

# TRAIN DISPATCHERS ASK MORE WAGES FROM RAILROADS CENTERING AT PORTLAND

Portland, July 16.—Train dispatchers, with headquarters here, to the number of fifty, today presented demands for an increase of wages from \$140 to \$175 a month. The demand is addressed to the managers of the various railroads having headquarters here.

It is expected that after the railroad managers confer on the matter a conference will be arranged with the representatives of the dispatchers to discuss the situation and, if possible, reach an agreement.

## MOTHER CONFESSES

### TO MURDER OF BOY

Distracted Woman Declares She Could Find No Place for Him

Albany N. Y., Jan. 16.—Prostrated with grief and remorse, Mrs. Edith Melber, confessed murderess of her son George, four years of age, is in the care of the matron of the jail here. The woman was brought today from Rochester, where she was arrested, and where, the police allege, she told of having compelled her son to drink from a bottle of carbolic acid. District Attorney Sanford will urge that the case be tried speedily, and the grand jury was asked today to investigate the boy's death at once, and return a murder indictment against the woman.

The boy's body was found in a swamp near Schenectady, where, Mrs. Melber told the police, after a struggle to find a home for the lad, she gave him the poison. The boy was tired and thirsty, and asked for water. His mother told him the bottle contained water, and he drank it.

When she could find no home for her baby, Mrs. Melber sobbingly told the police today, she decided to kill him.

"I bought the carbolic acid at the Lewis drug store, and then went to the swamp," she said. "My mind was in a whirl. I did not know what I was doing. I wanted my boy to be happy. I did not see how it was possible to make him so. Everybody seemed against me. I thought if George were dead he would be better off. I did not take time to consider this matter twice. If I had I could not have done such a terrible thing."

"When he asked for a drink of water I decided it should be given then. I knew death would end his suffering. I gave him the acid. He choked a little as he drank, but I held him in my arms. Then he slipped to the ground, lying as though he were asleep. He looked so peaceful. At first I did not think I had done such a terrible thing. Now the inhumanity and unnaturalness of my act crushes me."

## HOP MARKET HITS

### 19-CENT BASIS

Seavey Buys 200 Bales at Silvertown From Lively at 18 1/2 Cents Net

Growers are not selling hops and at present refuse to consider offers at any price, but dealers seem to have little desire to hold above the present price and several deals have been reported recently at 18 1/2 cents a pound net at country points, which means a 19 cent market here says the Journal.

Quite a number of 18 1/2 cent offers are out at country points, but not a single acceptance is reported by growers. T. A. Lively, a Salem dealer, sold 200 bales of Silvertown hops to Seavey Hop company at 18 1/2 cents net or 19 cents at Portland.

Fourteen and a half cents is now being quite freely offered for contracts on the coming growth, but as in spot goods, growers are not showing any disposition to accept. The present price is 1/2 cent over any recent offering, indicating that brewing interests are getting more anxious for supplies.

A few sales of olds are reported but trading in all hops has been extremely quiet recently.

## HAMILTON AND

### MURPHY CONVICTED

OF HORSE STEALING

Men Caught at Goshen Last September Are Found Guilty at Vale

Vale, Or., January 14. Editor Guard:—I thought perhaps a few lines from this place would be of interest to you and your readers. Vale is a neat little town of about 1200 inhabitants, situated on the west bank of the Malheur river. There is now about six inches of snow on the ground, and not much cold. Lots of undeveloped land about here yet. Would advise any one that intends to go into horse stealing to steer clear of Malheur county, and not get mixed up with Prosecuting Attorney J. W. McCulloch. He is sure a hard one on horse thieves. They get their just dues in short order. Hugh M. Shaver and Hamilton and Murphy have all been convicted of horse stealing. Hamilton and Murphy were arrested last September at Goshen for stealing the Isaacs horses. Yours respectfully, WILLIAM WILLIAMS, Of Dexter.

