

OREGON TRUNK IS AT BEND: TRAINS CAN RUN THROUGH

Railway Officials Tell Redmond Traffic of Interior Will Justify Expenditure on Two Roads of \$23,000,000.

(Staff Correspondent.) Redmond, Or., Sept. 30.—The Oregon Trunk-Deschutes railway was finished today at 4 o'clock. Train and telegraph service will immediately be established, preparatory to the railroad celebration October 5, when Hill will drive the golden spike. The work has been in charge of Chief Engineer Budd and Superintendent Rogers.

Carl R. Gray, president of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle railway, and H. B. Miller, traffic manager of the O. N. & P., told the people of Redmond today that they believed the land production of central Oregon justifies the building of both railways into this country at an expense of nearly \$23,000,000 and that the expression of faith shown by such an investment would be added to as the demands for traffic and development increased with the growth of the country and population.

Other representatives of the railroad systems spoke in the same vein. F. H. Fogarty, of the Northern Pacific, said that until he saw it, he had never dreamed of a country so big and potential. The Portland representation from the progressive development congress, which begins at Redmond and proceeds through Prineville, to Burns and back to Bend next week, was increased by the arrival of 20 commercial club members at 10 o'clock tonight. This makes a party of between 50 and 60, representing the three great railway systems, the development interests of the state, business men and investors, who, most of them for the first time this winter, see this country and learn of it for themselves.

The meeting today was presided over by J. W. Brewer, president of the commercial club, who introduced Mayor Jones in a welcome to all. Myrtle Butler told in verse of the hardhood that made a position for the people gathered there on this day of triumph and Mrs. Forrest put the same thought into song. Dr. O. Lively, Professor F. L. Kent and Marshall N. Jones, who has been in attendance the fact that the coming of the railroad makes the development problem greater but brings a greater force to do the work.

The afternoon was spent in sports, roping contests and "busting" broncos, with a ball to wind up the celebration in the evening.

The Burns party left at 10 p. m. for Prineville. James G. Hill and Louis W. Hill and others prominent in the railroad and official world will greet it at Burns.

Second Portland Special Comes.

The second delegation of the Portland Commercial club and railroad officials enroute to Burns to attend the Central Oregon Development league meeting, arrived here tonight on a special at 9 o'clock and the party remained here about an hour looking at the exhibit of agricultural products displayed here at the railroad day celebration and then left by automobiles for Prineville, where it will remain tonight.

The members of the party were: A. C. Callan, manager of the Pacific Hardware and Steel company, chairman of the excursion; G. F. Johnson, northwest manager of Sherman-Clay & Co., chairman of the executive committee of Portland Commercial club; C. Chapman, secretary of the Oregon Development league; H. W. Mitchell of the Mitchell, Lewis & Staver company; L. Allen Lewis of Allen and Lewis; J. P. Ransom of Ransom, Sussan & Co.; F. H. Ransom, treasurer and manager of the Eastern & Western Lumber company; C. J. McPherson, secretary and manager of the McPherson company; F. A. Freeman, cashier of the Lumbermen National bank; P. Jones, vice president of the Merchants National bank; S. C. Pier, sales manager of the Marshall-Wells Hardware company; W. K. Newell, president of the Oregon State Horticultural society; D. W. Ward, contractor; A. W. Smith, industrial agent of the Great Northern railroad; T. B. Winstanley, E. P. Crowe, L. K. Nowlton of the S. P. & S. railway; William McMurray, general passenger agent of the O. W. R. & N. railroad, and Charles A. H. Smith, traveling agent of the O. W. R. & N. railroad.

