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A NEW STATEMENT

With Reference to Condition of Affairs in Armenia.

STATEMENT OF THE PORTE

Official Utterances of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions—Turkey Trying to Assume Authority Over Foreigners' Mail.

BOSTON, January 1.—The following statement with reference to the condition of affairs in eight districts of Armenia in which Christian missionaries are stationed was to-day issued by the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions:

"Official letters sent recently from the rooms of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, containing accounts relating to the European-Turkish missions, were opened by the Turkish officials. The letters were subsequently delivered, but with the Turkish word 'examined' written on the envelope. This indicated that the Turkish government is attempting to assume all authority over the mail of foreigners.

"When the reports of the massacre of Christians in the Sassoun district of Eastern Turkey became public after more than two months of suppression on the part of the Turkish officials, the Ottoman government was alarmed at widespread publications in the American and English press. Under pressure from foreign powers the Sultan agreed to send a commissioner to investigate and report upon the outrages. In view of this promise of the government the representatives of the European powers at Constantinople decided to wait for the report before taking any positive action. But after this decision by the powers, and while they were waiting for the departure of the Sultan's commission, which had been appointed, and which was to make full and impartial investigations of all the affairs reported by the English Consul, as well as by many individuals from the Sassoun district, the Turkish government gave out the appended official statement of the case, which statement was printed in the papers of Constantinople. All papers printed in Turkey are under close censorship, and no paper could refuse to print the statement under penalty of immediate suspension. Hence the Christian periodicals were compelled to print what they knew to be false. The statement is as follows:

"'Some of the European papers have stated, contrary to the truth, that a few Armenian villages have been destroyed, and in the meantime persons have been massacred by the Turkish soldiers in the district of Sassoun. Others, in order to magnify these reports, have asserted that the news of the outrage was prevented from leaking out by the obstacles the government put in the way of travelers from that district. The subjects of the Empire of Sassoun district are quietly engaged with their business, and the people travel wherever they wish in perfect safety. Some Armenian bandits, being induced by agitators, began lately in and about Sassoun to disturb the peace and comfort of the people by murdering, plundering and blocking the highways. In order to put an end to such disasters the government employed the necessary means, and consequently ordered out a sufficient body of imperial soldiers of the Fourth Army Corps. Thus the extension of the revolt being checked, the troops were withdrawn to their headquarters. There was no interference by the Kurds; but, as stated above, some Armenian bandits having ventured to disorderly actions, the Sublime Porte, having been notified by the reports of the authorities of the Fourth Imperial Army Corps and also by the Governor of Bitlis, undertook to investigate as to the facts, and subsequently a commission of inquiry was appointed, composed of Abdallah Pasha, Eomer Bey, Medjid Effendi and Hafez Tevfix Pasha. The commission will start this week by steamer to the scene of the trouble. In general the Sublime Porte will never allow such outrages to be perpetrated as published in foreign papers upon her subjects.'"

CHAUNCEY DEPEW'S PROTEST.

NEW YORK, January 1.—Chauncey M. Depew to-night delivered an address on the Armenian atrocities. He began by saying that the year 1894 has been a peculiarly unhappy one. The world had been visited during the year by revolutions both social and financial. But the crowning cause of unhappiness and the one which left a bloody stain upon the history of the year was the murder of the helpless Armenians by the Turks. He continued:

"It behoves us as public-spirited citizens to begin the new year with a protest against the outrages at Sassoun. The peace of Europe is only maintained by an ever-increasing armament. At Washinton all may be silent, but America with 65,000,000 voices in a language of her own—the universal language of the globe—will protest in tones that cannot be mistaken against the slaughter of our fellow-Christians."

NEWFOUNDLAND CRISIS.

Government Passed the Guarantee Bill by a Single Vote.

ST. JOHNS, N. F., January 1.—The government carried the bill of guarantee bank notes through the Council last night by a majority of one. There has been considerable opposition to the passage of the measure, and an attempt to defeat it failed a few days ago through the premature publication of the plan. The dissatisfaction with the bill is so general that the noteholders have decided to call a mass meeting at which resolutions will be adopted petitioning the Governor from attaching his signature to the measure. The Union Bank shareholders will hold a meeting to-morrow and the first business on the programme to be transacted is the removal of the present Board of Directors and the appointment of a new one. The condition of the Union Bank, it is said, is very satisfactory, and its leading shareholders are confident of its success, for the Bank of Montreal will assist in every way, and the government will provide for special legislation.