## QUICKSILVER MINE

### AT COTTAGE GROVE

Great Bluffs of Ore Near the Odd Fellows' Cemetery

Cottage Grove, Or., Jan. 15.—An extensive body of cinnabar ore has been discovered at Goudville, almost within the city limits of Cottage Grove. Great bluffs of the ore are in sight of the public road south of the Oddfellows' cemetery. The big fissure vein runs diagonally across the southwestern portion of the burial place and on across the mountain where mammoth boulders are broken and have slid down the mountain side.

The discovery was made by Lew A. Cates, who accidentally stumbled over a piece of rock, containing mercuric sulphides, visible to the naked eye, while he was in that vicinity December 24, to gather a Christmas tree for a child friend.

Mr. Cates will call the property the Yuletide mine, and is planning to organize the Yuletide Mining, Milling & Reduction Company, negotiations for options to the land being under way.

Unlimited quantities of the treated ore can be used for filling low grounds and dyking Silk creek and Coast Fork river, near the property and within the city limits. Whitman Goudy, one of the pioneer residents of Cottage Grove, is by government grant, owner of that portion of the claim nearest the city.

## GERMAN BALLOONISTS

### FOUND IN LAKE

Berlin, Jan. 16.—The German balloon, Hindenburg, which disappeared since its ascent at Schermgendorf, on December 29th, was found in Lake Pomerania province, Prussia, today. The bodies of both aeronauts were in the gondola.

## DALLAS CITIZENS

### TO TAKE CENSUS

Say Durand's Figures Absurd and Will Be Ignored—Astoria Protests

The Dallas Or., Jan. 16.—The census gives this city a population of 4880, an increase of little more than 1000 in 10 years, which citizens here consider absurd, since the postal receipts have about doubled and the school census shows an increase of nearly 60 per cent since 1900.

So dissatisfied are the citizens that they will ignore the census figures and make a count of their own, under the supervision of the Business Men's association. A mass meeting was held in the Commercial club parlors last night at which it was determined to make a count of the residents of the city, and when it is finished it will be verified by the Commercial club and Business Men's association, and given out as the authentic population of The Dalles, regardless of what is shown by the government enumerators.

Astoria, Or., Jan. 16.—While there is no general dissatisfaction regarding the census returns here, it is the opinion of a large number that Astoria has a larger population than 9599. There are 2856 children of school age in Astoria and if the population were figured on the same ratio as Portland and other Oregon cities, it would give Astoria a population of about 15,000. Also when the census was taken a large number of residents were in Alaska and other coast points employed in the fisheries and were not enumerated.

