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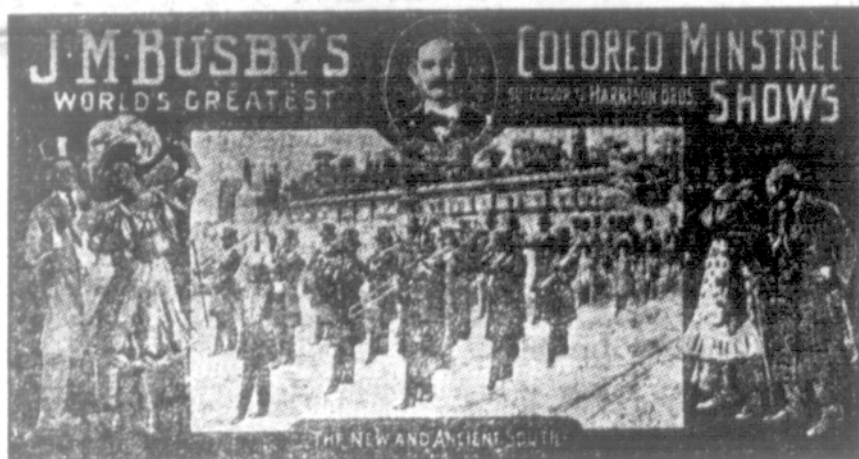
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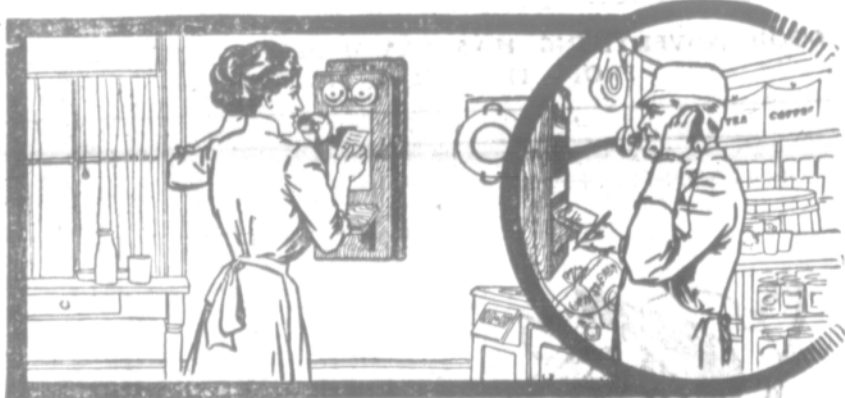
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CALIFORNIA TOWNS EXPERIENCE QUAKE

San Francisco People Rush
Into Streets in Panic When
Shock is Felt.

San Francisco.—Two earthquake shocks—the heaviest since the big shake of 1906, and separated by only a few seconds—jagged the central portion of California and western Nevada Saturday.

Only trivial damage has been reported from any section, but in San Francisco and other cities in the affected area panic seized upon crowds in stores and restaurants and there was a pell-mell exodus from the large buildings. Many diners ran out without paying for their meals. No chimneys fell and no pipes were burst, but with the memory of the big earthquake in mind, the people were badly scared.

One peculiar feature of the earthquake was that it did not appear to follow the old "fault" in the earth's crust which has been the playground of temblors in the past, but extended from the seacoast eastward to the Sierras, including hitherto exempt mountain areas. It was felt to the northward of Sacramento, in the Sacramento Valley; southward as far as Fresno, and to the east at Carson and Reno, Nev., the latter place experiencing the heaviest shock in its history. Slight damage was done to buildings in San Francisco.

Seamen's Strike is Called Off.
Liverpool.—The great seamen's and dockers' strike, which has caused great loss and inconvenience to shippers and delay to the traveling public, was ended when the Cunard, the White Star and the other lines in the shipping combine agreed to recognize the dockers' union.

GERMANY IRRITATES FRANCE

Relations Strained Over Dispatch of
Gunboat to Morocco.

