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## Salmon Settlers MAKE PROPOSITION

## Bondholders Given Opportunity to Reconsider

## SETTLERS WANT AGREEMENT DOWN TO ACTUAL WATER DUTY

## Hope to Get Watters Strengthened Out Without Throwing Project Into Recessiveness

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Salmon River Settlers Association was held at the office of their attorney, A. M. Howes, yesterday. The purpose of the meeting was to consider or the question of further negotiations with the bondholders of the Salmon project regarding a settlement of all difficulties. The board, after considering the matter, decided to submit to the bondholders a new plan eliminated most of the objections raised by the meeting of settlers as to the old proposal; it's some plan of mutual co-operation between the bondholders and the settlers will be worked out. It is the intention of the bondholders to immediately commence a suit and endeavor to have the affairs of the project adjusted some way in a receiverhip proceeding. If a receiver is granted, the first duty of the court is to ask the court to require the receiver to make an additional water supply to the tract—same to be paid out of the funds yet due from the settlers on their contract, and if no additional water-supply cannot be secured, for the completion of the water-supply plan or cutting down the tract, the settlers will have a rebate on their contract price on account of the lessened value of his holdings. It is thought, though, that if the bondholders and settlers can get a mutually satisfactory arrangement, it will hasten the settlement of the project's difficulties and thus be of vast benefit to the settlers and to the county generally; and it is for this reason that the board decided to continue negotiations with the bondholders.

It is not the idea of the board that the plan now submitted by them is final in all respects. It is possible, of course, that some modifications will have to be made to meet the views of the bondholders. It is hoped, however, that in the mean time, the plan outlined will be agreed to by them. As soon as something mutually satisfactory is outlined, another meeting of the settlers will be held.

No meeting will be held next Saturday.

The following is a copy of the plan decided upon by the board:

Twin Falls, Idaho, Dec. 31, 1913.  
Mr. A. C. Robertson, exec.—Commonwealth Trust Co., Pittsburg, Pa.  
Dear Sir: After further consideration of the matter of an adjustment of the difference in the completion of the Salmon River project, the board of directors of the Salmon River Settlers Association comprising a very large percentage of the actual settlers on the Salmon tract, desire to say to you—an amended proposal, with a copy of our filing a plan of mutual co-operation by the holders of bonds and by the settlers and accordingly we propose the following:

The Salmon River aggregation has come down to an amount which can be reasonably and profitably generated from the supply of water now available; that for the purpose of arriving at the proper acreage it is believed that the said acreage as heretofore increased from time to time provided that there shall be shown to be an increased supply of water or for other reasons an increased acreage can be safely and profitably irrigated, determined by the judgment of the secretary of the interior of the United States based upon the duty of water as hereinbefore specified; that the duty of water on the whole of the grocery department of the store is being required for this purpose as two and one-half acres per acre foot but the same may be increased or modified providing that it can hereafter be shown that water can bear a greater duty. Much showing to be done to the satisfaction of the secretary of the interior, in whom shall be delegated the power of determining the acreage, water-supply available and water of water.

That no contract for water stock in the name of the Salmon River Company shall be valid without a written regulation, except with consent of the board of directors of said company, when in the control of settlers, or after judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction that the water will do no damage to the property of others or for other reasons than the interest of the interior determined that there had been an increase of water supply.

The said regulation shall be made as compact a form as is practicable, same to be determined by the bondholders of the Salmon River Company, the bondholders and the department of the state of Idaho and the department of the state of Oregon.

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## SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENT

Plans for Twin Falls School for the Second Semester.

The second semester of the Twin Falls school will open January 25. At that time, beginning classes will be organized in each of the buildings in the school, except the auditorium in the block west of room 2, Miss Pieron. The high school classes will be organized in room 2 at the Lincoln school. Pupils who are six years old and those who will be six years of age on March 1 will be received at that time.

It has been found necessary to transfer the fourth grade from the high school building with the exception of one section of fourth II children, who are to remain in the high school building. At least one teacher will be placed in the auditorium.

