

GOOD NEWS FOR SALT LAKE CITY.

Announcement That Union Pacific Will Build Here.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC ALSO.

Proposed Echo and Round-the-Lake Cut-off Are to be Constructed This Year—Railroad News.

Omaha, Neb., Jan. 9.—It was given out today in a semi-official way at the Union Pacific headquarters that the proposed cut-off from Echo, Utah, to Salt Lake will be built during the year. It is also stated that the Southern Pacific, which now has its terminus at Ogden, will also build a short line to Salt Lake around the southern end of the lake, thus cutting off nearly a hundred miles of the distance to the Pacific coast.

Several lines have been surveyed, but no definite action has been taken up to this time, owing to the extreme roughness of the country. The original line was run by the way of Ogden and the new cut-off contemplates a direct route to Salt Lake.

While the announcement that the cut-off will be built does not occasion any great amount of surprise among those who have been watching the trend of affairs, nevertheless it is good news.

If the Union Pacific has decided to build from Evanston to Salt Lake there will be several advantages to be derived. The choice, however, narrows down to two—Emigration canyon and Weber canyon. The fact that Engineer Berry has been investigating the former route during the past month would lead to the supposition that it will be chosen. Eighteen miles would be saved by the building of the cut-off, against the Ogden route, and the grades would be considerably reduced. Two tunnels would have to be made, one at Little Mountain, 1,400 feet, and the other at the summit of the Wasatch for 4,800 feet. The distance of the Emigration cut-off will be possibly 34 miles as far as the mouth of Emigration canyon, 12 Little Mountain tunnel, 3; Summit, 4; Kimball's; Covalville, 17; Summit at Chalk Creek, 25; Evanston, 18 miles. The maximum grade encountered is 2.4 at Summit where there will be a curvature of 10 degrees.

The other route leaves the line at Farmington and bears off to the north-west, striking the Weber canyon and coming out at Devil's Gate. The distance between Evanston and Farmington is 100 miles, and the proposed cut-off, including that between the distance between Evanston and Salt Lake, is 90 miles, to say nothing of the reduction of grades and curvature.

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STAGES TO GOLD FIELDS.

Three to be Put On to Connect With O. S. L.

Interest in the new Idaho gold fields in the Thunder Mountain district continues to grow and inquiries are coming in from all over the country. The special literature which has been ordered and approved by General Passenger Agent D. E. Burley is expected to arrive from the printer at an early date. In the meantime several enterprising individuals are working unofficial maps of the best way to get into the district.

That there is to be considerable competition among the promoters of rival stage lines is a fact which is being made manifest by the fact that several of the Short Line headquarters have been visiting the Short Line headquarters with the object of view of laying their plans before Mr. Burley.

Mr. Burley stated this morning that to date there would be at least three stage lines into the Thunder Mountain district, those definitely decided upon will be operated by Horace C. Lewis from Ketchum, Vogeler, and the line from Salmon City line, and a line through Mackay and Challie by Redicker and Anderson.

WAR TO THE KNIFE.

Gould Lines After the Bulk of Available Freight.

Denver, Colo., Jan. 10.—The Republic today says:

The freight situation in the trans-pacific territory is about to be rudely disturbed once more. The Gould line has announced its withdrawal from all participation in tariff agreements regarding Colorado and Utah.

With the Missouri Pacific out of the tariff agreement, the Gould line will drop one more with as much precipitancy as they did during December.

With the Rio Grande system in its control of Missouri Pacific management can continue its aggressive action successfully throughout Colorado and Utah. Whether the local freight association will be able to check this is questioned. It is considered that the Gould people to secure the bulk of the valuable traffic of the Rocky mountain region.

\$200,000,000 IN IMPROVEMENTS.

Pennsylvania Interests Have Decided Upon Huge Expenditure This Year.

Chicago, Jan. 10.—Improvements to be made on the Baltimore & Ohio system during the year will cost at least \$20,000,000. A large portion of this sum, according to a statement made today by the Record-Herald, is to be expended on the lines west of Pittsburgh to Chicago.

This large sum of money was determined upon after a careful inspection of the system by President Loe and staff, followed by a detailed estimate by the engineering and operating staffs of what the system needs to place it in perfect physical condition. Accordingly it is announced that President Loe's budget for the current year fixes the total sum for betterments to the system at the figure mentioned above.