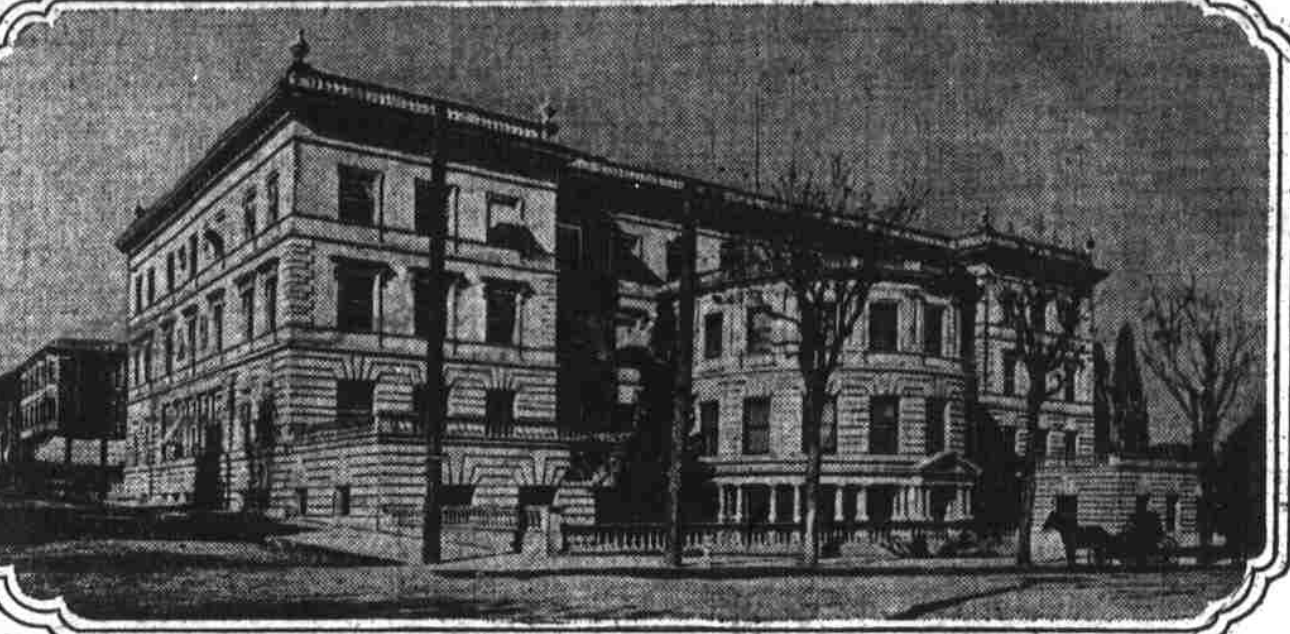
PEOPLE DIG DEEP FOR EXPENSE MONEY.

Taxpayers of Portland Have to Pay More Than \$3,000,000 for Conduct of City Government and Keeping Up of Public Owned Utilities; Itemized Expense Account of Various Departments



MAYOR RUSHLIGHT

GEORGE MCCORD SECRETARY



CITY HALL.

Written for The Journal by Will T. Kirk. Every year the people of Portland go down in their pockets for more than \$3,000,000 to pay the expenses of the city government. During the nine months ending September 1 the city paid out for necessary expenses the tidy sum of \$2,267,084.32. At that rate the total cost for the year will be \$3,022,712.44.

Whew! Where does all this money go? This question no doubt will be asked by a good many wondering minds. But this is not all. If the sums expended yearly for improvements are added to the cost of running the city the figures will loom so large that timid citizens will see cause for fright.

But we might as well look the facts squarely in the face. During the last nine months the city has issued bonds to the amount of \$2,600,000. This money is being expended for new water conduits, bridges and parks and boulevards. The bonds do not include those issued for street improvements nor

sewer and water main assessments. The total amount of the indebtedness outstanding September 1 for these three items alone was \$8,207,781.37. The total amount of bonds outstanding on the same date for other indebtedness, which includes the pipe line, bridges and park bonds mentioned above, was \$10,691,500, making a grand total of outstanding bonded indebtedness against the city of \$18,899,281.37. To apply on the payment of these bonds the city has on hand in various sinking funds the sum of \$667,666.90.

