

SOUTHERN PACIFIC TO BUILD NEW LINE

Deeds Forecast Four-Track Road From Portland to Salem on West Side.

RIGHTS OF WAY ARE FILED

Work Expected to Be Completed in Two Years and a Half, as Part of Line Is Now Operating, Although Grades Are Bad.

OREGON CITY, Or., Jan. 6.—(Special.)—The construction of a not far distant date of a two or four-tracked railroad down the west side of the Willamette River from Salem to Portland by the Southern Pacific was forecast today by the filing in the office of the County Recorder, D. C. Boyles, of a deed conveying rights of way through West Linn from the Moody Investment Company to the Southern Pacific and a partial release of mortgage held by the Bankers' Trust Company on the property involved.

It is understood here from an authoritative source that the Moody Investment Company gave the deed with the understanding that the Southern Pacific would complete the line within the next two years and a half. The consideration is given in the deed as \$1.

City Line Is Owed Now. With the rights of way through West Linn acquired by the Southern Pacific today, the company now has title to practically all of the property needed for the road between the Clackamas-Multnomah County line and the point where the survey crosses the Willamette. The Southern Pacific bought several years ago the Willamette Falls Railway, operating between Willamette and Bolton in West Linn, and is operating trains on the line to a tract of land in West Linn which was bought for car shops when the line would be completed.

The east side line operated by the Southern Pacific is far from straight and has several bad grades. Four years ago the company announced that it would build a four-track road up the west side of the river, two tracks being for electric and two for steam trains.

Streets to Be Maintained. The matter was allowed to drop, however, and the filing of the deeds here today comes as the first intimation that the company intended to resume its plan, although it is not known here whether the company will follow the original surveys up the west side.

The deed provides that the Southern Pacific shall maintain at all times sidewalks and streets in West Linn over which the road shall run or cross. It was filed through the office of Griffith, Letter & Allen, of Portland. Mr. Griffith is vice president of the Moody Investment Company and Mr. Letter secretary.

BLAST KILLS 2 IN CAR

FOUR OTHER MEN ON TRAIN ARE BADLY HURT. Explosion Believed Caused by Passenger as Means of Ending His Own Life.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Jan. 6.—Two men were killed and four others badly injured tonight by an explosion in the smoking compartment of the Southern Railway's Birmingham Special, just as the train entered Birmingham from New York.

While train officials were unable to establish definitely the cause, there were indications that a quantity of some powerful explosive had been set off by Lewis D. Walton, a Birmingham business man, as a means of committing suicide. He was in the lavatory of the car, whose steel wall next to the lounging compartment was blown completely away, and his body was dismembered by the explosion. The other man killed was W. J. Oliver, of Birmingham.

Walton was arrested nearly two years ago charged with killing his business partner, and after a mistrial was released on bond. After the explosion tonight a paper tablet was found outside the smoking-room door saying, "See my suitcase for important papers. Lewis D. Walton." Officials who searched the suitcase said it contained nothing important.

MEN'S WAISTS RAISED

CHANGES IN STYLES ARE TO BE SLIGHT NEXT YEAR. Sack Coats to Be Longer and Tendency to Close-Fitting Garments Noted. Trousers Knee Is Narrow.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 6.—No radical changes were made in the fashions for men's wear next Fall and Winter in the report submitted late today by the style committee to the annual convention here of the National Association of Clothing Designers. The committee's report says the double-breasted sack coat promises to be extremely popular for young men next Winter and that conservative sack coats should be high-waisted and without belts, while trousers should have cuffs.

In overcoats, the raglan and ulti-ette will come into vogue with the ulti-ette of trench type measuring 46 inches in length and the box coat 42 inches. The sack coat of the business suit is to increase in length.

There will be a marked tendency to close-fitting garments padding to be wholly or almost wholly eliminated. Trousers will be cut with a narrow knee, 15-inch bottom and one and one-half-inch cuff.

PERSONAL MENTION.

