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STATE ROOM INN IS DESTROYED BY FIRE.

Man and Boy Perish in the Flames. Six Persons Are Injured and Report is One May Die.

Portland, Aug. 19—Thomas Sorensen, of Votch Hill, B. C., and an unknown companion were burned to death in a fire which destroyed the State Room Inn, on Thurman street, between Twenty-sixth and Twenty-seventh streets about 2:30 o'clock this morning.

Deputy Coroner A. L. Finley, and Sergeant of Police Slover at 2 o'clock this afternoon succeeded in discovering the identity of the larger of the two men, neither victim having been recognized up to that time.

He is Thomas Sorensen, of Notch Hill, B. C. His watch, $11 in money and some letters and papers revealed the name. News of the holocaust will be wired to Notch Hill today in an effort to find out who the second man was.

Both men are farmers residing in British Columbia. No register of the guests was kept at the hotel and the bodies of both men were charred beyond the possibility of identification.

Sorensen is described as being about 38 years old, six feet and two inches tall, chestnut hair and wearing a light suit of clothes.

His partner was about 35 years old, five feet and six inches tall, very dark complexioned, and he is described as having a peculiarly-shaped nose, which overhung a very thick, broad upper lip. They came to the city yes erday morning.

Both were attempting to make their escape when overcome by smoke. Their bodies were found in a small toilet room near their room.

Building Destroyed

The fire, which completly destroyed the two-story frame building, had its origin either in a defective gas jet or from the carelessness of a guest in smoking. It started in a room in the center of the building about 2:30 a. m., and as the structure was entirely of wood and erected for temporary use, it burned like tinder. At 3 o'clock the building was in ruins.

At the risk of her life, Mrs. Ida Harper, who was temporarily in charge of the establishment during the absence of Attorney Van Dusen the owner, after discovering the fire. made a desperate effort to awaken the guests. She succeeded in reaching all the downstairs rooms and a majority of those upstairs, when she attempted to leave the building. The flames had gained such headway that exit by the stairway was impossible and she jumped from the second-story veranda to the ground. She was badly burned about the head, but was not seroously injured by her perilous jump.

There were 15 guests in the hotel, many of whom narrowly escaped with their lives. A number of them were employes of attractions on the Trail, and without an exception all lost their entire outfit of wearing apparel.

Mrs. Lubert Badly Hurt

Mrs Anna Lubert, a French woman, suffered the most terrible injuries. The flames were burning through her door before she was awakened. Gathering a few articles of wearing apparel, she rushed through the hall, which was all ablaze, and made her escape by jumping from the veranda of the second story. Her burns, although serious, are not considered necessarily fatal.

Others who were slightly burned are: Joe Stubbs, a diswasher at the hotel; A. C. Collander, a brewer employed at the Mount Hood Brewery, and Mrs Van Zant, an Indianapolis lady. The injuries of all these consist of burns about the head and shoulders, sustained while making their way through the burning hallway, and are not serious

TOO MUCH RED TAPE IN PRESENT GAME LAW.

The sale of deer, elk, moose, mountain sheep or spotted fawn is absolutely prohibited.

Licenses—It is unlawful for any person to hunt in this state without having first procured of the county clerk of one of the counties of this state a license therefor, which license the hunter must have with him, and in his possession at the time of hunting. A license procured in any county is good for the entire state. All licenses expire on December 31 of each year. Fees: For residents, $1; for non residents $10. The law says, "No license shall be required of a man or members of his own family for permission to hunt upon his own lands." Therefore beware of hunting beyond the boundaries of your own land without having procured a license.

Seasons—

Spotted Fawn—Closed at all times.

Elk—Closed until September 15, 1907.

Buck Deer—Closed between November 1 of each year and August 15 of the following year.

Female Deer—Closed between November 1 of each year and September 1 the following year.

Night hunting and the use of dogs prohibited.

Limit—Five deer in any one open season.

Tags—Any person lawfully killing deer during the open season, not to exceed five deer, must make an affidavit before any justice of the peace, setting forth the date of the killing of each deer and that the same were killed by the affiant. The justice of the peace thereupon issues to the affiant one leather tag for each deer. These tags must be securely fastened with wire, one tag to each deer skin. The tags are issued to the county clerks by the state game warden, and are by them distributed to the justices of the peace.

It is evident from the foregoing as the law now stands, that the tags cannot be issued before the deer have been killed, and it is useless to apply for them until that time.