Careful Checking Is Made. Of the \$3,000,000 and more that the people of Portland spend every year for city improvement, not a penny, under the system in vogue during the present administration, is spent unless it passes under the inspection of George McCord, private secretary to Mayor Rushlight. This makes the secretary's position one of the most important in the city

government and freights it with great responsibilities. Not only does the secretary inspect the warrants and affix the facsimile of the mayor's signature, but he places the mayor's O. K. on all requisitions for supplies, furniture or equipment of any sort purchased by the city. That he has his eye out for mistakes, overcharges and discrepancies is indicated by a little incident that occurred a few days ago.

A requisition for rubber bands was presented to him for the usual O. K. A few days later another requisition was presented to him for rubber bands for another of the offices. He noticed a discrepancy in price, small though it might be. He inquired of the two dealers from whom the bands had been purchased and found that one officer was buying them in larger quantities than the other and therefore was getting them at a cheaper price. He immediately took steps to see that all the offices bought them at the cheaper price. Of course rubber bands and such

supplies are but a drop in the tubful of dollars that it takes to maintain Portland's city government.

Watching the Treasury. This system of close inspection of municipal accounts is said to be a new thing at the city hall. In the past it had been the custom for various committee chairmen to approve requisitions, and no one knew what the other fellow was spending for the city. It was also the custom for requisitions to be made out in blank and the amounts would be filled in after the articles were purchased. Secretary McCord has put a stop to such laxity and requires every requisition to be made out in full before he gives official approval. For the first time the mayor's office is in constant touch with every penny expended for the city, and an accurate check is had on every item.

The three costliest departments of the city government are the water, fire and the police departments. The expense of keeping them up is more than one third of the entire cost of running the city.

Police Department Expensive. Just now the cry against the police department is inefficiency. It is said the city is burdened with dozens of patrolmen and others in the department who hinder the service more than they promote it. But all of them draw salaries and incur expenses for the city, as is shown by the statement that during the last nine months the police department has cost the city the neat sum of \$221,567.19. The police department has returned to the city by means of fines collected the sum of \$29,443.50. To the water department the city has issued warrants in the last nine months to the amount of \$732,215.85, while the expense of the fire department has been \$361,851.20.

Another expense that is growing in size every year is incurred for street repairs. During the last nine months the city has paid out \$112,241.85 on this account. And each year many miles of street pavements will be turned over to the city for upkeep. This is why Mayor Rushlight is keeping street pav-

ing companies in continual hot water in his efforts to compel them to quote the city low prices for the patented materials that are used in the pavements. Unless the city succeeds in buying this material at a price very near cost street repair expenses promise to become enormous before the passing of another decade.

Details List of Expenses.

Here is a complete list of the various departments and offices of the city and the amounts that have been expended by each during the nine months ending September 1, 1911:

Table listing various city departments and their expenses, including Fire department, Police department, Street repairing, Water department, Public library, Street lighting, Mayor's office, Auditor's office, Engineer's department, Health department, Garbage crematory, Street cleaning and sprinkling, Pond department, Treasurer's office, Attorney's office, Salary of councilmen, Expense of council, Civil service commission, Building inspector's office, Municipal court, Plumbing inspector's office, Auditor of city hall, Inspector glaze cement pipe, Sealer of weights-measures, Free employment bureau, Litigation, Free museum, Expense of advertising, Stationery and blanks, Insurance, Relief of certain persons, Elections, Office furniture, Miscellaneous expense, Pay of viewers, License tags, Care fare, Purchase of street improvement and sewer warrants, Salary of grapple.

