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TROOPS HURRIED TO CRATER LAKE RESERVE

TROOPS ARRIVE TO COMBAT FIRES IN SOUTHERN OREGON

Watershed of Four Mile Lake, From Which Medford Gets Water Supply, Threatened by "Cat Hill" Fire.

110 SOLDIERS WILL AID IN FIRE FIGHT

Second Fire Raging Near Mt. McLaughlin—50 Men Already Fighting Flames.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Medford, Or., Aug. 19.—A special train bearing 110 soldiers and officers of the regular army arrived at Medford this morning at 4:30 and the cars were immediately transferred to the Pacific and Eastern tracks and sent out to Eagle Point, where the troops were disembarked and started for the front of the big fires raging in the forest south and west of Butte Falls. The "cat hill" fire is reported to have climbed the range and is now threatening the watershed of Four Mile lake.

OLD REPORT MADE TO GARFIELD DUG UP IN GORE CASE

Filed Day Before Roosevelt Administration Went Out, and Then Buried; Indians' Rights Shamefully Violated.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, Aug. 19.—A sensational unpublished report of the department of the interior by J. H. Howell on the conditions surrounding the makeup of the "citizenship rolls" of the five civilized Indian tribes of Oklahoma, is in possession of Chairman Burke of the congressional committee that is investigating the charges of Senator Gore that an attempt was made to bribe him in the interest of legislation on Indian land contracts.

STATE RIGHTS TO BE ADVOCATED AT ST. PAUL MEETING

Western Governors of Anti-Pinchof Views, Assured of Hearing at Conservation Congress Vote to Take Part.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Salt Lake City, Aug. 19.—Western governors in conference here today voted to send representatives to the National Conservation congress to be held at St. Paul, after Frank B. Kellogg had promised that their views should be presented to the congress. Kellogg declared that both President Taft and Colonel Roosevelt had decided to attend the convention.

BRIDGE DRAWS TO REMAIN CLOSED IN EVENING PERIOD

Judge Cleeton Determined That County Regulations Shall Stand Since Navigation Is Not Unreasonably Delayed.

REPORTS OF FEDERAL PROSECUTION CONTINUE

Major McIndoe Believes Alleged Defiance of Government Should Be Punished.

"So long as I am county judge and can speak with the voice of authority, the evening closed periods of the draw bridges shall continue to be enforced as at the present time." County Judge Cleeton made this statement today particularly in reference to reports that the attorney general will be asked to order immediate prosecution of county officials because they have persisted in ordering the enforcement of draw-bridge regulations in the face of opposition from the United States authorities. Judge Cleeton was thoroughly aroused and very indignant because of these reports.

LONDON EDITORS MUST SHOW CAUSE

Chronicle Publishes Story Intimating Crippen Poisoned Wife—Cited for Contempt.

(United Press Leased Wire.) London, Aug. 19.—The proprietors and chief editor of the Daily Chronicle were ordered today to appear in the court of crown cases reserved (criminal division) to show cause why they should not be punished for contempt in having published a story intimating that Dr. H. H. Crippen poisoned his wife, Belle Elmore-Crippen.

WEDDING GIFTS STOLEN FROM ST. DAVID'S RECTORY

Thieves Enter During the Absence of Rev. H. R. Talbott and His Bride and Jewelry Valued Highly Is Taken.

Thieves made a highly profitable raid upon the rectory of St. David's Episcopal church, occupied by Rev. H. R. Talbott, 140 East Twelfth street, Tuesday evening, during the absence of the family, but the amount of the booty taken was not known until a complete report was received by the police today. Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Talbott are attending a camp meeting at Newberg, Or., and a maid was in charge of the house. When she returned about 10 o'clock Tuesday evening she noticed the house had been ransacked, entrance having been obtained by means of the front door, the burglar having broken the glass and opened the lock from the inside.

RAILWAY BLOCK IS CHOSEN AS NEW HILL OFFICE HOME

Entire Sixth Floor of New Building at Fourth and Stark Is Leased for General Headquarters of Combined Lines.

PRESIDENT STEVENS TAKES FORMAL CHARGE

Heretofore Different Companies Have Scattered in Several Places in City.

