

# HILL TO BUILD THROUGH OREGON

WILL RUSH CONSTRUCTION OF OREGON TRUNK.

CALIFORNIA MAY BE GOAL

Empire-Builders Expected to Enter San Francisco—Harriman Doesn't Give In.

Portland, Or., Aug. 18.—All uncertainty as to the actual force behind the Oregon Trunk was removed when John F. Stevens made the announcement that he had acquired a controlling interest in the project, which is its execution, is to be financed by James J. Hill personally. It is regarded as the initial step by Hill in his invasion of Central Oregon and the eventual building of a railroad to San Francisco.

In speaking of the transaction, Mr. Stevens said: "I have acquired a controlling interest in the project, have all necessary financial arrangements completed and the road will



JOHN F. STEVENS.

be built as fast as it can be reasonably done with men and money. The matter is a personal one, and I have no objection to saying that J. J. Hill, as an individual, is financially interested to any extent necessary to carry the road through to successful completion."

J. P. O'Brien, general manager of the Harriman line, when informed of the purchase by Stevens of the Oregon Trunk, said: "There's plenty of room in the Deschutes canyon for two railroads, and I don't see who is going to stop them from building. We have a pretty positive opinion of what our rights are in the Deschutes country and we propose to maintain and protect them."

## PROBE ALASKA COAL LANDS

Hearings Soon in Seattle and Other Cities on Alleged Frauds.

Washington, Aug. 17.—Much interest is manifested here by interior department officials in reports from Denver that a hearing in Seattle, next month, will disclose proof of gigantic frauds in connection with coal lands in Alaska. They declined in the absence of Secretary Ballinger and General Land Commissioner Bennett to discuss the nature of the report.

It is learned that upwards of 700 entries on coal lands in Alaska, involving about 112,000 acres containing valuable veins, have been suspended by the department during the last three years. Estimating that these entries are worth at least \$2000 per acre on a basis of 1 cent per ton, these coal lands would be worth \$200,000,000.

Hearings will be held in other cities in the West in addition to Seattle, but just what ones was not disclosed.

## Gorgeous Shriners' Pageant.

Seattle Aug. 17.—In the most magnificent pageant ever seen in the west, 25,000 Masons from all parts of the Pacific Coast will parade the grounds of the A.-Y.-P. on Shriners' day, Wednesday, August 25. Over a half-million dollars worth of costumes alone will be used in the procession. Camels, elephants and a whole menagerie of animals of various kinds will be used in the parade.

## College Presidents Meet in Portland.

Portland, Or., Aug. 18.—Agricultural college presidents of nearly every state in the Union are on hand in Portland today, on the occasion of the 14th annual meeting of the American Association of Farmers' Institute Workers.

## Millionaire Must Serve Sentence.

San Rafael, Cal., Aug. 18.—Millionaire William B. Bradbury, sentenced to serve a term in San Quentin for perjury, must remain in the Marin County jail until the termination of a 30 days' reprieve granted him recently by Governor Gillett.

## Get Together

and stand together is the keynote of Forrest Crissey's second article on the farmer in his fight against dishonest commission merchants. Don't miss it.

Then read "Happiness"—one of the prettiest boy and girl stories ever published. All in the

SEPTEMBER EVERYBODY'S

### SHORT NEWS NOTES.

The attendance at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition during the past week broke all local records for a like period.

Prominent financiers and business men of New York are preparing to launch a majority boom for J. Pierpont Morgan to oppose Tammany Hall.

A severe earthquake occurred in Central Japan Saturday afternoon. Railroad communication was interrupted, many were injured, and it is feared many people were killed.

Harry K. Thax was returned to Mattewan Wednesday, Justice Mills having signed the formal order committing him to that institution.

With the election of officers, the selection of Pueblo, Colo., as the next meeting place, the passage of resolutions commending both the efforts of Pinchot and Newell in the forestry and reclamation bureaus, the 17th National Irrigation Congress came to an adjournment at Spokane Friday.

The annual congress of the American Prison Association began in Seattle Saturday night with 200 delegates present, among them some of the most distinguished advocates of prison reform in the United States, Canada and Cuba.