No tags can be issued after the expiration of five days from the close of the open season.

The making of false affidavits is severely punished.

The possession of the tags, regularly and lawfully issued, entitles the owner thereof to have the game transported anywhere within the state, but not beyond the boundaries of the state.

TRACKLAYING COMMENCED

Medford, Aug. 19.—Jos. F. Kelly, superintendent of construction for the Medford & Crater Lake railroad, commenced laying track Tuesday and will continue to push the work forward as fast as possible. The tracks in the terminal yards will first be finished, so that material can be unloaded upon the company's own ground. The Southern Pacific company now has some sixteen miles of rails ready for delivery to the Medford & Crater Lake Company, so that there will be no shortage of material in that line.

A system of progression bets on this railroad proposition would have been a winner from an optimistic standpoint. One could have made wagers; first that the amount asked to be subscribed would not be subscribed; second, that there wouldn't be any grading done; third, that the bridges over the two streams between here and Eagle Point would not be built; fourth, that there never would be a rail laid on this line.

The subscription was raised, the grade has been completed to Eagle Point; one bridge is completed and the other nearly so, and rails are being laid. Now it's up to some one—one of the kind who rides backward in the cars and never sees anything until it goes by—to tell you that he knew the thing would go all along.—Mail.

TELEGRAPHER'S STRIKE ENDED

H. Dickenson, Portland passenger and ticket agent of the Great Northern Railway Company, at Portland, received a telegram from the St. Paul offices of that company Friday which announced that the trouble with the striking telegraphers had been adjusted and the strike entirely broken. Trains are running upon schedule time at all points except in the extreme West, it was said, where the heavy passenger traffic and the enormous fruit shipments are responsible for some delays. On the Northern Pacific also, things are about back to their normal condition. Train No. 1 arrived Friday in Portland on schedule time, and it is probable that from now on all trains will reach Portland more nearly on time than they have for some time past.

This marks the end of a strike which has caused considerable annoyance to the railroad companies and to the public. At no time, however, has it completely blocked traffic, although for several days it was a serious menace. The strike commenced August 1st. The telegraphers have been granted an increase in wages.

Blacksmith Tools for Sale.

Blacksmith tools, complete for set heavy work. Price $30. Address Box 92, Yoncalla, Ore.

HUME IS SUED FOR $110,000 CASH

Portland, Aug. 19.—Three damage suits, aggregating $110,000, were filed in Curry County this morning by Robert Burns, representative from that county, and Attorneys Veasie & Freeman, of Portland, against R. D. Hume, ex-Representative from Curry county and rated one of the wealthiest men in the state. E. B. Burns appears as plaintiff in two of the actions, and his wife, Nellie F. Burns, is plaintiff in the third.

In the first complaint Burns seeks to recover $10,000 for having been subject to loss of time and indignities, alleged to have been brought about by the defendant, by reason of the fact that he had him arrested on a charge of anchoring a sternwheel steamer in Rogue River. In the second complaint he sets forth that he was the owner of a certain parcel of land, on which he had erected a store and hotel and there made his home, and the defendant commenced ejectment proceedings on an alleged prior right to possession of the property, and that the sheriff of the county, at the instance of Mr. Hume did visit the place and forcibly gain entrance, removing the goods therefrom and forcibly compelling Mrs. Burns, who was in delicate health, to leave the premises, and did assault her at that time from the effects of which she has not fully recovered. For this Mr. Burns demands $50,000 damages.

Mrs. Burns sues on the same grounds as set forth in the second complaint of her husband and for a like amount Mr. Burns states that Mr. Hume at one time built a fence of barbed wire around a piece of land Burns had bought for a home and stationed armed guards there to prevent him from taking possession To substantiate this claim, Mr. Burns had some photographs taken of the scene. The defendant is one of the best known men in the state. He has been engaged in various enterprises on Rogue river and in Curry county, paying much attention to fishing, and it is said the trouble between the two dates from the time Burns went there and also tried to prosper in the salmon industry.

