

EVENTS OF THE DAY

GATHERED FROM ALL PARTS OF THE TWO HEMISPHERES.

Comprehensive Review of the Important Happenings of the Past Week, Presented in Condensed Form, Most Likely to Prove Interesting to Our Many Readers.

Russia, in retaliation for the Kishinef petition, will issue fewer passports to Americans.

John D. Long, United States consul general at Cairo, Egypt, is dead as the result of a fall.

Russia, it is said, has made concessions to the powers, which will assure peace in the far East.

The lumber freight rate on the Southern Pacific will be raised from \$3.10 to \$4 a ton August 20.

Populists in conference at Denver have agreed to forget the past and will re-enter the political arena.

Whittaker Wright, the London promoter, will be extradited at once, the papers having been prepared.

A fierce race riot occurred at Loraine, Ohio, because two negroes severely cut a white man with a razor.

Russia has been swept by a severe tornado, which destroyed three villages and caused great loss of life.

A cablegram from Consul General Gudgeon, at Panama, says everything is quiet and he expects no further trouble.

Representative Wilcox is at the head of a movement to secure independence for Hawaii from the United States.

The American squadron will engage in a great mimic war off the coast of New England next month. Thirty vessels will participate.

The race war at Danville, Ill., is over and quiet restored.

The Japanese press is strongly in favor of war with Russia.

Cardinal Gibbons received a very cordial reception on his arrival at Rome.

A convention to organize a new reform political party is now in session at Denver.

The British press terms Russian official's words on Manchurian situation as insulting.

A Texas contractor attempted to bribe an army officer by sending him \$200 in a box of cigars.

Preparations are completed for the holding of the conclave which will elect a successor to Pope Leo.

Satisfactory progress is being made in the trade treaty negotiations between the United States and China for the opening of Manchurian ports.

A coke trust, headed by the Frick coal company, is to be formed. The capital is placed at \$7,000,000. The new concern has control of 10,000 acres of coal land.

The discovery of four boxes of dynamite in the mountains three miles from Nelson, B. C., with the date 1881 marked on them has led to speculation as to a tragedy in which pioneer prospectors were the victims.

A fierce wind storm in the Boundary creek valley, B. C., has done \$5,000 damage. It blew down a steel smoke stack at the Greenwood smelter, overturned buildings, smashed windows and crippled telegraph and telephone wires. Several men were injured by falling trees.

Harriman will try to wrest the control of the Northern Pacific from Hill.

Secretary Root will recommend that troops in Alaska be given double time allowance.

A high Russian official charges Great Britain with duplicity in the Manchurian affair.

Five men were hurt and \$100,000 worth of property destroyed at a Terre Haute, Ind., fire.

Extreme hot weather prevails in eastern Nebraska. Crops are thought to have been injured.

The stubbornness of a Hungarian officer is responsible for the prostration of 450 soldiers by heat.

Cardinal Gibbons surprised everybody in Europe by appearing in ordinary dress instead of robes.

Canada is still in favor of reciprocity with the United States, despite Chamberlain's policy for preferential trade.

A sensational note has been sent to President Roosevelt exposing a plan of Hungary to control its people in the United States.

The battleship Kearsarge made the trip across the ocean in nine days, four and a half hours, an average speed of 13.16 mile an hour. She arrived on this side all ready for action.

The pope's remains have been laid in the temporary resting place.

Thirty thousand people viewed the remains of the late pope the second day they lay in state.

Prince Ferdinand has fled from Bulgaria and it is thought he will not return to his throne.

Indian cannibals on Tiboron island captured a party of Mexican prospectors, killed and ate them.

Tom Johnson says he does not want to be governor of Ohio but would like to succeed Hanna as senator.

HUNT FOR COVER.

Escaped California Convicts are Hounded for the Mountains.

Placerville, Cal., July 30.—Of the 13 convicts who escaped from the state penitentiary at Folsom, 12 are still at large. Joe Murphy, who was serving a 14-year sentence for robbery, was shot at Pilot Hill. S. M. Gordon, the reported leader of the gang, who had been sentenced to 45 years for robbery deserted his followers soon after they left the prison. He is heavily armed and it is not known in which direction he sought safety. A negro convict named Seavis, who was reported wounded in the first encounter with the officers, appears not to have been injured.

The 11 outlaws who remain together are making for the Sierra Nevada mountains. They are closely pursued by the sheriffs of Sacramento, Eldorado and Placer counties each backed by numerous deputies and assisted by a company of militia. About 20 guards from the Folsom prison are also engaged in the chase. It is believed that the fugitives will soon be surrounded, and a desperate battle is anticipated, as all are heavily armed.

