

G. T. CO., REDUCES FARES ON ITS BOATS

Traveling on Willamette----Oregon City Transportation Company Makes a Drastic Cut----New Rates Meet Car Competition ---- Seventy-Three-Mile Ride to Salem Is Offered for 50 Cents, Said to Be the Lowest Passenger Fare Ever Named on the Upper Willamette.

Hand special: make it doubly attractive traveling the water route on the upper Willamette, the Oregon City transportation company, which operates the steamers Pomona and Oregon between here and Corvallis, put out today a fare card slashing rates practically in half to all along the line, excepting Newberg to which place it is reduced to 35 cents, although Captain Graham, manager of the company, says they will be maintained at the high standard as before the cut.

most of the old patronage as well as capture considerable new business, basing this on the hope that the cheaper rates will induce a greater amount of traveling. "We have decided to give the people the cheapest transportation ever in effect between this city and points on the upper Willamette," said Captain Graham this morning, "and to make the trip still more attractive 50-cent meals will be served for 35 cents. The fare from Portland to Corvallis or Albany has been cut from \$1.75 to an even \$1; the fare from here to Independence has been reduced from \$1.50 to 75 cents; to Salem from \$1 to 50 cents, and to Newberg from 50 cents to 35 cents. Out of this the company has to pay 10 cents lock toll, so it leaves only a small margin, but I think the price will stimulate traffic and thus even matters up to a certain extent. The 50-cent fare to Salem is the lowest ever made on the upper Willamette and is remarkably low when it is taken into consideration that the distance by river is 73 miles. A long ride for the money."

This is the second time the company has had to make a drastic cut in its passenger rates to meet electric railroad competition, the first instance being when the road was completed between Portland and Oregon City.

SENATOR BOURNE SECURES ACTION

Locks and Canal at Oregon City Being Pushed by the Senator Before Congress Convenes.

When Senator Bourne was in Salem and Corvallis on his recent trip to the valley his aid was solicited to secure action on the passage of an appropriation for the purchase of the locks and canal at Oregon City. He immediately wired one of his secretaries at Washington as to the status of the matter. He was informed that a resolution introduced by Senator Bourne at the last session of congress had been referred to the committee on commerce of the United States and had never been reported from that committee. That reason was prepared after consultation with the delegation and it was decided that it was necessary to secure a re-estimate of the cost of building the locks at present as a basis for an appropriation. But the action was left sleeping in the committee, probably through no fault of the Oregon delegation. But Senator Bourne immediately got busy with the war department and asked action be had in advance of the opening of congress, and thus have the bill ready for action when congress meets in December.

of expediting things, induced the legislature to make a conditional appropriation to the maximum of \$300,000, to cover one-half of the purchase price, provided the government would cover the other half within three years from the date of the passage of the state law. "In the meantime years were consumed in these red tape windings, and the prices of labor and material going into the construction of a new flight of locks advanced to points where the cost of construction of a new flight, and therefore the price of the old locks, advanced 50 or 60 per cent over the original estimate of 1900, and nearly two years of the time limit of the state appropriation have expired.

The government engineers in charge have at all times favored the purchase but have had no authority to revise the estimate of cost under the changed conditions incident to the delay in laying the ground work for the purchase. And for this reason the recommendation of the purchase was omitted from the report of the engineer that furnishes the basis of the rivers and harbors appropriation bill to be submitted to congress this session. By the terms of each rivers and harbors law no item can be added to a succeeding bill if not recommended by the board of engineers, except on a concurrent resolution of the senate and house of representatives, and such concurrent resolution is very difficult to secure. In order to get such a resolution considered and passed through both houses now, a revised estimate of the cost of the locks is necessary for submission to the committees through the chief of engineers.

"This was the status of the case three weeks ago. At that time Senator Bourne wrote General Marshall, chief engineer United States army, asking that a re-estimate of the cost of the locks be made by Major McIntosh, chief engineer in charge, as a basis to support the necessary concurrent resolution upon which alone the item can be gotten into the rivers and harbors bill this year. Within the past few days this request has been made by General Marshall and I am informed that the re-estimate will be in the hands of Senator Bourne, with the probable endorsement of the board of engineers, by the time congress convenes.

"But there is no absolute assurance of final success this year. There are powerful conflicting interests that the delegation may not be able to the floor or in committee to beat. So far as Senator Bourne is concerned, he is leaving no stone unturned, and will do his best to get the item into the present rivers and harbors bill. Meanwhile those who are holding up the local end of the matter should secure legislative action this winter extending the time limit of the state's appropriation an additional two years, to meet any possible emergency."

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CONGRESSMAN ATTACKED BY BLOOD POISONING

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Portland, Or., Nov. 23.—The condition of Congressman William Lorimer, of Chicago, who is suffering from blood poisoning, was so greatly improved early today after a restful night that his son announced that they expected to leave for Astoria tonight. However, Dr. Ettleston, the attending physician, declared that while the case was not at all serious, he had advised his distinguished patient to remain in his apartments at the Portland hotel for three or four days. The congressman remained in bed until a late hour this morning. He announced through William Lorimer, Jr., that he was feeling all right, but feared that his friends and relatives in Chicago are unnecessarily alarmed over his condition.

The blood poisoning resulted from a wound sustained in a tunnel on the St. Paul railroad near Ellensburg Wash., three weeks ago. With his son he was walking through the tunnel where he slipped and fell. He suffered an abrasion on the arm to which he paid no attention at the time. Last Wednesday, however, the wound began to increase in pain. As a member of the rivers and harbors committee, Congressman Lorimer is touring the Pacific coast to inspect the various waterways of the coast.

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