

THE WEATHER.
Tonight and Tuesday,
occasional rain; brisk
southerly winds.

THE OREGON DAILY JOURNAL

Second Edition

VOL. I. NO. 216.

PORTLAND, OREGON, MONDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 17, 1902.

PRICE FIVE CENTS.

MELLEN WON'T DENY THERE IS BIG SCHEME TO DOWN M'BRIDE

The Journal's Exclusive Story of a Giant Railroad Combination to Boom Portland at Expense of Sound Cities.

Is Not Denied by the Railroad Magnate--Some Interesting Talk on the Railroad Situation. Mysterious Consultation With Mohler.

President Mellen, of the Northern Pacific, refused to deny the statement this morning, exclusively published in The Journal of last Saturday, that it is the intention of the railroad companies to divert all of Washington's vast cereal product to the mouth of the Columbia, and boom Portland to the skies.

O. R. & N. MAY USE TRACKS.
"Is there anything in the report that your use of tracks to Seattle and the Sound country?" was asked by The Journal.

CONSULTATION WITH MOHLER.
President Mellen was in consultation with President Mohler, of the O. R. & N., this morning for a half hour. The subject of conversation is shaded with a mysterious silence, although Mellen's voice rose to a high pitch several times during the conversation and threatened to give the patiently waiting reporter a tip as to the probable topic under discussion.

LEAVE FOR SEATTLE.
President Mellen arrived in Portland last night and spent the night at the Portland Hotel. He is accompanied by Vice-President J. M. Hannaford, General Manager Thomas Cooper, Superintendent of Motive Power O. E. Byrnes, Tax Commissioner C. S. Fernald, Assistant General Superintendent A. E. Law, the president's stenographer, E. N. Easton, Mr. Cooper's stenographer, B. W. Walker, and Newman Kline, superintendent of the Pacific division.

MAY HAVE BEEN FAKE ASSASSIN

A Direct Charge Against Belgian King.

It Is Claimed He Is Plying for Personal Favor and Hiring the Shooting.

BRUSSELS, Nov. 17.—There is a feeling gaining ground here that Rubino, the assassin, was paid by the King or some member of his suite to fire the shots on Saturday, and that there was no intention at any time to injure the royal personage.

EVANS SPEAKS.

NEW YORK, Nov. 17.—Rear Admiral R. D. Evans, commanding the American squadron in Asiatic waters, has reported to the department at Washington that recent concessions made American capital for railroad construction purposes in China are of great importance.

MARCONI HAPPY.

HALIFAX, Nov. 17.—A Glace Bay dispatch says the Italian warship Alberto is constantly receiving complete messages across the ocean. Marconi today said he would give no statement to the public until he could give a full and complete history of his success.

CARNIVAL AT HOUSTON.

HOUSTON, Tex., Nov. 17.—This is carnival week in Houston and the city is decked out in holiday attire and prepared to enjoy the festivities to the limit.

FAMOUS FOREIGN STARS HEARD IN THE UNITED STATES.



NEW YORK, Nov. 17.—Two of the world's leading actresses and opera queens are in this country playing before American audiences. They are Madame Sembrich and Eleanor Duse. Each is a famous European star and has been paid a fabulous price to induce her to visit this country. It has been six years since Duse has been seen in America.

KILAUEA SPITS FIRE AND ROCKS

Hawaiian Volcano in Violent Eruption.

Not Before in Twenty Years Has It Been so Active--No Danger.

HONOLULU, Nov. 17.—There is great excitement on the island of Hawaii where the volcano Kilauea is in the most violent eruption for years. Not for the past 20 years has so much molten lava, ashes and steam been cast off by the mighty monster which stands a threatening sentinel over the group.

AN OPEN TOWN.

HONOLULU, Nov. 17.—The battleship Oregon and the cruiser New York have arrived here. President Dole has issued a call for a special session of the Legislature following the recent election. It is rumored there will be an effort to secure the passage of laws throwing the town open to gambling and opening houses of prostitution. It is believed this action would relieve the present stringent financial situation.

READY FOR SUIT.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 17.—Queen Liliuokalani has arrived here from the Hawaiian Islands and will leave at once for Washington, where she will begin suit to recover possession of the crown lands in the islands. She is in very poor health.

SCHMITZ GETS GLAD HAND.

CHICAGO, Nov. 17.—Mayor Schmitz of San Francisco arrived this morning and was given an ovation. There will be a labor demonstration and a big parade tonight. A monster volunteer band of union musicians is a feature. He is holding a reception this afternoon. The motor carriers give him credit for Loud's defeat.

ASKS FOR NEW TRIAL.

