

THREE HARRIMAN LINES FOR OREGON

Roads Will Crisscross Undeveloped Parts.

PLANS EAST AND WEST ROUTE

Wizard to Spend Millions in Northwestern Work.

DECLARES WAR ON RIVALS

Recent Bond Issue Will Be Used to "Nail Down" Territory to Which Hill and St. Paul Roads Are Building.

CHICAGO, Feb. 20.—(Special.)—A large part of the millions which the Southern Pacific management has decided to raise by bond and stock issues is to be devoted to a battle which Edward H. Harriman is going to wage in the Northwest, with James J. Hill and the St. Paul interests, for the possession of valuable territory. It is understood that an official announcement will soon be made of important extensions to be made by Harriman in Oregon and other portions of the Pacific Northwest.

The State of Oregon is to secure railroad advantages which were not dreamed of a few years ago, and which will bring that state into the forefront of the Northwest in the way of future development. The advent of the St. Paul into the transcontinental field, the activity of the Hill lines in surveying new territory, and the probability that the Northwestern will soon decide to seek a Coast extension, have made Harriman determined to secure all of the valuable territory in the Northwest that it is possible to obtain.

Will Spend Millions.

This territory was as valuable several years ago, so far as future possibilities were concerned, but the fact that other railway systems have cast longing eyes upon the golden Northwest has caused Harriman to bestir himself. It is stated in connection with the new issue of securities that many millions will be devoted to extensions and new lines to supplement the Harriman network of roads in the West and Northwest.

Harriman will settle the Portland gateway fight by building his own line from Portland to Tacoma, and using the Milwaukee right-of-way beyond that point to Seattle. Work on this line has already been started, and the agreement with the Milwaukee road has been signed.

To Extend Shasta Route.

It is also known that Harriman has decided to rush his new Shasta route to speedy completion. The line has been built from Weed, Cal., to Klamath Falls, and is to be continued on north to a connection with the present main line at Natron.

It is well understood that the Harriman people have decided to build an east and west line across Oregon, starting at Ontario on the east, on the Snake River, and extending almost due west to Natron. A third line will be built, it is said, along the Deschutes River, south from the Columbia River to a connection with the Shasta line at a point north of Klamath Falls. These lines will "nail down" a large portion of the unoccupied Oregon territory for the Harriman interests.

PLEASES OREGON INTERESTS

Harriman Activity Regarded as a Great Boon to Entire State.

The decision to appropriate such a large part of the money realized from bond flotations by the Southern Pacific to Oregon projects confirms the announcement already made of a line into

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GIRL BELIEVES OWN FABRICATION

ELLA GINGLES DECLARED TO HAVE HYPNOTIZED HERSELF.

Indignantly Insists Story of Kidnapping Is True and Baffles Detective Skill.

CHICAGO, Feb. 20.—(Special.)—While Ella Gingles was identified today as a shoplifter, she is no longer accused as a kidnaper. "I pointed out to her the inconsistencies of her story, but she clung indignantly to it. Her tale is impossible, but I am sure she believes it," Attorney O'Donnell said this afternoon that an investigation of the hotel was involved in his plans. The affairs of Miss Barrett and Mrs. Kenyon, would also be inquired into.

IMPALED BY HUGE ICICLE

Falling Mass of Ice Pierces Man's Check and Pinions Tongue.

SPOKANE, Wash., Feb. 20.—(Special.)—Engaged in knocking huge icicles from the eaves of a saloon and dance hall in Burke, Idaho, using a garden rake, a swanper known as "Shorty" looked up at the wrong instant to catch one of the falling spikes on his left cheek. Driven by a weight of several pounds, the icicle went through his cheek, making a hole more than an inch in diameter and penetrating the tongue. The left side of his face is badly bruised and swollen. While "Shorty" was prostrate another chunk of ice struck him on the knee, bruising it so severely he is unable to walk.

EX-VICE-PRESIDENT IS ILL

Adlai E. Stevenson Overworked in Last Political Campaign.

CHICAGO, Feb. 20.—Adlai E. Stevenson, ex-Vice-President of the United States, is ill at his home in Bloomington, Ill., according to reports received here today. His activities in the recent campaign are said to have proved a severe strain on his 74 years.