The room may be organized on a basis of forty pupils. The growth in the high school continues the enrollment in the auditorium of the settler will undoubtedly be increased. The enrollment in the entire school is now seventeen hundred forty.

On Friday evening of this week, Doctor Albert E. Winslow of Boston, Mass., will speak at the high school auditorium. His subject will be of interest to all those who are interested in educational problems. Many of those who were present at the lecture last year will remember Doctor Winslow, not only as a pleasing speaker, but as a man who has posted on the educational affairs of the country. The discussion this year will be free.

## MAKE HAPPY CHRISTMAS

Idaho Girls at Stanford Give Good Times to Five Children.

The San Francisco Chronicle of last week tells of a Christmas tree given by a party of young women at Stanford University to fifty small children of Mayfield who otherwise might have missed some of the holidays. Most of the girls were from home, but the others, who had volunteered for the little folks. They were brought to the Delta Delta Delta house where the affair was held, and the girls were treated to a Christmas-tree with many pretty gifts of toys, candy and a real live Stanford professor disguised as Santa Claus. There were about thirty girls in the affair, mostly from the Delta Delta Delta and Gamma Phi Beta. Among the Twin Falls and Miss Clare Hallmark of Boise, were Idaho girls. In the chronicle, written pictures of Miss Everly and another young woman were given as leaders in the event.

PHEPHS-ATHERTON

Well Known Young People of Bush Wed.

A very happy wedding occurred last Wednesday, December 31, 1913, at the home of Elviro Phelps, "north" of Peavly, when their daughter, Bertha, twin sister of Dr. A. C. Robertson, pronounced the magic words that made them husband and wife. The ceremony was followed by a fine dinner. Only near relatives were present. The bride and groom are most excellent-looking young people, and happy life with promises of a bright future. Mr. and Mrs. Atherton were in their home in Twin Falls, which was already ready to receive them.

The Times joins their many friends in wishing them a long and happy married life.

CHANGING SUIT DEPARTMENT

Idaho Department Store Making Extensive Improvements

The carpenters are busily engaged in the work making extensive improvements in the Idaho Department Store. The balcony at the rear of the store is being enlarged to cover the whole of the grocery department. The increased balcony will be used for the ladies' suit and cloak department and will be fitted up in ladies' style to make it attractive to the ladies. The placing of this department away from the present companion clothing department will not be much to popularize that already big department. Several innovations for the balcony have been planned by Manager Simonds.

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 2nd, 1913.  
Mr. C. M. Scott, Twin Falls Com. Club, Twin Falls, Idaho.  
Will you please send me at my address in St. Louis, with charges collect via Wells-Fargo Express, two boxes of your best Twin Falls tobacco. Wish to thank the good people of Twin Falls all kinds of prosperity during coming year.

(Signed) A. ROBERTSON.  
Asst. to President Mo. Pac. Ry.

## DIRECTORS REPLY TO CRITICISMS

## Opposition to Management Answered Decisively

## DIFFICULTIES OF PRESENT BOARD OUTLINED BRIEFLY.

Y. M. C. A. EXPERT WILL BE ENGAGED TO START MOVEMENT IN AUDITORIUM LAST EVENING.

Committee Appointed to Confer With School Board for the Use of Part of High School Auditorium for the Boys.

A large number of men and women of this city who are interested in the welfare of the boys of this city, yesterday, organized a committee to be known as the Y. M. C. A. Expert Committee to start movement in the auditorium last evening.

The chairman of the adjourned meeting was called to fill the position.

The discussion as to what was to be done in the auditorium was taken up by Dr. A. C. Robertson, Dr. James W. Graham, F. E. Chamberlain, and the pastor of the Presbyterian church.

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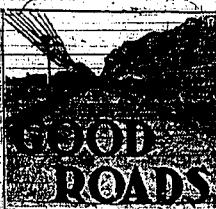
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## OLD CITY OF BRUGES

Ancient Capital of Flanders  
Quaint and Peaceful.Little-Belgium Town Has Not Yet  
Been Ruined by the Annual Stampede of Tourists, Although  
They Go There.

