

HARRIMAN MERGES FOUR GREAT RAILROADS

STEADY ADVANCE IN STOCKS REVIVES THE STORY OF GREAT DEAL

(United Press Leased Wire.)

New York, July 30.—The steady advance of New York Central stock, which reached 140 yesterday, coupled with the high water mark of \$200 for Union Pacific, is responsible for the revival of the rumor that E. H. Harriman is about to engineer a gigantic merger that will embrace the New York Central, Chicago & North-western and Union and Southern Pacific railroads. By merging the whole into one vast system and under one management, it is stated that hundreds of thousands could be saved annually to the transportation companies in operating expenses alone, not considering the enrichment by reason of the accord that would prevail in making rates at competing points and through connections with rival corporations.

It is believed that Harriman's bad health will hasten instead of defer the announcement of the merger, as it is expected that he will retire from active life after a brief enjoyment of his greatest known ambition—to be the head of a transcontinental system.

Wall street experts declare that New York Central stock is being made active in preparation for the rumored change of control. The merger supposedly will take place soon after the crops are matured and congress has settled tariff rates by the passage of the pending bill.

CURSES AUTOIST; AIDS BIBLE WORK

Eugene Capitalist Donates \$15,000 Brick Block to Religious School.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Eugene, Or., July 30.—John E. Coleman, a local capitalist, who figured conspicuously in the police court a few days ago, being fined \$5 for swearing at an automobilist who came near running him down, has just donated another brick block valued at \$15,000, to the Eugene Bible university in addition to the \$25,000 block donated a year ago. The gifts are in memory of his wife, who, while living, was a prominent member of the Christian church.

HOBSON WANTS FREE TENNIS IN ALL PARKS

In a communication to Mayor Simon filed in the city auditor's office this morning, O. J. Hobson asks that the park board provide public tennis courts in the various parks about the city. Mr. Hobson says that San Francisco has several dozen of these free courts and that thousands of young men who are not rich enough to belong to private clubs take pleasure in and beneficial exercise thereon.

SCHOOL DISTRICT CLEFT BY DISPUTE

Two Factions in Pleasant Valley Seek Location of \$800 Building.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Albany, Or., July 30.—The contract for an \$800 school building in the Pleasant Valley school district, above Lebanon, has been let, though the voters have not yet selected a site for the building. Feeling is at an acute pitch and the school officers of the district have called upon County Superintendent Jackson to settle the dispute.

SPANISH FORCES IN PERIL

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Gibraltar, July 30.—Melilla advises have it that the Spanish soldiers under General Marina are now fighting for their lives. Surrounded by 20,000 Moors, the Spaniards are with their backs to the wall.

FOUR HOLDUP MEN ARRESTED

Detectives Day and Snow on Way to Portland With Crooks.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Tacoma, Wash., July 30.—Andrew Morok and Harry Mitchell were taken to Portland this afternoon by Detectives Day and Snow of that city and will be arraigned on a charge of having held up and robbed four men. They were arrested here Wednesday evening by Detectives Milne and Miller. Milne recognized Morok as a man who had served three terms in the penitentiary, and when he reported the matter to Captain Fitzgerald he was instructed to bring him to the station.

DRILLERS STRIKE GOLD AT ATHENA

Mineral Vein Uncovered at Depth of 240 Feet—Assays Made.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Athena, Or., July 30.—The discovery of gold and copper deposits in a well which is being drilled on the land of the Athena Land & Trust company, has aroused considerable excitement in this vicinity. The well is within a block and a half of the business district of Athena and is about 240 feet deep.

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Suspected Slayer of Steunenberg



Alleged to be Jack Simpkins, but claims his name is Nels Nelson.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) The Dalles, July 30.—Whether the man giving his name as Nels Nelson, now confined in the county jail, is Jack Simpkins or not is a debatable question. On receiving photographs of Simpkins yesterday Sheriff Christman concluded the man he was holding was not Simpkins and determined to release him. After a more careful examination of the photographs the resemblance was so strong that he determined to hold the man awhile longer, and have his photograph taken and sent to the authorities at Caldwell, hence Nelson will be held awaiting the decision of the Idaho authorities.

