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HARRIMAN IS AFTER A RECORD

Railroad Magnate Would Become Famed as Nimrod and All Around Sportsman

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., August 7.—Edward H. Harriman, railroad king and financial Titan, played a very poor third part today in a whirlwind attack on the sporting goods establishments of this city, led by his young sons, Averill and Roland. The quotation of Union Pacific in the New York exchange was a matter of small significance compared with the gigantic problem of finding particular green fish that is attractive to the fly in Klamath lake, or the replacing of tackle lost since last outing in Oregon. In big automobiles the boys dashed about Market street and visited first one store and then another. "We've got a lot of shopping to do," said the magnate. "We didn't bring any camping supplies with us from the east and we have to stock up today."

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., August 7.—Edward H. Harriman, the railroad king, is resting here today after a rapid transcontinental journey, preparatory to proceeding to his hunting lodge at Pelican Bay, Klamath lake, Oregon, with his two sons, Averill and Roland Harriman. He will leave for the north where he will be joined by Mrs. Harriman and his two daughters, who are now stopping at Del Monte Hotel, Monterey. During the month the magnate will spend on his northern preserves he expects to establish a record as a nimrod and all-around sportsman. Harriman said he did not advocate a general increase in all freight rates. As to the general topic of railroad legislation he said: "We have had a maximum of publicity and a minimum of legal and proper protection."

No Sale to Japanese. He denied that he has intentions of selling his Pacific Mail steamship line to the Japanese. Authoritative assurance was also given that the projected Sierra tunnel to shorten the route from Truckee to Sacramento will be commenced soon.

Will Use Electric Power. The report today that Harriman will use electric power on the Sierra division of the Southern Pacific railroad over the Truckee mountains has created considerable discussion among engineers who are familiar with the power sites of the mountains in that region and caused no little speculation on the outcome of the reported move. The proposed development of William V. Bourne's power and water supply property in Nevada county is taken to be the basis of the new scheme, but all parties concerned are silent as to the rumors of the use to which the new power is to be put.

Surveying Parties Busy. Bourne's holdings are on the Yuba river half way between the Southern Pacific and Western Pacific lines and it is pointed out by engineers that the power developed there cannot be sold in San Francisco as the cost of maintaining the line to this section is too heavy. That the power is not needed in the mines of the region which are already amply supplied is admitted. Surveying parties have been busy for some time laying out lines on the property. The company doing the work is known as "The Water and Power company of California."

MARRIAGE LICENSES. John W. Kelson and Etta Richardson.

WATCHMAN WORTMAN VOTES NO

Cast Lone Vote Against Appropriation for Better Fire Equipment in the City

Councilman Wortman cast a lonely vote at this morning's session of the city council, when the matter of increasing the fire apparatus in the city came up for action. Five of the councilmen voted in support of the appropriation. Before the measure was acted upon Councilman Wortman managed to beat the appropriation down from \$4900 to \$2000. "The watchdog of the city treasury" stated that there was not money enough to meet such bills and that he for one thought that the money should not be expended. As passed, the resolution provides for the establishing of three sub-fire stations in the city. One will be near the North school, one near the West school and one on the East Side of the city. The exact location of each sub-station will be decided upon later. There are to be 40-gallon chemical wagons ordered, one new hose cart and 1500 feet of 2 1/2-inch hose. The city will be better protected in the future than it ever has been in the past. The fire boys' committee recommend that the city be divided into districts and that cards be printed and attached to each telephone throughout the city so that there will be no difficulty in the future in locating a fire when reported by telephone. This recommendation was acted upon favorably by the council.

SENATOR'S SOLE IN JAIL FOR MURDER

LOS ANGELES, Cal., August 7.—After shooting and killing W. F. Beale, a wealthy rancher of Walnut Center, near Covina, Ollie O. Corley, son of a state senator of Oklahoma, is in jail today awaiting an investigation of the shooting and quarrels between the two men, in which Beale is said to have been the aggressor. According to Corley's statement, he and several others became arrayed against Beale last April, when the latter exhibited great cruelty to a horse. Since then Beale is alleged to have made several threats against Corley's life. Yesterday, while Corley was at work in a field, Beale ran across the roadway with an open knife in his hand and Corley, fearing he meant violence, fired, killing him instantly.

