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SPRINGFIELD HAS HAND IN COOS BAY RAILROAD JUBILEE

M. C. Bressler Tells of "Great Dividends that Come From Building New Rail Road Lines"

PROSPECTS GOOD FOR A BIG DEVELOPMENT SOON

Marshfield and North Bend Royally Entertain Thousands of Merry Celebrators With Varied Programs and Parades

(By J. C. DIMM.)
"There is a little city near Eugene called Springfield, and they have a little organization there called the 'Go Getters,'" said Judge Potter in introducing our fellow townsman, M. C. Bressler, who was on the program for an address at the Coos Bay railroad jubilee last Thursday evening. Mr. Bressler in his address told of the advantages to be derived by the coast country and in the Willamette valley in the completion of the Natron cut-off and the making of a transcontinental line through Springfield and eastern Oregon. Mr. Bressler said in part:

"When I came here this morning I thought I would be a stranger but I found friends on every hand. I am here to represent a little city that is so much overshadowed by the larger city that it is almost forgotten by the state. And while I am here to represent the city of Springfield I also desire to represent the state and discuss its future development.

"We have a great work before us if we would increase our dividends. The railroad is the forerunner of civilization and in order to develop each section we must have lines running out all over the state. The Natron cut-off will bring us 800 miles nearer the middle west. It will make us four days nearer the great cities of the east and give us the most direct line from the Pacific coast to the east.

"We must all stand together in this development and make it a business proposition. We have much less population here in Oregon than the state of Washington for the simple reason that they have rail lines running direct to the cities of the middle west. We have millions of feet of timber going to waste because we have no railroads to market the product.

"The sentiment of the great majority of the masses of the people seems to be against the railroads and corporations generally. This is not as it should be. A bill should be passed by the state legislature to remedy this condition and create more confidence.

"Springfield extends a friendly hand to Coos Bay through me as its representative and pledges its hand and heart to share in the future development of this great country."

Judge E. O. Potter, of Eugene acted as toast master and aside from the dedication exercises and the address of M. C. Bressler addresses were made by James Withycombe, Governor of Oregon, and prominent men from Portland, San Francisco and the Coos Bay country. The speakers generally told of the important part Coos Bay will have in the future development of the state and her possibilities and advantages in having physical connection with a great railroad corporation.

Marriage of Eugene Lane to Coos Bay

Upon the arrival of the Eugene special at North Bend the festivities began with the marriage of Eugene Lane to Miss Coos Bay. Governor Withycombe performed the ceremony which united the commercial interests of the Willamette valley with the commercial interests of Coos Bay. Gerry Watkins of Eugene, was the groom and Miss Gladys Roddy of Marshfield was the bride. The best man was ("Heine") Adrian of Springfield.

Free Clam Bake

One of the interesting features of the celebration was the clam bake at Chaleston Bay on Friday. It was estimated that 3000 people were fed with sea food and here is the menu together with the quantities required to serve the great crowd. 1500 pounds salmon 200-5 gallon cans clams, 200 dozen crabs, 50 bushels muscles, 80 gallons salad, 8 gallons salad dressing, 100 pounds or 400 gallons coffee, 400 loaves bread, butter pepper and salt. There were table accommodations for

1500 people and it was all free to the public.

Everything in the two cities was in holiday attire and the parade at Marshfield on Saturday would do credit to a city of many more people. Business men were represented and the products of that country were shown. There were many brass bands and marching clubs from Portland, Salem and Eugene. A logging train of 40 cars with huge logs, piled high and containing 300,000 feet was one of the novel features of the parade. There was a long row of go carts decorated in many colors and pushed by babies.

During Saturday afternoon the water front proved very popular to the thousands of visitors. Here were many contests, log rolling, tugs of war, motor boat races and as a fitting climax to the week of festivities there was a night parade on the bay in which many boats took part. They were brilliantly illuminated with decorations and lights of many colors and presented a very pleasing effect.

The Railroad Jubilee which has now passed into history marks a new epoch in the commerce and development of Oregon. After 40 years of struggle, with only the old stage coach and water transportation to the outside world, the completion of the railroad from Eugene to Marshfield and physical connection with the Southern Pacific system, gives the bay country easy access to the commerce of the world.

"HEINE" COMES BACK WITH SMILES, AND FEW QUEER TALES

Had Time of His Life at Wedding of Miss Coos Bay and Eugene Lane

"Heine" is home again, well, happy and a little bit sleepy. "Everything was lovely, the whole affair, the hospitality, and even the bridesmaid," said Heine. You know Henry Adrian best man at the wedding of Miss Coos of the Springfield Garage, was Bay and Eugene Lane at North Bend Thursday afternoon.