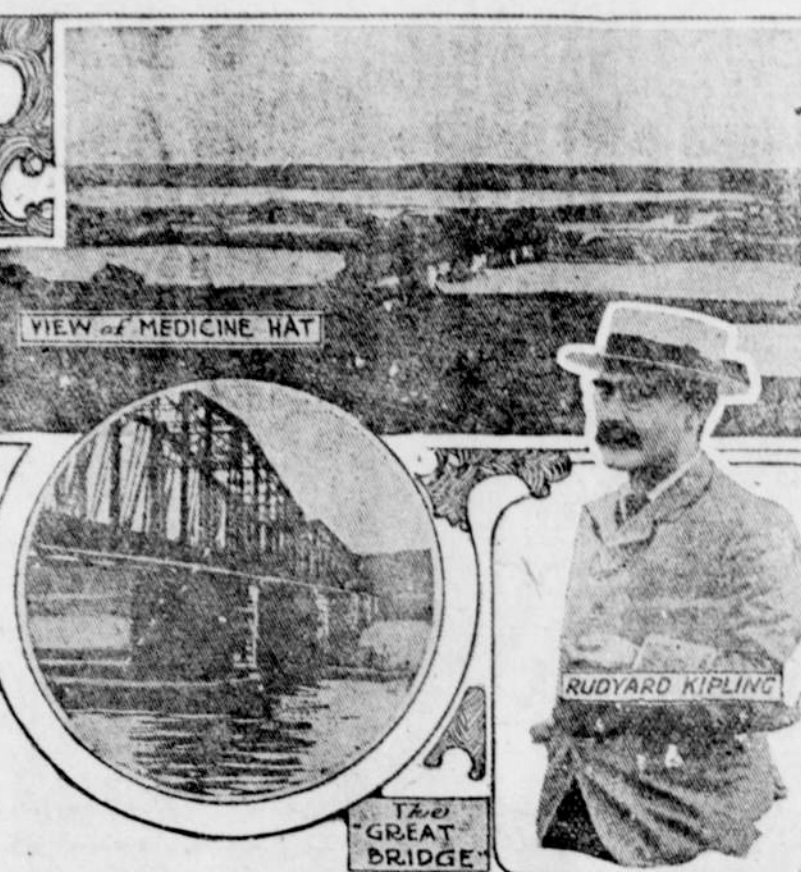
## REV. C. T. WHITTLESEY

### WILL REMAIN HERE

Fairmount Presbyterian Church Votes to Retain Him For Another Year

The Fairmount Presbyterian church, at a meeting held last week, voted to ask Rev. C. T. Whittlesey to remain with them as pastor for another year. Mr. Whittlesey has been pastor of the church for a year and nine months. During that time the membership has grown from twenty-five to seventy-three, a flourishing Christian Endeavor Society has been organized and carried on, the Sunday school has doubled in membership, and other departments of the work have made good progress. This advance has been made possible through the faithful foundation work and hearty co-operation of the former pastor, Rev. C. A. Wooley, and other friends in the church and out.

## Kipling Tells Medicine Hat Why It Should Not Change Its Name



What? What's that? Scat! Who'd have thought it of Medicine Hat? That's "the place the weather comes from," and it's just above the United States in British Columbia. Medicine Hat recently hinted about changing its name because certain irreverent folk laughed at its queer cognomen. Rudyard Kipling, most famous of living authors—poet, story writer, novelist—immediately wrote a letter to the Medicine Hat people, in which he said, among many other things: "So far as I can make out from what I heard when I was with you in 1907 and from the clippings you inclose the chief arguments for the change are: (a) That some United States journalists have some sort of joke that Medicine Hat supplies all the bad weather of the United States and (b) that another name would look better at the head of a prospectus. Incidentally I note that both arguments are developed at length by the Calgary Herald. I always knew that the Calgary Herald called Medicine Hat names, but I did not realize that Medicine Hat wanted to be Calgary's little godchild. Now, as to the charge of breeding bad weather, etc., I see no reason on earth why white men should be blamed on their city's birthright by an imported joke. Accept the charge joyously and proudly and go forward as Medicine Hat, the only city officially recognized as capable of freeing out the United States and giving the continent cold feet. Let us examine the sound of the present name Medicine Hat. I have my maps by me, but I seem to remember a few names of places across the border, such as Schenectady, Podunk, Schenectady, Poughkeepsie, Potomac, Cobles, Tonawanda, Onontaga, etc., all of which are rather curious to the ear."

## LABOR CASES ON SUPREME COURT CALENDAR DIVIDENDS IN NEW YORK

Washington, Jan. 16.—Two of the most important cases affecting organized labor that ever came before the United States supreme court for decision are on the calendar of that tribunal for today and will probably be heard this week.

The appeal of President Samuel Gompers and other officials of the American Federation of Labor from the conviction of contempt of court passed upon them in connection with the boycott of the Bucks Stove and Range company will have an early hearing. Should the verdict of the lower court be sustained, Gompers, Mitchell and Morrison will have to pay heavy fines and serve sentences in jail. The appeal was originally set for hearing last fall, but was postponed upon motion of the counsel for the labor leaders on the ground that it was desirable that so important a case be heard by a full bench.

The employers' liability cases, in which the Northern Pacific and New Haven roads are directly, and all the railroad lines of the country indirectly concerned, is also on today's calendar and will come up at an early date.

