

TRUCK LINE COMMITTEE WRECK UP ENTHUSIASTIC OVER TRIP TO FRSO

In Automobiles Representatives of Subscribers to Stock of Railroad Company Made Careful Examination of Interior Region From Tygh Valley to Bend.

An examination of the interior region of Oregon from Tygh valley to Madras, Prineville and Bend, has just been completed by a committee representing a large number of stock subscribers in the Oregon Trunk Line railroad. In two automobiles shipped from Portland to The Dalles the party made the trip and returned to Portland yesterday, enthusiastic over the favorable conditions found.

Everybody Well Pleased.
"Our people were well pleased with central Oregon. There will undoubtedly be something doing on the Oregon Short Line," said W. F. Nelson, president of the company. "It makes no difference to our company what Mr. Harrison or other railroad builders do. If he means business he will get in and do something. You cannot show me a country with one railroad doing well but that more than one railroad will do well, and better the country's conditions."

Made Record Journey.
They made the trip in a Thomas automobile driven by the late Eason, of Portland, and another car owned by one of the party. It is said to have been the record trip for an automobile in the interior Oregon, the running time being 41 hours from The Dalles to Bend and returning, taking in all the points visited. Their route was through the Dalles, Dufur, Tygh valley, and across Shear-

er's bridge over the Deschutes to Shaniko. From the river to Shaniko the road rises from a 600-foot level to 2,500 feet in three miles, and is jagged and rocky. From Shaniko the road via Antelope proved to be the best for automobiles. The Cow creek road being bad. They reached Madras in the evening, and left that point at 10 o'clock p. m., traveling all night and arriving at Bend at 8 a. m.

At Bend, Messrs. Sawhill, Stytle and Drake arranged to take care of the party. They slept in a room at the Deschutes. In the evening they held a private conference with leading citizens of Bend.

Will Disprove Claims.
Railroad transportation will, it is said, completely disprove the claims that have for years been made that the Oregon Northern and other railroads are not capable of supporting railroads. This year's wheat crop is largely in excess of the needs of home consumption, and at least a million bushels will have to be sent to outside markets. It costs the farmers 24 cents a bushel to haul the grain by wagon 50 miles from Madras to Shaniko, the nearest railroad point.

After paying the freight rate from Shaniko to Portland the farmer is left practically nothing for his profit above cost of production and marketing. For that reason the farmers have gone extensively into the raising of grain or other field products, and only try to produce sufficient to supply the local needs.

Local Inspectors Say They Have No Jurisdiction Over Wreck of Columbia in California Waters.

No phase of the Columbia disaster will be investigated by the inspectors of hulls and boilers of this city because the steamers are under the jurisdiction of the inspectors at San Francisco. This fact, however, would not have prevented the local inspectors from taking action should complaints or charges have been made against the officers or crews of either of the respective craft at a time when in these waters. The collision occurred off the California coast and for that reason it will be for the San Francisco inspectors to solve the mystery of blame, if it can be placed.

"We have nothing to do with the Columbia collision," said Inspector Edwards this morning, "because the vessels were under the jurisdiction of the inspectors at San Francisco. Nor have we any comment to make upon the matter at all. Our duty is to see that the laws governing the management and equipment of craft are obeyed. Complaints setting forth violation of the law in any instance will be thoroughly investigated, but we cannot punish any one unless it is shown that the laws have been violated."

Considerable public comment has been made upon the law providing for water right of craft and general insurance appearing to be that the law does not offer sufficient protection against such disasters as that which befell the Columbia. The great census, however, is directed against the management of the vessel, and not against the prompt schedules no matter what conditions may be reported to the captain. It is censured and repeated tardiness would probably mean his early dismissal.

Mariners agree that steam vessels should be run under slow bell in foggy weather, and say that if they did as provided by law there would be little danger of serious collisions. The law provides also that reports of disobedience of the law on any part of the officers and crew must be reported to the inspectors. That this section of the law is often lost sight of is apparent since it would in all probability mean the loss of any position to make a report inimical to the interests of his employer, no matter how the public's safety might be jeopardized by failure to make such report.

Several survivors have called at the local office of the San Francisco & Portland Steamship company and sought information concerning the disaster. Damages for losses, but so far no suits have been commenced. Such actions would, however, be some before the courts of California.

EXPECT TO RUN TRAINS BY LATEST NOVEMBER 15

Engineers Constructing Oregon Electric Road Between Portland and Salem Making Rapid Progress—Grading Will Be Completed by September 30.