T. S. Holland, of Tacoma, is at the Oregon. Hugh R. Kirkpatrick is registered at the Seward. D. W. Anson, of Wasco, is an arrival at the Perkins. H. C. Boeker, of Amity, is registered at the Cornelius. C. J. Barr is registered at the Cornelius from Astoria. George Canfield, of Dallas, is registered at the Perkins. J. G. Otterson, a business man of

Skagway, Alaska, is registered at the Nortonia. O. B. Marshall, of Albany, is registered at the Perkins.

Dr. P. A. Loar, of Silverton, is registered at the Oregon. J. R. Ryan, of Havre, Mont., is registered at the Seward.

D. V. Fendall, of Newberg, is registered at the Perkins. Glenn T. Stapleton, of Gaston, is registered at the Portland. W. D. Sargent, of La Grande, is registered at the Imperial.

James E. Stewart, of Fossil, is registered at the Nortonia. Mrs. James S. Ramage, of Spokane, is an arrival at the Portland. G. H. Connie, of Yreka, Cal., is registered at the Washington.

W. M. Horton, of Clarkston, Wash., is registered at the Nortonia. Mrs. James S. Ramage, of Spokane, is an arrival at the Portland. Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Jones, of McMinnville, is registered at the Cornelius.

D. R. Latourette, of Oregon City, is registered at the Washington. Mrs. W. J. Hoffman, of South Bend, arrived at the Oregon yesterday.

Kenneth McKay, of Hood River, arrived at the Portland yesterday. Mr. and Mrs. W. Shirley, of Salt Lake, are registered at the Washington.

A. W. Mueller arrived at the Washington from St. Helena yesterday. Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Campbell are registered at the Cornelius from Albany.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Withrow, of Kalamazoo, are staying at the Nortonia. G. P. U'Ren, a well-known citizen of Madras, is registered at the Imperial.

L. D. Kelsey, of Aberdeen, is registered at the Seward with Mrs. Kelsey. Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Plummer, of Centralia, are registered at the Portland. G. W. Terry, of Roosevelt, Wash., is at the Seward. He is accompanied by Mrs. Terry.

W. J. Kerr, president of the Oregon Agricultural College, is registered at the Imperial. J. B. Lamoreux, of Corvallis, is registered at the Imperial, where he arrived yesterday.

L. H. Compson, general secretary of the Salem Y. M. C. A., was in Portland yesterday, visiting the association here. Among the arrivals at the Multnomah yesterday was Professor Hector Macpherson, of the Oregon Agricultural College.

Gus Rosenblatt left Saturday for New York, via San Francisco, to visit his mother in San Francisco and his sisters in New York. R. N. Stanfield, candidate for Speaker of the House at the Oregon State Legislature, is registered at the Imperial. He arrived from his home at Stanfield yesterday.

Jefferson Davis, formerly with the Mason, Eganman company in this city and now a resident of Grand Forks, B. C., is registered at the Multnomah, where he arrived yesterday.

BABE, 31-2, DIES IN STOVE

WHILE MOTHER DOES CHORES CHILD IS FATALLY BURNED. Daughter of Mrs. W. P. Smith, Whose Home Is Near Vancouver, Falls Into Fire in Unknown Manner.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Jan. 6.—(Special.)—Leaving her five children alone in the house for a few minutes while she did the chores, Mrs. W. P. Smith was summoned back to the house by the cries of her 8-year-old daughter to find that a younger girl, 3½ years old, had fallen into the stove and was burned fatally.

The mother was so overcome that she could not take the body from the fire, but went screaming to the nearest neighbors, a half mile away, for help. Just how the little one fell into the stove is not known. The other four children were upstairs, and came down when they heard her scream. Mr. Smith was away from his home, which is located near the Harvey Mill on Lewis River, about 10 miles northwest of Yacolt and about 40 miles from this city, back in the mountains. The stove was one which opens at the top and was constructed to take large pieces of wood. It is believed that the girl tried to put more wood in the stove or stir the fire and fell into it.

Coroner V. H. Limber and Prosecuting Attorney James O. Blair left this morning to hold an inquest over the body.

MURDER CASE IS FURTHER TANGLED

Mrs. Barrett, Alleged Victim, Said to Be "Mrs. Myrtle Wright," of Colorado.

