

# CANAL THROUGH OF BULK OF ALASKAN TRADE

### Construction of New Grand Trunk Pacific Railroad Ex- pected to Work Wonders.

### RICH VALLEYS WILL BE OPENED TO WORLD

### Commerce of Frozen North to Be Directed to Canada and Away From the Sound Country—Can- adians Realize They Are Losing.

"British Columbia people and all eastern Canada are tired of the spectacle of the Klondike golden stream pouring into the states. They have it in their power to change all this, and they will do it in the next few years," said a Victoria man yesterday at the Portland hotel. "When construction of the new Grand Trunk Pacific reaches the Peace river valley it will be extended to the Yukon river. Then look out for a severe shock to present Alaska commerce at the sound cities."

The Victoria man said such a change is bound to come, and that it is only a question of progress of the construction of the Grand Trunk Pacific. Canada's newest subsidy, however, is that the road will run west from Edmonton through Yellowhead pass and follow the Fraser river through the Cariboo mountains to Stuart river. Here the Pacific coast line will continue westward to Fort Simpson and the Yukon line will turn northward and follow a chain of lakes and rivers to the upper valley of the Peace river. This is a beautiful country and rich with all kinds of resources and has a climate not unlike that of Puget sound.

### Swept by Chinook Winds.

"All this region between Vancouver and Fort Simpson, and back into the valleys of the Cascade range, gets the chinook winds," said the speaker. "The road will run from the Peace river headwaters through a country of valleys and low passes between the Cascade and Rocky mountain ranges to the headwaters of the Yukon in the vicinity of Atlin. Tapping the Yukon at White

Horse rapids, it will put on a line of palace steamers on the Yukon river and complete a transportation route direct from Dawson to Montreal."

Such a route would cut out the present long trip over White pass and via Skagway and the water route to Seattle, as a fast passenger train from White Horse to Edmonton would make the run in less than three days and save two days' time from the present schedule via Skagway. When the traffic reaches Edmonton, it will scatter to all parts of Canada and the United States, by the various railroad lines, but a large proportion of it will be carried direct to Montreal. The bulk of the trade of southeastern Alaska would, it is said, favor such a route. This would leave to the sound cities only the trade of western Alaska, embracing the Copper river oil and mineral regions, Seward, Valdez and Nome, for all of which other Pacific coast cities have an equal chance.

### Bedway Greatly Needed.

The high need for a state railway connecting the Yukon district with Canada has been recognized since the beginning of the Laurier administration. It was seen that by failure to bring the farthest west of the continent all British American provinces in touch with the east, Canada is losing to the United States many millions of dollars annually that legitimately belongs to Canadian railways and business men. An attempt to initiate the Yukon railway enterprise was made, but was balked by the then Tory senate. The project is assuming large political importance and is gradually gaining strength with the dominant party in Canada.

All-explores have agreed that the line would be one of easy grades and not very costly. It would follow the great valley, 700 miles long, traversing northerly the whole of British Columbia. The north end of such a railroad would be but 500 miles from Dawson city. The road would open up many rich valleys and mineral regions of untold wealth, including copper, gold, zinc, tin, coal, silver and lead. Its southerly terminus, connecting at Edmonton with the Canadian Pacific, would effect a connection with all existing British transcontinental lines and solve pretty much all the problems of mainland British Columbia by largely increasing the bulk of western freight and furnishing agricultural and lumber tonnage for returning cars.

league and board of trade at that place. Some years ago the O. R. & N. Co. promised to put in a side track there and at some future time build a depot, provided the residents of the town would give the company a strip of land 1,500 feet in length along the railroad in North Montavilla.

The side track was built as agreed, but the railroad company seems to think the time has not come to build the depot. A petition will be presented to the O. R. & N. officials setting forth reasons why the depot should be built. The population of the district is thought to be about 4,000 and is increasing rapidly. It will be shown that a depot is badly needed in North Montavilla, both for passenger and freight traffic. A large amount of mercantile business is done in this section which would be greatly benefited by having a freight depot near at hand.

Residents of the East Twenty-eighth street district, north of Sullivan's gulch, are anxiously awaiting some sign of the proposed elevated roadway over the gulch that was provided for by the council some weeks ago.

A resolution was passed two months ago authorizing the city engineer to prepare plans and estimates of the cost. The roadway will be 300 feet long and will span the gulch over the lumber yards of the Doernbecher furniture factory. East Twenty-eighth street, on the north side of the gulch, has been graded down to the edge in preparation for the roadway.

The principal need of this roadway is to bring the district north of the gulch under the protection of the fire apparatus which is to be installed at East Davis and East Twenty-eighth streets. A residence district is rapidly springing up there, many handsome residences having been erected and others are going up.

