IS HARRIMAN TO REALIZE AMBITION?

Returning Home Improved in Health Indications Are Fair for Merger of New York Central Lines With Harriman System.

Railroad lines under Harriman control: Union Pacific, Southern Pacific, Central Pacific, Oregon Short Line, Illinois Central, Central of Georgia, Baltimore & Ohio, Erie, New York Central, Big Four, Lake Shore, Michigan Central, Nickel Plate, Southern Pacific of Mexico, Chicago & Northwestern. Total mileage, 48,000 miles.

By James S. Evans.

(Hearst News by Longest Leased Wire.)

New York, Aug. 21.—Suppose for one instant, that when the Kaiser Wilhelm II. appears in port Tuesday next the captain or the purser or the steward should inform the impulsive, the waiting and eccentric world that E. H. Harriman, a passenger aboard that good ship, had, on the voyage across made up his mind to quit the game.

Mr. Harriman sailed from Cherbourg on Thursday last. For weeks he had been a patient. The most skilled men in Europe have been his physical aids. Now, according to good reports, medicine no longer is of avail. Compliance with human laws, the observance of sanitary regulations, the "old, time religious way" of having breakfast, eating dinner answering the supper bell at regular periods, are the only means of restoring this wonderful man to health. Let no one be alarmed. While controlling largely the railroad interests of the western hemisphere, the fortunes of thousands locked in that big little head of this financial giant are not booked for the "scrap heap." The days are still to come when he will make Wall Street persons—Wall Street gents, as some are wont to describe a few hundred domiciled below Liberty Lane—jump like a greyhound in pursuit of a groesback rabbit.

Sick Men Do Not Always Die.

One who is sick is not scheduled to die just because of immediate malady. Jay Gould was in the hands of doctors for years before he succumbed. Likewise the senior Vanderbilt. They heaped fortunes on fortune, piled thousands on millions, built miles of trackage, equipped systems of transportation links, opened up new territories, lived, laughed and signed bills of exchange years after their death warrants had been signed by physicians.

How would the financial world be affected, after Tuesday next, should the news come in that Harriman was to let go? Suppose you, that a single train of cars, running between the Atlantic and the Pacific would lose a minute of time? That the Iowa farmer, now shaking hands with Dolliver and Cummins, would miss the financial weight of a bundle of oats or the worth of a carload of cattle? Huh!

Concern Over Planned Merger.

Concern over this man's health, so far as New York is affected, lies mainly in the planned merger of the New York Central lines. With these Mr. Harriman controls in the central west, the northwest and the Pacific west. Let a train start from this city, operated by one system, dominated by one power, extending to Portland and San Francisco, and the country will observe the most stupendous transcontinental line human ingenuity ever conceived, that modern enterprise ever attempted to encompass.

Ambition About to Be Realized.

For 10 years that Wall street knows about, this pale and unfed little person has been trying to bring about an unbroken railroad system extending from ocean to ocean. It has come, or is about to come.

In the zenith of manhood he found the way. Time and trouble, the weary hours of studying maps, the concentration of a mind that levels all opposition, he blazed his path. You who have been in the west or who cursed at the falls the southern forest at night have brought you—wondering how and when and by what way you were to get out—back where the hominy ovens were, can appreciate the old trapper's scheme of blazing the path.

The stroke of a knife blade made upon a sapling here and there, has kept many a man from darkness and death.

Knife Always Unsheathed.

Harriman—good person, recognizing mainly the laws of maintenance and mastery, has come through this few years of his as the fabled gray horse went tearing through the wilderness. And his knife has ever been out; his "bowie" unsheathed.

He wishes to be stabbed. Two years ago he said that if he could find a young man to take his place in the world of commerce, he would gladly retire.

"Not until then?" he was asked.

"Not until then," was his laconic answer.

Mr. Harriman is not an old person, as the world of today appreciates and understands and sizes up men over 40. Not for Dr. Osler now is he. Nor for days to come.

But—as was before suggested—were he to be disabled—should he come home a physical cripple—would his dominancy of the railroad system be at all diminished? Or, if he or his friends think so, have they found the "young man," if not—"well," as Kate said, "if the boy is blue eyed, what shall we name him?"

Who Could Take His Place.

Who would Wall street name as the heir of Harriman, sick or well, dead or dying?