Murdered by Yaqui Indians.

TUSCON, January 1.—Frank Dobbs, formerly a resident of Tuscon, was murdered by Yaqui Indians in the State of Sonora, Mexico, Friday night. Dobbs established an Indian village at the San Francisco Midwinter Fair. He left San Francisco before the fair closed, failing to pay the Indians he had brought from Arizona and Mexico and leaving them to return as best they might. Two of the Indians were with Dobbs at the time he was killed, and the opinion prevails here that they killed him for his having failed to pay what was due for their services at the fair.

THE WAR IN CHINA.

Li Hung Chang Has Been Finally Ousted From Office.

LONDON, January 1.—A Central News Agency dispatch from Peking says that Liu Kun Yi, Viceroy of Liang Kiang, has been appointed to the chief command of all the Chinese forces, ousting Li Hung Chang. The same agency's correspondent at Antong telegraphs that details from Kung Wesai confirm the reports that the recent battle was fought with great obstinacy. The Chinese were strongly intrenched. They had eleven field pieces and some machine guns, which were well handled. The Japanese charges were repulsed with heavy loss. Their reserves from Hait Chen, who have experienced great difficulty on the march, owing to the snow, then joined them, and they made another charge with hurrahs and shouts of victory. This time they carried everything. The Japanese admit that they had 450 killed and wounded, and say that the Chinese had 300 killed and wounded. The snow prevented a successful pursuit of the retreating Chinese. The villages along the route of retreat drove away the Chinese soldiers who sought refuge with them. They said they preferred to be governed by the Japanese.

A dispatch from Tokio says: "General Nodzu, who commands the Japanese army in Manchuria, reports that the natives have been greatly influenced by the clemency of the Japanese, and that many residents who had fled from their homes are returning with their families and willingly assisting the invaders. Markets have been opened. Japanese currency circulates freely, and the Japanese administration is working well."

STATE FUNDS ALL RIGHT.

Indianapolis Surprised by the Failure of State Treasurer Gall.

INDIANAPOLIS, January 1.—State Treasurer Albert Gall, who was caught for $65,000 in the failure in 1893 of the Indianapolis National Bank, and who has operated a mammoth carpet and wall paper house for over thirty years, being reputed one of the wealthiest men in Indianapolis, last night turned over all his property, real and personal, to Adolph Siedensticker and Frederick Bachman as trustees for his creditors. Treasurer Gall will go out of office in a few days, having served two terms as State Treasurer. He attempted to save himself when the Indianapolis bank failed by taking paper securities from President Haughey, but on an order from the court the securities had to be returned to the receiver of the bank, and Gall was left to lose the entire amount. Friends are supposed to have come to his relief, so that the extent of his obligations cannot be learned. The trustees refuse to talk of the matter. Gall has never carried less than $100,000 in stock at his carpet house, and has suffered on account of the hard times. There was in circulation last night a rumor to the effect that Gall was short in his official accounts to the amount of $64,000. The rumor arose from the fact of the transfer of the stock. When questioned regarding the matter last night Mr. Gall said:

"There is not one word of truth in the rumor. Every cent of the funds belonging to the State is in the vault at the Statehouse, and could be turned over to my successor to-morrow morning if necessary. I am preparing to pay off a large portion of the State debt, and the payment will be made promptly January 1."

FORTY-TWO PERISHED.

Another Added to the Number of Victims at Silver Lake.

KLAMATH FALLS, January 1.—The latest news of the holocaust at Silver Lake reached here to-day by a Lakeview stage driver, Bob Oglesby, who says that the reports sent out are correct, with the exception that one more body was found in the ruins, which makes a total of forty-two lives lost. The great distance of Silver Lake from this place, the deep snow and general bad weather have made communications next to impossible. Of the disposition of the dead and injured nothing is known here. The situation, however, must be terrible. How the dead were buried and where coffins were secured is not known. The nearest settlement to Silver Lake is Paisley, more than fifty miles southeast. It is understood help was sent to the death-stricken settlement from that place.

It seems remarkable that some person has not reached Lakeview or this place with the full particulars of the tragic affair. About one week has now elapsed since the fire, and no word has been received further than to show that the lives were lost. The residents of Southeastern Oregon are horrified over the distressing affair. Many of the persons burned to death are well-known all over the State. It is understood that a relief party was organized at Paisley and left for Lakeview Wednesday, two days after the tragedy occurred. It was doubtless able to render valuable assistance to the stricken survivors and needed aid in burying the dead.