Less than two years ago the Baltimore & Ohio management began the physical regeneration of the system by appropriating or determining to spend \$25,000,000 for betterments. At that time the sum was almost unprecedented in connection with road betterments for one year. Later it found that the work contemplated could not be done for the sum mentioned, and the appropriation was increased to \$40,000,000. Later another \$10,000,000 was raised by special bonds, bringing the total sum up to \$50,000,000. The acquisition of new lines and the consolidation of the system has made it advisable to appropriate an equal sum for improvements, bringing the grand total for the system within two years to \$100,000,000.

In considering the matter of improvements the Record-Herald assumes that the Pennsylvania management is back of the latest move of the Baltimore & Ohio system. The Pennsylvania's budget recently made up, contemplates an expenditure for betterments and new terminals of nearly \$100,000,000 so that

HEART DISEASE.

Ninety Per-Cent of It Really Caused From Poor Digestion.

Real organic heart trouble is incurable, but scarcely one case in a hundred is organic.

The action of the heart and stomach are both controlled by the same great nerves, the sympathetic and parasympathetic.



Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets contain U. S. P. pepsin, diphosphate from malt and other natural digestives which act only on the food, digesting it perfectly and preventing acidity, gases, and many disagreeable conditions which accompany a weak stomach.

When Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are used you may know you are not taking anything but pure food, and the natural digestive elements which every weak stomach lacks.

So widely known and popular have these tablets become that they are now in the United States, Canada and Great Britain.

The Pennsylvania Interests have in reality decided that a total of \$200,000,000 will put into good condition the two systems which comprise their main properties.

It is asserted that considerable portions of the sum recently determined upon for the Baltimore & Ohio will be spent on the Pittsburgh & Western, the most recent of the Baltimore & Ohio acquisitions. As a connecting line to the west, and an outlet to the lakes, the property is one of the most important of those under Baltimore & Ohio control. Grades and curves which have proved a menace to large transients will be eliminated, and the property will be given a thorough overhauling. As for the main line, the Baltimore & Ohio, it will be a "race track" from Chicago to Pittsburgh and New York when the improvements shall have been completed.

TALE OF A DOG.

Why Sport and Hi Dunn Looked Weary This Morning.

D. R. Gray, general agent for the Hartman line in this city, has a bull pup who grows in a community of interest smile and the name of "Sport." Until last night the bow-legged animal has slept in the office on the corner of East Third and Second South streets, or to be more correct, he has played tag with the typewriter and generally had a good time which has made "Sport" take rank among the bachelors.

Last night Hi Dunn, with the shorn locks and the gentle eye-took compassion on "Sport" and took him home to his room to sleep.

This morning Hi was a physical wreck. "Sport" curled up complacently near the radiator until Dunn attempted to go to sleep, and then the fun commenced. Dunn said that he did not sleep a wink all night. "Sport" looks as though he had had the nightmare also. Hi's emphatic pajamas are in rags, while "Sport" wears the tired look of one who has made a night of it.

Dunn says that he was just dreaming that he had been appointed president of the interstate commerce commission, when something landed across his Julius Caesar's nose. It was "Sport" and he came down on all four feet. Dunn apparently arose and, more in sorrow than in anger, smote the dog about the back with a stick. "Sport" immediately ran into outer darkness, as J. Galsworthy would say. "Sport" came up smiling with all his cunning, little ivory exposed to view, and proceeded to shake the perspiration from his station north of here on the Cody-Taloca line, that a number of grating rollers have stored their machinery there with the understanding that the road will be extended on to the coal field near Westcott, owned by Senator Clark of Montana. The line has been surveyed and it is understood that work will be commenced on the grade early in the spring. The distance from Cody to the coal fields is about 35 miles.

It is also reported that Col. Cody and his associates have a grant of 20,000 acres of land in the Big Horn basin which they will lose in another year unless they get water on it. It will cost upwards of \$1,000,000 to water the tract, but when the canals are constructed the land will be worth \$10 per acre. Without railroads, however, it is difficult to get farmers to settle in the basin country, and Cody and his associates are working to have a number of branches of the Burlington built, including the line to the coal fields, to tap the large agricultural section.

It is said that the coming year will witness great activity in the Big Horn basin country. The Burlington railroad, which owns thousands of acres of valuable coal lands there, is interested in the development of the country and will construct numerous branches that will open up sections now remote from the railroad.