## GOOD ROADS ARE PROFTABLE

Loss to Farmers in This Country  
Traceable to Bad Thoroughfares  
is Inconceivable.

The subject of good roads is like the poor; it is always with us. Every season the topic recurs with painful insistence. Even in this enlightened age when "preventive genius" is doing everything that can be done to improve the conditions of the country, there are places where the roads are so seriously neglected that one can scarcely pass over them with a safe load.

The loss to the farmers in this country that can be traced directly to bad roads is almost inconceivable. It is not the purpose to try to compute this account here. The expense of hauling, the waste of time, in going for repairs or in doing other necessary errands are all increased by poor roads. These are conditions of economic importance but there is another side to the good road question that is of equal importance and that is the social effect.

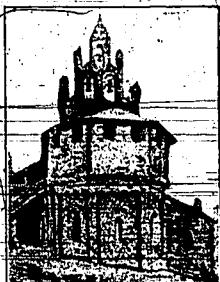
Two farms that are located on a well kept, well improved highway, always receive more visitors than those whose road connects it with the market town. The result is that the market town gains at the expense of the poor road. The time will come when people will say they are 20 minutes from town rather than two miles from town. With the change that are being made in the

Paris—Only a couple of hours from the busy town of Brussels, a half day from Paris, and less than twenty-four hours from the metropolis of the world one finds a town that still retains the flavor of the Middle Ages. It is really medieval, and here in the crowded little kingdom of Belgium it is possible to see the old Flemish towns on the banks of its quiet canals. For Bruges, the ancient capital of Flanders, with its quaint and peaceful scenes has not yet been ruined by the annual stampede of tourists. They go there, it is true, but the people of Bruges have not yet made their entertainment a business and one finds in Holland.

From The Hague we passed through a country brilliant to its spring greenness, past red-roofed Flemish villages and windmills, across fields of flowers, and at the spending time—how the red roofs flashed past us, and although a cold-spring rain was falling the quiet old Flemish country was fascinating.

No sooner had we left the railroad station and started walking up the quiet little street with its low-gabled buildings than the quiet of the old town that once shaped such great splendor settled on us. Few tourists were encountered, and the cart from the hotel rounding up the street soon became the only sign of life. Outside the town the only sign of life—Nestled over the center of the city we met clattering children in their wooden shoes and an occasional slowly lumbering milk cart, with its brightly varnished copper cans, drawn by two sturdy dogs.

A turn in the street brought us into the Grand Place, on one side of which towers the famous belfry over the city hall. The concierge from our hotel—who was conducting us,



Part of Belfry at Bruges.

Fine Example of Macadam Road, Well Maintained.

ads. in transportation changes will also be made in roads. This is liable to be an influence on the social life of the community that can be directly traced to those methods of highway improvement.

The home that is located on a well improving highway is always more attractive; it is worth more when put upon the real estate market and it is a more pleasant place to live because the social intercourse between the neighbors and the town—which must always be a social center, is more free. There is less isolation and this is what makes the family really a home. The farm home is well improved that is equipped as such homes may be now days, that is located on a highway which puts the town and town friends almost next door to you, leaves little to be desired.

There is still another point in connection with the good road, and that is the attractiveness of a well kept hard road bed. Who has not seen from the car window, a long smooth road reaching out into the country bounded all sides by green curtains of woods and fields, rolling over hills and through shaded valleys leading ever onward? Such a road exerts an influence that is unmistakable, calling the automobile enthusiast and the one who loves to be out of doors beckoning him to come out and speed over the hard, smooth, floor-like highway. On such a road every turn offers new enchantment. Every change of scene offers new blinding and adjustments of color and effect. Surely the well kept road is a thing of beauty and a joy forever.

Prevent Road Trouble. Careful use of a drag on a dirt road that is already in reasonably good condition will almost entirely prevent trouble from ruts, mud holes or dust and give good service at low cost.

