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Reduction of Twelve Hours in Trans-continental Schedule.

TWO MORE LINES ARE NOW COMING

Strong Indications that the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy and the C. R. I. & P. are Figuring on Reaching This Coast and That the Former Will Make Portland Its Terminus.

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—The Chronicle has the following:

There are strong indications that the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy and the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific roads are figuring on extending their lines to the coast. The absorption of the Hawaiian and Philippine islands by this country, it is expected by the owners of these roads, will open up an immense transcontinental rail business, both east and west-bound.

The recent deal by which the Santa Fe will have its own line into San Francisco in the spring has awakened the officials of the competing semi-transcontinental roads.

An officer of one of the western roads who has just come from the coast, and who takes a keen interest in railroad affairs out there, says:

"I would not be surprised to wake up some morning and find the transcontinental situation further complicated by the announcement that the Burlington was to be extended to the Pacific ocean. The Burlington is a great deal nearer the coast than most people imagine, and I understand that this road has been surveying through Idaho all summer—one line through Nez Perces pass and another through Lolo pass. I understand also that two or three independent lines that are now being built in Western Idaho and Northeastern Oregon are intended eventually to form part of the proposed western extension of the Burlington.

"Another point of interest in this connection is the fact that the Burlington is a large holder of valuable terminal and dock property at Gray's harbor which would be of great value to the company should they enter the Oriental trade. Such an extension would form a short route from Tacoma to New Orleans."

Denver is now the Western terminus of the Rock Island, and Billings, Mont., is the end of the Burlington's tracks. It

has been reported that the former company would soon purchase the Colorado Midland, which would place its terminus 400 miles further west. Billings, Mont., the end of the Burlington, is 1020 miles from Tacoma, or a little farther than Ogden is from San Francisco.

While President Purdy, of the Rock Island, denies the report that his company is figuring on absorbing the Midland, nothing definite can be learned regarding the intentions of the Burlington.

DR WURTH'S OPINION

OF THE NEW DISCOVERY IN MEDICINE.

A Remarkably Successful Remedy for Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Stomach Troubles.

Dr. Wurth in commenting on recent discoveries in medicine said: There is none which is certain to be so valuable and far reaching in benefit as Stuart's Dyspepsia tablets, the new stomach remedy; I say far reaching, because people little realize how important a sound stomach and vigorous digestion is to every man, woman and child.

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He says further, the point to direct attention is not the nerves, nor heart, nor lungs, nor kidneys, but the stomach, the first cause of all the mischief.

The remedy to use for indigestion and weak stomachs is not some cathartic, but a remedy which will digest the food, increase the flow of gastric juice, absorb the gases, and Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets will accomplish exactly this result in any case of stomach trouble, because these tablets are composed of the digestive acids, aseptic pepsin, Golden Seal and bismuth, pleasant to taste, and not being a patent medicine, can be used by anyone with perfect safety. I believe Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets will cure any form of indigestion and stomach trouble except cancer of the stomach.

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MUSTER OUT OF VOLUNTEERS

Government Decided Yesterday to Release Fifty Thousand of Them as Soon as Possible.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The war department has not yet made definite plans for the muster out of 50,000 volunteers, which was decided on at the cabinet meeting yesterday, but it is understood that work will be pretty well mapped out by the first of the year.

The completion of the muster out will depend on whether the department adopts the plan of three months furlough or immediate discharge, with two months extra pay, as suggested by Congressman Hull.

It has been practically decided to muster out all the volunteers in the Philippines as fast as they can be replaced with regulars, so as not to hamper the military administration of the island. Following the discharges of the regiments of the Philippine stations, it is understood the volunteer troops in the West Indies will be mustered out.

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Telegraphic instructions were received today from the secretary of war ordering the Fourth infantry at Fort Sheridan, and the Seventeenth, at Columbus, to sail for the Philippines on or before January 15. The regiments will go via New York and the Suez canal.

Attention Bowlers.
F. W. Weinschenck, manager of Moody's bowling alleys, will give to three persons making the highest average scores in five successive games of bowling between now and Christmas,

one turkey spiced. After December 1st, each Thursday evening and Monday afternoon will be reserved for ladies and their escorts only. To the lady making the highest average score in five successive games between December 1st and April 1st, he will give a handsome silver tea set consisting of one teapot, one sugar bowl, one cream pitcher and one spoonholder. To the lady with the next highest average score, one silver cake dish. To the lady with the third highest score, one silver pie knife. 11-28-10

MAIL SCHEDULE WAS REDUCED

Reduction of Twelve Hours in the Transcontinental Time.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—The change of time to take place January 1st by Eastern lines in shortening the mail-train service from Washington, New York, Boston and all points east to Chicago and St. Paul, will on the same date, be continued to Montana and the Pacific coast by an important change made in the schedule of the Great Northern railway, that company having decided to put on a limited train on that date, leaving St. Paul at 9 a. m., immediately upon the arrival of the fast mail and limited trains from Chicago and the East. This will shorten the train service to Montana and all points west by 12 hours, making the delivery of the mails possible at Helena and Butte the second night from Chicago, arriving at Seattle and coast cities the third night, thus making continuous service to the Puget sound and Portland for both passengers and the United States mails. Its second coast train will leave St. Paul at 8 p. m. daily, thus giving double train service from St. Paul and Chicago to Montana and all Western points.

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Probably Fatal Explosion.
LA GRANDE, Or., Dec. 21.—At bridge No. 20, four miles west of Huron, where Contractors Hale & Smith, of Portland, are blasting out a new channel for Meacham creek, in order to straighten the O. R. & N. track, a bad accident occurred this morning. Three heavy charges of dynamite were placed in the rocky side of the canyon and fuses fired. Two exploded, but one was slow. The men thought the fuse had failed, and, after waiting a short time, returned to the hole, when the charge exploded with terrific force, seriously injuring five men, two of whom are not expected to live. One man was completely buried under a pile of rocks. Doctors went from here to the scene of the accident on the first train. The names of the injured men could not be learned. This is the second accident at the same place. About two weeks ago a man was killed there.

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Shipwreck in the North.
VICTORIA, B. C. Dec. 22.—The Rosalie, which has arrived here from Skagway, reports the wreck of a sloop which left Wrangell two weeks ago for Skagway with a party of 12, bound for Atlin. The sloop was found bottom up by the Indians, and it is feared that all hands were lost.
News is also brought of the wreck of the schooner Ohio, of Victoria. No lives were lost.

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