Paris.—Not since the stormy days immediately preceding the Algerian conference have the relations between France and Germany been so near the breaking point. All France is thrilled with indignation over the reports that Germany has ordered a gunboat to Moroccan waters. The excuse that German subjects demand protection is ridiculed and official circles assert that unless Germany is blocked a seizure of territory is certain.

May Bare Bank's Skeleton.

Portland, Ore.—Indictment of Louis J. Wilde and W. Cooper Morris for the alleged embezzlement of \$90,000 of the funds of the Oregon Trust & Savings Bank five years ago promises to result in sensational developments. Prosecution of the charge against Wilde and Morris may bring out inside information as to how the affairs of the defunct banking institution were misdirected.

HEAT KILLS IN CHICAGO

Mercury From 103 to 110, and Many
Prostrated.

Chicago.—With street thermometers registering from 103 to 110 degrees, Chicago panted and staggered its way through deadly heat. It is believed that total mortality growing out of the excessive temperature is at least 20. Prostrations were numbered by hundreds. Men and women dropped in dead faints in the streets, in cars, in the parks, and even on the lake front where a breeze afforded the one bit of relief.

TAFT'S VISIT IS FEATURE

President to Address Endeavorers
Twice on "Training Citizens."

Atlantic City, N. J.—President Taft, Speaker Clark, ex-Vice-President Fairbanks and many men, leaders in religious work, are expected to address the thousands of delegates at the 25th International Christian Endeavor convention here. The convention will hold daily sessions for a week, and the theme will be "Training for Service."

The feature will be the visit of President Taft, who is expected to speak twice on Friday night, when addresses will be made on "Training Citizens."

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Fair Warning.
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A QUICK TWIST.

Why the Watchful Owl Didn't Wring
Its Own Head Off.

Boys who have tried to "put salt on a bird's tail" generally come to the conclusion that birds can "see behind them," and some may half believe that the heads of these little creatures are hung on pivots. How easily one could conceive such a notion is illustrated by the experience of a Maryland man who had read a story about an owl wringing its own neck by looking at a man who was walking around him. The Marylander decided to experiment along these lines and so procured a fine specimen of an owl and placed him on a post.

It was not difficult for the experimenter to secure the owl's attention, for the bird never diverted his gaze from the man while the latter was present. The man began walking rapidly around the post a few feet from the owl, keeping his eyes fixed upon the bird all the while.

The owl's body remained motionless, but his head turned exactly with the man's movements. When the man was halfway round the owl's head was directly behind. Three-quarters of a circle were completed, and still the same twist of the neck and the same stare followed the man.

One circle and no change. On the man went, twice around, and still that watchful stare and steady turn of the head. Three times the man went around, and he began to wonder why the owl's head did not drop off, when all at once the man discovered what he had failed to notice before.

When the man reached a distance halfway around from the front, which was as far as the owl could turn his head to follow the experimenter's movements with comfort, the owl whisked it back through the whole circle so instantaneously and brought it facing the man again with such precision that the latter failed to detect the movement, although he was looking intently all the while at the bird. The Marylander repeated the experiment many times afterward on the same bird, and he had always to watch carefully to detect the movement of the readjustment of the owl's gaze.—Philadelphia Record.

SOBERED AND LABELED.

The Pre-Raphaelite Treatment For
Drunken Geniuses.

Nothing in Mr. Ford Madox Hueffer's "Ancient Lights" is more amusing than the account of his illustrious grandfather's efforts to reclaim the many drunken geniuses of his acquaintance. It appears that he "was in the habit of providing several of them with labels, upon which were inscribed his own name and address. Thus when one of these geniuses was found incapable in the neighborhood he would be brought by cabmen and others to Fitzroy square. The poet, being thus recaptured, would be carried upstairs by Charlotte and laid in the bath and would be reduced to sobriety by cups of the strongest coffee that could be made (the bath was selected because he would not be able to roll out and injure himself). And, having been thus reduced to sobriety, he would be lectured, and he would be kept in the house, being given nothing but lemonade to drink until he found the regime intolerable. Then he would disappear, the label sewed inside his coat collar, to reappear once more in charge of a cabman."