Implement Does Much Good. The road drag is a simple implement, but when used at the proper time it does so much good that its results are unbelievable by those who are not acquainted with it.

Materials are Immortal. It does not matter if the road drag be made of a split log, a large bridge plank, or an old iron rail—either of these will do the good work.

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Indignant Woman Leaves Church. New York—A lecture on "Painted Women" by Rev. W. W. Miller drove one from the Baptist Temple in Brooklyn. He told of the women who "come painted and attired as nothing woman should" to "prostitute themselves to a woman on one of the front steps and said, "Pardon me, ma'am." The woman left the church.

Find Harbor of Pompeii. Naples—the exact site of the harbor of Pompeii, for which search has been made for centuries, has been discovered by Lorenzo Costa, the sculptor, who has continued the investigations of his father, now dead for years.

Would Leave This Husband. Washington—Alfred Marshall, a lame man, has filed a suit that he submit to the protection of a "good maid" under the family roof. Mrs. Ethel V. Lanson—Mrs. Alfred Lanson, an author, has sued for a divorce.



## CAUSE OF COLT DISTEMPER

Disease Affects Horses Only, Rarely  
Attacking Mules and Donkeys—  
How to Treat Animal.

The trouble, commonly called colt distemper, affects horses, and rarely mules and donkeys. It is such an infectious disease that nearly all horses contract the disease when colts and usually remains limbful to future exposures. The cause is a very small organism or germ which enters the animal's system when the colt comes in contact with another horse or when born and reared. In infected vessels the seat of the trouble is largely restricted to the respiratory organs, occasionally causing difficulty in breathing owing to swelling in region of throat or to accumulation in air passages.

The symptoms start out with more or less sluggishness. The animal acts listless, and does not care to take much exercise. A little watery discharge frequently appears from the eyes and about the same time a watery discharge from the nostril, which soon becomes thicker and moreropy in color. Usually the glands near the nose become swollen and undergo suppuration with a rupture of them and free discharge ensues. The temperature of the animal may be slightly or very greatly increased from 103 to 105 degrees.

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The pulsations may also be considerably quickened. When the condition does not occur this disease usually runs its course in a week, leaving the animal little the worse for having passed through the affliction.

The milder forms of this disease will need little or no treatment other than careful feeding and nursing. A laxative diet, with something greed, if possible, should be given. The colt should be placed in clean, airy, and comfortable quarters, but not in a draught. To banish the suppuration of the glands poultice of hot bran or laxeed may be applied to that region, and as soon as softening can be detected within, puncture the gland and allow the pus to escape. After the suppuration has ceased, apply a poultice of fine bran and water to the part.

## TIMELY HINTS OF SHEEPFOLD

Overfeeding Is No Advantage to Sheep  
and Is Loss to Feeder Must  
Have Plenty of Exercise.

When you are breeding sheep for mutton do not think too much of the fat. When you find the mutton sheep well adapted to your needs, breed the kind regardless of the wool question. Mutton specialists cannot afford to sacrifice the quality of his product for four pounds of wool.

The appetite of the sheep is something that needs watching. Feed only the amount they will eat at the time. Over feeding is no advantage to them and, of course, a loss to the feeder.

Sheep must have plenty of exercise or they will run down at a rapid rate. They must be kept strong on their legs.

If a larger proportion of our farms were stocked with improved sheep the hired help problem would be solved at once.

One man can grow a large flock of sheep and graze enough food to feed them in stock condition with very little labor.

No animal deteriorates so rapidly from neglect or shows so marked an improvement for good as a well-fed sheep.

To make these animals pay keep the best obtainable and give them the best care possible.

One trouble with the sheep business in this country is that it has not been made enough of a business—it has not been played with, so to speak and putting the rest off into things which seemed us more important.

When buying sheep as in those that are close-wooled, if the wool comes clear up to the eye so much the better.

Shop has many good points to recommend them as farm animals of value. They are prolific, the manner is very rich and evenly distributed over the soil surface and the wool and flesh will always command a good price in the market, not to mention other favorable qualities.

