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TELLS ABOUT SUTHERLIN LINE

Douglas County Town Enthu-siastic Over Possible Railroad to Coos Bay

The Sutherlin Sun contains the following concerning the new rail-road there which it is planned to extend to Coos Bay;

extend to Coos Bay: "At a conference held in the lo-cal office of the Roach Timber Company Monday evening, a contract was signed by representatives of the timber company and the Mc-Allister Construction Company, of Portland, whereby the latter is to commence construction work on the first 28 miles of the Sutherlin, Coos Bay & Eastern Railroad with-in ten days, and carry the work in ten days, and carry the work through to completion as speedily as possible, "E. A. Tudor, representing the McAllister Construction Company,

who has spent several days here figuring on the contract, departed for Portland late Monday night to superintend the shipment of the company's grading outfit to Suth-erlin. He stated that he expected to have the equipment here by Fri-day or Saturday and hoped to be in shape to commence grading Monday.

WHS much rejoicing throughout the entire valley when it became, known that the contract for the first unit of the Sutherlin Coos Bay & Eastern Railroad had been signed and that construction work was to begin at once. At a late hour the Sutherlin band par-aded the streets and people talked of nothing but the railroad and saw mills and what they meant for Sutherlin Valley.

The backers of the Sutherlin, Coos Bay & Eastern Railroad are making a thorough investigation of the route both castward and westward from Sutherlin, with the idea of an early extension of the line.

"While the first 27 miles of the road is primarily for the purpose of converting the huge timber hold-ings of the Roach Timber Company, east of Sutherlin, into cash, it is the intention of the lumbermen to co-operate with one of the hig rail-roading interests in extending the first unit, which is under construction, into a through east and west line. A survey has been completed from Sutherlin to Coos Bay and a maximum grade of one per cent established.

"A reconnoisance party under Chief Engineer H. D. Haley, of the Lumbermen's Engineering Company, of Portland, will be outfitted at Sutherlin during the present month, to investigate the North Umpqua River Canyon and pass in the vicin-ity of Diamond Lake, the summit of the Cascade Mountains, due east of Sutherlin. From the previous investigations of the forestry service, the Umpqua River pass is of less altitude and more accessful than that of the Willamette fork at Odell Lake, through which the National survey was made. From the report of the engineer-ing party and the anticipated revival in trade and willing the difference of the second

trade and railroad building in this country, which will follow a solution of the present. European difficulties will depend the exten-sion of the Sutherlin road east through the undeveloped empire of interior Oregon and to Boise, Idaho. The Sutherlin survey will be made from Diamond Lake through Klamath. Lake and Harney Counties to Malheur Lake, where it is expected to connect up with the proposed extension from the Oregon Short Line on Snake River to Juntura. Through the North Umpqua River canyon the proposed route pierces a country of wonderful possibilities to the lumber man and mining man and stock man, besides opening for tourists a practically unknown The possibilscenic wonderland. ities for developing power in the Umpqua River are second to but one river in the state. At the mouth of Fish Creek the North Umpqua races through rock narrows for five miles, then falls in an unbroken volume of water for almost 450 feet. There are immense mineral springs above the Caps Illahee, and the hunting and fishing in the Deer Heaven country, 140 miles from any present railroad, is with-out equal any place in the North-West Sutherlin is on the exact parallel of latitude of Coos Bay, and the line extended east into Idaho passes but 14 minutes south of Boise, making the proposed line from Bolse to the coast almost a compass line proposition. "The Sutherlin people are intensely enthusiastic over the possi-bilities of their town for a rall-road junction point, and with the payrolls attendant upon the big milling operations. are expecting an extensive and substantial growth actual cruise the Roach people estimate that they have timber enough in their holdings to be sawed to supply four thousand car loads of lumber per year for forty years."



WALK TO COOS BAY.

Frank Counselman and Family Re-ported Hiking Here from Minneapolis.

The following dispatch from Spokane will be of interest here.

Frank Counselman of Minneapolis, accompanied by his wife and five children, arrived in Spokane claiming a record as the champion for long distance walkers. The family set out from Minneapolis on July 10 to walk to North Bend, Ore.

The head of the family is a big, upstanding fellow of 38 years, his wife, 40, and the children ranging from 10 years down to a haby only

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