

WESTERN LINES OF ST. PAUL UNITED

Corporation to Be Known as Chicago, Milwaukee and Puget Sound.

CAPITAL IS \$100,000,000

Headquarters Established in Seattle and H. R. Williams Made Manager—Officers to Control 1400 Miles of Railroad.

SEATTLE, Jan. 2.—(Special.)—Chicago, Milwaukee and Puget Sound is the name of the railroad company which was formed in this city today to take over the holdings of the four subsidiary state railroad corporations which were formed to extend the Milwaukee to the Pacific. These roads, known as the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul of Washington, of Idaho, of Montana and of South Dakota, went out of existence today and from Monday on the Missouri River to this city an independent company acquires exact and close commercial connections from the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul.

With the change of the company came an increase of capitalization to \$100,000,000, the largest ever in the history of the Washington & Idaho companies to the presidency of the new company and the positive establishment of the headquarters of the new company in this city. The board of directors was increased from three to 13, most of the new directors being Seattle men who are identified in some official capacity with the company. Mr. Williams will continue as chairman of the board.

TO ISSUE 4 PER CENT BONDS Present Company to Take Up Issue, Is New York Report.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—Preliminary steps have been taken toward the capitalization of the Pacific Coast extension of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway Company, which will provide for a total bonded debt of \$200,000,000, covering the extension, should that amount be necessary.

The first step was taken, it was announced today, at a meeting of stockholders of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway Company, which was held in Seattle last Thursday, when the capital stock of the company was increased from \$3,000,000 to \$100,000,000 and the corporate name changed to the Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound Railway Company, which will control the Pacific Coast extension. Under the laws of Washington, a company's bonded debt cannot exceed twice the amount of its capital stock, and it is understood that eventually an issue of \$100,000,000 first mortgage 4 per cent bonds will be authorized. The entire capital stock of \$100,000,000 is to be held in the treasury of the parent company, the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway Company, which is a Wisconsin corporation and none of it, it is understood, is at any time to be offered for sale.

OPERATION FAILS TO SAVE Mrs. Rhoda Williams, of Oregon City, Dies in Hospital.

OREGON CITY, Or., Jan. 2.—(Special.)—Mrs. Rhoda Williams, wife of Daniel W. Williams, of this city, died at 5 o'clock yesterday at St. Vincent's Hospital at Portland, aged 60 years. She was born in Glasgow, Scotland, in 1848. She was married in 1868 to Daniel W. Williams, of Oregon City, who died last April. She had been ill for several months and was taken to Portland for an operation, in the hope that her life might be saved.

WEDDINGS SHOW INCREASE More Marriages in Old Yamhill in 1908 Than Previous Years.

YAMHILL, Or., Jan. 2.—(Special.)—Data on file in the office of the County Clerk show that the people of old Yamhill have loved each other better during the 12 months just ended than they did during the previous 12 months, as indicated by the number of marriages licensed. There were 190 permits to wed issued in 1908, or 18 more than the year previous.

FRUITMEN WILL ORGANIZE Marion County Grower Plans Co-operative Shipping Union.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 2.—(Special.)—The first steps toward the organization of a fruitgrowers' union were taken today when, at a mass meeting of growers, John Pemberton, E. C. Armstrong, Charles Long and William Ziesel were appointed a committee to report a plan of organization next Saturday. The plan of the fruitgrowers' organization was generally approved, but will be modified to meet local conditions. The organization will handle fresh fruits and probably operate a cooler.

SECURE COVETED NUMBERS Linn County Hunters Gain Licenses They Sought For.

ALBANY, Or., Jan. 2.—(Special.)—Seth

Thomas French, 14-year-old son of F. M. French, of this city, secured hunting license No. 1 in Linn County for this year. W. S. Risley, a local attorney, who has had license No. 3 for the past three years, secured that number again for 1909. L. B. Gamble, of Brownsville, secured No. 2. William M. Stewart, postmaster of Halsey, No. 4, and R. A. McCully, of Halsey, No. 5.

NEW BOOSTER IS ACTIVE PAT LAVAY ARRANGES BIG MEETING IN VANCOUVER.

Tom Richardson to Assist City on Columbia in Inauguration of Publicity Work.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Jan. 2.—(Special.)—Pat Lavay, Vancouver's new publicity manager, arranged this afternoon with Tom Richardson, secretary of the Portland Commercial Club, to address a mass meeting in this city on Thursday evening, January 14. Mr. Lavay plans to make this one of the biggest promotions and boosting gatherings ever held in Vancouver. Mr. Richardson knew Mr. Lavay before the latter came to the Coast recently from Oklahoma, and he is taking a great deal of interest in Lavay's success.

