

### GASOLINE CAR TO RUN ON NEW ROAD

Coach Will Make Five Round Trips Daily Between Falls City and Salem.

STARTS SERVICE SEPT. 25

Fast Time to Be Made—Country Traversed by New Railway Being Platted into Small Farms—Is Adapted to Fruit Raising.

A railroad gasoline motorcar, the first to be used in Oregon, will go into service September 25 on the Salem, Falls City & Western Railway, of which L. Gerlinger, of Portland, is president and H. L. Pitcock is vice-president. The car will run from West Salem through Dallas to Falls City, a distance of 14 miles, making five round trips daily. The country through which this road runs is being platted rapidly into 10 and 20-acre tracts, to be devoted to fruit raising, for which purpose it has been proved the country is as well adapted as is the Hood River country, while at the same time the price of land is extremely low.

From Salem to Falls City there are to be located seven stations, around which the land will be platted into small tracts. In ten miles from Dallas to Falls City there will be five stations.

Falls City, the present terminus of the line, is six years old and has a population of 500. It is located at the base of the Coast Range and is close to the edge of the timber belts. It is planned in four or five years to extend the line on to Siletz Bay. Several of the motorcars of similar type are now in use on the Erie, Southern Pacific and Rock Island roads. The design of the car is similar to a racing yacht inverted, the front end being wedge-shaped. The entrance is at the side. The car is 33 feet long and 10 feet wide. It has a seating room for 50 passengers. The total weight is 60,000 pounds. It is equipped with a six-cylinder, 300-horse power gasoline engine, which readily develops 250-horse power. An acetylene gaslighting system is used, giving a powerful headlight, and the lamps inside the car are provided with opalescent panels, producing a soft, as well as a pleasant, light.

These cars have been in practical operation for about three years, and have attained speed up to 75 miles an hour. One of the best runs recorded was one from Omaha to Denver, 609 miles, in 14 hours and 33 minutes. The first experimental gasoline cars were tried by the Southern Pacific on its West Side line out of Portland, but were not a success. Since then the idea has been perfected.

### WANTS NEW SCHOOLHOUSE

Woodstock Push Club Opposes Building Annex to Old Structure.

The annual meeting of the Woodstock Push Club, held Friday night in Wagner's Hall, elected officers for the ensuing year and inaugurated a number of important measures, including a movement for a new schoolhouse to replace the present structure. Officers elected are: President, D. V. Fine; vice-president, L. J. Kelly; secretary and treasurer, W. P. Lyman. Sentiment of the meeting was against the building an addition, as proposed by the Board of Education, to the old schoolhouse, on the ground that the old building is poorly constructed, and is badly ventilated and heated. Ben Riesland and Mrs. F. G. McCourt were appointed a special committee to interview the Board of Education about this matter. An encouraging report was received from the library committee to the effect that the movement to erect a building and establish a permanent library in Woodstock is receiving enthusiastic support of the people of the suburb. The committee announced that the object is to secure a lot and put up a suitable building, and a permanent library may be placed that would furnish practically all the facilities of the main Portland library. A large number have signed the petition, and a considerable sum has been pledged. W. P. Lyman and Mrs. F. G. McCourt were constituted as a library committee, with instructions to push the project.

The committee on sidewalks reported that there was a general movement to construct sidewalks along the main street through the suburb. The street car committee reported that the street railway company had agreed not to issue transfers on through Woodstock cars to Mount Scott and Sellwood cars, and would restrict the transfers to the regular transfer cars. It is announced that Woodstock will receive mail daily, instead of one mail. The committee on annexation reported that practically the district is annexed to Portland, and the club decided to work for water, through streets and all other city improvements. A number of women were present and took part in the proceedings.

### RECORD MAY BE LOWERED

Homing Pigeons to Make Flight From Bayocoon to Portland.

An effort will be made today by two members of the Oregon Homing Club, an organization of pigeon fanciers, to lower the record from Tillamook Bay to Portland.

Four birds were shipped to Bayocoon Wednesday, and unless weather conditions are prohibitive they will be liberated at 7 o'clock this morning. It is expected that one or more of the birds will reach their coles in Portland within 50 minutes after leaving Bayocoon. The distance is 37 miles, and as Bayocoon is due west of the city the birds will probably be favored by the prevailing westerly wind. One pigeon belonging to a club member flew from a steamer off the entrance of Tillamook Bay to Portland in 1 hour and 25 minutes. As the distance from Bayocoon to the city is even shorter, the owners of the birds engaged in today's flight expect a reduction of time. The four birds were trained for the Bayocoon flight by being liberated at Orono 11 days ago, but west of that point they will be traveling over unfamiliar ground. The owners interested in the flight today are J. P. Limerick and H. E. Wilson, the flight being held under the auspices of the Oregon Homing Club.

