

LUMBER INTERESTS IN ACCORD WITH PRESIDENT

Washington, March 6.—President Roosevelt was assured today are in perfect accord with his policy in perfect accord with his policy of respecting the forest reserves and his handling of the public domain. The assurance was given him by Victor Beekman, secretary of the Pacific Coast Lumber Manufacturers' Association; Geo. T. DeTebaugh, editor of the American Lumberman, of Chicago, and F. B. Hubbard, a lumber manufacturer of Centralia, Washington, who called on the president. Senator Ankeny and Commissioner Ballinger, of the general land office. The president assured the delegation that his sole interest was that the people of the Rocky Mountain and Pacific coast states should be looked after in the handling of the public domain.

The Steve Adams case was given to the jury at Wallace, Idaho, today.

The millmen's strike at Portland is spreading rapidly, and the industry is already seriously crippled. The strikers say that the tie-up will be made complete in a few days.

The Linn county business council of the Patrons of Husbandry have announced that they will invoke the referendum against the U. of O. appropriation.

HARRIMAN GOBBLES UP OTHER ROADS

Unverified Rumor on Wall Street That Magnate Has Secured Control of Pennsylvania & Reeding and New Jersey Central - Harriman Refuses to Deny or Affirm Current Report

New York, March 6.—The unverified rumor that heavy holdings of Reading and New Jersey Central stock have passed under Harriman control, which gained wide circulation this afternoon, caused a sharp upward turn of Reading. According to the report, the big block of stock which changed hands represented the H. C. Frick interests in the two companies.

The story was not verified. At 1:30 Reading reached 125, a gain of eleven points from the low point of the day. It later declined to 122.

Is Not Confirmed.

Philadelphia, March 6.—At the office of the Philadelphia & Reading nothing is known of the passage of the company to Harriman control.

Harriman Not Interested.

Washington, March 6.—Harriman said to the Associated Press that he is not interested in Wall street and did not care to be denying all the rumors originating there.

Merchant C. L. Weber, of Creswell, is in the city.

MOTHER OF HARRY THAW ON STAND IN MURDER TRIAL

Mrs. Wm. Thaw's Appearance Draws Great Crowd To Court Room Today--Speaks In Voice So Low That Jury Cannot Hear Testimony, Which Judge Orders Read to Court. Battling Nelson Attends Trial and Attracts Attention

New York, March 6.—"Battling" Nelson, the pugilist, was today the centre of attraction at the Thaw trial. The pugilist and his manager sat just behind Thaw.

Dr. Wagner, the alienist, was again on the stand, and Jerome piled him with questions as to Thaw's will and codicil.

Wagner believed that when Thaw wrote that section of the will providing for a fund for the prosecution of any one who might take his life his mind was clouded and he did not have as clear an idea of such matters as a man who was wholly sane, but clear enough to be able to appreciate that the taking of human life was a crime.

"Doctor, when the defendant stood up to be married on the same day the will was signed, did he know what he was doing?" asked Jerome.

"I don't think his mind was entirely clear."

"Was it clear enough for him to understand that he was getting married?"

"Yes, he understood it."

Delmas asked Wagner upon re-direct examination:

"Doctor, after this long cross-examination, do you desire in any way to change your statement that in your opinion this defendant, when he shot Stanford White, did not know that his act was wrong?"

"Not in any way," answered Wagner.

Jerome concluded his cross-examination.

DEFENDANT'S MOTHER ON WITNESS STAND

New York, March 6.—Mrs. William Thaw was the first witness called after the noon recess. She stated that she noticed a change in her son when he first came to Pittsburg in 1902. He was absent-minded and apparently had lost interest in life. Mrs. Thaw broke down and cried while narrating the change in her son following his trip to Europe with Evelyn in 1901. In explanation of his changed condition Mrs. Thaw said Harry told her "the wicked man in New York had ruined his life."

Mrs. Thaw seemed about to break down and could not proceed, and Justice Fitzgerald relieved the situation by ordering her testimony read to the jury. It was given in a voice too low for the jury to hear.

Mrs. Thaw said she had laid down one condition as to her son's marriage—that Evelyn's past life should be as a closed book, never to be referred to.

Mrs. Thaw's direct examination was finished this afternoon, and Jerome immediately proceeded to cross-examine her.

DEATH OF MRS. J. E. P. WITHERS THIS MORNING

Expires Suddenly While Sitting in a Rocking Chair at the Home of Her daughter, Mrs. W. M. VanDuyn, in This City.

