



TRAINS WILL RUN TODAY

Between Pasco and the Cliffs.

ON NORTH BANK ROAD

Sixty Days More Will See the Freight Rolling into Portland.

PACIFIC NORTHWEST IS BEST

President Hill Believes This Section of the Country is in the Best Shape—Furnishes Views on the Financial Depression and Its Cause.

PORTLAND, Dec. 14.—Louis W. Hill, president of the Great Northern Railroad arrived in this city tonight. He declared that within 60 days the North Bank road will be rolling freight into Portland. The first time-card of the North Bank Road was issued today and goes into effect tomorrow, the road being in operation between Pasco and The Cliffs. By January 15 trains will be running to Vancouver, Wash., and a month later into Portland.

The North Bank Road when completed will run from Portland to Pasco, where it will connect with the Northern Pacific. Branches will be built to Spokane and also to Lewiston, Idaho. The road was designed to avoid mountain climbing over the Cascades and follows the Columbia River at less than a one per cent grade.

Speaking of the financial situation Mr. Hill declared: "We will have quiet times all over the country till after the presidential election." Mr. Hill attributed the depression to the attitude of the people against the "interests," and declared that the \$29,000,000 fine which Judge Landis assessed against the Standard Oil Co., was "the straw that broke the camel's back." Mr. Hill expressed his opinion that the Pacific Northwest is in the best shape today of any section of the country.

GERMANS WIN.

Six-Day Bicycle Race Captured by Teutons.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Rutt and Stoll, the German team, won the six-day bicycle race tonight. It is the first time in the history of the sport that a German team has captured first honors. Shortly before 11 all teams had withdrawn from the track with the exception of Rutt and Fogler who rode for the American team, these teams being tied for first place. Rutt and Fogler raced for a mile, the German winning. The final score was:

Rutt-Stoll, 2312 miles, 5 laps; Fogler-Moran, 2312 miles, 5 laps; George-Dupre, 2312, 4 laps; Downing-Downey, 2312, 4 laps; Galvin-Wiley, 2312, 4 laps; Krebs-Vanderstuyft, 2312, 3 laps; Logan-Bardgett, 2312, 3 laps; Breton-Vanoni, 2312, 1 lap.

The record is 2733 miles, 4 laps, made by the Waller-Miller team in 1899. Urban McDonald, who was injured in the race Friday, died tonight.

WHITMAN COLLEGE PLANS.

Scope of the College Will be Enlarged by Added Studies.

WALLA WALLA, Dec. 14.—At the meeting of the trustees of Whitman College today a plan was adopted that will materially change the policy and scope of the college. A release has been secured from the contract heretofore existing with the Congregational educational board. Additional endowments of \$1,000,000, and \$500,000 for new buildings were arranged for, although the means of raising this amount was not made public. Schools of civil, electrical, and mining engineering, forestry, irrigation, music and the arts and trades will be established.

ICE KING ELIMINATED.

Morse to be Dropped From American Ice Company.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The Herald this morning says that Charles W. Morse will no longer retain control of the American Ice Securities Company, the holding company of the American Ice Company. According to the Herald, a meeting of prominent financial interests was held in New York yesterday and a plan was decided on by which Mr. Morse will be eliminated from the ice interests as he was from the banks of New York and the combination of coastwise steamship companies. It is said that a voting trust has been decided upon which is to consist of Charles M. Schwab, Isaac Guggenheim, Louis Cassa, Ladyard, James McCutcheon and Geo. L. Rives, and that this trust will henceforth conduct the affairs of the company.

COMPARE RATES.

Hearing of Lumbermen Before Commission Develops Little of Interest.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Beyond technical details, concerning the manufacture and shipment of lumber, together with information as to the rates prevailing between the Pacific Northwest and Eastern points, in comparison with rates from Yellow Pine districts to the same points of destination, little was developed at the hearing before the Interstate Commerce Commission of the Oregon and Washington lumber association complaint against the railroad lines of the Northwest.

WHETHER SACKS OR BULK.

TACOMA, Dec. 14.—The state railroad commission met here today and there were lively arguments by shippers and exporters, for and against the changing of wheat shipments from sacks to bulk. After a long discussion a resolution was adopted declaring the time had not arrived when the question should be agitated.