## SCOTLAND'S CAPITAL

Edinburgh Is Quiet City With a  
Stormy Past.Has a Reputation for Conviviality, but  
Is an Early Closing Town St.  
Giles, the Magnificent Old  
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esting Relics.

It is hard to believe that any city could quite live up to such a site as Edinburgh's, and the Scotch were not presumptuous to call their capital the "show-piece of the north." Something in Scotland is always interesting. Edinburgh, though lost, lost the benefit of England, from sinking into more provincialism. At the same time the city is one of singularly quiet ways, oddly in contrast with more stormy past. In spite of her reputation for conviviality, she is an early closing town; and there is little gaiety in the streets after half past ten o'clock, while her best-known and most fashionable restaurant, served a very indifferent meal for two shillings a piece.

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surprise than a Protestant church which is really a magnificent old cathedral. St. Giles, although not

so huge a structure as many English cathedrals, and less noble in outward aspect—than many other great churches—is a rich and glorious thing, within, where the tattooed battle flags of Scotland hang in the light of windows warm with the loveliness of stained glass. As to the British chapel, it is a little gem of wood-carving, and stands in a quiet, lonely glen. A broad stone arch over the entrance is the emblem of the Royal Scots, and under it is the inscription: "The King's Guard." The interior is filled with the choicest wood-carvings, and the windows are filled with stained glass.

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80 Acres south of Kimberly, will sell the whole \$8 with paid up water right for \$3000. This is a SNAKE RIVER. This is about 50 acres cleared, 10 acres in alfalfa, 10 acres fenced, small house, stable and other outbuildings. Terms: \$1000 cash and your own terms on the balance.

Remember I also sell the best INSURANCE ON THE MAINSET TO ALL HOARD COMPANIES AND WILL GUARANTEE THAT THE POLICIES ARE CORRECTLY WRITTEN AND THE POLICY IS IN FORCE AND WILL BE PAID UP YOU BURN WHIN' IN MINUTES AFTER YOU ASK ME FOR THE INSURANCE WHETHER THE POLICY HAS BEEN WRITTEN OR NOT.

**OUR MOTTO:** Never Quit 'till The Hearse Comes 'round

## Local and Personal

L. E. Smith, auditor for the Gem State lumber company, was at business visitor in Filer Friday.

William Bance, who has been spending several days in the city, returned Friday to his home in Filer.

Miss Daven, who is teaching in Twin Falls, spent the holidays at her home—Burley—Burley Biltmore.

Mrs. Foot of Twin Falls is spending the holiday season here with her sister, Mrs. S. G. Rich—Burley Biltmore.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Power were visitors in the county seat for several days of last week from their home in Artesian City.

James E. McEwen, who has been spending the past three weeks with his family at the W. Smith home, registered to South Dakota today.

Miss Sadie Diffendorfer returned Friday from Evanston, Wyoming, and is spending the winter with relatives during the holidays.

Mrs. A. N. Sprague, who has been spending the past two months with her parents in Nebraska, returned home Thursday of last week.

Attorney J. H. Wise returned Friday evening from Missouri, where he had been spending the holiday season visiting with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Burton returned Friday from Salt Lake City, Utah, where they had been visiting with relatives during the holiday season.

C. A. Terhune, one of the leading druggists of the thriving town of Burley, transacted business in the Magic City for a day the last of the week.

A. R. Ostrander of the Ostrander Furniture Company, is visiting with relatives in his old home in Filer. He expects to be gone about thirty days.

Mrs. A. I. McMahon and two daughters, left yesterday morning for their home in Shoshone after visiting out a week with Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Peirce.

Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Peirce took Christmas dinner with Mrs. Park's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Cryder on the farm near Twin Falls—Burley Biltmore.

Miss Burd Wall, the Misses Pitcairn and Ray Leto, who has been spending the holidays with their respective parents, left last Friday morning for the University of Moscow.

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James Port Jr., a business visitor in the city from his home in Oakley.

