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## PORTERS OUTWIT HARRIMAN CREW

### Buy Land and Block Canyon Road.

## GATES LOCKED AND GUARDED

### Grade Made at Cost of \$10,000 Captured by Rivals.

## WAR NOW ON IN EARNEST

### Only Entrance to Narrow Canyon to Point Where Surveys Conflict Secured for \$30,000, or Many Times Land's Real Value.

GRASS VALLEY, Or., July 26.—(Staff Correspondence.)—Porter Bros. opened a war of strategy on Harriman's railroad construction forces today by cutting off the base of supplies for Twoby Bros' camps at Horse Shoe Bend, in the canyon of the Deschutes. This was accomplished by Porter Bros. by the acquisition of the homestead of Fred Gurtz, across which runs the only road that leads to the brink of the canyon anywhere near the vicinity of Horse Shoe camp.

It is said that Porter Bros. paid \$30,000 for the land by which they have shut off entrance to the canyon to Twoby Bros. At Horse Shoe Bend Twoby Bros. have begun to establish the biggest camp along the construction route, but to get there with the trainload of supplies now here the Harriman contractors will have to cross Porter Bros' land, and Porter Bros. have put up signs warning trespassers off the property. The Gurtz homestead is enclosed by a barbed wire fence and a wire gate is across the road at once boundary line and a wooden gate at the other.

Guard's Side Pocket Bulges.

Both gates were padlocked today by Porter Bros., who stationed a man at the wire gate, which is the one nearest town. This sentry is not openly armed, but the side pockets of his coat bulge suspiciously. "Oregonian" proved a good password today.

The Gurtz homestead occupies a position peculiarly adapted for a strategic move of this kind. Two lesser canyons converge into the Deschutes almost together from different angles at the point where Harriman's new wagon road leads off 2000 feet to the river's edge below. On the table land at the apex of the angle formed by these lesser canyons is a tract of Government land now in contest between settlers. The Gurtz homestead adjoins the disputed tract, with canyons on two sides of it.

## 10,000 Road Appropriated.

There is no feasible plan to build a road connecting Grass Valley with the summit of Harriman's wagon road other than through the Gurtz ranch. Extension of this road down into the canyon of the Deschutes was considered so essential that the Harriman railroad builders expended more than \$30,000 building a highway winding down the bluff to the water. Two hundred men worked 30 days putting it in shape, and the first wagon went down it yesterday.

The Twoby Bros' camps on the brink of the bluff have been moved into the canyon, and this morning the Harriman forces began working on the approaches to both ends of the tunnel which will cut through Horse Shoe Bend. At this strategic point the two surveys conflict. Horse Shoe Bend is a curve in the Deschutes River more than one and one-half miles around, leaving a high tongue of land about 1000 feet across at the base. The tunnel is to be constructed through the tongue, making a ten-degree curve for the entire distance of 1000 feet.

## 300 Men Taking In Supplies.

From the viewpoint of one not a railroad engineer, it would not appear feasible to build two railroads around Horse Shoe bend, and there appears to be room for only one line's construction by the tunnel plan.

There are now about 300 men in the camps getting supplies and equipment via the road from Grass Valley into the canyon at Horse Shoe Bend. So far as food supplies are concerned, Porter Bros' coup is not a total bar to transportation, inasmuch as pack trains can get down in what are known as Max Canyon and its Canyon. But there are scrapers, work cars, lumber, camp ranges, steel, drilling machinery and great stores now in Grass Valley, which is full of camp railroad construction paraphernalia of all kinds that can only go by wagon.

Having fenced off Harriman, Porter Bros. apparently intend to approach his \$10,000 wagon road down the bluff, which is wholly Government land. One of Porter Bros' wagon trains of seven wagons, with 30 men, arrived late tonight at the Gurtz place and will attempt to go down the Harriman road to the very base of Harriman operations tomorrow and establish camps there.

