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(Journal Special Service.)  
 Washington, April 2.—In letters to Congressmen, Sherman Harrison, state senator made by H. H. Harriman regarding campaign contributions alleged to have been sought by President Roosevelt and supplied by Harriman, the president said, after making specific details of Harriman's statements:  
 "So much for what Harriman said about me personally. Far more important are the additional remarks he made to you, as you inform me. When you asked him if he thought it well to see Harriman, and the like triumphant over the Republican party, you inform me that he told you that he did not care in the least because those people were crooks, and he could buy them. That is, he wanted legislation from the state legislature, that he could buy it. That he could buy congress, and that if necessary could buy the judiciary."  
 "This was doubtless said in a mere burst of bad temper, because of his objection to the interstate commerce law and to my actions as president, but it shows a man and deep-seated corruption which makes the man uttering such sentiments and boasting, no matter how falsely, of the power to perform such crimes, at least as undesirable a citizen as Debeaux or Hayward. It is because we have capitalists capable of uttering such sentiments and capable of acting upon them that there is strength behind sinister agitators of the Hearst type."  
 "Wealth corruptionist," said the weekly demagogue, who excites in the press or on the stump, in office or out of office, class against class, and appeals to the basest passions of a man and equally enemies of the republic."  
 "I was horrified, as was Secretary Doct, when you told us today what Harriman had said to you. As I say,

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if you meet him, you are entirely welcome to show him this letter, although, of course, it must not be made public unless required by some reason of public policy, and then only after my consent has been first obtained."  
 "THEODORE ROOSEVELT."  
 The letter was written October 8, 1906. October 12 the president wrote to Sherman, saying that both Corley and Bliss hastened to protest against James Hazen Hyde as ambassador to France, as soon as they heard that he was mentioned.  
 Letters between the president and Harriman were enclosed with correspondence to Sherman. In one letter Harriman strongly urged the appointment of Hyde. He said that Hyde would certainly have the backing of Depeux and Platt. The president says to Sherman:  
 "The whole of this shows how incomplete my action at the time were with any theory now advanced, that I solicited or sought, or expected any campaign contribution from Harriman. I conferred with Harriman, Morgan, Bull and other railroad men, but only the same as I did with Messrs. Keefe, Morrissey and other labor leaders."  
 Harriman, almost frantic with rage, refused to defend himself, except to admit authorship of the letter. The end of the greatest sensation President Roosevelt has yet sprung in his most spectacular administration, is not yet in sight. This morning it seemed as if the president had been hit hard. This afternoon the world is staggered at the force of the blow he has hit in return.  
 "Wall street is speechless, politicians daunted, judges and other friends of the president are silent. This afternoon hastened to say that the matter was too important for him to be quoted upon hastily. Treasurer Bliss won't talk."

# PORTLAND JOBBERS ARE TREATED WITH TE-UP

## Local Terminal Yards Crowded With Cars of Freight Standing Idle on Tracks—Chamber of Commerce Will Take Action and Force Improvement of Conditions.

With hundreds of cars of freight standing in the terminal yards, more arriving daily, shippers using them as warehouses instead of unloading them and clearing the congestion, Portland wholesalers and jobbers are threatened with a complete tie-up unless steps are taken immediately to break the dilatory system in vogue which is responsible now for the overburdened condition of the freight yards.  
 It is stated that only 22 cars are being unloaded a day in the terminal yards, while there should be not less than 50 disposed of in order to clear the tracks and allow way for the freight which is arriving daily. To add to the present congested condition many of the local shippers are using freight cars as storehouses, and their neglect of their freight is levied upon them by the company. The result is a hopeless tangle which is constantly growing worse.  
 Henry Hahn, chairman of the transportation committee of the chamber of commerce, said this morning that unless immediate steps were taken to break the blockade, Portland shippers would be tied up completely.  
 In view of the present urgent conditions, the transportation committee held