Harriman at the lever—and, by the way, did you know that he can run a locomotive?—the business interests are safe; away from the "cab," and the cattle would thrive in Texas just as they fattened and leaned and run away from the clouds that looked cyclonic long before Mr. Harriman knew the difference between a lariat and a "locomotive," previous to the period when Mr. Bailey of Texas could cash a check at No. 24 Broadway.

His good health, his dynamic force, his voltaic energy, have contributed immensely to the nation's marvelous growth. But, returning home, even if ill, remaining at home until "it's just time," and there will be no notional disease.

"Biggest" Men Harriman's Friends.

Certain capitalists would be glad to see him an object for the coroner. They are not the really big men of the country, however. James J. Hill would cross a continent to alleviate the agony of a Harriman ache. George Gould is his friend. Ryan is not. The western world is.

And the south. Take the Central railroad property of Georgia. The line penetrates the very heart of the new south. Likewise does the Illinois Central. Both corporations are of the south—southern, of the Harriman way of doing business—E. H. Harriman. They both may own senators. Unquestionably they control congressmen. Doubtless they have inspired the appointment of cabinet officers. Read the list; study their history.

Southern railroad building is increasing. More lines are projected. Big warehouses are being erected in Atlanta, in Memphis, in New Orleans, in San Francisco by this man Harriman's orders. Will his illness stop the stroke of a single hammer?

The wonders of his mind, the vast and almost incomprehensive projects he has put through stagger human thought. He has entered into great alliances. Once at enmity with Hill, he is now his colleague. Once the enemy of all Gould and Gouldism, he is at present their friend.

For years George J. Gould was unable to get proper banking facilities and could not raise loans to keep his railroads up to the standard. Since Harriman has taken the matter in charge he has arranged for a reorganization of the Gould lines and for the issue of bonds with which to repair tracks and make needed improvements and extensions.

Harriman is to be elected a director of the Wabash, one of the leading Gould railroads. Harriman is building a great railroad system in Mexico, following the west coast to a region rich in minerals and agricultural lands. He has promised to make this coast of Mexico equal to the Riviera. He has opened up a country with railroads that supports a population of nearly 1,000,000 people, most of whom never before saw a railroad.

He is leader in a movement to secure through the congress of the United States legislation that will enable the railroads to do business without violating the laws. He claims that it is a physical impossibility to run a railroad without violating a law as at present.

A Second Napoleon.

Harriman personally and through the corporations which he dominates commands more men than ever were commanded by any human being before, save, possibly Napoleon the Great. More money is in his charge than the civil war cost. His tremendous business interests are so organized that he himself says he could die without causing the slightest derangement in the operation of any of the Harriman railroads.

Sick or well, he is on his way home; sick or well, the only man to fear him is the little gambler, that class of men not on the square, the "bats" of Wall street, not the men of Wall street.

LABOR FEDERATION FAVORS SUFFRAGE

Montana Body Aligns With Women; Legislature Is to Be Petitioned.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Butte, Mont., Aug. 21.—After a heated debate lasting several hours, the annual convention of the Montana Federation of Labor went on record today as favoring woman's suffrage and the legislative committee of the federation was instructed to use its influence at the next legislative assembly in the city of Helena. One of the strongest opponents of the measure was Delegate O'Malley. He made a talk against women's suffrage and during his argument said:

"Now we have several women delegates to this convention. They are women of sound sense. I am going to ask all the women in the convention who favor women's suffrage to stand up, just to illustrate to this convention that women themselves don't want it."

To Mr. O'Malley's dismay every woman delegate in the hall stood up, amid the laughter of all.

Great Falls was selected as the next convention city. Mortimer M. Donoghue succeeds Alex Fairgrave as president of the federation.

NEBRASKA TO TRY DIRECT PRIMARY

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menced," he said in explanation of his attitude.

Does Not Criticize.

"I do not criticize Mr. Ballinger, he has many good qualities and has done many things that command admiration. But I do not wish politicians substituted for experts in the department of forestry and the reclamation service. I hope for such an adjustment of these differences that both Mr. Newell and Mr. Pinchot will be solicited to remain in office."

Governor Shallenberger's personality made a marked impression on the Portland business men with whom he became acquainted yesterday. All were delighted with the perfect courtesy which seems second nature to him, and the generous spirit shown in discussion of any topic suggested. Governor Shallenberger's private secretary, W. J. Furse, who was for many years previous to the governor's election, a neighbor and one of his closest friends, made an impression as favorable, almost, as did the governor himself.

