miles.

Beside immediate trade benefits is another consideration. The people of the Yakima Valley have a product which they are reluctant to handle. The conclusion that because of the necessity of shipping in cans and because markets and shipping conditions tend themselves better to transport of the finished product by sea, a cannery is more practicable on tidewater than here.

Shorter Route Needed.
There are those who have visions of a great fruit-preserving institution at a point on the Columbia where ships may load, this institution to serve too the Hood River, Rogue River, Umpqua and other fruit-producing districts of Oregon which feel the same need as the Yakima Valley. The idea is more than ordinarily attractive, but obviously before such a thing can have its full practicability, something must be done to overcome the freight rate handicap against shipments from this section to Portland. The rail distance is now about 120 miles. It ought to be about 100 miles, with rates lower in accordance with distance and cheapness of down-grade haul.

But there will be more said of that after the return of the Portland party. Just now they are finishing up the social program of the day. At noon there was a luncheon at the Commercial Hotel, given by the Commercial Club. This evening that live organization entertained at a dinner at the Elks club with smoker and speaking and singing. There was a selection by the Camera Club and a vocal solo by W. A. McPherson, of Portland. Addresses were delivered by Dr. Robert Prior, president of the Yakima Commercial Club; Dr. A. H. Henry, Thomas B. Hill and Colonel W. W. Robertson, of North Yakima; by C. C. Chapman, G. McPherson, of Clatskanie, Paul De Haas, W. A. Williams, of the Portland party, and by A. C. Coburn, of White Salmon. Mr. Coburn told of the advantages of the projected Yakima-Columbia Highway.

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This Home Building Plan?

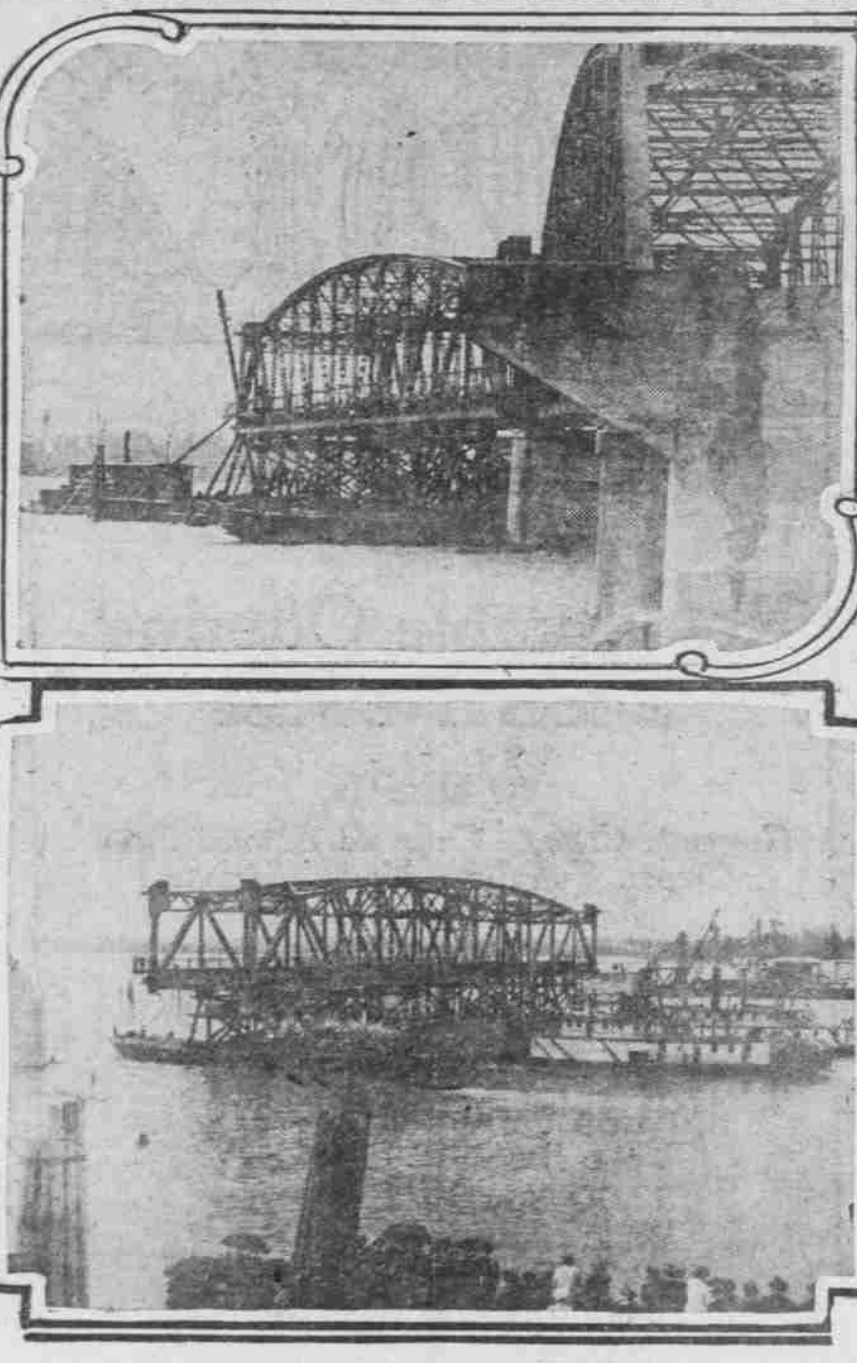
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SCENES AT PLACING OF DRAW SPAN OF INTERSTATE BRIDGE.