BLOOMINGTON, Ill., Feb. 20.—Ex-Vice-President Adlai E. Stevenson is recovering from a recent severe bilious attack, which caused alarm for a time among his friends. Mr. Stevenson, it is stated, has now almost completely recovered.

CASTRO LOSES HIS TITLE

Venezuelan Court Decides He Is No Longer President.

CARACAS, Feb. 18, via Willmetstad, Feb. 20.—Cipriano Castro has lost his title as President of Venezuela, the High Federal Court having rendered a decision that sufficient evidence had been presented in the suit brought against him on the charge of attempting to bring about the assassination of Juan Vicente Gomez, the Acting President. In its decision the high court transfers the suit to the criminal court and declares that Castro is constitutionally suspended from the Presidency.

SNELL WILL RENEW FIGHT

Will Now Charge Father Had Insane Delusions About Him.

DECATUR, Ill., Feb. 20.—In spite of the Supreme Court's decision upholding the will of the late Thomas Snell, of Clinton, Ill., his son, Richard Snell, will make another attempt to break the will. The contention this time will be almost solely that Colonel Snell had insane delusions as to his son, and that these delusions were unfounded. The estate amounts to \$1,700,000.

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MORE REVENUES MADE AS OFFSET

Session Costliest of Any in State.

TOTAL EXPENSE IS \$4,200,000

Additional Revenues of Over \$300,000 Provided.

KILL MANY "MORE" BILLS

Appropriations of Over \$1,000,000 Go to Graveyard—Good Game Code Enacted—Normal Graft Bill Killed.

APPROPRIATIONS BY LEGISLATURE

Senate appropriations... \$1,067,000.00 House appropriations... 2,594,473.82 Continuing appropriations of preceding Legislature 315,000.00 Total... \$4,227,073.82

STATE CAPITOL, SALEM, Feb. 20.—(Special.)—This latest Legislature of Oregon's passed appropriation bills for some \$1,100,000 more than did its predecessor of two years ago. While the session just ended was the most expensive the state ever had, and in some respects the most extravagant, it provided three or four new sources of revenue, which will partly make amends.

The Bean bill for taxation of public-service corporations on capitalized net earnings will produce several hundred thousand dollars more annual revenue for the state than the present system; how much is yet a matter of conjecture, but it is expected to bring in an estimated amount of \$250,000, of which \$200,000 will come from taxation of public-service corporations, and to add between \$25,000,000 and \$35,000,000 to the assessable property of the state.

Insurance Law Brings More.

A small additional revenue will come in from the Clemens-Bean law creating a new tax on fire insurance—perhaps \$15,000 over and above the \$10,000 annual expense of the new insurance commission. The new insurance law will increase the revenue from insurance from \$75,000 to \$100,000 a year, this adding more than \$25,000 annually. This act taxes fire and life premiums 2 1/2 per cent and imposes an annual license fee on fire companies of \$150 and on life companies of \$100. An unknown new source of state cash is the act imposing a tax on water franchises of between 25 cents and \$2 per horsepower per annum. Another small addition to the revenue will come from increase of the inheritance tax.

Some Good Bills Passed.

These several acts are credited to the merit account of the Legislature. While the lawmaking body was extravagant and did a lot of things it should not have done, and while the membership of the House is regarded as considerably short of the Legislative grades of other sessions—which, however, is no recommendation of the others—the Legislature has some things to look back at with hope of appreciation from its constituents. It has been a "hatpin" and a "bedsheet" Legislature sure enough, and yet it is only fair to award some credit, even though good service, like virtue, should be its own reward. It has enacted a good game code and killed the normal graft by appropriating no money for keeping up the normal.

Next Year's Revenue Needed.

This year the state will raise \$1,200,000 from direct taxation. It will receive \$400,000 from other sources of revenue. Next year the "other sources" will be enlarged by the new systems of franchise taxation, water taxation, inheritance taxation and insurance tax-

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HAS WON LOVE OF ETHEL ROOSEVELT

PRESIDENT'S DAUGHTER ON VERGE OF BETROTHAL.