ASHLAND DELEGATES TO GOOD ROADS MEET

The following are to go to the Portland as delegates from the Ashland Commercial club to the Oregon State good roads conference to be held at the Portland Commercial club August 11: C. W. Root, Benton Bowers, George N. Kramer and F. M. DuBois. It is desired to have a large delegation from Ashland. A special railroad fare of one and one-third fares will be granted by the Southern Pacific railroad.

SAYS ARMS ARE FROM THE PHILIPPINES

PEKIN, August 7.—The viceroy of the province of Chili has notified the home government that he is in possession of positive evidence that the revolutionists in southern China are receiving arms and ammunition from the Philippine islands. The government has been asked to refer the matter to Washington for immediate action. The communication stated that the Japanese and the natives of the Philippines are in league to aid the revolutionists and are fitting out expeditions daily to the south coast of China, carrying arms and ammunition for the revolutionists. There is a likelihood that the matter may become the subject of a diplomatic controversy.

BID OF LOS ANGELES FIRM TAKEN UNDER ADVISEMENT

SPOKANE IS BADLY SHOCKED

The New Directoire Gown Displayed in Windows Shocks Modest Town

SPOKANE, Wash., August 7.—Spokane is today recovering from the sensation created yesterday afternoon by the spectacle of living models attired in new directoire gowns and pacing to and fro in a display window of a big downtown store. Perspiring policemen in squads of not less than a dozen were kept busy in preventing the excited crowds from breaking in the windows. Finally the mob became so big that someone turned in a riot call and more policemen arrived in a patrol wagon. Persons perched themselves in second story windows across the street, on hydrants, wagons and automobiles in their anxiety to get a glimpse. At length the proprietor of the store was compelled to withdraw the models and put in their place a placard announcing police interference.

FERNIE FIRE LOSSES APPROACH FIVE MILLION

TORONTO, Ont., August 7.—Conservative figures of the scene fix the total value of the property destroyed by the Fernie fire at \$4,650,000. J. L. Lindsay, president of the Crow's Nest Coal company, one of the heavy losers, is one of the business men who is authority for the statement that the losses will not exceed that figure. The fire burned an area 20 miles long and from two to 12 miles wide. In some places the fire is still burning, but all danger of it spreading has passed. However, Michel and Coal Creek are now beyond the reach of the flames. The losses that have been definitely fixed are: City of Fernie, \$2,000,000; Crow's Nest Coal company, \$1,000,000; Lumber companies, \$1,000,000; coal mines at Coal Creek, Fernie and Michel, \$250,000; Canadian Pacific railroad, \$250,000; Great Northern railroad, \$250,000.

BRITISH HAVING TROUBLE WITH AMERICAN MEAT TRUST

LONDON, August 7.—Agents of the British department of agriculture in a report made public today announced that they have unearthed a plan by which the American meat trust has all most succeeded in cornering the Smithfield market, the largest of the kind in the world. The report declares that meat at present is within a cent charged during the recent famine and declares that it will be no cheaper until some means is found for dealing effectively with the trust.

MORE REMAINS OF MURDERED BOY COME TO LIGHT

CHICAGO, August 7.—The arms and eight feet of Taffa Shishoin the Syrian boy who was murdered and cut in pieces last month, were found today in a clay hole a half mile from where the bear was found yesterday and a mile from where the torso was found the day before. No clue has been obtained yet as to the whereabouts of the boarder, who disappeared from the Shishoin home the same day that the lad dropped out of sight.

BID MAY BE REDUCED TO \$269,656.50

Council Rejects All Bids With the Exception of One Tendered by American Light and Water Company of Los Angeles.

Three hundred and one thousand, six hundred and fifty-six dollars and fifty cents. That's what it will cost to build the pipeline for the water gravity system if the lowest bid tendered by the city council is accepted as tendered by the American Light & Water company of Los Angeles, Cal. However, a number of the quotations were asked for comparative purposes only, so that the bid may be reduced by \$82,000, making the cost of the system \$269,656.50.

The bid of the American Light & Water company was taken under advisement by the city council this morning, and three other bids rejected, after a session of the special water committee which lasted into the late hours of last night and an hour's discussion this morning. About tomorrow at noon it will be known whether this bid will be accepted or not—whether the water committee with \$249,000 available will find a way to accept a \$270,000 bid or not—and until that time the bidder will simply be in suspense as to whether his bid will finally be accepted or not.