## HEAVY FINES ARE PAID BY BOOTLEGGERS

Roseburg, Jan. 16.—Douglas county authorities are having a final inning against the bootleggers before the home rule law can legalize the liquor traffic. One indicted, Elmer Hayes, pleaded guilty in the circuit court last week to selling whiskey at Glendale, and paid a fine of \$300. Another Glendale man, Ed Dohl, and Perry Reed, of Sutherlin, both accused of violating the prohibition law, were arraigned in court Saturday morning. Dohl pleaded guilty and also paid a \$300 fine. Reed took until Monday to plead.

## ALBANY TO WORK FOR MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP

Albany, Or., Jan. 16.—Municipal ownership of water and lighting utilities is being agitated here and plans have been formulated for the submission of the question to the voters at a special election. A petition has been largely signed for the purpose. Complaint is made of poor lighting service, and excessive rates for both water and light. The franchise is owned by the H. Bylesby company, which controls several other Williamett valley towns.

Albany Herald: H. A. Soules of Eugene came down this afternoon to look after business matters. Mr. Soules is president of the Eugene Sand & Gravel Co., which firm does an extensive business in the building line, and Mr. Soules is one of Eugene's most exemplary and enterprising young business men.

New York, Jan. 16.—Millions of dollars in dividends were paid out today by savings banks and industrial and railroad organizations. The Bowery Savings Bank, the wealthiest institution of its kind in the United States, today paid its depositors a semi-annual dividend of 3 1/2 per cent. The Manhattan, the Greenwich and several other savings banks made disbursements today of 4 per cent on sums of \$1000 or less and of 3 1/2 per cent on sums of from \$1000 to \$3000. Despite the troubles of the state banks, the savings institutions of New York are said to be more prosperous than ever.

The Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing company today paid a quarterly dividend of 1 1/2 per cent and in addition thereto 3 1/2 per cent on account of dividends accumulated since September 30, 1907. The company, which was temporarily embarrassed, is now said to be on a firm foundation.

Dividend and interest disbursements on stocks and bonds for this month will reach a total of \$225,700,000, setting a new high-water mark. Of this sum, \$133,300,000 represents interest and \$92,400,000 dividends. Interest payments will be \$17,800,000 more than last January and dividends show an increase over a year ago of \$8,300,000.

Five Millions in Dividends: Boston, Jan. 16. A dividend of \$2 per share was paid today by the American Telephone and Telegraph company, the so-called Bell "trust." The total disbursements amounts to nearly \$5,000,000.

## DOUGLAS BUILDS GOOD ROADS, BUT NO ARMORIES

Roseburg, Or., Jan. 16.—Approximately \$175,000 will be spent on good roads in Douglas county this year. A general levy of 4 1/2 mills for that purpose has been made by the county court. In addition, one-third of the sixty road districts in the county have voted special taxes, which will raise an aggregate total of not less than \$30,000. The grand total will exceed by \$65,000 any previous sum expended in this county for the betterment of highways. The court refused to grant the urgent request of a number of the heaviest taxpayers for a levy of five mills to defray one-half the cost of building an armory in this city.

## OLD PIONEER OF WASHINGTON DIES

Seattle, Jan. 16.—Joseph Foster, a pioneer of 1852, who had served 14 terms in the state and territorial legislature, died today at his home in Foster, near this place, aged 83 years. He leaves a fortune of half a million.

## Knees Became Stiff

Five Years of Severe Rheumatism The cure of Henry J. Goldstein, 14 Barton Street, Easton, Mass., is another victory for Hood's Sarsaparilla. This great medicine has succeeded in many cases where others have utterly failed. Mr. Goldstein says: "I suffered from rheumatism five years, it kept me from business and caused excruciating pain. My knees would become as stiff as steel. I tried many medicines without relief, then took Hood's Sarsaparilla, soon felt much better, and now consider myself entirely cured. I recommend Hood's Sarsaparilla to all who suffer from rheumatism. Get it today in usual liquid form or chocolate tablets called Sarsataba."