The personnel of the party, all of whom appear in the picture taken for The Journal, with the exceptions of Colonel F. J. McShane and Colonel Oberfelder follows:

Governor A. C. Shallenberger, wife and daughter; Private Secretary W. J. Furse and wife, Adjutant General John C. Hartigan and wife, Colonel E. M. Westervelt, wife and daughter, Colonel H. J. Hill and wife, Colonel D. J. Gates, wife and daughter; Colonel B. W. Getten and wife, Colonel J. H. Kelly, wife and friend, Colonel F. J. McShane, Colonel B. F. Marshall and wife, Colonel A. P. Fitzsimmons, Colonel Robert Oberfelder, Rev. M. L. Daly.

In the afternoon the visiting Nebraskans were taken to The Oaks, where they were received with a special program of national airs by Donatelli's concert band.

The ladies of the party were presented with bouquets of choice flowers, which added a pleasing feature to the afternoon trip.

WILL CONSULT LOCAL PEOPLE

Senate Committee on Irrigation Will Hold Conferences in Portland.

D. C. Henney, supervising engineer of the Reclamation service in Portland, has received a letter from Director Newell, of the Reclamation service, saying that the senate committee on the irrigation and reclamation of arid lands will not arrive in Portland until the latter part of this month. Mr. Newell is now with the committee inspecting projects under way or contemplated in Montana.

When the committee reaches Portland it is proposed to have several public meetings for conference with water users and farmers so as to gain the ideas firsthand of those who will be directly benefited by reclamation work. The time and place of these meetings has not been determined and will not be until it is known exactly when the committee will arrive.

The committee is visiting such reclamation works as in the committee's judgment should be examined, to secure information for use in the consideration of future legislation affecting the reclamation of arid lands. An attempt is being made to gather the views of the various Water Users' associations on the present reclamation law and to learn if the administration of the law is satisfactory, as well as to secure as much information as possible concerning the conditions existing in regions contiguous to government reclamation projects.

FORGER FACES LIFE TERM IN PRISON

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Johnson would seek to purchase cattle of them. Feigning bad eye sight he would secure their names and addresses, written by themselves in his memorandum book.

Having secured the names of several well known men in this manner, Johnson would appear at the local bank and attempt to negotiate a loan of from $200 to $500. He would represent to the banker that he had just purchased a small ranch in the vicinity and had run out of ready funds. He would ask if the loan would be allowed provided the note given by himself were to be endorsed by the well known man chosen as his scapegoat. Assured that the endorsement would be sufficient, Johnson would secure a blank note and hasten away to secure the signature.

Took Loot to Portland.

Always Johnson would pick out a man who had no telephone and having forged the signature would return to the bank with the worthless paper, secure the money desired, and disappear. In his later operations he would drive to an adjacent town in his automobile, walk to the scene of his crime, work his flimflam game, return to where his machine was waiting for him and speed back to Portland with his loot.

Johnson is said to be the son of Charles Johnson, a well known and wealthy man of Pendleton and Baker City. At the death of his father he was left $8000 or $10,000 from the estate, the other three children being given $20,000 or $25,000 each, the black sheep of the family being cut off with a smaller amount because of his criminal record in California and Oregon.

Faces Life Sentence.

According to the Washington law, a man sentenced three times for a felony is liable for a life sentence should he be again brought into court on a felony charge. Johnson therefore faces a life term in Washington. He has engaged J. H. Brown of Portland, as his attorney, and it is thought that he will fight extradition. Should he decide not to do so, as he intimated when first arrested yesterday afternoon, he will be returned to Winlock, Wash., to answer for his latest crime. A partial list of the crimes committed by Johnson is as follows:

Worked Industriously.

February 9 last he secured $150 under the name of W. W. Passmore, on a draft drawn against a Chicago bank of the German-American bank in Portland.

July 20 last Johnson called at the bank of A. B. Cheney of Winlock, Wash., and asked for a loan of $300. Here he worked the same scheme which has netted him many hundreds of dollars in different parts of the country. He told Mr. Cheney that he had purchased a little ranch adjoining the ranch of H. N. Knowles, a well known man of the section. He said that he had paid $2000 for the ranch and had run out of ready money. He asked Cheney if he could negotiate a loan with Knowles as security to his note.