BOSTON, Nov. 17.—Alan G. Mason, the prominent society man of this city, who was twice arrested for murder and who has now been finally released, is at his home. He makes light of his troubles and says he never had the slightest doubt he would be set free. Purely circumstantial evidence against him was at one time considered strong, but he was at once released after the capture of Perry. Mason is again going about in society, and is quite the lion of the hour, women paying him special attention.

TRAVELS IN STYLE.

SAN DIEGO, Nov. 17.—The Stames Prince visited Coronado yesterday. Today he took a horseback ride about this city. He will leave tomorrow for Riverside, Pasadena, Monterey, and thence to San Francisco, where he will stay a week. He has cut Los Angeles entirely. He travels in the car "Columbia," used by Prince Henry and has a special train of eight cars. His expense is \$1,000 a day and he pays the freight.

MARINES TO COME HOME.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 17.—The following dispatch from Cassey at Panama was received this morning: "The Colombian government today has 1,500 men on the railroad line and more are expected daily. Gen. Perdone expresses ability to maintain free transit of the isthmus. I have ordered the withdrawal and embarkation of the marines on Tuesday next."

JUDGMENT FOR PLAINTIFF.

In the State Circuit Court this morning Judge Sears granted F. E. Dumont a judgment for \$500 against Samuel Mazowsky.

ALAN MASON A SOCIAL LION



BOSTON, Nov. 17.—Alan G. Mason, the prominent society man of this city, who was twice arrested for murder and who has now been finally released, is at his home. He makes light of his troubles and says he never had the slightest doubt he would be set free. Purely circumstantial evidence against him was at one time considered strong, but he was at once released after the capture of Perry. Mason is again going about in society, and is quite the lion of the hour, women paying him special attention.

AMERICANS IN CANADA

TORONTO, Nov. 17.—Twelve thousand Americans are to come to the Canadian Northwest and settle on a grant of 2,000,000 acres of land which has been offered.

SUIT ON ACCOUNT.

Charles Schulenberg has brought suit in the State Circuit Court against the Portland Live Stock Exchange to recover \$145.19 on account.

VALDES WILL HAVE BIG BOOM

Railroads Will Build From This Point.

Miners Say It Only Lacks Trans- portation to Make It Great.

From time to time in the last few months rumors have come from Alaska that Valdes was to be the next point to enjoy the sudden influx of newcomers known as "rushers." These rumors are rapidly crystallizing into definite statements of new projects being launched in that district. J. W. Ivey, formerly collector of customs for Alaska, received a telegram from New York this morning which stated that W. A. McDonald, the well-known railroad contractor, had left Gotham on his way to Valdes, where he will immediately undertake the construction of the Valdes and Copper River Railroad. This road, as now surveyed, will run from Valdes into the interior some 200 miles, and will afford the owners of the recently discovered copper deposits in that section a means of transporting their ore to the coast.

SPEAKS OF VALDES.

J. W. Langham, a miner who arrived in Portland from Valdes this morning, says: "I know nothing of the railroad mentioned in Mr. Ivey's dispatch, but I have heard of several roads which it is proposed to build. One of these is the Valdes and the famous 'Columbia' and Hecla. This metal is worthless at present, because it costs more to transport the ore to a smelter than it is worth. A railroad, however, will change this, and when it is built Valdes will be the largest and most permanent town in Alaska."

GREAT COPPER DEPOSITS.

"Within a radius of 20 miles from Valdes I will venture to say that there is as much copper and more as ever lay buried in the great mines of the United Verde and the famous 'Columbia' and Hecla. This metal is worthless at present, because it costs more to transport the ore to a smelter than it is worth. A railroad, however, will change this, and when it is built Valdes will be the largest and most permanent town in Alaska."

NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 17.—There was a great sensation in the convention of the American Federation of Labor this afternoon when Delegate Sheridan, of the Amalgamated Iron and Steel Workers, introduced a resolution asking for an investigation of the charges made by President Shaffer, of the Iron and Steel Workers, that President Gompers, of the general organization, had used the functions of his office prejudicial to certain labor interests. Shaffer's charges were made at a recent meeting of his association held at Wheeling.

CHAFFEE IN CHICAGO.

CHICAGO, Nov. 17.—Wright and Chaffee arrived here this morning and will remain all day. The former goes to meet Roosevelt this evening.

WHEAT MARKET.

CHICAGO, Nov. 17.—Wheat—54 3/4c. SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 17.—Wheat—51.25% @ 51.50%.

A Hot Fight Between Advocates of Private and of Government Irrigation of Arid Lands Is Expected--Caucuses Being Held Today.

President, Secretary and Executive Chairman of National Association Due to Arrive Tonight. President Roosevelt Sends His Regrets.

Everything is now in readiness for the National Irrigation Association convention which will convene here tomorrow morning and last for two days. Delegates from every county in the state are coming in right along and the hotels are rapidly being filled up. Caucuses of the various delegations are being held and various measures which will be brought up at the convention are being framed. The president, secretary and executive chairman of the National Irrigation Congress are due to arrive tonight. Indications point to the fact that much business will be transacted at this congress, and that a hard-fought battle will be seen between the private irrigation companies and those in favor of the government doing the irrigation work.