No. 1—Showing Span With One End Nearly 100 Feet Out of Place. Derrick Arm That Stopped It Is Seen at End of Span. No. 2—Draw Span a Few Minutes Before Storm Broke, Moving Into Place.

THEATER LEASE KEPT
Vaudeville Acts, However, Are
Barred From Empress.

MOVIES WILL BE SHOWN
Hippodrome Acts to Be Presented
at Orpheum Under New Arrange-
ment, Reported to Be Final.
Telegram Seals Agreement.

Upon his arrival in Portland yesterday Sam Harris, general manager of the Ackerman & Harris Hippodrome circuit, announced that the present Empress Theater building on the southwest corner of Stark street and Broadway would be operated by the Turner & Dahken circuit of California as a high-class movie house with concert attractions in supplement. The Ackerman & Harris firm will retain its lease on the Empress building, but will grant its use to the Turner & Dahken circuit with the understanding that no vaudeville acts will be played on the Empress stage.

Meanwhile, the Ackerman & Harris Hippodrome vaudeville acts will be staged at the present Orpheum Theater on Yamhill street and Broadway with moving pictures as auxiliaries.

Arrangement Declared Final.
"You may say that this new arrangement is absolutely final and that it will positively end the shuffling of Portland theaters insofar as the Orpheum and Empress buildings are concerned," said Mr. Harris last night.

"While on the train today, I received a telegram from Turner & Dahken, general manager of the Turner & Dahken circuit, which finally clinched the acceptance of our proposition. Mr. Johnson will arrive in Portland Friday to make arrangements for the opening of the new movie house soon after the termination of the Sullivan and Conside vaudeville run one week from Saturday night.

The Turner & Dahken concern operates the Tivoli Theater in San Francisco and a chain of 13 other movie houses in California. They have a \$25,000 organ in the Tivoli and understand a similar instrument will be installed in the Portland house.

A large symphony orchestra will be carried to render high-class concert music. I really do not know what particular pictures will be featured, but they will be high class. Nor do I know what prices will rule.

Mr. Harris and Lester Fountain, who will act as manager of the Portland Hippodrome during its opening month in Portland, left last night for Seattle to arrange for the opening of their new house here, but will return to Portland tomorrow for a conference with Mr. Johnson.

The Orpheum will close its season's run in its present quarters on Saturday and a week later the last acts controlled by the old Sullivan & Conside schedule will be run at the Empress. It is expected that ten days or a week will be required in each instance to fit the respective premises for the occupancy of the new concerns and the new classes of entertainment.

STORES BOW TO RULING

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wage, maximum hours and proper working conditions. When this body comes beyond that point it is exceeding its authority. When you pass that point you are getting on dangerous ground; I mean ground that is dangerous for the industrial welfare of the state, as every industry depends on every other.

"Still, I guess it is useless for me to stand here and argue against the sliding scale," said Mr. Joseph with an air of finality.

"Do you mean," asked A. C. Callan, a member of the Commission, "that an advance of the minimum wage has a tendency to make the minimum the maximum wage?"

"No, I can't say that," replied Mr. Joseph, "but it has a tendency in that direction."

"I can't see," commented Everett Ames, another member of the Commission, also representing the employers, how these minor changes that have been suggested are going to bring

GREAT BRIDGE SPAN
AT STORM'S MERCY

Draw Section of Interstate
Structure Saved by Luck
and Heroic Work.

GALE STRIKES SUDDENLY

Steamers Towing Barges Start From
Vancouver Shore With Sun Shin-
ing, but Soon Are in Dan-
gerous Predicament.

VANCOUVER, Wash., April 26.—(Special.)—Just as the big 1,300,000-pound draw span was about to be placed in the Columbia River Interstate bridge at 5:30 o'clock today a terrific wind and rain storm broke with such fury that the barges carrying one end of the span were blown far past the pier, and for a time conditions were extremely serious. An arm of a big derrick being used by the Pacific Bridge Company opportunistly caught the end of the span after it had passed by probably 50 feet the pier it was brought to rest upon and held it fast.