Whistler was not among the wine-bibbers, but he had other peculiarities. "Upon one occasion," says Mr. Hueffer, "Madox Brown, going to a tea party at the Whistlers at Chelsea, was met in the hall by Mrs. Whistler, who begged him to go to the poultryer's and purchase a pound of butter. The bread was cut, but there was nothing to put upon it. There was no money in the house, the poultryer had cut off his credit, and Mrs. Whistler said she dare not send her husband, for he would certainly punch that tradesman's head."

A Nice Sandwich For a Pink Tea.
Various counties in England have their special brand of sandwiches. In some apple and meat are mingled together; in others the customary slices of bread are supplanted by slices of parkin. Devonshire perhaps can boast the most delicious sandwich of all English counties. To make a Devon sandwich a "split" or scone is cut in half, each side is buttered, then jam is spread upon the buttered upon that again a thick coating of marmalade. Finally clotted cream is added with equal liberality, and the split, thus swollen beyond recognition, is ready for consumption.—London Globe.

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ITEMS OF INTEREST THROUGHOUT OREGON

Chronicle of Important Events
of Interest to Our
Readers.

Trustee to Settle Kinney's Affairs.

Marshfield.—The affairs of Major L. D. Kinney and his two hot-air railroads, the Belt Line railway and the Coos Bay Rapid Transit Company, which were formerly in the bankruptcy courts, are in the hands of W. J. Rust, of this city, who will for two years act as trustee. This will make possible the sale of the property so that a clear deed can be given and the expenses and judgments will be paid off by the trustee from the money received from sales.

Full Payment of Depositors Made.

Portland.—With the distribution of \$120,000, ordered by the federal court, R. S. Howard, Jr., receiver of the Title Guarantee & Trust Company, will complete the payment of all depositors' claims against the suspended institution. The aggregate of these claims on the failure of the bank in 1907 was \$2,000,000. The disbursement of the \$120,000 ordered will complete the payment of all depositors, including 4 per cent interest.

COUNTIES SEEK PUBLICITY

Wallawa and Union May Unite in
Campaign to Secure Settlers.

Wallawa.—Workers from all the towns of Wallawa county will meet here July 12 to formulate plans for county publicity and to consider the proposal of Union county commercial clubs to join them in a two-county league. This action is the result of the visit of seven Union county business men to Wallawa and other Wallawa county towns. It is proposed to issue a booklet descriptive of the two counties.

There is more unused land in Wallawa and Union counties capable of producing record-breaking crops than in any other two counties in Oregon. Business men are awakening to the necessity of having this land producing, and efforts will be made to let people in over-crowded centers of population know of the opportunities that await them in this favored section.

Picnic Drives Away "Rollers."

Sheridan.—Following a picnic given by the Christian Church of this place, in the city park, the band of Holy Rollers that has been assembled at that place for the last three weeks has left the city. Teachers of the "faith" declare that with the intrusion of a band of picnicers that their sanctuary was desecrated with the spirit of the evil one and that they could no longer teach the "word" when the divine atmosphere has been so disturbed.

Own Net Traps Fisherman.

Astoria.—August Williams, a boat puller employed by John W. Holmstrom, fishing for the Union Fishermen's Co-Operative Packing Company, was drowned when the boat capsized near the end of the jetty at the mouth of the Columbia River. Holmstrom was saved by Captain Wicklund and the Point Adams life saving crew, but Williams became entangled in his net and died like many of the fish he had caught.

"AGGIES" TO REORGANIZE

Alumni Association, Now 1200 Members,
to Be Increased.

Corvallis.—The Alumni Association of the Oregon Agricultural College, which has a present membership of nearly 1200, is to be reorganized. The executive committee, of which Edward Aldrich, editor of the Pendleton Post Oregonian, is chairman, has prepared a plan for more thorough and effective organization which will be submitted to the members of the association for a mail vote.