The banker said that Knowles was good security and after securing a blank note, Johnson left. The next day he returned to the bank with the note made out and signed by himself and indorsed by Knowles.

Johnson received the money. The same afternoon Knowles came into the bank and was told by Mr. Cheney that his indorsement was all right and that his friend had been given the money. As a result the Pinkertons were again put on a fresh trail of the man they have been chasing for so long.

At Pullman, Wash.

March, 1909, he secured $200 of the First National bank of Pullman, Wash., saying that he had rented a farm of Napoleon Burbonis and giving the name of G. W. Watson.

November 11, 1908, he asked a loan of $200 for three months of the Security State bank of Palouse, Wash., giving a note signed by himself as J. A. Betts, and indorsed by B. R. Turnbow.

September 28, 1908, using the name of B. H. Harris, he filmflammed the Citizens' State bank of Nampa, Idaho, forging the name of J. H. Gray. He secured $200 on the check.

August 17, 1908, he secured $200 on a 90 day note from the First Trust company of Moscow, Idaho. Here he used the name of J. H. Day, and represented that he had leased a ranch near Moscow.

February 17, 1909, he attempted to work the McMinnville National bank, representing himself as J. Graves, and using the name of Fred Hawser, a farmer, as security. He was turned down by the bank, and tried the First National of the same place, which also refused his note.

Pays Albany Visit.

May 10, 1909, he secured $500 from the First National bank of Albany, forging a check payable to Charles R. Sylvester, signed by George R. Beck. Neither of these names was known to the bank, Johnson simply buffaloing them into cashing the check.

He also secured $500 of the Bank of Oregon at North Bend, and cashed a forged draft on the German American bank February 8, 1909.

December 21, 1908, he cashed a forged check for $125.50 on the Bank of Oregon City.

Under the name of Jack Hamlin, Johnson was arrested in Portland May 27, 1899, by Detectives Day, Wiener and Church, for forgery in Eugene. He was convicted and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary, being released April 16, 1901.

He was given six years for forgery committed in Forest Grove, August 31, 1903.

SAYS BOARDER WAS STEALING SILENTLY OFF

George Garland was arrested yesterday afternoon on complaint of Mrs. C. Chilberg, landlady of a rooming house at 413½ Washington street, charged with defrauding an innkeeper. She alleges Garland owes her $11 for room rent and that he surreptitiously removed his clothing and effects from his room and hied himself silently away.

JAIL WITHOUT BOND FOR SEARCY

Murder in First Degree Charged Against Aged Man at Condon.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Condon, Or., Aug. 21.—B. K. Searcy, who killed Bert Wells in a saloon row Thursday evening, was arraigned before the justice of the peace today and waived examination. He was formally charged with murder in the first degree, to which he pleaded not guilty and was held without bonds to the grand jury in December. D. R. Parker of Condon and W. S. Wilson of The Dalles have been retained as attorneys for the defense, while District Attorney J. E. Burdette will direct the prosecution.

No formal inquest was held although Dr. Woods autopsy showed death to have been instantaneous. Finger marks about the throat also showed that the right was fierce.

Searcy is over 62 years of age and a great-grandfather, yet his past life has been so rough these facts are not considered mitigating circumstances.

The funeral of the victim will occur this (Sunday) morning at 11 o'clock under the auspices of the Masons. Wells was 37 years of age and leaves a widow and daughter.

PINCHOT WINS OUT IN LAST SESSION

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great enterprises beyond the efforts of individual enterprise.

It is also urged that waters impounded by the federal government in excess of immediate needs be made available to private enterprise on an equitable basis.

Good roads are heartily indorsed and federal and state appropriations urged.

The Culberson-Smith car and transportation service bill is indorsed.

Congress is urged to adopt a law preventing long and short haul discrimination.

More general observance of Labor day is urged.

A law requiring the quotation of freight rates in writing to every shipper is demanded.

Respect for State Law Enjoined.

The resolutions also declare it the sense of the congress that the federal government in the acquirement of any water rights or privileges in any state or territory should acquire them only by conformity with the laws of that state or territory governing the use and appropriation of waters, "as was clearly intended by the reclamation act."

Officers Elected.

