



CAMP IS STARTED IN DEAD OF NIGHT

Porters' Men Descend Dizzy Grade.

NOISE HERALDS APPROACH

Harriman Engineer, Fearing Attack, Puts Men to Work.

RIVAL CREWS PEACEFUL

Porter Bros. Men Advance on Mountaineers With No Stakes in Sight. Trip Down Grade in Darkness Is Thrilling Feat.

BY R. G. CALLVERT.
HORSE SHOE BEND, Or., July 27.—(Staff Correspondence.)—Traveling in the dead of night down two miles of mountain grade that averages 30 per cent, a division of Porter Bros.' outfit that left the Dalles last Saturday established camp at Horsehoe Bend at midnight last night. This camp is located at the foot of the wagon road built at a cost of \$30,000 by the Harriman forces and is on the flat with Harriman camps on either side.

The men employed on Twoby Bros.' works for the O. R. & N., although outnumbering Porter Bros.' men 10 to 1, made no attempt to prevent the entrance of the latter into the canyon. The road down which the outfit came overlooks the town of the Harriman engineers nearly 3000 feet and the noise and lights on the mountain side aroused the camp.

Men Set to Work at Night.

Fearing that an attempt might be made to seize the Harriman works, E. L. Hart, engineer in charge, called the workmen out of bed at midnight and put them to shoveling at the points where the two surveys conflict in that immediate vicinity. Porter Bros. made no attempt, however, to put men at work last night, but the Twoby employees stayed on the job until morning.

Bright and early this morning the boss of Porter Bros.' outfit sent six men to the north portal of the tunnel already started for the Harriman road. Although there are no survey stakes in evidence for the Oregon Trunk line, the Porter workmen began digging in the bank about 75 feet from the O. R. & N. men.

Man With Gun Sees Italian.

Engineer DeWitt, for Porter Bros., did not arrive on the ground until late this afternoon, but the few men were kept at work all day, while a number made camp and others drove the seven wagons back to Grass Valley for supplies. Porter Bros. have established a camp that has the appearance of being designed to provide accommodation for a large force of men.

Throughout today there were no conflicts, but two or three Italians on the Harriman tunnel quit work this morning because one of the Porter men was carrying a rifle of small caliber. The workmen because the camp had not yet been prepared and he was afraid it would be lost.

ROAD WORK IS CONTINUED

Twoby Bros. kept nearly 100 men at work all day extending the wagon road down the river to the tunnel portals, about one and one-half miles, which point is now reached by trail. Twoby Bros. also sent a pack horse contractor into the canyon today for the purpose of bidding on packing of supplies by another trail if the wagon road remains closed across the Gurtz ranch. The gate at the entrance to the Gurtz place is still kept locked, and a Porter Bros. employe stands on guard.

No attempts have been made to close off the Davis or French places, which it is reported Porter Bros. have also purchased. On the Davis place is a well from which Twoby Bros.' camp at the brink of the canyon was getting water. This water supply was denied them two days ago, but the camp was then prepared to move into the canyon and was not seriously hampered. Porter Bros.' sentinels tonight let through a light spring wagon carrying four Twoby men and two or three quarters of fresh beef. He said his instructions were to stop only pack wagons.

Sub-Contractors Nervous.

It is declared by Twoby Bros. that they have a sufficient outfit in the canyon at Horsehoe Bend to complete 10 miles of work, and can proceed if they can get food supplies for men and horses into the canyon. Sub-contractors who have been looking over the work which will be supplied from Grass Valley are loath to undertake it under present conditions, but sub-contracts are being let above and below this point, where there are other means of access. The first 30 miles up from the mouth have been let in two sections, one to Foss & McDonald and the other to Burns & Jordan. Outfits are moving into both places.

Nelson & Johnson have been awarded the contract for the big tunnel at mile post 27, five miles above the road. This tunnel is 1200 feet long and equipment and supplies can be taken there via the Shear's Bridge road. Porter Bros.' feat in bringing seven heavily loaded wagons

TAR HOLDS SLEEPY MAN AS PRISONER

WOODTURNER UNFORTUNATE IN SELECTING PLACE TO REST.

