

COAT OF ICE COSTS PORTLAND A QUARTER MILLION

HARRIMAN IS OPPOSED TO BRISTOL

Southern Pacific Influence Prevents Confirmation of District Attorney

Fear Prosecution to Compel Company to Live Up to Terms of Its Land Grant—Bristol's Familiarity With Subject is What Makes Him Obnoxious.

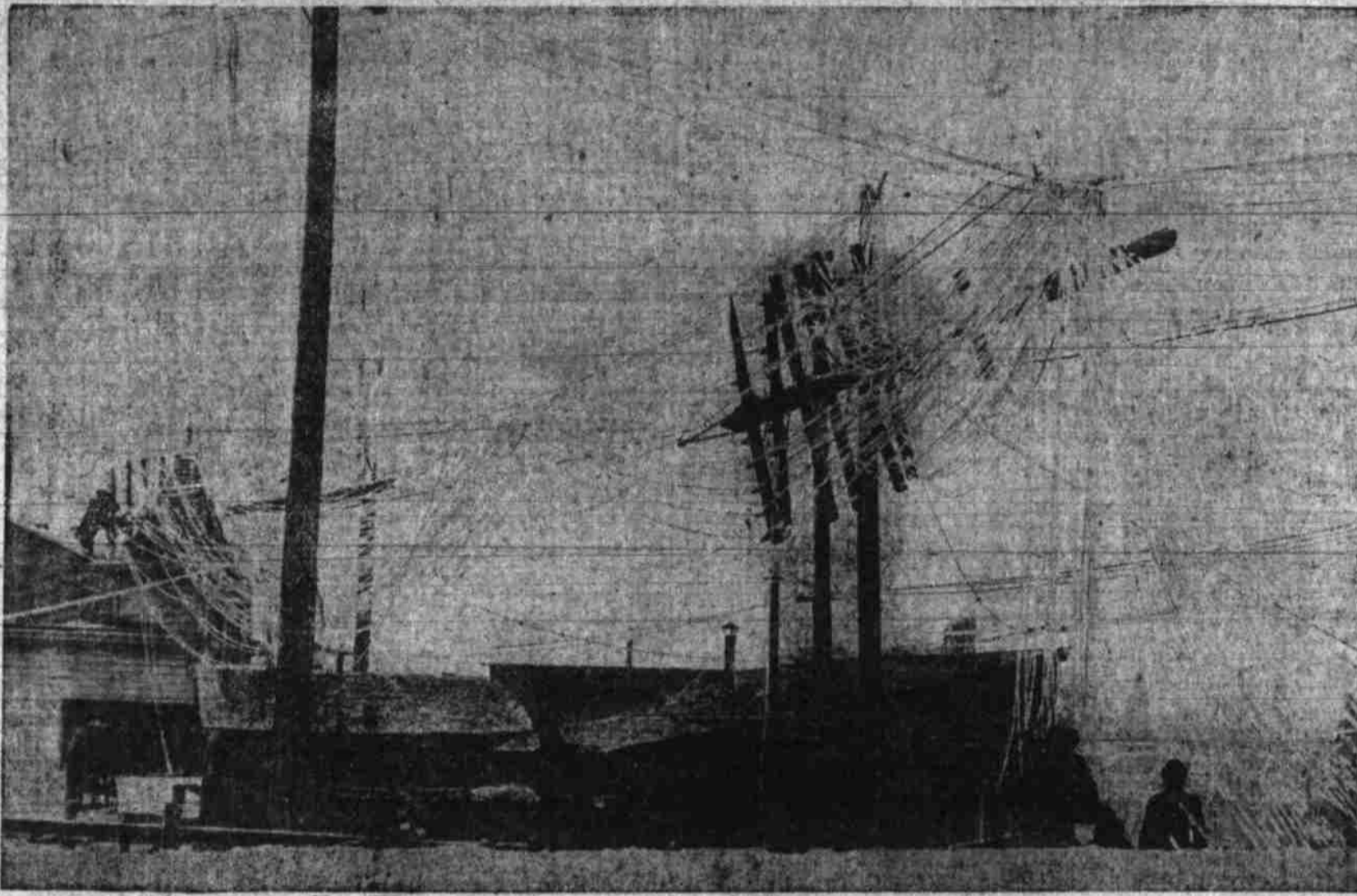
(Washington Bureau of The Journal.) Washington, Jan. 29.—The senate judiciary committee received a request from Senator Mulkey yesterday that action on the confirmation of the Bristol nomination be withheld until Mulkey's arrival.

