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MAY OPERATE ON KING ALFONSO

Spanish Ruler Said to Be Suffering Seriously—Visits Sanitarium of Famous Physician in France for Treatment.

BORDEAUX, France, Nov. 26.—That King Alfonso of Spain may have to undergo a serious operation on his throat is the rumor that has stirred court circles in Europe, following the visit of the royal head of Spain to Bordeaux. Alfonso and the royal party will arrive late this afternoon. The king will go at once to the sanitarium of Professor Moure, a throat specialist, where elaborate preparations for his reception have been made.

It is admitted by those who have negotiated for the treatment of the distinguished patient that the condition of the king's throat is serious, and has caused the court physicians considerable anxiety. While it is not admitted that any operation will be performed, the belief is general that such a move is planned or that treatment will be given somewhere else than in the sanitarium itself.

In Trouble With U. S.

TACOMA, Wash., Nov. 26.—Clarence Hillman, the Seattle millionaire, and real estate operator, must plead to several indictments charging him with conspiracy to defraud by the use of the mails December 1. This is the decision of Judge Donoghue, who had been considering Hillman's motion to quash the indictments. The indictments are sustained and Hillman must go to trial. He is alleged to have swindled hundreds of poor people by selling worthless real estate on the weekly payment plan.

The funeral of the infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Volney Dixon, who died Wednesday afternoon, took place Friday forenoon at 10:30, interment being made in Odd Fellows' cemetery.

Haskins for health.

RUSHING WORK ASHLAND SPUR

Southern Pacific Engineer J. F. Meager in Charge—J. S. Harner Has Contract to Wreck Old Frame Buildings Along Right of Way.

ASHLAND, Nov. 26.—The Southern Pacific is losing no time in building their branch line from Helms street to the Plaza section through the various properties they recently bought for about \$24,000. J. B. Eddy, right-of-way agent for the company, purchased an additional piece of property last week.

Assistant Engineer J. F. Meager arrived last Thursday and took charge of the work of construction and is rushing the work up to the point where the last lease on the purchased property expires, in order to be ready. The material is being unloaded in Ashland today. J. S. Harner has the contract to wreck the old frame buildings on the properties purchased by the company to make room for the track, turntable and other facilities necessary. The construction of the track, etc., will be followed by the erection of a commodious and attractive depot office and waiting room.

As soon as the branch line is completed the Southern Pacific will increase the number of its motor cars and make more frequent trips between Ashland and Grants Pass. The Southern Pacific is no doubt anticipating the early construction of a valley rapid transit railway system and proposes to get the traveling public accustomed to the handy and convenient system they are now arranging for the local travel.

PHOENIX, Ariz., Nov. 26.—After a man hunt lasting two days, the Plute buck who is alleged to have killed Dr. L. W. Gilbert, a California millionaire, is in custody today, according to a report received from Kingman.

Sheriff Gideon of Mojave county captured the fugitive in the desert 120 miles from the scene of the alleged murder. He will be taken to Kingman at once.



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RIVER AND HARBOR MEN TO DISCUSS NORTHWEST

WASHINGTON, Nov. 26.—The river and harbor committee of the house will assemble in Washington next Monday to begin framing the first annual river and harbor bill and expect to get the bill in shape for a report to the house on the second day of the approaching session. They will be guided solely by the recommendations of the army engineers and will attempt to limit the total appropriation carried by the bill to \$30,000,000.

The bulk of the appropriation to be made for the northwest will be for the Columbia, part for the channel from Portland to the sea and part for the Celilo canal.

Grays Harbor is the only purely Washington project that will receive a large appropriation. It is anticipated that the senate may make some additions to the bill, but it is the hope of the house committee that their measure substantially will be adopted.

NEW YORK, Nov. 26.—Richard T. Wilson, 79, head of the R. T. Wilson Banking company, died early today at his Fifth avenue residence here. Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt and Ogden Goelt, his daughters, were with him when the end came. Wilson is reputed to be worth \$20,000,000 and was a director in 20 railroad companies.

RECALLS MEETING WITH SCOTT

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 attracted my attention. It was "Portland Library Rooms."
 "Below this conspicuous heading there was some reading matter in small lettering which, had I taken the trouble to examine, would no doubt have played havoc with the

foundation of this sketch.

"Be that as it may, my aimless strolling came to an end then and there. In a jiffy I bolted up those stairs into the library room and was soon cozily seated poring over an interesting book and not caring a rap whether the downpour outside let up or not.

"I put in full time until noon and was back promptly at 1 o'clock. Next day ditto; but near the close of the day I noticed that the librarian passed near me several times looking rather inquisitively in my direction. Finally he came and sat down by me, asked my name, business, where from, where bound, etc. In few words I gave the desired information and he was intensely interested at once. "If you wish to enter a good school," he said, "you can do no better than go to the Pacific university at Forest Grove. I have recently graduated from that institution and can heartily recommend it." He generously offered to loan me an "armful of books" if I could make any use of them. He talked rapidly and very earnestly for some time, outlining the good points of that university and eloquently dilating upon the advantages to me, or any other young man, of a thorough course of study.

When the time came for closing the library and I was about to retire, he incidentally called my attention to the fact that of course I had not noticed that the library was not free to the public, that certain monthly dues were required, etc. This was an embarrassing revelation, and I hastened to apologize, but he cut me short, said he took in the situation exactly and almost commanded me to come to the library whenever I pleased and make myself at home; also to count on him as a friend that he would gladly assist me in any way he could.

Then he gave me his name—Har-

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vey W. Scott, adding that while acting as librarian he was putting in spare time reading law and doing some writing for the Oregonian.

"Needless to say, I took his advice and was soon enrolled as a pupil at Pacific university. During the school year that followed, whenever I had occasion to go to Portland, Mr. Scott would insist on my calling on him 'for a chat.' This I was

glad to do, for he was one of the most entertaining conversationalists I ever knew. He could make any subject interesting. While but little humor seemed to flow from his pen in private conversation he showed a keen appreciation of the ridiculous and was a master hand in bringing out the absurd, ludicrous or grotesque in any subject matter in hand. He was intensely in earnest and seldom hesitated, from motives of policy, in giving vigorous expression to his opinions. "For many years it was my good fortune to keep in close touch with this valuable friend. His letters to me were replete with cheering words and wholesome counsel. So it may be inferred that the writer will ever hold in grateful remembrance the name of Harvey W. Scott.