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Paper Railroads Manufactured in
Portland, and Run by Hot Air

The Oregon Electric Railway Company, \$2,500,000 corporation, and the Interurban Land Company, an auxiliary corporation, filed articles of incorporation today in the Multnomah county clerk's office. The new corporation is to be the holding company for the Willamette Valley Company and the Willamette Valley Traction Company, corporations originally promoted by Thomas Sheridan, A. Welch and later by Barstow & Chambers and Moffat & White. The new company, with the Moffat & White syndicate as its backers, will construct and operate the road from Portland to Salem.

There will be auxiliary companies, including the land company, an express company, a telegraph and telephone company, and possibly other organizations for carrying on the extensive business of a complete system of electric interurban lines in the Willamette valley, with the most modern equipment, high speed and a service which, the builders say, will rival any Eastern electric interurban road. William Stuart, representing Moffat & White, of New York, came to Portland a few days ago to attend to the organization of the new company, and the taking over of the business of the original corporations.

Two Million and a Half.

The incorporators of the Oregon Electric Railway Company are Thomas Scott Brooke, H. L. Corbett and R. W. Lewis. The capital stock is \$2,500,000. The purposes of the corporation, as stated in the articles, are to construct a system of railways, single or double track, from a point near the north boundary line of the city of Portland in a southerly direction and across the Willamette river to and through the city of Salem to a point at or near the south boundary of Roseburg, to operate locomotives and motor cars, erect poles and electric wires, operate telephone and telegraph lines and electric power plants, to manufacture and use gas, electricity, steam and compressed air and to own parks and places of amusement; to own and operate steamboats on the Columbia, Willamette and other rivers and on the Pacific ocean.

Has manifold Purpose.

The Interurban Land Company, with a nominal capital of \$2000, is incorporated by E. J. Smith, W. A. Johnson, Margaret White. Its purpose is to acquire and deal in all kinds of lands, lay out townships and additions, to deal in farm lands, build docks, warehouses, flumes, acquire water rights, engage in mining or the business of gas, steam, electric lighting, irrigation; to import goods. The principal place of business of both corporations will be in Portland. The papers are drawn by J. N. Teal and cover nearly every line of development activity now open in the Pacific Northwest.

The company is incorporated in accordance with plans mapped out when Moffat & White took over the project of the Willamette Valley Traction Company some months ago, through negotiations carried on by Frank Robertson, and placed the whole project in the hands of Barstow & Chambers, since which time the city council of Portland has been wrestling with the question of a franchise on Front street asked for by both the Willamette Valley and United Railways Companies. The rights of way for the road between Portland and Salem have been secured, and about four miles of grading is done between Salem and Chama. The syndicate has subscribed the entire amount of stock necessary to finance and equip the road between Portland and Salem.

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TWELVE YEARS IN
A MEXICAN PRISON

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Imaginary Train.

El Paso, Tex., May 16.—Broken in health, John Humphries is enjoying the comforts of a clean cot in an American hospital, after nearly 12 years of solitary confinement in a Mexican prison.

Humphries is a Texan by birth and an electrician by trade. He was in charge of the power house at Torreon, Mexico, and in order to load a battery he turned on a voltage of 6000 into the wires. City laws restricted the voltage to 3000. As ill luck would have it, a wire broke and killed four men. After awaiting trial for a year, he was sentenced to eleven years in a solitary cell.

Then, what he declares to have been slow death began. The first year was not so bad, for the electric company had furnished him money to buy clothes, and he had occasionally seen and talked with a white man. After the first year his fripples and tortillas were shoved at him through a slide in the door of his four-by-six dirt-floor cell, which had neither bed nor chair. He never was permitted to speak to a soul, and although the same stone walls sheltered 1500 other prisoners, he never gazed upon the face of one of them.

Twice in the eleven years of his sentence he left his cell. These two occasions were during the period when the Torreon state prison was being moved from its old quarters to its new.

A Tottering Wreck.

Twenty-four years of age, alert and keen minded, known as a first class electrician when he was guilty of the error which cost him the best years of his life, Humphrey today is broken and tottering—a physical wreck, and none too clear mentally. And yet he is only 36 years of age.

"For four years of the eleven years of my sentence I lay on my back on the dirt floor of my cell, racked in suffering from an aggravated complaint of the kidneys," said Humphrey. "I prayed for death and it would not come, but after four years had passed the disease apparently left me. My health nevertheless was gone."

"After the clothes which I wore when I entered the prison were worn out I was given no others. The rags of my former garments were the only clothes I had. Visitors sometimes came to see the prison and they would drop a few pennies through the hole in my door and I would give them to the Mexican soldiers who guarded the prison, and they would bring me tobacco and cigarette papers. I was not allowed to speak to any one and when I tried to



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