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HILL LINE TO MEDFORD IS SUGGESTED

In Railroad Hearing at Portland, Vice-President of Oregon Trunk Declares Original Survey of Line May Be Carried Out—Conditions Invite Construction.

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 5.—(A. P.)—Two great railroad systems, the Great Northern-Northern Pacific group and the Southern Pacific are represented by their highest officials and a small army of experts for the hearing which opened here today on the petitions of these lines for permission to build extensions in central and southeastern Oregon and northern California.

The hearing is expected to develop testimony as to whether there is enough traffic in sight in the Klamath region to warrant approval by the interstate commerce commission both of these projects.

Big Men Present. Conspicuous in the courtroom were chief executives, attorneys, traffic managers, operating officials and locating engineers of the opposing railway systems, members of the Oregon public service commission and representative shippers of commodities and of community organizations in the region affected by the proposed rival railway extension program.

Only as interested observers are representatives of the Union Pacific system present, as the issue which concerns them was heard by the interstate commerce commission months ago. That issue as it concerned the Union Pacific was as to extension of the central Oregon line from Burns to Bend and from Bend to a connection with the Southern Pacific's Eugene-Klamath Falls cut-off.

Medford is Suggested. Judge C. H. Carey, vice-president of the Oregon Trunk, was the first witness.

He said that when the Oregon Trunk was built in 1910 the intention was to extend via Klamath Falls to Medford and the Rogue river country. Business conditions and a slump in the pine industry stopped the road at Bend, he said, although surveys had been made all the way and part of the right-of-way had been obtained.

Now, he declared, a revival of business, the greater importance of the Oregon pine industry in the light of a decreased southern supply, and a hopeful survey of the agricultural and grazing interests in the district, have combined to make Oregon Trunk officials renew their extension plans.

Many mill owners have said they will build sawmills if the rail line is established, he said, and the agricultural and grazing industries show equal signs of increase if rail extension is made.

Railroad Uncompleted. Ralph Budd, president of the Great Northern railroad, was a witness today. He was formerly chief engineer of the Spokane, Portland and Seattle and the Oregon trunk lines and made the surveys for the latter in 1908 and 1910.

"The Oregon Trunk as it stands is an uncompleted project," Budd stated. "The original plan was to extend the line to the Klamath basin."

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Earthquake Shock Felt at Pasadena, Also Nicaragua

PASADENA, Cal., Oct. 5.—(A. P.)—A slight earth tremor was felt here at 1:15 o'clock this morning.

SAN JUAN DEL SUR, Nicaragua, Oct. 5.—A heavy earthquake at about 10 o'clock last night was felt from Managua, the capital of Nicaragua, to Alajuela in Costa Rica, about 175 miles southeast of Managua. No damage has been reported.

COL. MITCHELL IS FAVORED AS LEGION LEADER

American Legion Delegates Strong for Stormy Petrel for National Commander—May Request Govt. Permission for Delay of Air Inquiry.

OMAHA, Neb., Oct. 5.—(A. P.)—Colorful scenes and an enthusiasm unabated by seven years of following peace time pursuits marked the formal opening here today of the seventh annual convention of the American Legion. An all-night celebration marked the welcoming of new arrivals on special trains from midnight to dawn. There was cheering following bands, and fire and drum corps and playing old army games.

Before the gavel of National Commander James A. Drain fell the vast city auditorium resounded with music and all the songs and mirth the great army of democracy built for themselves in American cantonments or found in France.

Mitchell is Favored. The question, what will the American Legion do about Colonel William Mitchell and his charges of inefficiency in the navy, is the liveliest topic of political conversation. Many friends of Colonel Mitchell today were predicting that he would be able to win the national command of the legion if he would come to the convention in person. Realizing this possibility, Frank Warner, of Norfolk, Neb., who also has been mentioned for the command, may introduce a resolution asking that Colonel Mitchell be allowed to attend the convention, despite the fact that the army department has asked his presence in Washington for the start of court martial proceedings. One Omaha newspaper stated Mitchell appears to be satisfactory to everyone of the various committees except that his election would "offend the national legion administration."

FEDERAL COURT TO OPEN TOMORROW

The annual term of the federal court for the southern Oregon district will convene in the postoffice building tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Federal Judge C. E. Wolvenstein presiding, and U. S. District Attorney George E. Neuner in charge of the government's cases. Federal officials connected with the court will arrive in the morning from Portland. The term of court is expected to last a month or five weeks.

