

DOWN THE NORTH BANK OF RIVER

Northern Pacific Now Ready to Build.

SURVEYORS ARE IN THE FIELD

Kennewick to Vancouver Is Company's Plan.

SECURES RIGHT OF WAY

Teams and Equipment Sent to Begin Work at Cape Horn and Permanent Headquarters at Vancouver Rented.

RAILROAD FOR NORTH BANK.

Doubts that may have existed regarding the identity of the railroad backing the engineering work being done along the north bank of the Columbia seem to have been entirely set at rest by the latest developments, and it is disclosed through various channels that the Northern Pacific has practically completed the preliminaries and is about ready to begin construction.

Definite announcement of Northern Pacific plans will be made within a few days, it is asserted, by President Howard Elliott of the Northern Pacific, who is to visit Portland. Engineers have detailed upon the location of bridges to span the Columbia and the Willamette as well as the location of the entire line which is to diverge from the present line of the Northern Pacific at Kennewick.

Officers for the engineering corps in charge of the work of construction have been opened at Vancouver, the base extending over a long period, and men are already being employed to start work at Cape Horn.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Sept. 9.—(Special.)

It was tipped off here tonight that bids are soon to be called for on the construction work of the road to be built down the north bank of the Columbia. A railroad contractor gives the information, and states further that he has every assurance that the Northern Pacific people are behind the move. The contractor holds inside information, which he cannot well divulge, but he says President Elliott and other Northern Pacific officials will be in Portland this coming week, when certain definite announcements will be made.

The spreading of this news among interested persons here has naturally aroused a great degree of excitement. It was during the present week that surveying parties were put off the steamer Regulator at points between Washougal and Stevenson. Passengers aboard the steamer state that the camping accommodations of the surveying party bore the marks of Northern Pacific stencils.

Merchants at Lytle last month cashed Northern Pacific pay checks for a number of surveyors, which to many is more assurance that the operations along the north bank of the Columbia this summer have been under the direction of the Northern Pacific Railroad.

Right of Way Agent Busy.

A. R. Upright, of Tacoma, the right-of-way agent who has been operating at White Salmon and Lytle during the past two months, as much as said one time that he was in the employ of the Northern Pacific. The people along the line of the proposed road do not want to believe anything else, unless it be the Great Northern. Possibly the two lines are working together under the guidance of Hill. Any intimation that the operations have been only a blind on the part of Harriman has always sent a chill over the community of White Salmon, the growing metropolis of Western Klickitat, whose people are anxiously awaiting the day when construction work on the north bank route will really begin.

Mr. Upright was here yesterday, having held a conference the other day with some of the landowners at White Salmon and Underwood who are still holding out for a stiff price for rights-of-way. Mr. Upright continued on to The Dalles. That city is where he makes his headquarters. The Dalles is also the headquarters of the Great Southern, the road which will be completed to Dufur this coming week. A few weeks ago the story was passed around that the Great Southern was a Hill enterprise.

Northern Pacific Earmarks.

An old railroad engineer as he looked over the rolling stock of the new road declared he could see the earmarks of Northern Pacific property. This led many to believe that Hill was laying plans to enter the very heart of Harriman's territory in Oregon. When asked how he was to get his freight from The Dalles into Portland, President Heimrich replied that he would see to that all right, and it was hinted that a ferry would carry the cars to a north-bank road yet to be built.

The buying of terminal grounds by the Northern Pacific in Portland is regarded as propitious, as is also the rumor that the Columbia River North and the Regulator line of steamers have been purchased by this same

railroad, a report which has never been denied. Mr. Upright has been working on right-of-way matters since the middle of May. He said yesterday that he had everything cleared up, with but one or two exceptions, at White Salmon, and one piece of orchard land in Clark County. Cash payments have been made for right-of-way land and Mr. Upright holds a bunch of options on which he is securing abstracts of title. The proposed road, Mr. Upright says, will leave the Northern Pacific at Kennewick and follow the Columbia River to Vancouver.

CONFIRMED AT VANCOUVER

Every Indication Shows Plans of Northern Pacific.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Sept. 9.—(Special.)—The people of Vancouver have again revived their lost hope of a railroad up the north bank of the Columbia River, and are becoming enthusiastic over the matter, and besides they have fond hopes for a bridge at this point.