## Road Full of Powder Holes.

At the Harriman construction headquarters here tonight it is stated that the fencing off of the route to the camp was not a surprise. It was admitted that the new wagon road is full of powder holes and can be blown up and destroyed if desired. Harriman has a sufficiently

## WOMAN DIVORCED FROM WRONG MAN

### SEATTLE WOMAN HAS TO BEGIN SUIT ALL OVER AGAIN.

### Lawyer Bungles and Names Are Confused, Giving Divorcee Interest in Property Not Her's.

SEATTLE, Wash., July 26.—(Special.)—Divorced from the wrong man and awarded the wrong property, Mary Louise Owens has again filed suit for separation, this time from the right man, James Franklin Owens, her husband. May 8 this year she was given a divorce from F. J. Owens, a person with whom she has no acquaintance, and awarded the ownership of property which belonged to a man who never heard of the Owens.

Both of these mistakes were the fault of Mrs. Owens' attorney. She has changed lawyers and now sues for separation from James Franklin Owens.

Owens thought over the matter carefully, did not remember that he had ever married and therefore proceeded to look up Mrs. Mary Louise Owens.

"Mrs. Mary," he remarked, "I am highly honored by your interest in my property, but I can't quite see the point. Did you ever marry me?"

"Not that I know of," replied Mrs. Owens.

"Did you ever divorce me?"

"Not having married you, how could I?"

Explanations brought out the facts, and Mrs. Owens begins a suit against the right man.

## ALLEGED THIEF IS DYING

### Two Baker County Men Accused of Dealing Fatal Blow.

BAKER CITY, Or., July 26.—At Copperfield, Or., where it is alleged he stole a horse yesterday, Page Hawley, believed to be a member of an organized gang of rustlers who have been operating in Oregon and Idaho, lies with his head caved in and will die.

It is believed that the man was the victim of the rudimentary justice of Baker County's newest community. After selling the horse to John Stevens, of Copperfield, Hawley made off with it. He was pursued into the hills by J. J. Burns and G. Pratt, who captured him. When the men returned with Hawley his skull was crushed, evidently from a rock, and he will die. The man contended that Hawley, who was an expert rider, fell from his horse as they were bringing him back to Copperfield. There were no other witnesses.

It is believed, however, that Hawley was struck by the men after his capture. The suspects are under arrest, and in case of Hawley's death, will be made to stand trial.

## MAKE SURE INDIAN DEAD

### Funeral of Siwash Centenarian Delayed by Former Resurrection.

OLYMPIA, Wash., July 26.—(Special.)—Sandy Parker, a Mud Bay Indian, more than 100 years old, was buried today. He died Saturday, but the Indians, mindful of an experience six years ago, refused to bury him as promptly as is their wont.

On the former occasion he was apparently just as dead as he was Saturday, and the high functionaries of the tribe engaged one of the most elaborate funeral programmes known to the tribe. In the midst of the rites the "corpse" rose up and inquired what it was all about. Hence it was that the chief remarked:

"We'll take no chances this time," when Sandy died Saturday. He was generally known as "Cultus Sam." He was a short, squat Indian, but exceedingly pugnacious and was famed for his fights with men and John Barleycorn.

## ARDENT LOVER IN PRISON

### Man Who Won Widow From Elance Must Serve Time for Bigamy.

HONOLULU, July 26.—R. M. Baker, of Chicago, who was arrested here May 24 on a charge of bigamy, upon cable instructions of the Chicago police, pleaded guilty and was sentenced today to three years at hard labor in the penitentiary.

Baker arrived here May 1 from San Francisco. On board the steamer he met Mrs. Eva E. Walker, who was en route to the Islands to marry a member of a well-known Honolulu firm. So ardent was Baker's love that the widow forgot her waiting fiancé, and promised to marry Baker. They were married immediately upon arriving at Honolulu.

Baker is said to have a wife and child living in Chicago.

## TORNADO WIPES OUT TOWN

### Saskatchewan Village Gone, but Nobody Reported Injured.

WINNIPEG, July 26.—The village of Meekin, located on the Saskatoon and West Astoria branch of the Canadian Pacific Railway in Saskatchewan, was wiped out by a tornado yesterday afternoon. No one was seriously hurt.

## OFFER MADE TO EX-SHAH

### Deposed Ruler Has Chance to Become "Remittance Man."

TEHERAN, July 26.—The new Persian government is prepared to offer Mohammed Ali Mirza, the ex-Shah of Persia, an annual pension of \$25,000 on condition that he leaves Persia without delay.

