

RAIL HEADS COMING FOR TERMINAL MEET

Carl R. Gray of Union Pacific Due Today.

SESSION OPENS THURSDAY

Adjustment of Freight and Passenger Facilities Centering at Union Station to Be Considered.

Carl R. Gray, president of the Union Pacific system, will arrive in Portland this morning to represent his line's interests at a conference that will bring to this city high officials of various railroads now using the local terminal facilities centering at the Union station. They will meet Thursday in the office of J. P. O'Brien, vice-president and general manager of the O. W. R. & N., for the purpose of adjusting differences between the so-called Hartman and Hill properties for joint usage of the terminal.

William Sproule, president of the Southern Pacific system, will reach Portland from the Spokane, Portland & Seattle, probably tomorrow. Others who will be here include L. C. Gilman, vice-president of the Great Northern, Seattle; Charles Donnelly, president of the Northern Pacific, St. Paul; Judge George T. Reid, vice-president of the Northern Pacific, Tacoma; William F. Turner, president of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle, with headquarters in Portland.

Just how long these officials will be here is not known, but it will probably be a few days, as the problems coming up for adjustment involve not only their own interests, but the city's as well, and the state public service commission and interstate commerce commission are also interested onlookers.

How to adjust their affairs so as to accommodate trains of the Great Northern and the Spokane, Portland & Seattle lines as a permanent feature, is the direct question to be settled. A truce was recently arranged between the two roads named, which are non-member tenants of the Northern Pacific terminal company, and the Southern Pacific and Union Pacific systems, tenant members, who had ordered the two out of the yards December 31, 1920.

Because of the fact that it was felt the city should have a union terminal station for freight and passengers, the city, through Mayor Baker, became interested in the subject and a committee was named, consisting of the presidents of civic clubs, to investigate the situation. Then the state commission was called in and finally an appeal was taken to the federal commission and a date was set for hearing, when the truce was called at the request of the railroads.

E. L. SMITH FUNERAL HELD

All Hood River Business Places Close as Tribute.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—All places of business were closed for two hours today while Hood River paid honor to E. L. Smith, Hood River valley's first citizen, who died at his home Saturday, aged 82. The Riverside community church was crowded with pioneers, and Rev. W. G. Eliot, pastor of the Church of Our Father in Portland and a friend of nearly 50 years' standing, delivered the funeral sermon. He read a memorial tribute written by his father, Dr. T. L. Eliot, pastor emeritus of the First Unitarian church of Portland, who was unable to attend the service because of ill health.

Mr. Smith was first master of the local Masonic lodge, a Knight Templar and Shrine member. The local lodge of Masons attended in a body, observing ritualistic services. The pallbearers, all members of the lodge, were L. N. Bower, W. H. Chipping, T. A. Reavis, W. L. Clark, George F. Stranahan, and A. J. Derby. The honorary pallbearers, all pioneers of the section, were S. F. Blythe, C. Dethman, Henry L. Howe, M. D. O'Dell, Robert Rand of Hood, and H. A. Jewett of White Salmon, Wash.

ALLEGED GAMBLERS HELD

Six Men in Jail at Vancouver and One Is Out on Bail.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—Six men were lodged in jail and a seventh was released under \$750 bail as a result of a raid on an alleged poker game at the Railroad club, Fourth and Washington streets, late Saturday night by the sheriff's office and the police department.

JURY TRIAL IS DEMANDED

Cases of Six Alleged I. W. W. Are Set to Start February 2.

Trial by jury was demanded by the six alleged members of the I. W. W. who were arrested by the police Sunday night as they attempted to hold a radical meeting at Second and Oak streets. The trials were set to start February 2 by Municipal Judge Rossmann.

DUFUR RECEIVER NAMED

A. C. Churchill Appointed Upon Request of Large Creditors.

THE DALLES, Or., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—A. C. Churchill was appointed permanent receiver for the Dufur Orchard company today by Circuit Judge Wilson.

FOSSIL SOLDIER HONORED

Glen Hoover Cited for Gallantry in Battle of Soissons.

FOSSIL, Or., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—Glen Hoover, son of Judge and Mrs. W. W. Hoover of Fossil, was cited for

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TREASURY SHORT \$300,000

Commissioners Order Immediate Road Work Where Repairs Are Found Necessary.

The assertion that there was a deficit of more than \$300,000 in the general fund of Multnomah county, with which to meet outstanding warrants, met the request of Mayor Baker, Marshall Dana and A. R. Gephart for \$10,000 with which to carry on the activities of the public welfare bureau until April 1, when the community chest movement will be under way, made of the board of county commissioners yesterday.

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MAN HIT BY TRAIN DIES

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Delegates to the Central Labor Council last night were told that the Victory co-operative laundry, which for some time has been regarded as somewhat of an unsuccessful venture, suspended Saturday night.

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