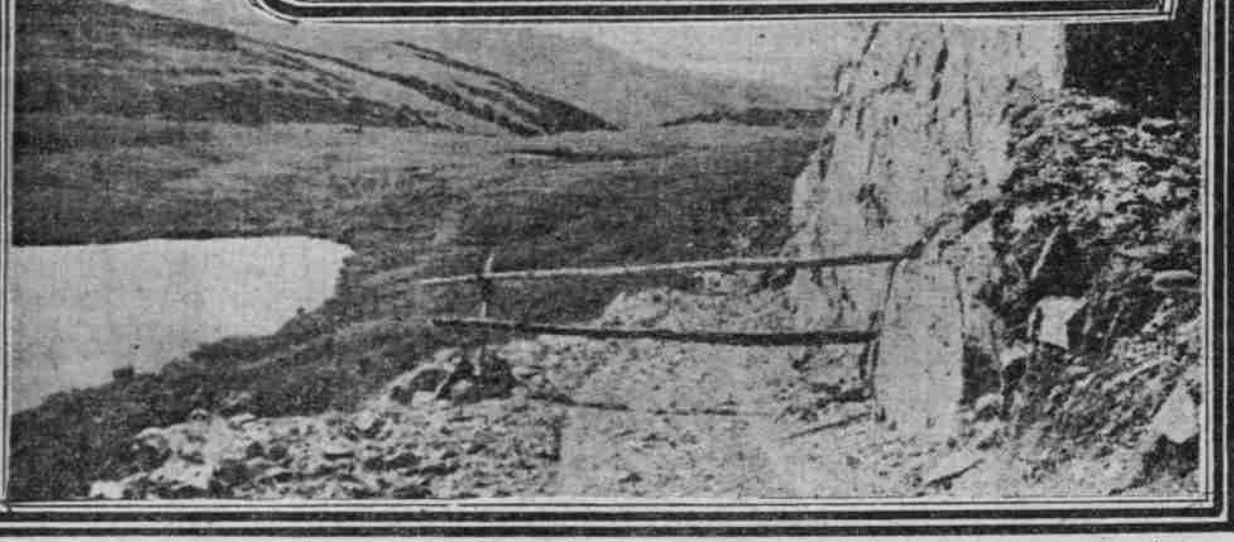


ALASKA WANTS ROADS; CITIES OF PACIFIC COAST ARE ASKED TO EXTEND THEIR HELP

Pressure to Be Brought on Congress, With Request for Continuing Appropriations for Highways in Northern Territory.

AUTOMOBILE WHICH RUNS FROM VALDEZ NINETY MILES TOWARDS FAIRBANKS.