CHANGE IN RAILROAD OFFICIALS

Portland, Aug. 19.—Following the policy adopted in the general management of his lines in Oregon, E H Harriman has sanctioned a more general move of the same character, and it is officially announced in a circular issued today, signed by J C Stubbs, that September 1, R B Miller, now general freight agent of the O. R. & N., will also assume jurisdiction over the Southern Pacific lines in Oregon; W. E. Coman, now general freight and passenger agent for the Southern Pacific in Oregon, becomes first assistant general freight agent; Paul Shoup, at present district freight and passenger agent of the Southern Pacific, with headquarters at San Jose, takes the position of assistant freight agent here, and W. D. Skinner, who has been acting as assistant to Mr. Miller, is officially installed as an assistant. A. L. Craig, general passenger agent on the O. R. & N., will assume charge of the Oregon business of the Southern Pacific, as Mr. Miller will, but for the present Mr. Craig will have no assistants. Mr. Miller explained today that there was no consolidation of the two interests, but that the officers appointed would merely exercise jurisdiction over the two roads. Besides James P. O'Brien being general manager of the O. R. & N. and Southern Pacific roads in this state, M. J. Buckley holds the position of general superintendent of the two systems, and in the future a fewer number of officers will be maintained in other departments through the same management.

TAGGARTS MAY BE RECONCILED

Wooster, Aug. 18.—Captain Taggart was recalled to the stand this morning and cross examined regarding the letters. He reiterated the statement that he wrote the letters, taking all the blame to protect his wife's name, Rev. J J. Excelt, a retired minister, believes he can cause a reconciliation. He says Taggart and his wife still love each other.

A letter written by Mrs. Taggart refusing to return to the captain was read in court by Smizer this morning. She accused Taggart of placing bruises on her body and stings in her heart, "making it impossible for me ever to return." Judge Eason refused to issue an attachment for the records of the hospital at Cincinnati where Mrs. Taggart was ill

That Major Taggart was a pretty considerate husband after all, according to his wife's evidence having taken her with him slumming in San Francisco Chinatown. There are so many dear husbands who away in the big city take in all the sights, perhaps more, while the partners of their joys and sorrows confidingly slumber at home.

Absent For Thirty Years.

J. L. Munds, ex-sheriff and prominent stockman of Prescott, Ariz., and a former resident of this county, accompanied by his sister, Mrs. M. A. Carrier, of Los Angeles, Calif., were visiting relatives and friends in this city last week on their way home from a visit to the Lewis and Clark exposition. Mr Munds had not been in this county for the past 30 years and finds many changes in the old land marks.

DECISIVE ACTION IN THE CAUSE OF PEACE.

Negotiations Nearly Broken Off in Peace Conference. Powers May Save the Day for Peace.

Backed by the influence of Great Britian, France and Germany, President Roosevelt has stepped in to prevent the rupture of peace negotiations.

Immediately following a conference with Baron Kaneko, Japan's confidential agent, the President invited Baron Rosen to confer with him.

The conference took place Saturday afternoon and Baron Rosen's demeanor, which before had been gruff, was afterwards cheerful and smiling.

It is understood that the President submitted to him a proposition which will settle the points in dispute in the conference and that this will be sent to the Czar, on whose decision rests the continuance or break-up of the peace conference on Tuesday.

It is suggested that Baron Kaneko informed the President of Japan's irreducible minimum and that Baron Rosen informed him of the maximum Russia would concede and that therefrom the basis of a compromise was deduced.

RUSSIA'S FOREMOST ADVOCATE OF RELIGIOUS FREEDOM.

Metropolitan Antonius of St. Petersburg is the most liberal churchman of prominence in Russia. If the czar had listened to his advice given years ago it is not likely that he would now be in dread of losing his throne. Antonius is beloved by the masses of the Russians, who are convinced of his sincerity.

Oyster Bay, Aug. 19.—President Roosevelt is exercising every particle of his great influence to prevent a rupture of the peace conference at Portsmouth. He is engaged in a supreme effort to induce the envoys of the belligerent powers to compromise their differences and reach an agreement that will result in "a just and lasting peace."

In this effort he has the active and cordial support of Great Britian, France and Germany. Tremendous and world-wide pressure is being brought to bear upon the governments at St. Petersburg and Tokio to not permit the Washington conference to fail of affirmative results. It can be said that there is ground for the hope that it will not fail.

Proposition Will Go to the Czar.

The Ambassador will present the President's proposition to Mr. Witte tonight, and the likelihood is that it will be transmitted to Emperor Nicholas. On the result of its consideration will depend the fate of the peace conference. It is not improbable that before the envoys meet Tuesday morning it may be known with some degree of definiteness whether there will be a continuation of the war.

All Powers Work for Peace.