Most of the criminal cases on the calendar are from southern Oregon, and include a postoffice embezzlement case from Lakeview, Ore., a stabbing and forgery case from the Klamath reservation involving Indians, two liquor cases, and a number of minor criminal cases from the reservation.

Indian witnesses and spectators began arriving Sunday for court, and a larger representation of redskins than usual is expected, as all recently received their government allotments.

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PRESIDENT EN ROUTE TO OMAHA

Special Train Carries Chief Executive to American Legion Convention in Nebraska Metropolis—No Speeches Made En Route—Legion Delegates Gathering.

CINCINNATI, Oct. 5.—The President Coolidge train arrived at Storr's Station on the outskirts of the city at 8:27 this morning and departed for St. Louis ten minutes later en route to Omaha.

The train did not come into Central Union station. The president and Mrs. Coolidge and the wife of Colonel James A. Drain, national commander of the American Legion, appeared for a moment on the rear platform of their car and posed, in silence, for newspaper pictures.

WITH PRESIDENT COOLIDGE'S TRAIN EN ROUTE TO OMAHA, NEB., CHILLICOTHE, Ohio, Oct. 5.—(A. P.)—A daylight trip through southern Ohio, Indiana and Illinois before President Coolidge today as his train traveled westward to Omaha, where tomorrow he will address the American Legion convention. His route was through a section of the country he has not visited since entering the White House.

Without incident, the special train which Mr. and Mrs. Coolidge boarded yesterday in Washington, forged its way during the night through the mountains of West Virginia, hauled by what Baltimore and Ohio railroad officials claim is the largest mountain type passenger locomotive in the world.

Before dawn it had crossed the Ohio river, making its way toward Cincinnati and St. Louis. Although faced with the certainty that crowds would greet the party at various points along the route the president was determined to confine himself to one speech on the trip, the preparatory address he will deliver to the war veterans at Omaha. He was willing to waive to the public, but unwilling to indulge in extemporaneous speech making.

The president's train is due in Omaha tomorrow. During a ten hour stay there he will address the legion convention, attend a luncheon that will be given in his honor and review an afternoon parade of legionnaires. He will be back in Washington Thursday.

MITCHELL REPORTS FOR DISCIPLINARY ACTION BY COURT

WASHINGTON, Oct. 5.—Colonel William Mitchell of the army air service reported today to his superior general's office of the war department where disciplinary proceedings against him are under consideration.

The case at this stage is in the hands of Colonel George A. Nugent of the inspector general's office and the purpose was to furnish the colonel with copies of proposed charges growing out of his San Antonio statements which precipitated the present aviation inquiry.

Before any charges are made against Colonel Mitchell he will be given an opportunity to make any reply he desires. Colonel Nugent's recommendations as to further proceedings will be made after he had considered the reply.

Any court martial would sit in Washington and indications are Major General Summerall, commanding the second corps area, New York would be president of the court. At least one air service officer senior to Colonel Mitchell is expected to be a member of the court and Colonel C. G. Hall, army observer on the navy airship Shenandoah at the time of the disaster to that craft, appears to be a likely selection.

The only other officers of the air service senior to Colonel Mitchell are Major General Mason M. Patrick, chief of the air service, and Brigadier General James Fehet, Colonel Mitchell's successor as assistant chief.

Toughest Town is Raided. SACRAMENTO—Sheriff James W. Monroe raided three gambling dens in Broderick, known as the "toughest town in America," and arrested ten Chinese.

TACOMA—Fatally shot when he stumbled and fell while hunting at Kanawin lake, Oliver Owen, 19, was carried 100 yards by his girl companion, Eva Whitley, 18, who then left him to seek aid and returned to find him dead.

Stage Takes Beauty From Smart Set



Mrs. Samuel Insull, wife of Chicago public utilities millionaire, has withdrawn from society to pursue fame upon the professional stage, to which, as an amateur, she has long aspired.

DE YOE GOES TO SALEM, MR. TEMPLE COMES TO MEDFORD

EUGENE, Oct. 5.—Assignments of pastors in the Oregon conference announced yesterday included: Southern district—S. J. Chaney, district superintendent, Eugene, Ore.; Eugene, J. F. Haas; Medford, T. H. Temple; Roseburg, Joseph Knotts.

Eastern district—Albert S. Hisey, superintendent; Bend, Frank James; Fort Klamath, to be supplied; Klamath Falls, T. D. Yarnes; Klamath Indian mission, Dean C. Polindexter; Pendleton, M. T. Wire from Astoria.