## HIGHWAYMAN STOPS BUGGY AND ROBS VICTIM

### Bold Thief Apologizes to Ladies in Party for His Rudeness in Bothing Them.

With his features concealed beneath the folds of a white silk handkerchief, armed with a colossal revolver similar in pattern to that carried by the notorious Black Hart and as courteous as a ribbon salesman, a lone highwayman stepped out of the brush at a dark and lonely spot near the Mount Tabor reservoir at 10 o'clock last night, much to the discomfort of J. W. Wintermute, a plumber, his wife and his mother-in-law, who were driving homeward to Arleta.

Seizing the horse by the bridle, the "knight of the road" stopped the rig, and after tendering his apologies to the two women for his rudeness, ordered Wintermute to climb out of the vehicle. Impressed by the size of the gun, Wintermute obeyed with alacrity.

After securing \$14 and a gold watch from his victims, the road agent bade Wintermute clamber back into the buggy and rive on. Taking up a position in the middle of the road, the robber watched the rig until all danger of pursuit was past, and then dashed into the underbrush. Wintermute lost no time in reporting the matter to the authorities and Detective Hellyer was detailed on the case. After securing a description of the bandit, the sleuth repaired to the scene of the holdup, but was unable to find any trace of the highwayman. According to the description furnished the police, the robber wore a black slouch hat and dark clothing, white silk handkerchief did duty as a mask.

## RARE CHANCE TO TRAVEL.

Very Low, Long-Time, Round-Trip Tickets Via O. R. & N.

August 7, 8, 9, and September 8 and 10 the O. R. & N. sells very low, long-time, round-trip tickets to eastern points. Particulars by calling upon C. W. Stinger, city ticket agent, Third and Washington streets, Portland.

## Lodging-House Burns.

Pendleton, Or., Aug. 6.—Fire broke out yesterday afternoon in a lodging-house on Cottonwood street. The building was an old frame structure and was run by Elmer Searcy as a cheap lodging-house. The loss amounted to \$500.

The "Different" Store

# OLDS, WORTMAN & KING

FIFTH, SIXTH AND WASHINGTON  
STREETS

## Tuesday's Semi-Weekly, Demi-Day Bargain Sensations



### Share in the Marvelous Bargains Told of Below, From

### 8 A. M. to 1 P. M. Only Tomorrow

## Morning Specials

8 A. M. TO 1 P. M.

## The Summer's Colored Wash Skirts Half Price

REGULAR VALUES \$1.25 TO \$5.00



Tomorrow, from 8 a. m. to 1 p. m., you divide each price in two—evenly—leave one half with us and take the other yourself as your saving. The skirts are in the smart round lengths and appeal with irresistible force to those women who're going on an outing and need a skirt to save the more expensive garments. Their perfection in detail, well made, stylish and economical. Built on smart lines from linens, percales, ginghams, duck and khaki stuffs, in pretty dotted effects, striped and neat checked designs and attractive mixtures in black and white, blue and white, greens, tans, grays and natural linen shades. Some plain tailored, others tastefully trimmed with pretty braids, strappings and buttons. Values start at \$1.25 and run as high as \$5.00. Tomorrow forenoon they're HALF!

8 A. M. TO 1 P. M.

## Colored Dress Goods at Half Price

Imported Summer and Early Fall Dress Goods in a swell color assortment for Half Price—

\$1.25 grades for, the yard.....**62½¢**  
\$1.50 grades for, the yard.....**75¢**  
\$1.75 grades for, the yard.....**87½¢**  
\$2.00 grades for, the yard.....**\$1.00**

8 A. M. TO 1 P. M.

## \$1.50 German Plates 75c

Blue Decorated German Plates, fancy edges, 9-inch diameter, very serviceable; regular value \$1.50. Special, dozen.....**75¢**  
Not over one dozen to a customer.

8 A. M. TO 1 P. M.

## \$1.25 Center Pieces 49c

Ecrú and green Linen Centerpieces, 27 inches square, stamped and tinted in floral and conventional designs; values to \$1.25. Special, each.....**49¢**

8 A. M. TO 1 P. M.

## Women's \$1 Handle Purses 79c

A line of small size Handle Purses with inside metal compartments; one outside compartment and one space for cards; outside flap has button clasp. Come in black, brown, blue, green and red; our \$1.25 value. Special from 8 a. m. to 1 p. m. at, each.....**79¢**

8 A. M. TO 1 P. M.

## Women's and Children's Hats 10c

Ladies' and Children's Sailors and Un-trimmed Hats; values to 50c. Special from 8 a. m. to 1 p. m. at, each.....**10¢**

8 A. M. TO 1 P. M.

## Women's Shoes

Women's Shoes in patent or dull leathers, light or heavy soles, any last you wish—Regular \$4.00 value—Special, pair...**\$2.99**  
Regular \$3.50 value—Special, pair...**\$2.99**

