

NEW LINE TO TOP FERTILE WALLOWA

O. R. & N. Announces Extension of the Elgin Branch to Joseph.

PROSPEROUS COUNTY ISOLATED NO LONGER

Wonderful Fruit and Dairy Region Will Soon Be Given Direct Connection With Portland Markets.

An extension of the Elgin branch of the O. R. & N. Co. to Joseph, in Wallowa county, is to be made immediately. The distance is 64 miles, according to the survey, and the construction will cost about \$1,000,000. Official announcement of the company's decision to build was made today by J. P. O'Brien, vice-president and general manager.

The Elgin branch now runs 20 miles from La Grande on the main line, to Elgin, a town of about 700 inhabitants in the west part of Wallowa county. The extension of 44 miles will take a general course southward, passing through the heart of the Wallowa district embracing 4,000 square miles, and with a present population of about 5,000 people whose principal occupation is farming. It is said that the opening of this region to transportation facilities will make it a rival for the Willamette valley in the dairy business. The farmers have been breeding fine cows there for years. Native grasses grow in great abundance and alfalfa reaches perfection. The hills are covered with grass to their tops, the valleys are watered with streams from the mountains, the soil is black and rich.

About three years ago a survey for the extension now announced was made by the O. R. & N. It follows the Grand Ronde river north from Elgin to its confluence with the Wallowa river, then turns to the southeast and runs along the Wallowa, the main stream, to Joseph, 11. It is a wide stream and the Wallowa is a swift stream and the rise to its source at Joseph lake is 60 to 100 feet to the mile.

The town of Wallowa, tapped by the road, has 400 inhabitants. Justice 100, an Enterprise, the county seat, has 700. The town of Joseph, the terminus, has 700 people. It is located a mile from Joseph lake, a clear body of mountain water of great depth, four miles in length and 1/2 mile wide. The water is peculiarly favorable for formation of this lake can, by the use of a few plank, be so dammed that its level can be raised four feet, if needed for irrigation, and the entire surrounding country be irrigated.

There are three principal valleys that will be traversed by the railroad extension, and tributary to these are many smaller valleys watered by streams from the mountains. The hog-raising industry is highly successful, and many cattle are raised, but there is little butter made owing to the remoteness of the market. All transportation of passengers and freight to market is now done by stage and freight wagons. The haul is 40 miles by the wagon road from Joseph to the nearest railroad at Elgin. Every kind of farm produce is raised. Apples, pears and all varieties of small fruits that grow in Oregon are raised in great abundance, and there are no parasites to trouble the trees.

A careful estimate by the railroad officials has shown that there are in the three main valleys to be tapped approximately 13,000 acres of fine land, including the hill lands, which will figure up 6,000 acres more. The country is well settled, and the people are prosperous. Not much wheat is raised, although the land is adapted to it and wheat plant, but there grows a very heavy, its remoteness from the market has made it an unprofitable industry. It is said hogs are raised at a cost of 1 1/2 cents a pound. They are driven on foot to Elgin to be shipped there. There are other resources besides farming in Wallowa county. Mineral wealth is there, including granite deposits, and two mountains of marble.

It is announced today that the O. R. & N. has let contracts for construction of the line from Riparia to Lewiston, Messrs. Erickson and Peterson of San Francisco were awarded the work. They are required to finish the line by April 1, 1906.

EARTHQUAKE SETS MAINE A ROCKING

Two Shocks Felt Most Severely in Central Part of State.

HOUSES TREMBLE AND LOOSE ARTICLES FALL

No Serious Damage Done but a Great Fright Given Many Persons.

Portland, July 15.—Two slight earthquake shocks were felt here about 8:30 o'clock this morning. Heavier shocks were felt at Augusta, Bangor, Lewiston, Rock Island and Brunswick. Reports from Thomaston say the shock was of 15 seconds duration and felt there shortly after 8 o'clock. Houses were shaken so that dishes rattled and loose articles fell to the floor.

The shock was most severe in central Maine, especially at Augusta and Waterville.

Professor Lee, state geologist, says: "The earthquake was caused by the slipping of rock on a side fissure, probably two or three miles below the surface of the earth."