# ONE PARTY TO A JOINT OBLIGATION BINDS ALL

## Supreme Court Decision Broadens Revival of Outlawed Obligations.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
 Salem, April 2.—Holding that in this state a payment of a part of a joint obligation by a maker thereof or by his agent or legal representative revives it against all persons who were liable thereon though made without their knowledge or consent, the supreme court today in an opinion by Justice Moore affirmed the judgment of Judge George H. Bush in the case of *W. H. Scott, executor of the will of R. H. Scott, deceased, against M. Christensen and H. Christensen, appellants*. The action was commenced in September, 1904, by the executor of the will of R. H. Scott, against the appellants, and was to be due on a promissory note given to the testator. The note was executed January 19, 1897, and interest amounting to \$2 in 1897 was all that was paid. This amount, however, was not paid, and the appellants maintained the note was barred by limitation. Judgment was rendered against the defendants and they appealed.  
 The court holds further that when a payment is made on a note by the holder at the request of the payer, proof of such fact is sufficient to remove the bar of the statute of limitations.  
 GIRL WARNED OF HIS MADNESS  
 Since the publication yesterday in the Journal of a letter written by Roscoe James to Grace Disney, the girl he loved, and who was so jealous he was of her, still another letter comes to light which bears out the assertion that the youth was crazed over his fascination for the girl. The letter was written by Frank Campbell, a roommate of James, and about the time James wrote to Miss Disney in Oakland stating that he would kill himself unless he heard from her inside of a week.  
 Campbell wrote to the girl in Oakland also. In his letter, which miscarried and was not delivered until Mrs. Disney and her daughter reached Portland, he urged Grace Disney to write to James and quit the boy and crazy periods starting into vacancy. "Next Saturday will end it all," Campbell wrote, and he stated that his roommate had become crazed and urged the girl strongly to write him to prevent the youth from killing himself. He also told her of other strange acts and words concerning her which James was constantly repeating.

# LEY HEAD OF ASTORIA ROAD

## Hill Officials Now Take Places on New Directorate of Seaside Line.

At a meeting of directors of the Astoria and Columbia River railroad in Portland yesterday afternoon, the resignations of retiring directors A. B. Hammond, Thomas H. Hubbard, E. H. Hamilton, G. W. Talbot, G. C. Fulton, Gen. C. F. Beebe and F. D. Kuetner were accepted and new directors and officers were chosen. C. M. Levey, president of the Portland & Seattle railway, becomes the executive officer of the Astoria & Columbia River road.  
 The newly elected officers are: President, C. M. Levey; vice-president, L. C. Martin; secretary and treasurer, M. C. Martin; superintendent, John Kuetner; auditor, F. D. Kuetner. These with A. D. Clayton, assistant general passenger agent of the Northern Pacific, and William Harder, general agent at Portland for the Great Northern, form the directors of the Astoria road. Judge Gilman is general attorney for the Hill interests at Seattle.  
 The freight and passenger business of the road will be merged into the freight and passenger departments of the Northern Pacific at Portland, but will remain in charge of J. C. Mayo, at present general freight and passenger agent at Astoria. Auditor, Kuetner, will have charge of the accounts of the road and also the Regulator line of steamboats and the Columbia River & Northern, both of which are Hill railroad company properties. The Astoria road will be utilized as a coast extension of the Portland & Seattle, and in effect becomes a joint line of the Northern Pacific and Great Northern roads.  
 At yesterday's meeting of the new directors the completed surveys from Seaside to Yacquina were adopted. It is the intention of the Hill companies to merge the right-of-way litigation as soon as possible in the courts, and build the proposed extension to Yacquina.

# PERISHES UNDER RAFT IN SANTIAM RIVER

## Alban, Or., April 2.—Roy McCrae, aged 18, a son of Thomas McCrae, residing near Thomas, Linn county, was drowned yesterday afternoon in the Santiam river near Jefferson. Young McCrae was working with a logging crew. In floating the logs down the river he was accidentally thrown under the main. His body has not been recovered. A diligent search is being made.

# PORTLAND MAN INJURED IN TACOMA YARD WRECK

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
 Tacoma, Wash., April 2.—M. Elias, a Portland traveling man, sustained a wrenched back, and Charles Jackson, a negro porter, a sprained ankle, in an accident in the Northern Pacific yards near Fifteenth street yesterday evening. The observation and dining cars of the train running between Seattle and Portland were derailed. Twenty passengers in the observation car and 10 in the diner were thrown from their seats and severely shaken up, but all escaped injury except Elias and the porter. Both men were able to continue on to Portland.  
 The train, in charge of Conductor Walker and Engineer Robert Gregg, was approaching the depot from the east, passing through the yards at a speed of about 15 miles an hour. About 200 yards north of the depot the train came to a switch. The engine, baggage car, day coach and dining car had passed the switch, when the switch lever in some unknown manner was thrown. This derailed the observation car and the diner. The trucks of the observation car were torn from their fastenings and the car was half turned over.