J. S. Tato of Hollister, in the city today looking after business affairs.

W. R. McMillan spent several days of last week in the country seat from his home in Rogerson.

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H. L. Mitchell and son of Jerome, were business visitors in the city for a day the middle of the week.

Fred S. Barnes, one of the leading business men of Wendell, is in the city today looking after business affairs.

Harry Denton, manager of the Klinecker Milling Company, transacted business in the county seat yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Hamilton entered a number of their friends Friday evening at seven o'clock almost simultaneously apportioned tables and a distinct air of courtesy among those waiting the guests who made the three-mile journey despite the inclement weather. The hot ride only added zest to the thrill of the plunge last Sunday, with no bad effects from the "slip." H. W. Walker found himself in the same predicament Saturday evening, but was devoted to auction bridge. The wife for whom she was won by Mr. Nixon and Mrs. W. S. Hill.

John Koehnke, the Democratic war horse of the west end of the tract, is in Twin Falls today looking after business matters.

T. M. Atkin, one of the patriarchs of the Rock Creek neighborhood, was in Twin Falls visitor the week.

On Tuesday, December 23, Justice L. J. Smith, his bride, marriage license, Talman and Alice Ann, both of Kimberly.

Mrs. E. C. Lavering and son returned yesterday evening from Caldwell, where they had been spending the holidays with relatives.

E. W. Tilley, one of the prosperous farmers of the Rock Creek neighborhood, was a business visitor in the county seat yesterday.

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## HERO IN A SKIFF BALKAN RAIL LINES

Cripple Rowed Through Gulf Storm to Save Ship.

Thomas A. Wells of Texas Town Padiles, Frail Canoe Eight Miles in Ragged Sea to Get Help for Rudderless Vessel.

Houston, Tex.—Thomas A. Wells of Palacios, the heroic cripple, who paddled his frail skiff through eight miles of raging sea to bring rescue to seven men who were on a rudderless boat, is visiting an aunt near Houston Heights.

The first statement Mr. Wells made was characteristic of the man. "It wasn't much," he said, when he was asked for an account of his perilous trip through an angry sea.

"I was scared," he said, "but I was saved from certain death because a little man no more than five feet high, walking on 'stretcher' legs, had launched a little skiff from the deck of the rudderless Mermaid in theraging Gulf of Mexico!

"It wasn't much" that he had calmly seated himself in that skiff, and coolly looked death in the face as he worked his way to safety and to help.

"I believed I could make this trip," he said. "Soon after launching the skiff I found the current was running east to sea, while the wind was blowing seawards. So, by turning my boat to catch all the breeze I could without shipping too much water, I managed to keep from drifting out into the gulf. I didn't get more than two or three gallons of water in the skiff until I struck the breakers just east of Port O'Connor. But when I finally got to land the boat was more than half full. The sea was choppy enough so that it was impossible to get there and back."

"I couldn't get anybody at Port O'Connor that night to go to the rescue of the men in the Mermaid. Finding I couldn't get help there, I telephoned to Palacios, finally getting in touch with Capt. William Satterfield, who came as soon as he could get his boat in readiness. C. M. Rhea and C. M. Dufour were on the Clairette, with Captain Satterfield. Their boat had a hard time riding the rough sea, but it finally reached the stranded Mermaid."

"The sea was so rough that the men could not be brought on board Captain Satterfield's boat except by ropes. A rope was thrown to them and they had to, one at a time, jump into the water and be pulled up the side of the Clairette."

"How about your skiff? Looks like you would have had an awful time keeping it from filling up," was ventured.

"It wasn't so hard when the big waves came at me," he explained. "When two of them came together, each from a different direction, it took a little hard to decide which one to look for first."

"You would have had a nice time swimming to shore in that sea if your boat had been swamped," was an observation of the interviewer.

"I can't swim," he replied, nonchalantly, as if that were merely an unimportant detail. "I had a life preserver. I could have kept afloat with it."

Certainly he could, and no one knew better than he where he would boat to, with the current going inexorably out to sea.

### HE FINDS LONG-LOST SISTER

The Woman Couldn't Talk English and Brother Was Called in by Accident.