The officers elected for the ensuing year were: President, Colonel Ike T. Pryor, San Antonio, Texas; first vice president, A. C. Trumbo, Muskogee, Okla.; second vice president, Samuel F. Dutton, Denver; third vice president, W. F. Baker, Council Bluffs, Iowa; fourth vice president, H. A. Jastro, California; secretary, Arthur Francis, Cripple Creek; treasurer, N. S. Graham, San Antonio.

NO ONE RUSHES TO RESCUE OF MASHER

Harry J. Miles, 21-year-old masher, who has been receiving letters addressed to Milton Main, and Frank Pritchard, his 20-year-old companion, both arrested Friday night at the corner of Fifth and Washington streets by Special Officer W. P. Lillis of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company, will probably have to remain in jail until their trial Monday.

With the filing of the additional charge of defrauding an innkeeper, brought against them by Mrs. S. E. Blair, the bail demanded of the two has been raised. As yet no one has come forward with the necessary money.

Mrs. Blair told Assistant District Attorney Frank Hennessy yesterday that the two had owed her $27.10 since June last. The boys claim they gave her their note.

CAN'T IDENTIFY SUSPECTED ROBBERS

Silent and sullen, Edward Rogers and Walter Brennan, the two men captured early Friday morning, shortly after midnight by Patrolman Tom P. Swennes, near the corner of Twenty-third and Washington streets, have so far refused to talk of themselves to the police. All efforts to identify the men have failed. Viewed by E. R. Mickley and Louis Cartel, the two men trussed up by the safe crackers at the Doernbecher Manufacturing company's plant yesterday, both were said to be too large to answer the description of the hold ups. Fred W. Lutkempier, whose saloon was held up by two men on the night of the Doernbecher holdup, cannot identify the two as the men who robbed his place.

SENSATIONAL CHARGE BY STRIKERS

Austrians Allege They Were Held by Car Company in Peonage; Clubbed by Constabulary—Austrian Consul Investigates.

Pittsburg, Aug. 21.—An attempt to blow up the Pressed Steel Car company's office, which ended in the rear end of the building being blown out tonight with nitroglycerin and the company's restaurant being totally wrecked, marked the work of the strikers after some of the fiercest fighting with the constabulary that has taken place since the strike was called.

Early in the evening a mob of women assailed a squad of constabulary in front of the company restaurant. Bricks and stones were hurled at the officers. A bomb was thrown under a trooper's horse, but failed to explode. After a hot fight the women were driven off, but during this fighting several hundred strikers made their way to the company's office.

An explosion that shook the whole town was heard and the rear of the building caved in. A can of nitroglycerin was later found in the ruins.

By this time the fighting had become too hot for the constabulary and they retired inside the stockade. The women then wrecked the restaurant, while mobs of men surged about the streets stopping streetcars and dragging off strikebreakers. Three men were dragged to the ground and so severely beaten and kicked that they will probably die.

A later report says that at 11:30 o'clock the strikebreakers on the inside of the plant made a break for liberty, attempting to scale the stockade, and one was shot down by a deputy sheriff.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Pittsburg, Aug. 21.—The way is now opened in the strike of employes at the Schoenville Pressed Steel Car works for a government investigation of conditions at the plant, as well as possible international complications. Late today information was filed in the United States district court charging Frank N. Hoffstot, president of the car workers, and Samuel Cohen, head of the service bureau, with peonage. The affidavit is drawn by Albert Vamos, one of the men who escaped from the carshops, and the direct charge is that the two men violated section 5526 of the revised statutes of the United States in "having arrested, held and retained the complainant in a condition of peonage."

It is believed warrants for the arrest of Hoffstot and Cohen will be issued by the district attorney Monday.

Says He Was Beaten and Injured.

Vamos alleges he was brought here from New York in complete ignorance of existing conditions at Schoenville. On August 1, he avers, he made an attempt to escape from the plant, first asking permission of Cohen to leave. He alleges he was beaten and so severely injured that he was taken to a hospital, and was able to leave there only yesterday. The affidavit charges that not only was Vamos held in peonage, but about 60 others, mostly natives of Austria and Hungary.

Vice Consul Visits Officials.

The filing of the charges against the officials of the car company follows close on the heels of a visit to the offices of United States District Attorney John H. Jordan by Major L. G. Prochnick, acting vice consul of Austria and Hungary. The district attorney not being in the city, the vice consul was told to return Monday, but left the office in an excited state of mind. Major Prochnick was in conference with men who had escaped from the plant the latter part of the afternoon, and stated he had reliable information that many of his countrymen were being held there against their will, and many were ill and unable to leave the shops, even to get medical aid.