Rapid progress is being made by W. S. Barstow & Co., engineers constructing the Oregon Electric railway between Portland and Salem. With 500 men, 200 teams, five pile drivers, two steam locomotives and work trains and one steam shovel, they are rushing grading and track-laying. Their payroll at the present time is \$50,000 per month.

The grading of the entire 51 miles from Portland to Salem will be completed by September 30, and the road will be finished and equipped six weeks later. It is planned to open the line for regular traffic and operation of through trains November 15, if the operating officials of the company complete their arrangements by that time. Guy Talbot, general manager of the road, is now in Portland, busily engaged in preparations for handling traffic.

The road will be one of the best electric railways in the United States. It has been built with the greatest care, limiting the gradients to the lowest possible percentages, and all curves are sharp. The heavy rails used in the operation. The heavy rails used in electric railroading have been laid, and the trestles and bridges are built as if they were to be used for a steam road. The Wilsonville bridge over the Willamette river, which is the largest

structure on the line, is rapidly nearing completion. It has been built without accident, although serious disasters were narrowly averted during the last season's high water in the Willamette, and it was only by guarding the structure day and night for weeks that the half-completed structure was saved. The bridge will be completed September 15. It stands 75 feet above low water mark, and does not obstruct navigation. The steel structure is 307 feet long, and the trestle approaches are 2,500 feet. The cost of the bridge is \$176,000.

At other points on the line there are one and a half miles of trestles. The heaviest trestle work occurred crossing gulches on the south approach to Portland.

The contracting firm will equip the line complete. A number of coaches, freight cars and locomotives are already on the way to Portland. Twelve coaches and two electric locomotives are expected to arrive by August 15. The passenger coaches will be the best that have operated on an electric railway in the Pacific northwest. They will weigh 40 tons. They will have baggage compartments, smoking rooms and toilet. The coaches are equipped with Westinghouse air brakes and 600 horsepower motors. The average motive power of an electric streetcar is 125 horsepower.

NON-UNION BAND GETS INTO UNION PARADE AND RIOT STARTS

(Philadelphia Press by Special Leased Wire.) Philadelphia, July 27.—A nonunion band nearly disrupted a union parade here this evening. Incidentally, the discovery that the "open shop" musicians were in a strictly union procession nearly started a riot. For a few moments it looked as if the non-unionists might be attacked. Trouble was finally averted by forcing the objectionable band out of the parade.

In an instant all was confusion. All of the seven union bands enlisted in town went on a strike. Angry ironworkers began to gather about the offending musicians and there was loud talk of what ought to be done to the players. "Get them out of here or we don't march another step," was the ultimatum of the union bands. It was sufficient.

AMERICANS WIN AT THE HAGUE

Proposals Advanced by Delegates From This Country Received With Favor. The Hague, July 27.—The Drago doctrine in a modified form, won today in the committee on consideration of the collection of debts and private debts. Thirty-seven delegates voted for the American proposition for an agreement providing for "some of the collection of force for the collection of contractual, public and ordinary debts."

JAPS READY FOR WAR IN HAWAII

In Careful Manner Have Landed Eight Thousand Soldiers in Islands. (Publishers' Press by Special Leased Wire.) Berlin, July 27.—Two complete brigades of the Japanese army, comprising 8,000 trained soldiers, are in the Hawaiian islands, according to information in the hands of the German general staff.

Big Shoe Sale

Save money on your footwear needs now. Special price list. Ladies' Oxfords. White Canvas Oxfords. Cut to \$1.35, \$1.65 and \$1.85. Gun Metal Oxfords. Cut to \$2.35, \$2.85 and \$3.15. Patent Kid Oxfords. Welts on turns; cut to \$2.65, \$2.85 and \$3.15. Men's Oxfords. Patent Colt Oxfords. Cut to \$3.35, \$3.65 and \$3.85. Gun Metal Oxfords. Cut to \$3.15, \$3.35 and \$3.65. All styles; every size is here; all high grade, warranted shoes. SEE WINDOWS. Marks Shoe Co. PORTLAND 191 Morrison St., near Fifth

AMERICAN GIRL IS ROBBED BY ITALIANS

(Hearst News by Longest Leased Wire.) New York, July 27.—Miss Jeanetta Clegg-Jones, a niece of Richard Watson Gilder, the magazine writer and editor, arrived on the American liner St. Paul last night, bringing the report of her loss by theft of between \$2,000 and \$3,000 worth of jewelry while traveling in Italy.