## FREE HIDES MEAN CHEAPER SHOES

### Tariff Conferees Find Way to Harmony.

## REDUCE LEATHER GOODS DUTY

### Cattle States Will Not Yield on Other Conditions.

## ASK HOUSE TO CONSENT

### If Plan is Rejected, Conferees Will Ask Taft to Secure the Needed Votes—Proposed Schedule of Leather Rates.

### LUMBER TARIFF, \$1.25.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, July 26.—Advocates of a duty of \$1.25 on rough lumber per thousand have abandoned hope of success, for they learned today that President Taft will not consent to a rate exceeding \$1.25. The President would prefer a rate of \$1, but will not insist upon the House provision.

It is generally believed the conference committee will report a rate of \$1.25 in view of the President's insistence.

WASHINGTON, July 26.—Hides will be put on the free list if the tariff on boots and shoes and other leather manufactures is reduced below the House rates. Unless the advocates of free hides are able to carry out this plan, the whole is to be called off. A decision to this effect was reached by the tariff conferees today.

The conference adjourned tonight until 11 o'clock tomorrow morning, but the House members assemble half an hour earlier that they may plan for executing their part of the agreement. It is expected that they will have a report from the House leaders as to the possibility of passing a rule conferring jurisdiction upon them to agree to lower rates on leather than those named in the House bill.

## MAY PUT IT UP TO TAFT.

Senator Aldrich has informed Senators from Northwestern states that he will not consent to free hides unless there is a material cut in the rate on boots and shoes and other leather goods. In no other way, he said, can he get the necessary votes in the Senate. Senators from cattle-raising states have insisted that the only way consumers can get any benefit from the removal of the duty on hides will be by corresponding reductions in the duties on boots, shoes and harness.

Should the House fail to give its conferees authority to adopt rates lower than those of the House bill, the conference committee has what is regarded as a trump card in reserve. This provides for a conference report putting hides on the free list and reducing the rates on shoes and other leather manufactures. This report, it is said, then would be presented

## COVERED WITH FLOWERS—BUT THE CHAIN IS THERE.



## REDUCED FARE FOR ONE MONTH ONLY

### COLONISTS' RATES WILL BE SAME AS FORMERLY.

### Home-seekers in East Must Leave Between September 15 and October 15 This Year, However.

CHICAGO, July 26.—(Special.)—Colonists' fares to the Pacific Coast which have been under consideration at the rate meeting of the Transcontinental Passenger Association for several days, will be made this fall at the same rates as heretofore, \$33 from Chicago, \$32 from St. Louis and \$25 from the Missouri River to California and North Pacific states. Their availability will be reduced, however, from the usual 60 days to a month, from September 15 to October 15.

This was decided upon because the heaviest movement has been found during the first and last ten days of that period. About 25,000 people are expected to take advantage of the rates, which are for single trips.

The Santa Fe handled 219 carloads of passengers into Los Angeles from east of Albuquerque between January 7 and 12. Southern roads have, in the last three years, made extraordinary efforts, by cheap fares and other inducements, to divert travel from the northern roads, but with indifferent success.

## DAYLIGHT ROBBER SHOTS

### Salem Grocer Has Thrilling Experience With Highwayman.

SALEM, Or., July 25.—(Special.)—A daring attempt at a holdup was reported to the police late this evening. J. J. McDonald, proprietor of the Liberty grocery store, states that while he was driving home and when about half a mile from the city, a tall man, wearing a black mask and a linen duster, stepped out of the bushes, pointed a revolver at McDonald's head and ordered him to throw up his hands.

Instead of complying, McDonald dropped his head and whipped up his horses. His reports that the holdup man fired two shots, but the bullets missed their mark. Shortly before the attempted holdup Walker Hoffman saw a man answering the description of the highwayman, but no trace of the fellow has been seen since the attempted robbery.

The affair occurred about 5:30, but the telephone wires are in trouble and news of the robbery did not reach the police for several hours.

