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# THE SWEETS COEUR D'ALENE RESERVATION

## HONEYEATERS IN PATH OF FLAMES

Six Hundred Thousand Dollars Estimated Damage to Date and Conflagration Is Still Unchecked—Tract Three Miles Wide.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
Spokane, Wash., Aug. 20.—Fire is sweeping through the great white pine forests of the Coeur d'Alene Indian reservation, the richest timber section of Idaho. Much of the most valuable timber is on the land recently opened by the government for which over 100,000 men filed for claims at Coeur d'Alene City.

The fire is burning a tract three miles wide between Rockford, on the west, and Coeur d'Alene lake, on the east. Yesterday the fire was discovered, and fanned by the wind, it has made terrible headway. The loss is estimated already at over \$600,000.

While this timber is guarded by forest rangers it is almost impossible to combat the flames. The grass and underbrush at this season are dry as tinder, and the trees are tall, allowing the fire to jump great distances and keep dozens of new blazes demanding attention from the fire-fighting force.

The fire started in the camp of the O. S. & N. Co. and it is feared that parties of surveyors may be caught in the swirl of fire. Everett Harriman, son of E. H. Harriman, the railroad king, with a school chum is with the surveyors. No word has been received from any of the surveying parties.

Chicago, Aug. 20.—Averell Harriman is only 18 years old, but when his father went abroad for his health, he was given the choice of how he was to spend the summer. Instead of taking a vacation abroad he decided that he wanted to know something about how railroads were built, and as his first start in the direction of the railroad business he was appointed a position carrying the chain in a surveying party on the Oregon Short Line in Idaho.

Despite the millions of his father, young Harriman declared that he wanted to start at the bottom of the ladder, as any other boy would do. Averell persuaded his chum, George Dixon, son of George A. Dixon of New York, one of Harriman's family physicians, to join him in the "chain gang." They started in positions paying \$65 a month, and are now in the pay-roll of the Oregon Short Line.

Spokane, Wash., Aug. 20.—The town of Plummer, on the St. Joe river, in Idaho, was totally destroyed today by a great forest fire which has been sweeping the Coeur d'Alene Indian reservation since last night. Hundreds of men have been fighting the flames all night long and throughout the day, but there appears little chance of checking the conflagration.

## DRINKS ACID FOR WATER

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
Vancouver, Wash., Aug. 20.—Erich C. Cooley, a farmer living on British Columbia, 12 miles northeast of this city, is lying near death and suffering terrible agonies as the result of drinking from a jug containing sulphuric acid which he mistook for water. Cooley was returning from his day's labor in the hayfield and when passing a creamery he saw a jug of what he supposed was water. He stopped and took a long draught from the jug before he noticed that it was not water that he was drinking. He immediately dropped to the floor, writhing with pain. The employees at the creamery rushed to his side and rendered all the assistance possible. No hope is entertained for his recovery.

## DOES NOT EAT FOR 93 DAYS

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Redding, Cal., Aug. 20.—For three months Henry E. Everdell, an employment agent residing here, has fasted. The only nourishment he has taken during his 93 day fast has been an occasional glass of buttermilk. When Everdell ate his last meal he weighed 125 pounds. Today the scales balance at 109 pounds less when he steps upon them. The man has been a sufferer from stomach trouble and he is taking the starvation treatment on the advice of his physician, who hopes to effect a cure by this means. Everdell asserted today that he feels well and that his health has not been affected unfavorably by his long abstinence from food.

## KERR CHOSEN FOR PRESIDENT

Oregon Man Elected Head of Big Agricultural Association.



At the annual election of officers of the Association of American Agricultural Colleges and Experiment Stations this morning President W. J. Kerr of Oregon Agricultural college was chosen president for the ensuing year. This honor was given President Kerr as an appreciation of his hard and excellent work as chairman of the meetings here in Portland.

The sessions were adjourned at 11:45 o'clock this morning to meet next year in Washington, D. C. Business transacted this morning included reports of committees, preparations for excursion up the Willamette valley and a general dinner.

