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TO COOS BAY BY

RAIL IN A YEAR.

Grading Will Begin As Soon As Permanent Survey Is Completed. Preparations Under Way.

In a year from the time work is commenced on the new branch of the Southern Pacific from Drain across the Coast Mountains to Marshfield on Coos Bay, trains will be in operation from the main line to the outlet on the ocean. The distance is 81 miles, and though a comparatively easy grade has been found along Elk Creek and the Umpqua, that piece of road will prove a difficult engineering project and hard to build.

Portland, Aug. 8.—E. H. Harriman, king of the railroad world, was in Portland several days this week. What will come, resultant from his visit, no one knows, except perhaps it is himself, and he will not tell.

The man who holds in his transportation-hand the railroad destiny of Oregon would pass for a Portland resident on any street corner. Napoleon was small, and so is he. His clothes were grey and hid the dust of travel. His hat was soft and pulled down over sharp eyes which peer out through a pair of convex lenses in a way that shows that the owner observes the noticeable things in the passing of events. He, in appearance, is less of a magnate than the New York-bred clerk who notes with practiced eye the proud smile of the invited denizen of the West who skirts the fringe of the official party. But the voice points out that the railroad man is accustomed to be obeyed and that he can do things and will do them when he thinks the time has come.

Parries Words Like a Fencer
"Well, I am out here to have a rest, to see the things to be seen and to meet with my friends in Portland. From here I expect to go to San Francisco, from there to Japan, and then to the Philippines. When I get back perhaps I can tell you some Celestial tales."

"The people of Oregon like Celestial tales and find them interesting, but they would rather hear a railroad story now," the answer ran.

"But," the visitor parried, "in view of everything, I do not think I have anything to say at this time."

"That statement was anticipated, and is now in type," the speaker was assured at which intelligence he smiled.

"Well, what would you like for me to tell you about?" he said, resignation creeping into his tone.

"The people of the state would like to know whether you are going to extend the Columbia Southern to Bend, or farther."

Portland, Aug. 8.—Nine drownings occurred in Portland and elsewhere in Oregon yesterday and Sunday. Such wholesale death in the water has not occurred for years in this vicinity, if ever before. Most of the deaths came to bathers who either could not swim or ventured beyond their depth, or swimming out into deep water, sank for some unknown reason.

The double tragedy of Sunday evening on Portland's water front, when Fred and Madeline Steffensen were drowned by collision with the launch Fox while the two, in company with Miss Lillian Therkelsen, were rowing on the Willamette, aroused the most local interest, as the three lived in Portland. Floyd Havard, a Portland boy 17 years old, who was learning to swim directly east of the Exposition grounds in the river, was drowned Sunday and the funeral was held this morning. Eric H. Biglow was drowned in Mosby's Slough Sunday afternoon. He was swimming about, when suddenly he sank to rise no more.

A sad double drowning was that of Ray Kendall, aged 19, and Clyde Yockey, aged 12, at Springfield, Or. The two were cousins, and were swimming yesterday morning in the Willamette. Yockey, who could not swim, ventured into deep water and sank. Kendall went to his assistance and brought him to the surface. He then started for the shore with his cousin, but when within six feet of shallow water, both sank.

Mrs. L. J. Schwab, a bride of a few months, was drowned in Elliott's Slough, near Aberdeen, Sunday. She was with her husband on a fishing trip, when a log turned, throwing her into the water. It was almost a double tragedy, as the husband barely escaped with his life. Charles George, a prominent citizen of Marshfield, was drowned in Coos Bay sometime Saturday night, and his body was found in the water Sunday.

The body of Miss Dayton, drowned at Seaside a few days ago, was recovered yesterday, and the remains of Frank Podusky, who was drowned in Snake River Friday night, were recovered yesterday and brought to Walla Walla for burial. His hat was blown into the river by a heavy wind, and while trying to save it he was drowned.

CONTRACT LET ON

NEW RAILROAD

Portland, Aug. 9.—All contracts in connection with the actual construction of the line of the Portland, Nehalem & Tillamook road from Hillsboro to Nehalem and Tillamook are completed with the awarding of the work of the last stretch from Banks to the two coast outlets. The Atlas Contract Company, of San Francisco, which corporation secured the award for the first 20 miles, has been given the work, and it is said the entire line will be finished and in operation the latter part of 1906.

Graders are engaged on the first stretch of 20 miles out of Hillsboro, and progress will be rapid to the Junction from where the Nehalem branch will travel 22 miles. The route to Tillamook as outlined is about 64 miles, but this will probably be shortened so that the entire project will be but 100 miles in all. It has not been determined which line shall bear the dignity of the main road, but it will probably be the Nehalem section.