M'CLELLAN COMPANY TO BUILD DRYDOCK

(Hearst News by Longest Leased Wire.) Washington, July 27.—The M'Clellan company of Seattle was the lowest bidder at the navy department today for the proposed drydock on Puget sound, for which government appropriation of \$1,250,000 has been made.

EK CONVENTION GREATEST EVER

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FARMERS WILL FIGHT BANDITS

Posse Is Formed to Hunt Down Gang of Postoffice Robbers in Maryland. (Publishers' Press by Special Leased Wire.) Cumberland, Md., July 27.—A battle is imminent between a posse of 20 or 30 farmers in the region about Cumberland and a desperate gang of cracksmen entrenched in one of the mountain fastnesses in the lower section of the county.

WOMAN IS KILLED BY INSECT EXTERMINATOR

(Publishers' Press by Special Leased Wire.) New York, July 27.—Kate Seryke was killed today by an insect exterminator and her four servants, Lucy Doyle, Hulda Landers, Harriet Weaver and Robert Grandello, were accused with the living today from inhaling a powerful gas used as an insect exterminator in a room at the Gurstel summer cottage at every day.

NOT BLUFFING ON THE GRANTS

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CASE UNDER IDAHO CHILD LABOR LAW

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Boise, Idaho, July 27.—Leo Soller, of the firm of H. Soller & Co., one of the leading merchants of this city, has been arrested for a violation of the child labor law enacted by last legislature. He is charged with having sent a boy to the live today from inhaling a powerful gas used as an insect exterminator in a room at the Gurstel summer cottage at every day.

ONE PIANO STORE IS ALWAYS BUSY

SPECIAL INDUCEMENTS FOR SUMMER-SEASON BUYERS AT EILERS—MANY INSTRUMENTS TO BE PICKED UP NOW WHICH ARE EXCEPTIONAL BARGAINS.

The Biggest, Busiest and Best of All the Piano Houses Keeps Business Moving Regardless of the Warm Weather—Both New and Used Instruments Included in The Summer Clearance, Preparatory to the Beginning of the Regular Fall Trade.

It's surprising, really, during this summer period, when many piano houses are running on a "vacation basis," that there should be just one exception to the rule. But this is a fact, nevertheless. Of course, one's thoughts naturally turn to Eilers, the house that's always busy—"Biggest, Busiest and Best." The public has learned that when there's a saving of \$50 to \$150 to be gained in the case of every new piano purchased at Eilers, and that better bargains are always to be found in used instruments at Eilers than anywhere else, that it is consequently the best place to buy. And it is a fact—positive, incontrovertible, acknowledged even by other dealers themselves, that Eilers have without any question, the line of highest quality.

one of their many stores. One-price and always the lowest. Convenient terms, arranged to meet the needs of each individual buyer. Complete list of inducements that appeal to popular reason. And these Eilers trade features have built up a position of supremacy that approached by another house in the west.

A DECIDED ADVANTAGE.
In choosing your piano at Eilers you have the advantage of selection from a larger line, makes that are better than those carried by less representative houses; and there is always a larger stock at Eilers than elsewhere, for nearly a thousand pianos are carried at all times, divided between their extensive retail warehouses and their large wholesale warehouses. You can find an instrument of just the style and just the tone you wish, and at just the price you wish to pay, and upon just the terms that will prove easiest and at a most emphatic saving.

THE REASON WHY.
Naturally, with a chain of forty stores and the most thoroughly organized and best equipped shipping, handling and distributing facilities of any piano house in America, it is readily to be understood that Eilers have an advantage in buying and selling that other houses lack. First cost is reduced, marketing expenses reduced to a minimum, and a selling profit is established by the House of Eilers greatly less than could be afforded by smaller organizations or individual dealers.

Special inducements in the matter of bargains, may be found on many instruments at this particular time. Some that have been used for display purposes, a little scratched, perhaps; others of styles that have been discontinued by the makers, which must be disposed of before the regular fall season opens; some, in used instruments, taken in exchange—and a few of these are mentioned in the want columns in today's paper.

Just as an illustration of the greater values offered by Eilers, compare the instruments sold by this leading firm at \$137, \$148, \$164, etc., with pianos offered by other dealers at \$177, \$225, \$275, etc. Even at the decisive saving in price, Eilers offer you a better instrument. And the same proportionate saving is possible upon pianos of greater cost.

