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The announcement which was made last week of the proposed amalgamation of the interests of the four great railroad magnates in America to form one gigantic combination which shall under one management operate the great systems they control and weave a web of lines over the United States shall reach every remote corner of the country from Winnipeg on the north to Galveston on the south, from Boston on the east to San Francisco on the west, while it yet lacks confirmation, to have a truer ring than any previous rumor of consolidation which has been circulated among railroad people. Events seem to be trending strongly toward that consummation and that, too, within a very short period of time. The purchase of the Crocker interests in the Southern Pacific railroad by C. P. Huntington is not the least important indication of this trend, while the succession of W. K. Vanderbilt to the directorship of the New York Central instead of Cornelius Vanderbilt, Jr., the heir to his father's interest, is also regarded as significant. In fact the financial world is ready to accept the news as true and is prepared to hear of the completion of the deal at any minute.

If it is consummated it means the consolidation of more capital in one enterprise than has ever been contemplated before. It means the amalgamation of over one billion dollars' worth of railway interests in one great road. It means the conjunction of lines aggregating a total mileage of over 32,000 miles, or more than enough to encircle the globe once and a third again. It means the organization of a company which will employ more men to operate its elaborate service than the United States musters in its entire army and navy. It means that a small body of men shall direct the course of nearly eight thousand locomotives drawing over seven thousand passen-

ger coaches, over twenty-nine thousand flat cars and nearly two hundred thousand freight cars. It means the employment of a power equal to eight hundred thousand horse power, drawing a train of cars that would stretch four-fifths of the circumference of the earth. In short, it means a gigantic coalition too stupendous in its colossal coalition to be grasped by the mind.

Nor is its commercial importance less astonishing. If it should succeed in controlling the trade of the United States as it would seek to control it within the borders of the union, it would increase the vast wealth of the promoters immeasurably and mean the centralization of traffic that would inevitably affect the growth of the country and divert it markedly from the paths American growth and development have been following and new lines diametrically opposite, perhaps, to the present trend. In fact, its effects are too far reaching to admit of reasonable speculation at this time.

Consider for a moment the men interested in the scheme. W. K. Vanderbilt is one. His election to the vacancy in the directorate of the New York Central road caused by the death of his brother, Cornelius Vanderbilt, means unquestionably that he is to be the head of the Vanderbilt interest. Had the intention of the interests management been to continue in its present lines, your Cornelius would probably have been chosen to his father's place, but in view of the new departure contemplated the experience of an elder head was necessary. W. K. was just the man.

John D. Rockefeller is the second mentioned. His extensive interests in New York, New Haven and Hartford properties would make him a valuable acquisition to any combination of the New York Central contemplated, for the Central could not afford to antagonize the New Haven road. Its interests are kindred. Rockefeller's holdings in the Missouri, Kansas and Texas and in the Chicago and Alton were valuable, too, as connecting links with the West, should New York seek to expand in that direction. He, too, could oppose any pooling of issues with Union Pacific and Chicago Northwestern, in which his holdings are large.

But to win Union Pacific C. P. Huntington was a necessity. He, however, was a ready ally. He has sought to extend Union's interests eastward as earnestly as Vanderbilt has sought to extend New York Central's influence westward. The middle ground on which the two met was in Chicago and Northwestern. To form a combination of all their interests was advantageous to both.

Huntington then was enlisted in the plan, and carried the joint lines to the point, but not in the way that was desired. The Southern Pacific railroad was in the way. It connected the two threads and completed the whole fabric.

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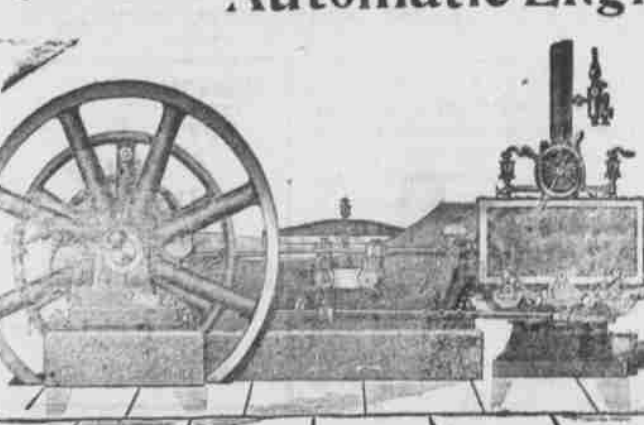
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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Land Office at Oregon City, Oregon, September 22nd, 1899.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before County Clerk of Clatsop County, at Astoria, Oregon, on November 4th, 1899, viz: ANTON HANO, H. E. 10397, for the SE 1/4 of Sec. 3, Tp. 4, N. R. 9 W.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: George Landres, Adolf Sivertzen, John H. Koch, James Finley, all of Astoria, Oregon.