Ascertaining after eight years of married life that his wife was a negro, Alfred Haberman, of Columbus, O., shot her and himself, both being fatally injured.

A reunion of veteran soldiers of the northwest, to take place in Spokane in the summer of 1910, is being planned by Grand Army men of Spokane.

Wool importations into the United States in the last fiscal year amounted to 266,509,000 pounds, the largest recorded during any year except 1905.

With the change of management of the Salt Lake Herald, the Democrats lose their only daily paper.

Almost the entire town of Milton, Del., was destroyed by fire last week. Mrs. Parkhurst, the great English suffragette leader, will make a trip to the United States to deliver a series of addresses.

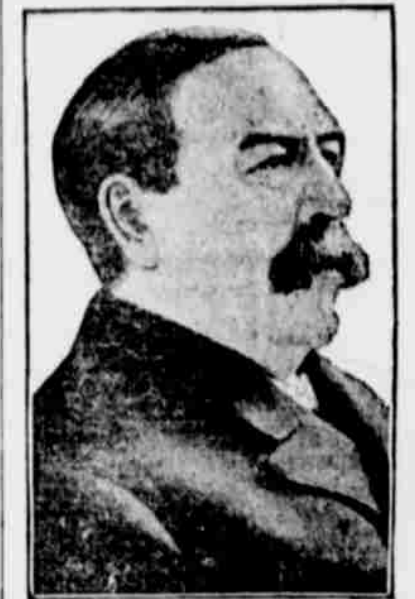
Frederick Van Dusen has arrived from the American lodge of Masons of England bearing a Jewel to President Taft, in celebration of the fact that he has been elected an honorary member of that lodge.

Strikers in Sweden are resorting to the use of dynamite.

Dispatches from Persia say that, despite his protests, Ahmed Ali Mirza, the 11-year-old Shah of Persia, will be officially married soon and that his household is now being arranged.

Congress may be asked next winter to provide for two 30,000-ton battleships each with 12 14-inch guns, and each costing \$12,000,000.

Three lives were lost, many persons were injured, houses were set on fire by lightning and crops were damaged heavily Saturday in the severest storm that has swept Chicago for months.



SAMUEL H. VAN SANT.

Former governor of Minnesota, who was elected commander-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic at the convention held in Salt Lake City last week.

## Is Britain Losing Grip?

Chautauque, N. Y., Aug. 18.—The British Empire in momentary danger of destruction at the hands of Germany and ready, merely for the asking, to accept the dominance of the United States and see the empire's real seat of authority transferred to Washington is, according to Col. S. S. McClure, editor of McClure's Magazine, the situation which is now confronting the country's statesmen.

## \$35,000 Gems Stolen.

Los Angeles, Aug. 17.—A pearl necklace, valued at \$35,000, belonging to Mrs. E. Tobias Earl, wife of the publisher of the Los Angeles Express, is now being sought by detectives and offers of a large reward are being circulated in an effort to recover the valuable gems.

## Build Railroad to Portland.

The Dalles—Johnson Porter, of Porter Bros., contractors and owners of record of the Oregon Trunk Line, which is making a spectacular contest against the Harriman system for control of the Deschutes canyon in central Oregon, has practically admitted that his road would be extended to Portland from this city.

Mr. Porter denied that Porter Bros. are "bluffing," and declared that unlimited capital is back of them.

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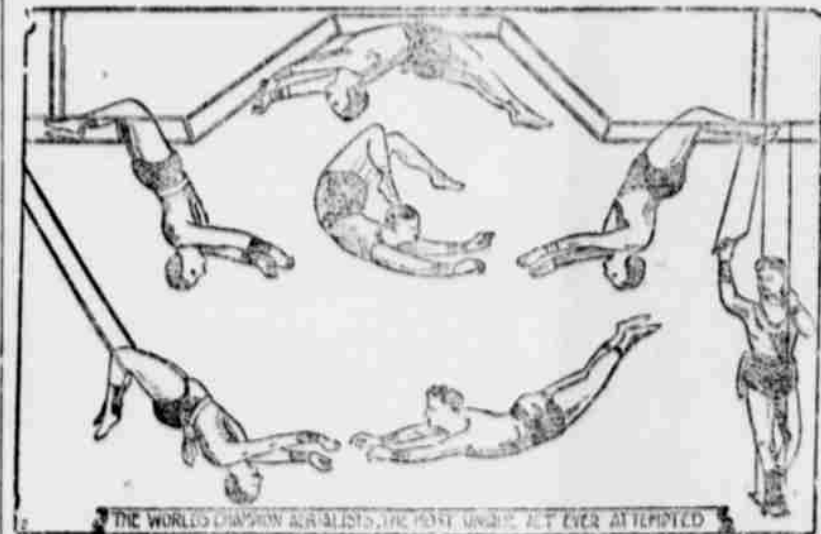
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## GOV. HAY SENDS MESSAGE

