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## \$12,000 BRICK STRUCTURE SURE

HENRY & CARR TO

BUILD THIS SPRING.

New Morgue, Undertaking Parlors and Show Floor to Be Included in New Brick Structure to Be Erected on Washington Avenue—Chapel to Be Included—Constant Attendant at the Morgue—Every Known Appliance to Be Provided, is the Plan.

Further evidence of La Grande's expansion and growth during the year 1909 comes with the announcement today that \$12,000 are to be expended by Henry & Carr, undertakers, on a plot of ground facing Washington avenue, adjoining the Blue Mountain Creamery building on the west.

The expenditure will be for the construction and equipment of an up-to-date morgue and undertaking parlors. According to plans now being drawn for immediate use, the structure will be a two-story brick, 40x110. The first floor will be occupied by the undertaking parlors, morgue and chapel, while the second floor is to be converted into living rooms for the attendant who will be in attendance day and night, and also for show floor for the undertaking department of the Henry & Carr store.

A Modern Building. Every facility known to modern undertaking will be provided for the new parlors. The structure will be sufficiently large to permit the construction on the first floor of a chapel where funeral services can be held, when desired. The equipment for the

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## SEND FLEET TO SEATTLE.

First Squadron of Pacific Fleet to Attend Fair Opening.

Washington, March 3.—The first squadron of the Pacific fleet has been ordered to proceed to Seattle for the opening of the A. Y. P. exposition. Senator Piles was notified to this effect today by the secretary, of the navy. The squadron is composed of eight armored cruisers and will remain there eight days. They may return later.

## GREAT THRONGS WELCOME JEFF

POLICE UNABLE TO HANDLE

THE ENORMOUS CROWD.

Arrival in New York of Former Champion Precipitates Such a Reception as Has Never Been Extended to a Prizefighter in History—Urge Ex-Champion to Re-enter Ring.

New York, March 3.—Jim Jeffries and wife, and Sam Berger, his sparring partner, arrived here today and were greeted at the Grand Central depot by a crowd so big the police were unable to handle it. While the fighter was passing between two solid walls of humanity formed by the police, admirers yelled themselves hoarse. All united in urging Jeffries to re-enter the ring and whip Jack Johnson. An immense crowd also greeted him when he arrived at the office of a theatrical agent, in an automobile. Again the police cleared the way for the former champion. He was given the greatest ovation ever received by a prizefighter.

## COLONISTS ARE COMING ALREADY

CONGESTION OF BAGGAGE AND EXPRESS THIS EARLY.

Fondest Hopes of Boosters Will Be Realized This Spring—Several From the Near Western States Pass Through City This Morning—Express Piled High in Pocatello—Two Extra Baggage Cars Required Today

The first big trainload of homeseekers to be attracted to Oregon by the famous spring colonist rates, reached La Grande this morning. The homeseekers were principally from southern Colorado and western Nebraska points. The principal destination in the crowd today was Portland.

At this early date the size of the excursion is extremely large and merely forewarns the booster clubs of Oregon that the greatest colonistic period in the history of Oregon's development, is now on. So great is the congestion of baggage at Pocatello that express matter had to be stored at the junction city until the baggage could be taken west. As all baggage has preference over express, the Short Line and O. R. & N. were forced to put on two extra baggage cars on No. 1 today, and left express at Pocatello. Trainmen look forward to strenuous work the coming two months.

That fond hopes held out by boosters are to be realized is already strikingly evident and Union county has work to do this and next month.

Will Welcome Inland Steamer. Lewiston, Idaho, March 3.—An elaborate program will accompany the arrival of the first Open River Association steamer at this city from Celilo on March 15. All the commercial organizations of northern Idaho will be present to organize a North Idaho League of Commercial clubs.

Nevada City Trembles. Nevada City, Cal., March 3.—An earthquake as severe as the one in Nevada county during the big quake, excited people here today. It lasted 10 seconds.

## BLACK HAND IN EVIDENCE AGAIN

ITALIAN TENEMENT HOUSE FIRED BY MURDERERS.

Ten Burned to Crisp and as Many More Writhing in Frightful Pain as the Result of Conflagration in New York—House Previously Flooded With Oil.

New York, March 3.—Ten Italians are dead, a half score more are writhing in hospitals from burns and broken limbs as the result of the latest toll exacted by the "Black Hand," which is charged with having fired a Seventh avenue tenement early today. When the flames died down, the charred corpses were found at the stairs landings. Three were burned beyond recognition and many were found kneeling in prayer.

All indications point to the fact that the five-story building, which was crowded with Italians, was flooded with oil from top to bottom. In the performance of their duty six policemen and 10 firemen were badly burned. Several firemen escaped death by jumping into life nets in the street. All told, 30 families occupied the tenement. Scores of small children were rescued.

## GIGANTIC PLAN NIPPED IN BUD

ROOSEVELT "STINGSE" HARRIMAN AT ELEVENTH HOUR.

Gigantic Scheme to Kill Electric Trolley Line Development in California and Nevada Frustrated by President Today—Adds Great Tract of Land to the Tahoe Forest Reserve—Harriman Had Options on All Power Sites in That Section.

Washington, March 3.—Following the discovery of what was believed to be a gigantic scheme of E. H. Harriman and allied interests to gain control of the electric power situation in northern California and Nevada by purchase of options on all available power sites in unappropriated lands, President Roosevelt today signed a proclamation adding 300,000 acres to the Tahoe forest reserve, dealing a staggering blow to Harriman. The president took action after a thorough investigation by government agents.