Every man working on the steamers Paloma and Hunter and on the four barges worked like Trojans and managed to keep the span in this position for half an hour, until the wind died down, and then it was pulled back and dropped into place, unharmed.

The storm came from the west bank and broke with such sudden fury that the channel of the river that it progressed was stopped.

Occasion Seems Auspicious.
Preparations for floating the span had proceeded well and all was ready for floating about 3:30 o'clock, when a heavy wind made the task somewhat dangerous, so it was decided to wait until it had died down. Shortly after 5 o'clock all looked favorable, the sky was shining and there were several hundred spectators on the Northern Pacific dock and on the shore watching operations.

The signal was given, and the 650 tons of steel in the massive span moved quietly and imposingly out into the Columbia River. Just as lines were about to be made fast the storm came with fury, and trouble loomed at once. The wind was so strong it pushed the span, barges and two steamers upstream against a strong current, and it was not until the arm of the derrick caught the end of the span near the channel of the river that its progress was stopped.

Rain Chases Spectators.
The heavy rains drove home most of the spectators, and few saw the exciting struggle taking place.

In half an hour the rain stopped and the wind calmed down, and the men on the barges and the two steamers proper position. The barges were then sunk and the heavy load slowly dropped into position.

It is expected that another span will be taken out tomorrow afternoon, if the weather is favorable.

The contractors and their heroic men reaped great praise for the manner in which they met the unlooked-for and dangerous incident.

OFFICERS ARE ELECTED
MR. NOYES AGAIN PRESIDENT OF
ASSOCIATED PRESS.
Melville E. Stone Re-elected Secretary
and General Manager—Other Offi-
cials Are Named.

NEW YORK, April 26.—At a meeting of the board of directors of the Associated Press held today, the following officers were elected: President, Frank B. Noyes, Washington, D. C.; Secretary, Joseph Pulitzer, Jr., St. Louis; Treasurer, William H. Dow, Portland, Me.; Executive Director, Melville E. Stone, re-elected; Assistant Secretary, Frederick Roy Martin, re-elected; Treasurer, J. R. Youatt, re-elected; General Manager, Melville E. Stone, re-elected; General Manager, Frederick Roy Martin, re-elected.

COIN MACHINE MANUFACTURING COMPANY IS SUEED.
C. W. Field Alleges "Defendants Con-
spired to Form Corporation With
Object of Defrauding Public."

The Coin Machine Manufacturing Company is being sued by C. W. Field, a Portland resident, for conspiracy to defraud the public. The complaint was filed in the Circuit Court yesterday by C. W. Field. Incidentally, the petitioner asks the recovery of \$800 paid in stock of the concern.

The action is brought against the incorporators of the company, T. B. Field, T. J. Port and John H. Field, lock, and the secretary of the firm, E. V. Reardon.

On June 28, 1910, the defendants conspired to form a corporation with the object of defrauding the public and particularly this plaintiff, alleges the complaint. On March 4, 1911, the plaintiff contracted for the purchase of 10 shares of capital stock for \$700, par value \$1000. He did this on the false representation, he alleges, that the corporation was a large concern with contracts, patents and patent rights to the approximate value of \$2,000,000, and that it aimed to erect manufacturing plants throughout the United States.

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Mixed Hard Candies (best for children) pound.....10c
Chocolate Dixie, 1/2 pound.....15c
Riley English Toffee, 1/4 pound.....15c
Chocolate Cream Eggs (large size), to close out two for.....5c

Lowest Electric Iron Prices
Have you an old-style HOTPOINT? Bring it to us this week and get \$2.00 off. Or you can get one without returning an old iron.
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HOTPOINT.....\$35.00
FRANTZ PREMIER.....\$32.50

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Small-size Turkey Duster.....25c
Medium-size Turkey Duster.....35c
Medium-size Carriage Duster.....\$1.00
Large-size Janitor Duster from \$1.20 to \$4.00
Flat-down Feather Duster, special.....25c
La-Flat Wool Wall Duster.....\$1.25
Blue Wool Auto Dusters from.....75c to \$1.50

Extra Special Prices
50c Java Rice Powder.....35c
50c Nigra's Milk Cream.....30c
10c Lister's Antiseptic Soap.....15c
25c Woodbury's Facial Soap.....20c
10c Kirk's Toilet Soap.....15c
50c Camelline.....40c
25c Pack's Soap.....15c
6 bars Ivory Soap.....25c
6 bars Fairy Soap.....25c
Pompeian Night Cream, 25-35-75c

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SIMS LINEUP MADE
Washington Delegation Seems
to Favor Roosevelt.

BULL MOOSE WITH G. O. P.
Port Townsend Man Heads Flying
Political Squadron and Com-
plices Convention Organ-
ization at Spokane.