Is Chopped Out of Asphalt Bed With Axes and Has to Endure Gasoline Bath Later.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., July 27.—(Special.)—While looking for a spot on which to lie down for a nap Sunday night, John Riley, a woodturner by occupation, selected a bed of tar close to the American River, where the new Southern Pacific bridge is being built. When Riley went to sleep it was just after sundown, and the tar was soft. When he awoke early the next morning he found himself firmly imbedded in cold, hard tar. His head was buried to a depth of several inches and he was unable to move.

His voice was still good, however, and by yelling loudly he attracted workmen on the bridge to his pitiful condition. In order to release him the workmen had to use axes to cut away the tar. Even when Riley walked away he had a large chunk of tar sticking to his head, and he found it necessary to go to the County Hospital to have it removed. He was given a gasoline bath by Dr. J. B. Harris, and with difficulty and not without suffering to Riley, the tar was removed. Part of the skin of the side of his face and ear and some of the hair of his head came off with the tar.

VESSEL LOST, IT IS FEARED

Barkentine Griffith, With Captain and Ten Men, Long Overdue.

SEATTLE, July 27.—A special from Port Townsend says that it is believed that the American barkentine J. M. Griffith, under command of Captain F. Sanders and carrying a crew of ten men, has been lost at sea.

The barkentine put out from Carmen Island, Mexico, for Puget Sound 66 days ago, and is long overdue. The barkentine was chartered to carry a cargo of poles from Port Townsend to Seattle.

The charterer has been notified of the substitution of another vessel, information coming from the managing owner stating that little hope is held for the Griffith's arrival. The Griffith was bringing a cargo of 900 tons of salt fish to Seattle. The barkentine is a 600-ton vessel of 600 tons, built at Seabeck, Wash., in 1852.

TREAT SUSPECT HARSHLY

With Skull Fractured and Jaw Broken, Man Is Tied to Saddle.

BAKER CITY, Or., July 27.—From the evidence laid before Sheriff Rand today it is evident that Page Hawley, the alleged Copperfield horse thief, was the victim of the most brutal assault ever on record in this county.

Dr. E. B. McDaniell who attended the man, declares that Hawley has two fractures of the skull, his lower jaw is broken, and that there are several scalp wounds, evidently the result of being beaten over the head with a gun.

While Hawley was unconscious, one finger was split open, evidently by a similar blow. In this condition he was put on a horse, and with his hands and feet tied, and a rope put about his neck and made fast to the saddlehorn to keep him upright, the man was brought into Copperfield.

BALLOON AS PARACHUTE

Pittsfield Man Avoids Accident by Quick Action in Air.

CONWAY, Mass., July 27.—Parachuting his balloon at the height of more than two miles by loosening the appendix cord and allowing the lower part of the balloon to rise into the netting, Dr. S. Stowell, of Pittsfield, Mass., on his first trip as pilot today, dropped to earth in the balloon Pittsfield. He effected a perfect landing.

With him as passengers were John T. Manning and Miss Blanche Hulse, a trained nurse. The aeronauts struck a vortex which swept the balloon rapidly upward to a height of over two miles. With but one bag of ballast left, Dr. Stowell conceived the idea of parachuting the balloon.

SENATOR STONE ARRESTED

Man From Missouri Hits Negro Waiter in Buffet Car.

BALTIMORE, Md., July 27.—United States Senator W. J. Stone, of Missouri, was for a short time tonight under arrest here, charged with attacking Lawrence J. Brown, a negro waiter on a buffet car.

The Senator stated that he ordered lunch Brown was offensive and he rebuked him. The man afterward failed to serve the Senator, and, when again rebuked, was impertinent, whereupon the Senator struck him with his open hand.

BULLET IN CHILD'S HEAD

Six-Year-Old Receives Charge From Revolver in Brother's Hand.

ASTORIA, Or., July 27.—(Special.)—The 6-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Carver was shot in the left side of the head last evening by the accidental discharge of a 22-caliber revolver with which the lad's 4-year-old brother was playing.

The bullet is still in the boy's head, but as the brain was not pierced, the injury is not considered a dangerous one.

