



## DESCHUTES ROAD WILL BE EXTENDED

### Line to Join Klamath-Natron Cutoff.

## JUDGE LOVETT IN PORTLAND

### Warning Given Against Excessive Land Prices.

## SETTLEMENT IS RETARDED

### Railroads Loth to Invest Millions Unless Assurance Is Felt That Every Available Acre Will Be Made Productive.

Extension of the Deschutes Railroad from Redmond, to which point it is now under construction, to a connection with the Klamath-Natron cut-off is the intention of the Harriman lines, according to Judge Robert S. Lovett, who reached Portland yesterday at 3:45 o'clock, browned by the sun and wind and tired by a six-day journey, in which 750 miles were covered by automobile.

### Previous Belief Confirmed.

The statement concerning the extension from Redmond gives confirmation to a general belief that has existed that the Deschutes road would not stop at Redmond, but would be continued southward to a junction with the line building northward from Klamath Falls. The former is now under construction from a junction with the main line of the O. R. & N. near the mouth of the Deschutes River, up the Deschutes River to Madras and thence to Redmond, a distance of about 125 miles. The extension southward would be approximately 80 miles in length and form a junction with the Southern Pacific probably at or near Odell, or Crescent, as the postoffice is now known. The Southern Pacific has construction forces at both the Klamath and Natron ends of the cutoff, but the middle section is not yet covered.

I am not prepared to make any definite statement concerning railroad construction, was Judge Lovett's reply to a request yesterday afternoon for a statement as to plans for railroad development of the large isolated portion of interior Oregon.

### Reports Have Varied.

"We have had under consideration for several years the matter of building into that portion of Oregon and have had numerous reports on the country," he continued. "These reports have been varied and so evenly has the opinion been divided as to the justification for railroad construction that I decided that the best way to solve the question was to come out and see for myself. That was the object of my trip.

There is a great deal of undeveloped country in Central Oregon. Some of it is surprisingly good and some of it surprisingly bad. It is such a country that, in order that a railroad into it may pay, every tillable acre must be under cultivation.

"One drawback to railroad development that I noticed was the price which some of the large land owners in that territory have placed on their holdings. My information on this point was gained from inquiries as to prices at which certain lands were held, and I may have been misinformed. But I was told that in the high dry-farming country east of the Deschutes one company having large holdings has placed a price of \$100 and upwards on every acre that can be plowed. In the Palouse country and in Idaho lands, concerning the productive quality of which there is no uncertainty, may be purchased for \$75 and upward.

### Land Prices High.

"In the irrigated districts of Idaho land and water right may be purchased in some localities for \$30 an acre, and I know of no project in the Northwest where the price is more than \$65 an acre. It seems to me that in a country that is untried, where the purchaser must clear off the sage brush, and where there is no irrigation, the prices mentioned are not such as will induce settlement or encourage railroad building.

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## ACCUSED BIGAMIST FACES TWO WIVES

### NOVEL DEFENSE MADE BY EDWARD J. BAUGH'S ATTORNEY.

### Portland Woman Is Accused of Illegally Marrying Defendant, but She Denies It.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Aug. 11.—(Special.)—Edward J. Baugh introduced a novel defense at his preliminary examination today on a charge of bigamy, before Justice Baird. His attorney sought to draw from wife No. 1 the admission that she was a bigamist and that her marriage to the defendant was not lawful. His only reward was a statement that she had told untrue stories regarding her past life to her husband.

Wife No. 2, a good-looking girl of 18 years, who swore to the complaint, was apparently half way sorry for having proceeded against the defendant when she heard the magistrate give the order holding him for trial in the Superior Court.

It was not so with the first wife. Her smile denoted pleasure over his misfortune.

The two women entered the courtroom together. There was a sharp contrast. Wife No. 1, 26 years old, has apparently seen something of the world, while the other gives the impression of childish simplicity. They appeared to be most friendly. The court proceeding was formal and occupied only a few minutes. Mrs. Georgie Baugh, who was Miss Clark and who came here from her home in Portland to help prosecute her husband, presented a certificate showing her marriage to the defendant in Amarillo, Texas. Wife No. 2, who was Katie L. Carter, of Riverside, presented a similar document showing that she was joined in wedlock to the same man on May 14 last.

### Farmers Flood Market

### Fear of Probable Slump in Wheat Prices Causes Selling.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Aug. 11.—(Special.)—Half a million bushels of grain have been sold in this city so far this season, and the farmers seem anxious to get rid of their wheat. Buying for export began today, and prices ranged about 7 cent lower than have been prevailing, bluestem going at 89 and club at 75 to 80 cents. Indications point, the farmers think, to continued good prices, but they are not willing to risk it, and are selling as fast as they can.