"Nobody, except the bride and groom, was nervous at the big ceremony," continued Heine. "We only had an hour to eat some lunch, wash up and then get into those Prince Alberts after the train arrived. It took some hustling and we would have been on time if the groom had shaved before he left home.

"As soon as the governor had tied the ceremonial knot we were escorted to our float and headed the big parade at North Bend. The Rosarians of Portland had tried to capture the groom all day, and as soon as the parade was over they got both the bride and groom. It was up to the bride's maid and I to hang on to the wedding cake. And we hung on alright.

"After the excitement of the ball game and (other things) the bridal party dined at the Hotel Chandler and entertained themselves during the evening. Then we were dragged off to the big open air dance. Before the dance they took us to the dedication of the new Simpson park where the bride cut the wedding cake. It was some cake, too, about two feet square or more. The bride did good work and cut it into several hundred pieces. There are still some of the crumbs in my coat pocket.

"There wasn't much doing on Friday, except the clam bake and the big dance at Marshfield in the evening. Saturday was our big day. We headed another parade and then were guests of the ladies of the Baptist church to luncheon. The bridal committee saw to it that we saw the whole town, and we saw it too. We had a great float in the water carnival. It was lighted with colored lights.

"Talk about hospitality, they have it at Coos Bay. We got back yesterday morning. It was sort of hard to leave, but—O, yes the girls are coming over to Eugene about the middle of the month perhaps. They may attend the Lane County Fair. And when they come we'll be right down at the train to see that they are well taken care of. The bride and bride's maid are some girls, believe me."

COUNCIL WILL NOT CHANGE LOCATION OF MILL STREET

Discussion Regarding Up-Keep of the Booth-Kelly Waste Gates is Not Settled

The City Council held a special meeting Friday evening to decide whether Mill street should have its location changed over the mill race and in front of the grist mill. L. E. Parsons, engineer was instructed to set the monuments in the former places. Some discussion was held concerning the waste way gates of the Booth-Kelly mill race and the proper parties to keep them in repair. The question is still unsettled as to whether the Booth-Kelly company shall keep the gates in repair or whether the city will order them changed.

J. E. Edwards, town marshal for Springfield sold five lots Saturday at the city hall at one o'clock to recover money due the city for delinquent street and sewer assessments. Lots 9 and 10 in block 70 Washburne's addition to Springfield was bid in by the city recorder and sold to the town of Springfield for \$119.56. Lots 8, 9 and 10 in block 84 of the Washburne addition was also purchased by the city for \$98.26.

SAN FRANCISCIANS ARE WELL PLEASED WITH VISIT TO SPRINGFIELD

Spent Two Hours Friday Morning Getting Acquainted With Merchants—Some See Signs

Promptly at 7:30 Friday morning nine coaches containing 75 members of the San Francisco Wholesale Trade Excursion arrived at the Springfield depot. The reception committee that had been appointed by the Springfield Business men's club were on hand to meet the visitors and see to it that entertainment and all of the courtesies would be shown. Guides were furnished by the Booth-Kelly company to show the visitors through one of the largest and most modern of the lumber mills on the Pacific coast.

After making the tour through the mill, the San Franciscans came over to town and visited the merchants and business men. Those who did not care to visit were taken in cars out into the country. They were shown the beauties of the McKenzie and the farming country that lies tributary to Springfield and were finally taken up on Willamette Heights and given a panorama view of Springfield and all of the adjacent country.

The party had been visiting at Coos Bay and interviewing the business men of the Coos country before the Railroad Jubilee had started. They only remained one day of the celebration before they came to Springfield. This trip is strictly a business proposition with the men who are making it. They are getting personally acquainted with their customers in southern Oregon and at Coos Bay. When they left San Francisco they had about 85 per cent of the wholesale trade from this territory and expected to have about 95 per cent when they went home.

At 9:30 their train pulled out of the local depot for Cottage Grove where they expected to make another visit before going to Roseburg, where they expected to spend the night. Saturday they visited at Grants Pass, Medford and at Ashland.

MILL FINISHES CONTRACT

Springfield Planing Mill Completes Woodwork for Methodist Church

The Springfield Planing mill has completed the windows and finishing work for the Methodist Parsonage and its part of the work for the church. The window frames for the church have been sent to Portland to be fitted with special art glass and will not be finished for a week or more. The new windows for the church and parsonage will cost \$2570.00. The mill has been very busy filling special orders, having made 500 apple boxes for Junction City and 500 apple boxes for Eugene.