Urges Ratification of Proposed Income Tax Amendment.

Olympia, Wash., Aug. 18.—In his message to the legislature, Gov. Hay advocates the passage of a direct primary law to apply to the filling of vacancies in congress. He also recommends the ratification of the proposed income tax amendment of the United States.

Speaking of lobbyists, Gov. Hay says:

"Obnoxious influence such as this should no longer be tolerated, and I especially recommend that you enact a law placing a check upon these people, providing that when a paid lobbyist shall come to the capitol he shall first be compelled to register with the secretary of state and shall file a statement with him showing by whom he is employed, with a brief description of the legislation in which he is interested; that within 30 days after the legislature adjourns he shall file a sworn statement with the secretary of state, showing to detail all expenses paid or incurred, procured directly or indirectly in connection with the legislation pending at the late session." The house has decided to shut the supreme court investigating committee behind closed doors during its deliberations.

## Weston to Repeat His Walk.

New York, Aug. 18.—Edward Payson Weston, 70 years old, who recently walked from New York to San Francisco, a distance of 2,895 miles, in 105 days, has just returned to New York and announces that next Spring, when he will be 71 years old, he will start again to walk to the Pacific Coast.

## DECIDES ON SUTTON CASE

Court of Inquiry Keeps Its Findings Secret.

Annapolis, Md., Aug. 17.—The Sutton court of inquiry closed yesterday after two secret sessions, during which the testimony relative to the death of Lieut. Sutton was gone over thoroughly. What the findings are the members of the court refused to say, as they will be reviewed by the navy department at Washington before being made public.

The consensus of opinion in naval circles is that it will be found that Sutton died by his own hand, and by accident, and that he shot himself while trying to shoot another. It is also thought that all of the officers who have appeared in the case will be exonerated.

## Ten Persons Killed in Train Crash.

Colorado Springs, Colo., Aug. 15.—Ten persons are dead and others are expected to die, between 40 and 50 are injured, as the result of a head-on collision between two Denver & Rio Grand trains, 13 miles north of this city, Saturday morning.

## Many Settlers for Montana.

Billings, Mont., Aug. 17.—Reports received at the headquarters of the Dry Farming Congress, which will hold its fourth session in this city October 26-28 next, indicate that about 5000 homestead entries have been filed in Montana during the first six months of 1909.

## Spanish Rebels Shot.

Paris, Aug. 16.—Advices from Carbers, near the Spanish frontier, say that 25 persons were shot in the Montjuich fortress at Barcelona for their participation in the revolt. Five vendarmes were killed in a fight with revolutionaries.

## Highest Point in History Reached.

New York, Aug. 16.—Union Pacific stocks made a new high record in the market when the top figure of 219 was reached today.

## THE MARKETS

Portland

Wheat—New crop, track prices: Club, \$20; bluestem, \$16; red Kusan, \$10.

Barley—New Crop, \$27 per ton.

Cats—Spot, \$28@28.50 per ton.

Hay—Timothy, Williams Valley, fancy, \$15@18; do ordinary, \$15; Eastern Oregon, mixed, \$12@14; do fancy, \$17@18; alfalfa, \$14; clover, \$13.

Butter—Extra, 21@22; fancy, 28@31; store, 19@21c.

Eggs—Choice, 27@28c.

Hops—1909 contract, 21@22c per lb; 1908 crop, 18c; 1907 crop, 15c.

Wool—Eastern Oregon, 18@20c per pound; Valley, medium, 21@23c.