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GOVERNOR OPENS
CAMPAIGN EARLY

Salem, Aug. 9.—Governor Chamberlain returned this morning from a week spent in the perils of Coos and Curry counties, portions of this commonwealth he had not previously visited. His promise to go through every county in the state before he retires from his first term is being faithfully kept, and he spent a very eventful and strenuous week in the two southwestern counties. He took a steamer to North Bend, visited Marshfield, Coquille, Myrtle Point, Langlois, Bandon and other places, speaking to the people of all towns, and receiving quite an ovation from sections that gave majorities for the Hon. Wm. J. Furnish, the republican nominee for the office to which Chamberlain was elected. The governor is loud in praise of the magnificent resources of the country he went through. He praises the harbors in which he was carried through fog and darkness with perfect safety, and without tug or pilot. He talked development of the country and assured the people, without regard to party lines, that as chief executive, he sympathized with every legitimate effort to build up the country, and make Western Oregon blossom like the rose. The Republicans had better not put up a "stiff" for governor, if they expect to elect him.

CRUISE TIMBER
OF LANE COUNTY

Eugene, Or., Aug. 7.—County Assessor B. F. Keener returned today from Roseburg, where he made a contract with C. E. Roberts and Oscar Edwards, of that city, to cruise the timber lands of Lane County, in order to place a proper estimate upon their value. Other counties of the state, among them Clatsop, Douglas and Klamath, have adopted this plan, and find that it works admirably.

At present it is claimed the assessment of timber lands in this county is not done in an intelligent manner. The assessor cannot be expected to know the amount of timber on each settler's claim, or on each section held by corporations, its accessibility on the probable value of the land when cleared for agricultural purposes. The assessment of next year is expected to show very close to the real values of every tract of timber land in the county. The hired cruisers will estimate all timber lands, even to such small divisions as 40 acres. Their report will give the amount of timber, its proximity to water courses, adaptability to agriculture and fruit raising when cleared, and other advantages that might influence its value. When this is accomplished the Assessor will have something tangible upon which to base his valuations.

The cost of this work will probably be in the neighborhood of \$4000, but this will be counterbalanced by the increased valuation placed upon the lands.

At 8 o'clock over 300 persons attended a reception given by General Wright at the Malacca Palace. The Spanish residents say the reception surpassed any in the previous history of Manila.

TAFI'S LATEST
BAD BREAK

Manila, Aug. 7.—This evening Major General Corbin gave a dinner to the gentlemen of the Tafi party. Rear Admiral Ensign of the Russian navy and his staff were present. General Corbin toasted President Roosevelt and Secretary Taft, and made a profound salutation. He almost dropped dead at Taft's latest exhibition of tactlessness.

At the same hour Commissioner Forbes entertained Miss Roosevelt at dinner.

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COST OF COOS
BAY RAILROAD.

It is estimated that the total cost will be about \$3,500,000. As soon as the right-of-way agents complete their labors the start is to be made on the first stretch of the road, the same as is being done on the extension of the branch from Elgin to Walla, on the O. R. & N. By this means the line can be pushed rapidly forward, as additional sections are located and the roadbed mapped out, and it may be some of next season's business between Portland and Coos Bay will be handled over the Harriman feeder.

J. P. O'Brien, general manager of the Harriman interests in Oregon, is at present in the vicinity viewing the route, and gathering information, and every facility will be offered by headquarters to aid the forces working to the undertaking under way. From Coos Bay and other portions of Coos county which will derive a benefit from the branch tapping the coast, come praise for the Harriman officials, and from the business community the action is applauded as one which will result in inestimable benefit to Portland and the state. It was not expected the Drain-Marshfield line would be built, and since the announcement of the intention to connect Riparian and Grangeville and Elgin with Joseph, the eyes of the development fraternity have been directed toward Central Oregon, where it was expected the next move would be made.

DISASTROUS FOREST FIRES
IN SOUTHERN OREGON.

Jacksonville Saw Mill Burned. Much Valuable Timber Being Consumed. How Fires Are Started.

Jacksonville, Or., Aug. 9.—The mill and plant belonging to the Jacksonville Lumber Company was totally destroyed by fire Monday night. The plant is located one mile south of Jacksonville, and has been doing an extensive business for more than three years under the management of A. J. Stephens. The loss on the plant is entire together with considerable lumber on the yards. It is reported that the insurance covers only part of the loss. The plant was valued at \$3000 and the insurance is only \$1000.

The past winter and present summer have been drier than for several years and the forests are like tinder boxes. Fires are burning in almost every section of southern Oregon and very heavy fires on the west fork of the Illinois river, in Josephine county, are destroying fine timber. Flames are ravaging the Siskiyou mountains about the head of the Illinois and Rogue rivers. There has been some loss of timber about Grants Pass and in other parts of the valley, but no lives have been lost or houses burned.

