

EMPIRE BUILDER SEES HILL LINES AND IS GRATIFIED

Railroad Chief Makes Tour of New Properties and Pronounces Work Done in Oregon to Be Most Satisfactory

JOHN F. STEVENS WILL GUIDE WORK IN STATE

Willamette Valley System to Be Gridiron in Future; 10th St. Franchise Accepted.

Feeling fine, in good spirits and tremendously pleased with what he has seen in a way of railway and agricultural development during the two days spent in Oregon, James J. Hill, empire builder, left Portland this morning for St. Paul, by way of Puget Sound circuit.



James J. Hill

les and Vancouver, B. C. The Hill special, consisting of a locomotive, a baggage car and two coaches, left the North Bank depot at 3:35.

BURGLARS MEET POLICE IN TUNNEL

Burrowing for Jewelry Stock Criminals Kill Two Policemen and Escape.

London, Dec. 17.—Burglars who killed two policemen last night in a pistol duel with five officers were tunnelling to a vault containing \$100,000, according to information given out at Scotland Yard.

The robbers had started the tunnel from a house in Clatter street to the vaults of the Henry Harris jewelry shop at Houndsditch and the boring was nearly completed.

THE SUNDAY JOURNAL

The Magazine and Woman's Section for Tomorrow Will Be Replete With Attractive Xmas Features

LATEST NEWS FROM LOCAL AND FOREIGN FIELDS

WOMAN DEFENDANT SMOOKS WHEN T. O'NEIL ASKS JURY TO GIVE HER DEATH OR FREEDOM

Affected by the closing argument of her attorney, asking that the jury find her guilty and let her be hanged if it cannot make her a free woman, Mrs. Carrie Kerah reached the point of collapse in the circuit court this morning in the closing hours of her trial for the murder of William A. Johnson on June 20.

Seneca Fouts, her chief counsel, told the jury it was unreasonable to believe that this woman is the monster pictured by the state. He told of her trials, her unhappy life with her husband and the care she has given to her baby boy.

Judge Morrow has given instruction to the attorneys to close the argument by 4 o'clock this afternoon. He allowed two hours and 15 minutes on each side for argument. Allowing an hour for the instructions of the court, the case will pass into the hands of the jury about 3 o'clock.

Deputy District Attorney Collier opened the argument for the state this morning. He spoke for an hour and 15 minutes, reviewing the testimony at some length.

HAWTHORNE BRIDGE APPROVED BY OFFICIALS OF COUNTY AND FORMAL OPENING IS NOW NEAR

County Judge Cleaton and Commissioner Lightner, after being taken up and lowered half a dozen times on the lift span of the new Hawthorne bridge today, were highly pleased with the operation of the draw, and the final acceptance of the bridge is apparently close at hand.

Engineer Clark, the designer of the bridge, accompanied the officials and stated that the last odds and ends of work will be cleared up this afternoon. He asked for a test tomorrow morning, and said he would be ready to turn the bridge over tomorrow afternoon.

E. R. Weidman, engineer of the Broadway bridge, also visited the new span during the tests today, and was well pleased with the mechanical showing. Arriving with a somewhat unfavorable impression, he left with the feeling that the bridge will be a success.

Judge Is Pleased. "This is a revelation to me," said Judge Cleaton, after he had visited the operator's tower and had been taken up in the air half a dozen times to different heights, once to let a river steamer pass underneath.

The acceptance of the new Hawthorne bridge is now being delayed until the county court takes the responsibility of opening the lift in its present condition, said Mayor Simon this morning. "I am willing to accept the span for my part, as I believe it is a well built structure and will meet the requirements of the contract except for a few minor details."

PRINCESS ADELAIDE NEW COAST STEAMER

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 17.—The steamer Princess Adelaide, the latest addition to the fleet of the British Columbia coast service on the Canadian Pacific, reached Victoria shortly before noon today from Newcastle-on-Tyne.

WHOLE COUNTY IN BIG COYOTE HUNT

Fearing Hydrophobia Epidemic, Men of Wallowa Form Army to Slay Beasts.

The coyotes are being slain today in Wallowa county. Accused by mad coyotes that have bitten children, sheep, dogs and hogs, the men and boys have organized into an army for the extermination of the beasts.

CORT SAYS SHOW BUSINESS RUSHING

Agreement Among Magnates Such as to Give Coast Best from Everybody.