A sale of 10,000 bushels of club was made late this afternoon at 79 cents and 600 more went at 74 cents. Saturday it is thought will be the big wheat day of the season, and buyers and holders alike are preparing for sales during the day.

## ORCHARD CULTURE TOPIC

### Experts Address American Growers' Convention at St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 11.—The second and last day's session of the American Applegrowers' Convention here was devoted to a technical discussion of the culture of orchards.

The speakers were Professor W. M. Scott, expert pomologist of the United States Department of Agriculture; Professor W. G. Green, of the Horticultural Experiment Station of Ohio; Dr. J. C. Blair, of the University of Illinois.

## BARKENTINE IS ASHORE

### Helga's Captain Mistakes New Light-house for Harbor Entrance.

HONOLULU, Aug. 11.—The British barkentine Helga, bound from Newcastle to San Francisco, went ashore today on Diamond Head at the entrance to this harbor.

Captain Wall, of the Helga, mistook the new lightship at Makapu for the point. The Helga, which left Newcastle 115 days ago with a cargo of coal, leaked almost continuously during the voyage. The vessel has been abandoned by the crew and is breaking up.

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## RESTITUTION OF THOUSANDS MADE

### Illinois Central Recovers Losses.

## GREAT PLANT DEEDED OVER

### Sensational Disclosures Made in Railroad Conspiracy.

## "HIGHER UPS" INVOLVED

### Former Heads of Muleted Company Part With Holdings to Gain Immunity—Memphis Plant Worth \$200,000 Is Transferred.

MEMPHIS, Aug. 11.—Disclosures of a most sensational nature, involving high former officials of the Illinois Central Railroad in the conspiracy by which the Memphis Car Company defrauded the railroad of hundreds of thousands of dollars, were made here today when a decree was issued in the Chancery Court.

H. McCourt, general superintendent of the Southern lines of the Illinois Central, and W. S. King, general superintendent of the Yazoo & Mississippi Valley Railroad, have made voluntary restitutions of \$12,000 in cash, it is said. Mentioned in the decree as stockholders also were the names of Frank E. Harriman, general manager of the Illinois Central; William Remshaw, until May, 1908, superintendent of machinery, and John M. Taylor, general superintendent of the Burnside shops, Chicago.

A deed was recorded in the Register's office here today by which the Memphis Car Company transfers to the railroad all its property in this city.

This transfer, it is understood, amounts to about \$200,000. The railroad sued for \$200,000, alleging large frauds in charges made against it for the repairs of cars and alleging that men in the road's employment had been in collusion with the Memphis company.

## PENNSYLVANIA IS WORST

### Organized Labor Given Credit for Middle West Miners' Prosperity.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—Bituminous coal miners of the Middle West alive under better conditions than do the men engaged in the same industry in Pennsylvania and the improvement is attributed to the influence of organized labor, according to the National Immigration Commission, in a report made public today.

The conclusions of the commission are based upon 15,000 specific cases in Ohio and Indiana and Illinois. The observations of the agent of the commission lead to the conclusion that about half of the miners own their own homes.

The eight-hour system prevails. The average wage-earning capacity is \$2.49 per day, which is 42 cents more than is paid in Pennsylvania.

## PENSION FOR DOGS IN ALASKA URGED

### GENERAL MAUS WOULD CARE FOR THEM IN OLD AGE.

### After Noting Great Work Performed by Animals in Far North, He Advocates Fund.

COSGROVE, Wash., Aug. 11.—(Staff Correspondence.)—Pensions for the Alaskan dogs are to be recommended to the War Department by Brigadier-General Marion P. Maus, commanding the Department of the Columbia. General Maus, who is directing the American Lake field maneuvers here, said today that during his inspection tour of Alaska, from which place he came direct to Cosgrove, he was distressed by the present practice of turning old and disabled dogs adrift.

"These dogs have done worthy service on the various trails for years," said the General. "They afford the only lines of communication between many of the Army posts and are used for taking through supplies. There are 300 of the dogs constantly in the service. As soon as a dog is disabled or superannated, it is turned adrift. There should be some provision for the dogs and I shall earnestly recommend the creation of a fund for properly caring for them when their service is ended."

### Hood River Carrier Gets More.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Aug. 11.—The letter-carrier at Hood River was promoted today from \$600 to \$660 a year salary.