The fires have been set by prospectors to make it easier to find mineral deposits and for revenge on timber men for taking up land that was wanted for prospecting; by hunters to make traveling better in the hills and to give better range for game; by stockmen, to give better range for stock; by careless campers, and many fires by hoodlums for pure wantonness.

Fire wardens are of little service for they can never catch a person setting a fire and public sentiment is against giving information as to who starts fires. Fires once under way cannot be put out except by an army of men, so wardens can do little to extinguish the fires.



CHAIRMAN OF THE PANAMA CANAL COMMISSION.

Theodore P. Shonts, under whose supervision the Panama canal will be built, is chairman of the commission appointed by President Roosevelt. He is a Pennsylvanian of Dutch and French Huguenot extraction. He was educated as a lawyer, but early took up railroad construction and management, at which he has amassed a comfortable fortune.

SCENERY AND GAME OF OREGON.

Referring to the glories of a sportsman's life in Oregon, Mr. A. E. Gebhardt, an authority in these matters and secretary of the Oregon Fish and Game Association, says:

"No other region in the United States, perhaps no other country in the world, presents to the lover of outdoor sports so many and varied attractions as the Pacific Northwest, and this is particularly true of Oregon. With its snow-capped mountains towering above ever-green forests, vast acres of which are still almost primeval wilderness, with its majestic rivers and lovely mountain streams, it is a veritable paradise to one who can enjoy the sublime and beautiful in nature. And where will you find a true sportsman who is indifferent to the glories of natural scenery? Who that has a heart and soul can ever forget the ecstatic joy that has been his when, in the excitement of the chase, he has been suddenly brought face to face with some awe-inspiring, soul-splitting scene? At his feet, perhaps, a great canyon with a roaring stream in its depths; yonder a magnificent waterfall, a glittering sheet hurrying over a precipice hundreds of feet high and boiling in white foam at its base, and far in the distance great stretches of snow-capped mountain ranges and vast forests of fir and pine and spruce and hemlock, through which a mighty river winds its course to the sea."

A Sportsman's Paradise.
The fact that the great State of Oregon is a sportsman's paradise is becoming more generally known to the people of the East. That they are taking advantage of this knowledge is apparent from the number of Eastern followers of the rod and the gun who are constantly spending their leisure moments in Oregon in pursuit of the fish and game which are so plentiful in this state.

What causes Oregon to be such a favorite spot for the sportsman? Deer and elk, mongolian pheasants, native pheasants, grouse, quail, ducks, geese, all tend to cause one to lay aside business worries for the gun.

Many a time in the quest for game the hunter finds a rival in the bear or cougar, both of which, it is needless to say, are good marks for the true aim of the sportsman.

Mountain and brook trout and bass abound in Oregon's streams, and they are the kind that makes casters of the fly feel that not only is it sport to coax them on the hidden hook, but there is also a great deal of true "sport" in digesting some of the shining beauties.

Of course, if the angler desires salt-water fishing, he can find no better sport than in spending his time in luring the king of game fishes—the salmon.

It is a well known rule that besides sport another element is necessary for the sportsman's happiness—scenery. Whether hunting on the snow-capped mountains in Eastern Oregon or in the beautiful valleys of the Western part of the State, whether fishing in the placid streams of Southern Oregon or in the picturesque lakes of the North, the unequalled scenery impresses itself on the hunter, and causes him to ever after seek the quiet grandeur of the State of Oregon.

Morrosy Is Improving.
Dr. Seelye announces that Wm. Morrosy, the man who was shot at the Fair Grounds last Monday, is getting on his feet, and is now able to walk.

Four Generations in Family.
John Baker and wife were in town Wednesday from Dillard. They were accompanied by Mrs. Baker's mother, who is 81 years old. With them was a great grand child and the family had some pictures taken, four generations were represented.

THE COMING
DISTRICT FAIR

Managers of the District Fair to be held at Roseburg on Sept. 12-16, inclusive, are actively at work preparing for that event. This will be the only fair held in Western Oregon this year outside of Portland, and it is the purpose of the management to make this the best event of the kind ever held here. There is an abundance of fine products for exhibit this season, and growers of blooded livestock and poultry will doubtless be on hand with larger exhibits than ever. For livestock and poultry exhibits there is a state appropriation of \$1000, assuring good cash premiums for the prizewinners. Good races and other amusements and plenty of good music will be had every day. A new feature will be a saddle horse race every day, for which good purses will be given. Do not overlook the fact that the fair will soon be at hand, so begin preparing your exhibits now. If you don't know what prizes are offered, call at this office and get a premium list or write to J. C. Aiken or F. A. McCall, Roseburg, Oregon. If every citizen—the ladies, of course, included—will help a little by preparing some exhibit, the fair will be a decided success.