"If what the men tell is true," said the vice consul, "I will take extreme measures to see that the matter is straightened out and the offenders punished."

Strikers Say Men Were Clubbed.

There are now about 1800 strike breakers in the carshops, and the strikers have been claiming for the last two days that the new men were held there by force. They say that their night rioting is brought on in an effort to draw the constabulary from the stockade and permit the strikebreakers to escape. Stories are told by the strikers of seeing the new men clubbed by the constabulary that will undoubtedly cause an investigation on the part of the state. The constabulary was brought to Schoenville several weeks ago to help the sheriff preserve order. Vice Consul Prochnick stated today he would take up this phase of the situation with Governor Stuart early next week.

Governor Stuart, who is now in Philadelphia, had received no official notice of the alleged action of the state police up to today, and in all probability will take no action until Sheriff Gumbert makes an official report.

Three strike breakers, now in the Ohio Valley hospital suffering from ptomaine poisoning tell sensational stories of the manner in which they were employed and the treatment the men received in the shops.

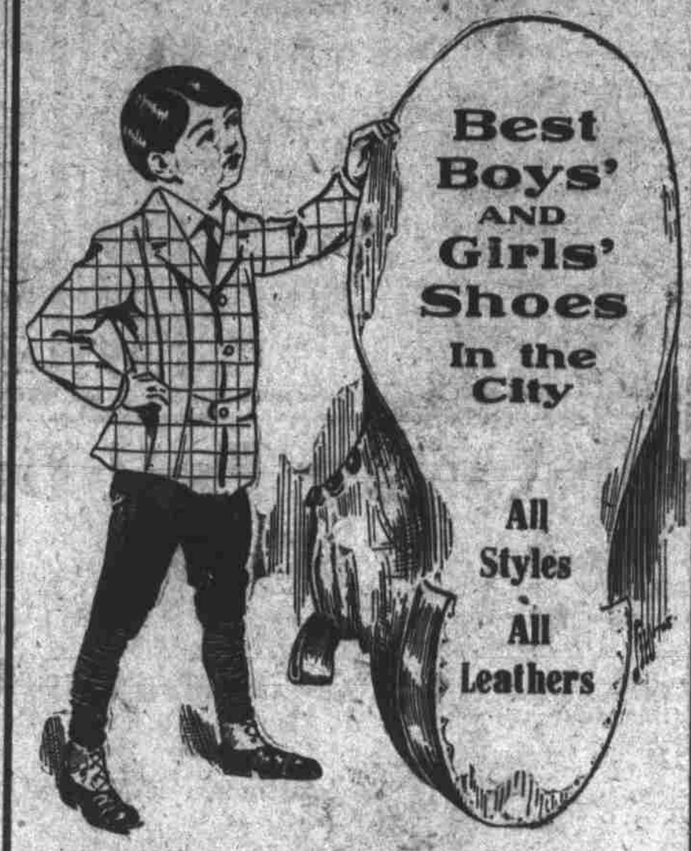
Though most of the strikers are in desperate circumstances they continue their fight relentlessly. Car company employes who appeared on the street were stoned and hooted, women leading the riots and hooting the company loudest.

Street fights are frequent, and physicians are kept busy treating broken heads and bruised faces.

Fatal Quarrel Over Woman.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Divide, Mont., Aug. 21.—Following a quarrel over a woman here last night Frank Rylander was shot and probably fatally wounded by a man named Miller, who fired when Rylander was leaving the scene of the fracas.



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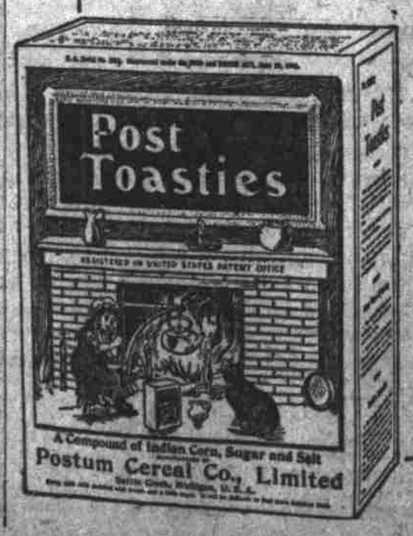

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