# RESULTS OF DUFUR'S MUNICIPAL ELECTION

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
 The Dallas, Or., April 2.—The annual city election at Dufur yesterday resulted as follows: John Johnson, mayor; Ed Hinton, and C. F. Eichel, councilmen; Philip Knowles and Hiram Dods, water commissioners; Aaron Frazier, recorder; Lindsay Thomas, treasurer. There was a contest for mayor and one councilman, Monroe Heister and James Ward being the contesting candidates. Johnson was elected by 10 majority over Heister, and Balch by one majority over Ward. One hundred and six votes were cast.

# PIONEER HOTEL MAN AT ELKTON IS DEAD

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
 Drains, Or., April 2.—Joseph M. Robinson, the well-known pioneer hotel proprietor of Elkton, 18 miles west of Astoria, died yesterday at 3 p. m., after lying at the point of death for several months with paralysis. He was about 70 years of age. He leaves an aged widow and two grown daughters, one married and one single. He was one of the most respected pioneers of Douglas county.

# STEVENS SEEMS CERTAIN TO LOSE OUT, NO MATTER HOW PEOPLE VOTE, UNLESS REELECTED.

## Delegates of Chamber of Commerce to Lake Mohonk Conference Will Be Named.

The regular meeting of the Portland chamber of commerce trustees today at 10:30 o'clock partook largely of a peace meeting. Various measures looking to the peace of the state, nation and industries were brought up, and delegates from Portland were appointed to attend several conferences.  
 President S. G. Reed was directed to appoint delegates to the Lake Mohonk arbitration conference to be held May 22. He will also name Portland delegates to the national peace conference to be held in New York April 14, at which Andrew Carnegie will preside. A suitable position was ordered drawn indorsing the National Industrial Peace association, of which P. H. Scullin is general secretary. The objects of the association are to bring about better relations between labor and capital in the United States.  
 Send Out Year Book.  
 The Chamber of Commerce and Commercial Club Year Book has been written and illustrations are now being secured with which the pages of the book will be adorned, showing Oregon fields, fruits, forests, livestock, mines and various industrial and scenic features. The trustees authorized the offering of prizes of \$10, \$15 and \$25 for the most suitable design for the cover pages. Competitors should notify Secretary E. C. Giltner and secure particulars of the competition.  
 An edition of 50,000 copies of the book will be published and sent broadcast over the country to stimulate immigration to Oregon. Each book will contain the latest Rand & McNally map of Oregon, and on the back of the map will be printed a complete digest of state and federal laws, and also a statement of the acreage of government lands still remaining open to entry in each county in the state, also a brief description of the character of the land. Resolutions were passed at the death of Henry W. Goode, an ex-trustee, were adopted.  
 Would Be Members.  
 The following applicants for membership in the chamber and were elected: Jacob Stine company, J. W. Howatson, A. J. Dygert, National Live Stock Insurance association, Staiger Shoe company, R. N. Hockenberry, Fred A. Coleman, J. L. Gibson, the Gibson company, T. Birdwell, W. S. McGuire, Benman Hardware company.

# WEAVER FAILS TO APPEAR AT RUEF TRIAL

## Remarks with a stenographic notebook were held in his pocket. It is longed to the stenographer of A. K. Detweiler in this city. Hence, when questioned regarding it, said the book had been obtained from Detweiler's desk.