Fortunate Man Is William Phillips, Third Assistant Secretary of State.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—(Special.)—Miss Ethel Roosevelt, who has just made her debut, already is reported to be on the verge of an engagement, and gossips are busy wondering whether she will postpone her wedding four years on a chance of becoming a White House bride.

The lucky man, according to a report in diplomatic circles, is William Phillips, Third Assistant Secretary of State. It is that Mr. Phillips is decidedly persona grata with the parents of Miss Roosevelt and that, although, because of her youth, no positive engagement exists as yet, there is a cordial understanding between the young people.

Mr. Phillips is one of the youngest men who ever held such a responsible position in the State Department. He was appointed Third Assistant Secretary December 8, 1906. He belongs to one of the oldest and best-known families in Massachusetts, a family rich in Colonial history and distinguished citizens.

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The Weather. YESTERDAY—Maximum temperature, 46 degrees; minimum, 30.

Legislature. Oregon Legislature costs \$4,200,000 but provides more revenue. Section 1, page 1.

Foreign. Large Argentine steamer burned and many lives lost. Section 1, page 2.

National. Senate subcommittee recommends severe rebuke to Roosevelt for not preventing steel merger. Section 1, page 1.

Domestic. Klein convicted of bribery at Phillipsburg. Section 1, page 3.

Sports. Great automobile racing meet at New Orleans. Section 1, page 4.

Local. Portland League team will begin training next week. Section 4, page 4.

Portland and Vicinity. Sheriff's new system results in prompt payment of taxes. Section 2, page 1.

Examining 192579th Venue for a Calhoun Jury.

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SEVERE REBUKE FOR ROOSEVELT

Senators Condemn Inaction on Steel Trust.

FOR ABSORBING CHIEF RIVAL

Subcommittee Says Sherman Law Violated.

LEADERS ARE EXCITED

Unwilling to Carry War on President to Extremes—Merger Effectuated to Save Moore and Schley, Whom Morgan Squeezed.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—By a vote of three to two the sub-committee of the Senate committee on judiciary which has been investigating the merger of the Tennessee Coal & Iron Company and the United States Steel Corporation, today decided to report to the full committee that the President was not authorized to permit the absorption.

The committee found also that President Roosevelt was equally unauthorized to direct the Attorney-General not to interfere with the merger and not to enforce the Federal statutes against it. It was decided also that, as both companies were engaged in interstate commerce, the absorption was in violation of the Sherman anti-trust law. It was found that the effect and purpose of the absorption were to monopolize the iron ore supply of the country and generally to eliminate the Tennessee company as a competitor of the United States Steel Corporation.

Severe Rebuke to Roosevelt.

The fact that such a report was to be made created consternation in the Senate. It was realized that, if the full committee subscribed to the findings of the sub-committee, the effect would be to administer the severest of rebukes to the President and practically to direct the Attorney-General to bring proceedings against the steel corporation under the Sherman law.

Leaders in the Senate make no secret of the fact that they are unwilling to go that far. Under these circumstances the full committee, when it meets on Monday, probably will decide to consider very fully the possible effect of the report before deciding to adopt it.

Try to Keep Report Secret.

The report acted upon was drafted by Cuberton, author of the resolution providing for the inquiry. The inquiry was conducted by a sub-committee of five—Clarke of Wyoming, Dillingham, Kittredge, Culbertson and Overman. The first three of these are Republicans, and the last two Democrats. Kittredge joined the two Democrats in making the majority report. No minority report was made by Clarke and Dillingham. The sub-committee decided not to make the text of its report public, although the interest in it was so great that the findings became known to practically the entire Senate during the afternoon.

Firm Saved From Failure.

In addition to the findings of law, the committee reported on many questions of fact connected with the merger. It was found that during the panic in November, 1907, the United States Steel Corporation purchased all the stock of the Tennessee Coal & Iron Company except \$20,160, the amount of the stock acquired being \$30,375,825. It is shown that only \$62,556 in cash was paid for the stock and that bonds of the steel corporation were issued to the amount of \$24,654,578, or nearly \$5,000,000 in excess of the par value of the Tennessee Company's stock purchased.

