

LOOKING TOWARD PORTAGE

Possibilities of River Travel Open Up a Wide Field.

Portland Stands to Win and the Northwest Cannot Lose.

Farmers, shippers, commission men and the railroads—more particularly the latter—are keeping constant watch upon the proposed portage.

It is realized that the removal of the obstruction to navigation at The Dalles or the opening of a portage railroad over which grain and other freight would be moved at "cost charges," would be a boon for millions of bushels of wheat that under no other possible condition could be diverted from Puget Sound points to the Port of Portland, and the problem of handling that grain, if the portage road were to be opened today, it is admitted would be a serious one.

To those who have studied the subject, great benefit to the Pacific Northwest, other than reducing the charges on grain to tide water, has been deduced from the portage railroad project. For years the railroad lines have been contented with the mileage already built and have rested and drawn immense interest on their money invested. By reducing through rates on grain, the business tributary to the rivers, it is claimed the roads will be compelled to construct branch lines to interior points.

The method of figuring out this result is plain. Those who have studied shipping say it is many times demonstrated that water transportation will not be used where rail is hindered. By this is meant that a farmer will not haul a long distance to the river and subject his wheat to the delays of river shipment if the railroad is built past his door, and all he has to do is to dump his crops in the company warehouse and leave the responsibility with the shipper.

Knowledge of this fact, it is urged, will cause the railroad companies to construct new lines into districts that have heretofore remained without transportation facilities other than by means of wagons. The saving of time and haul will be of great importance to the farmers.

May Mean Railroad War. There is also a possibility, it is claimed, of arraying the Harriman interests against those of James J. Hill, in the river business.

It is a well-known fact that the O. R. & N. Co. owns many steamboats which could readily be placed in commission for tow and carrying purposes. With these it would be possible for the Harriman corporation to steam up the Columbia from Wallula and invade a section of the Northwest which has up to now been sacred to the solitary ownership of Hill and his associates.

Wenatchee, Waterville and other points would then have routes to Portland, as well as rates to Puget Sound. In a measure, this has been possible since the vast wheat districts of Central Washington were developed, but shippers claim the O. R. & N. did not follow out such a course because it would bring about a rate war which would demonstrate the fact that existing rates were far too high. The company would rather sacrifice the upper Columbia River business than puncture its own armor.

With the portage road open, however, all this reason for concealment would vanish, for it is to prevent the portage project that the railroad has long been laboring.

Max M. Shillock, secretary of the Board of Trade, "is seemingly as though the people of the state want the road. I think competition in transportation is always a good thing, as it always helps the producer. The fact that the bill passed the Legislature by an almost unanimous vote is evidence that the representatives had good reasons for passing the bill. I think it will be a benefit to the whole state."

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REFORM

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"Open the theatres on Sundays" is the cry of a vast body of reformers in New York who see nothing wrong in allowing performances to be held on the Sabbath day. The movement has become organized and the famous theatrical lawyer, Will Grossman, representing 10 prominent New-York theatres, is waging a hot legal fight for the innovation.

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"One of my neighbors advised me to try Peruna. A bottle was immediately secured and a great change took place in my daughter's as well as in my own health. Our appetites improved very greatly, the digestion seemed much helped, and restful sleep soon improved us, so that we seemed like new women.

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A PASTOR'S WIFE CURED OF PELVIC CATARRH

She Suffered for Years and Felt Her Case Was Hopeless—Cured by Peruna.



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MRS. ANNA B. FLEHARTY, recent Superintendent of the W. C. T. U. headquarters, at Galesburg, Ill., was for ten years one of the leading women there. Her husband, when living, was first President of the Nebraska Wesleyan University, at Lincoln, Neb.

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Mrs. E. L. Brown, 229 Elliott street, Memphis, Tenn., writes:

"I suffered for several years with headache brought on by nervous prostration. I was also afflicted with insomnia. I would get up in the morning more weary than when I retired and I used to dread the approach of night. Peruna came into my home as a welcome guest, and within three short months I was like another woman. I have now enjoyed perfect health for over a year, and those who have suffered as I did will know how happy I am."—Mrs. E. L. Brown.

