

# EVANS SCANDAL DOES NOT AFFECT RECENT DEALS MADE IN NAME OF NERVY PROMOTER

## TRIAL OF DR. OWENS BEGUN AT LOS ANGELES

Accuser Fails to Appear Although Accused Was at Hand With Attorney.

### PRELIMINARY HEARING SET FOR SEPTEMBER 27

Deals Made by United Railways Man in Portland Conducted Simply in Capacity of Selling Agent and Properties Are Not Involved.

(Pacific Coast Press Leased Wire.)  
Los Angeles, Cal., Sept. 7.—The examination of Dr. J. S. Owens of this city, arrested Thursday night on a charge of extortion preferred by J. Whyte Evans, president of the United Railways company of Portland, Oregon, was held this morning before Judge Selph and the preliminary hearing set for September 27. Dr. Owens appeared in court accompanied by his attorney, but Evans did not attend the proceedings.

Evans has held up well under the strain. When asked whether the trouble which he has had with Dr. Owens would have any effect upon his holdings in Portland he said that all of the deals contemplated and that there would be no reason to think that any one of them was invalidated. Evans said that he had merely acted as an agent in disposing of certain properties.

Evans is extremely reticent regarding his alleged connection with the escape of Cashier Fleischmann, who absconded with \$100,000 from the First National bank of this city. Several years ago Fleischmann, who was an honored employe of the Hellman bank, disappeared and with him some funds of the institution. When checked up it was found that the account of Fleischmann was \$100,000 short.

Owens said that Fleischmann had helped over the border of Mexico by Evans. He had confidence in Evans that he would not get away with the money. Evans is said to have planned the escape and afterward received \$10,000 for his work. Evans was merely entrusted with the money which the afterwards used for his own benefit.

### EVANS MADE MONEY HERE.

Portland Proved Profitable Field and Investments Netted Fortune.

Domestic troubles encountered by J. Whyte Evans at Los Angeles will not, it is believed, deter him from returning to Portland to resume business and residence. On his desk in the Chamber of Commerce building is a card left by him when he departed for the south, stating the following to his clients:

In southern California. Will return about September 6.

Stories in circulation in California regarding Mr. Evans' business operations in Portland, and the large wealth accumulated by him in that city, are exaggerated. It is estimated by friends who have been familiar with his business that he has made about \$100,000 during the five years he has resided in Portland. The sale of the Chamber of Commerce to W. D. Hoilus and associates, by which the property passed from the United Railways company to the present owners, netted Mr. Evans about \$11,000.

The two large leases he negotiated on the Pittock and Penney blocks to the Trustee company he is said to have received commissions of about \$10,000 in each deal. He had other leases on vacant business lots, but the deals were not realized upon, and some of the leases had been cancelled at the time of his departure for Los Angeles.

Evans held leases on the P. J. Mann property at the corner of Eleventh and Alder streets, and on a piece of vacant property at the corner of Gisan and Fifth streets. He also was instrumental in negotiating the lease by which Dr. Cornelius entered upon erection of the new seven-story hotel now under construction at Alder and Fifth streets.

Evans' Portland friends say he will return shortly to this city. There is a pronounced feeling of sympathy for him in his troubles with Dr. Owens and it is asserted that while he may have made mistakes in his past life there is no proper reason to condemn him to further punishment on that score.

### SECRETARY RULES FOREIGN CORPORATIONS

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
Olympia, Wash., Sept. 7.—The supreme court has rendered a decision affirming the judgment of the lower court in the state of Washington vs. the Amalgamated Republic Mines company, relating to the rights of the secretary of state to require a corporation to file articles of incorporation. The articles as presented did not conform to the requirements of the law relating to domestic incorporations, and for that reason the secretary of state refused to accept them for filing. It was alleged on behalf of the corporation that the secretary of state had no authority to prescribe the form of foreign articles of incorporation, but the supreme court holds otherwise.

### Wallowa Reserve Thrown Open.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
Wallowa, Or., Sept. 7.—The 50,000 acres to be thrown open for filing in the Wallowa forest reserve October 1, will cause a rush of entries from this county. There are already a number of squatters on the land north of Wallowa.

### SAILORS SAY THEY ARE BEING ABUSED FOR WRITING NOTE

(Pacific Coast Press Leased Wire.)  
San Francisco, Sept. 7.—Because they thanked the Honolulu press in a letter for being instrumental in getting shore leave, the sailors of the cruiser Raleigh complain of undue severity of discipline by Commander Peters.

The men say that while at Honolulu they were working overtime coaling. As they were refused shore leave they did the work in the slowest possible time and Commander Peters had a number of them confined in the brig.