CALL COMMISSION UNFAIR What a Local "Vice-President" Thinks of Oregon Body.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 2.—(Special.)—Railroad managers in Oregon think the Oregon Railroad Commission is unfair and have no hesitancy in saying so. The Railway Age Gazette, the principal railroad paper in the United States recently sent inquiries to all states asking the railroad managers a number of questions, among them this: "Are the State Commissions in your territory disposed to be fair or unfair and are they becoming more conservative or more radical as time goes on?" The reply from Oregon is signed "Vice-President," and reads as follows: "The State Railroad Commissions in this territory (Oregon) are unfair and are not disposed to handle cases which they prosecute on a business basis, but show disposition to carry favor with the public so as to strengthen themselves with the people, with a view of having the Commissions continued."

THUGS ARE RECOGNIZED Men Who Held Up Rose City Car Seen by Officer in Oregon City.

OREGON CITY, Or., Jan. 2.—(Special.)—Herman Schwartz and Al Miller, who held up the Rose City Park car last Wednesday night at Portland, were in Oregon City the night previous. They were seen by Night Officer Shaw, who ordered them to secure a room in a local hotel and remain there until morning, which they did and left for Portland the next morning. The men came down from Cannon Falls after the departure of the last car for Portland and the officer believes they intended to hold up the car, but went too far south, beyond the point where the car stops.

Cupid Active in Josephine County GRANTS PASS, Or., Jan. 2.—(Special.)—Josephine County has had a prolific year in marriage certificates. For 1907, the County Clerk issued 23 marriage licenses. This year there have been issued 38 certificates, with prospects of several more in time for a New Year's ceremony.

COMMERCIAL CLUB OF VANCOUVER SECURES PUBLICITY PROMOTER.

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HEALTH BOARD Urges Closer Attention to Duties on Behalf of County Officials

RAILROADS LENDING AID Assisting in Curbing Spread of Contagious Diseases—Board Recommends That Portland Docks Be Made Rat Proof.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 2.—(Special.)—Report of the State Board of Health for the biennial period ending September 30, being the third biennial report made since the organization of the Board, was received at the executive offices today. The report is a voluminous document containing detailed information concerning the operations of the Board and the suggestions for the public weal, and sounding words of caution to residents of the state in regard to proper care in sanitary measures.

The report directs attention to the importance of correct and full reports from county and city health authorities of vital statistics. It brought out that much hard work was necessary to bring about the degree of perfection attained, and comparison is made between the inadequate records of a few years ago and the great improvement of the last year or two. The report says: "Every child is entitled to have for its own future protection the fact of its birth recorded, with such data concerning its parents, as are necessary to establish its identity beyond question of doubt, and a parent who does not insist on this falls in one of his important duties as a guardian of his child and his child's future interests."

The same argument, the report says, applies to proper registration of deaths. Without these records, often property interests of magnitude are involved. The Board is pleased to note a great improvement made in attention to these reports, and predicts that within a few years the state records will have reached a complete registration.

Big Increase in Births. In 1906 biennial report only 10,000 births were reported and 8980 deaths. For the present biennial period 19,161 births and 12,110 deaths are reported, and according to the increased population the gain in reports made is much over 50 per cent. Typhoid fever is treated at length as is also tuberculosis. For the last biennial period there were 245 deaths reported from typhoid, making an estimate of 2460 cases in that time. During this same period there were 807 deaths from tuberculosis, and the number of deaths among the young, ninety-four, were under 30 years of age. "It is impossible," says the report, "to estimate in dollars and cents the actual loss to the state of this enormous number of individuals in the prime of life and wage-earning capacity, to say nothing of the expense that they themselves or their families have been compelled to bear."

The board strongly recommends serious consideration of these two diseases with the end in view of supplying such measures as will reduce their prevalence to a minimum. Railroads to Co-Operate. The board has been working in conjunction with the railway commission and expresses the belief that in the course of a short time the railroads of the state will install such appliances as are needed for proper protection of the traveling public, and such car disinfecting enforced, and will insure the destruction of pathogenic organisms dangerous to the health of passengers through contagion.

Stress is laid on the danger arising from the use of water in the household, statistics showing that more than normal cases of fevers come in that season of the year. Examination, however, of the water supply shows that impure water supply was largely responsible for the increase of typhoid. Conditions in fruit berry and hopyards during the picking season in many instances have been found to be unsanitary, scarcely any attention being paid to water supply or disposal of bodily waste. The board issued a bulletin on this subject, pointing out the danger arising through carelessness or ignorance.

School Inspection Approved. Considerable space is given to water supply in cities and towns and also to proper care in irrigated districts where water is too often allowed to remain stagnant. The passage of stringent laws forbidding the pollution of streams is recommended.

Medical school inspection is heartily approved and cases where physicians are employed as school inspectors are cited to prove the importance of this safeguard for the health of children. The menace of bubonic plague is treated in these words: "Considerable alarm was felt throughout the state on account of the presence of this disease in San Francisco and Seattle during the year, but fortunately no cases were found in this state, either in human beings or rats."