McHarr—23c

Seattle.

Wheat—Bluestem, nominal.

Oats—New, \$28@30 per ton.

Barley—New, \$28 per ton.

Hay—Eastern Washington timothy, \$21 per ton; Puget Sound, hay, \$15 per ton; wheat hay, \$12@17 per ton; alfalfa, \$10@11 per ton.

Butter—Washington creamery, 32c ranch, 25@26c.

# ARMED PIRATES RAID FISH TRAPS

STEAL ABOUT \$10,000 WORTH OF SOCKEYES.

## THIEVES ARE CANADIANS

Cannerymen Offer Large Rewards and Pinkerton Detectives Are Employed.

Bellingham, Wash., Aug. 18.—A band of 40 armed Fraser river fishermen on board eight gasoline fishing boats swooped down on the Milligan and and fished traps of the Pacific American Fisheries Company at Point Roberts, within a few miles of the international boundary line, held up the trap watchmen at the point of rifles, and hauled out about \$10,000 worth of sockeye salmon, which they loaded into their boats and took back across the boundary line.

The Pacific American Fisheries Company will hire Pinkerton detectives to guard their traps on Puget Sound and has posted a standing reward of \$1000 for news of the identity of any pirate caught looting a trap. A plan to patrol the border is now being discussed by the cannerymen.

The raid was carefully premeditated, according to the report which reached this city, as a fish buyer was aboard one of the pirate launches. The number of salmon stolen was between 40,000 and 50,000. This raid is the biggest act of fish piracy ever reported on Puget Sound.

## Harriman to Rule Vanderbilt Lines.

New York, Aug. 17.—The elimination of the Vanderbilts from New York Central lines and the complete ascendancy of E. H. Harriman in the control of more than 12,000 miles of railroad comprised in that system is declared to be the next important move in the railway world. The acquisition of the New York Central by Mr. Harriman will give him a second transcontinental route and place in him power to make and to control rates of transportation which was not dreamed of a few years ago.

## METHOD OF ENTRY TOLO

Judge Witten Issues Directions for Winners.

Spokane, Aug. 16.—Judge James Witten has made an official statement as to the manner of making entry on Indian reservation lands.

All persons to whom notices have been assigned, which entitle them to make entry of Coeur d'Alene, Flathead or Spokane reservations, will be notified of the date when they must make their filings next spring, and they will be furnished with a map showing all allotted and reserved lands and the classification and appraisement of each tract subject to entry.

When selections begin, next April a copy of this map will be posted in the land office, the tracts being checked off as fast as chosen. When an applicant's name is called, loss but himself and one friend or advisor shall be permitted to enter the room or to inspect the official map until his choice is made. All persons holding notices that numbers have been assigned them may go on the reserve to inspect the land at any time; but they are assured that they may rely with reasonable safety on the government commission's report as to the nature of the land, and are not necessarily required to examine it themselves.

## Will Enlarge Prison.

Seattle, Aug. 17.—R. V. Ladewig, superintendent of United States prisons, in an interview here poetically stated that one of the three big government prisons provided for by a recent act of congress will be situated on McNeill's Island in Puget Sound, near Tacoma, and where there is now a federal prison far too small for the needs of the government.

## Think Child Kidnaped.

Portland, Or., Aug. 18.—Police of three cities are searching for little 5-year-old Mildred Waldorf, of Astoria, Or., who left her home more than a month ago for Idaho. The mother of the child entrusted her to the care of H. E. Hallock, who had been instructed to take her to the home of her grandmother in Boise, Idaho. Nothing has been heard of the pair since they left Astoria.

## Bryan Day at A.-Y.-P. Fair.

Seattle, Aug. 18.—Wm. J. Bryan, having announced his intention of visiting the exposition during the closing week, exercises may be arranged for the celebration of Bryan day, with excursions all over the Northwest.

## Train Orders Banged.

Spokane, Aug. 9.—That the terrible collision of electric trains at LaCrosse July 21, which cost 15 lives, was caused by a special train leaving the station in violation of the rules of the company, was testified by Superintendent B. C. Bowdish, of the Spokane & Inland railway, at the coroner's inquest at Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.

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