

MYSTERY SURROUNDS ORIGIN OF \$500,000 FIRE

HARRIMAN TAKES DRILL FOR IT TO UNCLE SAM

Going Into Court to Fight Ordered Reduction on Oregon Lumber.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
San Francisco, July 23.—Satisfied with the reduction in lumber rates from the Willamette valley in Oregon to San Francisco and adjacent points, ordered by the interstate commerce commission, Harriman is preparing today to fight the decision in the federal court. He complains that the Oregon Lumber Manufacturers' association, the interstate commerce commission recently decided that the Hill and Harriman coast must make average reductions in overland rates on lumber shipments from Pacific coast points to many eastern cities.

At the same time the tariff schedule on Oregon-California shipments was shut off in this reduction that Harriman objects.

Before the Harriman roads adopted their new schedule, a year and a half ago, \$2.10 a ton was charged by the Southern Pacific on lumber shipped to San Francisco from points on the east side of the Willamette valley. Shipments from the west side of the valley were accepted at \$3.85 a ton, the difference being caused by the longer haul, via Corvallis and Albany.

When the new schedule was adopted the rate was advanced to \$5 from either side of the valley.

Because the complaint against this increase was considered well founded, the commission ordered that the rate be reduced to \$3.80 from the east side points and \$3.65 from west side points. Although this is 20 cents a ton higher than the old rate, it is a reduction in any reduction in the new flat rate and the case will be carried into the federal courts.

BATTLESHIP FLEET FINISHES CRUISE TO HONOLULU AND DEPARTS—PATHETIC SCENE AMID SILENCE AS HUGE VESSELS PASS LEPER SETTLEMENT

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Honolulu, July 23.—Twenty-one hundred miles of drill," tells the story of the cruise of the battleship fleet from the Golden Gate to Honolulu. With the vast sapphire stretches of the placid Pacific offering the ideal maneuvering area, the great ships were drilled through tactical evolutions showing a greatly increased proficiency over the drills of the month previous.

The impressive scenes as the ponderous white hulls dashed into position as though they were some great living potentialities, called for but little imagination to see the deep, red tongues of the guns lapping out through the smoky breath and hear the roar and crash and the hiss of hurtling projectiles.

Strife for Honor.

It was all very real, these battle maneuvers performed with all the "coloring" save the blazing guns, on the water. The most interesting feature was the fighter to some day witness the greatest naval engagement in the world's history.

Each ship and each division vied with the other to receive the coveted "V. S." signal from the flagship, which means, "Well done." The only ship which would swerve a short distance from its assigned position and the "U. O." (badly shot) was the USS Oregon, which would in an instant be run to the signal yards of the flagship. The humiliation of the ship receiving the "punk flag," as the blue-jackets call the "U. O.," could be almost felt.

But seldom, however, was the "U. O." signified. The most interesting feature of the maneuvers was performed with almost perfect precision.

The second day out from San Francisco was "will day," and over 14,000 "last wills and testaments" were submitted to the honor camp on Molokai. In 14,000 fighting men as can be found looking for trouble on the face of the world's map.

Jackies Make Wills.

The making of wills was in conformity with the provisions of an act of the last congress which provided that in the case of the death of a man in the line of duty, his beneficiary by will of the decedent should be immediately forwarded six months' pay as drawn by the decedent by the paymaster-general.

Though not looking for or anticipating a cruise, the entire personnel of the fleet, from admirals to messenger boys, made their wills, to insure the payment of the half year's pay in case of their death.

The most pitiable scene which has yet greeted the fleet on its triumphal progress was the funeral of a sailor when the fleet, in all its splendid display of life and strength, stood in close formation at the funeral of a sailor. Thursday morning to give these hapless beings an opportunity to see the ships.

Scene of Pathos.

There was none of the customary cheering from either the ships or the shore. A few, however, were observed as the great-hearted sailors went out to the emancipated, dark-skinned children of a sailor who died mutely in little groups on the shore.

All night the great fleet had steamed at half speed to the harbor, giving the wretched unfortunates an opportunity to see the ships of which they had been told. It was a most gracious act of the most powerful nation of the world to the most lowly and miserable of its wards.

But little interest was manifested by either the officers or men in the proceedings of the funeral. The attention of the fleet was attracted by the word received by wireless that Bryan was nominated elected but little commotion was made. Bryan had been displayed when word was received that the Republican convention had nominated Roosevelt to a man.

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BETTING UNDER INSURANCE GUISE

Lloyds Fixes It So People Who Dread Bryan May Brace Themselves.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
San Francisco, July 23.—Lloyds organized a book on the American presidential election here today and a number of heavy wagers have already been laid at odds of five to one against Bryan.

The betting is done under the guise of insurance, and the "long end" money is coming out of the pockets of sporting enthusiasts.

M. A. Newell, local agent for Lloyds, opened the book for his employers at receiving cable instructions from London. He charges a regular brokers' commission of 75 cents on a wager which involves \$100, including both sides, and forwards the money to England like any other insurance.

The odds are the odds, says now, an American can put up \$15.75 with 75 cents commission, and draw down \$100 if Bryan is elected.

