

# ASKS CALIFORNIA TO BUILD STATE RAIL HIGHWAY

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Jan. 17.—Thoroughly convinced that the people of California are paying transportation rates based upon watered stock, and that much as the state railroad commission wishes to do justice, it can never reach the root of the evil, Senator Caminetti is preparing to fight hard for the submission to the people of his constitutional amendment providing that the state build a state rail highway, open to companies or individuals, for the transportation of trains. In addition he calls the attention of congress to the transcontinental rail highway proposition.

"Once establish such a highway," said Caminetti today, "and it will automatically fix rates and automatically squeeze the water out of supertons of capitalization of the privately owned railroads. To get our great fruit crop to this water and thence through the Panama canal at the lowest possible rate is one of the most important things before us."

Caminetti's idea is that the state would have charge of the operation, and would make the regulations as to running of trains, putting all on an equal basis.

# BUD UP AGAINST TOUGH PROPOSITION

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 17.—Eddie Camp, of San Francisco, began preparation today for his scheduled 20-round battle with Kid Williams of Baltimore at Vernon. February 12. Camp will box with Bud Anderson and a couple of trial boys who will be engaged.

Down south they are very much impressed with the way Bud is working out at his training camp at Jack Boyle's and his sparring partners are finding it hard work to stand up to him.

**A Tough Customer**  
Bud Anderson was handed a pretty tough customer when he was offered Sammy Trott of Columbus, Ohio, as a trial horse for his lightweight ambitions. This Trott person is no slouch as a boxer and he has been in the game long enough to crush into the record book, which is something all aspiring young boxers seek.

He has been beaten three times, once on points by Battling Schultz and twice by knockouts by Jack White of Chicago, and "Knockout" Brown of New York. White stopped him in three rounds after the pair had fought a 20-round draw and Brown put him to sleep in eight rounds.

Our old friend Battling Nelson could do no better than get a draw with him in 15 rounds, when they met at Dayton, Ohio, last March. He also fought a 10-round draw with Rube Unholz in Cleveland last May.

**An Ohio Fighter**  
Sammy was born November 4, 1889, at Columbus, Ohio, and has done most of his fighting in that state. He is of German American descent and his height is 5 feet 3 1/2 inches. Anderson will have several inches on Trott in height, which ought to give him a decided advantage.

Trott will be making his first fight on the coast and the Los Angeles fans are as interested in his debut as they are in that of the highly touted Anderson. He is far more experienced, having had altogether 52 fights, some 20 of them being 10-round no decision affairs.

Daily Hint from Paris.



A girlish "tam" shape on new lines of black velvet, ribbon and bow of black velvet.

# TO REDUCE HIGH COST OF SELLING ORCHARD PRODUCTS

SPOKANE, Wn., Jan. 17.—A knockout blow for the high cost of living, at least so far as farm and orchard products of the Spokane country are concerned, is being dealt by a group of Spokane capitalists, who have combined to organize a half-million dollar concern to market directly the crops of the surrounding country.

Articles of incorporation of the Spokane District Fruit Distributors' association, as it will be known, give the organization power to handle for the growers all problems of marketing and storage, not only for apples, but all horticultural and agricultural products. Large cold storage facilities will be provided in Spokane to care for the products while awaiting shipment.

Organization is being perfected by forming smaller societies in the various sections of the surrounding country, all entering in the larger body in Spokane.

This year it is probable only apples will be marketed, the aim being to reduce the price to the consumer and to increase the returns of the grower—this by eliminating the profits of the middleman.

The new organization comes as a result of a well-defined movement to eliminate the middleman so far as farm products are concerned. The movement has been gathering headway for two years, and reached its climax at the recent Spokane National Apple show, when 1,000 growers of the four Pacific Northwest states agreed to join hands for this purpose.