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## ALDRICH DEFENDS RUBBER SCHEDULE

### Change Is Technical, Senator Declares.

## PRICE IN NO WAY AFFECTED

### His Company Has Small Part in World's Production.

## BETTER METHODS SOUGHT

### Guayule Shrub, Formerly Waste, Is Made to Yield Crude Product. Bristow Accused of Inaccuracy in Charges.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—In a letter made public tonight Senator Nelson W. Aldrich, of Rhode Island, replies to statements, involving the rubber schedules in the tariff, made by Senator Joseph L. Bristow, of Kansas. The statement is a denial that he has profited by the tariff on rubber through his investments in concerns engaged in the development of the rubber industry.

He declares that he never had any pecuniary interest whether tariff rates on manufactures of rubber were high or low.

### Writer Assails "Progressives."

Without raising any issue concerning the "progressives" campaign generally, Mr. Aldrich refers to Mr. Bristow and his immediate associates, as follows: "In the tariff discussions of other days, the advocates of the progressive policy usually have been called to meet in debate men with convictions on the subject—Democrats of character, whose theories of government differed completely from those held by Republican protectionists—men who had some regard for the accuracy of their statements and some knowledge of the subject they discussed.

"Now attacks upon Republican measures are led by men whose political existence depends upon their capacity—and to this there seems to be no limit—for misrepresentation, and the ignorance of their adherents. Strangely enough this little group of men—very small in number—has arrogated to itself the leadership of the 'progressives' and its members prate about the treatment of the tariff as a moral question."

### Increase Is Technical.

The Senator declares that the increase from 30 to 35 per cent on a small number of articles of manufactured rubber was for the purpose of making the tariff uniform on kindred articles and facilitating the labors of the customs officials. In that connection he makes public a letter to him from General Thad S. Sharratt, a member of the New York Board of General Appraisers, asserting that the change was advisable and had been agreed to unanimously by the Senate and House and by the conferees on the tariff bill at the earnest solicitation of the tariff experts of the Treasury Department.

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## HINDU FLOOD HERE WILL BE HALTED

### GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCES POLICY OF RESTRICTION.

### Only Regret of Official Is That Power Is Lacking to Enact Absolute Exclusion Law.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—(Special.)—Assistant Secretary Benjamin S. Cable, speaking for the Department of Commerce and Labor today, announced a policy of increased restrictions as regards the immigration of Hindus and so emphatic was his attitude that he seemed to regret that he had not the power to enact an absolute exclusion law forthwith.

The report from Calcutta of an influx to the Pacific Coast, occasioned by widespread reports that America was the "good land" and that there every husky hand had a chance to get on the police force, prompted the Assistant Secretary to declare that it was about time the country awakened to the import of such a threatened invasion.

Cable feels himself on safe ground so far as international relations are concerned, for he needs but point to the attitude of the Canadian Government toward the fellow subjects of the British Empire. He expresses concern about the requirements of migratory labor for the various harvests in the West, but the problem of the farmers and the railroads as well he declares, must be solved by other means than a resort to immigration of the very undesirable East Indians.

The department can but enforce laws on the statute books and cannot stop immigration. It can, however, apply measures of restriction with a broader construction of the law than generally obtains and if a Hindu flood comes it will, in a large part, be halted.

## BOLT BREAKS; EYE GONE

### Flying Emery Wheel Cause of Injury, Which May Prove Fatal.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Aug. 11.—(Special.)—When Bird Hammond, millwright for Ryan Allen, was grinding a bolt today, the head of the bolt slipped between the swiftly revolving emery wheel and the iron guard on the side, breaking the emery wheel. One of the flying pieces struck Hammond over the left eye, cutting a big hole in the skull and knocking out the eye. Hammond was knocked unconscious and later was taken to a hospital in Yaacolt, where he is being attended.

It is thought Hammond will die. He is 26 years old, and his parents live at Hopewell, Wash.

## RATE INCREASE WANTED

### Railway Employes Start Petition for Higher Freight Tariffs.

TOPEKA, Kan., Aug. 11.—A movement was started here today by railway employes to secure an increase in the freight rates. Petitions are being drawn up, and these will be sent out over all the railway lines in the United States for the signatures of employes.

These are directed not only to the State Legislatures, but to the Interstate Commerce Commission. The plan is to get thousands of signatures in every state. The American Railway Employes' Association is behind the movement, and a secret meeting is being held here today. There are delegates from every section of the country.

## SEAL FARM TO BE STARTED

### Government Plans to Bring 20 Cub Fur Animals From Far North.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—(Special.)—If everything goes right 20 cub fur seals will be brought down from the Pribiloff Islands and a seal farm established on the Pacific Coast by the Bureau of Fisheries. Hopes are entertained that the fur seal will adapt itself to the temperate zone, and that important aid can be given in maintaining the species.

The Government agents at the islands have by this time finished the killing of the several thousand surplus bull seals that take no part in propagation, but not a word has yet been received here of how many were slain.