We will be glad to have you enjoy a demonstration of the splendid Pianola Piano or visit our Talking Machine Parlors, where we sell all the best makes of most convenient terms, and where we carry the largest line of records to be found in town—including the wonderful new Marconi Velvet Tone records.

Then again, there is the one-price system, the very rock-stone of fair dealing, long established by Eilers in every

"BEST BY TEST" MOTTO: "SQUARE AND FAIR"

Housekeepers' Week

Now that we are slaughtering SUMMER GOODS in all departments it is only right that the thrifty housekeeper should be remembered. This week will be the HOUSE-KEEPERS' WEEK. A special invitation is extended to visit our store this week.

Sheets For Less

Size 72x90 inch at, each...50¢ and 55¢
Size 72x90 inch at, each...60¢ and 65¢
81x90 inch at, each...70¢

Towels

10c value, 19x38, extra heavy, each...11¢
10c value, 18x36, heavy huck, each...8¢
10c value, 16x24, extra heavy huck, ea. 5¢
10c value, 14x28, hemmed or fringed...4¢

Pillow Cases

Size 32x36 inch at...11¢
Size 42x36 inch at...12½¢
Size 45x36 inch at...12½¢
Size 45x36 inch at...15¢

Bath Towels

Full size, double warp, white and unbleached—Size 17x40 inch, at...12½¢
Size 18x36 inch at...15¢
Size 19x38 inch at...17¢

Bedspreads—Hemmed

FULL WIDTH AND LENGTH
\$1.00 value...75¢
\$1.25 value...1.00
\$1.65 value...1.29

Bleached and Unbleached Crash

Full width, all linen, colored borders, at yard...7½¢, 10¢, 11¢, 13½¢

Table Linens—Extra Special

72-inch All Linen; \$1.00 value, yd...75¢
72-inch All Linen; \$1.50 val., yd...\$1.00
66-inch Mercerized Damask; 80c value, yard...65¢
60-inch Mercerized Damask; 66c value, yard...50¢
58-inch Damask; 50c value, yard...35¢
64-inch All Linen, unbleached; \$1 value, yard...85¢
66-inch All Linen, unbleached; 85c value, yard...75¢
72-inch Damask, unbleached; 75c value, yard...50¢

Napkins—Special Values

20x20 Mercerized Damask; \$1.65 value, per dozen...\$1.35
24x24 Mercerized Damask; \$2.50 value, per dozen...\$1.95
20x20 Heavy Linen; \$1.75 value, per dozen...\$1.50
24x24 Heavy Damask; \$2.50 value, per dozen...\$1.95
24x24 Pure Linen; \$3 val., doz...\$2.50
24x24 All Linen; \$3.50 val., doz...\$2.95
24x24 All Linen, extra heavy; \$4.50 value, per dozen...\$3.50

Turkey Red Damask

Fast color. Summer Sale price, yard, 27¢, 35¢, 45¢, 50¢ and...65¢

Curtain Swiss

Full yard wide, dots or figures, white and colored; special, yard...15¢

Lace Curtains

White and ecru, full 3 yards long, 45 in. wide; regular \$1.25 val., pair...95¢
White and ecru, 3 yards long, 52 inches wide; regular \$1.50 value, pair...\$1.25

Swiss Curtains

8 yards long, in striped, ruffled; regular \$1.25 value, at...95¢
3 yards long, figured, ruffled; regular \$1.50 value, at...\$1.29

Camping Comforters

Special size, 44x77 inches...75¢
Special size, 50x77 inches...\$1.00
Special size, 54x72 inches...\$1.15

Outing Blankets

Size 48x68 at...65¢
Size 52x72 at...75¢
Size 56x72 at...\$1.00

Corner Third and Morrison Streets
McAllen & McDonald
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Bayocean Park
(ON TILLAMOOK BAY)
Read Management's Letter
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MS. Found in a Bottle.
(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Tillamook, Or., July 27.—Mrs. Thomas Coates at her summer residence on the beach picked up a sealed bottle containing a professional manuscript written by Miller, attorney, 506 Commercial building. On the face of the card was written in the hand of an illiterate person, "Lost in the bay of Tillamook Bay, on the reverse side of the parchment was the signature, 'R. Mack'.

Big Anticipation Sale on at Robinson & Co's. See page 12.

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