

Editorial Opinion of Portland Press On Chamber of Commerce Neutrality On Hill Railroad Plans for Development

MR. JAMES TESTIFIES Arthur Curtis James is reputed to be the largest individual owner of railroad stocks in the world. He is said to be the largest holder of Great Northern shares. He is said to be the largest holder of Northern Pacific shares. And he is said to be the largest individual owner of Southern Pacific shares.

Mr. James was asked in Portland if the extension of the Great Northern to connect with the Western Pacific, and which would give Oregon another transcontinental line, would injure the Southern Pacific, a road in which Mr. James is reputed to be the largest stockholder. Here is Mr. James' reply: "Why, how could it? It will open a new country. It will bring about new development, a development that will help the Southern Pacific and other coast roads. Do you think that I, with my interests in the Southern Pacific, would advocate anything that would hurt those interests? Positively not!"

Mr. James answers those interests that are opposing the extension of the Great Northern on the ground that it will injure the Southern Pacific's business. He says that those who stand in the way of progress. He answers those who fall to recognize that by business increases in territory supplied by railroads instead of standing still. And, what of the interests of the state of Oregon?

What of the new capital brought here? What of the added transportation facilities? What of the new industries and payrolls? What of the new markets and new business? Oregon has long been appealing for more transportation facilities, more capital, more industries, more payrolls, more markets, more business and more people. Now that the Great Northern offers to bring them, there is opposition and a divided front, based on what Mr. James says is a false premise. That attitude does not build states.—(Journal.)

AS MR. JAMES VIEWS THE SITUATION As the largest stockholder in the Southern Pacific railroad, Arthur Curtis James does not believe that road would be injured by construction of the proposed line to connect the Great Northern and Western Pacific systems. If injury to the Southern Pacific would result, his large interest in all three systems would be employed in preventing two of them from invading territory occupied exclusively by the third. His position in regard to the proposed new line is stated in these words: "It will open a new country. It will bring about new development, a development that also will help the Southern Pacific and other coast railroads. Do you think that I, with my interests in the Southern Pacific, would advocate any-

thing that would hurt those interests? Positively not." That is substantially the view taken by the general public in the country affected—a view inspired by general interest in development of the country, not by stock in railroads concerned. Experience has shown that development of any section of country goes forward much faster when it is served by two competing railroads than by one railroad, thus benefiting the road first in possession as well as the one that invades its field. Accelerated progress of that kind proves of advantage to a metropolitan commercial city like Portland, whose trade extends over a wide radius. That advantage may be lost if any local diversion of trade that may occur.

The proposed Great Northern-Western Pacific connection would change a road of comparatively light construction for timber and lumber traffic into a main line from north to south through the intermountain country which would connect central Oregon and northern California a new route to the northwest and another new route to central California, Utah, Colorado and the country beyond. The custom of main lines being to build branches, feeders might be built eastward through central Oregon and westward through southwestern Oregon. Thus the long-deferred hope for an east-and-west line across central Oregon would be gratified. The people of Oregon care little by which system that line is built, provided it is built.

Great store seems to be set by President Budd of the Great Northern on indorsement of the proposed new line by the Portland chamber of commerce, which has so far refrained from expressing an opinion. The chamber is understood to hold that a resolution of indorsement would have small value, for the interstate commerce commission would decide according to the merits of the case under the law and would pay slight attention to resolutions of commercial bodies. The interested railroads evidently value indorsements, having been most energetic in obtaining them. The chamber has had experience of hot interchanges when it was asked to take one side in a contest between two railroads, which finally compromised without regard to the opinion of Portland or any other community in Oregon. In the present controversy the Southern Pacific has staunch friends in the chamber, who would strenuously oppose action favorable to the new line. Hence the chamber's attitude of neutrality.

Possibly Mr. James' statement may influence opinion in the chamber. Certainly the deductions which The Oregonian has made are worthy of consideration. It devolves on the chamber to consider whether they face of the opposition that is sure to arise. It may also consider whether the opinion of Mr. James as the principal Southern Pacific stockholder may not cause the management of that road to modify its position.—(Oregonian.)



Urlike Moribe of Chicago doesn't find going to bed such a dreadful ordeal, for it is just like a joy ride with a bed that looks like a motor car. This is the latest idea in children's furniture.

CHICAGO (AP)—Getting the children to go to bed is expected to be easier when all they have to do is pile into the latest "dreamland" model, wait for mother to turn the "go" sign and speed away into the land of nod. A bed copied after the lines of an automobile shows the trend furniture manufacturers are taking today to appeal to modern youngsters who are crooned to sleep by radio lullabies. Samples in the juvenile department of the American furniture mart in Chicago demonstrates that turning out children's furniture is not just a matter of making a small chair and painting it red. Sky-scrapers are influencing nursery furniture. There are many storied office buildings, with painted windows instead of ducks. To their users, getting out a clean pair of rompers, entails pulling out the fifth floor. To make city life more complete, shoes can be kept in a miniature theater. The delight of a 1929 four-year-old is a Morris chair—just like daddy's. And the lad who longs to grow up to be a second Lindbergh can dream about it in a bed with posts bearing three-foot pictures of aviators. Of course, there are little red chairs and, too, there are rockers that look like ducks and bunnies for the littler tots.