This morning Secretary Moore of the Oregon Irrigation Association received the following letter from George B. Cortellou, secretary to President Roosevelt. This is in answer to one requesting the President to attend the irrigation convention. The letter is as follows:

My Dear Sir: Your favor of the 7th instant has been received and in behalf of the President, I beg to express his regrets that engagements already made will preclude him from accepting the cordial invitation which you have been pleased to extend him to be present at the Oregon Irrigation Association convention in Portland on November 18 and 19. With assurances that your thoughtfulness and courtesy are appreciated, believe me, Very Truly Yours,

MINNESOTA WILL HELP.
The secretary of the St. Paul Chamber of Commerce acknowledged receipt of the official call to the convention and concluded his letter by stating: "You may depend on the unanimous support of the Minnesota delegation in Washington on any irrigation proposition endorsed by the Geological Survey and Interior Department."

The Merchants' Entertainment Committee met this morning and made final arrangements for the entertainment of the visitors in Portland this week.

There was some discussion as to furnishing guides to the strangers in the city to point out the interesting sights, and it was finally decided that the sub-committee on entertainment should request the Portland delegates to the convention to pilot their fellow delegates from out of the city around.

DISTINGUISHED VISITORS.
A telegram was read stating that President Holmes, Secretary Mason and Executive Chairman Fred J. Kiesel, of the National Irrigation Congress, will arrive this evening in order to attend the convention. They will be met at the Union Depot by James M. Moore, who will escort them to the Portland Hotel, in the lobby of which an informal reception will be held, to which all interested in irrigation matters are cordially invited.

Among those who will meet these gentlemen will be President Devers of the Oregon Irrigation Association, President Sears, of the Chamber of Commerce; President Beach, of the Board of Trade; President Morrow, of the Manufacturers' Association; President Ramsdell, of the Merchants' Entertainment Committee; Col. L. L. Hawkins, Gen. O. Summers and H. C. Wartman.

COMMITTEES TO REPORT.
Chairman Ramsdell requests that all sub-committees of the Merchants' Entertainment Committee who have as yet not reported and turned in their subscription lists, do so at once.

One of the principal features of the entertainment of the visitors will be at the Armory, corner Fourth and Couch streets, on Friday evening. The principal events of the evening will be the foot and pistol drill with ammunition by Battery A, Captain H. H. Welch, commanding, and a heavy gun drill by Battery A. An inspection of the Armory

The delegates met this morning in the Imperial Hotel, but did not transact any business. They will meet again this evening at 6:30 o'clock in conjunction with the Omaha delegation to devise measures to propose to the convention tomorrow.

The Baker City delegation consists of the following:

O. L. Miller, Chairman; J. B. Messick, Secretary; Samuel White, John Waterman, L. Crabill, James York, Carl Dillemeier, C. H. Stuller, A. B. Winfree, E. P. McDaniell, Hon. George Chandler, Hon. E. W. Grace, Charles H. Breck, A. H. Hartung, H. K. Fisher, George W. Moody, George H. Jor, W. W. Merrill, A. McDaniell, D. L. Mooman, William Polman, Dr. H. E. Curry, Nayvor R. D. Carter, C. A. Johns, S. L. Boer, David Wilcox, J. H. Robbins and W. W. Travillion.

TRIES TO CAST A SLUR ON GOMPERS

Evidence of Petty Politics at Federa- tion of Labor at New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 17.—There was a great sensation in the convention of the American Federation of Labor this afternoon when Delegate Sheridan, of the Amalgamated Iron and Steel Workers, introduced a resolution asking for an investigation of the charges made by President Shaffer, of the Iron and Steel Workers, that President Gompers, of the general organization, had used the functions of his office prejudicial to certain labor interests. Shaffer's charges were made at a recent meeting of his association held at Wheeling.

It is evident that Gompers had been forewarned. He turned the gavel of authority over to Secretary Wilson and stepped down from off the platform before the resolution was read.

Shaffer excitedly addressed the chair, demanding an investigation. Gompers, after hearing the resolution and the charges they conveyed read to the end, declared he had but one wish in his mind—that it be sifted to the bottom in the shortest possible space of time. Pursuant to this a special committee was appointed under a suspension of the order of business, and the session adjourned until 9 o'clock tomorrow morning. The night will be devoted to looking into the charges, and it is expected that the committee will be ready to report when the convention assembles tomorrow.

After adjournment, Shaffer was seen by press representatives and declared the whole thing was a scheme on the part of Sheridan to place him (Shaffer) in bad favor in order that Sheridan might be elected to the position now held by Shaffer.