



DEVASTATING HAIL LAYS LOW CROPS

Thousands of Dollars in Damage Done.

CLOUDBURSTS ADD TO RUIN

Tracts Laid Waste Range From 640 to 900 Acres.

UNRIPENED GRAIN ESCAPES

Eastern Oregon and Washington Country Suffers Serious Financial Loss—Sherman Hit Hardest.

PRINCIPAL FACTS OF OREGON AND WASHINGTON STORMS. Sherman County, Oregon, swept by rain, hail and cloudbursts...

MORO, Or., July 13.—(Special).—Property and crop damage, variously estimated at from \$100,000 to \$250,000...

Shearer Grade Reports Meager. Reports from the Shearer Grade district are meager and the extent of the damage done there is not available...

CALLS MAY BE SWITCHED

Pacific Telephone Company Quits Fight on State Ruling.

Hotels having both the Home and Pacific telephone systems may now switch calls from one switchboard to the other...

LASSEN RENEWS ACTIVITY

Pillar of Smoke Stands Like Huge Mushroom in Sky.

REDDING, Cal., July 13.—A pillar of smoke, which shot 1000 feet into the air from the crater of Lassen peak...

BABY HEIRESS IS DROWNED

Two-Year-Old Niece of United States Senator Dupont Falls in Pool.

PHILADELPHIA, July 13.—Nancy Carpenter, the 2-year-old heiress to millions, and niece of United States Senator A. Dupont...

URUGUAY WOMEN HOPEFUL

Bill to Grant Political Equality Is Ready for Presentation.

MONTEVIDEO, July 13.—El Dia, the official newspaper, announces that a bill is to be presented to the Chamber of Deputies tomorrow granting political equality to Uruguayan women.

WIFE DUCKS HUSBY AS HE DOES TOTS

MOTHER SITS ON FATHER AS WAVES ROLL OVER HIM.

Mrs. Honeywell Sweet "Teaches" Husband in Same Way He Tried to Teach Boys to Swim.

SEASIDE, Or., July 13.—(Special).—Mr. and Mrs. Honeywell Sweet, with their three children, arrived today from their ranch in Washington County to enjoy the ocean breezes and give their children their first view of the Pacific...

CRIME LAID TO OLD NEW HAVEN HEADS

"Profligate" Days Are Bared in Report.

ESTIMATED LOSS \$90,000,000

Millions Used as Stage Money; Corporations as Pawns.

DIP INTO POLITICS SHOWN

Interstate Commerce Commission's Findings Allege Criminal Maladministration—Sherman Law Clearly Violated, Is View.

WASHINGTON, July 13.—The story of the "reckless and profligate" financial operations of the New Haven Railroad, one of the most remarkable chapters in the history of American railroad and American finance...

WIFE SAVIOR OF ANGLER

Man Arrested for Fishing Without License Finds One in Pocket.

To be arrested on a charge of fishing without a license, taken to the District Attorney's office, and there to find a license in his pocket, was the experience of Robert S. Poole yesterday...

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CROKER IS COMING BACK

Ex-Leader Will Try to Oust Murphy as Tammany Boss, Says Friend.

NEW YORK, July 13.—Richard Croker will return to New York from Ireland next September and seek to oust Charles F. Murphy from the leadership of Tammany Hall, according to Harry W. Walker...

CALIFORNIA SWINGS BACK

Registration Shows Republicans Far in Lead; Democrats Second.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., July 13.—Registration reports from 57 counties showed today the following totals: Republicans, 378,067; Progressives, 183,388; Democrats, 200,287; Socialists, 51,723; Prohibitionists, 28,199; declined to state, 70,941; miscellaneous, 2189. One county is yet to be heard from.

CAMP IS PITCHED; GUARDSMEN BUSY

Fine Art of Warfare to Be Daily Menu.

ARMY EXPERTS WILL DIRECT

Idaho and Oregon Companies Make Splendid Showing.

LAURELS WON AT START

Detraining Accomplished Quickly, Tents Spread in Record Time and Serious Business of Instruction Starts at Dawn.

CAMP JACKSON, Gearhart, Or., July 13.—(Special).—With the arrival today of the Third Oregon and the Second Idaho Infantry regiments, the largest troop concentration ever effected in Oregon for field maneuvers is complete...

REBELS DEPORT LABOR MEN

Carranza Gives Orders to Settle Trouble at Cananea.

NACAO, Ariz., July 13.—Twenty labor leaders from Cananea, Sonora, where a strike of 2500 miners has been in progress for some time, were deported here today by constitutional soldiers under Colonel F. Ellis Calles...