The newspapers of Honolulu and Mrs. Nicholas Longworth, who was in Honolulu at the time, interceded and the men were promised shore leave if they would hurry and get the coal aboard.

The next day a number of the sailors sent a letter to the newspapers thanking them for their intervention, and when Commander Peters saw the account in the papers he called the ring-leaders severely to task. It is now said that he is exercising a rigorous system of discipline and considerable dissatisfaction exists among the members of the crew.

### CITY'S GROWTH IS WELL PROVEN

Light and Power Company Kept Busy Making Improvements.

Portland's unparalleled growth in population and business enterprise, its great and steady expansion over the surrounding and existent boundaries and out into the suburbs its prosperity and rapid development for the annual meeting of the board of directors of the company and up to date improvements in pavement and street work is working a temporary hardship upon the Portland Light and Power company, according to President Joseelyn who leaves tonight for the east.

The company is continually pouring large sums of money into the rolling stock and operating facilities called for by the increased business, but more than that the street improvements throughout the city are taxing the finances of the corporation.

The purpose of President Joseelyn's visit to the east at this time is primarily to attend the semi-annual meeting of the board of directors of the company and there to discuss the various phases of management and future development of the company.

"Portland people are fortunate in being able to get more than five per cent for their money," said President Joseelyn in talking of his visit, "and this fact forces us out of this city to find a market for our bonds which are well placed in the east. The condition of the money market in the east is such that the sale of bonds has not been a very easy thing, so that the problem of financing all the improvements and extensions of the Portland property is one requiring thought.

"It is apparent to us," continued President Joseelyn with a smile, "for we are feeling the effect of it. We are being put to the necessity of ordering large numbers of new cars and other equipment which in itself places a steady and heavy drain upon the company, but the street work places the expenditure far beyond any thought of payment from the earnings. It is necessary therefore to draw on outside sources for the funds to meet all these expenditures."

"It is the intention and the policy of the company, however, to make no backward steps or to hinder progress in any way. While on my visit I will look at the central depot building now being constructed at Indianapolis and later at the one at Los Angeles. I will then combine the good points of two structures and will devise ways and means for the erection of the depot in Portland."

The company is obligated to build four clubhouses for its employes and this will be done in the immediate future under the most favorable conditions, as well as the condition of the money market, have all combined to delay this work, but it will be taken up very soon.

"I cannot make any positive statements of what I will do while at the meeting because general conditions will change so far beyond any thought of the semi-annual meeting of the directors and also give me an opportunity to bring my family with me upon my return to Portland."

President Joseelyn will leave tonight for the east and will be gone for two weeks or more.



NATURE FAKER

### HELD PRISONER BY HIS CHURCH

Mrs. Bernard Says Son Cannot Escape From Denver Holiness Seminary.

(Pacific Coast Press Leased Wire.)  
Los Angeles, Cal., Sept. 7.—Claiming that her sick son, Ernest, 19 years old, is held a prisoner under fanatical conditions in the Holiness seminary at Denver, Mrs. D. J. Bernard, herself a member of the Holiness sect, has invoked the aid of the police to release her offspring. She charges that the seminary officials are endeavoring to poison the young man's mind again, and for months have defeated every effort to get him out.

He managed to smuggle a letter through to her, saying he is in confinement and will not be liberated until he swears to become a missionary of the peculiar Holiness faith.

### CANADIAN FARMERS WILL MAKE FORTUNE

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Winnipeg, Man., Sept. 7.—The Grain Dealers' association estimates that the wheat crop in the Canadian west at \$2,000,000 bushels, oats 37,000,000 and barley 18,000,000. The association figures that 50,000 farmers will divide \$100,000,000.

### RUPERT BLUE WILL GO TO SAN FRANCISCO

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Washington, Sept. 7.—Surgeon-General Wyman of the marine hospital service has ordered Assistant Surgeon Rupert Blue to San Francisco to take charge of the fight against the bubonic plague.

### Idaho Militia Encampment.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
Boise, Ida., Sept. 7.—Plans have been made by the adjutant-general to hold the annual encampment of the Third battalion, Idaho National Guard, at Fort Boise about the first of October. This battalion includes the companies at Nampa, Payette, Weiser and Cambridge.

## "LIVE" RAILS MENACE TO LIVES OF MAN AND BEAST

Fire Horse Killed by Coming in Contact With Defective Steels of Street Railroad Company Where Bond Wires Have Become Disconnected Through Neglect.