While the ladies were there they noted with interest the new water system Mr. Von Hoeyenburg has installed for the lawn and flower garden, both of which are being enlarged and improved upon this year. Mrs. J. B. Fisher, who has been at the Wilson convalescent home in Medford for the past month, visited this week with her husband, who is greatly pleased over her improvement of health.

Housewives Get Tips at Model Key Home LOS ANGELES (AP)—One of the first model "key homes" in the country, sponsored by the general federation of women's clubs, has been opened here. Rent, furniture and telephone service are all donated. The home is attended each day by two women who consult with all those seeking advice. Applicants range from newly married couples who want counsel on budgeting expenses to elderly women who crave modern decorations. Women advisers are sent out to consult with those who are unable to visit the place. Mrs. William Waller Slayden is president of the Los Angeles district. She assisted Mrs. J. W. Robinson, state chairman, in establishing the home. The move is part of a nation wide effort to open model homes in all the large cities. Fresh Air. There's nothing harmful about night air, unless it's last night's air. Open the windows and let it out! Fresh air is made in God's own laboratory and is one of the most effective tonics known for the cure and prevention of disease. It is yours for the taking. Utilize it! Classified advertising gets results.

PLAY AND SOCIAL ARE PLANNED FOR BEAGLE JUNE 1ST

BEAGLE, May 25.—(Special)—The young people will give a play and box social Saturday evening June 1. The boxes will be sold at auction. The proceeds will be used to buy new song books for the Sunday school. Every one is cordially invited to come. Herbert Mayfield is working at Jasper Hannah's this week. Mrs. Lucas, Sr. was taken back to the hospital again one day last week. Her condition is very serious.

Mrs. Elbert Glass and daughter, Emma and Lois of Medford were visiting the Antioch school Tuesday afternoon. The Glass family had lived in this district for years, having moved away last fall. Mr. Wilson of Medford is buying beef cattle in and around Beagle this week.

Those who took the eighth grade examinations here were Loring Martin and Robert Cato. Several in the seventh grade and sixth grade took the required examinations also. The Antioch Sunday school visited the Meadows Sunday school last Sunday. A basket dinner was eaten out under the trees and in the afternoon there was Sunday school and church services. Mr. Davis of Medford delivered the message and it was enjoyed by all. Everette Hannah was a business visitor in the Beagle district one day last week. Quite a number from here went to the Senior play at Sams Valley last Friday evening. All that saw it pronounced it "fine" and said their time was well spent.

Ella Blackman is out of high school on account of having chicken pox this week. The young people's meeting was led by Herbert Mayfield last Sunday evening, the subject being "Appreciating Our Parents as Leaders." Mrs. Charles Sanderson led the prayer meeting, using the subject of the "Praise We Should Give God." Those who were Medford visitors last week were Mr. and Mrs. Blackman and daughter, Billa, Miss Ella Smith, Mr. and Miss Swanson, Robert Sims, William Martin, Charles Sanderson and daughter, Thelma, Mr. Dennison, Mrs. Ruby Mayfield and Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Lucas. Mr. and Mrs. Zuck and daughter, Fay Ora, attended church in Ashland last Sunday and afterward enjoyed a birthday surprise dinner in the Ashland park, given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Zuck's daughter, Miss Bendure of Ashland. Raymond Mayfield left last Monday morning to help Howard

Mayfield drive his cattle to Klamath county. W. H. Smith and daughter, Miss Ella and Laura and Rilla Blackman spent Sunday visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Bigham of Eagle Point.

Fluffy, Ruffly Girls Resurrected

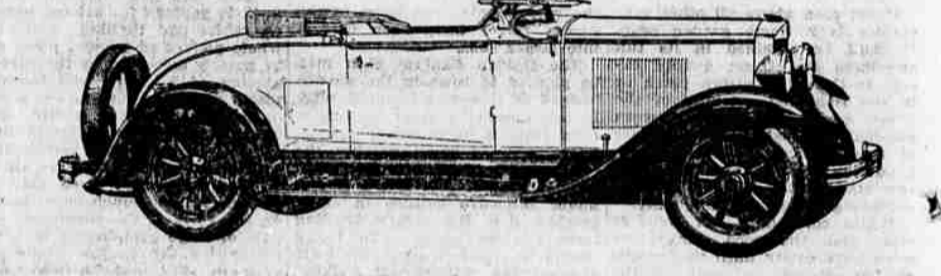
By Diana Merwin (Associated Press Fashion Editor) PARIS (AP)—If dressmakers succeed in their plans for fluffier, more frivolous, fascinating femininity, the busy boy with the bow and arrow is going to have a big summer. Ensembles of chiffon, topped with chiffon parasols trimmed with ruffles, lace and ribbons something like the coquettish canopies women carried in the early part of the 20th century, are being shown in some of the best and most expensive style salons. The style creators think that the chiffon girl is going to be the big success of the midsummer season and take a lot of resisting. Mrs. Chiffon Summerline is going to wear diaphanous frocks of printed chiffon, with equally diaphanous matching coats. Her crowning glory, however, will be her sun-shade, which is made of the same printed chiffon as her

