

WIZARD LEAVES WALL STREET FOR JOURNEY THROUGH THE SOUTH AND WEST AND IS EXPECTED TO EXTEND TRIP TO THIS STATE.

Edward H. Harriman himself probably came to Oregon soon after March 1. Mr. Harriman has left New York for a trip through the south and west, and although Oregon is not included in his published itinerary, it is the expectation of General Manager O'Brien of the Harriman lines in Oregon, that the railroad wizard will visit Portland.

The officials in Portland have not been officially informed that Mr. Harriman intends coming here, or even that he has started on a trip from New York, while O'Brien was last month it is probable that he was aware that his chief would be in Oregon in the early spring.

While he has not been told officially that Mr. Harriman has started on his trip, I expect he will come to Oregon to be gone to San Francisco," said Mr. O'Brien. "At least I should think the natural thing would be for him to come north and go east over the O. R. & N."

Officials here hope to have the central Oregon line under way by the time Harriman gets here. O'Brien expressed yesterday that he regretted having missed the chamber of commerce meeting, but said that the statement of the difficulties that had beset the O. R. & N. in getting the line started was absolutely correct.

"We have done everything in our power to satisfy all the interests along the right of way up the Deschutes river," said O'Brien. "In order that there might be no trouble from that source, we raised our line 100 feet above the bed of the river, all the way through the government land. Now if we are going to have to do the same thing for five miles more, it will prove so expensive that I doubt if we can continue along that line."

"We were very anxious to get through with this matter, and we got started with our construction, and I think it was with the idea of enlisting the support of the public and the aid of public sentiment that Mr. Cotton told the members of the chamber of commerce of our difficulties."

Mr. O'Brien returned yesterday morning from an inspection trip over the Washington division as far east as Spokane, Wash. He said that it cost in the neighborhood of \$100,000 to repair the damage done the Washington division of the O. R. & N. by the floods of the past two weeks. This amount includes both the repair work on the washed out sections of the line and new lines to be built to avoid troublesome spots in the future.

The Connel branch is still out of business and it is expected that it will be three weeks before the damage done by the high water in Lake Washington can be repaired. Much of the line along the shore of Lake Washington will be abandoned and a new road, further away from the water and out of reach of the floods, will be constructed. This will cost about \$15,000.

PICTURE MAKER LOSES HIS DOG

Frank Sourée Takes Photograph of Pet Then the Terrier Vanishes.

Having her picture taken did not please "Lady Love," so she showed her disrespect for her owner's business by running away from the camera. Boston bull terrier belonging to Frank Sourée, who runs an electric light picture gallery at 14 1/2 North Street, was shot of "Lady Love" and her picture was taken the other day. Thirty minutes later the dog disappeared.

Sourée has turned the picture to the police department and asks the help of the officers in finding his beloved terrier.

FARMERS OF YAMHILL ASK BETTER MAILS

Yamhill county farmers who are forced to rely upon cumbersome methods of handling the United States mails have united in sending a petition asking the postoffice department to have mail carried by the Oregon Electric trains instead of by the stage routes, as at present, thus enabling them to get mail the same day it is sent from Portland, instead of one day late.

At present mail that reaches Sherwood over the Southern-Pacific in the morning does not get to Wilsonville until the afternoon, and from there it is carried by stage to Yamhill. The farmers are supplied through the Wilsonville postoffice and mail is at least a day late.

Tigardville has a rural free delivery from Hillsdale on the Southern-Pacific, yet Tigardville is on the Oregon Electric and has trains nearly every hour from Portland passing through it.

A petition has been circulated in Wilsonville and will be distributed to other points along the line of the Oregon Electric asking that the mail be given to that line where better time can be made than by the Southern-Pacific.

SPOKANE EXCURSION AT LOS ANGELES

Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 13.—The Spokane Inland Empire excursion consisting of 218 travelers from Washington, Idaho and British Columbia arrived in this city this afternoon via the Southern-Pacific coast line. The excursion was 24 hours late, having been delayed by washouts above Santa Barbara.

Seven hundred billion matches a year, it has been estimated, are consumed by American smokers.

EXTRA! FROST DEVILS INVADE COUNTRY



NEW PLAN FOR WIDENING OF VISTA AVENUE TO BE ADOPTED

The much discussed boulevard leading to Portland Heights will in all probability be settled very soon and actual work on the improvement started if the people of that district have their wishes fulfilled. Plans for this boulevard were prepared some time ago by Olmstead Bros., the Park engineers and also by City Engineer Taylor. The assessment of damages due to the widening of Vista avenue, where the present cartline is, making it a boulevard 60 feet wide, was recently reported upon and the damages were so great that many residents of the district objected.