ELK IN BATTLE TO DEATH IN CITY PARK; JEALOUSY IS CAUSE

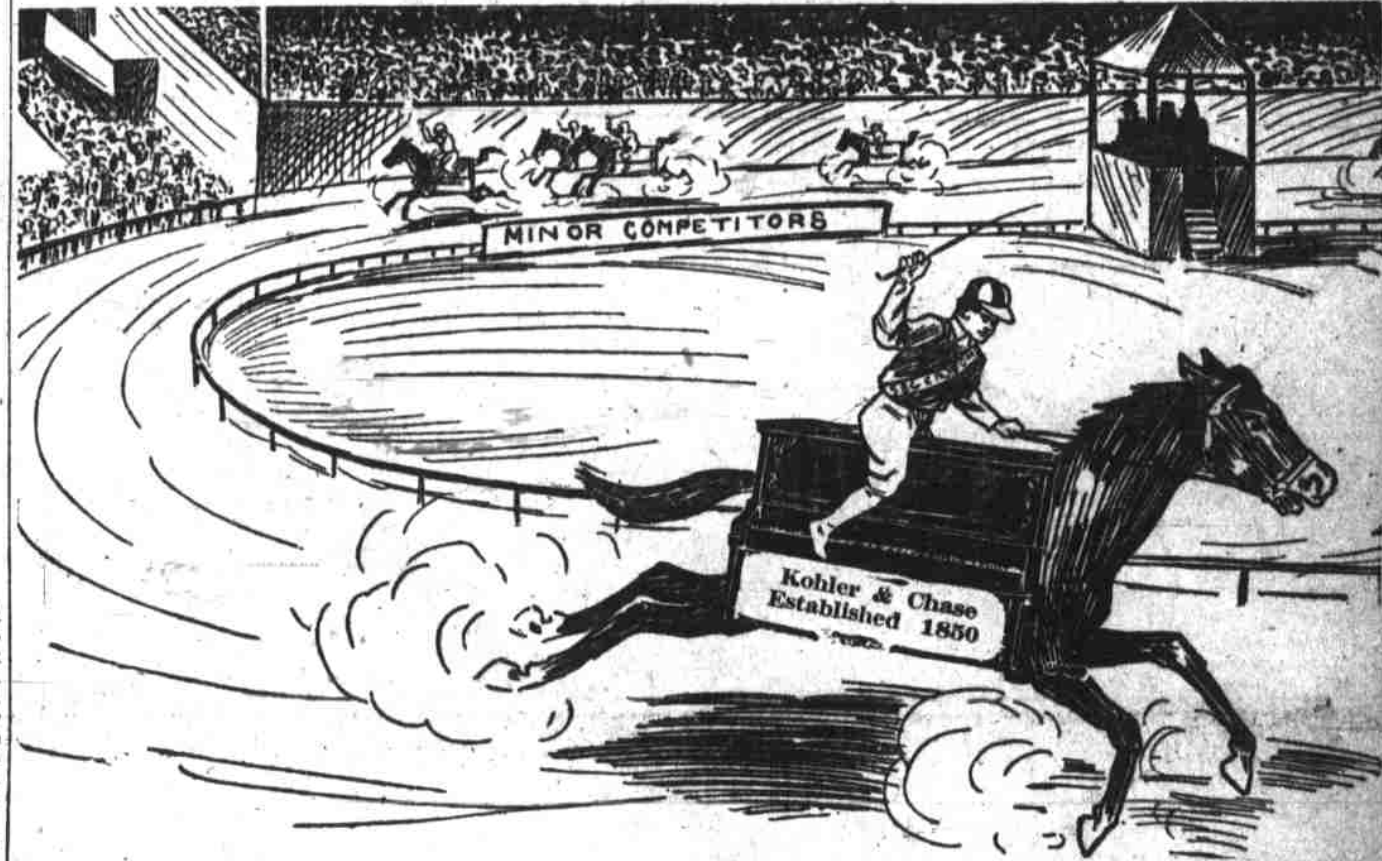
The hide of a freshly killed elk left in a local taxidermist's shop to be mounted, caused a great deal of excitement in the state game warden's office yesterday. When the report was received A. S. Noonling, deputy game warden, hurried to the shop bent on arresting the perpetrator of the deed. The killing of elk is strictly against the law and a fine of from \$200 to \$1000 can be levied on anyone convicted. Mr. Noonling started out hot on the trail of the slayer and the scent soon led him to the City Park, where he found that the death of the elk was the result of a jealous quarrel. There have been two big bull elk in the elk yard at the park and they fought for the affections of one of the dainty little "lady" elk. The battle raged fiercely for some time and finally one got the other down and gored him to death. The park officials determined to save the hide and sent it to the taxidermist's. When the hide is stuffed it will be placed in the City Museum.

