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A LINE TO YAKIMA

WELL defined demand for closer railroad connections with the Yakima territory has appeared in Portland as a result of the excursion of local business men to that region last week.

The visit brought home to the Portlanders the fact that of all the business originating in that section, running into the millions of dollars, Portland gets practically none.

The connecting link in the North Bank system would, if built, open up a very productive country. The people in every locality visited by the excursionists were clamorous for direct rail connections with Portland.

The railroad system is so disposed that the Yakima country is practically driven to Puget Sound. Their trade is well corralled by the geography of the railroad lines.

The problem is for Portland to induce the Great Northern and Northern Pacific to build the needed stretch of line. It is assumed that the roads will hesitate to make the outlay on merely sentimental reasons.

It will be necessary to convince the roads that it is to their interest to do it. It should require but little argument to do this.

Calling upon the New York senators to support the Chamberlain plan for giving 40 per cent of the Oregon grant lands to Oregon schools, the New York state society of Portland has thrown its influence against the plan of giving 40 per cent of the grant land money to reclamation in other states.

Ministers' Pay: The General Conference of the Methodist church at Rochester is making a praiseworthy effort to increase the salaries of its ministers.

churches. The conference says "we cannot expect the pastors with their miserably small salaries to provide the leadership required."

Robert La Follette: Fifty thousand dollars is really not enough to compensate for the great and irreparable damage the Anti-Saloon League has done "Pat."

Surprise: Senator La Follette's name will not appear on the ballot in the Oregon primaries as candidate for president.

The Jefferson Statue: A statue of Thomas Jefferson is an appropriate decoration for the Jefferson High School.

Logic: He is the first choice of many thousands of the Republicans of the state for president.

Unhappily, it sometimes appears as though the friends of the principles and policies of which he is the exponent are asleep.

Warning: Among the heroes of war there is none more brave than the sailor who, as a hero of peace, jumped 100 feet into the sea at San Francisco and rescued a shipmate who had fallen that distance into the tempestuous surf.

Warning: She was using half a teacupful of gasoline in cleaning gloves. Though it is an extremely dangerous process, thousands of housewives have the habit.

Warning: In defense of Redheads was the subject of a recent lecture. But it must have been wasted effort.

Running Amuck: NEWS dispatch from Washington yesterday said: Congressman Hawley of Oregon, author of a bill that was turned down, has shotted his guns for an assault upon the Chamberlain-Ferris bill.

An Economic Problem: The authorities, says a news report, "are agreed that Mexico's problem is more economic than military."

At Reed College: INTELLIGENT people will take a lively interest in the Oregon State Conference of Social Agencies.

enlightened Europe and establish health insurance? Should we proceed promptly with the sadly needed revision of Oregon's criminal code? Able speakers will handle these subjects.

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