In anticipation, however, of failure of the envoys to agree upon certain of the articles which they had agreed to consider, and in expectation that he might be appealed to by the one side or the other before the conclusion of the conference, the President has been in communication with the great neutral powers. His purpose was to enlist their support in a final effort to secure an honorable peace. With King Edward he communicated because Great Britain is a practical ally of Japan, and with President Loubet because France is the nearest friend of Russia. Germany, too, was appealed to, and Emperor William is exerting his influence for peace

Message is Sent to Russia

All hope here that the peace negotiations may yet be saved on Tuesday is fastened to the proposition which Baron Rosen is bringing from President Roosevelt to Mr. Witte. This proposition, it is understood, concerns only Russia's position, and, if it shall prove acceptable to Russia, will be presented to Mr. Witte as soon as it shall have received the sanction of the Emperor.

SCIENTIFIC FARM A FAILURE

It has taken a long time for the prediction to be fulfilled—it was made seven years ago—that George W. Vanderbilt would abandon his Baltimore farm The family told him he never could make a success of it, and they spoke truly, for the farm was really so dreadfully and fearfully scientific that it was overcapitalized with knowledge. There is no doubt the Vanderbilt piggery, with its butter-milk-fed hogs, and hennery, with its specially dieted hens, were the finest things of the sort in North Carolina, but the ham was not much superior in flavor to the ordinary sugar-cured product, and the eggs were no fuller of meat than the eggs laid by the common barnyard fowl. A dollar a dozen to produce eggs was just a trifle to scientific. The superintendent of the hens got a bigger salary than most bank clerks, but he could't keep the hens from striking in midwinter. The farm will be sublet.

Hack for Sale

A good two seated hack to sell or trade for wood or hay. Can be seen at Hollis barn.

RUSSIAN SHIPS NOT INJURED

London, Aug. 18.—A Tokio dispatch says that the Russian ships at Port Arthur were not sunk by Japanese guns or blown up, as upon being raised it was found that the Russians had opened the valves, greased or otherwise protected the machinery and vital parts to escape the fire from 203 Metre Hill, with the expectation of recovering the ships when the Baltic fleet regained command of the seas. The Japs were surprsied at this.

The Vote in Norway

Christiania, Norway, Aug. 19.—Complete returns from last Sunday's referendum on the question of separation of Norway and Sweden show that 368,200 votes were cast for dissolution and 184 against it. The size of the vote is very gratifying to the leaders of the Storthing and has aroused intense interest. At the last general election for members of the Storthing only 236,541 votes were cast.

UNCLE SAM'S BIG LOTTERY

Provo, Utah, Aug. 18.—Roy Daniels, of Provo, Utah, drew ticket No. 1, entitling him to the first selection of the Uintah Indian reservation lands to be thrown open to entry August 28. Noah M. Balbock of Angora, Colo., drew the right to second choice. The value of the homesteads thus secured is estimated at $5000 to $10,000 and it is stated that probably any one of the first 50 homesteads to be located will be equally valuable.

Fully 3000 persons were present when the drawing began under the personal direction of W. R. Richards, commissioner of the general land office. Envelopes containing the names of the 5772 persons who had registered were placed in a great revolving box and given a thorough shaking up. The envelopes were drawn from the box by three boys and the names of the winners announced to the expectant crowd.

About 2000 names will be drawn today and the drawing will continue Friday and Saturday.

The entering of land will begin Aug. 28 when 111 entries will be received and on each of the two days following an equal number of entries will be recorded.

The first five names, in the order drawn, were Roy Daniels, Provo, Utah; Noah M. Balbock, Vernal, Utah; Carry L. Ball, Salt Lake; John H Partridge, Goshen; Frank C. Moyle, Salt Lake. Daniels, it is reported has been offered $5000 for his selection when he proves up.

Of the first 200 persons whose names were drawn today, 110 are residents of Utah, 80 of Colorado and 9 of other states. None are from Idaho.

HUSTON OUT FOR CONGRESS

Hillsboro, Or., Aug. 17.—Hon. S. B. Huston, ex-state senator, last evening publicly made the announcement that he was in the race for the nomination for congress to succeed Hon. Binger Hermann. Mr. Huston stated that he only consented to enter the fight after the earnest solicitation upon the part of his political friends from all parts of the district. A trip to the south has convinced him that he can land the nomination.

By reason of a term in the state senate and an extensive law practice, Mr. Huston is well known over the state, and he should run ahead of the Hermann vote if nominated. Mr. Huston says that in case he is defeated for the nomination he will give the successful nominee his heartiest support.