# CLAIMED BUNCOED IN ORCHARD BUY

ROSEBURG, Jan. 17.—Alleging that he was hoodwinked as to climatic and soil conditions, quality and value of soil and earning opportunities, William F. Plaman, of McKenzie, N. D., has filed an action for \$4000 damages in the circuit court here against the Southern Oregon Orchards company, which in June, 1910 sold him 19 acres of Melrose orchards. Plaman recites that the land cost the company from \$7.50 to \$30 an acre, but that, under false representations, they induced him to enter into a purchasing agreement at \$150 an acre on which he paid \$500 down. To make this payment, he says, and to pay the expenses of himself and family in coming here, he mortgaged his \$2000 farm in North Dakota for \$1000, and he is about to lose this on a foreclosure.

Among the things which Plaman says the company told him was that the land at Melrose would yield in apple crops an average profit of \$791 an acre for seven consecutive years, that a railroad line was being built past the place, and that lands in the neighborhood were advancing in price as high as \$250 an acre. Upon personal investigation, he says, he found these assertions to be gross falsehoods and learned that "better" land in the same locality could be bought for not over \$25 an acre. C. S. Jackson is Plaman's attorney.

# WEST GIVES REPRIEVE TO WOMAN SLAYER

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 17.—Governor Oswald West granted last night a stay of execution in behalf of Robert Morgan, who was to have been hanged Friday next for killing Virgie Hart on the streets of Condon several weeks ago.

The governor stated that showing was made to him that new evidence had been discovered in the case. The slaying of Miss Hart occurred on the main street of the town in the early evening. Morgan, who had been an unfavored admirer of the young woman, without warning fired several shots while the girl was walking along the street. One shot took effect. Both Miss Hart and Morgan had recently come to Oregon from Kentucky.

# PORTLAND ELKS WOULD SEE HERD SECOND TIME

PORTLAND, Jan. 17.—A resolution adopted by the Portland Elks was today telegraphed to the trustees of the grand lodge in furtherance of a campaign inaugurated here to secure the 1913 national grand lodge convention in case the plan to hold it at Rochester, N. Y., is abandoned.

The success of the 1912 convention which was held in Portland, was so great that the Portland antlered herd are in hopes of being able to entertain their brethren in 1913 as well.

# CASTRO AND SECRETARY SKETCHED IN COURT.



Until it has been determined whether General Cipriano Castro shall be admitted to bail and permitted to come into the country pending the outcome of the investigation into his status by the Special Board of Inquiry, Judge George C. Holt, of the United States District Court, has reserved decision on the writ of habeas corpus in behalf of the "Storm Petrel" of South America obtained by George Gordon Battle. Meanwhile he must remain a government prisoner. It probably will be some time before disposition is made of the bail question.

# SCHWAB BUYS CHILI ORE LANDS

NE WYOMING, Jan. 17.—The purchase of extensive iron ore holdings in Chile, calling for the construction of a special fleet of steamers to transport the ore to this country for the plants of the purchasers, the Bethlehem Steel Company and allied concerns, is admitted by Charles M. Schwab, president of the Bethlehem company.

# MEDFORD NATIONAL SHOWS LARGE GAINS

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Medford National bank was held at its banking house Tuesday afternoon.

The attendance was good—about 80 per cent of the stock being represented. The most important item of business to be transacted was the election of a board of seven directors for the coming year. However, a report was read showing the condition of business in the institution.

The stockholders expressed a high degree of appreciation of the progress made in the past year. The report showed a gain of 28 per cent in deposits for the year. Net profits the highest in the history of the bank, for a like period. Better organization, better equipment, better forms in conducting accounts, and in the light of past experience, better promises for successful business.

The election was conducted by three stockholders, D. J. Mathes, E. N. Mann and J. F. Worzina, who had been previously chosen as judges of election.

The judges having canvassed the ballot, reported the re-election of the retiring directors by a unanimous vote of the stock represented. The directors elected are: William H. Gore, J. A. Perry, John S. Orth, F. E. Merrick, Wm. Colvig, J. M. Kennan and H. T. Pelton.