## FALLS 80 FEET, WILL LIVE

### Farmer Attempts Suicide by Leaping Off Bridge at Albany.

ALBANY, Or., July 26.—(Special.)—Though he plunged from "the highest point of the Albany steel bridge into the Willamette River, 80 feet below, last Saturday night, August Krieger, a Benton County farmer, is alive and rapidly recovering from the effects of his suicidal leap.

During a short period of mental aberration, Krieger determined to kill himself, and climbed up on the railing of the bridge and jumped. People on the bank saw the leap, and a man in a fishing boat took him to the bank. He was taken to St. Mary's Hospital, but his injuries were not severe and he is now practically well, and has recovered from his fit of despondency.

Krieger is worth about \$15,000, having recently sold his farm, and is said to have had no cause of any kind for worry. He had been working hard in the hay field Saturday, and had become overheated, and after coming to town in the evening became mentally unbalanced.

## EDRIS IS CONFIRMED.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, July 26.—The Senate today confirmed the nominations of the following postmasters: W. P. Edris, Spokane; J. M. Parrish, Wilbur; J. D. Stage, Blaine.

## TWO DEAD; TWENTY INJURED IN RIOTS

### Mexican Politics Takes Sanguinary Turn.

## TWO AMERICANS ARE WOUNDED

### Property Leased by Men From United States Destroyed.

## MOB IS OPPOSED TO DIAZ

### Supporters of General Reyes as Candidate for President Attend Diaz Gathering and Troops Fire Upon Crowd of Rioters.

MEXICO CITY, July 26.—Two dead, 20 injured and more than 200 arrested, is the result of political riots in Guadalajara yesterday and last night, according to reports received here.

The riots started when a mob broke up a mass meeting in Delgado Theater in the interest of the re-election of President Diaz. The orators were stoned in streetcars, carriages and automobiles in which they rode.

Mobs paraded the streets crying: "Down with Diaz!" "We want Reyes!" A barricade was erected and many shots were exchanged. Eight policemen were wounded.

Troops Called Out.

The police charged the crowd repeatedly, but were repulsed. State troops were called out and a number of volleys were fired in the air without effect. Some members of the mob erected a barricade and shots were exchanged between them and the soldiers.

Considerable American property was destroyed, and two Americans were wounded. The Americans have asked the American Consulate for protection. The Hotel Garcia, which was wrecked by the mob, was leased by an American, and he has put in a claim for damages.

## TWO AMERICANS HURT.

W. Hinton, one of the Americans who was injured, is a guest at the hotel, and just before it was stoned he is said to have stepped to a balcony and fired his revolver into the air in an attempt to disperse the crowd. A Murphy, the other American injured, was cut by a policeman's saber.

A heavy hail storm eventually dispersed the mob.

The riot is the most serious that has occurred in Mexico in years, and is looked upon as significant by those who have been closely following the political situation. The officials say it was planned and carried out by the Democratic party, known as the Reyesista party, from the name of the candidate for Vice-President, General Bernardo Reyes.

## BALLOON IN SNOW STORM

### Contender for Lahm Cup Finds Winter at 13,000 Feet Altitude.

ST. LOUIS, July 26.—A midsummer snowstorm two miles above earth caused John J. Berry and two other men who ascended here last night in the balloon University City in an attempt to capture the Lahm cup, to land today near Savannah, Ill. They traveled 242 miles.

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## CARVING AWAY SLOOP GJAO

### Amundsen's Sloop to Be Protected From Relic-Hunters.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 26.—Fearing that relic hunters will carry away piecemeal the sloop GJao, in which Raoul Amundsen sailed through the Northwest Passage, the San Francisco police department has set a guard over the sloop and will try to punish some of those whose initials cover the vessel's sides.

The ship is beached at Golden Gate Park and was intended to be a museum for things nautical. Relic hunters have carved away at the timbers until the worth of the vessel as a historic relic is impaired.

## GUARDSMAN NOT BARRED

### Miners' Federation Retains Adjutant-General Greening as Member.

DENVER, July 26.—Permission to allow Philip Greening to retain his membership in the Western Federation of Miners and still accept the appointment of Adjutant-General of Montana and the adoption of the report of the executive board member, J. W. Lowmyer, were the two important matters disposed of by the National convention of the Federation today.