fronk and opened up looks like the underside of a rose bush in full bloom. Closed, it is a puff of ruffles and flowery color mounted on a long colored stick. Dressmakers will send manikins to the races wearing these chiffon costumes, thus accustoming men's eyes gradually to all that femininity in one model, and demonstrating to women, not all of whom want to be made ultra-feminine again, that not all pre-war styles are unsuitable for post-war women. My mother, she's so good to me, if I was good as I could be, I couldn't be as good, no sir; Can't any boy be good as her. —J. W. Wiley

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MORROW ISLAND GIVES LINDBERGH IDEAL SOLITUDE

By H. E. Moolberry (Associated Press Correspondent) NORTH HAVEN, Me.—(AP)—A near ideal spot for a quiet wedding and a honeymoon free from intrusion—that's North Haven—this 13-mile-long island, ten miles off the Maine coast at the entrance to Penobscot bay, where the summer home of Ambassador Dwight W. Morrow is located.

Should Miss Anne Morrow and Col. Charles A. Lindbergh be married here they would be assured that the sipping, milling, pushing crowds, ever present in the thickly settled centers of the country, would be absent. There are only 375 year-around residents on the island. They differ from the metropolitan crowd in that unless invited they usually stay a proper distance from an event.

Then, too, the island is accessible only after an hour's ride by steamer or motorboat from Rockland on the mainland, or by air. And the rugged rocky shore with the Atlantic surging and pounding in the wooded rolling acres, for the most part in their natural untouched state, will provide the hundreds of retreats where newlyweds could lose themselves from all.

Residents of the village of North Haven, a little cluster of buildings on Main street, a road without sidewalks, the remainder of the island inhabitants, all consider the possibility of the wedding as "a great thing for North Haven." They know Anne Morrow, from seeing her about the few summers the Morrows have spent here since the war. They have seen her sailing her little boat across the waters of the bay, golfing, or just walking. On her walks, they say, she usually carries a book under her arm.

From the shore the Atlantic surges on, and across the bay rise the Camden mountains. About the bay tiny sail and motor boats dot the water and outside an occasional coastwise steamer plows its way along. The Morrow home, which was completed last summer, is a low rambling structure of 34 rooms. Its story and a half frame merges closely in to the background of fir and spruce. Some landscaping has been done on the immediate adjacent part of

the 82-acre estate, but for the most part the surroundings are much as they were when "Deacon Brown" built a little farm house there many years ago. The Morrow home is on the site of the "deacon's" place and the fireplace from the old house has been incorporated into the new structure. Numerous guests could be accommodated in the spacious house, enough for a "quiet" wedding attended by relatives and close friends. But the seeker of thrills would find the journey rather long and might find himself without sleeping accommodations.

SENIOR BANQUET AT SAMS VALLEY SUFFERS IN RAID

SAMS VALLEY, Ore., May 25. (Special)—The senior class banquet given by the juniors Wednesday night at the John Holst home was a very pleasant affair, even though it ended by a raid on the participants by the freshies and sophs. No more serious results than flattened tires, hidden switch keys and hidden cars resulted from the raid, but from the amount of yelling one would have thought we had dropped back to the time when our district was so well populated by another tribe of people.

Mrs. Frank DeFord and daughter, Mrs. Virgil Hughes, accompanied by Mrs. DeFord's daughters, Mrs. Lee Wakefield of Martinez, Cal., and Mrs. O. W. Carlson of Portland spent Wednesday visiting with another daughter, Mrs. O. H. Tresham. Mrs. Carlson remained over night and left for Portland Thursday morning. Clay Fisher of southern California is visiting this week with his father, J. B. Fisher. The pool order of salt for the grangers is expected to arrive within a week to be taken off a car by those on the order list. Grange met Saturday night and among the numbers on the lecturer's program was a talk by a member of the new clay plant at Ashland on tilling for irrigation and draining. Important business was transacted during the closed session and resulted in some useful resolutions being passed, which dealt with the welfare of farmers and home laborers.

Mrs. H. Van Hoeyenburg entertained 18 members of the tulip society at luncheon one day last

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