LAWSON TO SPEAK AT JEFFERSON CLUB BANQUET

Chicago, July 15.—Thomas W. Lawson arrived in Chicago at 10:55 o'clock this morning from Albert Lea, Minnesota, in his private car. He is here on a visit to a committee headed by Clarence Darrow. He will be the guest of honor at a banquet at the Jefferson club and the principal speaker at a banquet to be given in his honor this evening. Mayor Dumas will not be present. He left today for a week's outing in Wisconsin. Lawson lectures for Boston at the close of the banquet.

JOAQUIN MILLER GUEST OF HONOR

A reception is being tendered Joaquin Miller, the most celebrated of Pacific coast poets, late this afternoon in the Oregon building. Many of the opposition officials and prominent men of Portland are in attendance. The day was named in honor of Miller, and the distinguished man entertains all comers with his interesting stories and beautiful word pictures. He is to read several of his poems.

Tonight a smoker and "big feed" will be given in Mr. Miller's honor at the American Inn. It will be attended by about 40 Bohemians, the majority of whom are newspaper men.

WALLY HILL KILLED

Walla Walla, Wash., July 15.—Henry Hill, a brother of County Clerk Dorsey H. Hill and son of the late J. M. Hill of the Baker-Bayer bank, died at the residence of his sister, Mrs. Ray Brackett, on Park street, yesterday of acute kidney trouble. Mr. Hill was 26 years of age and was quite wealthy in his own right, owning considerable farming property on Baker's flat. The funeral will be held tomorrow.

Import Non-Union Strikers

San Francisco, July 15.—A party of 18 strike-breaking printers and pressmen arrived here yesterday from St. Louis in a special car and was taken to headquarters established for their use today and they claim that they were brought here under a misunderstanding of the true state of affairs.

China Special Report

Washington, July 15.—Minister Rockhill at Peking has cabled the state department that the Chinese government is vigorously opposing the boycott on American goods.

MUTINEERS A DAY OF SINK SHIP

Crew of the Battleship Catherine Revolt and Destroy Vessel.

ASSASSINATION SCARES EMPEROR FROM MOSCOW

Mob Attacks Ghetto at Tublin Killing and Injuring Jews While Destroying Two Hundred Houses.

Vienna, July 15.—(Bulletin.)—Dispatches from St. Petersburg say it is rumored there that a mutiny has occurred among the crew of the battleship Catherine in the Black Sea squadron, and the mutineers are reported to have sunk the vessel.

St. Petersburg, July 15.—(Special Service.)

Following an anti-Semitic outbreak at Josephov, in the province of Tublin, Russia, a mob of 3,000 attacked the ghetto, wrecking and plundering more than 200 houses. The casualties are reported to be two killed and 110 wounded.

Reports from Manchuria state that Linkevitch has caused his offensive tactics and that the Russians are now entirely on the defensive. Serious epidemics are said to be causing many deaths in the Russian army.

Later reports from Karsakoy say that the fleet, which continued to burn until July 10, practically destroyed the town.

QUESTS OF GRANITE STATE

Washington, July 15.—The state of New Hampshire has been granted the honor of entertaining the Russian and Japanese peace plenipotentiaries during the period of the conference at Portsmouth. The envoys with their suites will be lodged at the Hotel Wentworth, one of the handsome hotels on the New England coast. No expense will be spared to provide for the comfort and entertainment of the distinguished guests.

MUTINEERS ARE SHOT.

Massachusetts Show No Mercy to Members of Crew of the Battleship Potemkin.

Kostenil, July 15.—Thirty members of the crew of the battleship Potemkin who were unwilling participants in the recent mutiny have been shot by the Russian authorities. All the officers who were left aboard the Potemkin, though prisoners of the mutineers, are being imprisoned and loaded down with chains. The government will show no mercy to any one aboard the mutinous battleship.

Russian Delegate Sails

Shanghai, July 15.—M. Pokloff, the Russian minister to China, sailed today for Vancouver on the steamer Empress of China on his way to Washington to attend the peace conference.

KILLS HIMSELF TO AVOID BREACH OF PROMISE SUIT

Jersey City, July 15.—Facing suit for \$40,000 damages for alienating the affections of Mrs. Clara Meyers, aged 43, the wife of a New York envelope manufacturer, Louis J. Aggar, aged 60, a wealthy retired grocer, committed suicide this morning. Aggar was co-respondent in a divorce suit which was decided in favor of Meyers yesterday.

WHAT'S NEW AT HOME?