Explaining the election insurance to-day Newell said there are many American capitalists who would benefit here if the Republican party were elected in power. These men would lose large sums of money, he said, if Bryan were elected, and the odds against him against this loss they can, by paying a premium of \$15,000, be protected for \$100,000.

Newell said British business men had a good line on American politics and were willing to back their convictions with cash.

TRAIN SEVERS MAN'S BODY IN TWAIN

Frank C. Marse Is Instantly Killed by Train at Woodburn.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Woodburn, Or., July 23.—Frank C. Marse either fell off or was struck by southbound passenger train No. 31 at 2 o'clock this morning and killed. His body was cut in two, one leg cut off and the other broken. The accident occurred in the northern part of this city.

Papers in the clothing showed that he had been working as a laborer at Hot Lake and had been in the city in Liverpool. There was also a photograph of himself and a pocket containing a letter from his mother in Liverpool. His age was about 32 years. He was of light complexion, sandy mustache and weighed about 150 pounds. Coroner Clough came down from Salem Thursday morning to give these hapless beings an opportunity to see the ships.

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FISH TRAPS MENACE SAFETY OF COLUMBIA

Fishermen Send Protest to Washington State Fish Commission.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Astoria, Or., July 23.—Some weeks ago the fisheries department of the state of Washington was granted permission by the government engineers to locate three fish traps in Baker's bay, outside the harbor line, for the purpose of catching salmon for the Chinook hatchery. One of these traps has been driven and is considered so dangerous to the lives and property of fishermen that its removal has already been requested. Tuesday afternoon Ed Rosenberger, of the United Fishermen, E. A. Egan and Martin Franciscovich went down on the latter's launch to inspect the traps to see if they were in violation of the trap laws. They found that one of the traps had been driven a short distance below the Port Columbia wharf and about 20 feet outside the harbor line as established by the United States engineers and directly in the channel used by fishermen for drifting. In fact, they found upon investigation that practically all the outside traps in that vicinity extend beyond the harbor line, and are in violation of the trap laws. Upon returning to the city Mr. Rosenberger sent the following telegram to Fish Commissioner Risland:

"Astoria, Or., July 23, 1908.—John T. Ritzland, State Fish Commissioner, Bellingham, Wash.—Driving and operation of state fish traps on Columbia in violation of the trap laws. The present location will cause loss of lives and property of drift net fishermen. Fishery purposes surely cannot warrant such sacrifices, especially the violation of state traps outside of harbor line will inevitably be used by private parties to drive out the traps in line with the harbor line. This then will cause additional loss of lives and property. Hence I most emphatically protest on behalf of humanity and property against your fish trap policy. Ask you to request Governor Mead, under whose instructions I suppose you act, to direct you to pull the gilling recently driven by your orders. Aided by photographer and experts. I personally today inspected your state trap piling and unfortunates, especially the worst death trap ever operated on the Columbia."

"Secretary United Fishermen of the Pacific."

In explanation of the above dispatch, Mr. Rosenberger today said:

"Some weeks ago I received a letter from Colonel Rosewell of the United States engineers stating that the Washington state fish commission had applied for three fish trap locations in the Columbia river for hatchery purposes. These traps to be driven outside the established harbor line. I made a qualified protest, pending information about the exact location of the traps. My talk with Deputy Commissioner Burton and correspondence with Commissioner Risland resulted in but little information. My visit yesterday to the state trap was mainly caused by reports from fishermen about the dangers of the trap. Today I called up Mr. Rosenberger, now United States engineer officer for this district, and was informed that a permit for this trap had been granted by the United States engineers office. I was, however, requested to more fully present this case in writing. As the major head will be recently taken charge of this office."

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GRAPE GROWERS FIGHT DROUGHT

California Vineyard Men Present Funds for Propaganda.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
San Francisco, July 23.—The grape growers of this state have organized to fight the growing wave of prohibition in California. Today literature is being prepared and men are setting a tax of 25 cents an acre, levied by the wine growers upon themselves to educate the people of the state against absolute prohibition and teach them the beneficial effects of the moderate use of wine.

Andrea Sherbro has been elected president of the association and an effort will be made to allow wine to be bought and sold even in prohibition parts of the state. Lecturers will be sent out to tell the people that the moderate use of wine is beneficial.

COFFEE

Water is better and cheaper than poor coffee.

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PARENTS GIVE CHILD AWAY TO INDIANS

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Vancouver, B. C., July 23.—Given away by his unfeeling parents to a band of full blood Indians, the recovery of a little white boy necessitated a journey to the north by S. J. South of the Children's Aid society, who was successful in that particular quest, as well as his investigations of other cases of badly-placed children. The little fellow was the only pariah in the company and he lived his shrunken life with them 60 miles from Port Esquimaux and he looked the boy, unattended in a dirty little shack. The court sternly reminded the parents of their duty and they entered into an undertaking satisfactory to the bench.

