

RAILROAD MEN ARE DODGING SUBPENAS

Many Local Officials Wanted to Testify in Harriman Merger Hearing.

SUIT UNDER SHERMAN LAW

Same Measure That Brought About Dissolution of Northern Securities Merger Is Invoked in Present "Pacific" Combine.

Railroad men of the city were dodging subpoenas yesterday in the forthcoming Harriman merger case, testimony in which will be taken here May 3. Subpoena servers were about town and succeeded in summoning a number of witnesses who are expected to tell of traffic conditions here before and after the merger of the Union Pacific and Southern Pacific systems in San Francisco.

Hearing Before Master in Chancery.

The hearing here will be held before Sylvester G. Williams, master in chancery, who will take testimony for the United States Court for the District of Utah, the suit to dissolve the merger having been filed in Salt Lake City.

Portland witnesses will be questioned by the prosecution and cross-examined by Harriman attorneys. It is likely that at a later date witnesses for the defense will be questioned and arguments before the United States Court will be made later by both sides.

Suit Under Sherman Law.

Judge E. S. Lovett, general counsel for the Harriman system, has been acting for the defense throughout the hearing of the suit and will probably appear here as well for the allied lines. Portland attorneys for the Harriman system will, undoubtedly, assist in the cross-examination of witnesses brought by the Government.

The Suit to Dissolve the Harriman Merger

is brought under the same act, the Sherman anti-trust law, as was pleaded in the suit against the Northern Pacific and Union Pacific, that resulted in a victory for the Government and the dissolution of that famous combination.

TRAFFIC MEN DISCUSS RATES

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ONLY 4 MORE DAYS OF BIG CLOTHING SALE

WE VACATE APRIL 25

We still have \$20,000 worth of Men's Fine Clothing, Hats and Furnishings that must be sold by Saturday night

READ THE FOLLOWING GREAT PRICE REDUCTIONS

Table with 3 columns: MEN'S CLOTHING, MEN'S HATS, MEN'S SHIRTS, MEN'S UNDERWEAR. Lists various items and their reduced prices.

Spring Stock of Straw Hats at Half Price

WE HAVE SOLD OUR LEASE TO A. & C. FELDENHEIMER AND HAVE TO VACATE THESE PREMISES WITHIN FOUR DAYS

A. J. RICHARDSON CO.

OPEN EVENINGS 283-285 WASHINGTON STREET FIXTURES FOR SALE Opposite Woodard & Clarke's

GIRLS TAKE STAND

Telephone Operators Testify in Chinese Murder Case.

NATIVE STORIES CONFLICT

Witnesses Contradict Testimony at Lem Woon Trial—Judge McGinn to Attempt to Show Unreliability of the Chinese.

"Hello" girls with flower garden hats occupied seats in Circuit Judge Brotnage's courtroom yesterday afternoon. They had been called by the defense in the Yee Gueng murder trial, to tell of a telephone message sent to S. Yamata, a Japanese who said he roomed in the old Arlington Club building at the time Lee Dal Hoy was shot.

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Jury in Judge Morrow's department of the Circuit Court. Eleven witnesses have been called by the state, eight on direct examination, and three in rebuttal. Five witnesses have been called by the defense. The case has now been on trial seven days and a half. It began Monday morning, April 12.

Takes Motion Under Adjudication.

Judge Gantenbein, of the Circuit Court, took under advisement yesterday morning the motion of A. J. Noyes that an order be issued directing Sheriff Stevens to proceed at once with the sale of the property of George Sollers on the execution resulting from the outcome of the allegation that Noyes obtained a judgment of \$5000 against George Sollers before Judge Cleland recently, upon the allegation that Sollers had alienated Mrs. Noyes' affections. Sollers asserts that his property is exempt from Sheriff's sale. Noyes contends that it is not. Judge Gantenbein will decide which is right.

Takes Over Thompson Property.

The real estate belonging to the Harriet Thompson estate was turned over to Charles E. Henry, a Portland real estate dealer, by order of the County Court yesterday. William J. Hawkins filed a petition in which he says that nearly all the property consists of real estate, and that the executor of the estate in San Francisco wished him to relinquish possession of the real estate in favor of Mr. Henry. The order provides that it shall not in any way prejudice the right of the administrator to retake the property at any time if the interests of the estate should require it.

Fence Must Come Down.