CHARLES H. MOORES, Register.

TIMBER LAND, ACT JUNE 3, 1878—NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

United States Land Office, Oregon City, Oregon, July 22, 1899.—Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the public land states by act of August 4, 1892, John E. Simmons, of Portland, county of Multnomah, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 407, for the purchase of the SW 1/4 Sec. 21, SW 1/4 and NW 1/4 of Sec. 21, Range 10 W. and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the Register and Receiver of this office at Oregon City, Oregon, on Tuesday, the 19th day of October, 1899.

He names as witnesses: William E. Burke, Millard F. Culver, Andrew D. Rockefeller, Jasper N. Fowler, all of Portland, Multnomah County, Oregon.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before the 19th day of October, 1899.

CHARLES H. MOORES, Register.

CONTEST NOTICE.

Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, Oregon City, Oregon, September 8, 1899.

A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by W. G. Howell, contestant, against homestead entry No. 1471, made October 20, 1895, for the NE 1/4 section 1, township 5 N, range 10 W, by Ole Peter S. Axil, contestant, in which it is alleged that said Ole Peter S. Axil has wholly abandoned said tract, that he has changed his residence therefrom for more than one year since making said entry, that said tract is not settled upon and cultivated by said party as required by law and that said alleged absence from the said land was not due to his employment in the army, navy, or marine corps of the United States as a private soldier, officer, seaman or marine, during the war with Spain, or during any other war in which the United States may be engaged. Said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m., on October 23, 1899, before the Register and Receiver at the United States Land Office in Oregon City, Oregon.

The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed September 1, 1899, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice can not be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.

WM. GALLOWAY, Receiver.

CONTEST NOTICE.

Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, Oregon City, Oregon, September 8, 1899.

A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by W. G. Howell, contestant, against homestead entry No. 241, made August 3, 1891, for the SW 1/4 section 17, township 17 N, range 10 W, by Oscar W. Compo, contestant, in which it is alleged that said Oscar W. Compo has wholly abandoned said tract, that he has changed his residence therefrom for more than four years since making said entry, that said tract is not settled upon and cultivated by said party as required by law and that said alleged absence from the said land was not due to his employment in the army, navy, or marine corps of the United States as a private soldier, officer, seaman or marine, during the war with Spain, or during any other war in which the United States may be engaged. Said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m., on October 23, 1899, before the Register and Receiver at the United States Land Office in Oregon City, Oregon.

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He names as witnesses: Jasper N. Fowler, Andrew D. Rockefeller, James S. Rathbun, and J. S. Simmons, all of Portland, Multnomah County, Oregon.

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CHARLES H. MOORES, Register.

TIMBER LAND, ACT JUNE 3, 1878—NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

United States Land Office, Oregon City, Oregon, June 27, 1899. Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3,

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1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892, Narcissa E. Hall, of Astoria, county of Clatsop, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office her sworn statement No. 404, for the purchase of the N 1/4 of S 1/4 of Sec. 3 and W 1/4 of S 1/4 of Sec. No. 20 in Township No. 4 N, Range No. 9 W, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish her claim to said land before the Register and Receiver of this office at Oregon City, Or., on Friday the 19th day of October, 1899. She names as witnesses: A. C. Anderson, of Astoria, Ore.; Miss D. Bird, of Seaside, Ore.; Charles Thompson, of Seaside, Ore.; John Waterhouse, of Clatsop. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 19th day of September, 1899.

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He names as witnesses: Jasper N. Fowler, James S. Rathbun, Andrew D. Rockefeller, and John E. Simmons, all of Portland, Multnomah County, Oregon.

