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## POWERS TAKE QUICK ACTION

### France and Spain Dispatch Battleships to Morocco As Precaution

## TROOPS TO BE LANDED

### Three Transports Are Now Being Prepared.

## WILL CARRY 2,500 MEN

### Six Hundred Horses Will Also Be Transported To Scene of Turbulent Strife.

Paris, Aug. 3.—The French and Spanish governments are acting in concert and with great promptness to meet the situation that has arisen in Morocco. A warship of each of these powers is now in the harbor of Casa Blanca and three French and one Spanish man-of-war are now on the way to Morocco. France has proposed to Spain the immediate landing of French and Spanish troops at Casa Blanca and in anticipation of a favorable reply has prepared three transports to convey 2500 men and six hundred horses to Morocco.

What further steps, if any, are contemplated has not been made public. The slight delay and embarrassment in meeting the situation is caused by the absence of Premier Clemenceau who is at Carlsbad taking the cure. An official communication issued today says action of the powers in Morocco is limited to that granted them under the Algerias convention.

Up to midnight no telegram had been received from Tangier reporting the arrival there of fresh news from Casa Blanca. A dispatch from Ogan, Algeria, reports the bank at Tangier has been pillaged and a British consular employe captured between Tangier and Elksar.

## BULLETIN.

Madrid, Aug. 2.—The government today announces in addition to the cruiser Infanta Isabella, the cruiser Don Alvaro de Bazan, now at Las Palmas, has been ordered to the Moroccan coast.

## GRANT DIVORCE BY DEFAULT

### No Resistance Was Made to Suit at Wallace.

Wallace, Idaho, Aug. 2.—A decree of divorce by default has been issued in the action of Obediah M. Gaut against Charlotte Gaut. The two were married in February, 1899, and action was based on desertion alleged to have taken place in October, 1906. Gaut used to be the lessee of the Wallace hotel there, and the filing of the suit caused considerable sensation.

Based on the grounds of failure to provide an action for divorce has been raised at the instance of Alice V. Schaeffer against Oscar Schaeffer. According to the complaint the two were married in June 1897, at Baker City, Oregon, and there are two minor children, George Logan Schaeffer and Edwin Clifford Schaeffer, to the union. Mrs. Schaeffer alleged in the complaint that she has been forced to earn her living by working as a domestic servant, and that she has had to depend on friends and relatives for support. She wants the custody of the children, divorce and general relief.

## WARRANTS FOR HORSE THIEVES

### Hallett Wants Glacken and Hile Arrested Again.

Ritzville, Wash., Aug. 2.—Edward Hallett caused warrants to be issued late this afternoon for William Glacken and Harvey Hile on the charge of stealing horses. These men were released on bail of \$1000 each on Saturday in cases under the same charges. Hallett lost his horses some two weeks ago, but was promised that the animals would be returned. Sheriff Gilson be on their track tonight or early in the morning. It is reported they are in the neighborhood of Odessa.

## SUMNER MAN PUTS ON STAGE LINE

### F. E. Wilson Will Carry Passengers Between Roseburg and Coos Bay—Other News.

(Times Special Service.)  
Sumner, Aug. 3.—F. E. Wilson arrived from Roseburg today, where he purchased a fine team of horses and a nice three-seated rig and new harness. He intends putting the rig on the road from here to Roseburg and carry passengers, making connection here with the launch Sumner and Curlew. He will make four days for the round trip, this including the best accommodations and comfort. He will leave here on his first trip Sunday morning. We wish you the best of luck, Fred.

Mr. Thomas Duncan, who has been driving stage on the Myrtle Point-Roseburg line, has resigned his position and is visiting Sumner friends for a few days. He will start for Portland in a few days, where he has a position awaiting him.

Milton Ollivant of Roseburg arrived here today with several passengers for Marshfield.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Watson of Coquille are visiting Mrs. Watson's sister, Mrs. L. G. Masters.

Lee Thomason and family of Cottage Grove passed through Sumner today on their way to Marshfield to visit Mr. Thomason's parents and other relatives.