Other officers chosen were as follows: Vice presidents, President J. H. Waters, Kansas Agricultural college; director, W. P. Brooks, Massachusetts station; President C. A. Lory, Colorado Agricultural college; Director E. H. Rolfe, Florida station; Director L. Foster, New Mexico station; secretary-treasurer, Director J. L. Hills, Vermont station; Bibliographer, A. C. Tria, Washington, D. C.

At the meeting last night it came out in a discussion that the commission appointed by President Roosevelt to investigate conditions of farm life would receive little support from the association. It is believed, however, that by congress for the prosecution of the work of the commission, the association would have any discussion of its future on the table.

## COOS WELCOMES VISITORS

Oregon-Idaho Development Congress Convenes at Marshfield and Keynote of Meeting Is Sounded—Dr. J. T. McCormac Delivers the Address of Welcome.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
Marshfield, Or., Aug. 20.—Promotion of a district built railway from Coos Bay to Boise and the development of the Coos Bay harbor by the port commission, are the subjects making up the keynote of the Oregon-Idaho Development congress, which convened today in Marshfield. The idea was brought out by Colonel E. Hofer, president of the congress, when he made his response to the address of welcome at the opening of the congress this morning after Dr. J. T. McCormac opened the meeting. Colonel Hofer told of how the people a year ago, when they organized the congress, struck the first blow toward the opening of Oregon by taking up the work of development of the harbor district, built railroad in Idaho by their own efforts.

The general port bill, Colonel Hofer said, was passed with this idea in view, and was only one of the efforts toward development which during the year of its life the congress had accomplished. Those credits which have been given to the movement were Senator Chamberlain, Colonel William Grimes of Marshfield, William Henley of Burns, and Colonel C. E. S. Wood of Portland. The speaker said that if Harriman had kept his promises Coos Bay would today be a great port; that the railroad could not be kept out of Coos Bay much longer in spite of Harriman, and that the first district built railroad in Idaho would be submitted to a vote of the people there in the spring.

Colonel Hofer urged that the congress sketch of what had been accomplished in the way of promoting a railway. He said he, with others, had made a trip from Boise to Burns, Idaho, had found a vast empire awaiting development. John F. Carroll, managing editor of the Telegram, was introduced, and received with enthusiasm. He spoke of the present isolation of Coos Bay, and said that on account of its lack of railroads one would expect to find pioneer conditions, but that he was greatly surprised at the development which the people had brought about. George Trowbridge, managing editor of The Journal, was introduced as a representative of progress and a friend of Coos Bay. He was greeted with much applause. George N. Cornwall, publisher of the Timberman, told a clever story, which evoked gales of laughter, after which the morning session adjourned.

## MIDNIGHT FIRE DOES MUCH DAMAGE

Flames Devour Pretty Residence and Valuable Furnishings and Curios Belonging to Mrs. M. J. O'Neil—Brave Neighbors.

Far from any hydrant, the home of Mrs. M. J. O'Neil, at 760 East Forty-first street, last night burned to the ground, as did an unoccupied house which stood next to it. There was absolutely no chance of checking the fire until the houses had burned to the ground.

Mrs. O'Neil's loss will be heavy, for the house, while insured for practically entire value, was filled with valuable and costly furnishings which cannot be replaced. Mrs. O'Neil had been a collector of Chinese silks and curios in large quantities and her loss from these things alone will reach \$3500. The house was valued at \$5000 and was insured for \$4500. The adjoining house was valued at close to \$2000.

The origin of the fire is a mystery. Although Mrs. O'Neil has been thinking much of how it could have started, she has as yet been unable to solve the problem. She and her daughter, Mrs. M. A. Beahm, live alone in the house, and Mrs. Beahm, during her travels through the Orient, added to her belongings thousands of dollars' worth of Chinese and Japanese silks and curios. They had supper early last night and the fire in the stove was out long before 7 o'clock. These were seen through the partition where Mrs. O'Neil thinks the fire started.

Kitchen Mass of Flames. All Mrs. O'Neil knows about the starting of the fire, was that she was awakened by her daughter who rushed to the kitchen and found it a mass of swirling flames. With rare presence of mind she assumed the kitchen door shut again and running for a revolver which she kept in the dining room fired three shots at the neighbors. She then hurried upstairs and started to gather together a few of her clothes. She had barely gotten enough to fill one satchel, however, when the smoke became dangerously dense.

