

MOUNT HOOD ROAD'S GOAL SALT LAKE

Line Is Not a Purely Local Affair.

IS LINK IN THE ROCK ISLAND

Will Make Portland Terminus of Still Another Great Transcontinental.

BACKED BY CLARK MILLIONS

Complete Connection Made by Moffat's Denver Railway.

HARRIMAN BEATEN IN RACE

Proposed Extension From This City Will Give Central Oregon Long-Wished Railroad—Trains to Be Hauled by Electric Power.

There is abundant reason to believe that Portland and Salt Lake City are soon to be connected by a new link in a transcontinental railroad chain...

When Senator Clark first placed his stamp of approval on the maps of the locating engineers for the San Pedro, Los Angeles & Salt Lake it was a part of the proposed construction to extend one arm of the new transportation system to Oregon.

Link in Rock Island System. With secrecy that smacks of the previous conquests of George Gould, but which, it is believed by persons well advised, is in reality the linking of the Rock Island system and the Moffat Railroad between Denver and Salt Lake City...

toward Central Nevada to the eastern terminus at Salt Lake City.

Surprise to Engineers. It may surprise some engineers to learn that a route has been found by which the line will make a gradual ascent of Mount Hood, to the southeast of that eminence and through to the upper Deschutes on a compensating grade of less than 1 per cent.

Approaching the Deschutes at a point not far from the mouth of Warm Springs Creek, it will follow up the Deschutes, cross the spur of Walkers Range and thence proceed in a southerly course to the drainage of Sprague River and thence up that stream to



E. P. Clark, President of Mount Hood Railway & Power Company.

the southeast, through the Klamath Indian reservation and thence in a nearly direct line to Winnemucca.

Tap Irrigated Districts.

The main line will be built with regard to the shortest mileage and best route, while branches are projected to tap the irrigated districts of Crook, Klamath and Lake Counties, but these are to follow the completion of the through line which is just at present the objective feature of the entire enterprise.

Engineers have been over the route repeatedly, parties having easily ascertained the secret of their purpose and work because of the activity of the Harriman system engineers in the same territory.

One route would divert from that above outlined near the south boundary of Crook County and thence follow what would be an almost air line past Silver Lake, Summer Lake through the big timber around Paisley and the Chewacuan and thence by way of Lakeview.

Called on Senator Clark.

An Oregon man heavily interested in Coos Bay was a member of a committee that called on Senator W. A. Clark several years ago to acquaint him with the advantages of the Oregon Coast as an outlet to tidewater and was informed by Mr. Clark that it was the intention to build into Oregon as soon as the Los Angeles line could be finished.

Moffat a Dangerous Rival.

Another antagonist to arouse the ire of the Union Pacific powers has been the Denver, Northwestern & Pacific, generally referred to in the newspapers as "the

CHOOSE BRYAN TO GET RID OF HIM

Democrats Hope for Another Defeat.

ONLY WAY TO KILL RADICALS

Admits Party Has Slim Chance of Success.

END PERENNIAL CANDIDATE

Bryan Less Dangerous to Party as Choice for President Than as a Radical Leader—Let Him Lead Forlorn Hope.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 28.—(Special.)—Since the autumnal influx of members of Congress set in, investigation among the Democratic contingent has developed a feeling regarding W. J. Bryan and next year's presidential campaign that is peculiar, to say the least, and would create a great sensation if the obligation not to use names and quotation marks was removed.

A good many Democrats are on record as favoring the nomination of Mr. Bryan for a third time, but the reason they want him has nothing to do with any hope of party success in 1908.

Thorn in Side of Party.

It is asserted by Democratic leaders that Mr. Bryan will be a thorn in the side of the party as long as a certain section of the rank and file believes he has a chance to win an election.

Work of Shopworn Candidate.

These paradoxical Democrats, who are in favor of Mr. Bryan's nomination because at heart they are against him, admit privately that their party is in desperate straits.

ANNOUNCE CANDIDACY DEC. 7

Nebraska Democracy Arranges Dollar Banquet in Bryan's Honor.

OMAHA, Neb., Sept. 28.—(Special.)—The long-planned Democratic lovefeast, at which the peevish one is to announce his willingness to be slaughtered for the third time for his party's good, is finally fixed for December 7.

