

# PORTLAND STUDIES RAILROAD DECREE

### Possible Reaction on City Is Debated Here.

## LOCAL EFFECT DISPUTED

#### Order Separating Southern and Central Pacific Roads May Be Harmful, Is Fear.

The decree of the United States supreme court ordering the separation of the Southern Pacific and Central Pacific railroad systems has loosed a flood of speculation among shippers and those familiar with railroad history of the coast. While officials of the systems affected as yet have little to say about immediate effects of the dissolution, Oregon railroad and shipping interests are busily figuring on what the future may bring forth.

Perhaps of paramount interest, as several authorities pointed out yesterday, is the question as to whether the Union Pacific will not obtain control of the Central Pacific. If the Union Pacific does this, it obtains a direct overland outlet at San Francisco, as well as Portland, as many predict will be the case, what will be the effects on Portland?

#### Proposal Not New.

Control of the Central Pacific's main line from Ogden to the San Francisco gateway by the Union Pacific is not a new proposal. In 1912 the papers were all prepared and the stage set for sale of this line to the Union Pacific. Because the sale was to include exclusive lease of the short-cut line from Sacramento to the bay, the California state railroad commission objected and the deal fell through. In 1921 the report of Professor William Z. Ripley, made to the interstate commerce commission on consolidation of rail lines, recommended that the Central Pacific be made a part of the Union Pacific. This was one of a few of his recommendations the commission did not accept.

#### Decision Is Reversed.

The interstate commission said in its findings that "the possible transfer of the Central Pacific from control of the Southern Pacific company to the Union Pacific is one of the gravest single issues calling for determination." Through 15 pages of its findings it then debated the question before reaching the conclusion that control by the Southern Pacific should not be disturbed.

Obviously the supreme court decision upsets the conclusion of the interstate commerce commission. It gives justification for Professor Ripley's recommendation.

It is said for Portland shipping interests that acquisition of a coast terminal at San Francisco by the Union Pacific might affect this city adversely, but there is no particular fear that it actually would hurt Portland.

#### Shorter Route Menaced.

Fear is expressed, however, that dissolution of the Central Pacific from the Southern Pacific may seriously delay the "Nacpac" cut-off by east and the proposed linking of Klamath Falls with the Central Pacific branch north from Fernley, Utah. The latter project would provide a much shorter eastbound route for southern Oregon products than now exists. An official of the Southern Pacific yesterday expressed the opinion that a rehearing of the whole merger suit may yet be had before the supreme court. He pointed out that the decree was that of but one judge, while there was dissent by another. The fact that the case has been before the court since 1914 might constitute another reason for the granting of a rehearing, this official held.

## BANKERS ASK GUARANTEE

#### French Family at the Dalles Has Plan for Settlement.

THE DALLES, Or., May 30.—(Special.)—Members of the French family, directors of the defunct French & Co. bank, desire a guarantee from the depositors of the bank that property owned by the estate will be considered as full settlement against claims of the creditors, before the property is placed in the hands of a trust company. It was announced today. A meeting of depositors has been called for Monday night, at which time the issue will be settled one way or another. Unless this guarantee is forthcoming, the Frenchs may refuse to turn over their property for use in liquidating the bank. Under the plan decided upon, the French property, consisting of many valuable business blocks in The Dalles, would be placed under the administration of a trust company for four years, the money realized from the same to be used in paying the depositors. If, at the end of the four-year period, 100 per cent has not been paid, enough of the property would be sold to make up the difference.

## MAXIM GORKY SHUT OUT

#### Russian Author Is Not Allowed in France to Recover Health.

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PARIS, May 30.—(Special Cable.)—Premier Poincare has aroused French literary men, the entire radical socialist press and the followers of both by refusing to allow Maxim Gorky, the Russian author, to visit France. Gorky is ill and wishes to take a rest in the south part of France. Anatole France, Romain Rolland and Henri Barbusse have made a personal appeal to the government to allow the Russian to recover his health on French soil, but the Poincare cabinet has refused to heed their requests. Now a huge petition is being signed by deputies, authors and artists belonging to all parties, but there is no sign of the government relenting.