WITHOUT A PARALLEL.

Complications Growing Out of a Murder on a Border Line.

RALEIGH, N. C., January 1.—It may be safely said that the case of the State vs. Hall in an opinion of the Supreme Court just filed has had no parallel. Deputy Sheriff Hall, standing just this side of the line, fired and killed Andrew Brison, a prisoner who was escaping into Tennessee. Hall was tried and convicted of murder in this State. On appeal this was reversed on the ground that "in contemplation of the law" Hall was in Tennessee when the killing was done. He was then arrested and held as a fugitive from justice. The Governor of Tennessee sent for Hall on requisition. Hall plied for discharge, but Judge Bellow refused to discharge him. He then applied to the Supreme Court, and the court by a majority of one decided he must be discharged, because, not having been in Tennessee at the time of the killing, he cannot be a fugitive from justice. Justice McRae joins in the dissent on the ground that, if in contemplation of law Hall was in Tennessee at the time of the killing, he cannot be tried in the courts of North Carolina. In the same contemplation of the law he must be a fugitive from justice, for he cannot now be found in Tennessee, but in North Carolina.

The California Winemakers.

SAN FRANCISCO, January 1.—A special meeting of the Board of Directors of the California winemakers' corporation will be held next Thursday in this city and all winemakers in the State, who have not already joined the association, have been invited to attend, when the workings and objects of the company will be fully explained. The directors assert that the price of wine has advanced several cents a gallon since the incorporation of the association.

THE MONGOLIANS

Regulations Governing Coming and Going of Laborers.

CONFORM WITH THE TREATY

Certificates of Registration, a Personal Description and Three Photographs Among Requirements Necessary to Enter the United States.

WASHINGTON, December 31.—The regulations for the return to the United States of Chinese laborers as provided for by the recent treaty between this country and China have been completed by the Secretary of the Treasury. Under the regulations a Chinese laborer who has resided and registered in the United States and departed therefrom, and who also may have a lawful wife, child or parent in this country or property therein of the value of $1,000 or debts of like amount due him, will be permitted to return, provided that before departing he deposits with the Collector of Customs of the district in which he resides, or with the nearest customs officer, a certificate of registration from the Internal Revenue Collector and a full description of his family, property or debts. The papers must be accompanied by three photographs of the laborer, and the statement submitted by him, if found to be correct, will be certified by the Collector of Customs. The paper with the photographs are to be transmitted to the Collector of Customs of the port from which the Chinese person is to depart, and who must return to the country via the port of departure. The certified description of the Chinaman will be filed in the office of the Collector at the port of exit as a means of identification. The return to the United States must be within one year from the date of departure, unless sickness or other disability prevents, in which event the facts are required to be certified by the Chinese Consul at the port from which the Chinese person may depart for the United States. A certificate will be issued to the laborer on his departure, which will not contain a description of the person to whom issued, but which will refer to the identification papers by number. This will obviate the sale or exchange of certificates and render the identification of the returning Chinese more certain. Collectors at ports of exit will be required to transmit to the Treasury Department weekly reports of Chinese leaving their respective ports, giving the name, local residence and occupation of such persons. The Collectors will also be required to cancel all certificates of returning Chinese and to forward the same to the Treasury, where records are to be kept on forms specially provided for this purpose. The certificates to be issued will be serially numbered and issued by the department to Collectors on requisition therefor, an account being kept in each instance. Collectors will be required to exercise unusual care in all matters pertaining to the issuance, cancellation and return to the department of such certificates.

REPENTANT MADELINE.

Statement Made for the Public by Breckinridge's Former Concubine.