The work of the pursuing posse has been rendered less difficult to say the least, by the unexpected action of the convicts, who released all of the free men they had held as hostages. It is thought that this course was prompted by lack of food and ammunition. The 11 escapes are now believed to be near Placerville, in Eldorado county, in a rough country and not far from the mountains, which they evidently hope to make their refuge.

The fight at Pilot Hill between the convicts and their pursuers seems to have been a more serious affair than at first reported.

After they had looted a provision store at Pilot Hill they were practically surrounded by the sheriffs of Sacramento and Placer counties, each commanding a strong posse. All four horses on the convicts' wagon were shot, and one of the criminals was killed outright. Then the outlaws raised a white flag and marched up the road with the guards and others whom they had captured on each side of them. A general volley was not ordered, as it might have killed several innocent men. In this desperate manner the second escape was made.

Now that the captives have been freed, the pursuing officers have been instructed to shoot the convicts on sight, and their death or capture in the near future is expected.

SHEEPMEN IN ARMS.

Montana Camp and Pens Burned by Warring Cattlemen.

Butte, Mont., July 29.—A Miner special from Big Timber, Mont., says that the sheepmen of Bridger Creek country, several miles from there, are up in arms as a result of the burning of the Flannagan Bros' sheep camp and pens, the largest in this section of Montana. The destruction is believed by sheepmen to be the work of cattlemen with whom they have been on the verge of war for the past six months.

The sheepmen have organized posse under the leadership of William Bell, one of the prominent sheepmen, and a search of the surrounding country is being made for a man whom the sheepmen declare they know is the incendiary. Pickets have been strung out over an area of ten miles square.

Parties just in from the scene say that the situation is extremely serious and a lynching is threatened if the cattleman suspected of firing the Flannagan pens falls into the hands of the pursuing sheepmen.

Transport Dix Goes Aground.

Washington, July 30.—Quarter-master General Humphrey has been informed by cable that the transport Dix went aground off the Japan coast last Saturday. She has since been docked at Draga, and it is estimated that it will take 40 days to make the necessary repairs, as she is in bad condition. The Dix is a freighter, and had on board 225 tons of Philippine exhibits for the St. Louis exposition. It is expected that one of the transports now out of commission will be put on to replace the Dix.

Colorado Ready to Quit.

Topeka, Kan., July 30.—It is reported that the governor of Colorado is about to make a proposition to Governor Bailey for a settlement of the Arkansas injunction suit. According to the agreement Colorado is to take no water from the river for irrigation purposes during the months of July, August and September of any year. In addition, Colorado is to reimburse Kansas for the \$10,000 spent in prosecuting the suit.

New Diplomat in Washington.

Washington, July 29.—General Jose Manuel Hernandez, the recently appointed Venezuelan minister to the United States, came to Washington today. He is enthusiastic over the government's recent victory at Ciudad Bolivar, and says it means the restoration of peace in Venezuela. All opposition to the established authority is now at an end, he says.

HAPPENINGS HERE IN OREGON

GREAT FRUIT YIELD.

Rogue River Valley Trees Promise Choice Product.

From the viewpoint of the grain-raiser drier nature is in a state of revolt this year in Southern Oregon, the drought prevailing for the past few months having woefully reduced the average in all small grains. It appears as if nature, in rebellion at man's persistent perversion of soil and climate conditions intended to produce nectar for the gods, to the baser uses of growing provender for kine or grain for human kind or other cattle.

The orchards and alfalfa meadows, however, are yielding up such stores of wealth as only those realize who are familiar with existing conditions. Apples and pears promise fancy figures again this year, in fact growers look for record-breaking prices, owing to partial failure of fruit of ordinary quality in the east. Of course the fancy fruit for which this section is distinguished is not exactly in competition with ordinary barrel stock, but scarcity of the latter article always enhances prices all round. Growers are carefully thinning and applying the summer spray at present, and favoring weather conditions are giving promise of quality surpassing, perhaps, any former year in the history of the local trade.

FIX PRICE OF PRUNES.

Willamette Valley Growers' Association Says 2% Cent Basis.