Four Companies Bid.

Last evening the Redwood Manufacturers' company, the Pacific Construction company, Jacobson-Bade company and the American Light & Water company submitted bids to the city council for the construction of the gravity water supply. The bids were opened, read and submitted to the water committee and the engineer for report. The council then adjourned to meet at 8 o'clock this morning to hear a report on the matter.

Three Rejected.

When the council convened this morning Chairman Merrick of the water committee moved that the bids of all the competitors with the exception of that of the American Water & Light company be rejected and the latter bid be taken under advisement. This was done the council adjourning after attending to some minor business.

Bids in Detail.

The bids were divided into four divisions—headworks, pipeline, reservoir and distribution—the latter, in addition to the distribution system at present installed. The bid on these by the companies were as follows: Redwood Manufacturers' company—\$1920, \$269,653, \$32,781, \$13,655.75; Pacific Construction company—\$2032.50, \$284,588, \$35,784, \$12,787.50; American Light & Water company—\$2013, \$255,605, \$31,192, \$12,458.50; Jacobson-Bade company—1542, \$280,953, \$28,703, \$12,673.50.

Looked at Site.

This morning the representative of the firm whose bid was taken under advisement, together with members of the committee and Assistant Engineer Cummings, looked over the different reservoir sites about the city. What decision they come to could not be determined. Less Bids Than Expected. The number of bids submitted were not so numerous as was expected, as many of the firms represented decided not to bid on the proposition. The rep-

CITY FACES WATER FAMINE

Farrar Reports to Council that Water in Bear Creek is Nearly Gone

Superintendent F. H. Farrar last evening notified the city council that the present visible supply of water in Bear creek so far fell short of the consumption that every indication pointed to the fact that within the next few days Medford will be facing a water famine similar to what has been experienced several previous summers. The melting snows, which feed Bear creek at its source are all gone, and the stream is rapidly drying up. During the last 48 hours the level above the dam has fallen very materially, and the water in the well in the power house is approaching the low point, which will necessitate a suspension of the pumping until it gradually fills up again. Last year a heavy rainfall in the mountains about this time was all that pulled the city through a similar situation. It is unlikely that the supply will cease entirely, but it will be so limited as to be practically nothing as far as the people are concerned. In the event of the pumping having to stop, Superintendent Farrar stated today it would be absolutely necessary to shut off all the water from the residence district in order to maintain any sort of fire protection.

NOTICE TO WATER CONSUMERS.

Owing to the scarcity of water supply, it is ordered that no city water be used for irrigation or sprinkling except between the hours of 7 and 8 o'clock a. m. and between 7 and 8 o'clock p. m. until otherwise ordered by the water committee. Violations of this order by any consumer will result in said consumer's supply being forthwith shut off.

LOS ANGELES MAN IS SECRETARY TO LEGATION

WASHINGTON, August 7.—Hugh S. Gibson of Los Angeles, just appointed secretary to the United States legation in Honduras, will leave Washington tomorrow to take up his new duties at Tegucigalpa, the Honduran capital. Gibson is the son of the late Frank Gibson, formerly cashier of the First National bank of Los Angeles. Gibson was recommended for his new appointment by Senator Flynt.

BONDSMEN GIVE UP LITTLEFIELD

RENNETT, Cal., August 7.—Frank Littlefield, ex-deputy constable, who shot Constable Tim Foley on May 16, was ordered over to the custody of Sheriff Montgomery of Shasta county today. Littlefield was under \$3000 bonds and this action was brought about by his bondsmen on account of his drinking and carousing.

DEVILIN ENTERTAINED BY P. & E. OFFICIALS

This morning T. C. Devlin, the recently of the Oregon Savings & Trust company of Portland, was taken in a special train over the lines of the Pacific & Eastern railroad. He was accompanied by officials Hafer and Reddy. The Oregon Savings & Trust company holds bonds of the railroad in an amount of \$100,000. Mr. Devlin came down from Portland to look over the proposition.

HIGH DIVER INJURED BY CROOKED FALL

John F. Mangios left this morning for San Francisco after badly injuring himself last evening while doing his high dive for the American Amusement company on the carnival grounds. He made a false move in starting and fell on his back. He was assisted from the tank and was much better this morning. His leap is 70 feet.