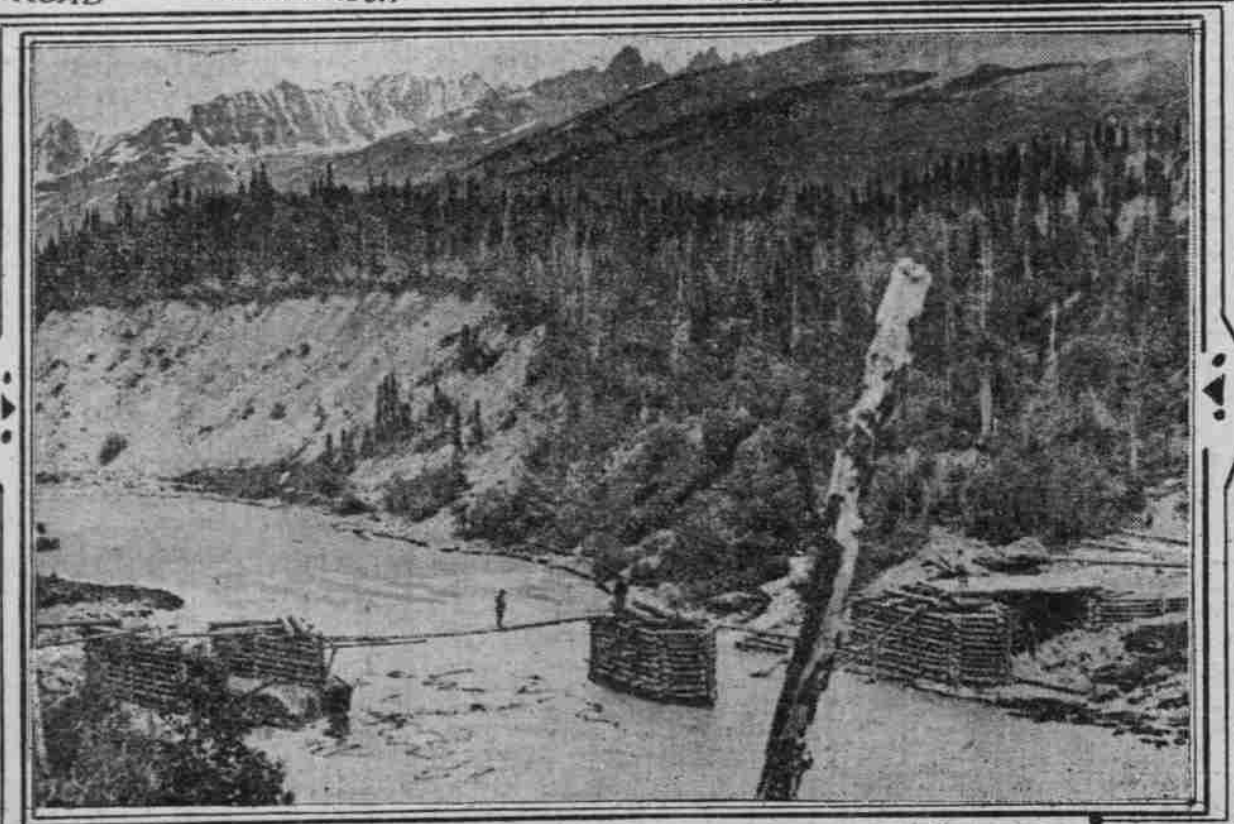
VALDEZ-FAIRBANKS WAGON ROAD ON THOMSON PASS.



CONSTRUCTING THE VALDEZ-FAIRBANKS WAGON ROAD ON THOMSON PASS.



SUMMIT ROAD HOUSE, FROM SUMMIT OF THOMSON PASS, VALDEZ-FAIRBANKS WAGON ROAD.



THE NEW SAINA RIVER BRIDGE VALDEZ-FAIRBANKS WAGON ROAD

LAST year Congress appropriated \$225,000 for wagon road building in Alaska, and representative commercial bodies of Alaska are now asking the commercial bodies of the Pacific Coast cities to aid them in securing further appropriations. Under the form of Government now imposed on Alaska the Territory has no means of forming road districts or

the Federal Commission has been well expended.

One of the principal highways now under construction is the Valdez-Fairbanks road. This road is now completed from Valdez toward the summit of Thomson Pass, so that during good weather automobiles may be operated for 50 miles. An automobile stage was put on the run late last Summer, and the travel by that means will be increased in the Spring. During the Winter months the automobiles cannot be operated because of the deep snow. In constructing the road the Government has adopted easy grades and is building a smooth roadbed with permanent bridges. One of the most important bridges is across the Saina River beyond the summit of Thomson Pass.

The road is not yet constructed half the distance to Fairbanks, Alaska, it is urged by the commercial bodies in the Territory, needs a continuing appropriation for years to come in order to properly develop the resources of the Territory. Owing to the lack of an extended road system only the richest of mining ground is now being worked, and it is asserted that with better transportation facilities Alaska's gold output could be increased ten times over. Rich agricultural districts are to be developed by the opening of good wagon roads. At numerous road houses along the trails now existing good vegetables and hay and grain crops are raised in a small way, demonstrating the possibilities of the country.

Many mining camps are almost inaccessible in Winter months because of the roughness of the trails. Some camps 200 miles from Valdez now pay 30 cents a pound freight on supplies.