SPOKANE, Wash., April 26.—(Special.)—Heading a sort of a political flying squadron, E. A. Sims, of Port Townsend, arrived in Spokane this morning for a one-day stay, completing the organization lineup of delegates to attend the Republican National convention. C. R. Maybury, clerk of the lower House of the last Legislature, and two new newspapermen, and what proved surprising Thomas Murphree, of Seattle, Progressive party leader in two legislative sessions, were in the group.

Murphree said he had no connection with the party, but was playing his own game as a candidate for a place at large to the Bull Moose National convention. Political observers say that Sims is the "frame-up" man, that is, half the Republican National delegation is to be made up of Progressive Republicans, and the other half of standbys.

Mr. Sims was in consultation today with Charles P. Lund, Judge Webster, and other local Republicans. The hard and fast alignment that is practically perfected today proved surprising in the personnel. About five out of the ten delegates to district delegates are yet undecided, but it now appears that the Republican state convention at North Yakima next week will hardly be much more than a ratification meeting.

L. Roy Slater, Progressive state chairman, called in a group of Progressives to talk with Mr. Murphree where the conversation bore strictly upon Bull Moose matters. The Seattle man was practically assured of solid support from Spokane County for a place at large upon the Progressive delegation to Seattle. There are only two other delegates to be named, to be filled by Chairman Slater, it is believed.

On the face of the Sims' lineup, Roosevelt gets six votes from the Washington delegation on the first ballot in the Republican convention at Chicago. C. E. Hughes gets three; John W. Weeks, of Massachusetts, gets one or two, and the rest are scattering. Sims pretty nearly controls its final actions.

WOMAN IS IN LIQUOR NET
Cottage Grove Resident Is First In
County Prosecuted Under Dry Law.

EUGENE, Or., April 26.—(Special.)—A woman is the defendant in the first prosecution in Lane County for violation of the prohibition law by receiving more than 21 quarts of beer or other intoxicating liquors within a period of Mrs. Mathilda L. Henderson, of Cottage Grove, is alleged to have received two shipments of beer in the maximum amount in her own name and a third shipment under a fictitious name within four weeks.

Mrs. Henderson was recently acquitted of a charge of violating the local option law.

Gresham Plans Summer School.
GRESHAM, Or., April 26.—(Special.)—Principal E. S. McCormick is considering the matter of conducting a summer school of about three weeks' term, to begin late in May or early in June. The object of the term will be to prepare teachers to take the examinations to be held on June 28. Mr. McCormick will assist pupils to obtain schools.

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It was represented, he further maintains, that the corporation was a large concern with contracts, patents and patent rights to the approximate value of \$2,000,000, and that it aimed to erect manufacturing plants throughout the United States.

All these things were untrue, contends Mr. Field, who asserts that the sole object of the corporation was to profit by forfeited contracts, which, he says, were its only assets. On January 8, 1912, he discovered fraud, he

LIQUOR QUESTION RISES
MAN FINED \$200 FOR HANDING
ADVERTISING TO ANOTHER.

**ASHLAND TEST CASE IS APPEALED TO
Higher Court—Technical Violation
Is First Brought to Trial.**

ASHLAND, Or., April 26.—(Special.)—Ranase House, proprietor of Hotel Ashland, was found guilty today of "distributing advertising matter for wholesale liquor houses outside the state," and fined \$200. The specific concern involved is a liquor store located at Hill, Cal., just over the border. In a previous trial, the charge being bootlegging, the jury in Justice Court disagreed.

Rouse will appeal to the Circuit Court from the sentence for circulating liquor advertising.

Whether or not a person in Oregon may send another a liquor circular received from California is the question to be decided by the appeal to the Circuit Court. When the District Attorney filed a complaint charging Ranase House with handing a liquor circular and order blank to a friend, one witness was called, the defense waived examination, and the \$200 fine assessed.

The case will be made a test, and will be watched with interest, as it is the first time this technical phase of the prohibition law has come into court in Oregon.

Use Coconut Oil
for Washing Hair

If you want to keep your hair in good condition, be careful what you wash it with.

Most soaps and prepared shampoos contain too much alkali. This dries the scalp, makes the hair brittle, and is very harmful. Just plain mulsified coconut oil (which is pure and entirely greaseless), is much better than the most expensive soap or anything else you can use for shampooing, as this can't possibly injure the hair.

Simply moisten your hair with water and rub it in. One or two teaspoonfuls will make an abundance of rich, creamy lather, and cleanses the hair and scalp thoroughly. The lather rinses out easily, and removes every particle of dust, dirt, dandruff and excessive oil. The hair dries quickly and evenly, and it leaves it fine and silky, bright, fluffy and easy to manage.

You can get mulsified coconut oil at most any drug store. It is very cheap, and a few ounces is enough to last everyone in the family for months.—Adv.

MEN!

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