

HILL RAILROADS IN NORTHWEST MAY BE CONSOLIDATED

SEATTLE, April 2.—One gigantic system of railroads covering the territory between Chicago and Seattle, including lines reaching into southern Oregon and northern California and also into western Canada, all under the direction of one executive, who may be L. C. Gilman of Seattle, is the reported plan of the controlling factors in the Great Northern railway and the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad company. The plan of the Hill interests to divorce the Northern Pacific from the Great Northern are now said to be approaching fruition. An early announcement of the greatest deal in modern railroading is expected.

L. W. Hill, president of the Great Northern, is now in San Francisco, where Mr. Gilman, who is president of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle railway and the Oregon Trunk system, has been summoned in conference. Associated Press dispatches to Pacific coast newspapers have contained less than a hint of the long cherished plan of James J. Hill to unify the Great Northern and Burlington systems and to relinquish his hold on the Northern Pacific.

The events of the past few days indicate that Hill, the elder, will soon carry out this plan and the conference between Louis Hill and Gilman in California is more than likely to result in a definite announcement of the time when the big deal will be consummated.

The fate of the Northern Pacific, provided the Burlington is taken over by the Hill interests, will probably be to be absorbed by the Chicago & Northwestern, which would thus be in a position to operate through trains between Chicago and Seattle in competition with the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway.

These mighty events are in immediate prospect, according to the best informed railroad men of the country. A vital factor in the program as thus outlined is the \$600,000,000 bond issue authorized more than two years ago by the stockholders of the Great Northern and which has been held back until the opportune day for a long-expected separation of the Great Northern and Northern Pacific and the consolidation of the former road with the Burlington's system.

GOULD MAY SELL MISSOURI PACIFIC

NEW YORK, April 2.—Reports that George Gould may sell the Missouri Pacific railroad to a syndicate headed by John D. Rockefeller were freely circulated about the stock market today. The prospective buyers, it was said, want to acquire 200,000 shares of stock. If the deal goes through it may involve the Rio Grande, the Western Pacific and the Iron Mountain railroads.

MARGARET ILLINGTON HERE ON APRIL 17

Members of the Drama League are wondering whether their organization may not have already excited an influence for a better class of shows. Henrietta Crossman was fine, and Margaret Illington will be here in "Within the Law" on April 17th. A report was heard that her date had been postponed till fall but she will positively be here this month.

MURDERER ESCAPES FROM JAIL IN CAIRO

CAIRO, Ill., April 2.—While their guards were eating in a nearby restaurant, William Wilson and five other prisoners today sawed their way out of the jail cage, broke through a brick wall and escaped. Wilson was sentenced to hang April 24 for the murder of Special Officer Logan last January. Bloodhounds are trailing the fugitives.

STEAMERS COLLIDE IN FOG OFF VIRGINIA

NORFOLK, Va., April 2.—Wireless messages today from the steamer Robert Thompson reported a collision in a fog off the Virginia Capes between the Thompson and the schooner August Snow. Except

GUSTAVE BAUCH, AMERICAN, WHO HAS DISAPPEARED WHILE IN THE HANDS OF VILLA'S TROOPS



Gustave Bauch, the American, who was caught some time ago by General Villa's troops, may be dead or alive. Villa and his men have made contradictory statements. It is feared by his friends that he has been killed. One of Villa's statements was to the effect that Bauch may have been shot by some of his enemies.

NEWS FROM COUNTRY CORRESPONDENTS

EAGLE POINT EAGLETS

Ed Cingade, one of our promising young men, started last Friday for California. He has gone to assist his uncle, Mr. Little, on a stock ranch.

Harvey Stanley of Brownsboro was doing business in our town last Saturday.

Messrs. C. H. Bettman, representative of H. Wolf & Sons, of Portland, agent for Boss of All Overalls and play suits, and F. H. Rider of Baker, Ore., of the firm of Rider Bros. He was selling calendars and leather novelties were here for supper the last of the week.

J. H. Tyrrell of Lake creek, his son John R. Tyrrell and wife and Mr. Tyrrell's granddaughter, Miss Eva Farlow, called for dinner last Sunday on their way home from Medford. Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Clements and their little nephews Bert, Art Nichols and wife, Fred R. Heath and wife, Wm. Messal of Lake creek, Mr. and Mrs. F. Newport and F. E. Diamond of Medford were here for dinner Sunday and about three o'clock George on der Hellen and wife and J. V. McIntyre of the Eagle Point State Bank and wife came in for dinner. They had been up on Butte creek and Lake creek registering voters. They had already ordered dinner and expected to have been here by 12.30, but had a puncture so had to stop on the way for repairs, but they were thoughtful enough to phone down and let Mrs. Howlett know why they didn't come on time and assured her that they would be on hand by 3:00 o'clock and so they did, and they had such an appetite that almost anything would taste good, but all hands were satisfied by the time they got through. They reported that they had registered 31 voters during the day and had a good time besides.