THAW ACCUSED OF BEATING WOMEN

Used Dogwhip on Girls, Declares Witness.

NEW EVIDENCE OF INSANITY

Jerome Springs Sensation at White Plains Hearing.

POSED AS THEATRICAL MAN

Slayer of White Rented Rooms Under Assumed Names and Lured Thither 200 Girls, Says Mrs. Merrill.

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., July 27.—Harry K. Thaw sat in the Supreme Court here today and heard a woman's testimony that made his pallid face flush. He saw a pearl-handled dog whip exhibited, and he heard the witness swear she had seen him wield it on the bare flesh of girls.

The prisoner's wife heard most of the testimony, which was of such a nature that Justice Mills proceeded its presentation with the warning that "no woman should stay in the courtroom unless she is willing to hear everything." Two girls left.

The witness was Mrs. Susan Merrill, a buxom woman of about 35 years, and she opened a new chapter in the life of Stanford White's slayer. She told of alleged acts of Thaw between 1902 and 1906, when he was a bachelor about New York.

Her testimony was in marked contrast to that of two alienists who gave Thaw a clean bill of health, declaring that in their opinion he was sane.

Says Thaw Kept Girls.

She testified that during the three years named she kept in succession two New York lodging-houses, where Thaw rented rooms under assumed names, and to which he brought at various times more than 200 girls.

After Thaw's imprisonment, she said, he paid these women at least \$50,000 as the price of their silence and to "keep them from bothering Thaw's wife or his mother."

One of them, whom she said passed as Thaw's wife, received \$7000. The money came from Thaw.

Saw Women Whipped, Too.

The mysterious package brought to court yesterday by Clifford W. Harridge, Thaw's former counsel, was unwrapped and a pearl-handled whip about three feet long was brought into view. With this before the eyes of the court and spectators, the woman related a series of stories about finding Thaw on several occasions lashing the girls upon their bare arms and bodies.

Thaw, she said, had posed as a theatrical agent and had lured the girls to his rooms with promises of engagements. When she remonstrated with him, she testified, his excuse was that the girls "were not smart enough and could not fill their positions and deserved a beating." She testified further that Thaw had frequently behaved violently, and that she considered his acts irrational.

Mrs. Merrill's testimony was stopped.

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PATTEN UNLOADING WHEAT AS SCHEME

SELLS FROM THREE TO FIVE MILLION BUSHELS.

Market Men Believe He Is Trying to Make Armour Give Up Supplies of Grain.

CHICAGO, July 27.—(Special.)—James A. Patten came out in the open today as a big seller of short wheat, amounting probably from 2,000,000 to 5,000,000 bushels, and broke prices from 2 1/4 to 4 cents a bushel. His brokers held both September and December heavily, and the July price took a tumble of 4 cents a bushel in a short time, because elevator people and receivers undertook to sell for that month against actual wheat receipts.

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"Patten is not selling this wheat because he is bearish," said a well-advised pit trader today. "He is after something, and, in my judgment, that something is the big line of wheat held by the Armour Grain Company. It was because he did not wish to have the Armour wheat unloaded on him every day that he caused a swell in the market last week and that he threw over his own big holdings. Now it looks as if he proposes to do what he can to make the other fellow unload his line of several million bushels of wheat also."

HOPS MAY GO TO 25 CENTS

Salem Dealers Receiving Bullish Reports From London.

SALEM, Or., July 27.—(Special.)—European cables received today have caused bull leaders to declare their faith in 25-cent hops before picking time arrives.

Swans, of London, estimates the English crop at 220 to 250 hundred-weight, the lowest since 1908, when hops went to 40 cents. Ironmonger estimates the crop at 250, and cables "Weather very unfavorable, mold increasing, ice persistent." Barth cables from Neurenburg, Germany, "Weather unfavorable, crop prospects gloomy, estimated less than half of last year."

Well-informed hop men claim that this year's crop in Oregon will not be more than 75,000 bales, as against 92,000 in 1908. In anticipation of big prices, farmers are spraying and as a result the quality this year is expected to be very high. Bull leaders claim that 20 cents has been paid in the Dalles county and that 25 cents has been refused for options in North Yakima within the past 48 hours.