SLEEPING CAR LAW

Declared Unconstitutional by the Wisconsin Supreme Court.

NYE BILL KNOCKED IN HEAD

Provision Introduced by Fat Solon, Who Wanted More Air in Sleeping Cars, Goes the Way of All Anti-Corporation Legislation.

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—A despatch to the Tribune from Madison, Wis., says:

The Wisconsin supreme court yesterday declared the Nye Sleeping Car berth law unconstitutional. Its author was Assemblyman Ray J. Nye, an insurance broker of Superior.

Nye, who is large and heavy, took a sleeper at Superior one hot summer night to return to Madison and resume his legislative duties. He took a lower berth and tried to get the porter to leave the upper one closed. The porter, however, said he could not, as it was against the rules.

Finally Nye climbed into his heavy curtained berth, but could not sleep on account of lack of air, and when he reached Madison next morning his temperature was far above normal. A few days later he introduced his sleeping car berth bill. Finally it passed and Governor Davidson signed it. Its chief provision is as follows:

"Whenever any person pays for the use of a double lower berth in a sleeping car he shall have the right to direct whether the upper berth shall be opened or closed, unless the upper berth actually is occupied by some other person; and the proprietor of the car and the person in charge of it shall comply with such direction."

The penalty for violating the law was fixed at imprisonment in the county jail for six months or a fine of \$100.

The Pullman Car Company, which owns most of the sleeping cars used in Wisconsin, instructed its porters to disobey the law, it is alleged, and finally passengers began to complain.

W. O. Stone filed a formal complaint with the state's attorney at Green Bay against the porter on a car running into the Northern part of the state, and the porter was arrested and convicted. The Pullman Company then appealed to the Supreme Court.

EAST SWEEP BY STORMS

Northeaster Lashes Atlantic Seaboard.

SHIPPING HAS SUFFERED

Bark Goes to Pieces Off Sandy Hook But the Crew is Saved.

ELEVEN STEAMSHIPS ARE DUE

Trans-Atlantic Liners Unreported at a Late Hour Though no Apprehension is Felt For Their Safety—Life-Saving Crew Rescues Sailors.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Lashed by the fierce blows of a heavy northeaster, New York tonight is in the wintry clutches of storm and wind, hail and rain which has completely swept the Atlantic front from Hatteras to Maine. Shipping has suffered greatly in the 60-mile gale. Down Sandy Hook the bark Edmund Phinney went to pieces on the sandy shore after her skipper and crew had been rescued by a breeches buoy. Eleven trans-Atlantic steamships due today are still unreported at Sandy Hook at 10 o'clock tonight, though no apprehension is felt for their safety. Many vessels put back from sea during the day.

Great damage was done in the city from wind and two men were killed by falling wreckage. Communication is cut off in many directions, telegraph poles being flattened by the wind.

Life-saving crews rescued the Phinney's sailors, after they had clung to the hull for eight hours, half dead from exposure. The last man had hardly been taken off when the vessel broke up and disappeared in the boiling waters. Tonight the crew are being cared for by the life-savers. The Phinney was lumber laden from Savannah to Perth-amboy, N. J.

"GUY FAWKES" PLOT.

Gun Powder and Bombs Found in Financial District.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Rumors of a modern "Guy Fawkes" plot spread rapidly through Wall Street yesterday when the fact was made known that a barrel of gunpowder and more than a hundred bombs or hand grenades had been found in the very middle of the financial district. Workmen engaged in tearing out the interior of the old custom house discovered the mine. An apparently unused iron door was forced open and inside, in a closet, was found the explosives. The customs authorities were notified but it was not until the oldest

employee of the office was questioned that the real history of the explosives was discovered. According to this story they were placed in the building in 1863 at the time of the draft riots when the government decided to be ready to protect the building in case it was attacked by the rioters. Years ago the miniature armory was forgotten.

GENUINE HALF DOLLAR.

Man Arrested for Passing Bad Coin Receives \$500.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—A silver half dollar has proved to be worth \$500 to Herman Zwicker. One day last summer Zwicker and his wife started for Coney Island and Zwicker gave the ticket seller on the elevated road a half dollar. He received his tickets and his change, but soon after entering the car he was arrested for passing a counterfeit coin. He was discharged in court next day, the coin proving to be a genuine half dollar, although it was not of the kind usually current in New York, being a Mexican coin. Zwicker sued the railroad company for false arrest and recovered a verdict for \$500.