PRISONER SEES PICTURE

Woman, Who, Defense Contends, Is Not Dead, Declared to Be Same Who Collected \$30,000 on Mysterious Death.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Jan. 6.—Dr. K. L. Clock today told the District Attorney that Mrs. Irene L. Barrett, one of the central figures in a homicide charge now pending in the Los Angeles courts against Benton L. Barrett, had been implicated in a mysterious case that occurred in Pagosa Springs, Colo., in 1901. Dr. Clock said he was called to a hotel at Pagosa Springs and there found Mrs. Barrett and a man named Neff beside the body of George Barber, who had left his wife in Webster City, Ia., and had accompanied Mrs. Wright to Colorado. Barber was dead, and the case was so unusual in some of its features that Dr. Clock reported it to the authorities, who caused an autopsy to be performed. An examination of the heart disclosed the presence of poison, and Mrs. Wright and Neff were held, but subsequently released when it was shown the poison might have been used as a stimulant.

Dr. Clock said Mrs. Wright collected about \$30,000 insurance. The doctor, who is held in the County Jail on a statutory charge, positively identified a photograph of Mrs. Barrett, who was formerly a Mrs. Wright, as the person implicated in the Barber case.

Benton J. Barrett, an elderly man, was recently bound over from the Justice Court charged with having murdered his wife, Mrs. Irene Wright Barrett, and his step-son, Raymond Barrett. Barrett confessed he had killed his wife and her son in sudden passion and burned the bodies in his barn-yard. His attorneys entered the defense his confession was the result of hypnotic suggestion, made at the instance of his wife, for the purpose of assisting her to get control of Barrett's property and that she had fled with her son, and was safely in hiding.

Tonight, in discussing Dr. Clock's story, H. L. Geisler said that Dr. Clock must have erred in his identification. Mr. Geisler said careful investigation of Mrs. Barrett's past history had been made, and that in 1900 she was living in Mount Vernon, N. Y., with her first husband, C. W. Wright. He said the Wrights were married in 1899, that Raymond was born in 1900 and that in 1901, the time of the Pagosa Springs occurrence, Mrs. Wright was living in Mount Vernon, where she remained for several years. Her early history has been traced day by day, he said, and there is no possibility that she and the woman involved in the Barber case are the same.

COLORADO CASE REVIEWED

Charge of Murder Placed in 1900 Against "Mrs. Wright." PAGOZA SPRINGS, Col., Jan. 6.—A man named George Barber died in a Pagosa Springs Hotel in November, 1900, under strange circumstances. Myrtle A. Wright and W. P. Neff, who brought him to this city, were arrested and charged with administering poison to him. A Sioux City, Iowa, life insurance company is said to have lost heavily by Barber's death.

After a delay of many weeks the charges against Mrs. Wright and Neff were dismissed. Barber was so ill when he arrived in Pagosa Springs, it was necessary to carry him from the train to the hotel, where he died next day. Mrs. Wright set up a claim for Barber's insurance,

alleging she was his fiancée and that their marriage had been delayed by Barber's illness.

December 17, 1900, the day the inquest was to be held, the prosecuting attorney sprang a surprise by announcing that instead of holding the inquest he would file information against "Myrtle R. Wright and W. P. Neff," charging them with committing murder, "by administration of poison." Despite objection by the counsel for the two, they were held in \$7000 bond for the preliminary hearing which was set for 10 days later. Neither was able to furnish bond.

A Dr. Seward reported to the Odd Fellows Annuity Life Insurance Association of Des Moines, Ia., in which Barber had \$7800 worth of insurance, that Barber undoubtedly came to his death by the administering of an organic poison.

The company spent \$1100 or more investigating the case. Mrs. Wright formerly was Nettie Sears. After her marriage to "Al" Wright, of Sterling, Colo., she lived in that town for several years.

3 ACCIDENTS ARE LISTED

TRAIN, WAGONS AND MOTORS AID IN ALBANY EXCITEMENT.

Train Demolishes Grocer's Wagon, Autos Collide Head-on and Motor Upsets Milk Cart.

ALBANY, Or., Jan. 6.—(Special.)—A wagon demolished by a train, a head-on auto collision, and a set-to between a milk wagon and a motor furnished three accidents in one day after Albany had been without excitement for several weeks.