Huston was formerly a democrat, having joined the republican party when W. J. Furnish was nominated for governor.

LANE COUNTY PAINT PLANT

Portland, Aug. 20.—President D. H. Weyant, of the Oregon Sienna Paint Company, is deliberating over a proposition to erect his grinding machinery and mixers in Portland. If conditions are favorable for this plan of operating Mr. Weyant would have the mining plant at the Simmons property near Walker station, and dry the product there, after which the crude product would be handled here.

If this is not done it will be necessary to ship linseed oil for mixing to Walker and then ship the finished product back. The management will decide at an early date upon what course will be adopted.

BOLD BAD MAN AT GOLD HILL

On Wednesday night at 11 o'clock a saloon was held up at Gold Hill, in Southern Oregon, by a lone highwayman, who wore a blue mask of mosquito bar, the same as the man that held up the Hoffman House at Eugene, and also the store at Springfield on Monday night, and the description as to height, weight and color of hair is same. The similarity of the men in height, weight and color of hair and the further fact that in each case the highwayman wore a blue mask made of mosquito bar leads the officers to believe that the fellow held up the Springfield store on Monday night, the House on Tuesday night at one o'clock, afterwards shooting Night Watchman Farrington in order to make his escape, and then took the southbound train a few minutes thereafter. The officers were busy caring for Farrington, hence did not make the train going out soon after the shooting, and the bandit could have easily made his escape on this train and have made Gold Hill and held up the saloon there on Wednesday night.

NINETY DROWNED IN A COACH

Norfolk, Va. Aug. 18.—A diver was sent into the river at noon at the Atlantic wreck, and found a car full of men, women and children, who were drowned like rats in a trap. The number of victims found in the car number over 90. The Diver says the scene in the bottom of the river is the most horrible he ever witnessed. The company is at work taking the dead from the river with derricks.

APOSTLE DOWIE ISSUES EDICT AGAINST RACE SUICIDE.

Roosevelt's Theory Put Into Practical Operation. But Kissing Before Marriage is Forbidden.

Chicago, Aug. 19.—A new baby every year for every family in Zion's husky cohorts, overtime work for the stork, away with race suicide.

That is the latest ukase by Apostle John Alexander Dowie, for the ruler of the north shore colony wants to see the birth-rate figures go soaring skyward in a way that will make tne statisticans sit up and sharpen their pencils.

But in the same breath the master of Zion sets forth another command that is held by many of the buxom young women in his flock to be a contradiction, for it is commanded that there shall be no kissing nor hugging before marriage. Apostle Dowie always has expressed great admiration for President Roosevelt and has opposed race suicide, though he himself has been the father of but two children. Now, however, he has taken a practical step toward putting his ideas into effect, and today he issued a formal order that henceforth every couple married in his flock shall lead a little lamb to the baptismal front every 12 months.

Members Will Not Balk

From now on, when he wants to know the size of a Zionist's family, all that is necessary will be to know how many years the Dowieite has been married. The members of the Christian Catholic Church community at Zion City, following the commands of their first apostle in all things, say they will not balk at the latest order. That will mean new schools and an addition to the Sunday school room at the big tabernacle.

The first apostle's new order is part of a supervision which he recently began to exercise over marital affairs in his church. The first step was in the form that all faithful members of Zion who marry must first have a chief's written consent, else the marriages would nto be recognized by the church. Another injunction was that no marriages performed by Justices of Peace would be considered morally correct, even though they might fulfill the conditions imposed by the state.

No Ante-Nuptial Kissing

But now the swains and blushing maidens are under still further restrictions, this time relating to their love-making. "Never a kiss until after the wedding ceremony is over," says the apostle. And that means that young couples without serious intentions are not to kiss "just for fun" or "for mischief," but the rule goes further and prohibits all osculatory exercise even after the fated words are spoken that bind two souls for future marriage. The first kiss is to be the one that follows the minister's benediction at the altar. So Zion is to be a race of unkissed, after the fashion set by young Gladstone Dowie and by Professor Crooks.

Views of a Pretty Woman

"I am not wholly satisfied that the new rules will operate in an entirely satisfactory manner," said a studious-looking but dimpled and pretty young woman of the flock, today. "For how in the world is a young man ever going to get a young woman interested in him enough to become engaged at all?