8 A. M. TO 1 P. M.

## Scotch Dress Lawns 3¼c

10,000 yards Scotch Dress Lawns, fast colors, floral effects. Special at, the yard.....**3¼¢**

8 A. M. TO 1 P. M.

## \$4.75 Couch Covers \$3.35

50 Heavy Tapestry Couch Covers, fringed all around, 60 inches wide and 3 yards long, Oriental designs; regular value \$4.75. Special.....**\$3.35**

8 A. M. TO 1 P. M.

## Women's 35c Vests 19c

White Fine Ribbed Vests, low neck, sleeveless, lace insertion yoke; regular value 35c. Special.....**19¢**

8 A. M. TO 1 P. M.

## Boys' 75c Golf Shirts 45c

Boys' Fancy Madras Golf Shirts, with white and fancy silk bosoms, best 75c value. Special.....**45¢**

8 A. M. TO 1 P. M.

## 75c Valenciennes Laces 25c

A nice assortment of Valenciennes Laces; values to 75c the dozen. Special from 8 a. m. to 1 p. m. at, the dozen yards...**25¢**

8 A. M. TO 1 P. M.

## White Shoe Dressing 7c

White Shoe Dressing—a necessity to the wearers of white shoes. Special from 8 a. m. to 1 p. m. at, the bottle.....**7¢**

## Sensationally Low Prices But Dependable Values

Such unusual bargains as we tell of below might excite doubt in the mind of a stranger to this store, but Portland folk know they may be guided by what we say in this printed news of the busy doings of Portland's greatest store. We write with care. In some minds there is an intuitive distrust of advertisements. Some stores seem to foster such distrust by reckless statements—both oral and printed, that are associated with "pipe dreams" and rain-bows—and no doubt there is ample justification in the minds of shoppers for such skepticism as some show. But, because SOME ads are not truthful, why condemn ALL?

The fact is, no merchant who hopes to keep in the game DARE risk falsehoods in his announcements, be his real principles what they may. Self-interest forbids it. We trust we are not flattering ourselves in believing that OUR ADS inspire confidence. In any event, we know they deserve to. Every printed word in this advertisement will be backed up by the goods in the store tomorrow. OLDS, WORTMAN & KING.

### Make a Note of These Ex- traordinary Values! On Special Sale



### 1 P. M. to 6 P. M. Only Tomorrow

## Afternoon Bargains

1 TO 6 P. M.

## New Trim, Trig Walking Skirts Worth Up to \$13 \$3.79

Verily 'tis the woman vacationist's and stay-at-home shopper's opportunity to provide skirts for now and skirts for future wear. Tomorrow will be a red-letter day for skirt buyers. In addition to the splendid bargains during the morning hours in Wash Skirts we shall offer the most UNMATCHABLE BARGAINS IN WALKING SKIRTS FOR THE AFTERNOON. Just a drastic, determined, sweeping cleanup that means a big present monetary loss to us, but clean racks for autumn goods. The Walking Skirts that form tomorrow afternoon's offering are in good year-round weights, fashionable colorings and favored materials. Cut in smart round lengths from chevots, mohairs, Panamas, serges, coverts and mannish mixed woolsens, in black, browns, royals, tans, blues, grays, greens and mixtures. Built in plain gored, circular and flounce effects and trimmed in plaits, strappings, folds and buttons, all trimmed prettily, tailored masterfully and built in splendid workmanship. 1 to 6 p. m. only—values to \$13.00—choice at.....**\$3.79**



1 TO 6 P. M.

## Silks for Half!

Swell Suit and Waist Silks in the very best novelties made, the color assortment is large and the styles are all good. All go at Half Price—

\$1.50 grades for, the yard.....**75¢**  
\$1.75 grades for, the yard.....**87½¢**  
\$2.00 grades for, the yard.....**\$1.00**

1 TO 6 P. M.

## Table Padding

Silence Cloth for table padding—

Size 1½x1½ yards—Special, each.....**69¢**  
Size 1¾x1¾ yards—Special, each.....**88¢**  
Size 1½x2 yards—Special, each.....**\$1.10**

1 TO 6 P. M.

## \$1.20 Cups and Saucers 60c

White Handled Cups and Saucers, fancy shape; regular value \$1.20. Special, the dozen.....**60¢**  
Not over one dozen to a customer.