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Land Office at Oregon City, Oregon, Sept. 16, 1899.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before county clerk of Clatsop county, at Astoria, Oregon, on October 23, 1899, viz: Walter J. Falconer, H. E. 11134 for the N. E. 1/4 of section 24 1p. 4 N R. 9 W.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Thomas Pettijohn, of Keasay, Oregon; E. R. Throop, of Keasay, Oregon; B. R. Webster, of Keasay, Oregon; W. B. Derebery, of Keasay, Oregon.

CHARLES H. MOORES, Register.

ADMINISTRATORS SALE.

Notice is hereby given, that on Monday, October 9, 1899, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, as administrator of the Estate of W. H. Ryan, deceased, I will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, at the Court House door, at Astoria, in Clatsop County, Oregon, lot no eleven (11), of block No. two (2), in Bradley's Addition to Ocean Grove, in Clatsop County, Oregon, belonging to said estate.

F. J. CARNERY, Administrator of the above entitled estate.

Dated at Astoria, Oregon, this 28th day of August, 1899.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Clatsop on the 21st day of September, 1899, upon a judgment rendered therein on the 15th day of September, 1899, in favor of J. P. Ross, J. E. Huntington, G. B. Thompson and E. Z. Ferguson, partners doing business under the firm name of Ross, Higgins & Co. plaintiffs and against C. H. Brinkoff and Nina Brinkoff, defendants, for the sum of \$2813, the costs and disbursements of this suit taxed at \$10.20 and the costs of and upon this writ commanding and requiring me to make sale of the following described real property, to-wit: Beginning at the southwest corner of the M. A. Burnside Donation Land Claim in sections 16, 21 and 22 in Tp. 5 N. of R. 9 W. West of the Willamette Meridian, thence east along the south line of said Donation Land Claim 1283.75 feet, thence north 750 feet, thence west 1267.6 feet, thence south 720 feet to the place of beginning excepting the west 534 feet of the tract above described, excepting also two acres sold by Nina Brinkoff and husband, C. H. Brinkoff, as per deed dated August 3rd, 1895, and recorded August 14th, 1895, in Vol. 36, Page 621, Record of Deeds, all situated and being in the County of Clatsop, State of Oregon.

Notice is hereby given that I will on Monday, the 30th day of October 1899, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon of said day, in front of and at the Court house door in the City of Astoria, Clatsop County, Oregon, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, the above described real property to satisfy the judgment, interest and costs and all accruing costs.

THOS. LINVILLE, Sheriff, Clatsop County, Oregon, Astoria, Oregon, Sept. 25th, 1899.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of an execution and order of sale issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Clatsop County on the 27th day of September, 1899, upon a judgment and decree rendered therein on the 25th day of September, 1899, in favor of E. Tappan Stafford, plaintiff, and against D. C. Stafford, Harcourt E. Stafford, A. C. Fisher and Charles Wright, defendants, for the sum of \$187.00 with interest thereon at the rate of eight per cent per annum, from the 15th day of September, 1899, the costs and disbursements of this suit taxed at \$10.20 and the costs of and upon this writ commanding and requiring me to make sale of the following described real property, to-wit: All of the Clara Houghton homestead claim in section 27, lying north of a line drawn across said homestead from east to west, 91 rods south of, and parallel with the north line of section 27. Also all that part of P. Callender's Donation Land Claim which lies east of the line of the Astoria and South Coast Railroad, so called, all being situated in section 27, township 7 North of range 10 West. Together with the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereto belonging, all in Clatsop county, Oregon, except therefrom all that portion which lies west of Calley creek.

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THOS. LINVILLE, Sheriff of Clatsop County, Or., Astoria, Or., August 27, 1899.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS.

The board of equalization of Clatsop county, Oregon, will attend at the office of the county clerk of Clatsop county, Oregon, September 25th, and daily thereafter until and including September 29th, to publicly examine the assessment roll for the year 1899, and correct all errors in valuation, description or qualities of land, lots or other property, and it shall be the duty of all parties interested to appear at that time and place for the purpose of correcting any errors that may appear in said assessment rolls.

C. W. CARNAHAN, Assessor of Clatsop County, Oregon, Astoria, Oregon, August 31, 1899.

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