OREGON PRUNE CROP ONE THIRD ORDINARY YIELD.

Salem, Aug. 18.—Not more than one-third of an average crop, or between 4,500,000 pounds of prunes, is the latest estimate placed upon the state yield for the season of 1905 by authorities upon the situation here. The average yield for the state is about 13,000,000 pounds, but the greatest yield was that of 1903, which amounted to 15,000,000 pounds. A great many agencies are ascribed as the cause for the shortage this year, among them being the prolonged warm and dry weather, and the consequent lack of moisture and lack of cultivation. The size of the fruit will be far above the average, and indications are that the quality will be improved upon, which will have a tendency to increase the selling price considerably.

No trade is being carried on to speak of at the present on account of Eastern buyers not caring to purchase at the holding prices of a 3 cent basis of four sizes for Santa Claras, in California. The Oregon growers were asking 2 3-4 to 2 1-8 cents basis for 30-40's, and 2½ cents basis for other sizes, with few takers. The bad condition of the crop both in California and Oregon leads local dealers to believe that the bottom of the market has been reached, and that when Eastern buyers come to realize the situation fully it will have a rejuvenating effect. A large percentage of the crops in this vicinity were contracted early in the season upon the basis of 2 cents for four sizes and better, and the growers here display a tendency to unload on contract, notwithstanding the optimism displayed by local dealers.

NEWPORT IS A WIDE OPEN TOWN

Newport, Or., Aug. 17.—Newport-by the-Sea, the famous summer resort of the Oregon coast, to which the annual exodus of health-seekers from the stuffy towns and hot cities of interior Oregon sends thousands in quest of the ocean's roll, often "rolls" its visitors in ways little recked of by the uninitiated. Newport is the Monte Carlo of Oregon. Just now, when numerous Oregon towns are submerged by a moral wave, Newport is the Mecca of those who desire to bask in the smile of the dealer seven days a week. The first day of the week commonly called Sunday, is not distinguished from other days by the saloons of Newport. The white surpliced convoyers of large schooners of beer are busier on Sunday than any other day, and the gentry of the cloth gently take in hand those who are enticed by the something-for-nothing idea, and relieve them of their surplus coin in the most modern and approved methods. Painless extraction is guaranteed; offices located in the rear of every saloon; office hours to suit the trade, being usually from noon until the small hours of the morning.

Oregon Hop Pool.

Portland, Aug. 17.—Conrad Krebs, who formed the pool of Oregon hop growers last year, is now at work forming a corporation among the growers of the state for the 1905 crop.

"The growers are fully protected this year," he said this morning, "and the 1905 crop will see at least 25 cents. Reports from New York and California indicate partial failure of the crop in those states and the yield in the United States as a whole will be lower than for years. The Oregon growers have things in their own hands, and all they have to do is to hold their hops."

Mr. Krebs estimate the Oregon yield for 1905 at about 85,000 bales, which is a little less than last year's yield.

BUYS COOS COAL MINES

News comes from Portland that the Glasgow coal mines including over a mile of water front and three thousand acres of land situated on the bay just north of North Bend, have been sold. It is understood that the Southern Pacific company is the purchaser and that the price paid was about three hundred thousand dollars.

It has been known for some time that a corporation known as the Pacific Coal and Transportation company, incorporated under the laws of New Jersey with a capital stock of $1,500,000 has had an option on the property. The directors of this company are Phil Metschan, ex-state treasurer of Oregon; Henry L. Pittock, manager of the Portland Oregonian; Richard B Knapp, merchnat, Portland; Wm. A. Bantz, capitalist, Portland; Winfield Scott Schley, Washington, D. C.; Thomas Moore, New Jersey; Henry B. Neeham, Maryland Coal Company, New York City; Western financial agents—Ladds & Tilton bankers, Portland.

Coal experts estimate that the gross tonnage in the Glasgow property will exceed fifteen million tons.

If the report should be true that the Southern Pacific is the real purchaser of this property, it proves that the Harriman line means business, for in the Glasgow property they get all the fuel they need, with a mile of water frontage for docks and warehouses and several hundred acres of tide lands for track yardage for their railroad terminal.—Coos Bay Harbor.

Slaughter of Lane Pheasants

Eugene, Or., Aug. 18.—County Clerk Lee has issued 70 fire permits and 290 hunters' license since the new laws went into effect. From all reports pheasants are being slaughtered in all directions, and the license money is doing nothing in the way of protecting the game.