The Journal will tell you if you are here from the east and want to keep posted on the important happenings in your home city. The Journal prints the only colored Sunday magazine supplement. Happy Hogan and Maud and all the rest of your funny friends are there. The Sunday Journal is supplied with the news of the world by the only special leased wire in Oregon. There's lots that you'll miss if you don't buy.

The Sunday Journal

A DAY OF LANCETT REPORTS

Four Killed and Six Injured by Cyclone in City of Winnipeg.

WORKMEN ARE KILLED BY ARSENAL EXPLOSION

Four Cartridge-Makers Meet Death at Ottawa—Two Miners Near Sumpter Blown Up by Blast.

Winnipeg, Man., July 15.—A tornado swept through the city shortly after midnight this morning, killing four people and injuring six. The dead are: R. WHITE, W. STEINHOFF, THE MISSISS REILLY, sisters.

Yesterday was an exceedingly sultry day and toward midnight a storm struck the city. Trees were uprooted and flimsy structures demolished throughout the city. A high brick wall of a four-story building at James and Croner streets, which was recently damaged by fire, crashed down upon two adjoining houses, killing four of the inmates and injuring six of the others. The other damage is slight.

MINERS ARE BLOWN UP.

Don Cahill and Frank Hussey badly injured by an explosion.

Baker City, Or., July 15.—While working in the Cracker-Highland mine near Beuna yesterday about noon, Don Cahill and Frank Hussey were badly injured by an explosion. Cahill's head was struck by a piece of iron which is supposed to have fallen from the all into the dust and the explosion followed.

Cahill's face was badly hurt and his eye almost blown out. Hussey was injured about the face, neck and arms. It is believed they will recover unless blood poisoning set in.

RECORD-BREAKER WRECKED.

Pennsylvania Night-Box Train Damaged, but No One Is Killed.

Harrisburg, Pa., July 15.—The Pennsylvania Flyer, eastbound, the new 15-hour train from Chicago to New York, struck a wrecked train while running at the top of her speed at West Port Royal near this city, early this morning. The freight train had buckled, throwing a car across the passenger track and the flyer struck the car and buried it from the track. The engineer of the flyer jumped when he saw the obstruction and was severely injured. The engine of the flyer was considerably damaged.

KILLED IN EXPLOSION.

Four Men Dead at Dominion Cartridge Company's Big Arsenal.

Ottawa, Ont., July 15.—Four men were killed and several seriously injured by an explosion in the Dominion Cartridge company's big arsenal at Brownsburg, Ontario, this morning. The dead are: Stephen Caruthers, John Martin, Thomas Charlesbers and Napoleon Lamarche.

MATINEE IDOL BEATEN BY JEALOUS THESPIANS

Waterbury, Conn., July 15.—Earle C. Simmons, leading man in stock company playing at Jacques theatre here, was attacked last night by 13 fellow actors and stage hands and brutally beaten. The cause is said to be Simmons' prominence as a matinee idol and his popularity with the women frequenters of the theatre aroused the jealousy of the others.

Simmons reprimanded Martin Myers, a property boy, Henry Delaney, the stage manager, knocked Simmons down, the jealous actors each giving Simmons a blow or kick. Miss Grace Howard, the leading woman, rushed to Simmons' aid, but two actors hustled her back to her dressing-room and locked her in. Three arrests have been made.

PENALTY IMPOSED UPON ARCTIC SHIP ROOSEVELT

New York, July 15.—A penalty of \$500 has been imposed on the Roosevelt, the ship in which Peary planned to start for the north pole today. The treasury department was notified that the vessel had left Portland, Maine, for New York without clearance papers, and the fine resulted. The captain of the ship was summoned to the customs house and notified that that sum must be paid immediately. Members of the Peary Arctic club acted promptly, furnishing bond, thus avoiding complications that might cause a postponement of the start. They then sent a protest to the secretary of the treasury, asking that his action be rescinded.

Journal Coupon Admits You Free to "The Land of the Midnight Sun"

Next Sunday's issue of The Journal will contain a coupon, which, if presented by an adult, is good for one admission to that splendid TRAIL ATTRACTION, "The Land of the Midnight Sun"

Get next Sunday's Journal, cut out the coupon, present it on July 17, 18 or 19, and it will admit you. This attraction is one of the best on the Trail and no one should miss seeing it. The regular price of admission is 25 cents, but next Sunday's Journal coupon admits you free.

