

COMPETITION FOR THE STANDARD OIL IN OLD MEXICO

New York, Aug. 26.—Arrangements have been completed for the organization of a \$50,000,000 American syndicate, according to an announcement published today, which plans to develop several million acres of oil lands in Mexico. It is the purpose to ship the product direct to Central and South America, also to Europe and Africa in competition to the Standard Oil Company.

The company will take over the Mexican Petroleum Company, which was organized in California in 1902, and owns approximately a million acres of land in Mexico. More than one hundred gushers are reported on the property, and the oil is said to be of the same grade as that of south eastern Texas.

FOUR MEN SHOT IN MONTANA HOLD-UP
Billings, Aug. 24.—Four men were

shot, one fatally, and one maimed for life in an attempted hold-up this morning at Huntley, one of the government townships, on the recently opened Huntley townsite. Six Finns and one American were sleeping in a box car when they were awakened by an order to hold up their hands. The Finns refused to obey and the robbers opened fire. Three of the Finns and one robber were wounded. The latter was captured, but the other robbers succeeded in making their escape.

ARMENIAN THUGS LOCATED IN BULGARIA
New York, Aug. 26.—Three Armenians wanted for the murder of Father Kaspar Vartanian are reported to have been located in Bulgaria.

MANY PORTIONS OF NORTHWEST STORM-STRICKEN

Pendleton, Or., Aug. 24.—Probably the hardest hail storm that ever occurred in Oregon and also a cloud-burst, visited two different sections of Umatilla county almost simultaneously this afternoon, causing many thousands of dollars' damage. Hundreds of acres of the finest wheat was beaten into the ground by the hail until it was impossible to tell what part of the field had been threshed and what part had not, while the cloudburst washed away bridges, chicken houses, woodsheds, farm machinery, chickens, pigs, at least one cow, and destroyed many acres of alfalfa hay.

The hail storm struck the wheat belt at the Umatilla river at Thorn Hollow, about 15 miles east of Pendleton, and swept northward across the country between Athena and Weston for a distance of ten miles or more. The path of the storm was only about three-quarters of a mile wide, but the entire strip of country was covered with hail to the depth of three or four inches, and completely devastated. Some of the hailstones were two inches long, and the orchards that lay in the path of the storm were stripped of their fruit and leaves.

Hop Vines Are Thrown Down.
Gervais, Or., Aug. 24.—The thunder storm last night was one of the worst experienced in this section for many years, and was followed by heavy rains that have lasted all day. There was some damage, but nothing serious. Fred Feller's hop house near Aurora was struck by lightning and entirely destroyed, including his last year's hops. Seventeen acres of hops belonging to Fred Gonley were blown down, and W. J. Guldson has ten acres in the same condition. They will try to get them raised, but it will prove a difficult task.

Strikes House in West Salem.
Salem, Or., Aug. 24.—Lightning struck the ridge beam of the house of William Gosser, a local blacksmith, living in West Salem, followed a rafter down to the cornice boards, which were knocked off, and then into the ground. It did not set fire to the house, but knocked Mr. Gosser from his bed and he lay stunned upon the floor for several minutes. The family were sleeping outside in a tent.

A drizzling rain has been falling here for the last 24 hours, and there is every indication that it will keep up for two or three days. The temperature is warm, and this adds to the anxiety of the hopgrowers, for a warm rain is favorable to the production of mold. While there is a possibility of injury to the hop crop, the unfavorable conditions here have lasted long enough yet to do any damage, and if the weather should become clear the crop might be benefited rather than hurt by the rain.

Heavy Damage by Lightning.
Canby, Or., Aug. 24.—Fire, caused by lightning, at 5 o'clock this morning destroyed considerable property in the vicinity of Macksburg, south-east of Canby. A barn belonging to George Scramlin was struck and totally destroyed, with its contents. The home of F. Fenski was struck about the same time and some damage done, but no fire followed. The hop house of E. Yergens was also struck and totally destroyed by the fire which followed.

This was the hardest electrical storm ever known here, say pioneers, who have been here since 1855. In 1894 there was a severe storm, but not to compare with the one this morning. The sky was a continual flash of lightning.

Storm General in Extent in Oregon.
Umatilla county—Heaviest hail-storm in history of county; thousands of dollars' damage to grain; at Athena city reservoir goes out.

Wasco county—Heavy rains, with small cloudbursts; no damage.