There are a dozen or more O. A. C. clubs, local societies, throughout the state, which, under the proposed plan, will become chapters of the state association.

Less "Near Beer" to Be Sold.

Wallawa.—Only one poolroom and near-beer saloon will operate in this city hereafter. Three such places of business have been operated, but a recent ordinance requires them to secure a license and the city council has decided that one such place of business is all that the community needs.

Sewer System to Be Begun.

Hillsboro.—Work will begin this week on the storm and sanitary sewer systems which include nearly one-half of the city. The work is expected to be completed within 60 days, when the laying of the bitulithic pavement will commence.

NEWS PARAGRAPHS FROM OTHER CITIES IN OREGON

W. M. Sutton, mayor of Springfield,

has announced his resignation, to take effect on August 17.

Strawberry Day and the horse show at Weston were very successful. The affair was attended by 3000 people.

Six depositors opened accounts on the first day that the postal savings bank was opened by Postmaster Curtis at Marshfield.

Charles Smith, a well-known young man of Oregon City, has been mysteriously missing since the night of June 24, and it is feared he has committed suicide.

The first week of summer school at the University of Oregon marks a successful beginning of the season. With 145 students in attendance all classes are well under way.

Following the resignation of Roy F. Shields, second assistant attorney-general, James W. Crawford, son of Attorney-General Crawford, was appointed to the position.

With more than 1000 signatures affixed to the petitions asking for the recall of Judge John Coke, of Marshfield, interest in the preliminary campaign is increasing daily.

As the result of a meeting held in Albany an exhibit will be sent to represent the Willamette Valley at the various big land shows to be held in the Middle West this fall.

With the beginning of another fiscal year, active operations on the uncompleted gap of the Naton-Klamath cut-off on the Southern Pacific Railway likely will be started.

The Astoria branch postal savings bank completed its first two months of existence with deposits amounting to \$16,153, which is believed to be the record for a city of this size.

E. J. Krause, of the O. A. C. horticulture department, has returned from an extended tour through eastern experiment stations, including the government plant at Washington, D. C. Solomon Miller, South Portland druggist, charged with selling cocaine to boys, was found guilty by a jury in municipal court. The penalty is \$200 fine and 90 days' imprisonment.

Postal savings banks in Oregon have taken in deposits amounting to \$9696 this year, according to a summary of the report of the condition of banks made out by Will Wright, superintendent of banks.

Directors of the Grande Ronde Chautauque have announced the program for the second annual session of that association at Riverside Park, a splendid natural wood just outside of the city limits of La Grande.

County school superintendents, with Governor West, visited all of the state institutions last week and were given a practical demonstration of the workings of the new prison system which has been adopted by the governor.

Judge Hamilton and Frederick V. Holman, representing regents of the University of Oregon, are in Salem studying the referendum petitions with Judge Slater. Judge Slater says evidence is being accumulated but will be kept secret until charges are filed.

While no definite action has been reached by State Printer Dunnaway as to whether he will abide by the order of Secretary Olcott and remove the state printing plant from the state capitol, Superintendent Plimpton, it is understood, is considering ways and means whereby such a move might be made possible.

After investigating charges preferred against the Sumpter Valley Railroad Company by the patrons of the line of inadequate service, the railroad commission issued an order in which the transportation company is required to make extensive improvements to its railroad property within the next 60 days.

The request published by Walter Pierce and other boosters of Hot Lake, Union county, for suggestive plans for the construction of a model public school building, regardless of the cost, has aroused general interest throughout the state and a large number of plans has been sent in to State Superintendent Alderman.

Governor West named the following delegates to the annual convention of American Prison Association at Omaha, October 14-15: Rev. W. P. White, Albany; W. F. Woodward, Judge George Tazewell, Rev. W. G. MacLaren, Senator Ben Selling, Father E. V. O'Hara, Judge John Van Zante, Judge W. N. Gatens and Mrs. Lois G. Baldwin, Portland, and Father A. Moore, Rev. P. E. Bauer and Tom R. Wilson, Salem.