Seattle, Dec. 17.—John Cort is again in Seattle, after a long and hard struggle with the powers in the theatrical world in New York. He has been absent from the coast for several months.

Dr. Anderson reported that since a mad coyote bit Johnnie Bosely at Flora in Wallowa county, many other coyotes with rabies have appeared in various sections of the county, biting others of their kind, and showing absolutely no fear of men.

All down through Texas, Colorado, up to Salt Lake, Montana, Winnipeg and Duluth, the worthy attractions are playing to capacity houses. All of which convinces me there is nothing to these hard times whisperings.

Johnnie Bosely has been in Portland under the care of Dr. White. He was given yesterday the twenty-first dose of the Pasteur treatment, which was sent from Washington for the purpose. He will be sent back to his home today. His father and mother are with him.

LAST SIDE SEWER BUILT ON HILL

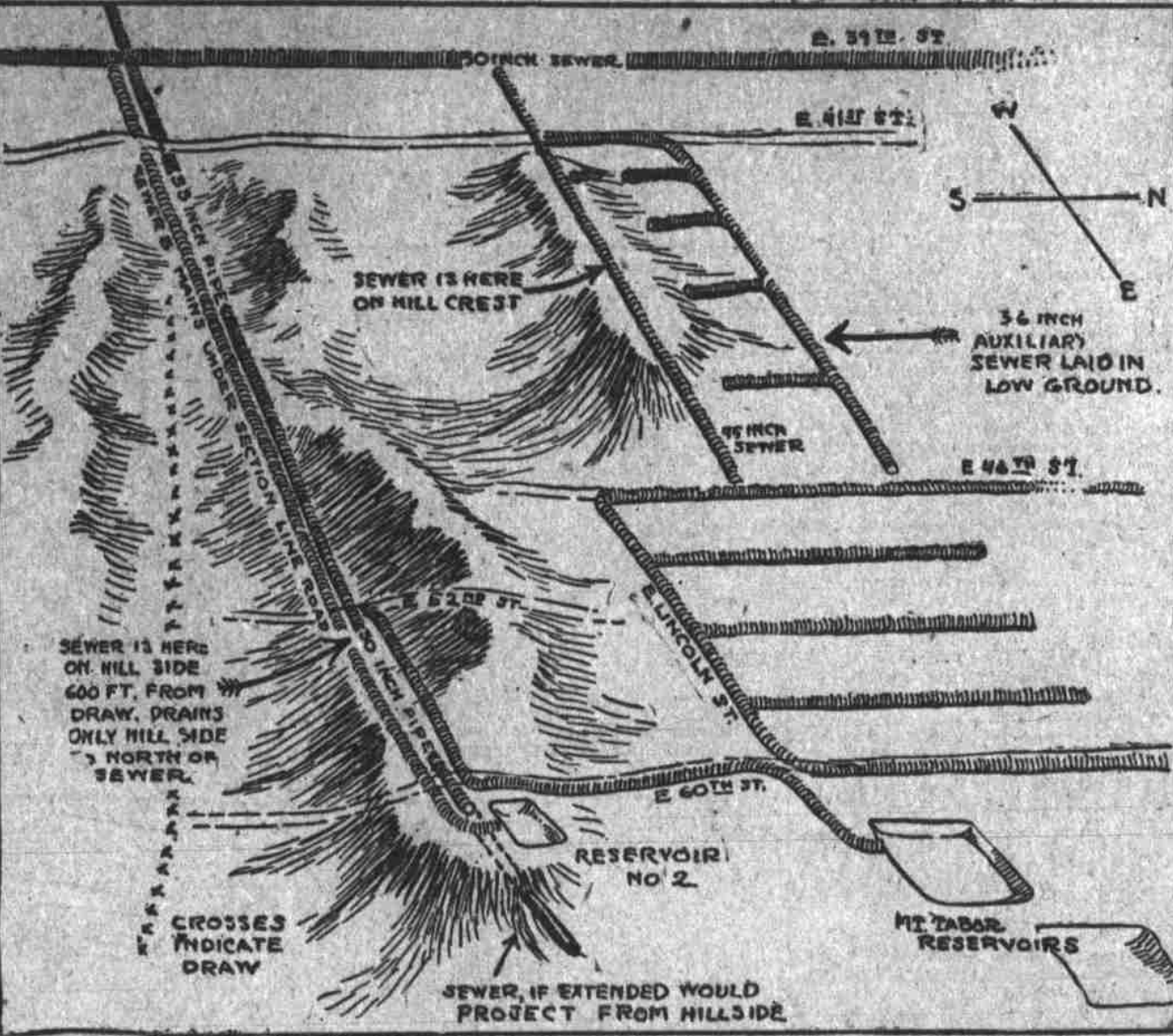


Diagram Showing District Through Which New Sewer System Built.