NEW YORK, December 31.—Statements have been made that Madeline Pollard intended to go upon the stage, and that in person or by an attorney she purposes following Congressman Breckinridge about the country to levy upon the proceeds of his lecture tour just begun. Prompted by this and other statements, Madeline Pollard has asked that publicity be given to the following:

"I have not wanted to make a statement of any kind. I could not see that what I did was of any interest to people generally. So I have tried to bear all that has been said of me as a part of the punishment for a failure as a woman. While in the last few days the impression has gone abroad that I am under an assumed name; that I am friendless and not sufficiently provided for, and that I am in Washington, if ever a woman had friends, great and true, men and women, it is I. I will not believe that men refuse to give my brother employment because of my broken life. Nearly half of America has wanted employment this year. I am not going before the world in any capacity. I have no message to carry. I have asked a question with my life; it cannot be answered in a day. I have no theatrical friends. I have never been situated so that I could have. Their world is far removed from mine. I live quietly in private with my brother and Southern friends. I do not believe there is a man or woman on earth who thinks there is money compensation for sorrow. But I am sorry if for any reason whatsoever I am accused of realizing so little the enormous sorrow that overshadows my life. I am not under an assumed name. I have not been in any place where I was not well known. I do not mean to be while I live. I have stained my father's people's name, and with the Christ power I shall fight from under the stain."

Will Remain in San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, December 31.—The dispatch from Louisville, which stated that Ed Corrigan had engaged twenty-four stalls at Churchill Downs for his string of racers, created considerable interest among horsemen here, for it was feared Corrigan was about to desert San Francisco. Corrigan, however, stated that he had no intention of leaving San Francisco, as he considered it a good place to winter. He will keep his horses here until March, when they will be sent to Memphis for the spring campaign. He has engaged the stalls at Churchill Downs for some horses at present at Hawthorne and for some yearlings on his farm at Midway, Ky.

The Income Tax Case.

WASHINGTON, December 31.—Assistant Attorney-General Whitney has filed in the District Supreme Court a demurrer to the complaint of John G. Moore against Commissioner Miller of the internal revenue bureau, in which he asks for an injunction restraining the latter from collecting the income tax laid by the new tariff. The demurrer is brief and general in its terms, setting forth that complainant has not made such a case as would in any equity court entitle him to the relief sought. At the request of Mr. Whitney the case is set for hearing on January 8.

In the Event of an Emergency.

BERLIN, December 31.—The Cologne Gazette asserts that England and Germany have agreed for concerted action on the part of the British and German fleets in Chinese waters in the event of an emergency arising.

THE BOY SLAVE.

He Was Averse to Leaving His Indian Owners.

VICTORIA, B. C., December 31.—There is a mystery about the sale into slavery among the west coast Indians of a little boy by Arthur Bellinger. Both are Americans, and the man, who is a cripple, formerly lived in Seattle. The boy is too young to tell much of a story, but maintains that he once lived in Michigan. He says Bellinger treated him brutally, and says he would be happier among the Indians. The idea that Bellinger is the child's father has been abandoned by the police, who now think that there is some reason for putting the child out of the way.

The boy, who is about 8 years of age, says he went to school at Chassel, Mich., for a year, and that the teacher's name was Cooty. Bellinger and the child left here for the west coast three months ago in a schooner, the Favorite, and the police had trouble getting the child, as the Indians spirited him away. However, by the aid of Catholic missionaries he was recovered. The chief of the tribe came here with the police, and will give evidence against Bellinger. The Indians celebrated the purchase of the boy with a grand dance. He was stripped and painted, and the whole tribe danced around him. They treated him very kindly, and the boy objected to parting with one old Indian woman, who had been especially kind to him. Bellinger is to be arraigned immediately.

NOT EXAGGERATED.

Nebraska Farmers Must be Helped or They Will Starve.

O'NEILL, Neb., December 31.—For some time past stories of extreme destitution have come from Boyd county and various parts of Holt county, but they had seemed so improbable that the people here scarcely credited them. Inquiries show, however, that the stories were not much exaggerated. The situation in Boyd county is bad, and if the people there are not helped soon, they will starve or freeze to death. J. M. Smith, who lives on what is called the Three-Mile Strip on the State line, was in O'Neill to-day, and he tells many harrowing stories of the condition of the people in his part of Boyd county. He says that what is true of the people there is also true in almost all parts of the county. Mr. Smith came with a commission from the people of his section to collect supplies. He gathered considerable flour and provisions to-day and forwarded them.

Supposed to be a Chinaman's Head.

