

STEAMERS

North Bank Road Concludes a Traffic Arrangement With Olson & Mahoney Company—Diverts Much Business From Sound.

Traffic arrangements have been concluded between the Spokane, Portland & Seattle Railroad company and the Olson & Mahoney Steamship company so that henceforth the bulk of the freight going from California to the interior districts served by the Hill lines will move through Portland instead of through the Puget sound cities. The scheme has been on the boards for some time and was closed with the appointment of George J. Richardson as the North Bank agent at San Francisco, Mr. Richardson being also the representative of the Olson & Mahoney Steamship company.

The arrangement will mean the movement of thousands of tons of additional freight through this city every month, the operation of a large fleet of steamers that otherwise would have been diverted to other ports and employment for large numbers of longshoremen and teamsters. The bulk of the freight will be handled from the Oak street dock where the local office is located.

Operates Ten Vessels.
For a starter about 10 steamers will be kept busy in the service, but it is believed that the number will soon be increased to 12 or 15. The first craft to come north in the line will be the Olson & Mahoney, Daisy Mitchell, Jim Butler and J. Marshall. They will leave San Francisco in close succession during the week and it is believed that all of them will come filled to capacity. Going south the steamers will carry only solid cargoes of lumber, wheat and cotton or such freight as comes in large quantities. It having been decided to let the other lines take care of the broken lot business.

Carry No Passengers.
Nor will the Olson & Mahoney boats carry passengers, the North Bank people having decided to leave that traffic to the Harlan line, which now runs direct connections with the Pacific Coast Steamship company's liners Governor and President at San Francisco for Los Angeles.

In reference to the new arrangement between the Hill people and the Olson & Mahoney Steamship company, one of the local representatives this morning said:

"With the announcement a few days since of the proposed traffic arrangement between the San Francisco and Portland Steamship company and the Pacific Coast Steamship company, the people of Portland felt that the Hill system and deal them a blow by combining with the Harlan Steamship line, thus cutting Portland out as a transfer point. The connection at San Francisco gives Portland a good steamship service to Los Angeles for passenger business and is a decided boon."

Will Was Far Seeing.
That the Hill system was far seeing is shown by the arrangement to use the freight carriers of the Olson & Mahoney line to carry their freight business to connect with the North Bank railroad at Portland. They have made their business over the water grade route along the Columbia river, and thus have tonnage to move to the interior that the cars bringing in grain, etc., may carry a load back. All of the freight is to be landed at Oak street dock, and an immense tonnage is looked for.

This means great things for Portland. It enables the Portland jobber to ship his goods on this line of steamers and to divert it to interior points without cost of handling here, protecting his through rates, gives delivery in the heart of the city, gives the transfer companies their share of traffic in hauling to the cars.

SOIL TILLERS VISIT THE ESPER SCHOOL.
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demonstrate proper methods of feeding and cleaning. Incubators are to be operated so as to give a fresh supply of chicks each day of the trip.

Among the exhibits are a pair of White Wyandottes belonging to H. B. House of Gresham, White Plymouth Rocks and Leghorns belonging to K. Royce of Astoria, Rhode Island Reds and Buff Orpingtons from Bates & Miller at Corvallis. The barred Plymouths shown have a record of 284 eggs in one year. Professor James Dryden and Professor A. G. Linn of the Oregon Agricultural college are in charge of the poultry cars.

Truck gardening and pomology, each a car devoted to its demonstration. In the pomology car are shown pruning rigs, grafting and budding implements, packing equipment and many complete demonstration charts of grafting and budding were demonstrated this morning. The car devoted to truck gardening contains a case of soil samples from districts in the Rogue and Umpqua valleys, garden seeds, charts showing soil values and the effects of drainage and fertilization and demonstrations of the best methods of planting and cultivation.

WOMAN COPS TO CATCH MASHERS.
Des Moines, March 22.—Des Moines is to have women policemen. Councilman Hamery, superintendent of the department of public safety, has made this announcement. He expects to appoint half a dozen. His appointments must be confirmed by the council, but the police have been allowed to begin almost absolute control of his department, and there is little doubt his plan will be carried out. Mr. Hamery's plan is to have some of the women in uniform at railway stations, dance halls and other public places.

These, he says, will be put on the streets to detect and arrest professional masers, of whom a great deal of complaint has recently been made. It is not unlikely that in the near future women will be arresting men and conducting them to the police station.

MRS. FARMER

Governor Hughes Declines to Interfere—Slew a Woman for a Farm.

(United Press Special Wire.) Albany, N. Y., March 22.—Governor Hughes today declined to exercise executive clemency on behalf of Mrs. Mary Farmer, sentenced to death for the murder of Sarah Brennan, and postponing her execution in the way of her electrocution at Auburn, March 23.

Despite the awful crime which she committed, many who believe the woman is insane and who have worked, albeit in vain, to secure a commutation of her sentence.