STANDPATERS IN SMALL DISTRICT PLOT TO THROTTLE POPULAR MEASURE

Resolution in Senate Providing for Direct Election of Senators to Be Kept in Committee to End of Session.

Washington, Dec. 17.—The steady growth of sentiment for the direct election of United States senators today caused leading standpaters to confer over plans to head off the movement. It is asserted by friends of the direct election plan that Senators Hale and Root are endeavoring to keep in the committee on judiciary a resolution calling for the direct election of senators, and that they hope to succeed in holding the measure in committee until the end of the present session.

SMALL DISTRICT DRAINED BY BIG CEMENT PIPES

Section Line Sewer Runs Along Hillside Where Few People Get Any Benefit From the Improvement.

The office of City Engineer Morris has just completed the construction of a sewer on Division street and the Section Line road between East Thirtieth street and East Sixtieth street. The sewer is of unreinforced cement construction and ranges in size from 30 inches to 36 inches.

INSURRECTOS PUT DIAZ FORCE OVER LINE INTO TEXAS

Movement by Madero Supposed to Have for Its Object Division of the Federal Forces in Chihuahua.

El Paso, Texas, Dec. 17.—A general advance of the insurrectionary forces that for weeks have been concentrating near Ojinaga began today and the cavalry of the insurgents clashed with Mexican federal troops at Hacienda, 14 miles from Ojinaga. It is reported that the rebels drove Diaz' troops from their position and stampeded the federal cavalry over the international line into the Big Bend country in Texas.

POSSE SEEKS MAN WHO MURDERED FOR MONEY

San Diego, Cal., Dec. 17.—A posse under Sheriff Jennings is searching the Jamul valley, 30 miles east of here, for the murderer of M. G. Mau, a 45 year old rancher, who was shot and killed yesterday.

SIX DAYS' STORM ON BRITISH COAST

Still Raging, and Enormous Damage Done to Shipping; Many Lives Lost.

London, Dec. 17.—A storm, causing the wreck of dozens of small craft and countless deaths, continues today unabated.

RASPBERRIES GROWING IN PORTLAND DURING MONTH OF DECEMBER

Red raspberries, as luscious as the summer products, are growing in and around Portland. Several branches taken from the bushes of W. A. Ball in Woodstock have been brought to the Journal office.

PLUCKS OLD SANTA BY FALSE BEARD

Sister Flora M. Bilkiss Makes Scene With Salvation Army Captain at Spokane.

Spokane, Dec. 17.—Decrying the Salvation Army workers as "graffers," "Sister" Flora M. Bilkiss, a street missionary, this morning created excitement on Riverside avenue by stripping a Salvation Army captain of his Santa Claus beard and wig and kicking his donation pot into the street.

BODIES OF FOUR IN CROSS TUNNEL IN LEYDEN COLLIERY

Second Rescue Party Makes the Discovery; Unfortunates Overcome in Attempt to Escape Deadly Gas.

SEARCH FOR OTHERS IN PROGRESS IN PASSAGE

Bodies Are Found Half Mile From Entrance; Further Disasters Predicted.

Denver, Colo., Dec. 17.—The bodies of four miners were found in the Leyden mine today by rescuers. The dead miners were huddled together behind a steel door in the passage leading from shaft No. 1 to shaft No. 2. The door had been closed, evidently in the hope that the men might escape the deadly gases that followed the explosion.

SEALSKIN PRICES NOT ANY HIGHER

In Some Cases Lower, at London Sales; 16,000 to 17,000 Skins Year's Catch.

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 17.—The sealskin sale held yesterday at Lamington in London, at which the total catch, over 1000 skins of the Victoria pelagic fleet, the United States government take of 12,000 from the British rookeries and catches of locally owned schooners in the south Atlantic and Antarctic, about 15,000 or 17,000 pelts in all, were offered, showed no advance in prices over last year, according to advices received here today.

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