Mrs. Esther M. Milner, De Graf, Ohio, writes:

"I was a terrible sufferer from female weakness and had the headache continuously. I was not able to do my housework for myself and husband. I wrote you and described my condition as near as possible. You recommended Peruna. I took four bottles and was completely cured. I think Peruna a wonderful medicine."—Mrs. Esther M. Milner.

Congressman Thad. M. Mahon, of Chambersburg, Pa., writes:

"I take pleasure in commending your Peruna as a substantial tonic and a catarrh remedy."—T. M. Mahon.

If you do not derive prompt and satisfactory results from the use of Peruna, write at once to Dr. Hartman, giving a full statement of your case and he will be pleased to give you his valuable advice gratis.

Address Dr. Hartman, President of The Hartman Sanitarium, Columbus, Ohio.

few days ago that the association would settle this strike very shortly were had a rope around the master painters' necks. He said that it was proving disastrous to their business, and if they were just as anxious to have the difficulties adjusted as any one, but they are powerless to act unless the mill men stand in their way."

Carpenters Firm. Carpenters also resent the report being made that they are working with non-unionists. They say that a more false misrepresentation was never made. They also deny the assertion that any of the union men are working for unfair contractors. Many of them, however, they assert, are working on fair jobs in the immediate vicinity of where non-union men are employed.

PORTLAND WANTS FREIGHT TRADE. In Portland, San Francisco and Seattle today were opened bids for the government transport trade between this coast and Manila. James Laidlaw & Company, operating a line of freighters, is the only Portland firm bidding, and this company asks for freight only. It has a fleet of 12 freighters ranging in capacity from 5,000 to 7,500 tons. The boats are considered to be as good a line as is on the Coast, and it is a greater saving to the government than from either San Francisco or the Sound.

Business men realize that wheat and lumber cargoes can be loaded more rapidly at this port than at any other on the coast, and further, that the materials can be more readily furnished. It is stated that the government will take into consideration these facts if they would give to Portland a share of its business, at least.

FRISONERS FIRE JAIL. (Journal Special Service.) SANTA CRUZ, May 12.—The city prison was nearly destroyed by fire yesterday morning. Two drunks thought to make their escape by setting a fire, with the result that they were about smothered when rescued. Several inmates were in danger of a horrible death. Two policemen arrived in the nick of time to save the prisoners.

Another member of the executive board said that he would make a statement providing his name would not be used. He explained, however, that if it became necessary for him to do so, he would go on the witness stand and prove his assertions. This is what he said.

"Master Painter Chambers, of the firm of Chambers & Woods, told me a

THE EVIDENCE

Priest Accuses J. H. Hall of Fraud.

Dares the Latter to Prove Allegation of Passing Spurious Bill.

Rev. Joseph Scheil, of Sumpter, Or., makes direct and most sensational charges against J. H. Hall, claiming that he has personal knowledge that Mr. Hall has given help and protection to timber thieves, making use of his oath of office in this regard.

Father Scheil desires that every possible publicity be given his accusations against Hall and to this end has sent the following letter to The Journal, with the request that it be printed in connection with another letter received by him from Hall and which inspired the heated reply.

Editor:—Sir: Would you be kind and publish this and the letter of J. H. Hall? I wish to tell to J. H. Hall that I have caught him helping and protecting the timber thieves making use of his oath and office. I do not ask any favor from him and want him to prosecute me if he is not a coward and a bluffer or a falsifier. A shameful and pitiful subterfuge on his part to avoid the fire, and threats to impede all investigation, and suppose every desperate man or official to save his neck. J. H. Hall, you would really do me a favor if you would bring up the false \$100 bill or any other old statement of yours and of your brothers in crime.

Mr. Hall's Letter. The following letter is submitted by Father Scheil as having been written him by J. H. Hall and it is in reply to it that the above heated communication was penned:

PORTLAND, Or., Jan. 3, 1903.—Joseph Scheil, Sumpter, Or., writes:—You letter of the 30th ultimo is just at hand and contents noted, and in reply permit me to say: I did not make the decision of the office of the Oregon City land office with reference to the Tillamook timber land entries, and was pleased at their action, and trust they will keep the good work.