"Let the woman hang. I cannot interfere for merely sentimental reasons," declared Theodore Roosevelt, when, as governor of New York, he was asked to save Martha Place, the murderess, from the death chair. She was executed at Sing Sing and only women electrocuted in the state.

In effect, Governor Hughes has followed the example of his predecessor. The persons seeking at least an investigation into the sanity of the murderess were led by Father Hickey of Watertown, N. Y., who came to his light for her life in the following words:

"Her offense was terrible. To admit that only a terrible thing could have done this woman for a deed which was made possible only because of an affected mind, is a terrible thing. It is my duty to God, to my state and to motherhood to save this woman's life and I shall still continue to do all in my power to prove that this woman ought to be saved from the chair."

The Crime of the Farmers.
In the hamlet of Brownsville, near Watertown, James D. Farmer and his wife Mary lived in a cottage next to the home of Sarah Brennan and his wife Sarah. The families were friendly and they went to the same church. The women, often, exchanged their visits.

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The report says also that the offer of the corporation does not mention any deduction or adjustment for certain extra items which were disallowed in the recommendation of the bridge committee.

ESTIMATE OF REPAIR COST CUT OUT.
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and that he did not wish it included in the report.

Since making the report Engineer Rao has taken exceptions to some comments on the bridge situation and the report by the committee on the bridge, and accordingly has written the following letter to Mayor Lane, expressing his views on the situation.

"Dear Sir:—In the light of recent newspaper articles emanating from the city and the various writers, I am sorry to find that the original report referring to the feasibility of repairs was suppressed."

"With the reasons which you personally advanced to me to induce me to permit the elimination of the part referred to, I am not sure that there appears to be no room for doubt that you have shown bad faith in the matter, both toward me and toward the public."

"Therefore, I feel justified in setting myself right by making the facts public, as I cannot submit to being used to further the personal or political interests of any man through anything savoring of misrepresentation."

"J. P. Newell, who was associated with Mr. Rao in making the report, states that the instructions given went simply to the present condition of the bridge, whether it was safe for traffic, and did not contemplate the possibility of repairs to the structure."

Estimate Not Called For.
"I did not, nor did the bridge committee, call for an estimate of the cost of repairs, but the city engineer directed Experts Newell and Rao to make one."

"This morning, 'The Council authorized a report as to the condition of the structure and accepted this. The report was attached to the report of the estimate as to the probable cost of repairing the superstructure, but this was not called for."

"The estimate did not include the piers, which would be the most expensive portion of any repairs that might be needed and any estimate that does not contemplate the vital parts of the deficient drawbridge would be misleading."

"The driver who inspected the piers has informed me that he does not see how these could well be made to bear the weight required unless by the use of tons of concrete which would be an costly almost as putting in entirely new piers."

"If the council now wants an estimate made, the proper thing to do will be to ask the city engineer for one. He has both the reports on the superstructure and the substructure and taking both into consideration, would arrive at an approximation of the cost of repairing the bridge, but I do not think the cost would warrant such repairs."

"FRIENDSHIP" ACTS AS GOAD TO OLD TOM.
New York, March 22.—To nearly all of a dozen questions put to Thomas Collier Platt in his apartments he wearily replied, "I don't know," without opening his eyes or raising his head from the back of the armchair. But the word "friendship" acted as a goad to him. Quickly the thin, shabby legs uncoiled, the emaciated body straightened and fingers to his head as he exclaimed:

"My God, don't ask me that. You must ask me that after apparently weighing his words as carefully as he used to before announcing whom he would make a governor next. He said to me, 'I don't know, almost a man, this time.'"

WIFE CALLED

So Says A. Kiljunen in Re-cital of His Marital Woes.

"If there ever was a devil you are one. This is a compliment that A. Kiljunen says his wife passed over to him, and he has brought suit for separation from Elias T. Kiljunen in the circuit court. His chief complaint is that his wife delighted to tell him about the fine times she had attending dances with other men."

Kiljunen alleges that she went to dances several times a week, usually remaining until 1 or 2 a. m. Once it was 4 a. m. when she returned, he says, and another time it was 7 a. m. After returning she would regale him with stories of the pleasure she had had and the more he was annoyed the greater her delight in rehearsing the story even.

Kiljunen wants the custody of their little boy, Raeno Adam Alfred Kiljunen. He is willing that his wife shall keep their daughter, Gertrude, Rosie and Erika Kiljunen.

BRIDGE OFFER NOT ACCEPTED.
After considering the proposals of the Northwest Bridge Works to repair the East Twenty-ninth street bridge, the bridge committee of the executive board has unanimously decided not to accept them.

In a report to the executive board, made public today, recommendations to this effect are made and the reasons for the same outlined.

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TAKT BACK TO ENGLISH SPELLING.
Washington, March 22.—T-h-r-u-o-u-g-h spells through for the next four years. T-h-r-u does not spell anything. T-h-r-e-w-o-u-t spells what President Taft has done to Mr. Roosevelt's reorganization of the dictionary as to simplified spelling.