## FLORENCE TO HAVE COMMERCIAL CLUB

Temporary Organization Effect ed—Other News Notes of Interest

A meeting was held at the school house in Florence Monday evening to take steps toward organizing a commercial club. About twenty men were present and considerable interest in the movement was manifested. Temporary organization was effected by electing W. H. Weatherston chairman and W. R. Hollenbeck secretary.

There were remarks by several of those present about the necessity for an organization of this kind to promote the interests and general welfare of the town and community, and of the benefits that a commercial club is to a place. All the speakers expressed themselves as heartily in favor of organizing a club to look after the interests of Florence.

After some discussion it was voted that the chair appoint a committee of three to prepare a constitution and bylaws and report at another meeting. The chair appointed F. J. Monroe, Dr. Edwards and J. W. Bergman as such committee.

## Stage Driver Hurt

Saturday night while the Eugene stage was on its regular trip to Mapleton, when a short distance below Swiss-home one of the wheels struck a root and the driver, Lester Ogden, was thrown out of the wagon.

He fell behind one of the horses which became frightened and kicked Ogden on the arm. One of the wheels passed over his breast but he managed to stop the team. He drove on to the Walker ranch and Mr. Walker then accompanied him to Mapleton, where they arrived about seven o'clock Sunday morning.

## Rebecca Installation

The following are the officers of the new Rebecca Lodge of Florence which were installed last week for the present term: Mrs. Emma Kyle, N. G.; Leonard Titus V. G.; Alfreda Lindgren sec.; Edwin Kyle, treas.; Mrs. Greta Cox, Fin. sec.; Mrs. Angie Tanner, war.; Mrs. E. D. Miller, con.; Mrs. J. A. Yates, chap.; Mrs. F. H. Alexander, R. S. N. G.; Mrs. Wm. Kyle, S. N. G.; Flossie Chapman R. S. N. G.; Mrs. Lillian Smith, L. S. V. G.; Isabella Kyle, S. John Bergman, O. G.

## Good Sized Hog

Last week R. W. Johnson of Point Terrace butchered a hog that dressed 500 pounds.

After cutting off the hams and shoulders, the fat was fried out from the remainder and eighteen gallons of lard obtained. The meat and lard brought Mr. Johnson over fifty dollars.

If a farmer has a few hogs like this to dispose of, the proceeds of the sale will do up his pocket-book at a rapid rate.

Mrs. C. Nadeau departed Wednesday on her way back to Eugene after spending a week in Florence with her husband. Mr. Nadeau says that his wife likes Florence and that she would have remained here if she had the children with her.

## BORN

At Elmira, Friday, January 13, 1911, to Luther Armstrong and wife, ad daughter.

To Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Burch, at Springfield, on Saturday evening, January 7, 1911, a son.

To Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Valsh, at Springfield, on Friday evening, January 6, 1911, a daughter.

To Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Cox, at Springfield, Monday, January 9, 1911, a son.

At Elmira, Jan. 13, 1911, to Luther Armstrong and wife, a daughter.

## DIED

At the General hospital in Eugene, Jan. 14, 1911, Warren Allen, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. Allen, aged 18 years. Death was due to obstruction of the bowels. He had been ill only a few days.

The funeral will be held at the Central Presbyterian church Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. H. N. Mount will conduct the services.

At the home in Florence, Tuesday, January 10, 1911, of tuberculosis, Fred E. Raymond, aged 44 years, two months and eight days.

The County Court of Douglas has levied a general tax of 10 mills, which will raise approximately \$316,000, figuring upon the valuation of 1910, which are \$31,648,558.00. The amounts are apportioned as follows: State taxes, \$50,637.69; Douglas county taxes, \$77,538.96; common school fund, \$44,307.98; deficiency, \$37,425.51; library fund, \$632.97; indigent fund, \$949.45; roads and bridges, \$142,426.51.