PLAIN THIEF AND ROBBER

This Is What One Man Calls the Millers' Trust.

LATOKRELL FALLS, Or., Nov. 28.—(To the Editor.)—Under the headline "Millers' Trust Ended," The Oregonian reports the very pleasing news that "the millers of flour had a satisfactory understanding among themselves at a conference held in Spokane and that they raised the price of flour after that understanding." As every subscriber and reader of your valuable paper is a consumer of flour and therefore highly interested in the price of it, I am sure you would do them all a very great favor if you could make them "satisfactorily understood," too, "why it is that all of a sudden the price of flour makes such a great jump when there is not in the least a corresponding raise in the cost of its production and in the price of wheat to justify it?" Can you give your readers that "satisfactory understanding?" Don't that look to you just like a plain "hold up" of the whole public by a few robbers and thieves? Did these millers not plainly conspire together at Spokane, just like the common scoundrels, thieves and highway robbers do before they are going to steal and to rob, to rob the public and to steal their money to some extent? Is this kind of thievery and robbery legal or lawful and can the millers have every week or month such a "satisfactory understanding?" If it is not, if this kind of "satisfactory understanding" is unlawful conspiracy and plain robbery why then is not this class of thieves and robbers put into the penitentiary and kept there for the good of the public like any other class of thieves and robbers? Why do the courts not protect the public here against such scoundrels, like they did in Chicago a few years ago when another such gang of thieves and robbers there tried to raise the price on meat products without good cause or justification, and make them lower the price of flour again, by order of the courts, until they show good cause why it should be raised to such a great extent on a sudden? Is justice here sleeping when this class of thieves and robbers is at work? Have we to hold still and our hands up to heaven when they have their hands in our pockets without the least justification?

L. FERDINAND FLOSS.

FOUR GENERATIONS DINE

Pioneer, at 84, Handles Rifle as Well as Younger Men.

LAIDLAW, Or., Nov. 27.—This is the 84th birthday of B. F. Nichols, and in honor of the event his granddaughter, Mrs. F. N. Wallace, held a reunion and gave a birthday dinner today. Four generations were present, B. F. Nichols, Miss Mollie Nichols, his daughter, Mrs. F. N. Wallace, his granddaughter, and his four great grandchildren.

Mr. Nichols is one of the pioneers of the state, having come across the plains from near St. Joseph, Mo., in 1844. He came in the Gilliam train, arriving in Oregon City about June 1, 1845. His family remained there until the last of August of the same year, when they removed to within 15 miles west of the present city of Salem, near the town of Dallas. Mr. Nichols was elected Sheriff of Polk County in 1846. Oregon was at that time under provisional government, and Mr. Nichols' jurisdiction as Sheriff extended to the California line. In 1848 he took part in the Cayuse Indian war.

In 1877 Mr. Nichols came to Crook County and has lived here ever since. He was twice elected as a Republican to the Legislature from this county at a time when the county was strongly Democratic.

Mr. Nichols still has good health, and has a retentive memory. He was formerly a dead shot, and to show that he had not lost his skill, he attended a turkey-shoot on November 6 and made as good a score with the rifle as any of the younger men present.

WAIT TIRES, TEAM SNEAKS

Horses Headed for Lents Home Dodge Cars—Driver Arrested.

Late yesterday afternoon two horses drawing a loaded furniture van belonging to J. R. Spurlock, an expressman of Lents, having been left untied for a long time in front of a saloon at Fifth and Oak streets, walked away and started for their stalls at Lents. The horses proceeded to Morrison street where they stopped for a car to pass and turned on the far side of the street. They then proceeded down Morrison street stopping at every crossing, where cars were busy with late Saturday afternoon traffic, and fell in line with other teams waiting to cross the bridge.