Rat-Proof Wharf Needed. The City of Portland, being most exposed and most likely to be attacked by the pest, measures were required to fend off and see rat infestations, and when necessary were fumigated. A rat laboratory was established under the supervision of Dr. E. M. Matson, bacteriologist of the State Board of Health, and rats examined.

Our report, however, will be constantly exposed to the danger of this disease and others from the Portland trade developments, and will require sanitary regulations far in excess of those now employed. A city such as Portland should have a well-constructed waterfront wall and the entire space beneath the dock filled up and made rat-proof in fact, all buildings should be so constructed. Without this it will be practically impossible to prevent the spread of these diseases, which are greatly simplified. During 1907 the board issued monthly bulletins dealing with collection of vital statistics, quarantine, disinfection, tuberculosis, typhoid fever, duties of health officers, discharges from nose and throat, prevention of plague, influenza or la grippe, typhoid fever, arising from milk, vaccination and the common towel and public schools. In addition a bimonthly bulletin was issued during 1907 treating on a number of subjects of importance to the profession and to the general public.

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This new store will be one of the real show places in Portland of which every citizen may be proud. Now to close out the balance of stock on hand it's going to require strenuous effort and great sacrifice on our part; so beginning Monday Morning, the following great price reductions will prevail on all Chesterfield Clothes, including blacks and blues:

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KLAMATH ON RAILROAD MAP

LAST TRIP BY STAGE MADE LAST DAY OF OLD YEAR. Trains Now Run to Holland, Where Steamers Carry Passengers to Klamath Falls.

TO FORM PHONE COMPANY

Local Capitalists to Install Competing System at Grants Pass. GRANTS PASS, Or., Jan. 2.—(Special.)—This city will soon have a competing telephone system. This enterprise was launched through the efforts of Senator H. D. Norton, Arthur Cooklin, proprietor of the Pacific Outlook, and E. A. Marsh. These men have formed a \$30,000 corporation, called the Citizens Telephone Company and will ask for a franchise from the city and county for an up-to-date telephone system.

HINDUS TO BE ORGANIZED

General Federation of Natives Outside of India Planned. VANCOUVER, B. C., Jan. 2.—All the Hindu and Sikh communities outside of India are to be organized in a general federation. This is the big task which

POULTRY SHOW AT DALLES

Wasco Association Will Offer Cash Prizes for Fancy Birds. THE DALLES, Or., Jan. 2.—(Special.)—The Wasco County Poultry Association, recently organized, is making preparations to hold its second annual poultry show January 21, 22 and 23. From the large number of requests for entry blanks received by Secretary Schanno it will be necessary to secure larger quarters for this year's show. Additional cash prizes will be offered as an inducement to exhibitors of fancy birds from adjoining states.

COMMANDER OF CAMP 4

F. C. Stellmacher Elected by Albany Spanish War Veterans. ALBANY, Or., Jan. 2.—(Special.)—Frank C. Stellmacher was elected commander of Camp Phillips No. 4, Spanish-American War Veterans. In this

Millionaires Eat Grape Nuts. It has helped some of them make their money. "There's a Reason"

Teja Sikh, the local Sikh leader, has just undertaken. He is now engaged in correspondence with the other native leaders in South Africa, Mauritius, Hongkong, the Strait Settlements, the United States and the British West Indies. The advancement of the material and moral welfare of expatriated East Indians as well as concerted action to advise countrymen at home as to the most suitable fields for emigration are aimed at. Each community will get in touch with all the others, and in this way it is hoped to maintain a solidarity of sentiment which could not otherwise be secured.

HILLSBORO TO CLEAN UP

Board of Trade Holds Enthusiastic Meeting and Lays Plans. HILLSBORO, Or., Jan. 2.—(Special.)—The Hillsboro Board of Trade had its initial meeting of the New Year last night, and the attendance was the largest since its organization. The board will make an active effort to have the town cleaned up so as to have an attractive appearance when Eastern visitors arrive in the spring. A vigorous petition will be sent to Mr. McMurray, general passenger agent of Southern Pacific lines in Oregon, to restore the monthly commutation books, recently discontinued, and, if possible, to give commuters an even better rate.

ARLAND LEAVES HOSPITAL

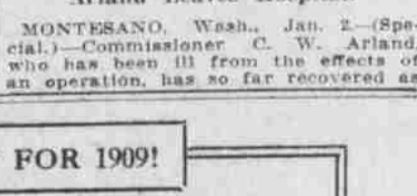
MONTESSANO, Wash., Jan. 2.—(Special.)—Commissioner C. W. Arland, who has been ill from the effects of an operation, has so far recovered as

to be removed from the hospital Wednesday. Rummage Sale. See page advertisement, Page 9, Section 1. Tull & Gibbs.

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