Performs Act of Hero. A most heroic act was performed by

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## HEILIG REPAIRS SIX SHOTS AT FLEEING HIGHWAYMEN

Owners Have Decided to Repair Theatre and Work Will Be Commenced Immediately—Cost Is to Be \$17,000.

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Following the visit of Mr. Russell yesterday, the principal stockholders of the Heilig held a meeting last night, at which time it was decided to go ahead with the repairs, and instructions were given to the architects, Caples & Caples, who had previously drafted plans of a general repair, to secure a permit from the building inspector today and go ahead with the repair work. It is a well known fact that the Shuberts are anxious to bring their big road attractions to Portland during the coming year. Unless they secure some building now ready for them it will be impossible for them to come this year. It is believed, therefore, that the visit of Mr. Russell at this time means that definite arrangements have been made for the use of the old Heilig by his line of shows.

According to Alexander Bernstein the work of remodeling the theatre will be commenced at once after the completion. The name of the theatre will be changed, according to the desires of the lease, and it will be made the best appointed show place in the city for the next 18 months, the limit of time during which frame buildings may be used for theatrical purposes in Portland.

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## CALHOUN CAN NO LONGER GRAFT

Ex-Mayor Phelan Says Public Has Never Been Given Fair Accounts of San Francisco Graft Prosecution—Victory for Heney.

Calhoun money has lost its potency and graft prosecution as the paramount issue in San Francisco municipal politics on its way to sweeping victory, according to ex-Mayor James D. Phelan of the Bay City who is visiting in Portland.

"The people are behind the movement. They will elect Heney district attorney because Heney is the outstanding figure of emity against municipal corruption. The people have been awakened to the true situation it will be impossible for the reports subsidized by Calhoun and his cohorts to gain the credence of the voters" the ex-mayor said this morning. And he added, "The election will prove the truth of my assertion."

Mr. Phelan met this morning for the first time in many years ex-Mayor Story of Portland. These two were the first to talk over the long distance telephone when it was installed between Portland and San Francisco. One of the significant things Phelan said to Mr. Story was: "I am astonished at the way Portland has grown and the splendid way it has been built. It is now a city of 250,000 people. Had I been in my absence a complete transformation has been wrought. I would say that the only thing Portland lacks to add completeness is a greater manufacturing interest."

For many years ex-Mayor Phelan has been a leading figure in the San Francisco fight for clean politics and a pure administration. His own administration was characterized by its fairness and integrity. He has not allowed the leading issues of the day were disposed of. While still a powerful factor in the politics of San Francisco, he has yet found it necessary to devote more attention and time to his extensive property interests than he did while mayor of San Francisco.

In continuing his comments on the San Francisco situation Mr. Phelan said: "The persistent misrepresentation of the graft prosecution in San Francisco should be met by a statement of facts. Our work in San Francisco is not local, but affects every American city, and rich manufacturers should not be allowed unchallenged to use the public press for the dissemination of falsehood. The United Railways and other corporate interests in San Francisco, including many bankers and through them by fear and force, many members of the commercial community, have corrupted public opinion to some extent by using an industrious literary bureau which sends out colored news and biased comments."

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In 1905 Mr. Sprecklen, Mr. Older, Mr. Heney and myself undertook to enlist good citizens in ridding the city of grafters and hoodlums. District Attorney Langdon gave his support and appointed Heney his assistant. Schmitz tried to remove Langdon and appoint Heney, and the latter battle began. We wish to call attention to the fact that all the methods of the prosecution have been lawful and the only weapons used were those provided by the machinery of the law. Ruff and Schmitz were in hiding in a shadow.

Reinforcements from police headquarters soon arrived in the patrol wagon and Brennan a heavyset, villainous looking fellow, whom the detectives believe is wanted for murder in California, was located. To Patrolman Swennes is also given the credit of his capture.

No trace of the third member of the trio could be found, though officers and residents kept up the search through half the night. Blood stains on the cement sidewalks and in the alleyway showed that he had been wounded. Patrolman Swennes is certain he shot him in the back.

When the two captives were taken together they exchanged signals which the officers were silent warnings. Neither would talk to the officers and up to noon today had attempted no explanation. Brennan kicked Swennes on the arm.