Judgment for the plaintiff was rendered by Circuit Judge Cleland yesterday in the suit of Florence L. Macomber against Peter Roth, in her suit for the possession of a strip of land 3x500 feet. Roth fenced it.

WOMAN'S WILL UNIQUE

"DUTCH JOE'S" BENEFICIARIES COVER WIDE RANGE.

Business Men, Churches and Orphanages Are Remembered by Notorious Character.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., April 20.—(Special).—One of the strangest documents ever filed in the Superior Court of Walla Walla County was the will of "Dutch Joe," who had conducted a notorious resort here since 1861. Her will was filed today.

CHARGED WITH TAKING POLE

D. W. Metzger Sued for Removing City Property.

City Attorney Kavanaugh brought suit in the Circuit Court yesterday against D. W. Metzger and Emma Metzger, charging them with having interfered with the operation of the Bull Run pipeline. The city maintains a telephone system between Portland and the headgates, and Metzger is charged with having taken out one of the telephone poles and erection of warehouses and other buildings on the city's right of way.

Dougllass Case Is Dragging.

The case in which W. E. Dougllass is charged with embezzlement promises to consume more time than the Yee Gueng murder case, notwithstanding that this is the third time Dougllass has been tried. He was acquitted on the two former charges. The case is on trial before a

FIELDS NOT SHORT

Explains Rumored Discrepancy of \$2800 in Accounts.

MONEY IN DEFUNCT BANK

County Clerk Also Says He Is Ready to Turn Over Fees Received if Court Rules He Should Not Keep Them—Report Held.

That he is not now short in his accounts \$2800, as was rumored yesterday, and that he has not been short in that amount nor in any other sum, was the statement made to an Oregonian reporter by County Clerk Fields yesterday afternoon. The rumor was that when Expert J. W. Ferguson discovered the shortage County Clerk Fields was given an opportunity by the County Court to make it good.

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A Positive Remedy That Takes Away Superfluous Hairy Growths Without Burning the Skin.

No woman with a mustache, or indeed with any superfluous hair disfiguring either her face, arms or bust, need suffer such mortification any longer. To relieve all such unhappiness 50,000 bottles of the wonderful remedy Electro-la will be given away absolutely free to women constantly miserable because of such unnatural, unsightly growths.



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check for that amount. The check was returned as non-collectible, and I made known to the County Court the condition of affairs. I also made it known recently to Expert Ferguson, and I am willing to give to the public through the newspapers at any time any information regarding the condition of things in my office which are at my command.

"Since the bank closed its doors I have received a 10 per cent dividend on this money, and have forwarded it to the State Treasurer, besides remitting to him 4 per cent interest."

Mr. Fields admits having upwards of \$19,000 of litigation money on deposit, on which he is drawing interest, and frankly admits that it is bearing interest at the bank. He believes that, as he is under bonds and held liable by the county for any loss or shortage, he should be allowed to retain this interest. But if he is not right in this position, he is willing, he says, to make good.

Mr. Fields said last night that since he has been in office he has received for issuing citizenship papers and declarations of intention to become citizens \$1875. The Federal laws allow the county clerk to retain half this fee. Whether the clerk has a right to it personally, or whether it must be turned into the county coffers, is a mooted question. County Clerk Fields believes

that he is entitled to it personally, and has retained \$325. He says he is willing to turn this also over to the county if he is not entitled to it.

WIFE'S FRIEND BEATS HIM

T. M. Scott Ousted From Own Home by Caller.

T. M. Scott, occupant of a seow at the foot of Main street, not only found William Turner calling on Mrs. Scott, but suffered a severe drubbing at Turner's hands when he resented the social call, yesterday morning. Scott has essayed to even up the social score by causing the arrest of Turner. The charge is assault and battery.

Scott told the police that he dropped home to see Turner in the house. He doesn't like Turner, and told him so. Turner was not inclined to retreat apologetically from the Scott home. As the head of the household alleges, the caller pounced upon him with small preliminary

discussion and thrashed him unmercifully. The pair will air their grievances in the Municipal Court this forenoon. Turner, on being arrested late in the afternoon by Detectives Hyde and Reed, put up \$25 bail.

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Advertisement for Gold Dust hair remover. Includes headline 'Two live wires!', a testimonial from John and Mary, and the slogan 'Let the Gold Dust Twins do your work.' The ad describes the product as a safe, effective hair remover that softens hard water and lessens labor.