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COUNTY WOULD BOND FOR IMPROVING BAR

Western Lane Seeks to Raise \$100,000 for Siuslaw River Project.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Eugene, Or., July 23.—I. B. Cushman and William Kyle, prominent citizens of Acme and Florence, respectively, have just returned here from Portland where they were securing legal advice concerning the proposed bonding of western Lane county in the sum of \$100,000 for the improvement of the bar at the mouth of the Siuslaw river.

Attorneys Carey and Flanders of Portland framed a bill, while Messrs. Cushman and Kyle were in the city, presented to the legislature at its session, which if it passes will permit of the bonding of the western end of the county.

Senator Fulton came up from Astoria to Portland to meet the two men. The bill will interest the legislature in having the government appropriate another \$100,000 to make the work of the Siuslaw and Lane counties. The government engineers at Portland, who have in turn reported favorably on the project to the department at Washington.

BANDON BOOKLETS WILL BE OUT SOON

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Portland, Or., July 23.—The booklets and other literature ordered by the Bandon Commercial club will be ready for delivery about August 20. C. H. Warren, manager of the Warren Publicity company of Portland, was asked to help raise the necessary funds. Mr. Warren and the committee succeeded in raising more than was needed and the Commercial club has decided to double the order to 1,000 booklets.

FINGER NAIL SCRATCH RESULTS IN DEATH

A short time ago you may have read of the remarkable case where a simple scratch of the finger nail caused death by blood poisoning. It was not a simple scratch, but a scratch of the finger nail which was only an annoying itch caused by summer rash. This was scratched by the finger nail to relieve the itch, but the skin was torn open, the irritation became worse and finally resulted in a fatal case of blood poisoning.

Do not scratch or rub the itch or irritation caused by summer rash, mosquito bites, bites, or other skin diseases. Do not scratch or rub the itch or irritation caused by summer rash, mosquito bites, bites, or other skin diseases. Do not scratch or rub the itch or irritation caused by summer rash, mosquito bites, bites, or other skin diseases.

Must You Reduce Your Fat?

If you have gotten to the point, my dear madam or good sir, where the excess fat must positively come off—don't worry. No need to peer in the gymnasium door with a despairing gaze, or to stare at the scales with the agonizing awareness of a bowl of impoverished gruel. You can keep on seeing what you please if you will but ask your druggist for 4-ounce Marmola, 4-ounce Fluid Extract Cascara Aromatic, and 2 1/2 ounce Syrup Siphon. Get the Marmola sealed. Mix it at home and take a teaspoonful after meals and at bedtime. For a few weeks. Good health and firm, smooth flesh reduced quickly to an amount natural to your build will reward you. Too simple, you say. Fortunately simple, I say. The simplest things are the best.

Castlerock Woman Injured.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Castlerock, Wash., July 23.—Mrs. W. W. Newman was thrown from a wagon yesterday morning and severely injured about the head and face. Mr. and Mrs. Newman were on their way to the England logging camp, about three miles east of here. The horses became frightened and made an awkward move that upset the rig. The baby was buried from its mother's arms, but was not injured. Mrs. Newman received a scalp wound and several bruises about the face.

Dr. B. C. Gerwell attended the injured woman.

Abington Building Damaged by Fire.

Total loss by fire and water, \$300,000. Insurance covering this to about \$150,000. Offices of 100 business and professional men completely ruined by flames and water. Pioneer office building of the city, the Abington, 108 1/2 Third street, erected in 1888, at a cost of \$224,000, gutted by mysterious fire.

Such is the result of a fire which started somewhere in the Abington building, no one knows just where, or how, last night between 11 and 12 o'clock and completely destroyed the northwest corner and court of the building, leaving nothing but the bare walls standing and swept through every floor but the ground floor, causing a loss of at least \$50,000 to the hundred tenants of the building.

The fire was first seen by the night watchman, E. H. Wilkins, while making his hourly rounds at 12:10 o'clock. He heard the crackle of the flames somewhere above the ground floor and saw the reflection in the elevator shaft.

The alarm of fire turned in by him at 12:22 was followed by two others, which brought out 11 engines and the fireboat George H. Williams and more than 30 trucks and ladder wagons.

The flames were brought under control in less than two hours, thus saving adjoining buildings from being razed. The only thing that saved the McKay building, however, was the wire glass screen which prevented the fire reaching beyond the top story, where it burned the office of the superintendent, Thomas Meisenberg, and destroyed the furniture and fixtures in the city attorney's office. The records of the city were saved. The loss in the McKay building will not exceed \$50,000.

The loss to the W. J. Van Schuyver building which joins the Abington and fronts on Third street, is estimated at \$25,000. This together with the loss to the Abington building, which Manager Martin Winch places conservative at \$125,000, makes \$150,000, the heaviest single loss sustained. This falls on the A. W. Reed estate. It is partially covered by \$60,000 insurance. The cost of constructing the Abington building was \$224,000 and of building the Van Schuyver block \$65,000.

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COMELY YOUNG WOMAN ALLEGED HORSE THIEF

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Cannon City, Or., July 23.—Miss Ada Pierce was arrested at this city yesterday by Sheriff Richardson of Harney county, charged with horse stealing. The woman is supposed to have a male accomplice. She is young and pretty. The man is now being sought by the authorities.