TRUNK YIELDS BURGLAR \$350

Bachelor Farmer's Home in Malheur County Robbed During His Absence.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Vale, Or., July 30.—News has just reached here that H. A. Akers, a bachelor living 12 miles west of Vale, was robbed last Monday night of \$350, which he had locked in a trunk in his bedroom. The robbery was committed while Akers was absent from his home. The thief unlocked the trunk, and after taking the money, locked it again.

SHORT WORK WITH TARIFF

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.) Washington, July 30.—It is believed congress will adjourn Wednesday or Thursday. This opinion is based on interviews with regular Republicans, low tariff insurgents, high tariff insurgents and Democrats. So far no long speeches have been announced. Every one seems to want to get away.

In the Want Ad Section of The Journal Today

- 55 Advertise for help
- 18 Advertise for situations
- 61 Advertise furnished rooms for rent
- 125 Advertise real estate for sale
- 55 Advertise business chances
- 43 Advertise houses for rent
- 17 Advertise flats for rent
- 22 Advertise housekeeping rooms for rent

The Journal "Want Ad" Department maintains a free bureau to assist the public in the recovery of lost articles.

MRS. THAW TO APPLY FOR DIVORCE

Confirms Report That Papers Will Be Served on ex-Insanity Patient Soon as Present Examination Is Completed.

(United Press Leased Wire.) New York, July 30.—Evelyn Thaw today confirmed the report that she would sue Harry Thaw for divorce, saying that the papers would be served upon him at the conclusion of the present examination into his sanity.

She denied that she would go to Reno, Nev., to start the suit, saying she would file it in this state. The ground upon which she will base her suit is the testimony brought out at Thaw's present hearing regarding his beating young girls.

White Plains, N. Y., July 30.—Directing his attack at Thaw's statement that he was at times "heavily insane," District Attorney Jerome today pressed Thaw for an explanation of the term.

Thaw said that it was "defect of reason," but was unable to explain what that was.

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OIL BURNERS ON MILWAUKEE

Forty of Them in Forest Region—Earling Says No More Forest Fires.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Seattle, July 30.—For the purpose of affording protection against fires in the forests of Idaho and Washington, the Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound railroad is equipping about 40 of its locomotives as oil burners. H. B. Earling, general superintendent of the company, who is in Seattle, declared that if the railway could avoid fires by precaution there would never be a burned stump along the line of that road.

QUAKE SHOCKS FELT IN OHIO

Tremors Last Over an Hour Within Radius of Five Thousand Miles.

