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ANOTHER STEP NEARER

The decision of the interstate commerce commission that grants to the Southern Pacific permission to retain its present control of the Central Pacific brings to an end a controversy that has shaken the entire West.

Since three of the commissioners, including the chairman, concurred in the belief that in consideration of receiving authority to hold the Central Pacific the Southern should be specifically required to build the Natron line, it is a pity that two others could not have been won over to that way of thinking.

In its telegram to the Oregon public service commission, the interstate commerce commission quotes this statement which was made to it by the Southern Pacific attorney during the recent hearing in Washington: "So far as we may be bound by anything, we are bound by that declaration of policy (to build the Natron cut-off as soon as the S. P. title to the Central is confirmed) and by that resolution of the board of directors, which we regard upon our side as a contract with the people of Oregon for the completion of that line."

No promise could be more explicit, and if the Southern Pacific should fail to build the Natron line its failure would amount to a breach of faith that would certainly bring reprisals.

The only thing that remains to make permanent the Southern's title to the Central, thus fulfilling the condition upon which construction of the Natron line is pledged, is completion of the task of grouping the railroads of the nation into a limited number of large systems, and the commission is now busy with this task.

Completion of the Natron cut-off is the largest single item in Eugene's future. It will add a great and growing territory to this city's wholesale field. It will bring, in all probability, the car shops that have been planned for Springfield. It will re-route railroad traffic in such a way as to make Eugene an important center.

When work is begun the news will go out that Eugene is one of the coming young cities of the coast. Announcement of completion of the Natron cut-off will bring a new era of growth that will carry Eugene a long way forward.

BIG BUSINESS IN HEAVEN

Big business men are needed in heaven, says Dr. G. V. Owen, an English clergyman and spiritualist. There have been times in this country when big business seemed to need contact with heaven, but it never occurred to any American observer to suggest the opposite need.

Dr. Owen explains like this: There is a vast amount of organization and systematization work to be done in the other world, enough to keep all trained minds busy when they pass over. Even skilled

physicians find useful employment, though there is no sickness there. They work out new ideas and pass them along to earth folk. As for captains of industry, financiers, etc., heaven can use them all.

Just how they will operate where there is no business competition and no medium of exchange, the reverend gentleman does not make clear. Perhaps they find competition in good works a satisfactory substitute for our selfish struggle, and the piling up of immaterial heavenly treasures as enthralling as the quest of big fortunes here. But it seems odd to the lay mind that heaven should need so much organizing. According to commonly accepted views, it was thoroughly organized long ago.

LABOR BETTER OFF

Labor suffered deflation, along with every other economic group, but evidently the working class has been deflated less than the salaried and capitalistic classes.

A recent estimate represents unskilled labor as getting now 25 per cent more money than it did in 1914, and skilled labor 22 per cent more. The present cost of living shows no such increase. Taking labor as a whole, the statisticians find that present wages have about 25 per cent more purchasing power than they would have had in 1914.

Thus it is as if prices had remained the same as before the war, but the workingman's income had increased one-fourth. An average workman content to live now as he lived before the war would have a clear saving of one dollar out of every five.

Manual workers, then, have really emerged from war conditions with substantial and lasting benefits, as it was prophesied they would.

It cost \$6000 to capture "Little Phil" Algul, a noted bad man of the Mexican border, but no sum that is devoted to proving definitely that it doesn't pay to break the law is too much.

A New York man who has been attending Columbia university ever since 1872 has quit. He ought to have been able in that time to acquire knowledge enough to last him through.

Frank Gould has married a woman whose husband divorced her because he said she was a butterfly. Doubtless she will now proceed to make the money fly.

Mr. Coue has left for home, and it goes without saying that a good many hard, round American dollars are leaving with him.

Judging by the feel of yesterday's southwest wind, the Japanese current must have gone home to spend the winter.

The price of raw sugar is advancing, which will tend to make the consumer also a little raw.

Earlier Days in Eugene

(From the Morning Register, February 13, 1904.)

A carload of the Eugene Water company's six-inch pipe is being unloaded at the depot and the work of improving the system will soon begin.

H. Chesem, of Houston, Texas, has arrived in Eugene. He has purchased the Bailey farm located six miles west of town.

The University of Washington defeated the University of Oregon at basketball here last night by a score of 19 to 17.

The bombardment of Port Arthur by the Japanese continues. Russian dispatches state that a number of additional Russian battleships have been disabled.

Lloyd Bellman is at Harrisburg where he assisted the orchestra at that place at a leap year ball.

County Clerk E. U. Lee and family are at Junction City for a short visit.

The county clerk's office has just completed the tax roll summary. The total on the tax roll is \$3,251,460. Exemptions are \$349,806, making a net total of taxable property of \$3,311,666. Total revenues from taxable property will be: State and county, \$185,171; special school, \$23,969; special city, \$16,656.

The Day in Washington

Investigation of the administration of the veterans bureau affairs was ordered by the senate. Colonel Walter A. Bethel was nominated to be judge advocate general of the army, succeeding Major General Crowder, now ambassador to Cuba.

NATION HONORS LINCOLN ON BIRTHDAY



Abraham Lincoln's birthday was celebrated all over America yesterday. This photograph of the martyred president was the famous picture made by Brady, who photographed the Civil war under fire. The painting shows Lincoln delivering his renowned Gettysburg speech. Robert Lincoln, the president's son, is the only surviving member of the Lincoln family.