SANTA ROSA, Cal., December 31.—Quite a sensation is being caused by the finding of the skull of a human being in the bed of Santa Rosa creek near the flouring mills here. The condition of the skull indicates that the person it belonged to has been dead less than two years. Deputy Sheriff Dougherty has possession of it, and many have been to see it. About two years ago a Chinaman named Wing Lee was murdered in a gambling house by a Chinaman named Ah Sam. Sam fled out of the back door just as the officers appeared in front, and was never seen since. It was believed at the time by many that friends of Lee had killed Sam out of revenge and hidden his body. Every effort was made to find Sam, but with no results. It is now believed that the skull found is that of Sam, who, it is believed, was murdered, his head cut off and thrown into the stream, while the body was buried elsewhere.

Ready for Another Revolution.

NEW YORK, December 31.—A special to the World from Montevideo says Rio Janeiro is reported to be in a state of panic. Troops refuse to leave the city for the South. President Moraes has discovered that the army is devoted to Peixoto. The principal officers refuse to assume command to take the field in Rio Grande do Sul, and the whole country seems on the brink of a rebellion again. More than 200 officers have been arrested, and are imprisoned in the surrounding forts under a heavy guard. It is rumored that an attempt will be made by insubordinate military leaders to rescue their comrades from prison. Precautions have been taken to prevent this. President Moraes is afraid to act energetically or to order Peixoto's arrest, it is said, fearing to precipitate a serious conflict.

In the Coal District.

PITTSBURG, December 31.—In opening the session of the joint convention of operators and miners of the Pittsburg coal district to-day Colonel Rand, the well-known coal operator, in a speech rebuked Labor Agitator Burns for his recent utterances, and objected to the courtesy of the convention being extended to Burns, who was in the lobby. Burns was subsequently admitted to a seat in the convention by vote. John McBride, President of the United Mine Workers, avowed the condition of the miners today was worse than prior to the general strike. A committee of operators and miners on resolutions was appointed.

Bill Cook's Second Arrested.

MUSKOGEE, I. T., December 31.—Deputy Marshal Mose Jamison to-day arrested Buss Luckey on three charges—robbery, horse-stealing and murder. Luckey was the leader of a gang that attempted to hold up the Missouri, Kansas and Texas express at Wayback last August. He was Bill Cook's second at the recent robbery at Blackstone, and is known to have killed Deputy Laforce two weeks ago in the battle between Muskogee deputies and Tom Root, William Smith and himself. Jamison says he has Tom Root and William Smith located. Luckey will be taken to Fort Smith immediately.

Captain Howgate's Defense.

WASHINGTON, December 31.—Captain Henry Howgate, ex-disbursing officer of the signal service, was arraigned to-day before the District Supreme Court on three indictments. His counsel, Jere Wilson and A. S. Worthington, pleaded irregular proceedings by the grand jury. The government's demurrer to this plea, filed by District Attorney Bierney, was argued before Judge McComas during the afternoon. Howgate asked that the indictments be quashed on the ground that the United States grand jury considered statements made by persons not sworn as witnesses or otherwise qualified to testify, and none of them had any personal knowledge of the matter considered.

Work of the Dalton Gang.

PERRY, O. T., December 31.—The courthouse of Payne county at Stillwater was burned, together with all the county records, last night. The fire was of incendiary origin. It is believed the remnant of the Dalton gang burned the house to save Arkansas Tom, a member of the gang, who is under indictment in Payne county. There was no insurance.

NORTHWEST NEWS

Condensed Telegraphic Reports of Late Happenings.

TAKEN HOT FROM THE WIRES

Budget of News for Easy Digestion From Different Parts of the States of Washington, Oregon and Idaho—Items of Interest to Pacific Coast People.

The oyster beds at Bay Center, Wash., are being systematically robbed, and a reward of $75 is out for the conviction of the offenders.

The Florence (Or.) West has come out for a new county to be formed from western Lane and Douglas. There seems to be no opposition so far to the project.

A logging engine of the largest pattern made has been ordered in New York by George L. Davis of Hoquiam, Wash. It will be the largest at work on Gray's Harbor.

The old organization known as the Chamber of Commerce of Fairhaven will take steps to dissolve the corporation, as it is now merged into the Commercial Club.

The steamers belonging to The Dalles, Portland and Astoria Navigation Company will tie up for repairs January 6. As soon as possible the daily service will again be started.

The State Treasurer of Washington has called for warrants on the general fund, Nos. 5,951 to 5,985 inclusive. The amount of the call is $4,628, which matures January 5, 1895.

It is reported that jack rabbits are very numerous in the country around Wilbur, Wash., this winter and are beginning their destructive work of girdling young orchard trees.