The report quotes from the President's message declaring the absorption necessary, according to the

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TUCKER WILL FILE SUIT ON OWN PART

PAYMASTER PLANS WAR OF REPRISAL.

Leaves Chicago for South and Will Endeavor to Regain Pay and Lost Prestige.

CHICAGO, Feb. 20.—(Special.)—Colonel William F. Tucker walked out of the Union League Club tonight and entered a cab. His bag was thrown on the seat in front of him, and the driver was directed to drive to the railway station. Once at the station the Army Paymaster purchased a ticket to Hot Springs, Ark., and by midnight was a hundred miles south of the scene of his recent humiliation. In her apartments at the Auditorium, Mrs. Dolly Logan Tucker, departed in entire ignorance of the departure of the husband whom she is suing for separate maintenance.

In the meantime it was reported that Colonel Tucker will, in all probability, cause a cross-bill to be filed within a few days, and thus set about a desperate fight to retain the three-quarters pay as a retired officer which he expects to be awarded. His friends believe that he will not be content with merely answering the allegations in his wife's bill. If he should elect to contest the case by asking that the divorce be granted to him instead of to his wife, all sorts of lively revelations are expected. The whole married life of the two will be dragged into court.

STILL TRUE TO SOCIALISM

Medill Patterson Denies He Has Deserted Party.

CHICAGO, Feb. 20.—(Special.)—Joseph Medill Patterson has not deserted the ranks of Socialism. Although generally believed to have been recruited with capital and capitalists by his recent election to the secretaryship of the Chicago Tribune, he declares he is inalienably committed to socialist doctrines. In a letter to A. M. Simmons, editor of the official news organ of the Socialist party, the young millionaire says:

"I have seen two or three newspaper items to the effect that I have renounced Socialism. Will you kindly give me space for a denial of the absurdity. I am a dues-paying member of the Socialist party, in good standing and expect to be one until the end of the chapter."

The letter caused rejoicing at the Socialist headquarters.

DECIDES SPOKANE RATES

Rumored Commission Favors Contention of Coast Cities.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Feb. 20.—The Interstate Commerce Commission has reached a decision in the Spokane rate case, and will announce its findings next week. It is rumored that the decision is favorable to Portland and other Coast points and adverse to the Spokane contention.

The commission, according to report, holds that Spokane is not entitled to as low a rate on Eastern shipments as are cities on tidewater, which have the advantage of water competition. No member of the Interstate Commerce Commission seen today would discuss the decision, and it is therefore impossible to confirm the rumor.

WIRELESS FOR RAILROADS

Harriman Expert Will Study Application of New Method.

OMAHA, Neb., Feb. 20.—Dr. Fred Miller, experimental electrician of the Union Pacific Railroad, will leave tomorrow for a tour of the East for the company. He will visit many wireless stations. Dr. Miller has been experimenting with wireless apparatus in connection with railroading for several months.

TOWN PLANS GREETING

Roosevelt as ex-President to Be Welcomed at Oyster Bay.

OYSTER BAY, Feb. 20.—A reception will be tendered to Theodore Roosevelt when the ex-President returns to his home. Fireworks and illuminated decorations on houses and stores will, it is expected, form part of the celebration.

Mr. Roosevelt and his son Kermit are expected to leave here on March 13 for Africa.

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SON TELLS OF HIS FATHER'S CRIME

Robin Cooper Recounts Carmack Murder.

TRIED TO PREVENT KILLING

Plea of Self-Defense Outlined by Testimony.

WOMEN FILL COURTROOM

Young Lawyer Gives Detailed Account of Fatal Meeting Between Colonel Cooper and Senator. Says Carmack Drew Gun.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Feb. 20.—The adjournment of Thursday only seemed to whet the appetite of public interest in the trial of Colonel Duncan B. Cooper, Robin J. Cooper and John D. Sharpe for the killing of ex-Senator E. W. Carmack. When the court opened today one of the largest crowds ever seen around a Nashville courthouse awaited the arrival of the doptules.