BIG RUSH TO WONDERLAND

Oregon Short Line Stops Traffic Because Hotels Full.

ODEN, July 27.—Tourist travel to the Yellowstone Park over the Oregon Short Line has been unprecedentedly heavy during the past week or ten days and from 10 to 15 coaches and sleepers have been crowded with passengers each day during the last few days.

As a result of this heavy influx of sightseers, the hotels in the National Park are crowded to the limit and no more tickets will be sold over this route until the present rush is over. It is expected that ample accommodations will again be offered tourists the latter part of the present week and then tickets will be offered to all who apply for transportation there.

BARK AND SEVEN MEN LOST

Story of Suffering and Shipwreck Is Brought From Tasmania.

VICTORIA, B. C., July 27.—A thrilling story of the loss of the bark Orleans with seven of her crew, when bound from the Seychelle Islands for Dunedin, was brought by the steamer Naradina, which reached port tonight from Australia.

The Orleans was abandoned June 17, 200 miles off the west coast of Tasmania, after the crew of 14 had worked for five days at the pumps in vain, the vessel being listed over and the water reaching her hatches. For 12 days the survivors suffered terribly in open boats before Captain Lindstedt and six men reached Macquarie Heads, Tasmania, and reported the loss of seven shipmates.

For 11 days the two boats from the wreck were in company, and then parted in heavy weather. Several tugs and a government steamer were sent to search, but failed to find the missing boat.

MORE CLOTHES; MORE TIME

Gotham Judge Decides If Dancer Lengthens Tights Court Can Wait.

NEW YORK, July 27.—Miss Gertrude Hoffman, the dancer, will have until next Fall to answer the charge of appearing on the stage in too scanty attire. When the hearing in her case was called today, the court granted a postponement until next October on the plea of her attorney to prepare for trial.

Magistrate Steiner said Miss Hoffman's agreement to don tights of suitable length was sufficient assurance to the court that the case did not demand immediate adjudication. She had heretofore worn tights reaching to her knees.

ORVILLE WRIGHT MEETS FIRST TEST

Remains in Air With Passenger Over Hour.

SMASHES BROTHER'S RECORD

Great Machine Travels Over 50 Miles at High Speed.

Taft Witnesses Success

On Scene of Previous Disaster, Daring Aviator Achieves New Triumph for Leading American Aeronauts.

WASHINGTON, July 27.—The world's aeroplane record for two men, both as to time and distance, was broken this evening in a beautiful flight of 1 hour, 12 minutes and 40 seconds—upward of 50 miles, and at a speed averaging about 40 miles an hour, by Orville Wright at Fort Myer, with Lieutenant Frank P. Lahm, of the Army Signal Corps, as a passenger.

The former record was made last year by his brother, Wilbur, at Lemans, France, with Professor Painov, of the French Institute, as passenger. That flight was 1 hour, 9 minutes and 31 seconds. Wilbur was an eager spectator of today's flight.

Taft Leads Cheering.

The cheering that heralded the setting of a new mark in the conquest of the air was led by President Taft, who was an intensely interested spectator throughout the flight. This success was all-important to the Wrights, in that it completed the first of two crucial tests of their machine imposed upon them by the United States Government—the so-called "endurance test," which required them to remain one hour continuously in the air with one passenger. Orville did nearly 12 minutes better than that, and could have kept on indefinitely—three hours and a half, the limit imposed by the gasoline capacity of the supply tank.

The other test, that for speed, will be completed tomorrow, weather permitting, when Orville is to take Lieutenant Benjamin Foulers, of the Signal Corps, on a cross-country flight to Alexandria, Va., and return. Orville could have made that flight this evening, but it was almost dark when at last he alighted from a flight that would have carried him almost twice across the English Channel.

Sister First to Congratulate.

Poignancy was added to Orville Wright's achievement by the realization that upon his previous attempt to navigate the air with a passenger, Lieutenant Selridge was killed and he himself terribly injured. His sister, Miss Catherine Wright, anxiously watched him and when he returned unharmed from his flight, she gripped him eagerly and said: "Bully for you, brother; it was beautiful."