There are about 1,000 Indians on the Klamath reservation, which contains over 1,000,000 acres. They raised enough wheat last season to keep a threshing machine busy for two months.

Colville Valley, Wash., has a surplus of hay, and Flathead Valley in Montana has a surplus of cattle. The Colville people have written to the Flathead people, offering to trade 100 tons of hay for cattle.

Claude L. Vawn of Vaughan, Wash., the forger, was sentenced to a term of six years at Walla Walla. Vawn went by the name of L. B. Minnis at Walla Walla, and was dishonorably discharged from the Federal army post at that place.

Venison is now quite plentiful about Puyallup, Wash. George Siegel recently secured four fat deers from the woods adjoining Puyallup; Carey Stewart and E. Bartlett shot seven, and Malcolm McLarty four. Venison retails in Puyallup at 8 to 12 cents.

The Klamath Falls roller mills is one of ninety-barrel capacity, the one at Tule Lake is sixty capacity and the one at Keno thirty-five capacity. The 195 capacity of Klamath county has been fully tested this year, and the mills are humming yet.

Of the latest two beneficiaries of executive clemency Arrington was sentenced to three years and had served one, and Nicholas Jones, the slayer of Abraham Hansborough, was serving a life sentence. He had been in the penitentiary two years.

Oaksdale has shipped 402,600 bushels of wheat, barley and oats by the Northern Pacific and 150,000 by the Oregon Railway and Navigation. Some 219,000 bushels are yet stored. About $78,745 has been paid for freight. Farmers have sold about all their crops.

The contract for the construction of the Pasco canal, which will cover about 3,000 acres will be let in a few days. This land will be opposite a valuable section. A new pumping plant will supply the water from Strumpf Rapids.

Hank Barrett, the veteran mail carrier between Gardiner and Florence, has been carrying mail along the beach for upward of thirty years. Some of his experiences with storms and quicksands are more thrilling than tales of fiction.

The low prices of hops and the prospective profit in apples induce a Yakima man to uproot a hop field and set it out in apple trees. It might be just as well for him in the long run to raise both hops and apples. This view of the situation should not be overlooked.

Several hundred head of cattle have died lately at the feeding ground near Ritzville, Wash. They are believed to have been poisoned by eating a plant, concerning which nothing definite is known. Samples of the plant have been submitted to botanical authorities for classification.

The Everett Herald announces that the Rockefeller interests will begin operations to develop the Monte Cristo camp on a large scale. Hundreds of men will no doubt be given employment as their plans materialize, while the Everett smelter will receive the product and increase its output.

An Eastern syndicate has secured control of the old copper mine located near the headwaters of Clover creek, Union county, Or. It is said that a large number of workmen will be employed this winter in development work. The mine is one that was discovered several years ago, and, although rich in copper, it has never been extensively operated. It is twenty miles from Baker City, and all supplies are purchased there.

An illustration of horses eating their heads off was given last week at North Yakima, Wash., when Sheriff Simmons sold seventeen head of work horses and mules belonging to E. C. Burlingame to satisfy a judgment of $628 in favor of the Moxee Company for feeding the animals for about one and a half years. The highest price realized was $30 and the lowest $5. The aggregate from the receipts of the sale amounted to about half of the judgment.

The colored coal miners imported for Coos county people made quite a sensation at Roseburg. There were two carloads of them, about fifty in all; more than had ever been in Roseburg before at one time. They were much put out at the prospect of the trip over the Coast Mountains, and said they had been told the mines were only eight miles from the railroad. Those who had families finally refused to go, and have been shipped around by way of San Francisco and steamer to Marshfield, Or. They came from McDowell county, W. Va.

H. E. Heppersett tells the Roseburg Review that the stories of destitution among G. W. Hunt's railroad employes at Fort Bragg, Cal., circulated by a Walla Walla newspaper are pure fabrications. The men are being furnished good board in the railroad camp or at the hotels, and will be put to work just as soon as some right of way difficulties can be settled, which will not be long. Mr. Hunt has a $120,000 constructing outfit on the ground, and proposes to push the work when he gets started. Mr. Heppersett understands the business arrangements well enough to know that the company backing the enterprise means business. Fort Bragg is situated on the coast, and the proposed road extends through a timber belt for about 103 miles, terminating in the coal fields near Ukiah. Mr. Heppersett will return to Fort Bragg in a few weeks.

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