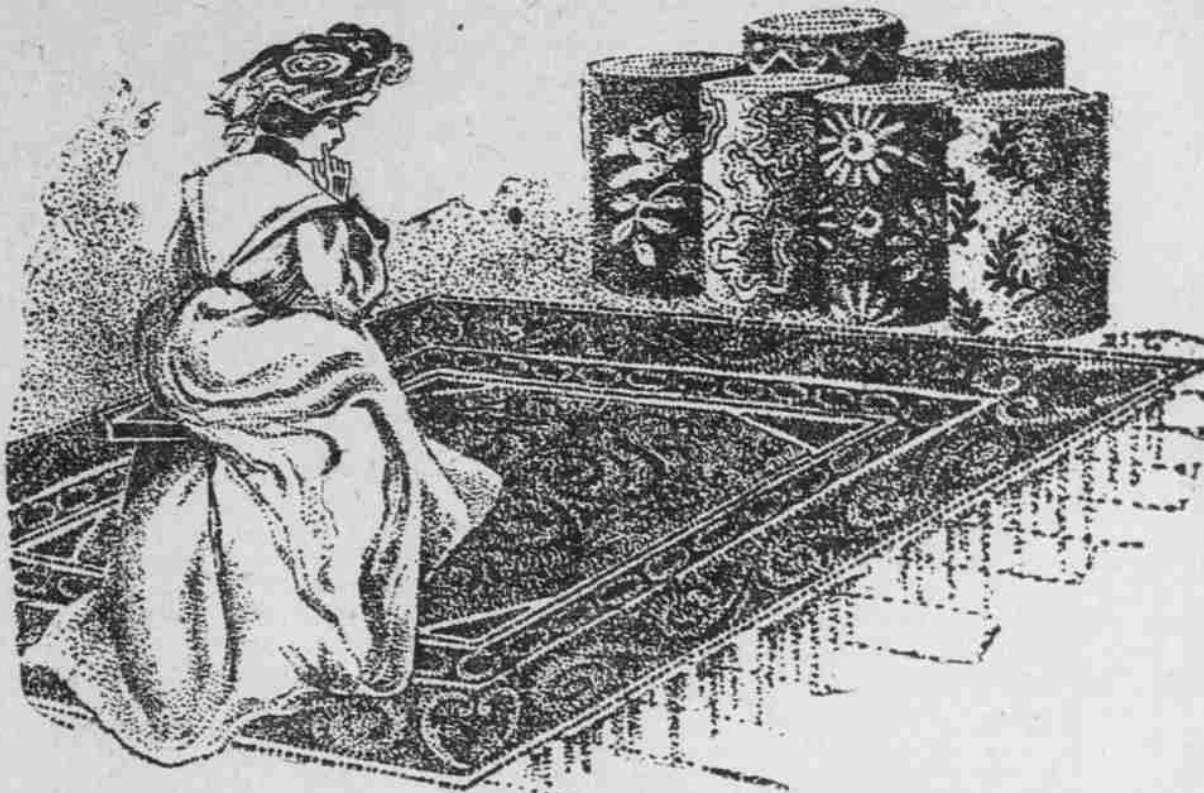
The runaways passed over the bridge to East Morrison and East Water streets before anyone discovered they were without a driver. Here Patrolman Sherwood tied them and notified police headquarters. The telephone message had hardly been received when Spurlock appeared to report to Captain Bailey the loss of his team. Spurlock was put under arrest for leaving his team untied. He was allowed to go on his own recognizance to take charge of his horses.

DIVORCE EVILS UNDER BAN

Conference Called to Urge Uniform Separation Laws.

NEW YORK, Nov. 27.—Uniformity in the divorce laws of the various

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states is being sought by President Taft and most of the state Governors, according to Seth Low, who as President of the National Civic Federation has just announced the date of the conference on uniform legislation. This conference will be held in Washington January 17-19. Representative

men of every state in the Union, appointed by the Governors, will attend. Mr. Low's announcement says: "Through the initiative of the American Bar Association a special National organization of commissioners, chosen by the different Governors, is now working for a uniform divorce law.

the supreme necessity for which grows out of the condition that a child under the various divorce laws may be legitimate in one state, but illegitimate in another. The work of this special commission will be reported on at the conference and will then come before the committee of Governors."



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