REFORM THE SALOON.

Brewers' Association Begins Campaign to Better Conditions.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 14.—At a meeting of the Ohio Brewers' Association, held here yesterday the campaign to reform the saloon was begun. No beer will be sold to dive keepers. Where Sunday closing is demanded, the law will be enforced as far as the brewers have power. An effort will be made to stop the sale of liquor to drunkards and minors and saloon loafing will be stopped.

The reform committee will have headquarters at Dayton and detectives will be employed to ferret undesirable places. The brewers will work in harmony with the Anti-Saloon League to place the saloon on a higher plane in localities where saloons are permitted.

STORY GROUNDLESS

Alleged Violence at Goldfield Without Foundation.

WOMEN CONFER WITH FUNSTON

Delegations Meet General and Acquaint Him With Conditions Which Necessitated the Summoning of Troops—Statements Are a Revelation.

GOLDFIELD, Dec. 14.—Delegations from the Woman's Club, Chamber of Commerce, Merchants' Association and the Mining Exchange called upon Funston this afternoon to acquaint him with the conditions that necessitated the summoning of federal troops. Funston said after the conference that the statements made to him were a revelation, especially those of the women who have lived in constant terror. Several stories of alleged violence today are groundless. The mineowners report additional desertions from the Western Federation. This is denied by the Federation.

THE INTERESTS OF ASTORIA.

Morning Astorian's Mid-Winter Edition to be a Full Exposition of Them.

On, or about, New Year's Day, the Morning Astorian will issue its special Mid-Winter edition in conjunction with its regular paper, and it is the purpose of the management to make the special altogether inviting and creditable. It is compiled for the express reading of the man, woman and child abroad, though there is no embargo on its perusal at home; but its contents being more or less matter of knowledgeable import here, the fact that it is intended for outside information (of inside facts), is made clear so there will be no disappointment among those whose interest is known to be centered here. The edition will be handsomely gotten up and its chief attraction will lie between its covers; it will be presented in magazine form, and crowded with fine cuts covering all the range of spectacular interest in and near the city, and its story will be one long, reliable and engrossing presentation of what Astoria possesses, stands for, and wants.

The columns of the "special" are not yet quite filled with advertising matter and those who desire to figure in them will do well to call at once, and provide against the day of its publication; and it must be remembered that it is not altogether a medium for advertisements, but an interesting chronicle of the natural, acquired and potentially essential qualities of the entire county and city; and that it will go into thousands of hands, all over the country that are eager for just such a showing of, and from, the City-by-the-Sea.

NO REMEDIAL LEGISLATION

For the Present Financial Condition.

FAVOR GENERAL LAWS

Sub-Committee on Banking and Currency Now Dealing With Subject.

FINANCIERS WILL BE HEARD

Present Congress Will Not Pass Laws to Remedy Situation if Sub-Committee Can Have Its Way—Will Frame General Law.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—It can be stated on the highest authority that if the sub-committee of the House committee on banking and currency, now dealing with the subject, can have its way, no effort will be made at the present Congress to adopt legislation remedial of the present financial condition. All the energies of the committee will be directed toward the framing and passage of laws more general in character and which will be intended to preclude the shrinkage of the circulation, which has been entailing widespread financial distress. Men high in the world of finance will be given the opportunity to appear before the committee to present their views on the proposed measure.

MARKET DEPRESSED.

Variety of Factors Contributed to the Weakness in Stocks.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—A variety of factors contributed to the depression in this week's stock market. Of these the money situation was pre-eminent, but much weight was also attached to the probability of dividend reduction on prominent stocks and unsettled trade conditions, particularly in the metal industry. Drastic liquidation resulted at times from the calling of loans by the banks in an effort to fortify their position in anticipation of early large corporate requirements and expected call on the state banks for a statement of their conditions. The resultant contraction in loanable funds sent the call money rates up to 25 per cent, but during the latter half of the week this figure was about cut in two for renewals. The premium on currency was maintained at varying rates. There was little relief afforded the market by the gold imports, which were received. Heavy speculative liquidation went on during the week in American sugar, New York Central and Amalgamated Copper, the weakness in these stocks being variously attributed to unsatisfactory trade conditions, bear operations and uncertainty as to dividend relations.