All private work by the employees in the office of the secretary of state must be discontinued, according to a statement made by Secretary Olcott. He states that all of the employees are receiving good salaries from the state and will be compelled to devote themselves to the business of the state. While all of the books and records in the secretary's office are public records, he says that anyone desiring to secure information from these records must do so from some one else than the employees.

RECIPROCITY VOTE BY END OF JULY

La Follette Will Make Longest
Speech in Presenting His
Tariff Amendment.

Washington.—The Canadian reciprocity situation has cleared to a marked degree and a canvass of the Senate was in every way assuring to friends of the measure. With not more than a dozen set speeches in prospect and with eight-hour sessions on the program many of the senators count on a vote before the end of July.

The most formidable speech still to be made is that of Senator La Follette. He will present his long-promised tariff amendment to the reciprocity bill and will talk for three or four days, discussing the tariff even more than reciprocity. These amendments will be in the nature of a substitute for all other tariff suggestions.

With reciprocity disposed of, it is believed that the session will not be greatly prolonged. The "standpat" Republicans are disposed to concede a vote on the wool and free list bills. The Democratic senators have said from the beginning they would be satisfied with a rollback on the two tariff bills and there are indications that the "standpat" Republicans will let these go to vote without much debate in view of the threatened presidential veto of both bills.

Puzzle—Find the Insurgents.

In the House it has not been difficult to place the insurgents, but since Canadian reciprocity became a live subject in the Senate it is difficult to find the insurgents. Now, no one would intimate that either Gallinger or Heyburn is an insurgent, but the way New Hampshire and Idaho jump on this administration bill you cannot tell.

Penrose of Pennsylvania seems to be the only simon pure regular, although we must not forget the venerable Cullom of Illinois, who never deviates from the straight path of regularity. But there seems to be a new crop of insurgents, and it is difficult to make distinctions these days.

Will Probe Express Companies.

A sweeping investigation of all express companies in the United States affected by the interstate commerce laws has been ordered by the Interstate Commerce Commission. Practically all of the express companies, with the exception of the Long Island, filed new tariffs, which are believed to be material reductions in rates. It was said that it would require several months to compare these rates with those now in existence.

Merger in Steel Cuts Competition.

Restriction of competition is declared to have been the prime object of the organizers of the United States Steel Corporation, which, capitalized at \$1,485,000,000, had tangible property worth only \$682,000,000. The corporation, having concentrated its efforts to secure ore properties, now owns 75 per cent of the lake ores upon which the present steel industry is based. These are some of the conclusions reached in the long-expected report of Commissioner of Corporations Herbert Knox Smith on the steel industry, part of which was submitted to the president.

Government Has Surplus.

When the government's fiscal year ended June 30, the federal treasury held a cash surplus of at least \$23,000,000, and showed an excess of receipts over disbursements for the first time since 1907.

From estimates which treasury officials consider reliable, it is apparent the government in past 12 months received from all sources not less than \$689,000,000, about \$10,000,000 more than expected, and spent \$656,000,000—about \$33,000,000 less than planned.

In round figures it cost the government last year \$175,000,000 for the civil service, \$161,000,000 for the army, \$120,000,000 for the navy, \$21,000,000 for the Indians, \$158,000,000 for pensions and \$21,000,000 for interest on the public debt. Expenses for Indians, pensions and civil service all have exceeded the first estimates. More than \$27,000,000 was spent upon the Panama canal.

Army Reorganization Cuts Red Tape.

General Leonard Wood's plans for reorganizing the army on a practical military basis, disregarding congressional and local influence, has stirred up a big commotion in Washington, but the reforms which General Wood has in mind are such that he can put them through without congressional authority.

In doing away with staff offices at the various department headquarters General Wood has greatly lessened the expense of running the army, for he has pared the way for dismissing a large corps of unnecessary clerks, has cut out the duplication of work, and simplified the administrative work of the service. Department quartermasters, commissaries and the like have been dispensed with.