NEWBERG MAN'S LUCK BAD

George W. Crites in Three Fires Loses Home, Contents and Barn.

NEWBERG, Or., July 13.—(Special).—George W. Crites, of Newberg, thinks he is pursued by fate. Last year he lost heavily by the burning of a large livery stable. About ten days ago his home caught fire, but the damage was slight. Yesterday the house and its contents were destroyed...

WOMAN'S DAILY SOON OUT

Democratic Organ to Be Edited and Circulated by Fair Sex.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 13.—A new daily newspaper, owned, managed, edited and circulated by women, is expected to make its first appearance here within the next few days, to serve the interests of the Democratic party in the coming campaign...

FUTURE CITY IS DESCRIBED

Skyscrapers Will Be Linked by Elevated Walks Is View.

DULUTH, Minn., July 13.—"The city of the future" was described at the convention of the National Association of Building Owners and Managers here today. Graphic pictures of skyscrapers connected by an elevated system of sidewalks across the street levels, ventilated with washed air and heated like the buildings of the ancient Romans with radiators in the walls, were drawn by speakers...

BIG TIMBER DEAL CLOSED

Blackwell and Milwaukee Companies Trade 200,000,000 Feet.

SPOKANE, July 13.—A deal involving more than 200,000,000 feet of timber has been consummated by representatives of the Blackwell Lumber Company and the Milwaukee Land Company.

FIFTY FILINGS SOLD ON SAME SECTION

Marion County Official Tells of "Locators"

STENOGRAPHER GIVES SECRET

Logan's Confederate Answers "Buzzer" as "Prospect" Calls.

OFFICE METHODS SHOWN

Stenographer Testifies That Member of Concern Posed as Buyer or Satisfied Customer So That Others Would Follow.

The methods said to have been used by the so-called "Seattle group" in inducing people to buy alleged fraudulent "locations" on Oregon & California land grant lands were aired in the United States District Court before Judge Bean, when the trial of W. F. Minard, of Portland, and J. W. Logan and E. J. Sellers, of Tacoma, was resumed yesterday...

Confederate is "Delighted." This confederate, according to Miss Gaucher, then would enter the office, "introduce" himself and either close a deal for a location before the "prospect" eyes or would say that he had just returned from examining land on which he had been "located" and was delighted with the "investment." Max Hoffman, of Two-Dot, Mont., a New Thought preacher, was on the stand and told of his work as an agent for Minard, who, he said, represented himself as "acting attorney" for the Oregon & California Railroad. Minard's Agent Tells of Letter. Hoffman said he received a letter from Minard, at Portland, in March, 1914, saying: "The grand jury has just adjourned. The Government spent half a million dollars, called 248 witnesses, but couldn't get me for any confederates. I'm now most noted man."

County Recorder A. Eugene Aufranc, of Marion County, told of having received as many as 60 "filings" for different people, on the same quarter section of land, many of which were received on the same day and in the same affidavit from Minard.

Miss Blanche Reed, of Roseburg, Deputy County Recorder of Douglas County, gave testimony similar to Mr. Aufranc's, and Fred L. Colvig, County Recorder of Jackson County, previously had testified that his office recorded 33 "locations" on the same piece of land.

The modus operandi, as brought out in the testimony, was for one of Minard's agents to secure from the "prospect" a sum of money, varying with the amount of timber said to be on the quarter section of land selected by the "prospect."

Testimony Man Gives Price. C. S. Vandervalle, of Tenino, Wash., testified yesterday that the "location" price in his case was to be \$15 for each million feet of timber on his land.