## WILL EMPLOY BANK EXPERT

### Lewiston Council Finds Tax Question Is Complicated.

Lewiston, Idaho, Aug. 2.—An expert, familiar with banking laws and banking taxation, will probably be employed by the city council to untangle the knotty problem of equalizing the taxes of the banks, a question with which the city council, sitting as a board of equalization, has been wrestling for several weeks. What bothers the council are the loan offsets charged against stock and in some cases the loans exceed the amount allowed by United States banking laws. One of the bankers has retorted that such a question is not for the city council to settle, but rather one that concerns alone the comptroller of the currency. That the question is too deep for the council to settle without advice is agreed on, and they are now considering the advisability of employing an expert who will go over the books and ascertain just what is a just and fair equalization.

## WONDER AT HOLT'S ABSENCE

### Walla Walla Druggist Has Been Gone a Month.

Walla Walla, Wash., Aug. 2.—The family and friends of Charles Holt, a well known pharmacist who was employed in the Shelton drug store on East Alder street, are much concerned over his continued absence from home. He went away June 27, saying he had some business to transact in Spokane and would be absent for two or three days, since which time nothing has been heard from him. He has a wife and two small children living here, the ages of the latter being 6 and 13. So far as known, the domestic relations of Mr. and Mrs. Holt were of the most congenial nature, and his friends are at a loss to account for his strange and mysterious disappearance. Mr. Holt came here about a year ago from Walsburg, where he was employed as a pharmacist for 15 years.

## SURVEYING CLARKIA BRANCH

### C. M. & St. P. Will Build Branch Line From St. Maries.

Coeur D'Alene, Idaho, Aug. 2.—Arnold Hooper of Clarkia, Idaho, who was here today, said that the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad will construct a branch line to Clarkia from St. Maries. Already surveying crews are at work at Clarkia running preliminary surveys. Since the company owns the major portion of the timber lands in that locality, there will be little right of way to secure.

## WOMEN KILLED IN COLLISION

Jackson, Mich., Aug. 2.—A west-bound electric car struck an automobile containing five Jackson residents about three miles east of here tonight. Mrs. Levi Palmer, Mrs. Emily Pulver, and Bernice Oliver were killed. R. A. Oliver, who was driving, is probably fatally injured while his wife escaped with less serious injuries. From the fact that the brakes on the touring car were not set it is believed Oliver did not see the electric car.

## WHY NOT ONE AT COOS BAY

### Officials Will Look Over San Diego As Possible Coast Navy Yard.

## ADVANTAGES ARE CITED

### Pointed Out That Railroads Can Transport Coal to the Harbor If Necessary.

A special to the Portland Telegram from Washington, says: "It is probably that another naval station will be created upon the Pacific Coast, as the result of the forthcoming visit there of Admiral Capps, chief naval constructor of the Navy, and Admiral Cowles, chief of the equipment bureau. The former left Washington today for New York, where he will be joined by Admiral Cowles, and they will go together to the Pacific Coast to make a thorough inspection of the yards and stations on that Coast, and report upon the future needs of the Navy in that quarter."

"Admiral Holliday, chief of the bureau of yards and docks, will follow these two officers to San Francisco to make a very careful examination of the same, and also to the Mare Island Navy Yard and that at Bremerton. The resources of the two navy yards, which are the only ones on a 2000-mile stretch of shore land, are scarcely sufficient to make even temporary repairs and dockings that will be required by Admiral Evans' battleship fleet if it makes only a temporary visit to the Coast. Hence the inspection of these yards will probably result in recommendations to Congress at its approaching session for a considerable enlargement of the plans at both places."

"The difficulty of procuring skilled labor in these yards, and especially at Bremerton, will also be considered with a view to making the conditions more attractive to such labor, if by no other means than by assuring the men of continuous employment at good wages."

"But from a naval point of view of more interest is the proposition to establish a naval station at San Diego, Cal., which will be examined from all points of view by the visiting admirals. The harbor at this point possesses superior advantages as a naval anchorage. There are good railroad connections, assuring abundant coal supplies overland if water communication is cut off in war time, and the harbor can easily be made impregnable."

"The distance of San Diego southward from San Francisco and upon the same line with the projected Panama canal, would also make it an advantageous coaling point. Of course, the consent of Congress would be necessary to render effective its selection."

## DENVER HAS A "SLASHER JACK"

Denver, Aug. 2.—"Jack, the Slasher" was arrested in this city after he had slashed the dresses of nearly 30 women and girls on the streets. He was caught in the act and when searched had a keen knife and a number of bits of slashed dresses in his pockets. Gave the name of Peter Magoffin, occupation, laborer. Could not explain his actions.