Your resolution to decapitate "every political boodler and official traitor who helps and protects timber thieves" is a very laudable one indeed and will receive my hearty co-operation. You are, however, in error in your statement that I have "denied the evidence before the public on the contrary, I have made the fullest investigation in these cases and as to what my opinion is as to the guilt or innocence of the parties charged is who was asked to witness that was a question solely within the province of the United States grand jury. I mentioned over and over again that I was given me by either Special Agents Green or Dandy, and brought them before the grand jury, and I was asked to tell all the know of the case besides being asked questions requested by the said special agents.

In a recent article published in the Journal at Salem you seem to think you should have been subpoenaed before the grand jury in these cases, and I suppose an explanation is due you as to why you were not called. Agent Green and myself consulted together about these cases and as a witness, and we both agreed that when the Government calls a witness before the grand jury, it holds him of belief, and in your case we could not conscientiously do, and I had never made the official report of George W. Hazen, Secret Service Agent of the United States, setting forth that you, in the month of March, 1898, at the Port of Tillamook, Or., knowingly passed a \$100 counterfeit bill. Monroe had silver certificate on the same building, and mistook at that place; that you then attempted to lay this on Claud Thayer, but you were hindered by the post office. You received the said bill from Joseph Kleuch, to which he also makes affidavit, and also that you told me you were given to you; and you also admitted that you had passed the same at the post-office and obtained a permit to transport the same in order to escape prosecution you went with the said agent and repaid to Miss Hunt the \$100 so obtained, after having denied many times to the agent that you ever had the note in your possession, or that you passed it.

In this instance I admit that I did not fully perform my duty in not prosecuting you, but you must admit that you did not buy me off or give me any consideration therefor. Mr. Hazen at that time said that your friends and acquaintances claimed that you were naturally not compos mentis, and this, together with your holy office, made me perhaps too lenient, and I suppose the naturally suspicious of me in other cases.

I also had before me the affidavit of Charles H. Carey, attorney at law of this city, to the effect that last summer, at his office in the Chamber of Commerce building, in the presence of Mr. J. P. Mays and himself, you for a money consideration, to-wit: \$2,500, would cease to prosecute Claud Thayer, and would call off the officers of the Government in the case against him; that he (Carey) then denounced you as a swindler and blackmailer, and drove you from his office.

These reasons seemed sufficient why you should not be called as a witness, and I trust the explanation will be satisfactory to you. In closing permit me to say that the first act complained of, to-wit: passing counterfeit money, is in violation of section 541b, U. S. Code, and the second is denominated blackmail, and in violation of section 1,717, Bellinger & Co.'s Code, and is a crime under the article published by you in the Daily Journal of Salem, November 24, 1901, in which you stated that you had written to Cotton's Code, to all of which I respectfully draw your attention.

JOHN H. HALL.

PRESBYTERIAN GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT LOS ANGELES. Only \$35.00 from Portland to Los Angeles and return via Southern Pacific Company, to attend the Presbyterian General Assembly. Tickets on sale May 18, 18 and 19 at city office, corner Third and Washington streets, Portland, also at Union Depot.

At training will be crowded, passengers should secure sleeping accommodations without delay.

SURE CURE FOR MILEUR. Itching—les produce moisture and cause itching, this form, as well as Bling Bleeding or Pruritus, Piles, etc., caused by Dr. Bo-sank's Pile Remedy. Stops itching and bleeding. Absorbs tumors. See a list of druggists, or send by mail. Treatise free. Write me your case. Dr. Bosanko, Phila., Pa.

Backache and Kidney Disease

Years of Suffering from Pains in the Back, Causing Loss of Sleep and Years of Impaired Health, Completely Cured by WARNER'S SAFE CURE

"We have used WARNER'S SAFE CURE in our family for several years. My husband used it when he had backache and kidney trouble and it cured him. And I am pleased to state that I also have used it successfully. It cured a cold that settled in my back and kidneys and which caused me intense suffering and pain. With loss of sleep my health became impaired. I took only four bottles of Safe Cure and was completely cured, and now I am as enthusiastic in its praise as my husband and shall be pleased to recommend it to my friends.