After the meeting adjourned, the directors immediately qualified, and organized, electing the following officers: William H. Gore, president; J. A. Perry, vice president; John S. Orth, cashier; W. B. Jackson, assistant cashier; D. J. Mathes, auditor. Discount and examining committees for the ensuing year were appointed, the loans for the past month were approved by the board, and the detail work of the past year closed. The business of the year that has begun will move forward under the same successful management that has directed its affairs for the year that is past.

# KING OF SWEDEN URGES EXHIBIT AT SAN FRANCISCO

STOCKHOLM, Jan. 17.—A large appropriation for Sweden's exhibit to the Panama Pacific exposition is urged today by the king in a message to the Rikstag.

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# MILLER DELAYS RELEASE ON BAIL

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 17.—A telegram from United States Attorney of Indianapolis to Acting United States Attorney Benjamin McKinley here, stating that Miller did not care to have the federal legal forces in San Francisco pass upon the qualifications of bonds men for Glad Tveinmo, is causing a flurry in labor circles here today. The message stated, however, that if Miller did not require information about these bondsmen, the United States attorney here would be consulted.

"This is the action of a man who has no idea of the oath of his office," declared former Mayor P. H. McCarthy, president of the Building Trades Union. "Miller sent this telegram to delay matters, and the men who are entitled to their liberty pending an appeal will have to remain in prison."

McCarthy has arranged for United States Commissioner Crull to examine the bondsmen not yet examined by the United States attorney's office.

# ASHLAND'S MAYOR BUYS JEWELRY BUSINESS

ASHLAND, Jan. 17.—Arthur Thompson has sold his jewelry business to Mayor O. H. Johnson of this city and John W. Johnson of Medford, who will conduct the business under the firm name of Johnson Bros. John W. Johnson owned the Ideal grocery in this city for a short time, selling to C. N. Mickie, and has quite a circle of acquaintances in Ashland who will be glad to see him return to this city. Mayor Johnson will remove his present stock of jewelry from Rose Bros.' store and consolidate it with the Thompson stock.

# WILL PREPARE SERUM FROM MEXICAN TURTLE

SEATTLE, Jan. 17.—Dr. Martin Damourette, of this city, who claims to have discovered a serum for the cure of tuberculosis similar to that announced by Dr. Friedman to today awaiting the arrival from Mexico of a turtle, for which he has wired. He announces that he will use this turtle in preparing serum and conduct tests, inviting all who care to come and see him cure a case of tuberculosis.

# Taft Visits New Haven

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—President Taft will leave here today for a visit to Philadelphia and New Haven.

# Tells Consumptives How He Got Well

Tuberculosis is said to be curable by simply living in the open air and taking an abundance of fresh eggs and milk. Undoubtedly, some persons are benefited in this way; but the appropriate remedy for Consumption is Eckman's Alternative.

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# RIPLEY OPPOSED TO PUBLIC CONTROL

SANTA BARBARA, Cal., Jan. 17.—President E. P. Ripley of the Santa Fe, who will appear next week before the state railroad commission in San Francisco is on record today as firmly opposed to government ownership of telegraphs and other public utilities.

"The postal deficit," he said, "is evidence sufficient that the government cannot conduct such enterprises without loss. It is an error to say that under government ownership better or cheaper telegraph service can be given. This was never true, and never will be. Any efficiency in the postal service is derived through the service performed by the railroads, for which they are very poorly paid."

# HOOD RIVER TO VOTE BONDS FOR IRRIGATION

HOOD RIVER, Wash., Jan. 17.—In the election held yesterday by the fruit growers of the east side for the purpose of voting on the matter of creating a bonded irrigation district and the election of directors resulted in favor of creating the district by an overwhelming majority.

There will be about 30,000 acres brought within the district and each acre to be supplied with about one inch of water to be taken from Hood river through what is now known as the Bone ditch. It will be purchased by the district.

This ditch is 18 miles in length and is capable of carrying about 2500 inches of water. The new bonded district will soon vote on the amount of bonds to be issued and it is expected that the money will be used in doubling the capacity of the present ditch.

Edward Hawks, Chris Dethman, J. A. Moore, E. A. Brown and J. E. Ferguson were elected directors and Truman Butler was elected treasurer.

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