Goes East for Bride

Edgar Martin, civil engineer for the Booth-Kelly company left today for Atchinson, Kansas, to take unto himself a bride of his own choice. Mr. Martin does not expect to be gone long, in fact he and Mrs. Martin expect to be at home in the new Perkins house on Ninth street after September 12.

ITALY BREAKS BOND OF NEUTRALITY WITH GERMAN EMPIRE

Official Announcement Sent to Kaiser Telling of Action By Italians

CROWDS PARADE AT ROME

Plans are to Help Allies Conquer Macedonia—Refuse to Accept Conciliation from Teutons

Rome, Aug. 27.—Baron Sonnino, minister of foreign affairs, announces that Italy considers herself in a state of war with Germany.

The official announcement of a state of war between Italy and Germany has aroused great enthusiasm here. Cheering crowds are parading the streets, applauding the government's decision. Diplomatic circles here expect intervention in the war by Roumania against the central empires tomorrow.

Italy's Official Announcement

The official announcement of Italy's declaration as given out here tonight follows:

"The Italian government declares in the name of the king that Italy considers herself to be in a state of war with Germany as from August 28 and begs the Swiss government to convey this information to the imperial German government."

Italy's declaration of war on Germany brings to an end one of the strangest situations recorded in the history of nations.

The mysterious and unnatural retention of peace between these two countries for more than two years after the outbreak of the European conflict which burst the Triple Alliance and which resulted on May 23 1915, in an open break between Italy and Austria-Hungary.

Means Open Break With Germany

Though thrown into the maelstrom of a war against a world in arms by her Hapsburg ally, Germany has not been officially at war with Italy until that country now has made the long expected move. No aim in the diplomatic field has been more ardently pursued by the kaiser since the beginning of the war than to avert an open break with his former ally.

Italy's action does not come as a surprise. It has been predicted, promised, threatened and even unofficially announced as often as Roumania intervention on the allies' side and this, too, is now expected to become an accomplished fact before many more days have passed.

War Declaration Foreshadowed

The course of the Italo-German relations have taken since August 1, 1914, and today's inevitable outcome were marked and foreshadowed by the following outstanding events:

At the beginning of the war Italy renounced the Triple Alliance and declared war on Austria-Hungary, yielding to an overwhelming pressure of public sentiment and rejecting sweeping territorial offers from her former ally. On August 23, 1915, she followed this up with a declaration of war against Turkey, Germany's pet protégé.

On February 16, last the Italian government requisitioned 34 of the 37 German steamships in Italian ports, and the climax came on the third day of the present month when Italy gave notice to Germany of the termination of the Italo-German commercial treaty of 1891, which would have expired at the end of 1917.

GIRLS TO HAVE CONTEST

Cooking Ability Will Be Demonstrated at the County Fair

The school girls of Lane county will be given the chance to demonstrate their ability at cooking next month at the Lane County Fair according to school superintendent, E. J. Moore. All of the school girls' industrial clubs will be asked to compete in the cooking contests.

Since school starts at almost the same time as the Fair there will not be much chance for the girls to get together before to get their work in good shape. The cooking contest has been one of the big features of the school exhibit for the last year or two and it will be made as important this year as before.

SPRINGFIELD REAL ESTATE MEN RETURN FROM TRIP

D. M. Gore and N. A. Rowe Have Many Experiences on Trip North Injured on Return

D. M. Gore and N. A. Rowe returned yesterday morning from a six week's trip to Alaska where they went on a business and pleasure trip. Both men were unfortunate on their return on the boat. A spar fell from the main mast of the ship and struck Mr. Rowe on the side injuring him quite seriously. Mr. Gore went to his assistance and in doing so came in contact with a part of the wireless apparatus and received a severe shock and had his hand badly burned.

Francis Lambert accompanied the gentlemen on their trip north and found a position in a drug store at Douglas, Alaska. He has a very good position and is making good, but he is not in love with the country and the climate. He sends his regards to his friends in Springfield.

According to Mr. Gore business is good at June but some of the mines have closed down in other parts of the territory. They had a fine trip all the way, with the exception of the accident.

GROVER KESTLEY DIES AFTER OPERATION FOR ACUTE APPENDICITIS

Former Springfield Man, Had Many Friends Here—Graduate of State University

Friends received word of the death of a former resident of Springfield, Grover Kestley of 961 Cleveland, ave., Portland, August 24, 1915 after an unsuccessful operation for appendicitis at the age of 31 years. Mr. Kestley was well known in Springfield having moved here with his parents from Wisconsin and lived here for six or seven years. He attended the University of Oregon and was a member of the graduating class in 1908 and a member of the Beta Theta Pi fraternity. He was also a member of the Eugene Elks lodge No. 357.