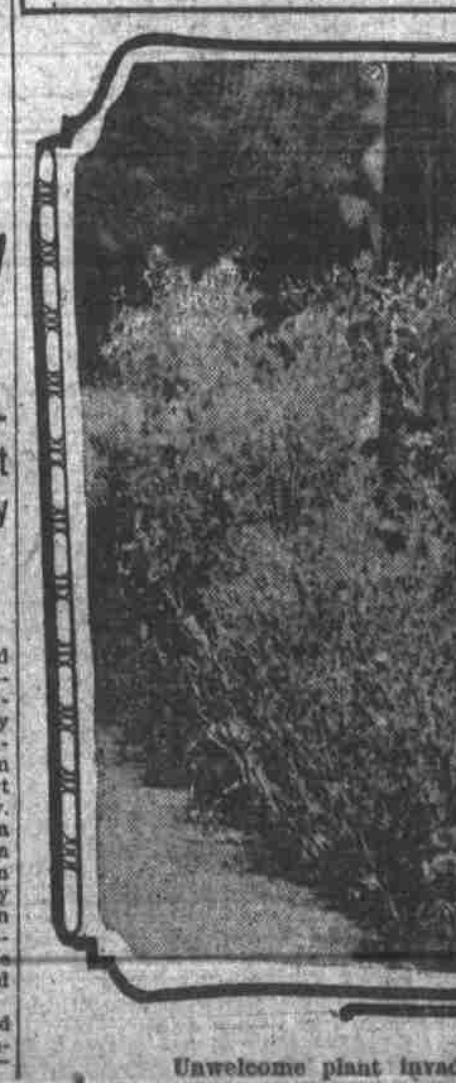
The sixth floor of the new Railway Exchange building has been leased by the Hill system and next week the offices of the Oregon Trunk, Oregon Electric and United Railways will be moved into the new quarters. This will centralize in this building all the Portland offices of the Hill system, with the exception of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle railway, the Astoria & Columbia River railroad and The Dalles, Portland & Astoria Navigation company.

CHINESE LETTUCE REARS SEED PODS OVER VACANT LOTS

Slovenly Property Owners Let Weeds Run Riot Sowing Adjoining Lawns With Noxious Plants.

The accompanying picture shows a six-footer almost hidden behind clusters of Chinese lettuce that beard the sidewalk in front of a lot on the north side of Kearney street, between Twenty-first and Twenty-second streets. The lot is in the heart of one of the best neighborhoods of the city, and despite the fact that Chinese lettuce is especially destructive, has not been shaved this year.

UNSIGHTLY WEEDS MAR CENTRAL CITY LOTS



Unwelcome plant invaders tower above six foot pedestrian in exclusive residence district.

MISS BESSIE TOONE



Miss Bessie Toone, the disinherited niece of former President William H. Newman of the New York Central railroad and related to the first families of Texas, who died recently in New York, a victim to love for the stage and the lights of Broadway theatrical district. Her last engagement was with the "Harvest Moon" company, the Augustus Thomas play that made such a furore. After leaving her Texas home, she made considerable of a reputation in stock company work. By and by she struck the barren times that all of her profession have to endure and she returned home and was reconciled to her parents whose consent she had not obtained to go on the professional stage.

Citizen of Portland Honored. Washington, Aug. 19.—W. L. Crisley of Portland was today elected by the North American Esperanto association to be counsellor for the far western division and a director of the association.

INSURANCE FIRMS' OREGON REVENUES SPENT ELSEWHERE

Figures Show Foreign Life Companies Reinvest But a Small Ratio of Huge Profits Drawn From State.

LESS THAN ONE-THIRD OF SEVENTEEN MILLION

For More Than Decade Fire and Other Companies Have Slighted Oregon.

(Salem Bureau of The Journal.) Salem, Or., Aug. 19.—That foreign life insurance companies draw greater profits from the state of Oregon than any other class of business and invest less of their capital or utilize less of it towards contributing to the state's welfare or industrial prosperity is evidenced by the fact that during the 11 year period, 1899 to 1909 inclusive, 35 life insurance companies collected approximately \$17,000,000 from policy holders in the state while the total combined capital which all of them invested in Oregon securities was less than one third of the immense amount which they collected from the policy holders.