NOMINATION OF LINCOLN DEPICTED BY DELEGATE

INFLUENCE OF "EMANCIPATOR" AGAINST SLAVERY

Inside "Dope" of Convention Given by A. G. Proctor, Only Living Member of Assemblage

(By the Associated Press) CHICAGO, Feb. 12.—(Observing the one hundred and fourteenth anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln, Addison G. Proctor, said to be the only living delegate to the convention that nominated Lincoln for president, told in a speech today of the influences behind the scenes that led to the choice of the "Great Emancipator."

"The 456 delegates to that convention in 1860 met in reality to decide whether slavery should exist or not," he said. "The fugitive slave law had outraged the moral sensibilities of the north. Slavery then threatened to force its way into the free territory of the northwest."

"No Slavery" Is Plank "After a 'no slavery' plank had been inserted in the platform, a strong delegation from the east asked the nomination of William H. Seward. They lacked 50 votes of controlling the convention."

"One of the leaders of the easterners interviewed us and urged the nomination of Seward, Horace Greeley, however, presided, and Seward would fall to carry five states and possibly more. Speaking of Lincoln, Greeley said: 'He is a pretty adroit politician, but he is certainly inexperienced in national affairs and I don't believe the people would trust him.'"

Lincoln Landed as Leader Elvin A. Munger, master in chancery, and another speaker, declared that "Lincoln lived as Moses lived, to lead his people through all of their trials to within sight of all the promised land of a reunited people, a great and homogeneous nation."

Another picture of Lincoln was drawn by Professor Bernard J. Cigrand, who told of Lincoln's relations with Seward and Stanton and other members of his cabinet. "And Stanton, who in the days of the war said: 'Lincoln is a fool, a low cunning, cowardly original scoundrel.' He declared later when Lincoln was assassinated: 'Lincoln is the most perfect ruler of men the world has ever seen.'"

LINCOLN'S FAITH AN INSPIRATION TO ALL

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ourselves worthy of such a leader, that extent we shall be the better able to save ourselves without him. The task which men face throughout the world is one with which they must cope as God intends. Their hope, their salvation, their destiny, must at least be in their own hands. They will save themselves if they will forget themselves. Probably the task would be less difficult if humanity would get a little nearer to God. In times like these, the fullest, truest service that any nation or any society can render to itself, will be the service which is conceived in unselfishness and rendered without thought of immediate gain, or even of ultimate personal advantage.

"We drink from memory, we find inspiration in example, we are excited by the eternal truths which Lincoln saw and proclaimed, and the highest usefulness in these things is to reveal to all the people a true understanding of Lincoln's transcendent eminence. His supreme gift was not in construction, he was the master preservation. And to call of world-wide day is for preservation, for the preservation of civilization which is the best judgment of human intelligence since the world began."

FRENCH AID REFUGEES

TRACT OF LAND GIVEN FOR NEAR EAST OILPHANAGE

BEIRUT, Syria, Feb. 12.—The French government has given to the so-called "River of Abraham," on which will be established an orphanage for 1000 Armenian girl refugees from Anatolia. The institution, which will be in charge of Mrs. W. R. Gennaway, of Seattle, Wash., will comprise four dormitories, a large hospital

MOTHERS AND THEIR CHILDREN

Her Own Tasks I give my daughter certain little tasks about the house to do that cause her to feel a responsibility for her accomplishment. Instead of just "helping mother, she has her own special jobs to do, just as I have. She keeps the fruit basket filled, changes the water for flowers, keeps the magazines picked up, and does many other such regular tasks.

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STORK PAYS VISIT TO PULLMAN CARS ON WAY

BENEVOLENT BIRD CATCHES UP WITH SPEEDY TRAINS Conductors and Porters Assist in Ushering in Babes With Flying Starts in Life

(Correspondence of Associated Press) CHICAGO, Feb. 12.—Great as is the speed of the Pullman car, the stork is often faster, and often the benevolent bird catches the train. Many conductors and porters have assisted in ushering infants into the world with, literally, a flying start in life's handicap, according to the Pullman News.

The stork, although an intelligent creature, sometimes fails to ascertain whether a physician is on the train he is pursuing. In such instances it is up to the conductors, porters and possibly experienced men and women passengers to assist in the glorious advent. The News says: "On one occasion, William Venn, general foreman of the Pullman yards at Kansas City, but then con-

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SOUTH SEAS LURE YOUTH

YOUNG MAN BRINGS PICKAXE AND UMBRELLA (Correspondence of Associated Press) HAWAII, Feb. 12.—Among the many characters who have been attracted to the South seas of late is a young man who landed from the steamer of a passing steamer bringing with him some worldly possessions: a heavy pickaxe, a pair of dungaree trousers, a shirt, a pickaxe and an umbrella, the latter, apparently, his most prized possession.

He intends to sail for the Marquesas islands, where he will settle on a barren, uninhabited bit where his only companions will be wild dogs and wild goats. The only water on the island is a small trickle from a cliff at the top of a deep ravine. There are few, if any, food bearing plants. The people are curious to know how he will find subsistence.

Up to the present time he has found no one willing to transport him to the island of his dreams. He is passing his time roaming about the island of Hivaoa and sleeping on the beach under his umbrella. He seeks no human companionship nor has anyone discovered his identity or his home city.

WOMEN'S GLEE CLUB

Annual Home Concert WOMAN'S BLDG. Friday, Feb. 16, 8:15

Tickets on Sale at Kuykendall's Drug Store and U. of O. Co-op.

Reserved Section 75c General Admission 50c

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