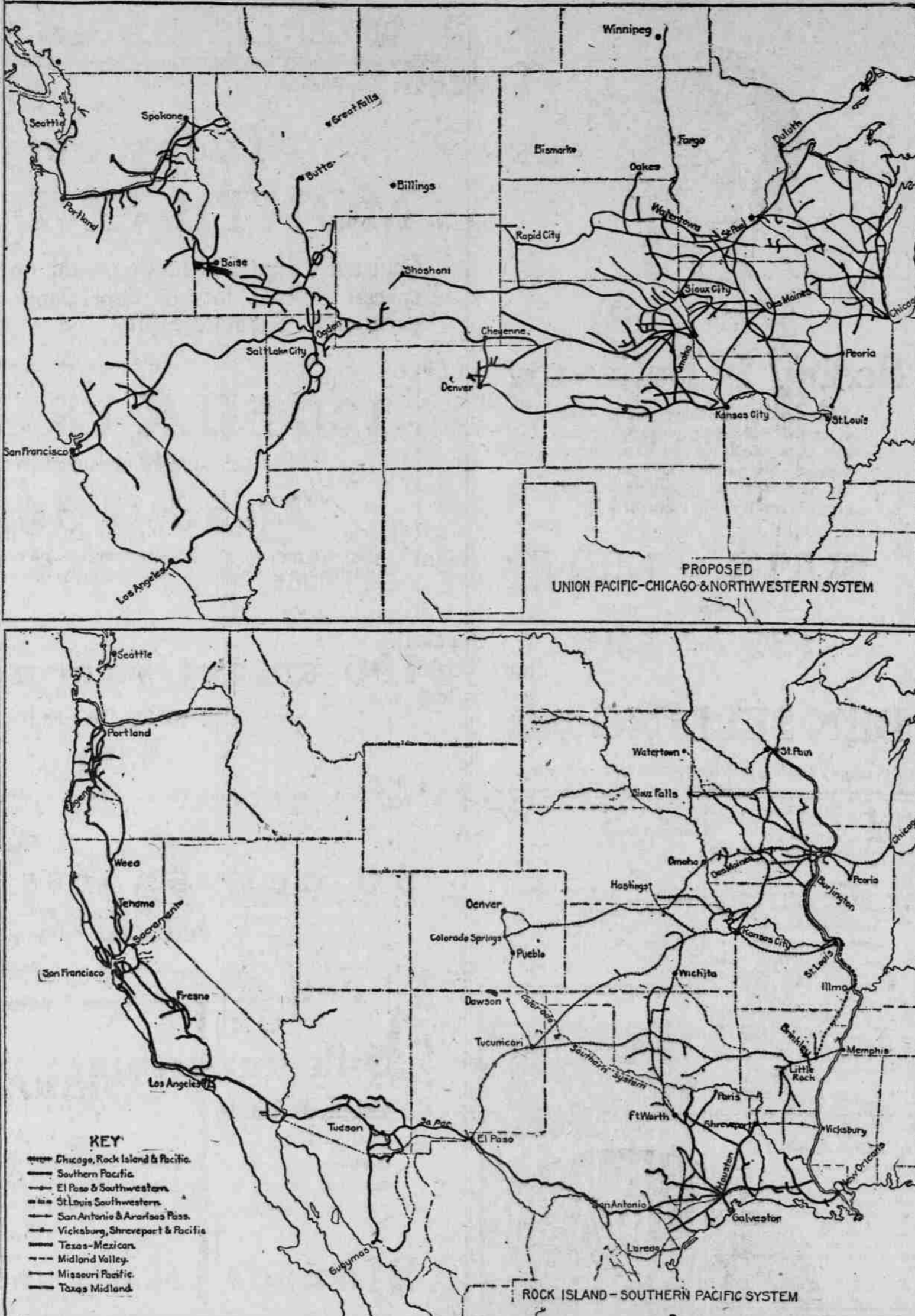
## Auto Park to Open.

REDMOND, Or., May 30.—(Special.)—The public automobile campgrounds of Redmond will be thrown open to the traveling public June 1. It is electrically lighted, it has running water, a large community house containing a range and all necessary furniture and plenty of fuel. S. B. Whitten will be on the job at all times to give to the travelers any information needed and to see that they are made comfortable.

## Redmond Graduates 22.

REDMOND, Or., May 30.—(Special.)—Graduation exercises were held Saturday afternoon at the gymnasium for 22 students who had just completed the eighth grade at Redmond.

## RAILROAD SYSTEMS AS POSSIBLY AFFECTED BY SUPREME COURT DECISION AGAINST SOUTHERN PACIFIC.



ABOVE—UNION PACIFIC AS IT WOULD LOOK WITH LINES OF CENTRAL PACIFIC ADDED TO PRESENT HOLDINGS. BELOW—SOUTHERN PACIFIC LINES AS LEFT BY DECREE ANNOUNCED MONDAY.

