

# MAJOR EDWARDS CHARGES LIBEL

### Asks Arrest of All Concerned in Publication of Umatilla Scandal.

## INDIANS' PETITION FALSE

### Neither Was It a Matter of Public Record, Says Indignant Reservation Superintendent - Attorney Defers Action.

PENDLETON, Or., April 13.—(Special.)—Major O. C. Edwards, superintendent of the Umatilla Indian reservation, in consequence of the recent publication of a petition to the Bureau of Indian Affairs, signed by 123 Indians and charging him with various unlawful actions, to bring what may be the most widely ramified suit for criminal libel on record.

The petition alleged that Major Edwards habitually used bad language in dealing with the Indians, drew loaded revolvers on them at dinner times, killed their dogs, cut their scap locks out of spite and allowed cattle to cross the reservation contrary to the rules of the department. Major Edwards alleged the charges to be false, asserts the petition was not a public record, and claims that its unwarranted publication has damaged his honor and his official record.

### Calls on District Attorney.

Today Major Edwards called on District Attorney Phelps and requested him to bring action against all those responsible for the publication of the petition. This, according to the District Attorney, will include Attorney J. T. Hinkle, who drew the petition; a reporter of the Spokesman-Review and the Associated Press, and their Pendleton correspondents, and all papers which used the Associated Press story.

### Army Officer Investigating.

Captain Alonso Gray is in Pendleton from Fort Walla Walla to investigate the conditions on the reservation. Captain Gray was sent on orders from the War Department, and will decide whether additional police will be required to patrol the reservation and keep the stockmen from trespassing with their herds.

### It is probable that he will recommend that at least one troop of cavalry be sent from Walla Walla.

## EXISTS AID OF PRESIDENT

### Fulton Persuades Him Umatilla Sheepmen Are Right.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, April 13.—President Roosevelt this morning assured Senator Fulton that he would endeavor to secure the necessary permits to graze in the Wenaha forest reserve as accorded the privilege of driving sheep across the Umatilla Indian reservation in going to and returning from their summer range. Mr. Fulton took the matter up with Indian Commissioner Leupp and found that he was willing to accord the proposition, provided Indian property can be properly protected. The Senator assured him that sheep could cross the reservation without damaging Indian property.

The President will confer with Mr. Hitchcock in the immediate future and see that some regulation is provided that will be acceptable to the stockmen. He declared today that their request to cross the reservation was entirely reasonable and should be allowed.

The recent trouble at the reservation is believed to grow out of the meeting of Agent Edwards favoring giving this right to sheepmen.

## FORCED OFF OF NOME RUN

### Greer, Coyle and Courtney Meet With Unexpected Opposition.

SEATTLE, Wash., April 13.—(Special.)—Pressure from the Montreal office of the Canadian Pacific has compelled H. W. Greer, well known in Portland; E. J. Coyle and George Courtney, of Vancouver, B. C., attending the meeting of two Globe Navigation Company boats, which were to be put on the Nome run. The Vancouver men proposed to cut rates almost in two, and had made a number of freight contracts at \$5 per ton.

## SPEND \$1,000,000 FOR REPAIRS

### San Pedro, Los Angeles & Salt Lake to Be Rebuilt.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 13.—(Special.)—Thomas Kearns, of Utah, has returned to this city after attending the meeting of those interested in the San Pedro, Los Angeles & Salt Lake Railroad. He said: "We have decided to rebuild the road so that it will stand in future the heaviest loads. In other words, we are prepared to spend between \$300,000 and \$1,000,000 to put the line in good condition. Perhaps the sum will not reach \$1,000,000, but it will be close to \$750,000 before the repairs are completed and the road put in good shape."

## HILL ROAD IMPORTS COREANS

### Oriental Will Work on Northern Pacific in Montana.

MISSOULA, Mont., April 13.—One hundred Coreans arrived in Missoula today to work on the Northern Pacific Railroad. Owing to the extensive railroad building in the West, the railway companies have been experiencing a labor famine. The employment of Coreans will be undertaken as an experiment here.

