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THE RAILROAD SITUATION.

The Oregonian has advices from New York to the effect that negotiations are on for the purchase of the Astoria & Columbia River Railroad by E. H. Harriman. This is evidence tending to show that in the west Mr. Harriman cannot pursue a stand-still policy though he has just expended $104,342,650 in the improvement of his lines. With the immense investments he has to protect Mr. Harriman may be counted on as doing what to him appears to his best interests to do.

The Astoria & Columbia River road did a thriving business the past year and is still doing a good business. The acquisition of this road by Harriman would give him an outlet to the Pacific ocean in the northwest, right at the Columbia river's bouth. Harriman's purpose, however, according to the Portland paper's speculation, may be to head off the Santa Fe, which is surely coming up the Pacific coast. The activity of the Santa Fe on the coast is attracting attention in railroad circles.

"Nobody doubts," says the Oregonian, "that the Santa Fe is looking northward to northern California and to Oregon. Just now it is having a lively tussle with Harriman in the vicinity of Eureka, where the Santa Fe has secured the Eel River & Eureka Railroad, extending southward from that city and having a trackage of 100 miles, and where Harriman has gained control of the Eureka & Klamath River Railroad, extending northward of Eureka and having a trackage of some 41 miles. This latter road was built by A. B. Hammond. Just now the road is in litigation with its rival over its right of way into Eureka. Just recently Mr. Hammond incorporated a new company, the Oregon & Eureka Railroad, whose apparent purpose is to block the way of the Santa Fe to the Oregon boundary. The new company is believed to be backed up by Harriman.

"There are railroad observers who aver that the Santa Fe will be headed up the coast and will be in Oregon within half a dozen years. Be that as it may, a coast railroad from Portland to San Francisco, would be more than a hundred miles shorter than the Southern Pacific and would have much easier grades than the other. The Southern Pacific between Portland and San Francisco is 776 miles long. Besides a shorter and easier route by the coast, the Santa Fe would tap the most profitable timber areas in the United States, along the coast of Oregon."

The price at which Mr. Hammond is said to be holding the A. C. is $3,000,000, which is a half million more than Mr. Harriman so far has seen his way clear to offer.

COMMERCIAL RELIGION.

The Dowieites, encamped in New York City, are resolutely striving to push along the wave of reform according to the unique methods of these self-constituted "reformers."

Dowie himself is said to be a strong magnetic man, with a decided aptitude for organization and a well developed commercial instinct. Indeed, the commercial microbe has strong lodgment in his makeup, and it is reported that he has always had an eye on the main chance and has feathered his own nest well during his long freakish methods of evangelizing.

Just now he is drawing great crowds to Madison square. The audiences have proven to Dowie that they visit his meetings out of mere curiosity and when he attempts to entertain or exhort except in the way of the clown, the crowds disperse amidst a rain of epithets from the self-styled Elijah. What will be the outcome of Dowie in New York? All movements of a like nature have heretofore been egregious failures, and it is hardly probable that Dowie will be an exception.

In New York, as in other American cities, the thinking people have a way attending to their own business in their own peculiar ways, and it is not likely the Dowieites will exercise a widespread or beneficial influence in the American metropolis. The spectacular display may interest the people for a short time but there seems to be little prospect that Leader Dowie will meet with anything but failure or a barren victory over the hosts of New York.

Wouldn't it be singular if the award of Portland canal should result in the annexation of Canada to the United States? Perhaps the American boundary commissioners merely cast bread upon the waters.

It is not to be wondered at that the battleship Missouri showed speed. Her name would necessitate an ocular demonstration.

Those who escaped "Hiawatha" will certainly succumb to "How old is Ann."

It would be worth the price of admission to see Dowie initiated into the New York Press Club.

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CHECKING UP TAX ROLL.