1 TO 6 P. M.

## \$2.75 Axminster Rugs \$1.85

Fine Axminster Rugs, size 27x60 inches, Oriental and floral patterns; regular value \$2.75. Special.....**\$1.85**

1 TO 6 P. M.

## Men's 25c Neckwear 19c

A line of Washable Four-in-Hands, plain white, blue, heliotrope, red, white with black dots, tan with black dots, etc., wide and narrow, all reversible; regular value 25c. Special.....**19¢**

1 TO 6 P. M.

## Men's Link Buttons 25c

Several dozen pairs of Link Cuff Buttons of best rolled gold plate, in new artistic designs. Have lever ends which make adjusting easy. Special sale price is less than the cost of manufacture—they'll go in a hurry at the price. Special from 1 to 6 p. m. at, the pair.....**25¢**

1 TO 6 P. M.

## Girls and Boys' Oxfords

Your choice of our entire stock of Boys' and Girls' Oxfords—

Regular \$3.00 values—Special, pair...**\$2.99**  
Regular \$2.50 values—Special, pair...**\$1.99**  
Regular \$2.00 values—Special, pair...**\$1.99**  
Regular \$1.75 values—Special, pair...**\$1.19**  
Regular \$1.50 values—Special, pair...**\$1.09**  
Regular \$1.00 values—Special, pair...**79¢**

1 TO 6 P. M.

## 65c and 75c Back Combs 38c

Fancy Back Combs in desirable styles; our 65c and 75c values. Special from 1 to 6 p. m., each.....**38¢**

1 TO 6 P. M.

## Women's 40c Tea Aprons 29c

White Lawn Tea Aprons, trimmed with embroidery, extra deep hem, long wide strings; regular value 40c. Special.....**29¢**

1 TO 6 P. M.

## Misses' 25c Hosiery 16c

Misses' White, Tan and Black Lace Hosiery, all sizes; regular value 25c. Special, pair.....**16¢**

1 TO 6 P. M.

## Ladies' and Misses' \$1 Hats 19c

Ladies' and Misses' Ready-to-Wear Hats—about 200 of them—our \$1.00 value. Special from 1 to 6 p. m. at, each.....**19¢**

1 TO 6 P. M.

## Wash Belts 9c

Pretty White Wash Belts, neat and trim as well as comfortable for wear those hot days. Special from 1 p. m. to 6 p. m. at, each.....**9¢**

## WILL BE SETTLED, SAYS THATCHER

### Manager Declares Telephone Fight at St. Johns Is Not to Be Considered Serious.

### THINKS NEXT MEETING WILL DECIDE ISSUE

### Declares Demand Made by St. Johns Council Is Exorbitant and Explains Why Company Cannot Afford to Agree to It.

"It is a mistake," said Manager J. H. Thatcher, of the Pacific States Telephone company, "to suppose that this is a serious disagreement between the city council of St. Johns and the telephone company over the question of a franchise. We have been negotiating with the council for some time on this subject, and I do not suppose that we may get it settled tomorrow night. The company desires to give its St. Johns subscribers the best possible service. But we can't do that with our present equipment there. We want to give them a local exchange and individual wires, but we have no right to tear up their streets, string our cables and build the exchange. What we want is a franchise that will give us that right."

"We realize that it will be a losing proposition for a number of years to come. We shall have to spend \$25,000 in perfecting the exchange, but the company is willing to do this and take its chances on future profits. Now, in return for this franchise, we propose to furnish free telephones for the city's use, permit the use of our poles for a fire alarm system and pay \$1,700 in cash during the life of the franchise, which is to be 21 years.

"There are now but 108 subscribers there, and by establishing an exchange and discontinuing party wires I doubt if we could get over 15 or 20 additional subscribers. The revenue derived from that number of subscribers will not pay anything like a sufficient return upon the necessary investment."

"Returning to the probable action of the council, I will say that we have a petition signed by nearly every business man in the town, asking the council to grant us such a franchise as we can work under, or, in other words, one containing the conditions as above stated. I can only assume that the council will follow the expressed will of its constituents. The proposal of the council that we pay the city 2½ cents per phone, per month, is too heavy a tax. If we had such an arrangement in Portland, the company simply couldn't stand the drain."

Mayor Valentine of St. Johns is standing firm for the 2½ cents per telephone.

Residents of Mount Tabor and Montavilla are discussing the question of asking the council to provide a fire company in their district. It was decided not to ask for a company for each district at this time, but to ask that a site between the two places be selected on which to build an engine-house that would furnish protection to both districts. It will be necessary to put a number of hydrants in both now that Bull Run water has been turned into the mains of the Mount Tabor Water company.

Residents of Brooklyn and vicinity are becoming anxious to have the proposed fire company installed in their midst. There is a large and populous territory there without local protection against fire. The Brooklyn engine-house now under construction on Powell road will be finished in a few weeks, but it is not expected that a fire company will be organized there before January 1. The engine has been ordered, but will have to be built, which will probably take several months. The hose wagon is being built to order. The foundation for the new engine-house has been graded and a part of the material is on the ground.

Montavilla needs a depot and is entitled to have one, say the Improvement