The Willamette Valley Prune Association held an important meeting at Salem last week. Delegates were in attendance from Douglas, Lane, Linn, Polk, Benton and Clackamas counties, and from Vancouver, Wash., and was the most representative gathering of the fruitgrowers of the Northwest ever held in that city. Organizations are already formed in Linn, Benton, Douglas, Marion and Yamhill counties, and at Vancouver, Wash., and associations will be formed all over the state and the northwest in the near future. The plan under discussion at the meeting was to have all the associations in the Northwest under one secretary, so that it will be impossible for one organization to undersell another in the market, thus creating uniform scale of prices for all fruits on the coast. The plan met with the approval of all present and an effort will be made to bring the condition about.

The price of prunes this year is fixed on a 2% cent basis.

Coming Events.

- Ninth annual regatta, Astoria, August 19-21.
- State fair, Salem, September 14-19.
- Second Southern Oregon District fair, Eugene, September 29-October 3.
- Summer association of the Northwest Indian agencies, Newport, August 17-27.
- Lane county teachers' institute, Eugene, August 4-5.
- Klamath county fair, Klamath Falls, October 6-9.
- Good roads convention, Jacksonville, August 15.
- Fruitgrowers' convention, Jacksonville, August 15.
- Teachers' institute, Tillamook, July 29-31.
- Old Folks' celebration, La Grande, August 1.
- Hoo Hoo contention, Portland, August 1.
- Knights of Pythias convention, Astoria, August 20-21.
- Teachers' institute, La Grande, August 17-21.

Smiling Fields of Polk County.

Excellent samples of hay and grain have been brought to Independence this week. Early oats and spring wheat have commenced to change color, and the heads of each are well filled. Some early corn has been exhibited in towns, which are three-fourths grown. Hay harvest is being pushed rapidly forward, and there is a larger acreage in Polk county this year than has ever been planted before. The fruit season for cherries and berries has practically passed, but the plums, prunes and apples are just commencing to ripen.

Bricks Made on Coos Bay.

The first lot of brick just burt at the new kiln in Catching slough was delivered this week at North Bend to be used in making the foundation for the boilers and engines of the woolen mills and sash and door factory. This is the initial burn and somewhat of an experiment, but from the appearance of this production Coos Bay will be able to turn out first-class brick, a much needed industry, for heretofore this article had to be imported.

Huckleberry Season Here.

Huckleberries are beginning to ripen in the foothills of the Blue mountains. Never before was there promise of such a bountiful crop there as is now presented. The season has been an ideal one for their growth. There were no early frosts, and as a consequence none were blighted. Every bush is loaded, and already parties are being formed to go out and gather the luscious fruit.

Collecting Mining Data.

George E. Boos, of the United States Geological Survey, Washington, D. C., is at Baker City, and will make a complete report of mining in Eastern Oregon, showing production, cost of operation, wages, etc. By act of congress mineowners are compelled to furnish information under penalty.

Ready for Steel Bridge.

The approaches and center pier for the Lewis and Clark draw bridge near Astoria have been completed and are ready for the steel draw when it arrives from the east. It has been on the road for several weeks and is expected within a few days.

JUNE OUTPUT SPLENDID.

Sumpter District Mines Cleaned Up All of \$350,000.

Estimates based on the production of ore in the Sumpter mining district for the past month give much greater returns than heretofore. The deep sinking operations carried on in most of the leading properties have resulted in opening up a larger area of mining territory and consequently an increased production has resulted.

According to the estimates that are at hand from the best sources obtainable, the Bonanza is said to have cleared up during June \$50,000; the North Pole, \$30,000; the Columbia, \$45,000; Golconda, \$35,000; the Badger, \$30,000; total, \$240,000. The production of the Red Boy is variously stated to be from \$25,000 to \$50,000, and therefore should be added to the total production.

There are many other properties that are constantly shipping ores away for treatment at smelters. It is impossible to get any figures as to the value of these ores, as no returns are given from the smelters receiving them, except to the owners, and the latter are not disposed to make public these figures. It would be safe in fixing the total at \$350,000 for the month. This total includes the cleanup from many claims in the district that are not ranking with the big producers. This also includes the output of the placers as far as can be learned.

Oregon King Looking Up.

An Oregon mining mine, which has been shut down for several years on account of litigation, is again hoisting ore. The management is looking for more miners and preparing to make heavy shipments. To give history of this mine would be to repeat that of other properties accidentally discovered, abandoned, relocated, and developed sufficiently to make a trial shipment, which was found to give surprising returns. Shipments followed, which, after deducting charges for a 60-mile wagon haul to the then terminus of the Columbia Southern railway, which was being extended southward, and freight from there to the smelter at Tocama, netted over \$105 per ton.