J. Daltman, of South Bend, Ind., was an arrival in Eugene this afternoon.

# CLEVER BANK SWINDLER CAUGHT IN HOT SPRINGS HOTEL WHILE COUNTING UP HIS SPOILS

Hot Springs, Ark., Jan. 16.—It developed today that information given by a negro bellman at a local hotel led to the arrest yesterday of Charles H. Everett, charged with having obtained \$1800 from a savings bank at Seattle, and for whom detectives have long been searching through half a dozen states.

Four men occupied a room, according to the negro, who was summoned to serve liquids to them. He saw huge stacks of bills on the bed and chairs. When the police arrived the men had disappeared, but a memorandum was found showing various groups of figures, aggregating \$286,000, and divided into four parts. Everett was the only one of the group arrested.

Everett operated in the Northwest under the names of Roy R. Thorpe and George Simpson and had a number of alleged accomplices. They operated in Seattle, Walla Walla, San Francisco and in Idaho and Nevada, and have given to the detectives "the slip" for months. Their principal method was that of posing as stock-raisers and ranchers, buying real estate and placing mortgages upon it, and obtaining money on notes which later were discovered to be valueless. They operated as brokers and real estate agents, established bank accounts, made good business connections in various towns, obtained credit, made friends with the best lawyers and through this chain worked out a scheme that is said to have netted the gang several hundred thousand dollars.

## BANK SWINDLERS ARE ARRESTED

### Successful Crooks Are Finally Jailed At Hot Springs, Arkansas

Portland, Jan. 16.—After carrying on for more than a year a successful bank swindling scheme through which bankers and businessmen in various cities on the Pacific coast have been fleeced of sums ranging from \$250 to \$2500, Roy R. Thorpe, alias George S. Stimpson, was arrested by Pinkerton detectives at Hot Springs, Ark., Saturday night. Two of Thorpe's accomplices, J. O. Ross and Rose Correll, are being shadowed and the detectives say, will be arrested within a week.

Among the heaviest losers in the operations of the Thorpe gang are the Merchants' National Bank, of Portland, a Seattle bank three banks at Walla Walla, one at Tacoma, two in Nevada and two at San Francisco. In addition, merchants in the various cities visited by the swindlers were bilked of thousands of dollars worth of jewelry, diamonds and other valuables.

Prominent Men Hoodwinked The extent of their operations, the success which attended them in every case, the hoodwinking of both bankers and prominent lawyers, and the effrontery of the gang in following up its work from city to city without detection are features which make it the most striking swindling game in the criminal annals of the Pacific coast.

## RESUME WORK ON SIUSLAW JETTY

### Contractors to Get Busy Again After Month's Vacation Lay-Off

The Siuslaw Jetty contractors intend to resume work next week, through Mr. Wakefield states that he does not expect to commence putting rock in at the mouth of the river before February 1.

Operations at the rock quarry are to commence Monday as a crew of men will be put to work clearing out the drift that has fallen in, and getting in shape for handling rock again.

A few men will begin cutting wood at the Jetty next week and preparing for active operation there again as soon as they are ready to bring down rock from the quarry.

It is about a month since the work was suspended for the holidays—Florence West.

## Real Estate Transfers

Frank R. Jones to J. L. Stoner 100 acres in sec. 5-8-18 S. \$1.00. Fingal S. Hinds to W. H. Harrison tract in sec. 23-20-3 W. \$575. Lyman Adams to James Bankhead 39 acres in sec. 17-21-3 W. \$1400.

Katie Walsh Brumette to J. H. Brumette tract in sec 20-18-2 W. \$10.

J. L. Stont to Emma J. VanVleet 100 acres in sec. 5, 8, tp. 18-5 W. \$3500.

Orville D. White to A. T. McAusland lot 8, blk. 6 of Mulligan's add to Eugene. \$1.00.

W. H. Pennington to J. M. Wilson 41.23 acres in tp. 17-4 W. \$1600.

J. H. Howard to G. F. Kelso 27.75 acres in sec. 20-15-4 W. \$1248.

G. F. Kelso to J. M. Howard blk. 105 and W 1-3 of lot 6, blk. 94 of Junction City. \$800.

George A. Clark to Charles Huff SW 1/4 of SW 1/4 of sec. 14-18-4 W. 40 acres. \$200.