Later the President took him warmly by the hand, saying: "I congratulate you heartily, sir. It was a great exhibition. You came down studied law, and later prepared for the ministry. A few years ago he gained notoriety by eloping with an actress. He returned to Portland and was connected with a department of the Lewis and Clark Exposition. He has not been in Portland for the past two years."

JOSEPH N. DOLPH MISSING

Sought in Denver by Detectives. Father Will Not Pay Drafts.

DENVER, Colo., July 27.—Joseph N. Dolph, son of Cyrus A. Dolph, for several years a prominent figure in social and club life in Portland, is being sought in Denver by Pinkerton detectives.

Mr. Dolph, a member of the law firm of Dolph, Mallory, Simon & Gearin, of Portland, issued a notice to business men, stating that J. N. Dolph has no right to issue drafts on him, or otherwise obtain money on his account, and asking that any one to whom he shall apply hold him on a suitable pretext and notify C. A. Dolph, through the Denver office of the Pinkerton company.

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\$3,000,000 YEARLY PAID TO GRAFTERS

ENORMOUS TRIBUTE LEVIED BY CHICAGO POLICE.

All Resorts of Vice Pay Regular Toll for Protection From Law Enforcement.

CHICAGO, July 27.—(Special.)—Astounding revelations follow the partial investigation of vice conditions in Chicago, made in connection with the present crusade against police graft. Many vicious industries were seen to be centered in several districts of the city in such proportions that the task of investigating conditions in the territory over which Inspector McCann had jurisdiction is gigantic and will extend to the grand jury's gaze a spectacle many times as loathsome as that presented by the levee west of the river.

Conservatively estimated, the annual amounts in graft alleged to be paid for police protection by resorts of many kinds in the city, including disorderly houses, hotels, flats, rooming-houses, gambling-houses, dance halls and saloons, made a total of \$2,932,750, nearly 5000 places contributing to this sum, if such funds exist.

The largest part of this enormous revenue is said to be paid by resort-keepers and others in what is known as the Twenty-second Levee district.

In addition to these amounts received from habitués of Twenty-second-street Levee, the First Ward ball nets its organizers \$30,000 a year on the average. Resort-keepers and others are forced to contribute to the wholesale purchase of tickets and wine.

REDS FIRE AT SURVEYORS

Crew on Upper Skeena Reports Strained Situation.

VICTORIA, B. C., July 27.—(Special.)—A. W. Harvey, a surveyor of Victoria, and his two assistants, had a narrow escape from death while working on the Upper Skeena Saturday, being ordered a rifle fusillade from Indians across the river, which continued even after they had shouted repeated warnings.

One of the Indians, Mark Benson, was recognized and brought before Magistrate Allison at Hazelton today, when he pleaded that he had been firing merely as a signal for the squaws to bring over the canoes. As Benson had not been seen actually firing, he secured his dismissal. The situation on the river grows more serious daily and a general campaign against the whites is looked for as soon as winter closes the water highways, so that protection would have to be sent in.

In today's case, the Magistrate is severely censured for having strained the law so as not to incur the enmity of the Indians.

HOUSE ULTIMATUM TO SENATE

Payne Says Tariff Report in Danger of Rejection.

AGREED ON OTHER DUTIES

WASHINGTON, July 27.—"Lumber duty of \$1 a 100 or defeat for the tariff conference" report by the House. This in effect was the ultimatum given President Taft tonight by Chairman Payne of the ways and means committee and a number of other Congressmen. The conference at the White House lasted until late. Mr. Payne remained with the President after the others had gone.

Some of those present stated positively that the Senate must accede to the rate of \$1 a 100 of lumber, as agreed upon by the House, or the conference report would be defeated. They told the President they were determined to fight for the lower rate and it was said that the House would have the President's support on this feature of the tariff measure.

House for Free Lumber.

The sentiment in the House for free lumber is very strong, the President was told. He was also told that the present sentiment in the House is against any increase in the House rate, although a compromise rate of \$1.50 may be accepted. Although it was stated earlier in the evening that the report had been practically agreed to, it was declared by several of those present that the conference tonight had a better adjustment of the lumber schedule would be necessary before a report is made.

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