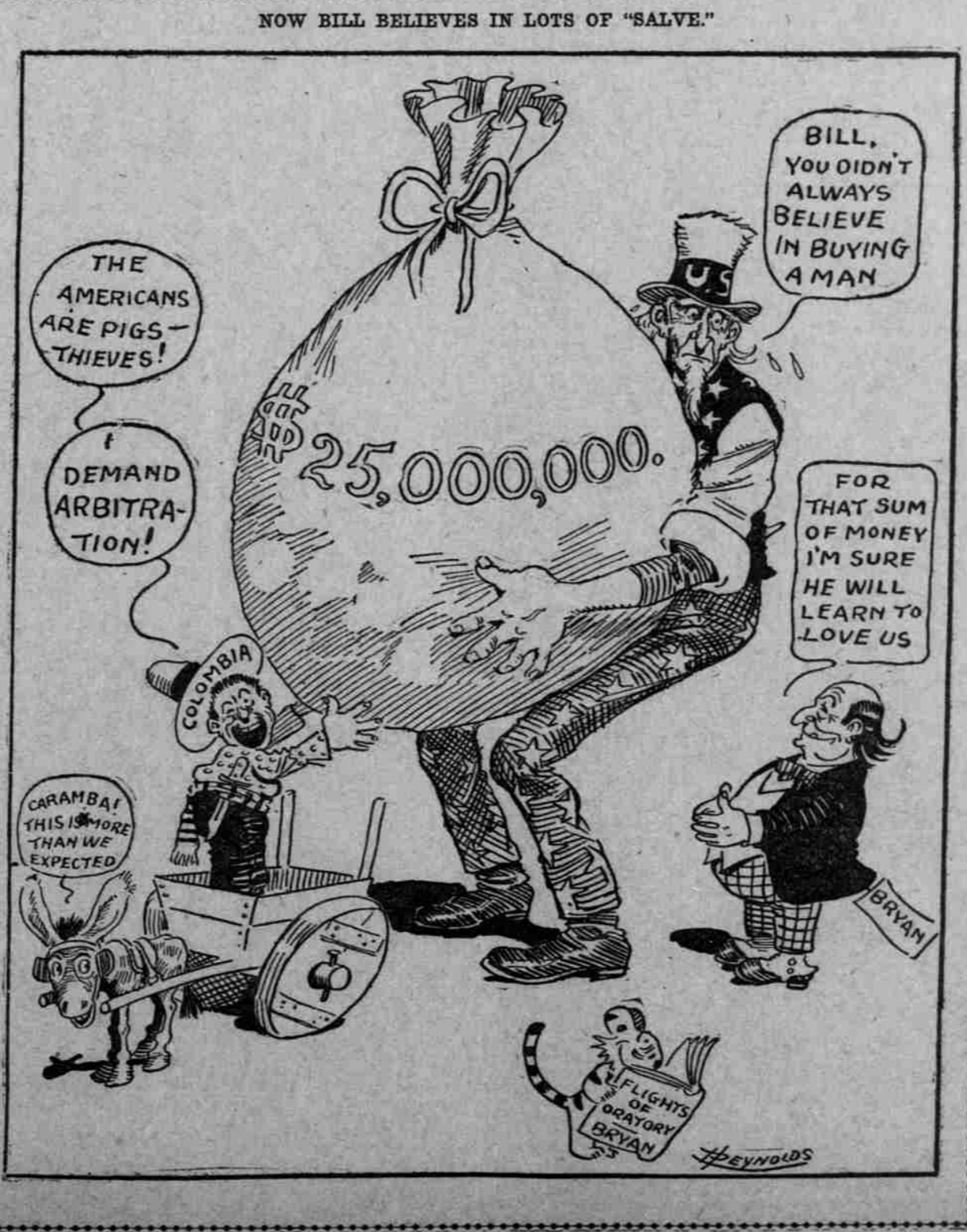
The agent, retaining his commission, would forward the remainder of the "location fee" to Minard in Portland. Minard then would go through the form of offering the Southern Pacific Company, successors in interest to the Oregon & California Railroad Company, \$250 an acre, or \$400 for the certain quarter section selected by the "settler," or person whose money had been sent him.

The company would refuse to sell. Minard then would make affidavit that he had made application for the land for the "settler," and forward the affidavit with the "application" made by the "settler" to the County Recorder of the county in which the land was located. The "application" would be recorded, returned to Minard, and by him to the "settler."

On cross-examination by Attorney J. C. Dennis, of Seattle, representing Logan, Vandervalle admitted that at no time had he had any intention of settling on the land on which he was "located." He did not even know whether Jackson County, where his selection was located, was in Northern, Southern or Eastern Oregon.

"Good Proposition" Seen. Pressed by Attorney Dennis, Vandervalle insisted that, in investing a total of \$165, for which he expected to receive in return \$550 within 60 or 90 days from the railroad company, he thought he "had a good business proposition."

He told of going to Seattle with one of the defendants, E. J. Sellers, already a resident of Tenino; of how Sellers learned of the opportunity to invest in railroad timber lands, told him of it, and of how he paid \$157.50, which was to be the "location fee" for a one-half interest in two quarter-sections, Sellers taking the other half of the deal. He said that Henry J. Harper, who already has served a 30-day sentence following a plea of guilty to the charge of using the mails fraudulently, was the man who explained the plan to him in the presence of Logan. Vandervalle said that he was told that the railroad company wanted to comply with the terms of the original grant by selling the land to settlers at (Continued on Page 2.)



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