Clackamas—Lightning sets fire to barn and hop houses; worst storm since 1855.

Gilliam county—Hail, thunder and lightning; slight damage to grain.

Washington—Whitman county—Railroad track washed out by cloudburst; wind and dust storm at Pullman.

Cowlitz county—Tree struck by lightning; boy stunned.

MEN BLOWN TO ATOMS BY NITRO-GLYCERINE

Berkeley, Aug. 24.—The nitro-glycerine mixing house of the Giant Powder Company's works at Sopranito, twelve miles from here, blew up at 11 o'clock this morning and sent two men to their death and injured some ten others. Immediately after the explosion the acid tanks caught fire and the flames spread to the nitro glycerine mixing house, where three tons of nitro glycerine in the great vats blew up with a terrific detonation, scattering flames and debris in all directions. So terrible was the force of the explosion that the two men were blown to atoms and not a vestige of their remains could be found over which to hold an inquest. Three buildings were laid in ruins and all that remains is a pile of twisted iron and debris. Thousands of gallons of acid in the lead tanks in roaring flames added to the catastrophe. The property loss will reach \$50,000.

The concussion was terrific, every window in the vicinity and at San Pablo, a mile away, being shattered and persons thrown down by the force of the explosion. One of the Standard Oil tanks a mile away was ripped open and thousands of gallons of oil flowed into the road.

The giant company is an independent concern and not owned by the powder trust. No definite cause of the explosion is known.

CLOUD BURST CAUSES TRAIN WRECK

Hatton, Wash., Aug. 25.—Before a moving wall of water seven feet high, and varying in width from 25 to 50 feet, the roadbed of the Northern Pacific between Hatton and Connell crumpled away yesterday afternoon so suddenly that a freight train coming west ran over the trackless gap unawares, and H. A. Piegner, riding on top of the cars, lost his life.

The track was destroyed in spots for a distance of several miles. Freight and passenger trains are stalled on either side of the washouts, and the Northern Pacific main right-of-way may be useless for this section until Tuesday. The water swelled down upon Connell and caused some property damage there, moving structures 50 feet from their foundations and scattering debris for miles. So far as known no lives were lost at Connell, although there were doubtless some narrow escapes.

HARRIMAN GOES TO CENTRAL OREGO

Portland, Or., Aug. 26.—By means of four large automobiles from a Portland garage, E. H. Harriman will explore interior Oregon. Accompanied by J. P. O'Brien, manager of the Harriman interests in the Pacific Northwest, and his hunting party at Pelican Bay, the Union Pacific magnate will personally inspect Central Oregon and see what inducements it offers for railroad building.

General Manager O'Brien left Portland last night at 11 o'clock in a special train for Shaniko. In addition to his private car, "Oregon," the train consisted of three freight cars carrying four automobiles. Chaffeurs to drive the cars accompanied Mr. O'Brien.

AMERICAN BAR MEETS IN MAINE

Portland, Me., Aug. 26.—The 30th annual meeting of the Bar Association opened today at the city hall, which was well filled when President Parker called the session to order. An important feature will be the report of the life insurance committee on legislation tomorrow.

Chief Justice Emory, of Maine, extended the welcome, and Judge Parker was loudly applauded when he arose to deliver an address.

MARRIED

At the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Sylvester, at Jasper, on Sunday, August 25, 1907, at noon, P. M. Corum, of Central Point, Jackson county, and Miss Clara Sylvester of Jasper, Rev. A. E. McAlister, of Eugene, officiating. The wedding was attended by a few of the relatives and friends of the contracting parties and a wedding dinner was served. The couple will make their home for the present at Ashland. The bride is one of Lane county's best known young ladies, and the groom is a young man of sterling qualities. Their many friends tender sincere congratulations.

CHILDREN IN PAIN

Never cry as do children suffering from hunger. Such is the cause of all babies who cry and are treated for sickness when they really are suffering from hunger. This is caused by their food not being assimilated, but devoured by worms. A few doses of White's Cream Vermifuge will cause them to cease crying and begin to thrive at once. Give it a trial. Linn Drug Company.

The household goods of F. M. Freeman arrived here from Portland this morning and are being taken to Cedar Flat, where Mr. Freeman and family will reside.