From several recent moves on the part of railroad officials it is evident that some enterprise is under way. Three carloads of horses reached this city today, and it is reported that eight more will arrive some time tonight. They will be sent by boat tomorrow up the river a distance of about 27 miles to Cape Horn, where it is stated from reliable authority that work will start Monday morning. All the railroad officials here are reticent about the matter, and everything seems to be carried on "on the quiet." The recent purchase of the Sampson place, near Cape Horn, and the purchase of the Kline property, at Washougal, together with the fact that a gasoline launch has been chartered for the use of the surveyors, all are evidence that work is under way. Also it is stated that men are being employed and sent to Cape Horn, where the work is to be started.

The matter of a railway has been pending for several years, and the time is now ripe for action. Besides the option on several parts of the right of way are about to expire, and unless work is begun at once the company will lose it right.

The chief engineer of the Northern Pacific is in this city, and offices have been established in the Packard building, and it is stated they are contracted for a period of three years.

From the present indications there is evidence of actual operations at the present time.

FIGHTING STILL GOES ON

Skirmishes Along Whole Front Cause Useless Slaughter.

GODZADANIA, Manchuria, Sept. 9.—(Delayed in transmission.)—Despite the fact that dispatches from St. Petersburg have announced that a treaty of peace has been signed, the war operations have not ceased, and both sides stand ready for a fight.

Skirmishes have taken place daily during the past three days along the entire front, and each day has seen the shedding of blood uselessly. The casualties during the three days amount to three officers and eight men killed, and about 90 wounded.

According to reports, the Japanese are concentrating considerable forces beyond their left flank in the Hainan district.

TAGGART CASE MADE ISSUE

Prohibits Resurrect Old Fight on the Army Canteen.

CHICAGO, Sept. 9.—The Taggart case was elevated to the dignity of a political issue by the prohibition convention in session today. The strongest plank in the platform adopted denounced the amazing shameful condition of drunkenness and immorality that was declared to exist in the army by witnesses under oath in the Taggart divorce trial at Wooster, O. The old fight on the army canteen was declared to be justified by the conditions disclosed, and President Roosevelt was called upon to supplement the law abolishing the canteen by executive order, insisting on sobriety among both officers and men on pain of severe punishment.

"A drunken army is a national peril," was the keynote of the plank.

ELKINS FOR RATE CONTEST

Calls Senate Committee to Draw Bill to Suit President.

NEW YORK, Sept. 9.—Senator S. R. Elkins, of West Virginia, chairman of the Senate committee on interstate commerce, announced today that he had issued a call to members of the committee to meet in Washington on November 16, to frame a bill providing for railroad rate supervision and regulation by the government, to be introduced at the coming session of Congress.

Mr. Elkins said he was convinced that this action was inevitable, and that he would co-operate in passing a bill satisfactory to the President.

FEMINE BULL-FIGHTERS

Novelty Promised Over the Line From Tia Juana.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Sept. 9.—Bull-fighting with female picadores, torreadores and matadores is the next sensation announced to take place at Tia Juana, just over the line in Lower California. The female bull-fighters are coming here from Old Mexico and to give exhibitions September 17 and 24. The women have taken the names of La Chiquita, La Conita and La Mexicana. They promise that at least one bull shall be killed on each of the days mentioned. Excursions will run from Los Angeles and from here.

French Parliament Soon to Meet.

PARIS, Sept. 9.—The Council of Ministers has decided on the reassembling of Parliament either October 17 or October 30, the date depending on the wishes of the Presidents of the two Chambers.

HOO HOO AND ITS KITTENS

Greatest Concatenation Held in History of Order at Portland.

OPEN EYES OF YOUNGSTERS

Two Hundred and Twenty New Members Are Taught the Mysteries Imparted by the Great Sacred Black Cat.