WILL ESTABLISH AERIAL PASSENGER SERVICE ON COAST

Backed by Millionaires, W. T. Murray, Inventor, Hopes to Make Regular Trips From San Francisco.

(United Press Leased Wire.) San Francisco, Aug. 19.—Backed by Eugene De Sable, Leon Sloss, Dr. John Galloway and several other of San Francisco's wealthy men, W. T. Murray, inventor, will launch a monster dirigible balloon in September, with which he hopes to establish passenger service to Los Angeles.

MRS. PROSSER NOT GUILTY SAYS JURY AT LIBBY, MONTANA

After Night's Deliberation, Verdict of Acquittal Rendered With Self-Defense as Ground Assigned.

DEFENDENT WEEPS AS HER ATTORNEY PLEADS

Tried on Charge of Murder—Killed Former Husband on Train Near Libby.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Libby, Mont., Aug. 18.—Mrs. Vera Prosser of Seattle and Cleveland, charged with murder in killing her divorced husband on board a passenger train near Libby, June 1, was acquitted by a jury here today. A few minutes before 9 o'clock the jury reported to Judge J. E. Erickson that a verdict had been reached. The attorneys were called into the courtroom and Foreman Clifford Clay announced that the jury had found the defendant not guilty, on the grounds of self-defense.

SHALLENBERGER STILL HAS HOPES

Returns So Far Give Dahlman Plurality of 2000—He is Probably Elected.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 19.—With primary election returns in from two-thirds of the state, Mayor John Dahlman of Omaha is leading Governor Shallenberger for the Democratic nomination for governor by a plurality of about 2000. Shallenberger, however, does not admit his defeat. Returns received late yesterday and today from the rural districts reduce Dahlman's lead and the result is yet in doubt.

ARREST OF HARVEY BESLIN RECALLS STORY OF CRUELTY TO THREE-YEAR-OLD CHILD

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) South Bend, Wash., Aug. 19.—The arrest Wednesday at Raymond of Harvey L. Beslin, on the request of Spokane authorities who wished him held for identification, opens a story of cruelty practiced last spring. At that time Beslin and a woman who he claimed was his wife were arrested for cruelly beating their little child, barely three years of age. When the child was produced in court its body was found to be in a terrible condition and the man and woman were each fined \$50 and the child was taken from them and given a good home with a respectable family in Raymond. Soon afterwards Beslin gained possession of the boy and secreted him with friends at Pe Ell. On returning home from Pe Ell late at night, Beslin found the woman dead on the floor of their house with an empty bottle, which had contained laudanum, beside her. The boy was found and restored to his foster parents.

ROOSEVELT WILL TAKE NO PART IN COMING CAMPAIGN

His Followers Say He Will Stay Out Unless Democrats Win in State; After That He Could Take the Reins.

HE MIGHT EVEN MAKE PRESIDENTIAL RACE

Does Not Want to Be Governor—May Tour Pacific Coast in March.

(United Press Leased Wire.) New York, Aug. 19.—That Colonel Theodore Roosevelt will take no part in the coming campaign in New York is the belief of most of his supporters here, though it is known that Lloyd C. Griscom, chairman of the New York County Republican committee, is urging him to carry his fight for temporary chairman before the state convention at Saratoga. It is believed that Roosevelt is not unwilling to stay out of the campaign, believing that under

BENSON'S DOCTOR SAYS HE'S NOT IN DANGEROUS STATE

Not Only in No Present Peril But Governor Will Probably Recover, Is Report—Returns to San Francisco.

(United Press Leased Wire.) San Francisco, Aug. 19.—Emphatically denying that there is any truth in the rumors that Governor Benson of Oregon is at the point of death, Dr. H. W. Worden, his physician, today stated to the United Press that the executive was not only out of all present danger but would probably recover. Governor Benson has been afflicted with cancer, which for a time threatened to destroy first his eyesight and then his life. He has been in San Francisco for some weeks. A short time ago Governor Benson left the city for Ross Valley, near San Rafael, in Marin county, where he was advised by his physicians to go. There the governor and his wife rented a cottage among the big redwoods. Yesterday Governor Benson returned to his apartments here. He had been barely able to stand when he left for the country, but on his return was able to walk briskly about and seemed in much better spirits.