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TO CONSOLIDATE COMPANIES

C., M. & St. P. Soon to be Un-
One Head--To Issue \$100,-
000,000 in Bonds.

The New York Times in authority for the statement that the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul companies of South Dakota, Montana, Idaho and Washington are soon to be consolidated under one corporate head, and that \$100,000,000 in bonds probably will be issued against this new line, known as the St. Paul Pacific Coast extension. It is not proposed, however, to issue any of these bonds in the near future, the purpose being to provide for future requirements of the system without calling upon the shareholders for any new subscriptions to the capital stock.

The bond issue says The Times, will not be against the old line of the St. Paul, but against the liner forming the extension. The merger of these lines is to be effected thru a corporation organized under the laws of Washington. Whether the new company will be a holding company to take over the stocks of the several state organizations, or whether the stock of the state organizations will be purchased by the Washington company is one of the points which remains to be settled.

The money for the St. Paul extension to the Pacific coast was raised in 1906 by an issue of \$66,000,000 preferred stock and \$33,000,000 common stock at par, payable in installments extending into next year. It is estimated that the Pacific Coast extension proper, with about 500 miles of branches, would cost \$75,000,000, and \$25,000,000 additional was supplied for the new line and for contingencies. In order to carry the work forward simultaneously in all the states through which the new lines passed companies bearing the name of the old St. Paul were organized in Montana, South Dakota, Idaho and Washington, all of the stock of these companies being owned by St. Paul railway. The Washington company's capital was fixed at \$3,000,000, and the capital of the other companies at other normal amounts, all of which will be increased, it is understood, in anticipation of the merger of all four in one company.

The proposed bond issue will run, it is understood, for fifty years. Nothing yet has been learned from official quarters regarding the rate of interest to be fixed on the new bonds, but the belief was advanced in the financial district that the rate would be 4 per. It is the purpose of the management to make the authorized amount of the bonds correspond with the actual cash cost of the new line, and it is possible that provision will also be made under the mortgage for bonds to be issued against branch lines to be constructed at a latter date.

The authorization of these bonds to an amount probably equal to the stock issue announced two years ago does not mean that new money is needed to complete these new lines to the Pacific coast, but new bond issue will enable the road, when desirable, to raise additional capital by the sale of a first mortgage bond on over 1,500 miles of railway. The construction of these new lines by corporations legally distinct from the old St. Paul has kept all this new road free from any lien under the older mortgage of the St. Paul.

Rev. Haynes, pastor of the M. E. church assisted by Rev. Van Orsdel, conducted a series of meetings in the school house this week, the services being largely attended and much interest shown. A number of converts for the church were gained. These are the first revival services ever held in Roundup marking the beginning of great things for this city spiritually. Rev. Van Orsdel goes to Musselshell today where he will conduct services this afternoon and evening. Rev. Hynes will preach Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 10 o'clock. All are cordially invited to attend these services.

Notice of Election.

A special meeting of school district number 55, of Fergus county, Montana, for the purpose of instruction and granting authority to the school trustees, to sell the old school house. The polls will be open between the hours of 2 o'clock and 6 of the afternoon of Saturday, January 16th, 1909.

J. M. Pyles,
Ed Marceyes,
F. Robinson,
Trustees.

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