The great sacred black cat has 220 playful new kittens. The record has been broken, and last night the roof swarmed with scampering dusky figures as the old cats opened the eyes of the youngsters at the Armory. Hoo Hoo is swarming and enthusiastic, and has taken possession of the city. Portland is a healthy place for the order, and the 14th annual meeting now in session is the largest ever held in the history of Hoo Hoo. Last night the largest number of initiates ever taken into the order at any one time were given the degree of the playful kitten. In April of this year, at Fort Worth, 30 new members were initiated at one meeting, but Portland now has the palm, for last night the class graduated at the Armory numbered 220 lumbermen and men engaged in the handling of lumber. Besides being the largest class, the concatenation was held in the largest room in the history of the order, there were more members of the Supreme Nine in attendance than at any time before, there was a larger number of the lay members on hand to see the fun, and there was more enthusiasm over the meeting than has ever been shown before. In every way, it is the greatest success in the history of Hoo Hoo, and the Portland committee that have been working for the meeting are tired, but proud and glad.

Yesterday morning the meeting was called to order at 9:30 o'clock in the Marquam Theater, and the visitors were welcomed to the state and the city, but the biggest and the most important meeting of the day, and perhaps of the session, was the concatenation held during the evening at the Armory. It was then that the class of 220 was initiated, and the session on the roof followed.

At the concatenation, C. D. Rourke, the snark of the universe, presided, assisted by the remaining officers of the order. Mr. Rourke was assisted directly by J. S. Hamilton, A. C. Ramsey, the senior, was assisted by H. B. Van Dusen, F. B. Cole, the junior, had no assistant. George V. Denny, the bojun, was assisted by H. A. Sargent, G. W. Cornwall, the scrivener, was assisted by J. H. Baird, A. H. Potter, the jabberwock, was assisted by L. C. Jameson, E. S. Higgins, custodian, was assisted by F. H. Durham, G. I. Jones, arcanoper, was assisted by F. F. Fraxer, and C. H. Hobbs, the gurdon, was assisted by R. B. Magruder. All took part in the mysterious rites of opening the eyes of the kittens who were ushered into Hoo Hoo land.

List of Initiates.

This class was composed of the following men, many of them well known to the lumbermen of the Northwest: A. H. Averill, G. O. Graves, J. O. Humphreys, W. F. Dillon, Joseph Gripper, J. F. Clark and C. H. Brown, Portland; Charles T. Early, Hood River, Or.; J. E. Cameron, Menominee, Or.; C. H. Hafer, Medford, Or.; B. C. Miles, Newberg, Or.; C. K. Spaulding, Frank M. Brown, Salem, Or.; R. J. F. Thurston, Crawfordville; J. W. MacKenzie, Portland; M. F. Dixon, Bridal Veil, Or.; H. B. Sattum, Knappa, Wash.; A. Glover, Charles F. Hogan, John P. Miller, A. C. Morry, Sellwood, Or.; P. J. Britz, J. W. Vance, C. C. Patrick, C. A. Hayden, Frank R. Patton, Astoria, Or.; N. D. Bain, Seaside, Or.; E. E. Ellsworth, Carlton, Or.; A. H. McDonald, W. C. McBride, H. D. Newberry, C. W. Cather, Portland; John A. Shaw, Mills City; Andrew Swanson, A. S. Frosch, J. S. Crumby, Seaside, Or.; G. H. Hamilton, Portland; Robert S. Shaw, Mills City, Or.; R. E. Ryan, Falls City, Or.; John A. Cunningham, Carlton, Or.; R. A. Marshall, Abner S. Blair, B. S. Holman, Portland; J. W. Hupp, S. B. Hicks, Seattle; J. S. Ready, A. M. Dickinson, J. M. Fowler, University Park, Or.; Alfred F. Smith, Charles Deyette, Portland; William Gorman, Stella, Wash.; M. G.

Following the meeting of the morning the afternoon was spent in various ways by the delegates. An oyster feast was given at the Washington building during the afternoon. The rest of the time was spent in taking the Exhibition and going with friends. In the evening the

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SOLDIERS KEEP PEACE AT TOKIO

Military and Police Patrols at Legations and Newspaper Offices.

ITO'S STATUE IS RESCUED

Publishment of Peace Terms and Announcement That Diet Will Meet Calm Public—Cabinet Expected to Resign.