The success attained by the several colonies of "Mormons" from Utah has been thoroughly advertised, and the coming spring promises to witness a big influx of farmers from the middle west as well as more "Mormons" from Utah.

R. G. W. Baggage Returns.

During the past year the baggage department of the Rio Grande Western at Salt Lake, depot, handled 162,372 pieces of baggage, or an increase of 16,589 over the total for 1900. 59,945 pieces were received and 51,427 were forwarded.

Ensign Thomas Injured.

San Diego, Cal., Jan. 9.—News has just reached here of a serious accident which happened to S. B. Thomas, an ensign on the United States flagship Kentucky at Hongkong. A wire rope fell and knocked him from the turret to the deck, injuring him internally. The ensign is a son of Capt. Thomas, of the battleship Oregon now stationed at Puget Sound.

Wreck of Vicksburg Express.

New Orleans, Jan. 9.—The Vicksburg express on the Mississippi Valley road, which left here at 7:19 this morning, collided with a freight train twelve miles from New Orleans. Henry Foster, negro fireman of the freight, was killed; Engineer Cunniff had his jaw broken; Engineer Baldwin and Fireman George Wasson, of the passenger train, and three negro brakemen were injured. None of the passengers were hurt.

SPICE AND RAIL.

Treasurer Hall of the P. L. & N. went north last night.

Everybody is talking about the good news from Omaha.

The Burlington is to build a branch from Billings to Great Falls, Mont.

Nobody begrudges Pocahontas her good fortune, and congratulations are now in order.

H. H. Partridge is reported to have purchased a large block of stock in the Erie.

"I guess they will not put Ogden on wheels and move it down as a suburb of Salt Lake," said a prominent railroad engineer this morning.

The stockholders of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad met today and took their usual adjournment for one week without transacting any business.

Adolph Lawshohn and Henry Buerger were yesterday added to the Colorado & Pacific directors, increasing the number of directors from eleven to thirteen.

It is to be concluded from that Denver Republican story about the Gould lines securing the freight in sight for Utah and Colorado points that the Union Pacific, Rock Island and Burlington will go away back and sit down and take their medicine?

IDAHO SNOWFALL BULLETIN.

Deposits of Snow Much Lighter Than The Average.

United States department of agriculture, Idaho section, climate and crop service.

During the early part of the fall there were several heavy falls of snow in the mountains and the first decade of December was productive of considerable snow on the higher mountains and in the foot-hills. Practically no snow fell during December after the 9th, and the weather continuing mild, much of the early snow disappeared by the first of January. The snowfall throughout Idaho was much below the average, except in the Salmon River country and in a few isolated sections in the extreme southeastern part of the state.

Although the snowfall is of the most value in furnishing irrigation water for mid-summer and the prospects are that the waterflood will be below the average, an estimate of the prospective waterflood will not be made until the close of January.

SNOW IN SNAKE RIVER WATER-SHED.

Colman—The snowfall is much less than the average.—Adam Sauer.

JUDGE DIEHL'S COURT.

B. F. Webber, a painter who often appears in the police court, pleaded guilty to drunkenness, but begged to be allowed to go to Farmington, where he had work. His request was granted.

Edith Williams, a colored woman, pleaded guilty to immorality and was fined \$10, in default of which she went to jail.

The testimony of Officer Barlow convicted Al Cullom of drunkenness. The prisoner said he was not drunk, but Barlow said he was forced to club him to arouse him. He was also tried for trespassing upon the property of the Leadville house. He was fined \$10.

STOLE HORSE AND BUGGY.

Stranger Imposes Upon West Jordan Citizens—Police After Him.

Last Tuesday morning a man giving his name as R. H. Howard, and claiming to be a painter, stole a horse and buggy belonging to H. M. Olson and A. C. McSparran. The outfit has been traced from West Jordan from which place it was stolen, to Murray but there all trace of it was lost.

Howard appeared at West Jordan on Tuesday and was engaged to paper the couple of rooms for McSparran. He borrowed a horse and buggy for the purpose of coming up town to purchase the paper.

Failing to return Tuesday night, an investigation was set on foot and it was soon ascertained in the minds of the owners of the rig that they had been played for "suckers," and that they had been dealing with a scoundrel. The outfit has not been seen since it was in Murray. The report that it was sold in Provo was found to be untrue. The police and sheriff have been notified of the theft.

The local photographers have been taking a week off on account of the fog.