Good Pianos Cheap

That's why they are selling fast. See Kohler & Chase announcement, page 7, section 1, this paper.

The floor of a large Paris theatre is reversible, one side being made for dancing and the other for carrying the seats, the whole revolving on a horizontal axis.

The Last Days!



Better come tomorrow or the first thing Tuesday if you intend buying a piano, or even investigating this big sale. The way pianos are being "grabbed up" now indicates that in a few more days every piano, every player piano and baby grand included in this monstrous clearance sale will be sold.

So investigate at once the sale that the "big profit" dealer is so alarmed about, the sale that has made it possible for many homes to obtain really high grade pianos that otherwise could not have been afforded at the regular prices, for bear in mind that many of the world's best makes both in new and used pianos are now OBTAINABLE at prices heretofore unheard of. Think of a superb \$1100 Weber Grand for \$875—a magnificent \$1000 Fischer Grand at \$725—a \$950 Steinway Grand (in our window) for \$650—then for variety a good, serviceable practice piano for \$35. There are pianos and player pianos here for the most pretentious as well as the humblest homes—homes where the inspiring and elevating influence of music should exist—and can.

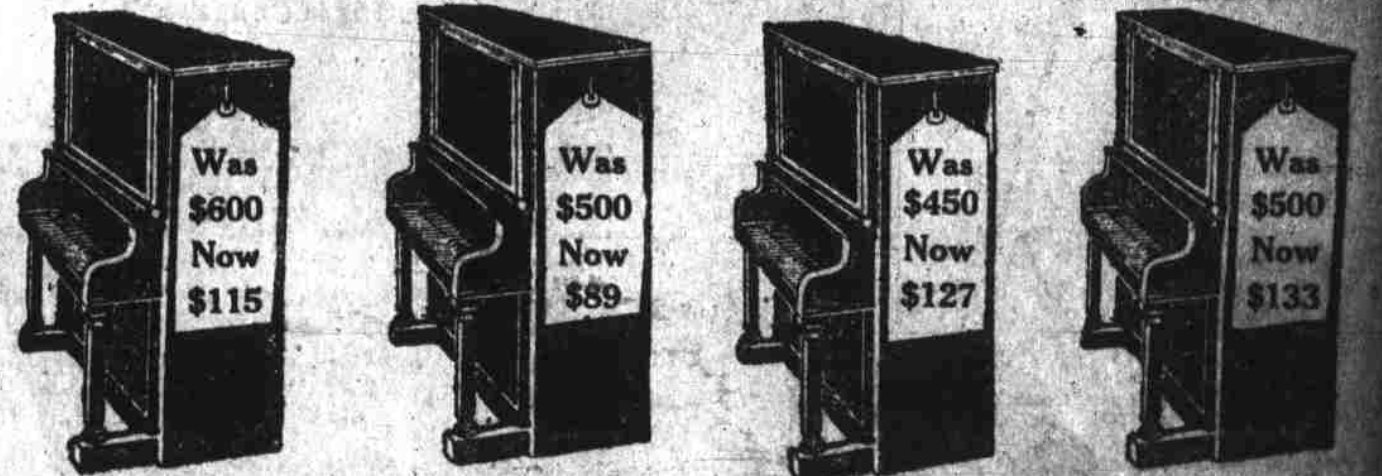
A well-to-do Portlander who purchased a Weber piano here Saturday said: "I came here to investigate this sale because I knew it was bona fide. Competitors don't buy newspaper space to knock a proposition that does not hurt them. I knew there was a reason for the wolfish howling—I see it now—they can't meet your prices and terms."

So it is, "Brickbats and Bouquets," the compliments and praise from satisfied customers, while the self-proclaimed honest dealers, screeching like vultures and howling like hungry coyotes, attempt to misguide the public because we are selling pianos, and lots of them, at prices beyond their power to compete with. There's the reason.

Most merchants have long ago learned that "every knock's a boost," and even the schoolboy understands that people with business of their own to attend to are too busy to bother about the other fellows. The talkative, gossipy, slanderous old woman hangs over the neighbor's fence while her own affairs go hang. "Sweep your own doorstep first" was well said.