A. M. Kaiser to F. M. Johnson lot 9, 10, blk. 51 of Junction City. \$200.

A. H. Nottage to T. H. Phillips tract in Morse's add to town of Florence. \$800.

E. C. Hughes to C. A. E. Duncan lot on Van Buren and 11th sts. \$1.

Esma A. Newell to Charles Kingswell tract in sec. 34-17-3 W. \$250.

Helen M. Baber to F. M. Johnson lots 1, 2, 3, 4, blk. 59 of Junction City. \$1750.

The Guard Classified Ads Pay.

## JOINT TRACK FOR HILL-HARRIMAN

### What the Malheur Canyon Deal Really Means to Railroads

Portland, Jan. 16.—When the proposed new railroad is built through the Malheur canyon in Eastern Oregon it will be used by both the Hill and Harriman systems, according to the most recent reports concerning the transaction by which a strip of right-of-way 7 1/2 miles in length was transferred by the Boise & Western, a Hill corporation, to the Oregon Eastern, a Harriman institution.

While the property virtually becomes a Harriman possession, giving that system the ownership of a continuous passage through what has been termed the key to the Eastern Oregon railroad situation, it is understood that a common user agreement will be entered into with the Hill interests.

Neither party to the transaction has confirmed or denied the report, except to say that the road will be built by the Harrimans. However, it is admitted on all sides that there is nothing in the situation that will prevent an agreement whereby the rival road may operate its trains over the proposed new tracks.

Idaho Outlet in Prospect Even this arrangement, however, would leave Hill without an outlet in Western Idaho, but this, it is believed, can be supplied by one of the several routes now receiving consideration.

Already there is some talk of a Western extension of the northern branch of the Burlington into Southern Idaho. This would provide the desired outlet for the east-and-west road through Oregon, and give Hill reason for continuing his hold on Malheur canyon.

Persons close to the builder of the Great Northern system declare that his sale of the 7 1/2-mile strip provides no reason for concluding that he has given up his purpose of invading Eastern Oregon. William J. Hanley, of Burns, who is said to be close to Hill as any one not directly connected with his official family, talked when he was here last week of his possible construction of a road south of the Malheur canyon route, providing for a connection with the Deschutes line, which is now heading for Bend and which promises to be extended in a southerly direction as soon as the line at present projected is completed.

## Stevens Expected Home Today

John F. Stevens, head of the Hill roads in the Northwest, is scheduled to return to Portland from a month's stay in Chicago and the East today. He is expected to give some information with reference to the plan suggested for the joint usage of the proposed Malheur line.

J. P. O'Brien, general manager of the Harriman lines in Oregon, said last night that the transfer of the title in the 7 1/2-mile strip through the canyon gave the Harrimans sole ownership in the property, and predicted that when the road is built it will be owned entirely by the Harriman system. He admitted, however, that a traffic or a common user agreement is possible.

No definite steps have been taken to construct this piece of track, but it is believed that the authorization of the line will be one of the next steps of the Harriman officials.

## COLLEGE GYMNASIUM AT DALLAS BURNS; \$7000

Dallas, Or., Jan. 16.—The Dallas college gymnasium was entirely destroyed Sunday afternoon by fire. The fire was first noticed at 3:15 p. m. The fire department was unable to do anything to check the fire except to keep the Southern Pacific company's water tank and bridge from burning. The fire started in the lower floor and spread rapidly throughout the building. The gymnasium was valued at \$6000 or \$7000, and carried an insurance of \$2500. The origin of the fire is unknown, though it was probably set on fire by some boys who had been playing in the lower part of the building.

Mrs. Hill and her father, P. P. Palmer, left today for Fruitvale, Cal. They were accompanied by Mrs. C. L. Hadley, of Roseburg.