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### MAY REGULATE DRAWS

SIMON WILL REQUEST PORT OF PORTLAND TO ACT.

Mayor Considers Steps to Stop Delay to Hundreds of People on Willamette River Bridges.

Mayor Simon will appear before the Port of Portland at its next meeting and urge that steps be taken to relieve the conditions existing with regard to opening of draws on the bridges spanning the Willamette River. He will ask that regulations be promulgated, which will prohibit the opening of the draws during rush hours morning and evening, as he believes the public concerned is entitled to this much consideration.

"The matter of regulating the opening of draws on the bridges across the river is one I have had in mind ever since I came to this office," said Mayor Simon yesterday morning. "I have felt all along that the public is entitled to consideration in this regard, and I will take up the matter in person before the Port of Portland at its next meeting. In fact, I had intended to do so yesterday, but I was not aware that the meeting was to be held at that time. I am in favor of a regulation whereby boats will be prohibited from causing the opening of draws during the morning and evening hours, when working people and others are trying to get to their work or back to their homes. I feel that they are worthy of this consideration, and I will ask the Port Commissioners to take action to this effect."

Thousands of people are held up daily and are subjected to great annoyance and endless inconvenience because there are no regulations whatever to protect them from opened draws. Streetcars, laden with people, hurrying to their work; teams and pedestrians are blocked, and no end of confusion and loss of time occasioned by river craft, frequently nothing more than a small tug.

Log rafts and tows in charge of barges and sailing vessels in tow are included in the craft which impede traffic across all of the bridges, and

those are now permitted to steam at leisure through the bridges at any hour of the day or night; there are no regulations whatever governing the matter.

### CITY WARRANTS AT PAR

These, on Delivery to Contractor, Mean Cheaper Work.

PORTLAND, Aug. 14.—(To the Editor.)—A number of years' experience in contracting has demonstrated clearly to me that the one act necessary to accomplish the reduction in the cost of street and sewer improvements, for which various remedies have been offered, is to make the city's warrants worth par at the moment of their delivery to the contractor.

Warrants are now subject to a discount of from 5 to 15 per cent, and in some cases the brokers will not handle them at all. This is the case where a remonstrance has been filed either against the making of construction or against the manner in which the assessment has been levied by the city auditor. There is so much red tape and delay in dealing with such questions that the contractor cannot determine when his warrants will be delivered to him or what they will be worth when he gets them. It is manifest that no person can borrow money unless he can show, with reasonable certainty, when he can repay it, and the contractor's inability so to do on city work explains why the banks refuse to loan money on this class of security.

Improvement bonds are now selling at a 2 per cent premium, at which rate warrants should be worth par. If they were, the contractor could borrow money from his bank at 8 per cent, instead of paying the broker from 10 to 15 per cent discount, besides 8 per cent for money advanced. As the broker turns this money around three or four times each year, it will be seen that it constitutes a considerable tax on the contractor when he is obliged to add to his price in making his bid. If this unnecessary expense were eliminated, it would materially reduce the cost of paving. In the present situation the property-owner and the contractor, who perhaps has thousands of dollars invested in his plant, is obliged to stand by and see, the broker, who takes no risk and has very little invested, reap a profit to which the property-owner is entitled. I should like to hear from others on this subject.

HARRY HOWARD.

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### MAY FORCE CEMETERY

MAYOR WANTS LONE FIR TO PAY FOR RETAINING WALL.

Also Thinks Association Should Stand Its Share of Cost of Street Improvement.

Mayor Simon announced yesterday afternoon that he had directed City Attorney Kavanaugh to investigate the

law as to whether the city can collect from the Lone Fir Cemetery Association the cost of improving East Stark street at the cemetery, and of putting in a retaining wall to keep graves in position when the rainy season begins. The Mayor does not intend to have all this expense borne by the city if there is a way to prevent it, and he believes that a suit in equity against the stockholders will lie. "It is a shame," said Mayor Simon, "that the city has to bear all of this expense, and I am going to prevent it if there is a legal way to do it. I have directed the City Attorney to investigate, and if he can find a means of collecting costs from the cemetery stockholders, I propose to proceed to collect from them. They have made large profits from the cemetery, and should

be willing to share the expense of that improvement." Wilson Benefiel is president of the association, and has refused to do anything. The Stark-street improvement is now well under way, and the grading by steam shovel recently uncovered a lot of graves, creating a most uninviting scene. Mayor Simon took great interest in seeing that this was remedied at once. He went to the place with Councilman Kubli, in whose ward the cemetery lies, and discussed the situation with President Benefiel. The Mayor insisted that the cemetery association should put in a retaining wall to hold the earth, which otherwise will fall and uncover more graves this winter if left as it is. Mr. Benefiel did not seem to fall in with this idea, and nothing has been done by him toward fixing the embankment.