It will be a silver dollar dinner, Democratic in every sense of the word, with all the catches set out on the table

for the guests to help themselves. One thousand guests will be invited. "We hope Mr. Bryan will honor us by making announcement of his candidacy for the Presidency during his address on the evening of December 7," said the Mayor.

SOON FIX FARM LIMIT

Secretary Garfield Deliberating as to the Acreage.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Sept. 28.—Secretary Garfield will fix the farm unit for the Unsettled Irrigation project as soon as he decides whether ten or 20 acres of that land is ample to support a family.

Official Investigation Reveals Unsavory Facts Concerning E. S. Radding—Unions Suspect Him of Being a Spy.

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principals, it is believed others are implicated. In fact, the Police Department has a clear lead upon which several officers are working to establish that the plot was devised by men who might benefit by the beaming of Mayor Lane's character. Radding, Mrs. Waymire and possibly Mandelary were only the dupes of these conspirators, it is alleged.

Radding, the ex-secretary of the Labor party's campaign committee, who admits he is the man who smashed in Mayor Lane's door when Mrs. Waymire's screams were heard in the office, secured his release on bail in the sum of \$500 late last night. Mandelary, who went to the Hamilton building with Radding and awaited the woman's screams, also secured bail. The two men left the station with their lawyer, Seneca Fouts.

Both Protest Innocence.

Mandelary still professed to have no guilty knowledge of the affair, while Radding said he had nothing to fear.

as he did nothing more serious than to respond to cries for help where help was needed. The formal charge against the two men, as against Mrs. Waymire, is attempting to extort property. The complainant is Thomas G. Greene, a friend of Mayor Lane's, and a Police Commissioner.

When Mrs. Waymire was arrested at Vancouver, she took a stand similar to that maintained by Radding. At first she declined to make any statement of her case, but later was induced to give her story of the occurrence. She flatly denied Mayor Lane's charges against her.

The woman did not seem in the least agitated when taken to the Clark County Jail by the Sheriff.

No Cause for Worry.

"I have done nothing wrong over which I need worry," she said over and over.

She is a strikingly handsome woman, possibly a trifle stout. She has large brown eyes and an abundance of black hair attractively arranged. She says her age is 29 years, although she looked to be at least 24. She was neatly but not flashily dressed and wore a broad band wedding ring and another ring with a small diamond. While she seemed retiring in the presence of the officers, there was nevertheless a suggestion of boldness in her expression and manner.

In answer to questions she told an Oregonian representative that she came to Portland, March 14 of this year, from Oklahoma. Her former home was a small settlement named Stigley, near Muskogee, Okla., she said. She came here following separation from her husband, giving their only child into his keeping under an agreement. That the woman was truthful in this respect is indicated by mail from Oklahoma intercepted by the police.

Admits Her Identity.

"I admit that I am the lady who was in Mayor Lane's office Thursday night and who screamed for help," she said. "I did not intend to blackmail any one—I was only protecting myself," she added.

Mrs. Waymire had no explanation to offer for Radding's presence in the building. She said she did not know the man was there until after he broke in the doors. While admitting she was acquainted with Radding, she denied that they were close friends. As to Mandelary she denied having ever heard of him before the announcement was made of his arrest in connection with the affair. In presenting her side of the affair, which she did reluctantly,

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EIGHT ARE KILLED BY CARELESSNESS

Passenger Train Demolished in Ohio.

ALL IN SMOKING CAR MANGLED

Trains Brought Together by Neglect to Throw Switch.

ENGINEER ROASTED ALIVE

"Spring Chicken" Company Has a Narrow Escape, but Loses Musical Director's Conducting Arm.

General Manager on Scene.