Not Enough Water.

The voters of the proposed Little Walla Walla river irrigation district near Frewater turned down the proposition to form an irrigation district by 39 to 52, the voters of living at the upper end of the district killing the proposition on the ground that the river does not give enough water when at low ebb for those holding riparian rights, whereas if an irrigation district were formed including both themselves and those below them, they would have to divide what water was with those below them. A three-fifths vote of the residents was required to carry the establishment.

Hot Contest for Land.

A contest of more than usual importance was begun in the Oregon City Land Office a few days ago. Important is the contest because an entire section of heavily timbered land located near Corvallis, Benton county, is involved. It is estimated that the section contains 16,000,000 feet of fine timber. There are four entries, each having filed upon a quarter section, and there are as many contestants on the ground that the entrymen abandoned and did not prove up properly on the land.

Prospects for New Flax Mill.

James Boyce, a millionaire of Muncie, Ind., who is at Salem, is investigating the prospects for a new flax mill in that city. He has made a fortune in that business, and is impressed with the idea that such an industry would be a paying one there. He is much pleased with the excellence of the Oregon flax fibre, and may back Mr. Eugene Bosse, the local flax-grower, in the construction of a mill to manufacture the flax fibre into a marketable product.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

- Wheat—Walla Walla, 77@78c; valley, 79c.
- Barley—Feed, \$19.00 per ton; brewing, \$20.
- Flour—Best grades, \$4.10 @ 5.50; Graham \$3.35 @ 3.75.
- Millet—Bran, \$23 per ton; middlings, \$27; shorts, \$23; chop, \$18.
- Oats—No. 1 white, \$1.07 @ 1.07 1/2; gray, \$1.05 per cental.
- Hay—Timothy, \$19@20; clover, nominal; cheat, \$15@16 per ton.
- Potatoes—Best Bu-banks, 70@75c per sack; ordinary, 35@45c per cental; growers' prices; Merced sweets, \$2 @ 3.50 per cental.
- Poultry—Chickens, mixed, 11@12c; young, 16@17 1/2c; hens, 12c; turkeys, live, 10@12c; dressed, 14@15c; ducks, \$4.00@5.00 per dozen; geese, \$6.00 @ 6.50.
- Cheese—Full cream, twins, 15 1/2 @ 16c; Young America, 15 1/2 @ 16c; factory prices, 10 1/2 @ 11c.
- Butter—Fancy creamery, 20@22c per pound; extras, 22c; dairy, 20 @ 22 1/2c; store, 16c@17.
- Eggs—20@21c per dozen.
- Hops—Choice, 15@16c per pound.
- Wool—Valley, 17@18c; Eastern Oregon, 12@15c; mohair, 35@37 1/2c.
- Beef—Groes, cows, 3 1/2 @ 4c, per pound; steers, 5@5 1/2c; dressed, 7 1/2c.
- Veal—7 1/2 @ 8c.
- Mutton—Groes, 3c per pound; dressed, 5 1/2 @ 6c.
- Lamb—Groes, 4c per pound; dressed, 7c.
- Hogs—Groes, 6@6 1/2c per pound dressed, 6 1/2 @ 7c.

NATIONAL IRRIGATION CONGRESS.

Utah Forwards Object With Liberal State Appropriation.

Ogden, Utah, July 29.—Unusual efforts have been made to insure the success of the 11th National Irrigation Congress, which will be held here September 15 to 18, inclusive. A liberal state appropriation was made, and the amount has been doubled by private subscriptions from officers of the congress and from citizens of the city and state.

The program has been carefully planned with the view of achieving practical benefit, and will include practical irrigation and forestry lessons, reports of experts, application of provisions of the reclamation act, state progress under the national act, views on settlement of legal complications and the pertinent and important theme of colonization.

As Utah is the pioneer state in irrigation, special opportunities will be offered for the study of the history and progress of the science, and excursions will be arranged to enable delegates to take full advantage of the fact.

Special terms have been secured from the railroads, and Ogden hotels have announced that there will be no advance in their rates. Complete arrangements have been made for the entertainment of visitors, reception committees being detailed to visit all trains.

The basis of representation in the congress will be:

The governor of each state and territory to appoint 20 delegates; the mayor of each city of less than 25,000 population to appoint two delegates; the mayor of each city of more than 25,000 population to appoint four delegates; each board of county commissioners to appoint two delegates; each chamber of commerce, board of trade, commercial club or real estate exchange to appoint two delegates; each organized irrigation, agricultural or livestock organization to appoint two delegates; each society of engineers to appoint two delegates; each irrigation company, emigration society or agricultural college, and each college or university having chairs of hydraulic engineering or forestry to appoint two delegates.