J. H. Gerdis, proprietor of a local grocery store, was thrown from his delivery wagon, the vehicle demolished and the horse that was drawing it injured when the 8:30 Southern Pacific passenger struck the wagon at the Santram road crossing.

Mr. Gerdis escaped with a few scratches, while the horse was severely out. The wagon was a total loss. Cars driven by Dora Bussard and E. Hart collided at a downtown intersection. Each blamed the other for the accident, and finally carried their case to City Recorder Lewelling, who refused to act, saying he had no jurisdiction in the settling of disputes of that nature.

An unidentified car struck the back wheel of the Jersey Dairy milk wagon this morning, tipping the wagon over and upsetting several large cans of milk.

STORE FIRE IS INCENDIARY

Firebug Causes \$1000 Damage to I. E. Conn's Grocery at Albany.

ALBANY, Or., Jan. 6.—(Special.)—The grocery store of I. E. Conn sustained \$1000 damage by fire early today, when someone broke into the building and kindled a fire close to a large coal oil tank. Jeff Ison, of this city, discovered the blaze. The fire was extinguished before it had spread to the front of the building.

Two doors were found open. The incendiary evidently entered by one door, set the blaze, and made his way out of the other door, which had been unlocked from the inside.

A few months ago some one broke into the store, dynamited the safe and escaped with about \$300 in cash and several valuable papers.

EDUCATOR ON COMMISSION

Professor Taussig, of Harvard, Accepts Tariff Board Seat.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—Professor Frank W. Taussig, of Harvard, today accepted a place on the Tariff Commission and probably will be made chairman. The other four members will be announced later.

Professor Taussig is a leader of political economy and has written extensively on the tariff. With Secretaries McAdoo and Houston, he conferred with President Wilson today and was told the work to be done by the Commission was considered of great importance because of tariff readjustments that may be necessary after the war.

Hart Schaffner & Marx Varsity Six Hundred Overcoats. Here you see it in a loosely draped variation with a belt back. It's one of those comfortable coats the young fellows like. Size it up. Doesn't it look snappy? You'll also find the more conservative models for the older men in our vast assortment of these clothes. Come and choose yours today. Priced from \$20 to \$35. About That New Hat. We want to call your attention to the advance creation in the wide-brim hats just arrived. The young fellows are taking to them very strongly. Ask for "Multnomah" at \$3.

Sam'l Rosenblatt & Co. The Men's Store for Quality and Service. Southeast Corner Fifth and Alder. GIRL SOLVES MYSTERY. MISS CLARA RAUSCHER SAYS SHE LEAPED FROM SALEM HOTEL. Male Companion Exonerated and Grand Jury Releases—Driver of Car That Killed Teacher Freed.

A Laxative for Babies Good for Everybody. Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin a Safe and Efficient Family Remedy.

Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin a Safe and Efficient Family Remedy. Every member of the family is more or less subject to constipation and every home should always be supplied with a dependable remedy to promptly relieve this condition. Whenever the bowels become clogged and the natural process of elimination thereby disturbed, the entire system is affected, and readily subject to attack by disease. Constipation is a condition that should never be neglected. Mrs. E. R. Gilbert, of Milbro, Va., says that Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin is a splendid laxative for children because they like its pleasant taste, and it acts so easily and naturally, without griping or strain, and she finds it equally effective for the rest of the family. Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin is a combination of simple laxative herbs with pepsin that contains no opiate or narcotic drug. It is mild and gentle in its action, and does not cause pain or discomfort. Druggists everywhere sell this excellent remedy for 50 cents a bottle. To avoid imitations and ineffective substitutes be sure you get Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin. See that a facsimile of Dr. Caldwell's signature and his portrait appear on the yellow carton in which the bottle is packed. A trial bottle, free of charge, can be obtained by writing to Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 465 Washington St., Monticello, Illinois.

JAMES BROADWAY THEATER. 11 A. M. to 11 P. M. Beginning Today THE SEASON'S GREATEST FILM SENSATION! Jules Verne's 20,000 Leagues Under the Sea. The First and Only Photo-Drama Enacted on the Bottom of the Ocean. NOTHING LIKE IT ON EARTH. Admission 15c. First Row, Balcony 25c. Loges .50c. Boxes \$1.00. Children 5c.