Thomas Riley, one of our boarders, celebrated his birthday last Sunday and had a dinner at the old parental home, our primary teachers, Miss Mabel Huff, was among the invited guests. There was only a few of the special friends of the family invited.

Miss Vivla Pence of Elk creek has been here the past few days visiting the family of Frank Lewis, Mrs. Frank Lewis and Mrs. David Pence. Miss Vivla's mother, are cousins.

Perry Foster of Trail was in town Tuesday morning and reports that David Pence, the road supervisor of Trail district, has moved down from Elk creek and established a camp at Foster's place, and is getting ready to work on the roads again. Dave seems to be giving general satisfaction where he has worked on the country roads.

Mrs. Henry Meyers of Lake creek was with us Tuesday for dinner. She was accompanied by her son.

Sam H. Harnish, our liveryman, has been buying up a few young calves for future market.

George Brown and sons have been buying up a lot of mohair for the eastern market.

Our express agent, F. Newport, shipped a fine lot of turkeys last Tuesday to the Portland market.

There was a mother's and teacher's meeting held in the Baptist church Monday night, but as your correspondent was slightly on the bum, he is not able to give a detailed report of the meeting, but will try to next time.

Mrs. A. C. Howlett and our daughter, Hattie, went to Grants Pass last Saturday to see r. Findley.

that the Snow was badly and the Thompson not much damaged, no details were given.

TABLE ROCK TABLETS

Will Pomeroy of the Meadows was doing business here Monday.

Tom Perdue is buying hay at the Pendleton ranch to take to Prospect.

Although some of us think we are behind with our work, a trip over the valley will convince anyone that we are ahead of some districts.

Jim Pendland has a crew of men at work on the Table Rock ditch.

Roy Stacy passed through here on Friday driving one of the popular Ford cars.

Henry Gregory of Agate is doing road work in this district.

G. E. Walling lost a valuable horse last week.

Lawrence Fitzpatrick will have charge of the painting operations at the Modoc and Klamath orchards.

The heavy frost here last week appears to have killed everything in the fruit line, but old-timers say we will have plenty of fruit.

The Table Rock Sunday school is preparing an Easter program.

Fred Reese has accepted a position at the Modoc orchard to work on the new dairy barn.

When a man returns from Jacksonville after paying taxes, don't ask him questions and expect civil answers.

Mr. and Mrs. Archibald of Minnesota, who are touring the coast, spent last week visiting the Lydiard family who were neighbors back in Minnesota.

There will be a get-together meeting at the schoolhouse Thursday evening to discuss the blight situation.

By the regular monthly shift in the police department Officer Harry Cingade is on night duty, and Officer Crawford on the day shift.

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OLD DAYS GONE IN POLITICS STATES MAYOR HI GILL

PORTLAND, Ore., April 2.—Mayor Hi Gill of Seattle was the principal speaker at the luncheon of the progressive business men today noon, choosing for his subject "Public Markets."

Speaking before the Multnomah Bar Association last night, Mayor Gill was at his best, and although made the object of considerable good natured banter, parried the verbal thrusts of his auditors so neatly that his talk was punctuated with uproarious laughter.

"In discussing his re-election after being recalled, Mayor Gill said: 'I didn't come back so very far. The people did the coming back.'"

"We cleaned 'em all up, we beat 'em to a pulp and I am through. I never expect to be a candidate for any office again," declared the Seattle mayor in chanting a little paean of victory over his success at the recent election.

In a more serious vein, Mayor Gill said:

"The old days are gone and I for one saw the handwriting on the wall that foretold their going. A workman is just as much a political factor as a bank president, such has been the influence of direct election—the recall and other new ideas of government."

ESPEE AND HILL LINES MAY BUILD AND THEY MAY NOT

PORTLAND, Ore., April 2.—That the Southern Pacific and Hill interests are about to engage in a struggle for possession of the railroad being built from Grants Pass to Crescent City was the report given considerable credence in transportation circles today.

It was declared that the Southern Pacific wants and needs the line to form an important link in its "all-coast line" between Portland and San Francisco, as that road would be without a direct line should the government be successful in dissolving the Southern and Central Pacific. The Southern Pacific and the Santa Fe jointly own the Northwestern Pacific, which extends from San Francisco along the coast toward Crescent City. Recently, however, the Southern Pacific undertook the building of an extension of its own. This line could be connected with the Grants Pass road at Crescent City.

DIED

FRYER—At Eagle Point, April 1, 1914, Lucretia Jane Fryer, aged 62 years, 8 months, 23 days, widow of J. J. Fryer. Funeral will be held at 10 o'clock Wednesday at the family residence, interment at Central Point cemetery at 1 o'clock.

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Instant Relief When Nose and Head Are Clogged From a Cold. Stops Nasal Catarrhal Discharges. Dull Headache Vanishes.

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Don't lay awake to-night struggling for breath, with head stuffed; nostrils closed, hawking and blowing. Catarrh or a cold, with its running nose, foul mucous dropping into the throat, and raw dryness is distressing but truly needless.

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