The delegates are delegates by virtue of their respective offices. The president and members of his cabinet; the duly accredited representative of any foreign nation or colony; the governor of any state or territory; any member of the United States senate or house of representatives; member of any state or territorial commission.

FATAL CRASH IN FOG.

Two Trains in Minnesota Collide and Four Men are Killed.

St. Paul, July 29.—Two trains met in a head-on collision on the Chicago Great Western this morning and the result is four men killed and 25 or 30 passengers injured.

The two trains were the Twin City Limited and a fast freight. The limited was running as a first section to Minneapolis. The second section consisted of an excursion train running from Des Moines to Minneapolis and was three hours behind time. The fast freight, southbound, received an order at Dodge Center reading that the second section of the passenger train was three hours late and the crew evidently misread the order and attempted to make Vlasty siding, between Dodge Center and Hastings, Minn., thinking that it was the limited that was late.

Meanwhile the limited was pounding along at regular speed and met the freight head-on just after it had rounded a curve at Vlasty. The morning was foggy and neither engineer saw the other in time to stop, although the engineer of the limited had applied the air brakes.

That the two trains came together with terrific force was evidenced by the fact that both engines were badly damaged and the baggage and buffet cars were completely wrecked. The baggage man was buried beneath a pile of trunks when the car was lifted off the track, but was taken out uninjured.

General Davis Retires.

Manila, July 29.—Major General Davis has transferred the command of the department of the Philippines to Major General James F. Wade. General Davis having been retired for old age. General Davis' last act was to review all the troops about Manila. The records in the case of First Lieutenant Foley of the Fifth cavalry, who was court-martialed on charges involving the embezzlement of soldiers' money and other financial irregularities, have been forwarded to Washington.

Boy Not Fit for a King.

St. Petersburg, July 29.—A specialist on the treatment of backward children, at the command of the imperial government, examined and observed Prince George, the eldest son of King Peter Karageorgievich of Serbia, during the past week, and has reported to the emperor that the boy is a degenerate. Prince George is 16 years old. On June 12 a Berlin dispatch to the London Times said that King Peter might abdicate in favor of his son.

Razed by Lightning.

Minneapolis, July 29.—One of the worst wind, lightning and rain storms in the history of the city struck Minneapolis today. In Southeast Minneapolis the financial loss will aggregate many thousands of dollars. Buildings were razed, others were unroofed and lightning splintered some. Electric wires were prostrated and nearly all the street cars were lifted up.

CONVICTS ESCAPE

THIRTEEN PRISONERS IN FOLSOM TAKE TO THE HILLS.

Outbreak Was Unexpected and Officers Were Taken by Surprise—Used Knives—Made From Files to Capture Guards—Looted Armory and Secured Plenty of Arms and Ammunition.

Folsom, Cal., July 29.—Thirteen desperate convicts assault and overcome the guard, capture the prison armory, make their escape and carry with them 11 officials and guards of the Folsom state prison, including Warden Wilkinson and Captain R. S. Murphy.

Such, in brief, was the news that startled the people of this community and sent a thrill through the length and breadth of the state this morning. This morning affairs at the prison went forward in the ordinary groove. There was no indication of trouble. The conspiracy of the desperate convicts who had decided on a dash for liberty, had been well kept. The prisoners marched into the dining room and had breakfast. After the meal the men marched out of the main gate of the prison into the yard. The upper yard line was out and most of the stone line was through, when two prisoners turned suddenly on W. Chalmers, the outer gate keeper, and a dozen others rushed for the captain's office, only a few feet to the left of the main entrance to the prison proper.

Each of the desperate men was armed with a "file knife" or a razor, and in the twinkling of an eye they were in the midst of the assembled guards and officers, none of whom were armed, and ordered them to line up and march out.

The convicts, having quelled all demonstrations made by the free men, started with their prisoners across the yard in the direction of the prison armory. Four guards were at the armory taking their "lines." The convicts marched their prisoners up to the armory, and, holding their knives over them, demanded that the doors be opened. It was a case of opening the doors or slaughtering the warden, captain and other officials. Warden Wilkinson realized the uselessness of resistance, and told the guards to open the armory doors. This was done, and the convicts took possession, secured 10 rifles, 25 revolvers and all the ammunition they wanted, and then marched to the main entrance and demanded that the gate be opened. They again threatened their prisoners and the gate was opened. The convicts marched out and up the hill in the very teeth of the Gatling guns trained on them.