DOCTOR EATS CACTUS.

Gives Dinner to Brother Medicos With Cactus on Menu.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 14.—Dr. Leon Elbert Landone gave a dinner last night to six physicians of this city to celebrate the completion of his 14 days' food test.

During this period Dr. Landone ate, almost exclusively, spineless cactus and cactus was one of the chief features of the dinner. The menu consisted of celery and cactus soup, omelette with chopped cactus and green peppers, fried cactus, salad made of the cactus fruit, lettuce, celery, sherbet flavored with the fruit of the cactus and the juice of the cactus fruit as a drink.

The guests expressed themselves as delighted with the menu and found it very pleasant to the taste.

"My experiment with the diet was in a way productive of surprises," said Dr. Landone. "I had expected to lose fully 10 pounds in weight, though I confidently expected to keep up my strength. Not

only did my strength continue unimpaired, but, on weighing myself this morning, I found that I had gained half a pound. The test was not intended to show that cactus alone will do as an article of food but rather as a test of all those vegetables rich in organic salts. Though cactus was the chief article of diet, Dr. Landone also ate celery, asparagus, lettuce and spinach and a small amount of animal fat in the butter in which the vegetables were cooked.

MULTNOMAH-SEATTLE.

Portland Team Wins From Kickers From Puget Sound.

PORTLAND, Dec. 14.—Multnomah defeated Seattle today in one of the most spectacular games of the season. The score was 21 to 0 but in spite of this wide margin Seattle played a fine game, but was unfortunate in fumbling, and incidentally handicapped by the phenomenal punting of Dudley Clark, the University of Oregon star who played half back for Multnomah, and did the punting for the team. Clark punted 29 times on an average of 41 yards to the kick. The combined picking of Kern and Robbins for Seattle only netted an average of 21 yards, but the blocking of three punts was responsible for this low average. Lonergan and Stott, after Clark, were Multnomah's stars, while Dowd and Kern took honors for Seattle.

HOP GROWERS' UNION.

Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws Adopted.

SANTA ROSA, CAL., Dec. 14.—The articles of incorporation and by-laws of the Pacific Coast Hop Growers' Union, the purpose of which is a combination of the hop growers of California, Oregon and Washington to organize the growers of those states and when the organization is effected, 10 of the 15 directors are to resign and give way for five from each of the states mentioned.

DRAMATIC SCENES

Cross Examination Concludes in Pettibone Trial.

PICTURES HIDEOUS CRIMES

Darrow Refers to Testimony at Haywood Trial and Tries to Make Witness Contradict Himself—Orchard Downcast and Miserable Replies to Counsel.

BOISE, Dec. 14.—Dramatic scenes marked today's proceedings in the trial of Pettibone for complicity in the murder of Steunenberg. Clarence Darrow, chief counsel for the defense, closed his cross examination of Orchard before the adjournment this afternoon by picturing each of the crimes of the witness in a most hideous light, and after each he asked, "You did that, did you not?"

Orchard, with face downcast and misery written in every feature, answered each question, "Yes, sir, I did." "You never met a man in a fair fight, did you?" asked Darrow, but the court sustained the objection of the prosecution. Throughout the cross examination, Darrow referred to the testimony at the Haywood trial and endeavored to show contradictory statements, but Orchard held his own. Darrow touched very lightly upon the incidents leading to Orchard's confession. The story of Orchard's conversion and religious profession was not brought out by either side, the only intimation of it being when Darrow asked the witness if McParland had not told him that St. Paul and David, after he had committed the murder, had proven men of power for good and Orchard replied: "He told me they had been forgiven."

SAILING TIME NEAR.

Pacific-Bound Fleet Waiting For President's "Bon Voyage."

FORT MONROE, Dec. 14.—A day of changing storm, fog and sunshine found the Pacific-bound fleet within 36 hours of sailing time, at anchor in the roadstead awaiting the coming of the President on Monday morning to pay his official adieu as commander-in-chief of the army and navy. A treacherous sleet interfered to some extent with the official program and necessitated the abandonment of the reception and dance on the flagship Connecticut.