At the last session of the Council, Councilman Kubli introduced an ordinance, carrying an appropriation of \$5000, to put in the retaining wall at the city's expense.

### Irrigation Committee Combing

Members of the Senate committee on irrigation and reclamation, of which Senator Warren, of Montana, is chairman, will reach Portland Sunday morning, August 22. The late Congress provided an appropriation with which to defray the expenses of a visit by this committee to all of the Government reclamation projects throughout the West. That is the purpose of their trip to the Pacific Coast at this time. They will inspect the different projects in this state, that they may become personally acquainted with what is being done in the reclaiming of arid lands and what is required to complete and extend projects already begun. Senator Chamberlain, of this state, is one of the members of this committee.

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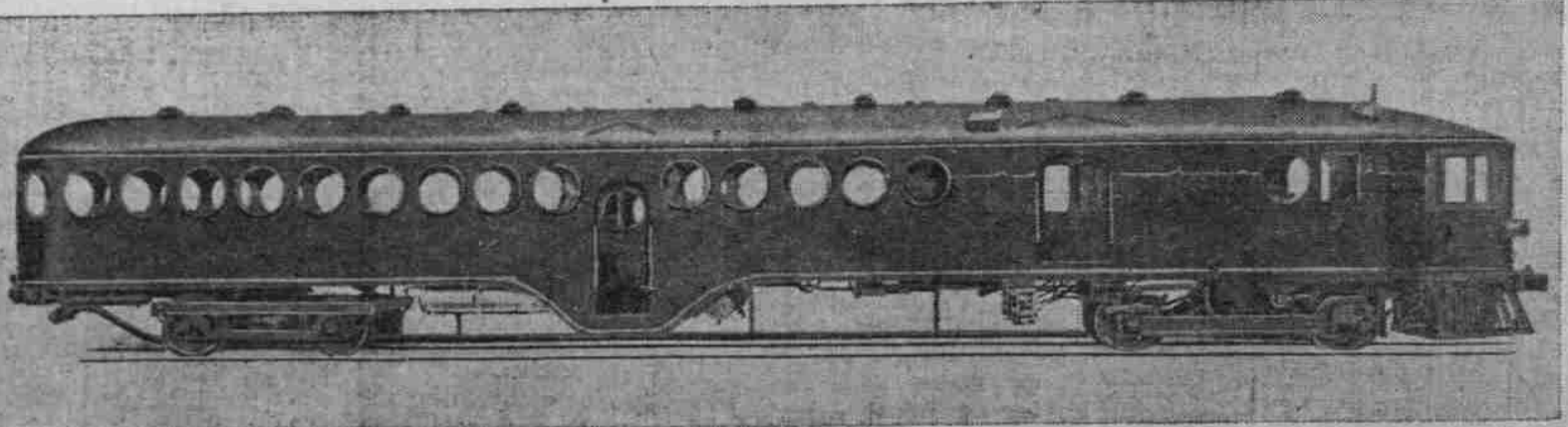
ANNIE BESANT WILL SPEAK IN PORTLAND SOON.

Doctrines of Theosophical Society to Be Presented in Portland This Month.

The head of the Theosophical Society, a world-wide organization with members of every nationality and creed, is to visit Portland the last week in August. Annie Besant, president of the society, is the most famous English woman living, and for 30 years has been noted for her efforts towards the social betterment of every class. While in Portland, Mrs. Besant will lecture on one of the vital topics of today, and will explain the attitude of theosophy towards modern life and its complexities. Unlike many preachers of strange doctrines, the chief of theosophists decries no religion, but accepts the value of them all. She asserts, however, that the ultimate facts of life and death are ascertainable and have been learned. Her two great contentions are briefly summed up in a belief in a continuous life for every being—reincarnation—and in the reign of law in the moral and spiritual world the same as in the physical world.

Mrs. Besant has worked with and enjoyed the friendship of all the great men of her day in Great Britain, from Charles Bradlaugh to William E. Gladstone and Lord Milner. She is recognized by the government in India as the head of the most powerful association in Hindu lands—the Order of the Sons of India. Her visit to Portland has been made at the request of many who are anxious to hear her, and is not in the nature of an appeal for money or help.

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