JAP PRESS IS FINALLY AWAKENED

Nipponese Make Their Criticisms of Hobson Very Artistically, According to Reports

WASHINGTON, August 7.—Advice received at the state department from Tokio state that the Japanese press has finally awakened to the war spurge recently made in this country by Representative Richmond Pearson Hobson. The Nipponese journalists have made their criticisms in very artistic fashion, according to the reports. The Japan Chronicle, for example, after calling attention to the fact that Hobson was once very friendly to the Japanese, dates the beginning of his present antipathy from the time when he lectured before the members of the Kobe Young Men's Christian association on the duty of loving one's enemies and his auditors all went to sleep during the progress of his address. "Can it be possible," queries the Japanese scribe, "that the estimable, honored gentleman should have become so unbecomingly so thoughtful as to become less behavior by Nippon's sons?"

HELD OFF THE POLICE FOR MANY HOURS

SAN FRANCISCO, August 7.—John Langham was arrested early today by a squad of policemen from the Harbor station, after he had held off the officers of the law for several hours in a barricaded room in the Italian quarter and then tried to kill himself with a revolver after the room was entered. Langham was hoistered and neighbors sent for the police to quiet him. When Policemen Holmes presented himself at the door he was met with a huge revolver in Langham's hand and told to go about his own business. He retreated for reinforcements, and when the squad arrived at the room he had barricaded it with furniture and called out: "Come in and get me."

BREAKS RECORD FOR CONTINUOUS DRUNKENNESS

LOS ANGELES, Cal., August 7.—Innocent was aroused here today by the astonishing declaration of Mrs. Horstene Cortial on the witness stand in her suit for divorce from Lewis P. Cortial, when she swore that her husband had been drunk for 22 years, the entire period of their matrimonial career. Mrs. Cortial further averred that her husband continually referred to her as a "cow," and when she tried to sober him up, he threw her through a window, cutting her neck. The much-nursed husband is contesting the suit, declaring the whole action to be a "mistake." Mrs. Cortial says he is frequently a victim of "delirium tremens."

Taft Takes Week Off for Vacation

NOT SPRINGFIELD, Va., August 7.—Judge Taft left here for a week-end trip to White Sulphur Springs with a party, expecting to make the 40-mile trip in a three-wheeled backboard. In the party were Mrs. Taft, General Clarence Edwards, chief of insular affairs, Concern Forbes, ex-governor of the Philippines, and Senator Bourne of Oregon. They left at 7:30 o'clock this morning and expect to arrive at White Sulphur Springs at 3 o'clock this afternoon. They will return Monday by train.

ORDER WAS ISSUED BY ROOSEVELT

Famous Brownsville Episode Breaks Out Again With Showing of Order by Corbin

WASHINGTON, August 7.—Lieutenant General Henry C. Corbin, retired, today gave out a hitherto unpublished dispatch from President Roosevelt ordering the dismissal of the negro troops at Brownsville, showing that order was direct from the president. The telegram is peremptory, in its wording and and leaves no doubt that the responsibility for the dismissal of the troops rests with Roosevelt. The order was given out for the purpose of relieving the secretary of war from criticism in connection with the case and with the intention of saving him from opposition by negroes. In giving out the dispatch, General Corbin said: "No man, be he black or white, in fairness, can place any responsibility on Taft."

EDITOR IN JAIL FOR FALSE PRETENSE

SAN JOSE, Cal., August 7.—Theodore Lowe of Berkeley, erstwhile editor of "Havoc," now extant, real estate promoter and manager of several public enterprises, is in jail here today awaiting trial on the charge of obtaining money under false pretenses. Lowe was brought here last night from Lake Tahoe, where he was arrested and chained to a tree for several hours by an Auburn constable, who took no chances with his prisoner. The alleged offense for which the editor was arrested dates three years back, when he was running the "Havoc." Louis King of this city, who is responsible for his arrest, says that Lowe borrowed money, giving a chattel mortgage on property that did not belong to him. He heard that the promoter had made considerable money and had him arrested.

DOG CATCHER GETS MORE THAN MAYOR

LOS ANGELES, Cal., August 7.—Mayor Harper of this city is being outdone by the dog catcher, who today received a check for \$1000 for his services in catching a dog that had been causing trouble in the city. The dog catcher, who is a well-known figure in the city, has been successful in catching many dogs that have been causing trouble in the city.