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THEY ALL SCATTER

Harriman Chiefs' Actions Discredit Reports.

SECRETS ARE WELL KEPT

Any New Appointments Will Be Announced in New York—Harriman Denies He Will Go to Vanderbilt Lines.

PASADENA, Cal., March 16.—With the scattering of nearly all of the railway men who have paid their respects to E. H. Harriman since his arrival here, following a report that there was to be an important conference between Mr. Harriman and his lieutenants here, the report that among its results would be several changes in the heads of departments of the Harriman system, seems to fall flat.

Julius Kruttschnitt, director of maintenance and operation of the system, left tonight for Chicago and W. F. Herrin, general counsel of the Southern Pacific, is already back in his San Francisco office. J. T. Harahan, president of the Illinois Central, says that the story that he is to be sent to New York to be president of the New York Central Railroad is without foundation and that he just happened to be in Southern California with his wife on a tour of inspection combined with pleasure at the same time Mr. Harriman happened to arrive here with his family and friends for the benefit of his health.

General Manager O'Brien, of Portland, head of the Harriman interests in the Northwest, left for Colorado this morning. Epes Randolph, Harriman's Arizona representative, has departed for Phoenix. So Mr. Harriman has no one to confer with, it would seem.

If anything of great importance was accomplished at the meeting between the various department heads of the system and Mr. Harriman yesterday, Mr. Harriman is at great pains to keep the result secret, for he contented himself today with telling the newspaper men how he was enjoying the sunshine of Southern California, and what a great country the Southwest was. He refused to talk of railroad changes. The belief is general here that, if any of the important changes hinted at heretofore are to be made, the announcement of them will come after Mr. Harriman's return to New York. The exact date of his leaving Southern California has not yet been fixed.

MERGER KILLS COMPETITION

Chicago Shippers Testify Against Harriman Combine.

CHICAGO, March 16.—The Chicago hearing in the Government suit to dissolve the Harriman railroad merger opened today before Special Examiner Sylvester O. Williams. The hearing is to take testimony in the case instituted in Salt Lake a year ago.

The Government's first witness was J. A. Wentz, a retired railroad man. Mr. Wentz was a commercial agent of the Rock Island before his retirement. He said that prior to the formation of the Harriman "combine" in 1901 competition among Western railroads was vigorous,

but that upon the formation of the combination it practically ceased.

W. A. Broll, a furniture manufacturer of Rockford, Ill., testified that he remembered when the Union and Southern Pacific railroads had separate soliciting agents and that they suggested over which route his business was to be shipped.

Albert Evi, traffic manager of Deere & Co., testified that the transcontinental service had improved after the merger.

HADLEY WILL FIGHT RATE

Missouri's Governor to Oppose Return to 3-Cent Tariff.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., March 16.—That he would exhaust all the powers of the state before he would permit the railroads to return to the 3-cent a mile passenger rate, was the declaration of Governor Hadley today. His statement followed the action of a railroad conference in Chicago yesterday at which the decision to restore the old rate was taken.

CONDENSED NEWS BY WIRE

Dayton, O.—The automobile owned by Healy, the alleged robber of the First National Bank of Monrovia, Cal., has been found in a garage here.

Pittsburg, Pa.—The Pennsylvania Railroad has announced that it will furnish tea and coffee free to Pullman car passengers on trains which carry diners. It has found these beverages preventatives of sickness due to railroad traveling and hopes to get more than its money back by not having to take care of so many sick passengers en route.

San Francisco, Cal.—Dr. E. J. Tooker, a medical missionary, who has just returned from a seven years' sojourn in China, says that many of the habitual users of opium have been cured by his treatment. He has found that many of these addicts have been driven into insanity. But in spite of these facts, he declares, the movement is going forward with great rapidity.

Petaluma, Cal.—A California mountain lion measuring seven feet from tip to tip was shot on a ranch near here Tuesday by Robert Cook. For some time the farmers of this vicinity have been losing calves, sheep and other stock, and the depredations have been laid to coyotes. Cook was out with his pack of hounds looking for these animals when he trailed the lion to its den.

Kansas City.—A charge of embezzlement of \$12,000 against R. M. Nichols, of Corydon, Ia., who was arrested here Monday night by Iowa officers. Requisition papers have been honored by Governor Hadley and Nichols will be taken to Corydon tomorrow. R. G. Mullen, who was associated with Nichols at Corydon, was extradited from New Mexico and passed through Kansas City at the same time, bound for Iowa.

Los Angeles, Cal.—His pockets filled with stones for ammunition, A. Jacobs, aged 74 years, a resident of this city, charged a fleet of fast automobiles at Fifth and Spring streets Monday afternoon. The old man created a riot at the corner for a few minutes, during which time automobile drivers were hurled from their seats. Jacobs was armed with automobiles once before, but was unable to keep out of the line of his enemies. He was recently had his coat-tails ripped off by contact with the mudguards of a flying car. Realizing the fact that he could not stand against the massive machines, he decided that the chauffeurs were their most vulnerable spots.