Piles of Belgian paving blocks for the new roadways are being heaped up on Third South street from State street west.

Everett W. Pingree, nephew of the governor of Michigan, is a guest at the Kenyon hotel. He is out here on a mining trip.

Mr. Harold Eldridge will give a Song Recital at the Congregational Church, February 4, prior to his departure for Paris.

C. W. G. Lyon will be ordained deacon Sunday morning in St. Paul's Episcopal church, where Rev. C. C. Hunting, of Evanston, will present the candidate. Bishop Leonard preaches the sermon.

Rabbi Reynolds will speak tonight, in the Jewish synagogue on "A Few Meditations on the Questions of the Day." He leaves next Wednesday evening for Sacramento to get married.

The recent review of the Yale catalogue for the present academic year in the "News," has received complimentary notice from the Yale Alumni Weekly at New Haven.

The annual work of prayer has been generally observed in the city churches. The East Side Baptists had the work of prayer, the Trinity Episcopal church, and the First Congregationalists are giving but three evenings of the week. Each night has had its topic selected by a general committee in New York, and observed all over the country.

"The Family and Schools" for which special prayer will be offered.

PEOPLE WHO ARE PASSING

G. E. Beloit, representing a large manufacturing establishment in Holyoke, Mass., is a guest at the Knutsford. He says Holyoke is the greatest paper manufacturing center in the world, and its daily production is beyond ordinary belief. Everything is turned out there in the line of paper except newspapers. The entire water power of the Connecticut river has been utilized, and now steam has to be used to a large extent. The mills are equipped with machinery as clean as though they had been laundered, as government inspection of imported paper is severe. It is impossible to get dirty paper into the United States now, they are thoroughly cleaned and disinfected on the other side. Mr. Beloit says that the entire Connecticut valley from Northampton down is all threaded with trolley roads, and one can ride easily from Holyoke to Hartford or Waterbury.

G. W. Thompson, formerly night clerk at the Cullen, and now representing transportation and hotel companies connected with Santa Catalina Island, is a guest at the Cullen hotel on route west. He says the island is reached from San Diego by carrying 600 to 200 cars and pleasure seekers every day to the island, and that the coming season promises to be a particularly favorable one. The island continues to be remarkable, and Mr. Thompson tells of the exploit of the wife of Maj. Gen. Barrett of Los Angeles, who not long ago caught a sea bass weighing 416 pounds. He says the fish was so big that it carried a long pole over the railing and letting out, and when at last she did the great fish to the stern of her boat, she was nearly as "tuckered" as the fish was. There was considerable of a fun made over the catch. The game fish is the Tuna, and fishermen enjoy catching that fish very much. Mr. Thompson says Salt Lake people on the island quite often.

E. E. Whell has returned from a trip to St. Louis, and is at the Kenyon. He says the St. Louis fair management has agents in every country on the face of the earth after exhibits of every kind that promises to be of public interest. He says that while it does not entirely cover the ground contemplated, it has been compiled from such sources as the exigencies of the occasion permitted.

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BUREAU OF STATISTICS.

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Today's bank clearings amounted to \$363,172.92, as against \$338,755.97 for the same date last year.

There will be a meeting at the Eta club Monday evening at 8 o'clock of the Mine Association, for the purpose of electing a committee who will attend the meeting to be held in Denver January 15. The committee consists of W. S. McCormick and Col. E. F. Holmes.

The semi-annual report of Internal Revenue Collector for Utah, Idaho and Montana show an aggregate collection of \$29,632.42 as against \$41,539.96 for the corresponding period of 1900, although the war tax was reduced in numerous instances, and the revenues were reduced from 20 to 25 per cent in July last.

Mary McGrath has sold to Aaron Kewser property in Big Cottonwood for \$2,000.

Members of the old Salt Lake Rowing club are hoping that the Southern Pacific will come south of the lake as it is believed that when this is done the Salt Lake Rowing club will have a fine bathing resort to the Southern Pacific and that will mean a rehabilitation of the place and the re-establishment of the Rowing club. There are a number of rowers in the Salt Lake City, men who learned how to row at college, and this closing up of Garfield has been a sad disappointment to them. As soon as it is learned that something will be done with the lake, a meeting of the club will be called and a committee appointed to confer with the new powers that be with reference to giving back privileges to the club. There will be little trouble about raising money with which to buy boats.

WOOD RIVER.