Deputy County Clerks Ziegler and Carnahan have finished the work of checking up the 1902 tax collections made by the sheriff. When Deputy Sheriffs Binder and Anderson made their check they found that errors showed them to be $7.09 short, the amount of collections apparently having been that much greater than the cash showing. The clerks, in going over the roll, found that collections had exceeded the amount that should have been received by $7.09. Now the clerks are again going over the roll to see if they can discover the error. The roll will be finally experted by the accountants who attend to such matters for the county, and their report will show the exact manner in which the clerical errors came to be made, and in what particular department of the county, they crept in. The amount is very small when it is considered that the total roll was $135,000.

BROKE INTO HIS HOUSE.

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ANN HAS NOT GROWN OLDER

Further Proof Furnished That She Is Only Eighteen.

Every one agrees that Ann is 18 years of age. Wexford Jones says he believes Ann is a prevaricator, but Jones does not know Any too much about women and it is plain that he is just guessing. The consensus of opinion—that great standby of the American newspaper writer—is that 18 years is really and truly Ann's age however much Jones and fellows of his ilk may slander her. That she has seen fit to hide her age beneath a bushel of Xs, Ys and Zs signifies nothing, for what woman wants Jones to parade her age in his Note and Comment column?

With characteristic enterprise, The Astorian, fully awake to the exigencies of the occasion, has established a How-old-is-Ann department, which will cooperate with the county sanity commission. Afflicted persons are urged to place themselves in communication with this department.

Yesterday a young lady sent in the following letter:

'Astoria, Oct. 22.—Manager of How-old-is-Ann department—Why use more than one unknown quantity in determining the age of Ann? I believe this statement of the problem is about as concise as could possibly be made; don't you?

"Mary is 24.

"Ann was 12 when Mary was Ann's present age.

"Let X equal Ann's present age; then, also,

"X equals Mary's age when Ann was 12; therefore,

"X minus 12 equals 24 minus X.

"2X equals 36.

"X equals 18, or Ann's age.

"M. L. S."

Dr. Tuttle thinks there can be no doubt about Ann's age. In a letter to The Astorian's new department he says:

"Astoria, Oct. 22.—Manager of How-old-is-Ann Department—Don't seem to be any need for algebra, or one or two unknown quantities represented by X or D or Y; a little plain common sense applied to the proposition is all that we need. For instance: Mary and Ann have lived an equal number of years since the time Ann was half as old as Mary is now; those two equal number of years added together make up the difference between Ann's age then and Mary's age now. According to the statement of the problem Ann was then 12 years old and Mary is 24 years old now and the difference is therefore 12 years. Each have lived half of that difference— 6 years—since Ann was 12 years old, which makes Ann 18 years old. Seems to be plain enough in Astoria, however it may be in Portland. DR. JAY TUTTLE."

RECEPTION TO NEW PASTOR.

A reception was tendered Rev. W. S. Grim, the new pastor of the Methodist church, and Mrs. Grim, at the Methodist church on Exchange street last night. The church was beautifully decorated for the occasion. The address of welcome was delivered by Rev. L. J. Trumbull, of the Baptist church, followed by a literary and musical program, including solos by Miss Alice Wood and Miss Sue Elmore and a reading by Mark Wolfe. Short addresses were also delivered by Revs. Marcotte and Short. Following the exercises refreshments were served.

MURDEROUS JAP ARRESTED.

Sheriff Linville yesterday received a telegram from Sheriff Shaver, of Clackamas county, stating that he had arrested S. Hanoaka, a Japanese section hand formerly in the employ of the A. & C., who assaulted several other Jap section hands with a knife and robbed one of them, K. Tambura, of $20. Tambura was quite badly cut by Hanoaka, who will be returned to Astoria. Sheriff Linville left last night for Oregon City to take the man in custody.

MILLERS NATIONAL INSURANCE CO.

Secretary of State F. I. Dunbar has sent out notice to the effect that Millers' National Insurance Company has not made application to the state department to do business in the state. The secretary holds that any one purporting to represent the Millers' National Insurance Company is violating the insurance statutes of the state and that such person should be reported to the district attorney of the county in which the agent is operating.

WILL MEET THIS EVENING.