The proclamation was signed after a formal protest was made against it by Congressman Englebright of California, who has a bill in the house providing for the authority for creating new national forests in California, be taken from Roosevelt, and putting the power in congress alone.

Government agents learned that Harriman secured options on nearly every available electric power site in the affected district, and announced he was going to use the power to haul trains over the Truckee mountains.

New Crater Formed. Mexico City, March 3.—The formation of a new crater on Mount Colima by the eruption of rocks and lava from the volcano is reported in dispatches received today from Pidenia. The eruption was accompanied by several tremors.

SPECIAL SESSION LIKELY. Salem, March 3.—Indications are strong today that Governor Benson will issue a call for a special session of the legislature tomorrow to meet, probably, Friday and Saturday, March 12th and 13th.

## DRYS TAKE TO FILLIBUSTERING

MILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN TIMBERLAND AVAILABLE.

Law Makers at Olympia Put Off Final Vote on Local Option Law Another Day—Land Speculator Can Harvest Big Bounties in Timber Lands Hereafter.

Olympia, Wash., March 3.—The wets this morning were unable to muster the necessary two-thirds vote to sustain the rules of the house and pass the local option bill as they wanted it. The drys resisted on the ground that they had not time to digest the smaller amendments. McMaster said the drys would not make a further fight on the bill and that a plea for delay was made in good faith. It is rumored that Governor Hay will refuse to sign the option bill when it comes to him.

The house has killed Tenick's two bills designed to prevent the burning of shavings during the exposition. The object was to keep the sky clear. The senate killed Cotterill's bill providing for incorporation of statement No. 1 in the state election laws. It passed the new state capitol bill, throwing open millions of dollars' worth of state timber lands to the mercy of the big speculators.

## RAILROADS FOR ALASKA.

Contractor and Laborers Will Rush Construction This Summer.

Cordova, Alaska, March 5.—Active railroad construction in Alaska, was begun today, and is to continue with all possible speed the coming summer. The steamer Northwestern, carrying a contractor and a large force of men, arrived here yesterday. The city is gaily decorated in honor of the event.

There is a good deal of building activity in The Dalles.

## FOUR KILLED IN BUTTE DISASTER

PREMATURE EXPLOSIONS MANGLE MINERS HORRIBLY.

Four Miners Near Butte, Montana, Met Instant Death When Premature Explosion Jars Off Several Other Charges—Bodies Recovered by the Surface Workers.

Butte, Mont., March 3.—Four miners were killed in the Diamond mine of the Amalgamated company this morning. The miners were sinking a shaft and firing a blast just before quitting the night's work. They were in the act of lighting 20 holes when a fuse became tangled, setting off two prematurely. Four men were covered under piles of rock. The bodies have been recovered by surface men.

Explosions in Quick Succession. Ivo Hayne, realizing his companions were doomed, jumped into a cage and gave the signal to lift. Before the engineer started the cage, other explosions occurred. Hayne was found terribly mangled and is not expected to live. By the time surface men reached the bottom of the mine, explosions had occurred in the entire 20 holes.

BALDWIN'S WILL FILED.

Two Daughters Bequeathed Greater Portion of Large Estate.

Los Angeles, March 3.—The greater part of the \$25,000,000 estate of E. J. "Lucky" Baldwin, was bequeathed to his two daughters, Mrs. Clara Stocker of Berkeley, and Mrs. Anita McClughary, by a will filed in the probate court today.

The will practically cuts off the widow who resides in Oakland, leaving her an undivided one-third interest in the "Baldwin Annex" property in San Francisco, worth \$190,000. The property is mortgaged for \$140,000. Baldwin and his wife had not lived together lately.

## CAPITOL READY FOR THE EVENT

"FAIR AND COOLER" IS WEATHER PREDICTION.

Question of Weather Conditions is Serious One to Men of State Who Are Liable to Catch Cold in Disagreeable Conditions—Capital Filling Up With Strangers—Carnival Spirit Reigns in Nation's Chief City—Eighteen Governor There.

Last Day Strenuous. Washington, March 3.—President Roosevelt's last day in office was the most strenuous of his administration. Before 10 o'clock this morning the grounds of the White House were crowded and scores stormed the cabinet room. The president greeted them all, standing where he could shake hands.

Washington, D. C., March 3.—Washington is ready for the great inaugural celebration. Preparations are complete now and the only anxiety is over the weather. The weather prophet says it will be "fair and cooler." As officials of state must stand bareheaded regardless of weather, those who catch cold when they take their hats off are most concerned about the weather.

Within 24 hours all food and lodging prices have advanced 50 per cent. The carnival spirit is everywhere.

Eighteen governors who will participate, are either here or now en route.

Enormous Prices for Room. This is what it will cost a young man who wants to take his sweetheart to all the events: Ball tickets, \$10; supper, \$2; carriage, \$10; flowers, \$5. These are only the main events. The record price for a room was paid today by John Hays Hammond, the California mine expert, who gave \$700 for the use of a second story front room on Fifteenth and F streets, opposite the treasury building, for 24 hours.

His Last Schedule. The following is the schedule adhered to today by President Roosevelt: At 9:30, arrived at office and placed autograph on a great number of photographs; signed three appropriation bills; attended to other official business; at 10:30 received delegation of school boys from Menominee, Mich.; autographed photographs; 10:20, received chiefs of navy bureau, treasury and other departments; 11:40, attended to correspondence; still more photographs. At noon he received 100

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