Ketchum—The fall has been an average or a little less, the snowfall is usually heavy in January and February.—V. D. Swift.

Bellevue—We have had less than the average.—Miss Lottie Davis.

Soldier—The snow in the Snooky Mountains is at least four to six feet deep where it should be four to six. The ground is bare all over this prairie.—W. A. Sifers.

BOISE BASIN.

Atlanta—The snowfall has been less than the average.—C. M. Brown.

Idaho City—Lightest snowfall ever known in Boise Basin up to December 31.—W. S. Galbraith.

SALMON RIVER.

Salmon—We have had more than the average.—J. H. Jones.

No argument is needed when GRAPE-NUTS are served for breakfast. At Grocers.

OWYHEE MOUNTAINS.

Riddle—The depth of snow on Bull Run mountain near White Rock, Nev., is about 18 inches on December 24; in these mountains (Owyhees) the fall is at least 50 per cent below the average.—Frank W. Riddle.

Silver City—The snow is much below the average. There was considerable rain during the first week of December.—A. E. Farmer.

Sinker—The snowfall is less than ever known; prospects for water are very poor.—John Matthews.

COLUMBIA RIVER WATERSHED.

Bellgrove—The oldest settlers of this section have never seen December so pleasant and with so little snow.—J. A. Larsen.

Burke—The snowfall is less than the average and the weather exceedingly mild.—W. H. Smith.

Kingston—Much less snow and the tendency has been toward less snow for the past three years.—Laas S. Daly.

Kootenai—Less than the average.—A. Boyer.

Portland—No snow fell in the Kootenai valley during December, except slight flurries that disappeared about as quickly as it fell.—H. A. French.

Rathdrum—Scarcely any snow lay on the ground and scarcely any in the mountains.—W. P. Pomeroy.

St. Maries—About half the amount in previous years.—W. E. Smith.

Priest River—December was an exceptional month, very little snow and weather mild.—Frank E. Howard.

B. M. BLANDFORD, Section Director, Boise, Idaho, January 7, 1902.

CONFER WITH FARMERS.

Sugar Company Unable to Accord to Request of Provo Beet Raisers.

[Special to the "News."] Provo, Jan. 10.—Superintendent Gardiner, Agricultural Superintendent Geo. Austin, Assistant Agricultural Superintendent Heber Austin and Chief Clerk George A. Smith, representing the Utah Sugar company, met with a committee of the Farmers' Protective association today to consider the request made by the association for an increase of 25 cents per ton for sugar beets furnished to the factory this year and to consider other changes in the contract that the farmers desired.

The sugar company's committee explained that under the present condition it would be impossible to make an increase in the price. Giving as reasons, the high cost of the sugar trust and the low price of sugar, it being one dollar less per hundred weight this year than it was last. Moreover the company had seriously considered, before the meeting, the possibility of having been prepared, the necessity of reducing the price, and that some of the directors and stockholders were in favor of a reduction. But the price was maintained at \$4.75 per ton.

In regard to the pulp the farmers will be charged 40 cents per ton of 2,500 pounds if taken away during the operating season, otherwise the bonus of 500 pounds will be taken off.

The conference will be reported to the Farmers' association at a meeting this evening.

The sugar company's representatives say that at several points applications have been made for a considerable increase over last year's acreage.

TENTH WARD REUNION.

Enjoyable Affair Yesterday and This Evening.

The annual reunion of the people of the Tenth ward began yesterday at 4 p. m. with a banquet and program and will conclude with a ball tonight. At the banquet last evening, Professors Paul and Hinchey presided as toastmasters at different tables. The toast "Should Auld Acquaintance be Forgotten" was proposed by the Veterans B. J. Beer, and was most appropriately responded to by President Joseph E. Taylor and Elders C. W. Symons and Baxter. "Looking Backward" was given by James Standing and responded to by S. E. Baxter.

"Looking Forward" received a particularly felicitous treatment from Elder W. J. Sloan and Miss Alice Hillman; while the extemporaneous responses of J. R. Rogers, J. W. Sanders, W. C. W. and Misses Edith Spiers and Bertha Anderson, were happy and to the point.

The evening program was characterized by several unique features. Countess Keddington presided, by prayer, by the singing of the "Star Spangled Banner" thirteen very small girls in artistic tableaux, waved as many little flags. During the singing of "Columbia, the Gem of the Ocean," Miss Bertha Baxter, in tableau, represented the Goddess of Liberty.

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