One firehorse dead and two others maimed for life is the direct result of contact with deadly carralls of the Portland General Electric company on the Sherlock avenue. Daily scores of horses are knocked down by the electric current transmitted through their bodies by the steel shod hoofs and some of them have been seriously injured. Chief Campbell this morning notified the Portland General Electric company that he would hold it responsible for the death of the horse and will also make an effort to collect damages for the two animals which have been badly hurt.

The electric company operates a small car system on Sherlock avenue to supply its power plant with sand and

### FLEET TO STAY ON WEST COAST

Naval Officers Believe Ships Will Remain Permanently in Pacific.

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Washington, Sept. 7.—When the battleship fleet gets to the Pacific coast it is likely to stay there for good, according to views of many well-informed naval men.

For one thing, the general belief that congress will be asked to provide for a big naval station and new drydock, either in San Francisco bay or elsewhere on the coast, strengthens the impression that the fleet will stay.

Congressman Hayden will have plenty of backing in his announced purpose to work for such improvement.

### FORCE WESTERN UNION TO FURNISH SERVICE

Kansas City Board of Trade Appeals to the Courts to Aid in the Fight.

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Kansas City, Mo., Sept. 7.—The Western Union Telegraph company, by a temporary restraining order issued in the circuit court has been prohibited from refusing to furnish wire service from Chicago and Minneapolis to the Kansas city board of trade. Immediately after the injunction was served on the local manager of the Western Union the wires to the board of trade were "cut in" but not to the quotation board.

The board of trade refused to accept this service, however, demanding that the quotation board be "cut in" and that the quotations taken by the union operators employed by the board.

Later in the day the Western Union severed the full service with the board's union operators taking the quotations.

### FINDS SON IN ADJOINING CELL

Former Professor Vanhenert Driven Desperate by Poverty Applies to Police.

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Chicago, Sept. 7.—Driven desperate by his poverty and alleged refusal of his relatives to shelter him, J. L. Vanhenert, formerly professor at the University of Chicago, has applied to the police asking that he be sent to the hospital at Danmum.

When placed in a cell, Vanhenert found that locked in an adjoining cell was his son, from whom he had been separated for years. The son had been arrested on a charge of larceny.

Vanhenert occupied the chair of languages at the college during the years 1886 and 1894. The following year, it is stated, he was dismissed for drinking. The professor was known as "King of Bohemia" and is said to speak 21 languages—13 oriental and eight European.

### Idaho Masons to Hold Session.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
Boise, Idaho, Sept. 7.—The fortieth annual meeting of the grand lodge of Masons will open here Wednesday and remain in session three days. About 100 delegates and many visitors are expected to be in attendance. During the session a reception will be tendered to delegates and visitors.

### Finns Win Tug-of-War.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
Astoria, Or., Sept. 7.—The Finnish team won the contest at the tug of war against teams composed of Americans, Norwegians, Austrians, Swedes and Greeks. The contest aroused vast enthusiasm. Between 2,000 and 3,000 people witnessed the contest during the last three nights.

### Pendleton Bridge Contracts Let.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
Pendleton, Or., Sept. 7.—A. E. Eberhart, representing Eterday & Co., has received the contract for the additional 100-foot span of steel at the west end of the bridge over the Umatilla river at Echo, at \$3,484. Thomas Jaques has been awarded the contract for the fill at the bridge.

### HONORED NAMES ARE INVOLVED

Scandal Follows March of Sheridan Juniors and Lee Juniors' Cavalry.

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Chicago, Ill., Sept. 7.—Disruption threatens the First squadron of the Thirtieth United States cavalry, which ended its 705-mile practice march to Fort Sheridan on Friday. An army scandal which will strike at some of the most revered names in the service impends as a consequence of constant quarreling, bickering and dissatisfaction between the men and officers is declared to have marked the long march.

Among the officers of the battalion are Philip Sheridan Jr. and Fitzhugh Lee Jr. Both these young officers are said to be involved in the controversies.

### BURGLARS MURDER COUPLE WITH AX

Victims Found With Throats Cut and Bloody Meat Cleaver Lying Near.

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Chicago, Ill., Sept. 7.—Servants this morning found Mrs. Frederick M. Fish dead in bed and her husband dying beside her. Their throats were cut. A blood-stained meat cleaver was found on the floor beside the bed.

Friends say that the couple seemed happy and know of no reason that could have caused them to commit suicide. Neighbors are inclined to think that burglars attacked Mr. Fish and his wife.