## ELECTRIC LINE ON COOS BAY

### Major Kinney Will Build One From Plat B Waterfront To Empire.

## COMPRISES 3 MILES IN ALL

### \$41,000 Estimated As Cost of Road Ready for the Equipment—Pony Inlet Bridge.

A sudden activity is noticeable in the Plat B territory, recently annexed to North Bend. There are signs which are unfeeling, and promise added development in the country between Marshfield and North Bend proper. Teams are busy grading, workmen are arranging the Pony Inlet sawmill for operation, a logging crew is completing plans for landing the large quantities of timber in the Plat B properties which was felled last year, and there is a general air of rejuvenation.

Major Kinney was seen and asked respecting this sudden transformation.

He said: "I am building an electric railroad."

According to the Major, the electric line is to run from the waterfront on Plat B to the water front at Empire, both of which properties are owned by Major Kinney. The distance between the two points is exactly three miles, and the road is to be laid with 56-pound steel. The profiles of the route show no higher grade than six per cent anywhere in the distance. Major Kinney has the estimates for the work in his office and the cost of the three miles graded and ready for the equipment will be in the neighborhood of \$41,000, meaning the grading will be completed and ties and rails laid for that amount. The equipment is expected to cost about twenty thousand more. There is no stock or bonds connected with this road, and the Major says he will put it through without a cent of Coos Bay money. The road will run on Newpark street, the most direct route across the peninsula.

There are many other works connected with the railroad. There must be wharfage at both ends. There must be lumber from which to construct these wharves and buildings. Major Kinney will turn this lumber out at his Pony Inlet mill, which is scheduled to start next Monday. He has secured for superintendent of this mill, Mr. Childs, of North Bend, who is an able and competent millman. The mill will saw ties, heavy timbers for the wharf work, planking for the wharves, and bridge timbers for the thousand-foot bridge which will carry the road across Pony Inlet. This bridge will be twenty feet above the sea level.

The Major stated that he is securing first-class men for all the work he has in hand, as he has had past experience with ordinary workmen, which proved very costly. George Woodruff is in charge of the logging part of the work and has a crew busy getting the timber to the mill. J. D. Stewart has the contract for moving 40,000 yards of dirt and has five teams at work this week, and has several more to come next Monday. He has orders to push the grading as fast as possible and will put on all the teams he can secure. Mr. Stewart (Continued on Page Six.)

## WATERFRONT HIGHWAY ON COOS BAY

### That Wharfage Can Be Constructed Entire Distance Between North Bend and Marshfield Is Belief.

There is a desire on the part of the public to have the Front street extension which Marshfield is building connected with a water front highway that will allow teams and pedestrians to make the entire distance between the cities of North Bend and Marshfield without resorting to the county highway. The Marshfield work will soon be completed to within a few hundred feet of the ship yard, and this is about a third of the distance to North Bend. From the end of this work, there is a space of something like a thousand feet to the south border of Plat B.

The property where this interruption occurs belongs to several different parties, and it is planned to take the matter up with the owners and arrange for a plank roadway to span it. Major Kinney, who controls the Plat B waterfront, is going to build 3300 feet of wharfage at the harbor line in Plat B, and this will bring the north end of the highway to a point within 150 feet of Porter. From Porter there is an entrance to North Bend, and if the thousand feet at the state mill and the 150 feet at Porter could be provided for, there would be a water level route between the two cities for the entire distance. The Plat B improvement will be three-quarters of a mile long, and will be on the harbor line, thus giving loading facilities for those who care to take advantage of it. This matter of putting the work through is worthy of the attention of all citizens of both cities and beyond a doubt, the accomplishment will not be long delayed.

## ITALIAN ATTACKS HOSTLER

### Foreman at Starbuck Knocks Down Assailant With Club.

Starbuck, Wash., Aug. 2.—The day hostler at the roundhouse narrowly escaped being knifed by one of the Italian employes yesterday afternoon. The Italian was engaged in cleaning out the cinder pit and had instructed the hostler to stop at a particular spot over the pit. The hostler failed by a hair's breadth and the Italian rushed at him with an eight-inch knife. The hostler cried for help and Foreman Gus Anderson quickly arrived with a club, struck the assailant on the jaw, knocking him down, where he lay for 20 minutes. He was discharged from duty.