Over 60 years' successful business record on the coast means that KOHLER & CHASE are doing business along substantial lines. Time is the test. In the meantime we warn you to act quickly—come at once—and be sure you are in KOHLER & CHASE'S store. Look for the signs. Be sure you get KOHLER & CHASE quality and guarantee.

Ask to see the following bargains in our "Piano Exchange" department. Practice Piano, \$35; Kohler & Campbell, \$133; Autopiano, \$398; Hallett & Davis, \$137; Kimball Organ, \$20; Boothe, \$137. Many others.



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October Is the Planting Month The Weather Is Fine! DIG IN

Fork up the beds for the Bulbs and Roses you are going to plant, prepare the ground for Peonies and Perennial Plants, feed your lawn some Bone Meal and reseed the bare spots. If you are going to set out Trees, Shrubs or Berry Plants, work the ground up now and let it stand in the "rough" until you are ready to plant.

Bulbs! Your First Plantings in pots for Winter blooming in the house Should Be Made at Once.

Early Outdoor Planting Gives Finest Flowers

Hyacinths, Tulips, Narcissi, Lilies and the almost endless variety of charming Spring flowering bulbs in finest varieties for every planting purpose. Also a select list of choicest novelties—rare beauties that will command attention wherever shown. Our Stock is the Largest, the Only Complete Assortment for You to Choose From, and the quality is beyond question—real "top-root," first-class bulbs. Our illustrated descriptive price list of flowering bulbs is a safe guide to the selection of varieties. It gives correct descriptions and full planting instructions. Free on request.

Roses We have coming for late October and November delivery the finest lot of select two-year field-grown, low-headed Roses that the best Irish, European and American rose-growers can produce. They are grown to our order and include the best of the well-known varieties and the novelties of special merit that have won distinction. See catalogue for descriptions and prices. Our little book, "How to Grow Roses," written for Oregon rose-growers by the Reverend Spencer Sulliger, will be sent free to those interested. Ask for it.

Our Regular Prices Autumn Catalogue

Our 64-page Fall Catalogue of "Diamond Quality" Bulbs, Roses, Fruit and Ornamental Trees, Shrubs, Berries, Vines, Ferns and House Plants—listing only such varieties as have proven satisfactory—is a safe guide to your purchases. If not on our mailing list, send now. Free for the asking.

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MINING NEWS OF GOLD HILL DISTRICT

(Special to The Journal.)

Gold Hill, Or., Sept. 30.—With the coming of the fall rains, the Centennial placer mine on Kansas creek, one of the most reliable producers in this district, will be put in operation by D. P. Bliss and H. L. Smith, who have leased it from its Indian owners. From surface to bed rock, a depth of about 55 feet, the gravel averages 30 cents a yard. The bed rock is very rich in places. The mine is operated by hydraulic, and has never failed to give good returns under that method, although an electric dredge tried three years ago was unsuccessful.

That the day of the pocket hunter is not wholly departed in southern Oregon is shown by the fact that James Anderson took out a pocket of rich gold bearing quartz in the Water Gulch district, about three miles from here, a few days ago. The pocket yielded \$60 in gold. It took Anderson two weeks to trace the pocket and dig it out.

The Grey Eagle mine on Sardine creek, owned by Portland people, is experiencing development work that is considered of great permanent value. A cross cut has been run from the main shaft on the 170 foot level, 30 feet cutting the vein, which has been drilled on 10 feet, showing two feet of 70 ore. It is the intention to sink 500 feet, if necessary properly to develop the property.

The Bill Nye mine on Galis creek, in the mountains of Paris capitalists which a syndicate of Paris capitalists recently purchased a controlling interest, ending litigation which had tied up the mine for two years, has resumed operations. The Bill Nye has a record of many thousands of dollars, and local mining men believe with proper development it will completely eclipse its past performances.

Few steam locomotives can haul trains over more than a two per cent grade, while many electric railroads negotiate grades of nearly seven per cent with ease.

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