# GRAFT PROSECUTION, ENCOUNTERS OBSTACLES

Grand Jury Fails to Get Expected Evidence—President Scott of Pacific Telephone Company Examined by Grand Jury.  
 (Journal Special Service.)  
 San Francisco, April 2.—The trial of A. K. Ruef on one of the extortion charges was called this morning but one venireman failed to appear. Court was adjourned until this afternoon in order to give the officers an opportunity to find the missing venireman.  
 George Hatton, former city adviser of Detweiler, and Henry Scott, president of the Pacific States Telephone company, were examined by the grand jury this afternoon. The summoning of Hatton was the result of the testimony that Lucille Cochrane, his stenographer, gave yesterday. She admitted having knowledge of a correspondence between Hatton and Detweiler before and after Ruef's trial. The summoning of Scott created a surprise.  
 Although the prosecution of the bribery and bribe takers of San Francisco encountered a number of obstacles yesterday afternoon in the grand jury room and the inquiry into the corruption of the city officials by the officers of the Home Telephone and Pacific Telephone companies will be prolonged several days, the grand jury is expected to set back. Edwin T. Earl of Los Angeles, on whose testimony the prosecution depended in a great measure to clinch the charges brought against the defendants, is expected to be called by the grand jury. The evidence secured by Assistant District Attorney Hensy in the absence of District Attorney Langdon was so trivial that the prosecution was forced to admit that it had received an unexpected setback. Earl, who is in Los Angeles, on whose testimony the prosecution depended in a great measure to clinch the charges brought against the defendants, is expected to be called by the grand jury. The evidence secured by Assistant District Attorney Hensy in the absence of District Attorney Langdon was so trivial that the prosecution was forced to admit that it had received an unexpected setback.  
 Theodore V. Halsey, the Pacific Telephone company official who was indicted on 10 counts for bribing the supervisors and was arrested in Manila, will leave the Philippines on the steamer China on April 9 in charge of Captain Trowbridge, chief of the Philippine secret service.  
 Halsey will be met at Honolulu by Attorney H. M. Owens, who will endeavor to bring a confession from him. Owens will have copies of the written confessions of the supervisors in which they admit that Halsey paid them \$5,000 each for voting against the Home Telephone franchise. Should Halsey be slow about telling his side of the story it is expected that these confessions will be valuable in influencing him to admit his guilt.  
 Information which will lead to the indictment of a number of the officials of the United Railroads for the bribery of the supervisors for the overhead trolley franchise is in the possession of the grand jury. The names of the men who will not be accused by the grand jury have not yet been revealed, but it is understood that the indictments will be directed against three or four branches of the company, namely, control under the direction of President Patrick Calhoun; management under the direction of Tharwell Muller, and the law department under Tracy L. Ford. The placing of the blame will be done next week.

# LONG-SUFFERING ENDS HIS DIVORCE COURT

After patiently enduring a drunken husband for 29 years, Marie Henrietta Barbel at last decided that she could hold up no longer. Today she filed suit for divorce in the circuit court charging cruelty. The couple were married in Portland in 1878, and have resided here ever since. Mrs. Barbel says that her husband was not only a drunkard but a gambler, and that he has often compelled her to give him money from her scanty purse to spend at the gaming table.  
 Once, in the winter of 1905, when the family was wintering at 102 East Flamingo street, her husband tried to do her violence and she was saved from serious harm only by her two sons, who combined to oppose their father in a fistie encounter.

# FRISKY ZEPHYRS WEAR SEVEN LEAGUE BOOTS ALL DURING MARCH

It rained nearly four inches during the past month, whereas the total average precipitation for the month is 5.78 inches. Thus it is shown by the report of the weather bureau that while people complained of "rain" most of the time they were really mistaken for it rained less than the average.  
 According to this same report which was furnished to the Pacific Forecaster by E. A. Beals, Portland has not had too much rain so far this season. On the other hand, the precipitation has been just about right, for while the average rainfall for September 1 to April 1 is 37.51 inches, 37.11 inches have fallen since September 1 of last year.  
 In regards to temperature, the first part of the month was warmer than the latter part, excepting last Saturday, when the thermometer showed 57 degrees in the shade. On the 12th the thermometer fell to 32 degrees. That was the lowest temperature recorded during the month.

# MACCABEES WILL HOLD CLASS INITIATION

The class initiation and degree work of the Ladies of the Maccabees will be held Thursday evening, April 4, at W. H. H. Elverson and Alder street. All lady Maccabees in the city are cordially invited to be present at 8 o'clock sharp. The state convention will open at 10 o'clock Friday morning, April 5, and all members and delegates are requested to be present.