Mr. Lowmyer's report, covering the district including the Butte local, provoked a heated argument, the Moyer and Flynn factions exchanging many pointed personalities.

## PINCHOT TO QUIT, SAYS DAME RUMOR

### BALLINGER REPORTED TO BE TOO MUCH OF FIGHTER.

### Chief Forester Has Neglected Duties for Past Month to Write Roosevelt History.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, July 26.—It is rumored around Washington tonight that Gifford Pinchot, chief of the Forest Service, because of the interference with his administration by Secretary of the Interior Ballinger and Secretary of Agriculture Wilson, intends to resign and get out.

The rumor lacks confirmation, but appears to be given color by reason of the fact that Pinchot, for more than a month, has neglected his Government work in order to collaborate with ex-Secretary Garfield in writing a history of the Roosevelt Administration, and further because Pinchot is known to be deeply disheartened by reason of the attitude assumed by President Taft and his Cabinet toward forestry and conservation propaganda. Pinchot's closest friends declare he will not resign, but will fight all who oppose him.

## PLAN CITY OF PULLMANS

### Delegates to Irrigation Congress at Spokane to Live in Cars.

SPOKANE, Wash., July 26.—(Special.)—Spokane has had tented cities and nearly a white city, but the coming of the National Irrigation Congress in August will bring the first city of Pullman cars, where large numbers of visitors to Spokane will be housed. The "City of Pullmans" will be extended over spurs and sidetracks along the Northern Pacific from Washington street to Walla street.

R. Ininger, of the National Irrigation Congress committee, is carrying on negotiations with the Northern Pacific to get the company to park a large number of their Pullman cars, and seeking permission of the city authorities to the right of the city in the vicinity of the rap of way with a three-quarter inch pipe line, and to use sanitary garbage cans under the cars. Cars are to be guarded by special service men of the Northern Pacific.

## CANADA MAY HAVE NAVY

### Minister Pugsley Thinks Ships and Docks Will Be Built.

VICTORIA, B. C., July 26.—That Canada will build a navy to co-operate with the British navy in the defense of the empire was stated by Hon. William Pugsley, Dominion Minister of Public Works, before the Board of Trade here today.

He said:

"I look forward to seeing a number of first-class vessels of war, of purely Canadian origin, and manned by Canadians, stationed on both the Atlantic and Pacific seaports.

"The question of a Canadian navy and drydocks on both Pacific and Atlantic will be discussed as soon as the delegates to the imperial defense conference return from England. The outcome of the conference will undoubtedly be a decision to construct drydocks on both Canadian seaports capable of accommodating the largest battleships."

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## WRIGHT ASCENDS IN SPITE OF WIND

### Aeroplane Has Brave Battle With Air.

## TILTS AT DANGEROUS ANGLE

### Brilliant Assemblage Cheers Aviator's Skill.

## TAFT SEES PERFORMANCE

### Endurance Test Postponed by Stiff Wind, Lest Fatality Occur as When Selfridge Was Killed in Similar Flight.

LATHAM'S TRIAL DISASTROUS.

CALAIS, July 27.—Hubert Latham at 5:15 this morning made a trial flight in his motorplane preparatory to an attempt to fly across the Channel to England.

His machine came violently to the ground in making a landing. A wheel was smashed and the propeller damaged.

It is possible repairs will be made in time to make the attempt to cross the Channel before noon.

## WASHINGTON, July 26.—Orville Wright

made a two-and-a-half-mile flight under adverse conditions with his aeroplane at Fort Myer this evening. The occasion, by reason of the presence of President Taft and a brilliant assemblage of Washington officials, bore an air more social than aeronautical. Everybody had expected Wright to make the first of his official so-called "endurance tests" of an hour in the air with a passenger. The last time the Wrights performed this feat, only ten months ago, it cost the life of Lieutenant Selfridge of the Signal Corps.

A stiff wind caused the postponement of the expected trial and all that Wright attempted was a brief flight without a passenger.

With President Taft, Speaker Cannon and Senator Aldrich looking on, the mu-

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