Several weeks ago at a mass meeting of property owners on Portland Heights, a committee composed of J. A. Curry, H. C. Campbell and W. S. Turner was appointed to consider the plan and endeavor to reconcile all interests. The committee have found that a number of properties would be damaged, in fact some houses would have to be torn down to make way for the improvement to provide a 60 foot street for the entire length. Such a street would also be 15 feet wider than the present Ford street viaduct. They therefore abandoned the old plans and will recommend that a street 45 feet wide, starting at Ford street bridge and widening 1 foot in each 20 until 60 feet wide, will be unnecessary to construct valuable property as under the old plans, and will materially save in expense, and at the same time give the city a boulevard that is practically the same as that arranged by Olmstead Bros., and the city engineer.

Along the outside edge of the street will be built a retaining wall of reinforced concrete with the sidewalk eight feet wide, cantilevered. This will make a continuous walk from Ford street viaduct to Carter street. The sidewalk will be raised 15 inches above the roadbed so that it will act as a guard should an accident happen to a trolley car or automobile in coming down the hill. The raising of the sidewalk will also deter people from going out into the roadway and running the danger of getting hit by passing vehicles. By making the sidewalk continuous on one side people will not have to cross the roadway and get into danger from passing wagons, cars or autos.

The cost of the proposed improvement, including the condemnation of the land, but not including the finished roadway, will be approximately \$110,000. This amount will be assessed against the district and as this is about one half the cost it would have been under the former plan, it is believed that the improvement will go through. A mass meeting of the property owners will be held at the Portland Heights club tomorrow night when the committee will make its report together with the suggestions as to how the improvement can be hurried along and the work of getting a boulevard to the heights completed this year.

UP IN THE AIR

"Mrs. Withersby says her little boy stands high in his class."

"And so he does. He attends a skyscraper school."

It has been estimated that if the flea could keep up his speed without being obliged to stop between jumps he could cover ten miles in a minute.



Egil Gahrnsen of Norway. A snapshot taken for the Hearst News Service showing him making a leap on his in the Bronx.

DEVELOPMENT OF NORTHWEST POWER

Columbia Basin Contains One Third of Country's 37,000,000 Horsepower.

Washington, Feb. 13.—Supporting his contention that there is great danger of the monopolization of water power sites, the president has caused a further compilation of figures to be made by Maurice Leighton, engineer at the head of the hydrographic service of the geological survey, showing that Oregon, Washington and Idaho have one third of the total possible water power of the United States. For the entire country the possible power is 7,000,000 horsepower and for the Columbia river basin 12,000,000 horsepower.

Leighton, commenting on the figures, says: "In the future industrial system these states will possess something precious because of the scarcity of fuel, will give water power site owners industrial control."

Roosevelt's fight to prevent the acquisition in fee simple of any more power sites from the federal government will be carried over to Taft's administration, congress holding the bill giving power sites in Missouri, which President Roosevelt vetoed, over to the special session, when the issue will be put up to a vote as to whether he will uphold that particular policy.

TREAT CALENDAR WILL BE CALLED

Cases Set Tomorrow Go Before New Judge of the Circuit Court.

Presiding Judge Gantenbein announced yesterday afternoon that the trial docket will be called tomorrow and that cases on the docket will be set at the rate of one additional case a day beginning with March 1. Provision for the various cases is being made by the appointment of Circuit Judge W. N. Gaten.

No definite arrangement has yet been made for a room in which the new circuit judge will hold court. A room may be provided in the city hall or in some building near the courthouse. For a few days at least Judge Gantenbein will hear cases in his chambers and the department will be occupied by one of the other judges.

Until March 1, the date for setting additional cases on the docket, the work will be made as light as possible for the judges now having cases under advisement in order to give them a chance to catch up with their work.

\$7500 DAMAGES FOR MAN'S LIFE

Joshua Tarkainen of Astoria Starts Suit Against Columbia Company.

Astoria, Or., Feb. 13.—Suit was filed in the circuit court this afternoon wherein Joshua Tarkainen, as administrator of the estate of Henry Tarkainen, seeks to recover damages in the sum of \$7500 from the Columbia Contract company of Portland, owners of the steamer Daniel Kern.

Tarkainen lost his life last May while out fishing as a result of his boat being run down by the Daniel Kern, and the present action alleges negligence on the part of those operating the steamer.