After leaving the University, Mr. Kestley moved to Portland and has been an employe of M. S. Seller and Co. for the past few years. His father, John G. Kestley, resident of Springfield, has been with him and his family in Portland for the past year. Mr. Kestley leaves a wife, Mrs. Opal Kestley; son John J. Kestley; brothers, John J. Kestley of Eugene; and Walter Kestley of Springfield; sister, Mrs. Mary Hollenbeck of Gilroy, California; and father, John J. Kestley of Springfield.

Funeral services were held from Immaculate Heart of Mary church, Stanton st., and Williams ave., Saturday, August 26, 1915 at 9:30 a. m. Interment was made at Mt. Calvary cemetery.

J. S. McCALLUM FROM EUGENE PREACHES TO ATTENTIVE AUDIANCE

Union Services Well Attended at the Christian Church Last Sunday Evening

Rev. J. S. McCallum of Eugene preached the sermon at the union church services at the Christian church last evening. The building was filled. Rev. J. T. Moore of the Methodist church assisted in the services.

"It is hard to conceive what life would be without faith," said Rev. McCallum. Most of us have faith in God from our childhood. We should grow in this faith that we have and become stronger.

"Christianity will stand the most rigid test man can put to it. It has for its agents the strongest minds and the greatest men and women the world has. There is no secret society that can take the place of the church. Secret societies have their places and they should be kept in their places. We should all do our part in building up the kingdom of God. We may have worldly wealth, but be poor towards God. In this condition we are failures. There are usually many people in the community who do not go to church and who will not support the church. These people would not be found living in a community where there are no churches. They want to live in a community that has church influences because living conditions and the people are better to live with. They do not do their part."

PRESIDENT WILSON FEARS EFFORTS MAY MEET WITH FAILURE

Four Brotherhoods Leave Further Negotiations to a Large Committee

MANY MEN RETURN HOME

Railroads Stand Pat on Eight-hour Proposal—Senator Newlands Brings Measure to Congress

Washington, Aug. 27.—President Wilson's efforts to bring about peace between the railroads and their employes seemed to be confronted with failure at a late hour tonight.

Early in the day the 640 representatives of the four brotherhoods decided to leave further negotiations in Washington to a special committee of 24. The remainder of the men were ordered to return to their home districts. Each carried with him final instructions in event of a strike.

Strike May Be Inevitable

This in itself was convincing evidence that a crisis was imminent, and the gravity of the situation was further emphasized when late tonight President Samuel Lee of the Pennsylvania system issued a statement that was construed as meaning the railroad managers deemed a strike inevitable.

President Wilson summoned Chairman Newlands of the senate Interstate Commerce committee and Secretary of the Interior Lane to the White House and renewed the request for legislation he desires passed at this session of congress.

Proposed Measures Considered

It can be stated authoritatively that the following measures were considered:

First—The passage of a bill establishing the eight-hour day as a basis for hours of labor on railroads.

Second—An amendment to the Interstate Commerce act, authorizing the Interstate Commerce commission to take the question of wages into consideration on adjusting rates.

Third—An amendment to the mediation act making conditions to bring about strikes or lockouts affecting interstate commerce unlawful until a general commission, to be provided in the bill, has investigated and reported on the merits of the dispute. This act to be patterned after the Canadian law, which has proved successful.

Senator Newlands promised the president before leaving the White House he would canvas the situation with his colleagues in the senate tomorrow and report back at the earliest possible hour. He is understood to have given it as his opinion that the legislation can be placed at this session.

White House Meeting Today

The railway executives have an appointment at the White House tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock. Tonight neither side was certain that the engagement could be kept.

The chairmen of the railway brotherhoods met at the Bijou theatre and, after resolving to go home, were given the sealed instructions.

The sub-committee of 24 was appointed with full powers to effect a settlement if possible. The committee was specifically instructed that it had no power to accept terms that provide arbitration of the question of an eight-hour day.

THIEVES LOOT CLOTHING

Swimmers at Mill Pond Lose Valuables From Clothes

During the last few days white boys have been swimming in the race at the Booth-Kelly mill their clothes have been looted and money and valuables taken. The culprit or culprits have not been definitely located but J. E. Edwards, town marshal, is collecting evidence. A watch, some money and tobacco has been reported taken from the bath house at the edge of the pond.

Since the days have been getting warmer many boys and several girls are making regular trips to the swimming places near the town. The mill pond and the river near the bridge seem to be the rivals for the largest crowds.