Mrs. Margaret Sloan Withers, wife of J. E. P. Withers, died suddenly at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. M. VanDuyn, at 132 East 10th street, in Eugene, this morning at 7:30 o'clock. She had been ill for a long time with a complication of diseases, dropsy being predominant, but her condition was not considered serious. She was sitting in a rocking chair with her head in her hands, when with a few gasps she expired. The funeral will probably be held Friday, with interment in the Gillespie cemetery, across the river from Eugene, but the exact time has not yet been decided upon pending the receipt of word from Mrs. Cornelius, a daughter, in Montana. Mrs. Withers was one of Lane county's noble pioneers, having come across the plains from Missouri in 1851 with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. Jacob Gillespie. She was married to J. E. P. Withers on August 9, 1854, and they have lived in various parts of Oregon, mainly in Lane, Douglas and Linn counties, since the last forty years in Lane county. Mrs. Withers was a consistent Christian, being a member of the Presbyterian church, formerly the Cumberland Presbyterian. She was a kind mother and a good wife, and a friend to all who knew her. She will be greatly missed. She would have been 71 years of age on the 26th day of this month had she lived.

Besides her husband the following children survive deceased: Mrs. W. M. VanDuyn, of Eugene; Mrs. A. G. Bogart, of Eugene; Mrs. J. H. Halley, of Salem; Price Withers, of Eugene; Mrs. Anna Emery, of Cole's Valley, Douglas county; Mrs. Emma Cornelius, of Townsend, Mont., and Mrs. Jessie Edmiston, of Thurston. Sheriff William W. Withers, who was shot and killed while in the act of arresting a criminal at Walton, Lane county, several years ago, was her son.

DEEDS COUNTY HIS LAND FOR HIS KEEP

A. J. Cuppy Will Be Cared For at Poor Farm During Remainder of His Life in Payment for Forty Acres Up the McKenzie.

A. J. Cuppy, an old man residing above Springfield, has deeded to the county forty acres of land up the McKenzie, in the vicinity of Gate Creek, the consideration being that he shall be cared for by the county at the poor farm during the remainder of his natural life.

The old man has been in very poor health for a long time and has been compelled to seek county aid on several occasions. Finally becoming unable to work, he concluded to make a proposition to the county to keep him and receive as pay his little tract of land, and it was accepted by the commissioners' court, in session today. The land lies in section 21, township 16, south of range 2 east, and is said to be worth \$200 or \$250.

PRESIDENT ELLIOT OPPOSES FOOTBALL

Boston, March 6.—President Elliot, of Harvard University, in his annual report which will be presented to the board of overseers this week, maintains that football, despite the new rules, is an undesirable game for gentlemen to play, or multitudes of the people to witness. He also decries the "surplus excess of cheering" which characterize the present inter-collegiate contests as "absolutely unnatural."

Rev. Father O'Farrell, rector of the Catholic church, has received word from Archbishop Christie, stating that he will be able to be here on March 24 to dedicate the new church, and arrangements will be made for the services on that day. The sermon will be delivered by Rt. Rev. Abbott, O. S. B., of Mt. Angel. The building will be complete in every detail by the 24th.

COMPANY A'S FINE SHOWING AT INSPECTION

Prospects Are Bright for Landing at Top of Per Centage Column. General Jackson Highly Pleased With Company's Drilling - An Attendance of a Hundred Per Cent

Prospects are bright for Company A, of this city, to receive the highest marking of any company in the state in the showing made at the annual inspection and muster. Last night the company had an attendance of 100 per cent, every man responding when his name was called. Several of the members came over a hundred miles for the express purpose of being present. This is the third successive year that this record has been made by the company, and the members are determined to keep it up as long as they can.

A very large crowd witnessed the ceremony of inspection and muster last night. The company was put through a hard drill in every detail of the tactics, and the maneuvers were executed without a single error. General Jackson was highly pleased with the showing made, and after inspection told Captain Hammond that his company did much better than last year, when it stood well up among the top notchers in the per centage marking. Company K, of Portland, at present holds the highest record, but it is hoped by the members of Company A and their hundreds of friends that the Portland company's colors may be lowered this year.

SHOT HIS WIFE AND PARAMOUR

Indianapolis, March 6.—Mrs. Fred Schwemeyer and William Gill died today of bullet wounds inflicted by the woman's husband at Ben Davis. Schwemeyer had started from home for Indianapolis, but missed his car and returned home to find Gill and his wife together. Gill was shot five times and the woman once. The men had been close friends for years.