Back of the personal opposition of Senator Fulton, the powerful influence of the Southern Pacific Railway company is being exerted to prevent confirmation in the United States senate of W. C. Bristol in the office of United States district attorney for Oregon.

The Southern Pacific company is tremendously interested in having a passive and unambitious official at the head of the federal attorney's department in this state.

While the personal and bitter opposition shown by Senator Fulton against the confirmation of Mr. Bristol is having more or less effect in the department of senatorial courtesy at Washington, the influence that is real and deadly, and actually preventing senatorial confirmation of Oregon's United States district attorney is said to come darkly through railroad channels.

EFFECT OF SILVER THAW ON WIRES AND TREES



ROADS CAN HAUL FREIGHT AT HALF PRESENT RATES

Cotton Admits That Harriman Lines Could Cut Fifty Per Cent Without Having Property Confiscated—Admits One Man Fixes Rates in Oregon.

(By a Staff Correspondent.) Salem, Jan. 29.—The battle of the giants is on at Salem and last night the two forces of the railroads and the people locked horns for three hours in battle before the joint committees on railroads from the house and senate.

Mr. Cotton opened with an argument against the creation of a commission, both he and Mr. Fulton taking the ground that at no time up to the present had there been any complaints on any hand about the rates that were being charged by the railroads for any commodity that is hauled over the lines of the Harriman system in Oregon.

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PRESIDENT LOSES TEMPER AT CLUB

Roosevelt Grilled Senate for Brownsville Inquiry, and Also Threatened Rogers of Standard Oil at Gridiron Banquet.

(Journal Special Service.) Washington, D. C., Jan. 29.—Publication of the fact that a worthy duel took place between President Roosevelt and Senator Foraker at the annual Gridiron club dinner Saturday night has created a sensation.

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TO REVEAL EVELYN'S SECRET

First Tragic Note in Thaw Trial—Former Sweetheart, Jack Barrymore, Tells Jerome Story of Her Child Love

(Journal Special Service.) New York, Jan. 29.—That grim and pitiless stage manager, Fate, has gripped Evelyn Nesbit Thaw by the shoulder and led her to the brink of the chasm that yawns between her and her husband's life.

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SILVER THAW IS MELTING; WORST OF STORM IS OVER; WARMER RAINS PREDICTED

Pacific States Telephone Company Estimate Their Loss at Two Hundred Thousand Dollars—Wreck and Ruin on Every Hand Block Streets and Demoralize Wire and Electric Service—East Side Suffers

Slowly toward noon today the temperature rose and the ice began melting. All along the streets, ice showers from the overhanging wires and eaves were of momentary occurrence. The worst is over and now the estimates are being made of the damage done.

The electric companies are busy making repairs and have not as yet had much time to estimate their losses, but it is safe to say that the brief era of the silver thaw will have cost the city at least \$250,000, the telephone and power companies being the sufferers to the extent of fully four fifths of this enormous sum.

The damage to parks and gardens, while not especially serious from a financial point of view, is felt perhaps more deeply than anything else because favorite beauty spots have been transformed into scenes of total ruin and desolation.

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EAST SIDE LOOKS ODD

Thousands Forced to Walk, Dodging Icicles All the Way. Not a car was moving on the east side this morning except on the Oregon Water Power company's line, and for several hours in the middle of the forenoon most of the Oregon City cars were running and the street cars were using the Sellwood division and under a low voltage as to enable them just to move up the grades.

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