The missing state witnesses not having arrived, Judge Anderson at 11 o'clock said:

"Robin Cooper, take the stand."

A murmur of surprise and expectation swept over the room. The court rapped for order sternly. Some women arose the better to see, and then deputes ordered them to remove their hats.

Robin Cooper is a slender, boyish, clear-cut-looking youth. He gave his age as 27, his profession as a lawyer. He said he was a son of D. B. Cooper and knew John Sharpe, the other defendant, very well. In a clear voice and with the refined accent of the educated Southern man, Cooper gave a brief sketch of his life.

Much Interest in Witness.

From the moment her favorite brother began to talk, Mrs. Burch leaned forward in her chair, looking eagerly into his eyes and seeming scarcely to breathe. Colonel Cooper, seated next to his youngest daughter, Mrs. Wilson, sat back in his chair, and when his son referred to him as "papa" the Colonel smiled and played with his gray military mustache. The jury betrayed much interest. Robin Cooper testified that his father told him that he was afraid of trouble.

"I asked him why. He said, in substance, that Mr. Carmack, in his paper, had been printing editorials attacking his character, and as he put it, shooting poisoned arrows. He said it was becoming unendurable. He had seen Mr. Craig the night before and told him to tell Carmack that he must cease using his name in his paper. He said Mr. Craig returned and said he had seen Carmack, but Carmack would agree to nothing."

"As I remember it, Mr. Craig said to papa that Carmack was in a vicious mood. He said he also told Craig to tell Carmack that unless he ceased using his name the town was not big enough to hold them both."

"I was greatly worried, and said my uncle could bring influences to bear to show Carmack the injustice of his course. It was then that papa said: 'He had no right to use my name, and I have a right to protect myself.' 'How old is your father?' 'He is 67 years of age.' 'And his physical condition?' 'His right hand is crippled, the two smaller fingers of the hand are bent in and cannot be moved.'"

May Not Call Colonel.

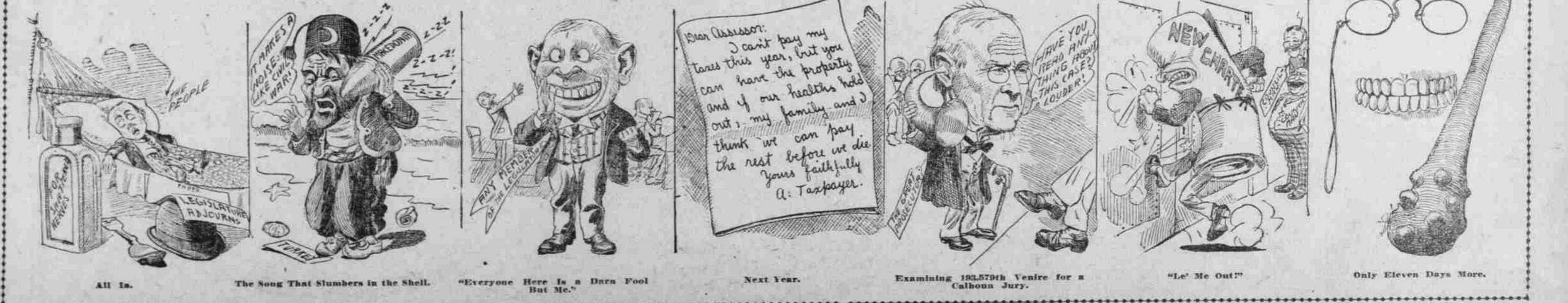
This line of questioning indicated that the defense will not put Colonel Cooper on the stand.

The witness detailed the walk from Bradford's office to the scene of the shooting. They walked up toward the Arcade.

"At the middle of the alley intercepting the Arcade we met John D.

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HARRY MURPHY MAKES PICTORIAL COMMENT ON THE DEPARTED LEGISLATURE AND OTHER INTERESTING EVENTS OF THE WEEK.



All Is. The Snog That Slumbers in the Shell. "Everyone Here Is a Darn Fool But Me." Next Year. Examining 192579th Venue for a Calhoun Jury. "Let Me Out!" Only Eleven Days More.