### CLATSOP COUNTY PUTS JOY ON RECORD

Commissioners Thank Attorneys Who Carried Port of Columbia Case Through Courts.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
Astoria, Or., Sept. 7.—At a session of the county court held yesterday afternoon the following order in relation to the Port of Columbia bill was made: "The court being advised of the decision of the supreme court declaring the law unconstitutional, and this court having employed attorneys to protect Clatsop county's interest (in which we know that we are fully sustained by the people) do now desire to thank the attorneys, so employed in securing a favorable decision, a decision more important to every taxpayer and resident of this county than is generally realized, and further, this court having read the brief of Dolph, Mallory, Simon and Gearin, attorneys for appellants, do take this opportunity of expressing our thanks for their able argument in opposition to the law, and it is ordered that a copy of these proceedings be forwarded by the clerk under seal of the court to each of our local attorneys, G. C. Fulton, F. J. Taylor and J. F. Hamilton and to the firm of Dolph, Mallory, Simon & Gearin."

## PRaise for ROSE CITY AND OREGON

Secretary Taft on Departure for North This Morning Expresses Gratification at Reception Tendered Him by Portland Citizens.

Says This Is Most Substantial City of Coast—Enthusiasm of Audience That Greeted Him at Armory Impressed Official.

"Delightful! Delightful!"

That is the way William H. Taft described his impressions of Portland as he climbed upon his train this morning, bound for Tacoma and Seattle. "I wish you would tell the people of Portland," he continued, "how greatly I appreciate the welcome extended to me from the minute that I reached here yesterday morning until now. And especially I want to express my pleasure and gratification over the reception at the armory last evening. It was a splendid crowd—one of the finest I have ever seen and it spoke well for the general intelligence of Portlandians and the respectability of the city. It is a beautiful place with its trees and fine residences and buildings. It has the charm of being older than most western cities, although, of course, young in comparison with those of the east. And it seems to be the most substantial city of the coast."

Mr. Taft and his party will travel from here to Seattle in the Glacier, the private car of General Manager McKittrick of the Northern Pacific. With him were the other members of the party who accompanied him to Portland and Congressman McKinlay of California. There was no crowd at the depot to see the departure.

In the face of the enormous crowd that filled the armory to the point where even one more could not have found space, based on the evidence of his avowed purpose not to discuss politics in Portland, he attempted to answer Bryan on all but the trust question, a speech by the people who made their way into the hall on that hot night had not come to see the secretary of war or to hear details on the Panama canal.

It was a crowd well-disposed towards the big secretary. They wanted to see the presidential possibility and hear his views based on the evidence of the people they applauded liberally. It was not an ovation, nor anything approaching an ovation. It was a welcome. The people were kindly disposed towards him. They were fairly aching for a little old-time torch-light enthusiasm. The opportunity to stand up and cheer as they have done for Roosevelt or Bryan was the fault of Mr. Taft. They soon saw that he was not an orator, that he lacked all the attributes of those who can thrill their fellow men.

Fertile With Explanations.  
He was Aristotle parading out the universe in his conversational sphere. He himself admitted that he was a fertile Peripluser. He was fertile with explanations marked by practical good sense based on a thorough historical and scientific training. He gave nothing unique, nothing brilliant, nothing that had not been learned and recited before.

But he spoke straight out from the shoulder and everything he said bore the mark of being passive, but it was common sense.

It was at the last minute when he saw the size of his audience and realized the opportunity that was his that Mr. Taft decided to broach the subject of Mr. Bryan and the trusts. He went at it as he has done in every previous speech he has made, with the doctrines of his chief, Roosevelt. The first issue of the Roosevelt administration he said was the regulation of the railroads. He began his answer to Bryan here by drawing the distinction between the rhetoric of Bryan with its impossibility of trial and the promise of Roosevelt of carrying out the next morning after they were made. It was easy to talk, he said, when you were not in a position to do anything. It was when you were in a position to carry out the law that you spoke as loudly as actions.

Then he took up the second issue of the administration—the regulation of private combinations of capital to prevent their abuse of the rights of private property and the violation of the anti-trust law. He said that he believed in combinations of capital, if they were combined for the purpose of lowering prices. It was when they combined and raised prices that he thought they ought to be suppressed.

And it was in connection with this subject that he spoke with the union. He believed in labor getting together and forming unions—no issue as they were property and that was his chief subject. He said that Bryan was chiefly responsible for conditions existing in the industry and that we got the blame by the treaty. He was not a unionist.

Good and Bad Trusts.  
As for the Bryan policy of stripping the trusts of their assets, he did not approve of it. There are good trusts and bad trusts. Let the good ones live, and pull up the bad ones. When it came to the government's Philippine policy, Taft took another shot at Bryan's treaty. He said that Bryan was chiefly responsible for conditions existing in the island and that we got the blame by the treaty. He was not a unionist.

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