THE YIELD OF
GRAIN AND FRUITS

The week, like the two preceding ones was warm and dry. These conditions were excellent for harvesting grain, and this work was pushed along with unusual rapidity. Fall wheat and barley yields continue good, both in quantity and quality, but spring wheat is not coming up to expectations, especially in the Willamette valley, where rust and the aphides were so plentiful earlier in the season. The straw of spring wheat and oats was heavy and the heads, as a rule, of average size, but the berry in many cases is shriveled, which accounts for the shortage.

Pasturage is very short in the valleys, but it continues fairly good in the mountain ranges, and stock keeps in unusually good condition. All streams are falling and the water supply for irrigation is getting scarce. Sugar beets, field onions and early potatoes are making good advancement, but late potatoes are at a standstill and need rain badly. Corn is extra good. Hops show improvement and the lice have nearly all disappeared, but growers generally expect yields below the average, and also a return of lice with the advent of favorable weather for their propagation.

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MAN IS FOUND
DEAD IN BAY

Marshfield, Or., Aug. 7.—The body of Charles George, a prominent citizen of this place, was found floating in Coos Bay, opposite Marshfield wharf, yesterday afternoon. Deceased left here Saturday evening for North Bend to attend a Knights of Pythias banquet. He left the room at recess and that was the last seen of him. He is supposed to have fallen from the dock. A coroner's jury returned a verdict of accidental drowning. George was unmarried and leaves no relatives here. He has one brother living at Bremerton, Wash. Interment will take place tomorrow under the auspices of the K. of P.

ROSEBURG TO-DAY

A Souvenir of Roseburg Profusely Illustrated and Printed in Colors.

No better time could present itself for the publication of such a work as "Roseburg To-day" promises to be for the reason that every town along the three valleys is working hard for new enterprises and Roseburg should not be behind any of her sister towns.

"Roseburg To-day" will be a splendid souvenir, illustrated throughout, showing half-tone reproductions of Roseburg's stores and buildings, residences, churches and schools.

The manufacturing, industrial, agricultural, and commercial advantages of Roseburg will be fittingly portrayed.

Its pages will also contain a biography of the men who are making Roseburg. No business man of this city should miss being represented in its pages, and no citizen of Roseburg who has a fine house should fail to have the same reproduced in "Roseburg To-day."

There will be no display advertisements in the book at all, and it is the aim of the publishers to put forth a work of art showing in every sense of the word "Roseburg To-day" and it is hoped the business men of this city will find favor with the project.

Now is the time to hustle; everyone else is on the alert so let's all give a long pull and by a concerted effort show the outside world that "Roseburg To-day" is an ideal city for the man who seeks the goddess of fortune in any walk of life. The book will be issued from the Plaindealer office where photographs may be left for half-tone reproduction.

SCOURGE OF YELLOW
FEVER IN THE SOUTH.

A Good Many New Cases But Death Rate Is Reduced. Archbishop Chapelle Victim of Plague.

New Orleans, Aug. 9.—Because so large a number of cases is reported, the fever situation does not have so favorable an aspect today, but the expected increase is the result of investigation of a number of suspicious cases of sickness, some of which the health authorities were unable to inquire into yesterday. Official report to 6 p. m.; new cases 60; total, 605; deaths today 4; total deaths, 117; new sub foci, 171; total foci, 114.

Archbishop Chapelle Dead.

New Orleans, Aug. 9.—Archbishop Chapelle died today, a victim to his zeal in fighting the yellow plague. The archbishop was taken ill last Friday, but his sickness was kept secret until Sunday, when his condition became so dangerous that it could no longer be concealed, and it was announced that he was ill with yellow fever.

From the time the epidemic broke out until he was taken ill Archbishop Chapelle spent considerable time in the infected district, and was of inestimable service in advising the Italians to heed the instructions of the authorities. He was a fluent linguist, and mingled with them.

Monday and yesterday it was announced that the archbishop was holding his own, but last night his condition took a turn for the worse, and he sank steadily until he died at 12:50 p. m. today.

Dr. Larue, the archbishop's physician on Friday diagnosed the case as one of genuine yellow fever. From the first

he was apprehensive as to results. Archbishop Chapelle was very stout of build, full blooded and past 60 years of age, and the fever is always alarming in a patient under those conditions. The disease made steady inroads upon the venerable patient, and early today he showed signs of increasing weakness. Before noon there was an alarming change for the worse. Eminent physicians were immediately summoned for consultation, but the archbishop was beyond succor.

Prominent in the Church.

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