Simplified spelling is to exist no more in White House correspondence except to come and go with the president. There is to be no more puzzling over sonorous sounds and President Taft's messages to congress and his other correspondence will contain words "spelled out" just as Mr. Taft spelled out his words when he wrote essays in Yale.

President Taft practically began this change in his inaugural address. Advance copies showed that there were none of the peculiarly spelled words so characteristic of Mr. Roosevelt's addresses. When President Roosevelt read over the address before it was delivered he was tempted to blue-pencil each thorough and insert a thru, an address for addressed, a dropt for a dropped.

Axe now spells what Mr. Taft will use on the heads of the Roosevelt office holders instead of ax; although, and not altho, spelling evidently clipped and not clip spells the past of to clip, while if President Taft should ever have occasion to kiss the president, his official correspondence he will not spell it "kist."

HOODOO SHIP CAN'T EVEN CARRY BRICK.
New Brunswick, N. J., March 22.—Loaded with 500,000 bricks, the barge Maryland, which was once the hull of the ill-fated steamboat General Slocum, sunk at Parley's dock yesterday. It was to have sailed for Wilmington, Del., today, and had only been sent from New York to Sayreville for the brick a few days ago.

Many people from the surrounding towns made journeys to Sayreville to see the boat as soon as it was known that she had been brought from New York. When the tide lowered the boat was around the piers in the middle. Some of the cracks were many inches wide. No lives were lost.

The General Slocum was burned with a loss of 1031 lives on North Brother Island on June 15, 1904. Nearly all of the dead were women and children, for the boat was at the time carrying German Lutheran church, in Sixth street, on its annual excursion. Captain William H. Van Sledright, skipper of the Slocum is now serving a 10 years' term in prison.

The city raised a hull of the vessel. It was sold to begin its career again as the brick barge Maryland.

WILL TALK ON NEW ZEALAND AT Y. M. C. A.
George Stening of Christ Church, New Zealand is in Portland today and this evening will deliver a lecture in the reading room of the Y. M. C. A. on "New Zealand, the Home of Progress."

Mr. Stening has been for the past eight months a visitor in the United States studying Y. M. C. A. methods. He sails from Vancouver Friday for his home in Australia, completing the last lap of an extended trip around the world.

Mr. Stening has made a study of Australian politics during his residence there and will tell his hearers about something of what he has learned as to their adaptability and use. On his return home he will take up the work of starting a modern Y. M. C. A. in a new building which the people of his town are erecting in his absence and of which he is to have charge. The lecture begins at 8 o'clock.

PERSONALS.
Mrs. L. F. Weaver is reported to be seriously ill at her home, 414 E. Second street. She was seized with a fainting attack last Wednesday while down town shopping and has been in a serious condition ever since. Her physician says, to grave poisoning. Mr. Weaver is the Portland agent for Studebaker cars, coming here from San Francisco but a few months ago.

Rev. Benjamin F. Young was obliged to seek a substitute in his lecture in Taylor Street Methodist church last night, owing to a recurrence of the grip which he has kept him from the physician's care for several days. Rev. M. C. Reed preached the evening sermon.

Peking's Solitary Man.
From the March Metropolitan.
The city of Peking is regularly laid out. Toward the south is the Chinese city 15 miles in circumference. To the north is a square, four miles on each side, and containing 16 square miles. In the center of this square, isolated by a beautifully circled wall 30 feet thick at the bottom, 20 feet thick at the top and 30 feet high, surrounded by a 100 foot wide in the Forbidden City, occupying one square mile. In this city, the only man who makes human beings the emperor, who is called the "solitary man."

SENATOR ANGRY

Black Might Decide California Direct Primary—Resents Attitude.

(United Press Special Wire.) Palo Alto, Cal., March 22.—Designating the recent action of the state senate as "discourteous" and "infringement" on his rights and privileges, Senator Marshall Black, whose illness has prevented a break in the direct primary election today sent a lengthy telegram to Lieutenant Governor Warren Porter, which clears up the situation so far as Black is concerned.

Black's telegram to Porter reads: "I beg to inform you, and through you, the senate of California, that I regard the resolution adopted Saturday in reference to my absence as a discourtesy and a reflection on my honor and integrity and as proposing an infringement of my privileges and rights as a senator and citizen."

The persons referred to by Black are Senator St. Armand Martin of the senate and Dr. Montgomery, who accompanied him to ascertain Senator Black's condition in case of his absence.

Continuing, Black's telegram reads: "And I shall continue to decline to see them until my physicians inform me that I can with safety return to Sacramento. Ample evidence of my physical condition has been presented to your representatives by four capable and reputable physicians and these physicians have furnished and will furnish evidence of my condition from time to time as requested by you or by the senate."

(Signed) "MARSHALL BLACK." In discussing his telegram, Senator Black expressed indignation at his treatment by his colleagues in adopting the resolution and declared that personal feeling entered into the matter and not politics. He thanked his fellow-citizens of Palo Alto for standing by him and passing resolutions of indignation at his treatment.

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