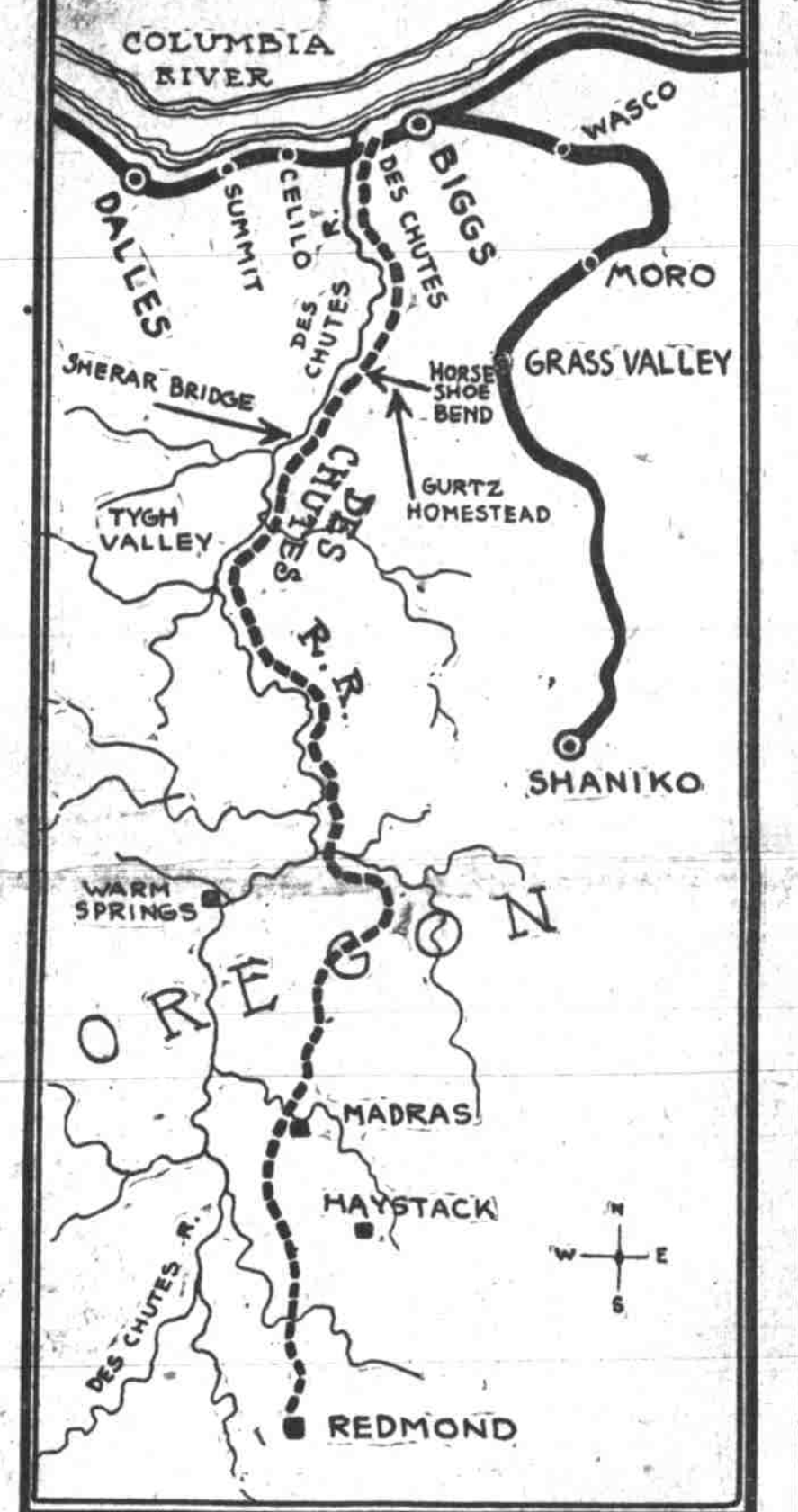
(United Press Leased Wire.) Cleveland, July 30.—Earthquake tremors lasting nearly an hour and a half were registered this morning by the instruments at St. Ignace college. It is believed the shocks occurred within a radius of from 2000 to 6000 miles from Cleveland.

SOCIAL CLUBS MUST PAY UP

Must Be Licensed, Like Saloons, Says Washington Supreme Court.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Olympia, Wash., July 30.—The state supreme court in a decision rendered yesterday holds that all social clubs in the state are prohibited from dispensing liquor to members unless such clubs have taken out the required liquor license. The decision was in the case of J. R. Baughman, steward of the Spokane club, who was convicted of violation of the city license law, which is affirmed.

OREGON'S SHARE WILL WATER VAST ACREAGE



Map of Deschutes line proposed by Harriman and which has recently been a matter of contention between rival Hill and Harriman interests.

Interior Oregon's long, impatient wait for development is over. Government reclamation agents and railroad contractors have announced their intention of working together so that by the time the Deschutes canyon railroad is completed the thousands of acres of rich land lying in the central and southern parts of the state will have been reclaimed and ready to be occupied by the great number of prospective settlers.

Oregon's share of the reclamation fund to be spent next year will approach \$3,000,000. F. H. Newell, director of the government reclamation service from Washington, D. C., stated this morning.

"Our general policy will be aggressive and we will complete our projects in time for the settlement brought into the interior of the state by the new railroad," Mr. Newell added without qualification.