"Well, I'll get even with you anyway," he declared. Swennes knocked him down. Sanford Hirsch, son of Mrs. Solomon Hirsch, aroused by the shooting, told the officers Brennan was certainly the third suspect had been wounded, and he thought severely. If it is true that the man has been seriously wounded, the officers believe they will capture him today if he attempts to secure medical attendance.

Chief A. M. Cox asserted today that he was of the belief that the three men would be captured.

Running up within a few yards of them, he called to them to halt. Instead all started to run up Washington street, keeping in the shadow of the bushes. Again the officer demanded of them to stop. They only increased their speed. Drawing his revolver the patrolman fired six shots at the fleeing men. With the third report, one of the trio gave a cry of pain and slapped his hand to his back on the right side. Turning up St. Clair street, the men speeded half way up the block and turned in the alleyway



Patrolman T. P. Swennes and two suspects captured by him last night—Brennan on the right and Rogers on the left.

Six ringing shots, wild screams of pain from a wounded man, the clatter and curses of fleeing men and finally the clanging gong of a hurrying patrol wagon, were noises which aroused fashionable King's Heights from slumber about 1:30 o'clock this morning and stirred the exclusive neighborhood to pandemonium.

Sedate King's Heights, with its millionaires and aristocrats, was never so visited with terror and wild excitement before. Nightcapped and begowned residents flocked to the streets, and the screams of women added to the bedlam.

Melodramatic in the utmost, the ferment of excitement was caused by the capture of two suspected safecrackers, one believed to be a murderer, and the wounding of a third, who escaped, by Patrolman Tom P. Swennes, E. Rogers and Walter Brennan were given as the names of the men arrested. The names of the third, thought to be badly wounded, they refuse to disclose.

Three men creeping up Washington street just above King street, in the shadow of bushes on the south side of the thoroughfare, excited the suspicions of the patrolman. He saw they were roughly dressed and were evidently endeavoring to keep out of sight.

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## SPAIN SUFFERS IN CAMPAIGN

600 Spaniards Killed and Several Battalions Mutiny and Join Moors.

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Lisbon, Aug. 20.—Six hundred Spaniards have been killed, according to dispatches received here, in the campaign started Wednesday by General Marina against the Rif tribesmen.

The messages, which are unconfirmed, are from Melilla, and state that several of General Marina's battalions have mutinied, and are joining the war of fleeing toward the French possessions in Morocco.

After being decisively defeated in his last campaign General Marina was compelled to retire to Melilla to await reinforcements.

## CONTRACTORS GET AUTO LICENSES

Leaders of Warring Factions in Deschutes Canyon Use Speedy Cars.

(Special Bureau of The Journal.)  
Salem, Ore., Aug. 20.—Porter Brothers and Twoby Brothers applied today at the office of the secretary of state for automobile licenses. Porter Brothers were allotted license No. 2237 and Twoby Brothers No. 2238.

That the applications of both these railroad contracting firms—fighting for a right of way up the Deschutes valley for their respective railroad chiefs, James J. Hill and E. H. Harriman—should arrive the same day is quite a coincidence.

Porter Brothers' car is a Studebaker; Twoby Brothers' an Oldsmobile. Porter's is a red car and Twoby's is a black machine. Porter has a 40 horsepower machine to carry five persons, while Twoby's have a 30 horsepower machine to carry four passengers.

Porter Brothers wrote in for an application blank the other day. Twoby Brothers made their application, direct, without asking for blanks. Both applications arrived on today's mail from the Dalles. D. D. Ren was the applicant in the case of Porter Brothers and A. N. Gulbault for Twoby Brothers.

## SUTTON INQUIRY RESULTS IN REFORM

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Washington, Aug. 20.—It was announced today that Charles A. Doyen, commandant of the marine barracks at Annapolis at the time that Lieutenant Sutton of Portland, Oregon, met his death, will be relieved from duty at that post.

It is reported that this is but the first step of a general house cleaning that is to occur in this department, and is a direct result of the Sutton inquiry. There is no objection to Doyen except the fact that he was in charge of the marine barracks at the time of the tragedy.