## DRAINAGE TOUR IS DUE

#### WILLAMETTE VALLEY WORK TO BE INSPECTED.

State Association Signs Up 20 Cars for Trip Planned for June 1, 2 and 3.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, May 30.—(Special.)—The three-day field tour of Willamette valley wet lands by the Oregon State Drainage association, June 1, 2 and 3, is expected to speed up drainage and improvement of the 1,000,000 acres in western Oregon. Officers of the association, drainage specialists from the United States department of agriculture and the state college, and farmers interested in drainage reclamation, will inspect wet and drained areas on both sides of the river. The itinerary of the tour is as follows: Thursday—Start from Marion hotel, Salem, and inspect the plant and Lake Labish reclamation. Luncheon with chamber of commerce. Arrive at Albany 2:30 p.m. Inspection of Albany bottom project. Visit Oak creek and other nearby projects, and farm of Percy Stearns, which has been successfully tilled. Go by way of Plainview to Brownville and examine Sodom ditch, to Coburg by County creek, Rowland and Coburg projects. Irrigation projects on way to Eugene, where entertainments will be provided by chamber of commerce. Friday—Start from concrete works and visit Long Tom and Amazon projects west of Eugene, see ditching at Meadowview, and inspect projects at Muddy, north of Florence, reaching Corvallis for luncheon by the association in the college tea room. Observe students in drainage work laying

## DAMASCUS HAS FIGHTS

#### Serious Disorders Reported in Many Large Cities of Syria.

DAMASCUS, May 30.—(By the Associated Press.)—Serious disorders are occurring here and in many of the large cities of Syria as the result of the arrest of Dr. Shaukandar, the French high commander, has just arrived in Beirut from Paris and has taken personal charge of the situation, which is regarded as grave. In spite of threats made by General Gouraud that he would resort to stern measures in dealing with anyone who might be found desirous of disturbing public security, fresh disturbances again occurred in Hama, Hama, Aleppo, Daraa and Hauran, necessitating the dispatch of troops to quell the rioters. All the prisons are filled with revolutionists. In a statement issued to the press, General Gouraud attempted to regain the confidence of the people by telling them of new arrangements reached between himself and the French government and French societies for the economic development of the country.

## Hood River to Graduate 36.

HOOD RIVER, Or., May 30.—(Special.)—An upper valley resident yesterday told of the burning of the class of 1922 of the Hood River high school will be held at the school auditorium Thursday evening, when the address will be delivered by B. F. Irvine of Portland. The baccalaureate sermon was preached at the Riverside Community church Sunday morning by the pastor, Rev. W. H. Boddy. The class is composed of 24 girls and 12 boys.

## Hood River Orchard Home Burns.

HOOD RIVER, Or., May 30.—An upper valley resident here yesterday announced news of the burning of the home of Walter E. Mason, pioneer orchard developer of the community and goods roads enthusiast. The fire, which resulted in a damage of \$5000, partly covered by insurance, was caused by a defective kitchen chimney. But a small amount of furniture and household goods was saved.

## Auto Camp Popular.

HOOD RIVER, Or., May 30.—(Special.)—Recent warm days have made the free automobile camping park here one of the most popular places

## Virginia Apple Crop Failure.

HOOD RIVER, Or., May 30.—(Special.)—Advises received here from W. F. Wagner, owner of a Willow flat orchard place, who resides at Philadelphia, were to the effect that the frosts prevailing last month over Virginia cut down the year's apple crop in the commercial districts of that state by 70 per cent. Mr. Wagner wrote, however, that the peach crop of the state would be up to the 10-year average.



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#### TUMALO RECLAMATION PROJECT TO BE COMPLETED.

Portland Contracting Company Agrees to Perform Work for \$317,751.75.

Portland at a bid of \$317,751.75, a cost of virtually \$29 an acre. Bonds will be taken in payment. C. M. Redfield of Bend, for many years engineer for the Central Oregon Irrigation company, has been named district engineer, and under his direction work will be started at once on the construction of a diversion dam across the Deschutes within the city limits of Bend, and on a canal to carry surplus flow of the river, which will be insured by storage at Crescent lake, to the Tumalo feed canal.

Total cost of the reclamation project including the bid on the work which the United Contracting company will have charge of, will amount to \$500,000, according to F. N. Wallace, secretary of the district board of directors. Metal flumes will be used in conveying the water.

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