Interested in Oregon. Mr. Newell evidences great interest in the future of Oregon. "We believe in this state," he declared. In the few brief sentences quoted he expressed also views held by Secretary Ballinger, passed through Portland last night after completing a strenuous inspection tour of Oregon and portions of Idaho.

Mr. Newell, Mr. Davis and Mr. Dennett are all in the city today, as is E. G.

Hopson, supervising engineer of the Pacific division. Combined with the recently made announcements of prominent Harriman officials that work on the Deschutes railroad will be pushed to a hurried completion and Porter Brothers' intention of building a railroad along the same line, the presence of the government reclamation experts and their emphatic expressions is taken by Oregon people as the greatest assurance yet received that the interior of the state will be given the development which they have been clamoring for during many years.

Monday it will be definitely known how government reclamation projects are to fare during the next year. An amount of \$7,000,000 is to be divided among 24 projects. If Oregon receives \$2,000,000, as has been promised, it will insure the early completion of both the Umatilla and Malheur schemes, and others of not less interest to the people, but costing less, will be taken care of. Oregon's share likewise will be greater than that received by any other state and is explained by the fact that heretofore transportation facilities have been so limited that the government did not feel authorized in reclaiming the land until it made certain the people being gotten in and their crops shipped out.

Mr. Newell, however, registered a serious complaint against the settlers' action.

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LUMBER TARIFF OF \$1.25 PER THOUSAND CANNOT HURT TRADE

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.) Washington, July 30.—"We could defeat the conference report if we desired," said a member of the official lumber lobby today. "We have the votes ready to render if we say the word, but to do so would make us responsible for defeating tariff legislation, and we would get hurt in future. We shall raise no objections on account of the reduction to the rate of \$1.25 on rough lumber."

The truth is, the people are perfectly satisfied as they are getting the differential on dressed grades exactly as passed by the senate, which differentials were prepared by the lumber lobby according to their ideas of what would give them continued control against Canadian corporations.

TARIFF BILL IS FAVORED BY TAFT

President Expected to Agree With Conferees' Report—Regards Bill as Improvement Over Dingley Measure—Will Probably Sign.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, July 30.—President Taft will sign the tariff bill as submitted to the house today by Representative Sereno Payne, as soon as it is passed by congress, according to reports here today. Although the president is not thoroughly satisfied he has expressed the belief that in the main the revision was downward. He regards the bill as an improvement over the Dingley bill now in effect.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, July 30.—Representative Sereno Payne presented the tariff bill to the house today. After the house has acted upon the measure it will go to the senate. Under the rules neither house can amend the measure. It must be accepted, rejected or referred to a conference committee. The bill as presented to the house is a decided victory for President Taft in his fight for downward revision. In conference, after receiving the president's ultimatum yesterday, gave way before his demands and made the alterations Taft had insisted upon. Only the president's plain statement that he would veto the measure if they did otherwise forced the concession.

FRANCE WORRIED OVER TARIFF, TOO

French Ambassador Makes Statement That Causes Considerable Comment.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, July 30.—Criticism of the tariff attributed to Ambassador Jusserand of France created comment here today. When asked about the failure of J. P. Morgan to succeed in his project to list United States Steel securities on the Paris bourse, Jusserand is quoted as saying: "Under the circumstances, I believe the attempt to market steel securities in France at this time was ill-advised. France is in a state of unrest over what its money is going to do about the tariff."

DECLARE TRUCE TO BURY DEAD

Spaniards and Moors Disposing of Bodies of Soldiers Killed in Battle.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Melilla, July 30.—Declaring a truce, the Spaniards and Moors are disposing of the bodies of the soldiers killed in Tuesday's bloody engagement. Resistance is feared and but little attention is being paid to fighting.

OVER A MILLION OUT OF ALASKA. Skagway, Alaska, July 30.—One million eight hundred and fifty thousand dollars in gold from Fairbanks is going south on the City of Seattle for the state assay office and bank, which leaves here Thursday night.