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SPRINGFIELD DEFEATS DRAIN BY BIG SCORE

The baseball game at Drain Sunday afternoon between the Springfield and Drain teams was a walk-over for the sawmillers, the score being 24 to 2, and the Springfield lads say they could have made it much larger but for the fact that they rushed the game through so they could catch the flyer for home. The Springfield bunch was in excellent trim and had their batting clothes on all through the contest. They batted two pitchers out of the box and made regular monkeys of the normal schoolers, who had players from Yoncalla, Oakland and Cottage Grove. The Springfield team made five home runs during the game, Taliaferro being credited with two. Keastley with one, Peret one and Marksbury one.

THOMAS O'DAY GETS SEARS' VACANT CHAIR

Governor Chamberlain has appointed Hon. Thomas O'Day to the vacancy on the circuit bench of Multnomah county, caused by the death of Judge A. F. Sears in Portland yesterday. In announcing the appointment the governor said that the proprieties of the case might have made delay advisable, but as a session of the circuit court commences Monday he wished to give the appointee a certain amount of notice, so he would be enabled to arrange his business preparatory to taking his place on the bench at the opening of the session.

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"The most popular remedy in Oregon county, and the best friend of my family," writes Wm. M. Deltz, editor and publisher of the Otsego Journal, Gilbertsville, New York, "is Dr. King's New Discovery. It has proved to be an infallible cure for coughs and colds, making short work of the most valuable prescription known for lung and throat diseases." Guaranteed to never disappoint the taker by DeLano's drug store. Price 50c and \$1. Trial bottle free.

THE NEW SPRINGFIELD BANK BUILDING

Architect John Hunzicker, of this city, is drawing plans and specifications for the new bank building to be erected at Springfield by John B. Bell. The building will be one story high and 28 feet 6 inches by 60 feet in dimensions. It will be located on the Washburne corner and will face south. It will be built of Newberg pressed brick, trimmed with stone, and when completed will present a handsome appearance. The vault will be 7x10 feet inside and will be

S. P. RIGHT OF-WAY VERY EXPENSIVE

From reports of owners of land through which the right-of-way of the Natron-Klamath road runs, the Southern Pacific Company was very generous in payment for the necessary land.

While in some instances they caused great difficulty by running their line through the yards and even on the site of houses which have stood for many years, they have paid high prices for the same, and judging from what was paid in some instances it must have cost them several thousand dollars per mile for their right-of-way. They were obliged to purchase their rights-of-way from private parties for a distance of 45 miles from Eugene, starting from the end of the right-of-way near Natron.

Other people above this distance of course have been compensated, but at that point government land began to be quite common.

Eighteen hundred to \$2000 was not uncommonly paid to some ranchers. In some instances \$500 or \$600 has been paid for very small pieces of land.

These facts show that the Southern Pacific Company is becoming more considerate of public opinion and realizing its power, and while the right-of-way is a very expensive piece of business at the beginning, the settlers along the line are satisfied and not filing suits.

DON'T GRUMBLE

when your joints ache and you suffer from rheumatism. Buy a bottle of Ballard's Snow Liniment and get instant relief. A positive cure for rheumatism, burns, cuts, contracted muscles, sore chest, etc. I. T. Boggs, a prominent merchant at Willow Point, Texas, says that he finds Ballard's Snow Liniment the best all round liniment he ever used. Linn Drug Company.

SUDDEN DEATH OF JUDGE SEARS IN PORTLAND

Portland, Or., Aug. 26.—Judge Alfred F. Sears, Jr., of the state circuit court, one of the foremost jurists of Oregon, died of apoplexy at his residence, 590 East Madison street, shortly before 4 o'clock yesterday morning. Death was altogether unexpected, for not the slightest warning to members of the family foretold the end. The funeral will be held Tuesday.

Governor Chamberlain will appoint a Democrat to succeed Judge Sears. In order, as he says, that the bench should not be filled solidly from one political party.

CHILD BORN IN A HOP YARD

A crowd of hoppickers, fourteen persons in all, traveling in wagons and bound from Roseburg to Independence, stopped at the Walker yard between Eugene and Springfield Sunday and asked Manager Charles Sovereign if he had enough pickers. The manager replied that he lacked about 15 of having enough to keep the dry kilns going, and the crowd agreed to stop and stay during the picking season. Within two hours afterward word was brought to Mr. Sovereign that a child had been born to one of the women of the party. A physician was sent for and the mother and child are doing well.

DIED

At the Eugene hospital, Sunday, August 25, J. M. Edwards, aged 73 years. The cause of death was Bright's disease. The funeral will be held at the former home of the deceased on Indian creek, in the vicinity of Mapleton.