## Idaho Democrats to Meet.

BOISE, Idaho, April 13.—(Special.)—C. H. Jackson, chairman of the Democratic State Committee, has issued a call for the committee to meet in Boise on May 21 to fix the time for the state convention.

## Fire Limits for Centralia.

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There was not a second's delay. Three times, however, did the doomed man halt for a bare instant, as though on the verge of revolt, or helpless appeal. The first was as the procession rounded the corner of the hospital building and Brooks caught his first glimpse of the gallows; the second as he reached the foot of the 13 fatal steps leading up to the platform, and the last and most perceptible when he came to the center of the stage and recognized the outlines of the trapdoor.

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## MAY BUY WATER PLANT.

### Eugene Council Asks Corporation to Fix Price.

EUGENE, Or., April 13.—The City Council last night rejected the proposition of the Willamette Valley Company for an arbitration committee to fix a price on the company's water plant for its purchase by the city. A resolution was adopted asking the water company to set a price on the plant, instead of \$500,000. An ordinance was presented fixing a price on the plant, instead of \$500,000. A majority of the Council favors higher prices.

## PLAY NOW WITHOUT HERO

### Theatrical Company Loses Star at Los Angeles - Court Acts on Motion to Increase Amount of the Bond.

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Scott's theatrical company went through its performance tonight while the star occupied a cell in the County Jail. The prisoners will be taken to San Bernardino tomorrow, whether they give bail or not.

## BEAVER SKINS CONFISCATED

### State Game Warden Baker Doing Good Work.

COTTAGE GROVE, Or., April 13.—(Special.)—State Game Warden J. W. Baker and his deputies have been doing good work in the state. Ten beaver skins and 45 nicely-dressed deer hides have been confiscated. The beaver skins were captured in Clatsop and Clackamas Counties. The deer hides were found at Glendale, Douglas County. They were concealed between the mattresses of a bed. Mr. Baker says they are the finest lot of dressed hides of the kind he has ever seen. This violator of the game laws is certainly an expert in the hide business. Mr. Baker has 46 deputies under him, and every nook and corner of the state is being closely watched.

The \$1 hunting tax authorized by the Legislature amounted to nearly \$30,000 in 1905. This fund, with the state appropriation of \$500, is used by the State Game Warden. His deputies draw a salary of \$2 a day. During his term of office 56 arrests have been made, with 22 convictions and 25 dismissals.

## MAKES AN ENORMOUS PROFIT

### Tacoma Woman Sells Lots Costing \$240 to \$260.

TACOMA, Wash., April 13.—(Special.)—Among the real estate transfers recorded today is one of four fractional lots on Bay and South Twenty-fifth streets, sold by Grace H. Redman to Richard Ward for the Union Pacific Co., \$25,000. Not many years ago when a large number of lots in the Indian Addition were put on the market by the Puyallup Indian agency the four fractional lots went begging. Yesterday the records show they were sold for \$25,000. Since Mrs. Redman bought them they have doubled in value 52 times, or more than ten times each year.

## WILL END CAR SHORTAGE

### 11111 Roads Bringing 16,000 Empty to the Sound.

TACOMA, Wash., April 13.—(Special.)—Nearly 16,000 freight cars are now being moved westward by the Northern Pacific and Great Northern railroads. They will relieve the shortage of cars that has been giving lumber and shingle men great trouble. The first empties will reach the Sound next week.

Within a week or ten days, railroad officials believe, the congestion will be relieved and eastbound freight will be moving with rapidity.

## PRESBYTERY CLOSSES SESSION

### Willamette Valley Churches Are Gaining in Membership.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., April 13.—The Presbytery of the Willamette has closed its sessions at the Presbyterian Church in this city. Sessions began Tuesday evening. A short business session was held, at which the following officers were

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