MELDRUM TESTIFIES AGAINST HERMANN

Washington, March 6.—Henry Meldrum, former surveyor-general of Oregon, yesterday related on the witness stand the details of the alleged conspiracy between Congressman Hermann and Pierce Mays in Meldrum's office in the land office in Oregon City, in which they discussed what certain lands in the Blue Mountains should be included in the forest reserve to be created, that they looked over the map of Oregon and selected lands in Harney, Grant, Umatilla and Union counties.

Meldrum testified that Hermann urged him to buy school lands for the purpose of getting lands which were to be included in the reserve, as he could make much money thereby. Meldrum said that Hermann remarked that there was a deep prejudice against reserves in Oregon, hence he must do something to mollify such a feeling by arranging to have certain fractional tracts surveyed, which had been delayed for a long time, much to the inconvenience of settlers.

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ABE RUEF STILL MISSING FROM COURT

San Francisco, March 6.—When Judge Dunne convened court this morning at 10 o'clock Abe Ruef was not present, and Sheriff O'Neill reported that he was unable to find him. Assistant District Attorney Healey thereupon asked to have the bond deposited by Ruef last Monday forfeited.

Action was deferred pending further search for the delinquent Ruef. The case was called yesterday, but was put over on account of Ruef's absence.

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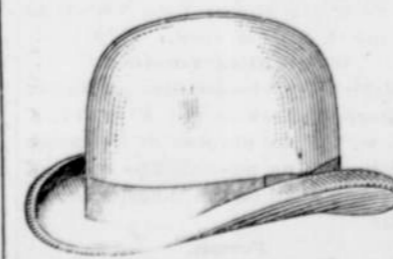
We promise a surprise in the way of styles, materials and assortments. Our ready-to-wear tailored clothing is getting near the perfection point, equal in appearance, fashion and fit to the best custom made garments. We have gathered with a very liberal hand for this season. The best efforts of the leading wholesale tailors in the land are represented, such as Krischbaum & Co. and Hart, Shaffner & Marx famous apparel for men and young men, and we guarantee a saving of fully 25 per cent on what equal style and quality costs you at the exclusive store. Come in and inspect them.



New Spring Hats

Our new spring Hats are here, and our showing this year is more extensive, more elaborate and swifter-looking than anything shown last season. Our headwear is dependable; first, because we buy the best qualities; second, because we buy direct from reliable manufacturers in large quantities and save all intermediate profits.

We carry such makes as the "Gordon," "Stetson," and "Mallory." The leading fashion this spring is the "Mallory" Cravenette Fur Felt Hats. They look stylish, wear good, feel good, and hold their shape like a glove. Have them in stiff and soft felt all sizes. **\$3.50 each**



A Monster Sale filled with amazing values that will arrest and hold the attention of hundreds begins at this busy store today. Here are bargains that will amaze and stagger the multitudes of buyers, the colossal array of shoppers in and around Eugene. The most startling and sensational offerings ever made in Oregon. Just think of it! Thousands of yards of silk. Thousands of yards of ribbon and hundreds of silk articles and wearing apparel. Everything of silk fabric throughout our entire stock has been reduced to the tempting point and is included in this gigantic sale.

- Silk Petticoats in latest styles
- Silk Skirts, assorted sizes
- Silk Suits in leading shades and styles
- Silk Coats, ¾ length and full length
- Silk Eton Coats, ¾ lengths, popular shades
- Silk Waists, assorted colors, short and long sleeves
- Silk Gloves, assorted colors, short and elbow lengths
- Silk Waist Patterns in checks and stripes
- Silk Suit Patterns, checks, plaids and fancy designs

and a variety of other things too numerous to mention. New, bright, fresh, fashionable, crisp and beautiful spring goods in every detail may be found in this great sale. Come with or without buying intentions. The display is worth the visit, and who knows, you may see something that you'll want—though you know of no needs at the present.

Double Quick Selling of Wool Dress Goods All \$1.40 grades for \$1.25

If you know how busy our former Dress Goods Sales have been, you will understand how strong this head line assertion is and what it implies, and even now we consider the claim a very mild one. We would still speak conservatively if we put this announcement more strongly before our readers.

Lower prices have never been attached to fabrics so desirable and seasonable. Nowhere can you duplicate our sale offerings at these prices (quality considered.) If you are skeptical, try to duplicate these goods and sale prices and failure will convince you of the true merit of these sale prices.

Remember that this sale includes all our \$1.40 grades of Spring Dress Goods for the specially reduced price of \$1.25 per yard. Every kind of popular materials, plain, shadow plaids, grays, checks and fancy mixtures. Do not miss this opportunity if you are in need of a spring dress or a dress for Easter. Come early and avoid the pressure of the crowds in the afternoon.

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