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RACE RIOT RAGES IN HEART OF MANHATTAN

New York, July 15.—A race riot occurred in the district known as San Juan hill at Sixty-first and Amsterdam streets last night, as the result of the arrest of a white man for assaulting a negro. It required 250 policemen to quell the riot. At least 1,000 men, boys and women, black and white, were engaged in the furious struggle, while from every window and roof rained missiles, hundreds of shots were fired and seven whites and two negroes carried to the hospital, while scores of the uninjured sought refuge in their homes. Colored men pursued by whites, took refuge on the street cars as they passed and were followed by showers of bricks and stones, wrecking a number of cars.

Failure for Six Months

Washington, July 15.—Commercial insolvencies in the United States in the first half of 1905 were 6,210 in number and \$55,904,595 in amount of defaulted indebtedness. Numerically this shows scarcely an alteration in comparison with the first half of 1904, the corresponding six months of last year, but a most encouraging decrease appears when last year's liabilities of \$75,490,909 are considered.

Two Inmates of the Seawall

Portland, Or., July 15.—Deputy Game and Fish Warden Joe Nolt will leave Monday on an extended trip through eastern Oregon to investigate game and fish conditions for Senator William Biggs, who is the Oregon Game and Fish Commissioner.

United States Engineer Tells of Work Done on Oregon Rivers.

Another Dredge Is Among Things Needed

Much Space Devoted to Cello Canal and Document Speaks Highly of Great Country Which It Will Serve.

Major W. C. Langfitt's annual report to the chief engineer on river and harbor improvements for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1905, covering the Columbia and tributaries and the coast of Oregon, has been prepared. This will be about the last work done by the major in this department, where he has served so long, and shows in detail the expenditures of the year and the recommendations for improvements in the fiscal year that will end June 30, 1907.

Of greatest importance to the people of the inland empire is the recommendation that \$1,250,000 be made available for carrying on construction of The John Galt canal during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1907. The officer states that he carries over into the present fiscal year \$272,050 with which the first real construction is to be prosecuted, and by means of which he expects to complete 3,500 feet of the canal at the upper end of the course.

The major's estimate of the amount required for the work at the mouth of the Columbia river until the end of the fiscal year 1907 is \$1,150,000. Estimates are also made of all minor improvements in the district where he deems it advisable to continue work.

After Reviewing the Work at the Mouth of the River, and the Results Attained, by which the original depth of 10 to 15 feet was increased to more than 20 feet when the jetty was completed a distance of four and one-half miles, the cost of the work of extending the jetty three miles further under the existing project was discussed. There has been expended until July 30 of this year a total of \$707,048 on the present project, and the extensions for this year are being made with great care, such work only being undertaken as can be thoroughly snooked, to prevent washing away of the false work by violent storms. At the close of the past fiscal year the jetty extension had been carried out 4,337 feet, and it was the hope of the major that by the end of this calendar year "he work would be completed for 7,576 feet. Stone is being received under two contracts at this time at the rate of 1,500 tons daily. The total amount of earth removed by the dredge Chinook before it was put out of commission last November was 248,228 cubic yards.

Cost of Columbia River Project.

The money statement of the mouth of the Columbia project showed the following conditions: Balance July 1, 1904, \$766,791; appropriation in March, \$400,000, or total of \$1,166,791.35. There was expended for maintenance and improvement in the year closed \$794,847, and there are outstanding liabilities now of \$112,200, leaving an available balance of \$397,744 for continuation of the work this year. Of this balance, there is \$48,583 covered by outstanding contracts, and the estimate of the sum needed in addition to this balance up to June 30, 1907, is \$1,150,000.

A careful statement of what has been done in connection with the Cello canal project shows that most of the work of the project has been in removing obstructions from Three-Mile rapids, surveying for commencement of the canal and preparing plans and detailed specifications. Leading to this the report notes that the Three-Mile rapids had a length of 1,500 feet, in which the channel is narrow and tortuous, but as a result of the rock blasting and general operations of the government boats are now able to go to the head of the rapids, three miles from the Dalles city. Five-Mile rapids, or better known as the Dalles, has a length of one and a half miles, where the river rushes between basalt walls that are from 150 to 300 feet apart.

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