At the time, a coroner's jury returned a verdict declaring no criminal liability. The case is of interest inasmuch as an effort was made to clearly define the respective rights of sailing boats and those impelled by power.

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MISS LELA MARSHALL SPOKEN OF HIGHLY

Spokane, Wash., Feb. 13.—In a letter to the press today, B. E. Flisk, the Portland optician, eulogizes Lela Marshall, alleged to be Mrs. J. E. Corcoran's No. 2, and under arrest here for bigamy, of any crooked work in Portland.

Flisk mentions that Corcoran, who won the girl's confidence and misused it. He says Corcoran secured about \$15 worth of merchandise from the Flisk store and some from the Columbia Optical company.

All the goods, taken from Flisk have been recovered and that taken from the Columbia company is being brought back from St. Paul. He says further that Miss Marshall is in the charge of the cash in the B. E. Flisk Optical company's store and of the bank accounts, with the privilege of drawing and signing checks, and that she was never a cent short.

Corcoran will reach Spokane in a few days. Miss Marshall was arraigned Wednesday, but the case was continued until February 24.

SEEKS TO RECOVER A BROTHER'S ESTATE

Los Angeles, Feb. 13.—In the belief that she will be able to establish title to valuable real estate in Los Angeles that was once held by her brother, Fred A. Andrews, known in his lifetime as a good spender at San Francisco, Mrs. M. Saunders, residing in Los Angeles and has begun the quest which she claims will make her rich.

The story related by Mrs. Saunders deals with alleged plots against her brother while the latter was incarcerated in a sanitarium for the insane during which time she alleges she was away 11 lots in the Washington, Bird and Williamson tracts. This was eight years ago and the story was first made public in Prescott, Ariz., that Mrs. Saunders learned of the existence of the property in this city, part of which she claims, remains in her brother's name, the remainder being in that of other parties.

A. B. Steinbach & Co.

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Spring Suits and Overcoats

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A Memory of St. Valentine's Day

By J. H. McC. "Please, Mister, won't you give me one of the pretty pictures?" "The billobuster in the act of sticking the foremost actor of the American stage in a conspicuous position on the great billboard, cast a surprised glance at the ragged little figure poised diffidently on one foot at the edge of the sidewalk, and scowling at the coriary he slapped the paste brush vigorously over the scoured boards and with a gruff admonition to the small boy to be on his way he smoothed the edges of the lithograph and descended the stepladder.

OFFICER SENT FOR BRIENNE

Alleged Forger Will Be Taken Back to Vancouver, B. C., for Trial.

Chief Gritzmacher received a telegram yesterday afternoon from R. G. Chamberlain, chief constable at Vancouver, B. C., stating that an officer had started for Portland to take charge of Jehan Brienne, who had been arrested in Brienne, wanted in Vancouver for forgery.

The dispatch also said that forgers who obtain extradition papers had begun, but as both Ottawa and Washington must be communicated with, this will require several days.

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CONGRESS DOES NOT LIKE BILL

Taft's Recommendations of Knox Are Not Well Received by Congress.

Washington, Feb. 13.—The friends of Philander C. Knox worked strenuously today with members of the house to prevent bitter criticism of the bill repealing the bill increasing the salary of the secretary of state, the purpose of which is to enable Senator Knox to accept the position of secretary of state in the Taft cabinet.

The relief bill will pass the house. The committee on selection of president, vice president and representatives in congress today reported it favorably by a vote of five to three. An opportunity to bring it before the house is now awaited by its friends. It is the present plan to attempt to pass it under suspension of the rules on Monday.

The telegram from Taft urging the passage of the bill was not well received by members of congress. It had little effect on Democrats, who are opposing the bill on the ground of its unconstitutionality. Republicans are inclined to resent the interference, it is charged, of Taft in legislative matters. There is no hostility to Senator Knox anywhere.

HARRIMAN VIEWS NEW POSSESSIONS Benjamin Hurlig Dead. (Hearst News by Longest Leased Wire.) New York, Feb. 13.—E. H. Harriman and J. T. Harahan of the Illinois Central and others were here this morning on a special train. The presence of the party strengthens the rumor that Harriman has secured the Seaboard Air-Line and that this system and the Carolina, Clinchfield & Ohio, just completed by the same interests, will soon be Harriman lines.

Mr. Harriman was accompanied by his daughter, Miss Mary Harriman, P. W. Gillett, an official of the Harriman lines, and others.

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