John Kizer, an early Lane county pioneer, died at his home at Thurston Sunday morning at 9:30 o'clock from cancer of the bowels. He was born May 18, 1830, in Indiana, and came to Oregon about 50 years ago, settling on a donation land claim at Thurston, where he resided until his death. He was a bachelor and leaves only two nephews, Ed and Frank Whiteaker, and one niece, Miss Minnie Whiteaker, all of Thurston. The funeral was held this afternoon, with interment in the Mt. Vernon cemetery.

At the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Yeager, 995 Garden street, Fairmount, Sunday morning, at 3:15 o'clock, Kléusa Leone Yeager, aged 11 months and 22 days, from cholera infantum. The funeral will be held at the family home on Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock and the services will be conducted by Rev. D. H. Trimble, pastor of the Methodist church. The remains will be interred in the I. O. O. F. cemetery.

John B. Bell, of the new banking firm at Springfield, which intends to erect a brick building there, was in the city today conferring with Architect Hunzicker in regard to plans for the building. He stated that the company may incorporate under the national bank law and in that case the name of the new institution will be the First National Bank of Springfield.

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A crew of S. P. workmen arrived here Saturday and will remain for some time putting in concrete culverts to replace the wooden ones now in use in this vicinity. The company has been making these improvements in the southern part of the route for some time past, and the crew is gradually working its way north.

LET RAILWAY BRIDGE CONTRACT IN FEW DAYS

A. Welch, vice president of the Eugene & Eastern Railway Company, was in the city over Sunday. He gave out the information that the contract for the construction of the bridge across the Willamette river at Springfield will probably be let within the next week or ten days, and it is expected that work on the structure will begin immediately thereafter. Mr. Welch and other officials of the company will be here on Tuesday or Wednesday of this week, and it is probable that bids for the work will be considered. L. N. Roney, of this city, is said to be a bidder and an Idaho man who was here recently looking over the ground may submit a bid on the work. By rushing construction work the piers may be completed before high water comes.

HOP MARKET IS UNUSUALLY QUIET

The local market has been lifeless the past week and no inquiry is noted. A few sales are reported from the Pacific coast at from 4 to 6 cents, but the volume of business is very small. Brewers are apparently well stocked, and even the low prices prevailing today do not seem to tempt them into the market. The crops continue to make satisfactory progress. From Oregon reports are very favorable, and the hot weather has killed off the lice, which threatened to become serious some time ago. The same conditions prevail in Washington and California, and good crops seem assured. Picking will begin next week in the Sacramento section in California. New York state reports are decidedly favorable, and the early varieties are rapidly ripening. Picking of the regular late hops will be a week or ten days later than usual on account of a backward spring, which delayed the growth of the vine. Fine weather prevailed in England and on the continent, and the crops there are in good condition. The German market is lower and weak, and the English market is said to be in the same position as the market here.

We notice the unusually large export of hops to London the past few weeks, amounting to over 9000 bales since the first of July.

DIED

At Coburg, Tuesday, August 20, 1907, Willard E. Dunkle, aged 3 years, 9 months and 5 days. The remains were shipped to Tallman, where interment took place in the Tallman cemetery.

At the Eugene hospital this morning, Miss Lella Cellars, aged 23. The deceased was brought to the hospital about two weeks ago from her home in Drain. She is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Cellars, six sisters and five brothers. The funeral will probably be held at Drain tomorrow, the body being taken to that city this afternoon by W. T. Gordon, undertaker.

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The dynamo for the Eugene & Eastern Railway, mentioned a few days ago by the Guard, arrived here today. Two reels of guy wire for the trolley system also arrived.

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IMPROVEMENTS FOR MCKENZIE ROAD

County Judge Chrisman, who has recently returned from an outing on the upper McKenzie, noticed the roughness of the road up the river and is determined to remedy conditions as far as possible. The rocks that cause the roughness will be ordered removed from the road, thus leaving a comparatively smooth bed. When gravel was placed on the road there were always a great many rocks too large to imbibe themselves in the soil and they have caused a great deal of trouble. These will all be taken off if the orders of the judge are carried out. Another thing that attracted Judge Chrisman's attention was the water from many springs and from the Lucky Boy flume at Blue river, running all over the road in places. This will be confined to one channel at the side of the road and where it is necessary to cross the thoroughfare culverts will be put in.

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