Increase Manual Training.

NEW YORK, March 16.—If plans suggested by a special committee are adopted, the New York public school system, which now extends over a period of 12 years—eight years in elementary work, and four years of high school work—will be changed to a six-and-six basis.

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YOUNG GETS OFFICE

Appointed and Confirmed as Portland Postmaster.

TAKES HOLD NEXT MONTH

Senate Acts Without Delay on Bourne's Candidate—Minto Has Recommended Postoffice Site to Government.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, March 16.—John C. Young was today nominated and confirmed as postmaster at Portland and will relieve John Minto as soon as the Postoffice Department approves his bond. He probably will take charge of the office about April 1.

Mr. Young's nomination was among the first sent to the Senate by President Taft and, having previously been reported by the postoffice committee, was taken up and confirmed as soon as the Senate went into executive session. Confirmation was purely perfunctory, for Senator Chamberlain had no objection to Mr. Young and Senators from other states were not interested. There were no remarks pro or con.

Just when John C. Young will assume active charge of the postoffice is not known by any of the present officials in the Federal building.

Postmaster John Minto said yesterday that when he received the appointment from President Roosevelt, July 1, 1904, it required about 20 days for him to prepare his bond and have it approved at Washington. There was no delay at this end of the line, but such matters are handled quite deliberately in the Government departments. Without having received any notification as to the date when he will be instructed to turn over the office to his successor, he was not prepared to furnish any information on that subject, but said the time between the appointment and qualification of Mr. Young probably would be the same as in his own case—from 15 to 20 days.

Before Mr. Minto was appointed he was engaged in the livery business and previously had been chief of police, succeeding C. H. Hunt in that position. He was at another time associated with S. L. Barr in the real estate business. While chief of Marion County, he held the offices of Sheriff, Town Marshal and Chief of Police of Salem. His father, John Minto, Sr., lives on a large farm near Salem. He was in Portland yesterday and called upon his son, probably to talk over future plans. Concerning these the postmaster had little to announce in the afternoon. He said that, when he left his present position, he expected to go to work at something else, as a matter of course, but while he had several business propositions under consideration, he had not arrived at a conclusion which he would undertake. Mr. Minto is possessed of considerable real estate, both in this county and in Marion. One of his intimate friends said that he would not be surprised if the retiring postmaster again went into the real estate business, but Mr. Minto said when asked about it that he had not decided.

He said that as the appropriation for a new postoffice building for Portland had not been made by the last Congress

the matter would now have to rest until another session, when its advocacy by Senators Bourne and Chamberlain would have to be taken up at the point where Senator Fulton, through force of circumstances, was forced to abandon it. Nothing had been done in Mr. Minto's term of office about securing a site further than a request from Washington to suggest several sites for a new building, which was complied with several months ago. He said that he had suggested sites north, south and west of the present building, and that they were only suggestions and in no way can be regarded as indicating the preference of the Government. They would have been regarded as aids in making a selection, in case the appropriation had been made, when an official would have been sent to Portland to examine into the matter decisively.

Some talk is heard on the street that Mr. Minto's name probably will come to the front if a change in the city administration follows the coming election with the office he once held as Chief

TALKS ON TEETH

By PHILLIP L. AUSTIN

PLAIN TALK TO SKEPTICS

An honest skeptic is one who investigates. The man who says, "I don't believe it," and then crawls in his shell and refuses to be convinced by argument or demonstration, is not playing fair. He is only a skeptic, but a dog-in-the-manger.

Are you skeptical about whether or not this great dental company, the largest in the world, with offices in Chicago, Elgin, Aurora, South Chicago, Chicago Heights, Ill.; Hammond and Michigan City, Ind.; Battle Creek, Grand Rapids and Flint, Mich.; Sioux Falls, S. Dakota, in making a selection of these teeth in the mouth and anchor them there, so that you won't know where your natural teeth leave off and the Martindale teeth begin in the jaws?

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of Police, and occasionally his name is mentioned as a possibility for the nomination for Mayor.

NOT ON FINANCE COMMITTEE

Bourne Denied His Wish—Borah Is Given High Honor.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, March 16.—Senator Bourne has

been asking for appointment on the finance committee of the Senate, which is to handle the tariff bill, but it has been decided not to give him so good a committee assignment. His second choice is on the commerce committee.

Borah of Idaho was highly honored today by assignment to membership on the committee on committees, which is to make all committee assignments for the Sixty-first Congress. Seldom is such honor shown a Senator who has been here but two years. His appointment, coupled

with that of Dixon, indicates that the insurgents are to be recognized by the Republican leaders in the re-organization of the Senate.

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