The plan had worked even beyond the wildest hope of their imagination. Their prisoners were their safeguard, and they had not lost a single man. Poses were started in pursuit. 21 guards, headed by lieutenant, and were after the fugitives half an hour after they started. Sheriff Reese departed J. J. Hinters, who gathered a posse and started on the trail over the mountains, and poses from Eldorado county were also put in motion.

Battle With Convicts.

Auburn, Cal., July 29.—A fierce battle occurred between the escaped Folsom convicts and the officers tonight near Pilot Hill, in Eldorado county. The convicts were traveling in a four horse wagon, and after holding up and looting a store at Pilot Hill of provisions, proceeded in the direction of Colona.

RACE WAR ON.

Illinois People Lynch One Negro While in Pursuit of Another.

Danville, Ill., July 28.—A race war broke out here tonight. While a mob of 600 men was on its way to the county jail to lynch James Wilson, a Bloomingdale negro, who had confessed to assaulting Mrs. Thomas Burgess, wife of a farmer, an unknown negro shot and killed Henry Gatterman, white, a member of the mob. The murderous negro, a refugee from Evansville, Ind., by the name of J. W. Mayfield, was later taken from the city jail and lynched by the mob, and three other negroes who attacked the whites were badly beaten. The mob finally resumed its march to the county jail, determined to lynch Wilson. When the mob reached the jail, it was fired upon by the sheriff. Nine persons were wounded and the crowd scattered.

Trains Collide at Crossing.

Hutchinson, Kan., July 28.—A score of persons were injured. Two fatally, in a wreck of the Santa Fe east bound train No. 2 and a Missouri Pacific north bound train at the junction west of this city today. Both trains were running behind schedule time. The Missouri Pacific train was just crossing the Santa Fe tracks when the Santa Fe train came around the bend at a tremendous speed. The heavy mogul crashed into the rear cars of the Missouri Pacific, piling them into the ditch.

Make War on Floosquito.

New York, July 28.—Another step has been taken in war on the mosquito in New Jersey. Representatives of 21 cities and towns, at a meeting in Newark, have formed an organization to be known as the conference committee on mosquito extermination. The object as set forth is to rid New Jersey of the mosquito, both of the marsh breeding and malarial kinds. Practical work will begin at once and remedial legislation vigorously pushed.

Governor Hunt to Resign.

Oyster, Bay, July 28.—It is understood that Governor Hunt, of Porto Rico, has indicated his intention of relinquishing the island governorship. When his resignation will take effect is not known definitely.

BIG TIMBER DEAL.

Harriman and Hill Unite in Effort to Control World's Market.

San Francisco, July 28.—The Bulletin says that E. H. Harriman and James J. Hill are uniting in a great timber deal, whereby they, with a number of associates, will control the lumber market of the world. They are securing large tracts of forest land in Northern California and Oregon, through their agents, who have been for some time quietly buying property on the coast. Among the associates of the two railroad magnates are Frederick Weyerhaeuser, of Minneapolis, T. B. Walker, of Minneapolis; Jacob Blodgett, of Grand Rapids, and a number of other members of influence in the various timber sections of the Western states.

E. W. Eberlin, of New York, has been in California for several months. He is Harriman's agent in this state, and has made frequent trips to the northern part of the state, where he has been buying up available timber lands. Eberlin has also been working toward securing options on timber land held by various Eastern people who purchased it since the boom in California timber began about three years ago.

With the many minor holdings which Harriman and his associates may count on, it is said that the plan is to merge the more valuable lands controlled by the Hill roads and the Southern Pacific into a trust. The Southern Pacific's principal holdings are represented in the grant of ten miles on each side of its road, lying between the southern boundary line of Oregon and a point south of Portland, and consists of about 1,000,000 acres of fir and sugar pine. In his plan to place these lands in a pool Harriman does so conditionally, with provisions for the protection of the company's creditors, to whom all the lands of the company are pledged in security for its indebtedness.

With the lands of the Hill and the Harriman roads and those of Walker, Weyerhaeuser and others in Washington, Oregon, Idaho and California under control, Harriman and his associates would be in a position to control the lumber market of the world.

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The entire police force, numbering about 20, has been called out, and this, with 12 deputy sheriffs and Sheriff Whitlock, forms a garrison at the jail. Wilson admitted