Remember the public meeting to be held at 8 o'clock this evening in the W. C. T. U. hall on Bond street for the purpose of organizing a manual training school and a reading room for young men. Let everyone interested in the work come out.

PARK COMMISSION MEETS TONIGHT

The Astoria park commission will meet at the city hall at 7:30 tonight, a call for the meeting having been issued yesterday by Mayor Supreanant. The meeting is to be held for the purpose of levying a tax for park purposes.

SAVES TWO FROM DEATH.

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ACRE QUESTION STILL UNSETTLED.

New York, Oct. 22.—The minister of foreign affairs and the Brazilian delegates appointed to solve the Acre question, among whom is Dr. Assis de Brasil, the Brazilian minister at Washington, has held a conference with the Bolivian delegates says a Herald dispatch from Rio Janeiro.

The principal points under consideration are whether the territory beyond the tenth degree shall become Brazilian territory, Brazil to pay Bolivia $5,000,000 and allow Bolivia the right to send Acre products to Brazilian ports on the Amazonas river. No settlement was reached, but it was decided to continue the modus vivendi which expired yesterday.

MURDERED BY LADRONES.

Manila, Oct. 22—The news has just been received here that a band of Ladrones surprised the town of Iriga in the Province of Ambos Camarines, Luzon and killed the wife and uncle of the presidente and three volunteers. Before retiring they captured nine guns. Ouofre, the leader of the Ladrones was killed. The presidente says he was betrayed by the municipal secretary.

WILL MAKE NO CHANGE.

St. Paul, Oct. 21.—Howard Elliott, who was yesterday elected president of the Northern Pacific, arrived here today from St. Louis. When asked if he expected to bring any Burlington men with him, Elliott replied that he did not as there were good men for all positions and he had decided to work the present officers and men.

ELDERS TO MEET AGAIN.

London, Oct. 22.—A dispatch to Reuters from Tokio saysc: It is believed another conference of the Elder statesmen will be convened probably tomorrow, when decisions having important bearings on the future course of events are expected. In the meanwhile precautionary preparations are progressing.

CALLING OUT RESERVES.

New York, Oct. 22.—Preliminary arrangements have been completed, says aMoscow dispatch to the Times, for the expedition calling out portions of the Russian infantry reserves. The men employed on the Russian railway system are alone exempt.

ELKINS CANNOT RECOVER.

Philadelphia, Oct. 22.—It was stated tonight, after a consultation of physicians attending William L. Elkins, the multi-millionaire of this city, who is seriously ill at his home, that there is little hope for his recovery.

DENVER FAILS TO MAKE GOOD.

Boston, Oct. 22—The cruiser Denver failed to make her contract speed of 17 knots an hour in the government trial today. The Denver averaged 16.28 knots.

WILL SUPPORT TAMMANY TICKET.

New York, Oct. 22.—The executive committee of the Kings county democratic county committee, which met today in Brooklyn, adopted the report of the harmony committee appointed at a recent meeting of the county committee and will give its unqualified support to the whole Tammany ticket.

The only dissenting vote cast was by Richard W. Bainbridge, chairman of the county committee.

LABORERS OPPOSE PROTECTION.

London, Oct. 22.—Representatives of the Miners' Federation of Great Britain had a conference in London today to consider Joseph Chamberlain's fiscal proposals, and has adopted a resolution to the effect that, in its opinion, any change in the fiscal policy of the country would be detrimental to its general interests.

WILL SEARCH FOR NORDENSKJOLD.

New York, Oct. 22.—The Antarctic expedition under Dr. Charcot, which is going in search of Dr. Nordenskjold, has arrived at Pernambuco, says a Herald dispatch from Rio Janeiro. The expedition will continue its voyage from there, no stop being made at Buenos Ayres.

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7:45 a m / 6:10 p m	For Portland and Way Points	11:30 a m / 10:30 p m
	SEASIDE DIVISION	
*8:15 a m / 11:35 a m / 5:50 p m	Astoria for Warenton, Flavel Fort Stevens, Hammond and Seaside	7:40 a m / 4:00 p m / *10:45 a m
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