TOKIO, Sept. 9.—(5 P. M.)—(Delayed in transmission.)—A few crowds collected at various points today and this evening and made slight demonstrations against the police stations, but there was nothing fighting nor disorder. General Sakuma, who established his headquarters at the War office and directed the military operations and policing of the city from there, has withdrawn the guards from the foreign legations, which are deemed to be in no danger and without the necessity of strong protection. However, sentries in small squads continue to watch the legations and the military patrols have been extended in order to completely protect the city.

No More Churches Attacked.

There have been no further demonstrations against churches or missions. It was feared for a time that the crowds might menace the larger foreign missionary establishments at Tsukiji and Aoyama, but the principal establishments have not been disturbed.

The suspension of street-car traffic at sundown has made the city more quiet than usual, and in several districts guards have patrolled the deserted streets. The police lines about the Kokumini office have been drawn in around the building.

The situation in other cities is being keenly watched. Apparently the trouble is no spreading. There has been some disorder at Chiba, Kobe and Kyoto, though it has not been serious. Anti-peace meetings which are being held in some cities and towns are passing resolutions denouncing the settlement at Portsmouth, but are not interfering with unless they result in breaches of the peace.

Ito's Statue Recovered.

The desecration of the statue of Marquis Ito at Kobe is generally resented and deplored. It is pronounced to have been an act of irresponsible rowdies. It is reported tonight that the statue was recovered and conveyed to a workshop lying in Kobe harbor.

Better feeling followed the conferences at Premier Katsura's house today, the actual provisions of the treaty proving slightly more satisfactory than had been expected. This had a tendency to allay resentment against the government, and the Premier's promise that there would be a session of the Diet in October also tends to improve the situation.

There is a growing belief that physical violence will speedily end, and that the opponents of the government will use only ordinary political methods. It is generally believed that the Katsura Cabinet will retire when the Diet meets.

TALKING INSTEAD OF RIOTING

Tokio Settles Down to Political Agitation and Counting Injured.

TOKIO, Sept. 9.—(5:30 P. M.)—It continues to be quiet, and public excitement and apprehension is subsiding. While active political agitation continues, the prospect of additional violence is decreasing.

It is impossible to obtain accurate figures of the killed and injured during the rioting. Many of the wounded were conveyed to their homes, thus concealing their condition.

The Barristers' Association is gathering statistics of the killed and wounded and it is probable it will report an accurate list later. The number of arrests is withheld, but it is estimated that it will amount to many hundred.

UNDECURRENT OF ANGER

Tokio Recovers From Disturbance, but Still Condemns Treaty.

TOKIO, Sept. 9.—(5:30 P. M.)—General

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EXPLOSION WIPES OUT POWDER MILL

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WHOLE TOWNS SHAKEN

Terrific Effects of Disaster at Fairchance, Pennsylvania—One Man Survives After Being Tossed in Air.

Dead, Missing and Injured.

CLYDE WOOD, stenographer, aged 19. GEORGE LEWELLYN, aged 18, son of George Lewellyn. HOMER HUGHES, aged 16. ELMER HUMPHREY, aged 20, married. JAMES BREKIRON, aged 21. SLACK WILSON, aged 21. GEORGE MARTIN, aged 21, single. IRAC METCALF, aged 20, single. HOMER WILSON, age not given. FRED WATERSTRAW, age not given. FRED WATERSTRAW, JR., a cousin, age not given.

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Sakuma's instructions to the troops preserving order in the capital have produced a favorable impression. Since the proclamation of martial law there has been no act of violence necessitating the use of arms. Order has apparently been restored. The feeling of unrest has subsided considerably. Street-cars, which were suspended last night, will resume their usual service this evening.

There is every indication, however, of an undercurrent of dissatisfaction verging on indignation against the peace terms among the educated.

CALLS TREATY HUMILIATING

Progressive Party Denounces Government for That and Tokio Riots.

TOKIO, Sept. 9.—The council of the Progressive party held a meeting today and passed a resolution strongly condemning the government for concluding a peace that is termed humiliating and one that resulted in an uprising in Tokio, necessitating martial law. Count Okuma, the leader of the party, was absent, owing to illness. The resolution reads as follows:

"The peace concluded by our plenipotentiaries is opposed to the purpose of the war, forfeits the fruits of victory and is diametrically against the national interest. It is a lasting humiliation, and the government must be held responsible therefor.

"The inefficiency of the police, resulting in the proclamation of martial law and

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