PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 20.—The Oregon Commercial Association will probably be able to start work on the building by the end of the next two months," said General Manager O'Brien, when asked this morning whether his new railroad would be completed on schedule.

"We have several alternate routes under consideration for Portland, which is the most practical one to build, all the others being too difficult of construction being considered," said Mr. O'Brien, "and the work will be continued when the lines are finally completed.

The Oregon Commercial Route, according to the latest reports, may be completed in two years, depending on the cost of labor and materials, and the route will be as follows: from Portland to Coos Bay, then to Shaniko, and finally to the eastern states.

The line will be built by the Oregon Commercial Association, and will be opened for business as soon as the work is completed.