## FIRST TRAIN ON WEDNESDAY.

### Inland Road Rushing Work On Terminal.

Colefax, Wash., Aug. 2.—The Spokane & Inland railroad is rushing work on the terminal grounds here to have things in shape for handling business by Wednesday. A sidetrack has been put in at the depot grounds opposite the courthouse and an extra gang with a work train was busy all day Sunday surfacing and filling. A Y was also put in just below the fair grounds. The first train to be run from this point will be the Colefax excursion to Spokane Wednesday. About 100 tickets have already been sold and it is expected that fully as many more will be sold the morning of the excursion. Thursday the regular freight and passenger service will be inaugurated.

## HANGING FOR GIRL KILLER

### Chicago, Aug. 2.—Herman Bilik, convicted of the murder of Mary Vrzal by poison, was today sentenced to hang October 11.

## WEATHER FORECAST.

Western Oregon, generally fair, warmer south portion.  
Western Washington, generally fair.  
Eastern Oregon, eastern Washington, Idaho, thunderstorms and cooler.

meeting for a short time and said a committee of United States admirals were soon to visit the Pacific coast in search of some convenient and valuable place for the establishment of a military stronghold, and said that Coos Bay would not get the stronghold unless she asked for it. The meeting was enthused by his speech and the body immediately nominated and appointed him as a committee of one to learn when the committee will be in Oregon and if necessary, to see them in Portland if suitable communication could not be established otherwise.

## APPLE CULTURE AROUND COOS

### Chamber of Commerce Discusses the Possibilities of Different Varieties.

## THE GRAVENSTEIN FRUIT

### Claim Is Made That It Would Be Money Maker.

## BAY AS A MILITARY POINT

### Francis H. Clarke Addresses Meeting Regarding Government Selection of Stronghold.

Fruit raising got most of the attention at the Chamber of Commerce meeting last night. J. W. Snover gave an address upon the importance of the Gravenstein apples grown in Coos county and this started a discussion which lasted for more than half an hour. The address will appear in the Sunday Times.

Mr. Snover covered the theme well, and told of the great popularity of this variety of apple with the California buyers and consumers. It developed before the meeting was over that Mr. F. S. Dow of Marshfield has already purchased for this year, 10,000 boxes of Gravensteins for the California and Hawaiian market, and he said he would buy 400,000 boxes if they could be obtained. He urged the Chamber of Commerce to show the farmers the profits to be derived from production of this apple.

Before closing he said it was the only profitable apple grown in the county. That statement started the arguments and several speakers followed who mentioned the Coos River Beauty, the Spitzenberg, Northern Spy and one or two others, and demanded to know what was the matter with these varieties. Among the speakers who stood up for the other varieties of apples were Mr. Sacchi, and Mr. Geddes of Coos River. Mr. Geddes followed somebody who had told of the sad neglect which is accorded the Coos county apple orchards and suggested that the state has a fruit commission whose business it is to see that orchards are properly taken care of, and the Secretary was authorized to correspond with Mr. Parsons, of Grants Pass, commissioner for this district with a view of having him come here and inspect the orchards. However, there is nothing further to say of the orchards except that they are simply neglected and moss gathers on the trees, while pruning is a thing very seldom done. There are no pests in the county, yet many orchards produce indifferent fruit by reason of neglect as already stated.

At the opening, letters from Senator Fulton and Congressman Hawley were read. These were in reply to the resolution recently passed by the body and forwarded to these officials. Both letters were expressive of a desire to help Coos Bay in every way possible and Senator Fulton said he would visit the bay this fall. An invitation will be sent both men to visit the country and they will be asked to set a date for the occasion, when due preparations will be made for their reception and entertainment.

The several committees reported but there was nothing of moment other than that of Chairman Grimes of the hotel committee who said the hotel bonds were subscribed with the exception of two thousand dollars and he wanted that ready before the men who are to build the hotel reach here next week.

Mr. Spriggs of the Pacific Monthly spoke for a time and told of the good work that periodical is doing for the coast and Coos Bay. He wanted the Chamber of Commerce to use a page in the magazine. A committee was appointed to confer with the North Bend Chamber of Commerce and use advertising descriptive of Coos Bay, and thus apportion the expense between the two cities. North Bend has a contract running the remainder of the year and it is proposed to extend the same for six months, and use it in common.

Francis H. Clarke addressed the

## AS USUAL!



The innocent bystander gets the worst of it. —St. Louis Post-Dispatch.