## DEATH FRUSTRATES LAW

### Miss Virginia Wardlaw, Indicted for Murder, Dies Before Trial.

NEWARK, N. J., Aug. 11.—Miss Virginia Wardlaw who, with her two sisters, was under indictment for the murder of Mrs. Okey Wardlaw Martin Sneed, died this afternoon in the House of Detention here.

Her death, it is said, will materially affect the prosecution of her two sisters. General decline is given as the cause of death.

## EXPLOSION PROVES FATAL

### Score Injured by Dynamite Blast. Throws Neighborhood in Panic.

NEW YORK, Aug. 11.—Twenty persons were injured, nine fatally, this afternoon by the explosion of a charge of dynamite in an excavation on East Thirty-second street, which threw the entire neighborhood into a panic and did heavy damage to property in the vicinity.

Hundreds of windows were broken and roofs of houses nearby were crushed under the weight of rock and sand which were hurled high by the blast.

## LONG FIERY WALL SWEEPS COLVILLE

### Local Foresters Have Calls for Aid.

## TROOPS TO BE SENT AT ONCE

### Wallowa Forest Fires Fanned by Strong Wind.

## SETTLERS ARE SUFFERING

### Soldiers to Rush to Scene to Beat Back Rapidly Advancing Flames. North Central Oregon Ranchers Lose Feed for Stock.

United States troops have been asked for to combat forest fires now raging in Northeastern Washington and Eastern Oregon. Assistant District Forester George H. Cecil, in charge of the Portland headquarters, yesterday telegraphed the War Department a request that 100 men be sent immediately to the Colville National forest in Washington, where the fire line has driven back the forest rangers and is sweeping over the mountains in a furious wall more than six miles in length.

Assistant Forester McKenzie is at Republic, Wash., where the troops will disembark as the point nearest to the burning timber. The request was based on information furnished by Mr. McKenzie. He advised the local headquarters that the fire had swept over the Colville Indian reservation and was beyond the control of the small number of men available for the conflict. The troops will probably be secured from among those now at American Lake participating in the Army maneuvers.

### Transportation Is Awaited.

Under orders sent out by the War Department soldiers cannot be moved until transportation is received from the National Capital. It is expected by wire today.

Troops will also be ordered to Wallowa County, Oregon, some time today. Assistant Forester Cecil received the request last night, but was not advised of the number of men needed.

Reports from the Wallowa National forest yesterday informed the local office that seven fires were started in that district by lightning during a severe electrical storm which prevailed Wednesday night. Five of them were suppressed by resident rangers, but two are said to have become beyond control. They are near Medical Springs and, because of the continued drought, the country is in a highly inflammable condition. The fires are running with a strong wind to fan them.

### Many Families in Fire Belt.

Up to last night there had been no loss of life reported from either of the National forests which are being consumed. There are many families residing in the burning districts and until an enumeration can be had, it will not be known whether any have perished.

District Forester C. S. Chapman is on the Whitman National forest in North Central Oregon, where a number of smaller conflagrations have been receiving his personal attention. He reported by telegraph yesterday that the greatest danger at this time was to be found in the fact that the stock owners are suffering for feed to carry bands of sheep through the season. Mr. Chapman said that the country here has been without moisture for such a length of time that the browse upon which the sheep thrive is drying rapidly.

## OREGON TROOPS FIGHT FIRE

### Farmhouses Saved Through Efforts of Local Militia.

COSGROVE, Wash., Aug. 11.—(Staff Correspondence.)—But for the prompt and effective work of two battalions of Oregon infantry in fighting forest and grass fires four miles southwest of Cosgrove this afternoon, the big residence and other buildings at the White farm would have been destroyed and smaller houses at several adjoining farms would have gone.

The fires began raging in the morning and the settlers fought hard to keep the flames away from their homes. Early in the afternoon the fire got beyond their control. Luckily the two battalions were passing within half a mile at the time. They were called on for help and promptly dropped a problem in reconnaissance upon which they were engaged.

Companies C. of Ashland; F. of McMinnville; A. of Eugene, and G. of Albany, in command of Major C. C. Hammond, attacked half the line of flames, while Companies E. K. C. and F. of Portland, under Captain C. T. Smith, moved on the other half. The men used entrenching tools and green boughs. The fire continued to advance toward the farm houses, fanned by a mild breeze. It was not until the flames had advanced to within a few yards of the house that it was got under control. In three hours the fire had been put out.

There was a death of eyebrows and lashes in the two battalions after this exploit. Several of the enlisted men had their hands burned slightly. The battalions proceeded with their military problem when the fire was out, and returned to camp at the end of the movement.

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