# GOVERNMENT TRIES TO GIVE KILDALL A TRIP

Arguments took up the day before Judge C. E. Wolverson in the federal court in the habeas corpus proceedings instituted by Simon P. Kildall to prevent his removal to Alaska on a charge of conspiring to defraud the government out of certain fish taxes. J. N. Teal, who is appearing for Kildall, concluded for his client, just as the noon rest for luncheon was announced, and United States District Attorney William C. Bristol will finish for the government this afternoon.

# WANTED TO HUG GIRL BECAUSE INTOXICATED

Pat Ryan, who, while intoxicated yesterday afternoon, pursued a pretty girl clerk employed in the Meier & Frank store and attempted to embrace her in the entrance of the Glisan block, entered a plea of guilty in the police court this morning and was fined \$25. Ryan at first showed a disposition to fight the case, but finally decided to plead guilty. Ryan was unable to advance any excuse for his conduct other than he was drunk and not accountable for his actions.

# FIRE THROWS HOTEL GUESTS INTO PANIC

New York, April 2.—Guests of the Hotel Sarsene, one of the most fashionable hotels on upper Broadway, were thrown into a state of great alarm by a fire on the seventh floor. Men and women climbed down the fire escapes and jammed the stairs and corridors in their efforts to escape. The fire broke out at about 10 o'clock and have spread to the rear of the building. Ambulances of police reserves are on the scene to watch for the injured.

# GROUND BOUGHT FOR NEW WING OF ASYLUM

Salem, Or., April 2.—The Riley tract of 25 acres was finally purchased yesterday by the state executive board for \$10,000. The excavation has begun for the new wing of the state insane asylum, for which the architects are now making plans. This wing was authorized by the last legislature. It will cost in the neighborhood of \$100,000.

# Honor for a Dog Hero.

From the London Daily Mail.  
 The mayor of Blackburn, on behalf of Mrs. De Courcy Laffan, the well known authoress, has presented a headstone collar, fittingly inscribed, to the sagacious Farnham dog of Mr. William Cotnam of Blackburn, whose household was recently enabled to escape the dangers of fire by the animal rousing them during the night when an alarming outbreak occurred in the kitchen.

# NEW COMERS BID HIGH FOR PORTLAND REALTY

Choice Locations Bring Fancy Figures in Day's City Property Deals.  
 Frank Ludesher has purchased a 60-foot lot on the northwest corner of Fifth and Main streets for \$28,000. The deed was made by the Security Savings and Loan company which held title to the property as trustee.  
 E. J. Wilkins and associates have purchased from Woodard & Clark a 50 by 100 foot lot on the west side of Union avenue, between East Ash and East Pine streets for \$9,000. The sale was made by E. J. Daly. Mr. Wilkins has made several large investments in Portland realty in the last few months. He has just closed a deal for the only business location in Rose City park, consisting of half a block at the intersection of the Sandy road and the electric car line for which he paid \$5,000.  
 Alonso W. Carner of Castle Rock purchased this morning a new, modern, six-room residence on Multnomah street for \$5,000. The property belonged to A. B. Rice and was sold through the agency of Hartman & Thompson.  
 R. H. Wallace has sold to a local investor a lot 50 by 50 feet on the southeast corner of Seventh and Glisan streets for \$18,000. Title to the property was taken by the Title Guarantee & Trust company as trustee.

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# TROOPS NOT NEEDED AT ALASKA MINES

(Journal Special Service.)  
 Juneau, Alaska, April 2.—Quiet prevailed at Treadwell Island today and it is expected that the troops will be withdrawn within a day or two. There has been no disorder and none is expected. It is reported that the miners threatened to destroy property in untruth.  
 Captain Swift Suspended.  
 (Journal Special Service.)  
 Washington, April 2.—Captain Swift, commander of the Connecticut, was sentenced this morning to suspension for nine months for grounding his ship near Porto Rico on January 13.

# CROOKS IN MACHINE SHOP

The machine shop of Fred Hicks, between East Third and East Oak streets, was entered last night by robbers and thoroughly ransacked. Nothing was taken, however, and it is the theory of the police that the robbers were safecrackers looking for tools to complete an "outfit."