MRS. ESTELLE CLAYTON, "Secretary Club Ouvrier," 554 Adelaide Street, Toronto, Canada.

Thousands of Men and Women Have Kidney Disease and Do Not Know It Until It Has Developed Into Bladder Trouble, Rheumatism, Diabetes or Bright's Disease, Which Will Prove Fatal if Not Attended to at Once.

CURES KIDNEY TROUBLE. If you have pains in the back, rheumatism, uric acid poison, rheumatic gout, diabetes, Bright's disease, inflammation of the bladder and urinary organs, scalding pains when you urinate, eczema, jaundice, swelling or torpid liver; if a woman, bearing-down sensation, fainting spells, so-called female weakness, painful periods, your kidneys have been diseased for a long time. Lose no time—get a 50c bottle of "Safe Cure" at your druggist's. It will relieve you at once and effect a permanent cure. It kills all disease germs. Let some morning urine stand for 24 hours in a glass or bottle. If then it is milky or cloudy or contains a reddish, brick-dust sediment, or if particles or germs float about in it, your kidneys are diseased.

WARNER'S SAFE CURE is purely vegetable and contains no harmful drugs. It is free from sedative, and pleasant to take. It is a most reliable and effective tonic; a stimulant to digestion, and awakens the torpid liver. It repairs the tissues, soothes inflammation and irritation, stimulates the enfeebled organs and heals at the same time. It builds up the body, gives it strength and restores energy. You can buy Safe Cure at any drug store or directly of C. W. WARNER, 50 CENTRE AND 31 A GOTTLE, Rochester, N. Y., for free medical book.

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PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY. Seventh and Alder Streets Portland, Oregon

STRAM I EVAES WIFE AND CHILD. W. D. Stram is missing and the police were notified at 3 o'clock this afternoon that he had departed for San Francisco leaving behind a wife and baby girl, and a partner in a barber shop on Washington street.

DEATHS. May 9—Elizabeth Jane McKenna, 68 Clinton street, 21 years; consumption. May 10—Julius Hansen, at St. Vincent's Hospital, 48 years; burns. May 11—Jerry Sullivan, at the County Hospital, 52 years; carcinoma of the stomach.

DEATHS. The Edward Wolman Undertaking Co. funeral directors and embalmers, 200 Yamhill. Phone 557. J. P. Finley & Son, funeral directors and embalmers, have removed to their new establishment, corner Third and Madison streets. Both phones No. 6.

DEATHS. THAYER—At the residence, 75 Union avenue North, May 13, 1903, William Thayer, only child of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Thayer, aged 1 year and 16 days. Funeral will take place Thursday, May 14, at 2:30 p. m. from F. S. Dunning's undertaking parlors, 416 East Alder street. Friends invited.

BIRTHS. May 11—To the wife of J. T. Wilderig a son. May 12—To the wife of Samuel Schwartz a son.

CONTAGIOUS DISEASES. May 12—Lambert Wood, at Tenth and Hall streets, scarlet fever. May 12—Six children at the Child Saving Home; measles. May 11—Flora Rosenblatt, at 559 Hoyt street; measles. May 11—Selma H. Meyer, at 453 Washington street; measles. May 11—Jacob Hortens, at 190 North Seventeenth street; measles. May 11—Evan Wilson, at 529 Hoyt st; measles. May 11—D. Simon, at 427 Eleventh street; measles. May 12—Lionel Church, at 302 South Eleventh street, whooping cough. May 12—K. Julian, at 497 Olney st; scarlet fever. May 12—S. J. Church, at 302 South Eleventh street; whooping cough.

TO KEEP GO BATTLE. Two companies of the Third Regiment, C. N. G., will take part in the sham battle to be given by the Spanish-American War Veterans, May 22. Company F is one of the companies from the Third that will fight with the Second; the other company has not been selected.

FOR GUARANTEED TITLES. See Pacific Coast Abstract, Guaranty & Trust Co., 204-5-6-7, Falling Building. Get your title insurance and abstracts to real estate from the Title Guaranty & Trust Co., Chamber of Commerce.