WHEELING, W. Va., Sept. 28.—Fifteen men were killed and a score injured, several fatally, at Bellaire, Ohio, this afternoon, when the Chicago and Wheeling express, on the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, crashed into a freight train which was moving slowly onto a siding. The dead: MICHAEL HEINZE, Wheeling; WILLIAM SHAW, Wheeling; CARL BERAN, Milwaukee; N. GALBRAITH, freight engineer, Newark, Ohio; F. E. MOTZ, freight conductor, Newark, Ohio; HARRY SEITZ, Massillon, Ohio; H. A. LIPSCOMB, passenger engineer, Newark; E. L. ROSS, Cleveland; W. D. DOSANT; D. N. KNEBB; E. J. BLUMBAUGH, mail clerk, Newark, Ohio; BENEY DALY, Pittsburg.

Sixteen others were hurt, mostly residents of this city.

Failed to Throw Switch.

The wreck was due, it is said, to the failure of an operator to throw a switch. The west-bound freight had received orders to meet the passenger at the western limits of the Bellaire yards and was moving slowly along the siding, where the wreck occurred there is a sharp curve, which prevents the engineers of east-bound trains from seeing more than a few feet ahead. The passenger train swung around the curve rapidly, being three hours late, and should have gone in safety on the main line. The switch had not been thrown and the train shot into the freight.

All in Smoker Dead or Injured.

The worst damage was done to the smoker, which was telescoped by the baggage car. Every occupant of the smoker was injured or killed. The passengers in the day coach and two Pullmans were tumbled from their seats but not seriously hurt. N. Galbraith, the engineer, was burned to a crisp by escaping steam.

General Manager Fitzgerald, who was in the neighborhood on an inspection tour, and General Superintendent W. C. Loree, of Wheeling, superintended the rescue work.

Opera Company Escapes.

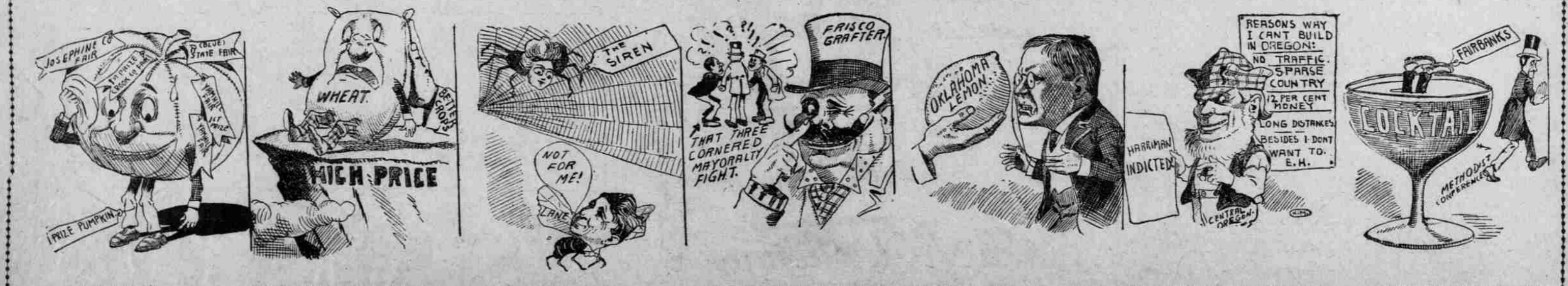
Among the passengers were the members of the Richard Charles "Spring Chicken" Opera Company, which was to have played at Wheeling this evening. All the members of the company escaped serious injury. A. Enby, the musical director. It was found necessary to amputate his right arm.

At the office of Mr. Loree tonight it was said that the officials were not yet certain who was to blame for the accident, but a thorough investigation is under way.

Willie Shoots Out Ethel's Eyes.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Sept. 28.—Ethel Rokitka, aged 9, is in a Vancouver hospital suffering from a gunshot wound. She will undoubtedly lose the sight of both eyes. Yesterday she visited a neighbor's house. She had a quarrel with Willie Byrd, aged 10. The lad ordered her to go home; she refused and sat down on a doorstep. The boy seized a rifle and fired. The bullet plowed through her temple.

HARRY MURPHY TAKES A HASTY GLANCE AT A FEW IMPORTANT EVENTS OF THE WEEK



His Busy Month. Was He Held or Was He Pushed? The Lady and the Fly Harry. Here's Where Our Tough Friend Gets In. Look Pleasant, Please, Mr. President. That'll Hold Him for Awfully Longer. The Wrong Drink and Not the Right Cherry.