Seattle, Wash.—Deputy Sheriff George H. Webber, escorting Mrs. Martha Johnson, who had been discharged in insanity proceedings, to her home near Tolt, picked at random a fellow passenger on the train to talk the Norwegian language to her, and later found that the stranger was Mrs. Johnson's long lost brother, Ole Rude of Norway, though the train had in another car found an honest looking young man who announced himself as being a Scandinavian. Webber introduced him to Mrs. Johnson, and the two began a conversation. Soon Mrs. Johnson became agitated, and her whole demeanor expressed great joy.

Rude turned around in his seat to the deputy. "This is my sister," he said. "I have not seen her for twelve years."

### MAN TRAVELS 311,000 MILES

Aged New Yorker Makes a Record—Another is Commuter Sixty-Two Years.

New York.—Frederick H. Smith of Newark, N. J., winner of a newspaper contest held by a local newspaper, probably holds the world record for continuous daily travel back and forth between Newark and New York. Mr. Smith has made the trip twice a week, Newark and New York, alone, twice a day, barring Sundays, holidays and vacations.

The distance record for five years goes to J. J. Marchey of Hartford, Conn., who has made 311,000 miles commuting between New York and Hartford, and the greatest mileage made in a single year is placed to the credit of W. L. Cox of Philadelphia, who made 65,325 miles, between his home city and New York, commencing from July 1, 1908, to July 1, 1909.

## LABOR CLASS GAINS

### Some Details of How New Roads Are Built.

Austria-Hungary, White Not Rich in Capital, When Compared to Some Other Countries, Will Finance Large Share of Work.

Vienna.—On the part of a high official of the Austria-Hungarian bank of the Greek state, presented in April, I received some detail about the building of a number of new railroads and the improvement of existing ones in the Balkan countries, especially so far as Austria-Hungary is involved. Although the quasi-monarchy is not rich in capital when compared to some other countries, she will yet undertake a considerable share of the work. This will last for five years and more, and the money to be invested will altogether amount to not less than \$600,000,000.

The money will be taken up in the shape of loans, and the loans will be floated in Paris, Vienna, Berlin and London. All the Balkan countries, including Bulgaria and Albania, will obtain such loans. Railroad construction will necessarily not begin until after the various loans have been obtained. Albania's new roads—the first that country will have—will connect with those of Greece and Servia, one line being from Monastir to Durazzo, another from Valona to Janina. If the projected Durazzo-Arta line is fully built by Austria-Hungary, which it is to do, the Balkans will have for years to come—other than the direct railroad connection between Vienna and Albania. The completion of the Trans-Balkan line, a Bulgarian work, which is to go so far as Dedeagach on the Aegean, and to connect with the Roumanian lines will also give Bulgaria a perfect railroad system.

Greece, above all, requires much capital for railroads, notably in her new territory. The Servian road enterprise will all be capitalized by France. Greece will for the first time

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London.—A good deal of attention is being paid to the training and effect of organized agricultural labor, upon which has affected this country in the last four years, and that threatens to continue for an indefinite period. The Daily Express finds ground for hope or pause in the circumstances of alleged circumstance, that as a result of the recent strike, many of the labor organizations are virtually bankrupt. Not one or two, but nearly all the societies of organized workers, it says, are suffering severely from the strain put on their resources by the strike, and the last few weeks.

The grand strike has only taken place. They have neither intimidated the employers nor broken the back of organized society, though they have done much to imperil that right to work which ought to be the less inalienable than the right to strike. But they have effectively bankrupted the General Federation, reducing its reserve fund to a meager sum, largely, it is said, hypothesized in other directions.

The Globe, pointing out another feature of the situation that has arisen through the strike, says: "A political, half-socialized, middle class has been born." "It is," it says, "eager to wax sentimental over the woes of the so-called working classes; and now that labor has secured a certain amount of political power, consequences are finding that to benefit from the ample coffers of the state upon the working man is a sure and safe road to the attainment and retention of office."

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