Salem district—H. D. Leech, superintendent; Salem, First church, Fred C. Taylor; Leaside, J. W. De Yoe from Medford; West Salem, J. E. Cancell.

Daily Report on the Crime Wave

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 5.—(A. P.)—Three men were shot and killed in a pistol fight at a road house near upper Creve Coeur lake, near here early today. James Quinn, one of the proprietors, said he killed the three men single handed. The dead are: Vincent Geddle, Don Jean Hoffman and James Tully, all alleged gangsters.

Quinn, who was unhurt, told authorities the shooting resulted from an attempted holdup.

Wall Street Report

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—(A. P.)—Conflicting price movements characterized today's stock market. Rectification of the deficit in reserve shown in last Saturday's clearing house statement through the calling of loans on stock collateral was affected in the heavy liquidation of a broad variety of industrial issues, a number of which fell back three to six points.

American Smelting, American International corporation and Fairbanks Morse also developed special strength, but weakness cropped out in a number of the motors, foods and other standard industrials. The closing was irregular. The confusion in price movements persisted up to the market's close. Many issues sold at the lowest levels of the day in the final hour, while others, including Coca Cola, North American and United States Rubber reached new top prices for the year.

Declines in General Electric, Mack Truck, Chrysler and Atlantic coast line ranged from 4 to 6 1/2 points. Sales approximated two million shares.

Murder Trial Starts. TOLLAS, Ore., Oct. 5.—The trial of W. R. Lloyd, charged with first degree murder in connection with the death of Clint L. Bun, Independence for-hire car driver September 1, opened before Circuit Judge Ramsey today. It is anticipated that it will take some time Tuesday to select the jury and most of Wednesday to present the case.

MAN WHO KILLED KELSO EDITOR IS KNOWN TO POLICE

KELSO, Wash., Oct. 5.—One man under arrest and a statement by Luke S. May, criminologist, that the slayer of Thomas Doversy is known to officers are developments in the mystery that has shrouded the death of the Kelso editor who was shot down on the street here July 19. May and Sheriff Clark Studebaker of Cowlitz county, went to Oregon and arrested a man known as W. L. Thompson, alias William Reese, who was working in a railroad camp about 70 miles from Eugene.

In regard to Thompson, May said, "what he will be charged with, or whether he will be charged at all will be determined in the next two or three days."

May declared that he would be able to place complete information in the prosecutor's hands within three days. He stated: "We know positively who killed Thomas Doversy," adding that the individual is not anyone that has been mentioned in connection with the case to date. He said the parties involved are not residents of Kelso and never were actual residents.

May said that the gun used by the slayer had been positively identified by its owner.

May and Sheriff Studebaker were busy today completing details in the investigation. They were non-committal today, but intimated that further statements might soon be forthcoming.

R. G. Sharpe, special prosecutor appointed by Attorney General Dumbay at the instance of Governor Hartley arrived in Kelso from his home in Olympia last night. Sharpe made this statement today: "I have given a Ruric Todd, who filed charges against George Norris filled Tuesday noon to file any further information that would warrant holding Mr. Norris on the charge of conspiracy in connection with the death of Doversy."

"A statement on this phase of the case will be forthcoming Tuesday."

Thompson is held in the jail here incommunicado. His exact connection with the case has not been made known by the officers.

53 LIVES LOST ON TORPEDO BOAT. HELSINGFORS, Finland, Oct. 5.—(A. P.)—Three officers and 50 men were drowned when the Finnish torpedo boat SD2 went down yesterday in a violent storm during the naval maneuvers. A dispatch through Copenhagen and London last night said a Finnish gunboat, name not given, had foundered in the Gulf of Bothnia.

Three other vessels have taken refuge off the Swedish and Finnish coasts.

Bobbed Hair Girl Baseball Players Tackle Coast Team

SEATTLE, Oct. 5.—The Philadelphia Bobbies, a team of girl athletes on their way to tour the Far East were to play the Seattle baseball club of the Pacific Coast league here today. Edith Houghton, reputed the youngest paid shortstop in baseball, was in the Bobbies' lineup.

ADMIRAL'S SON HELD ON CHARGE RUM RUNNING

Captain Henry W. Lyon Taken From Yacht After Chase Off Golden Gate—Declares He Was Running Load for San Francisco Party.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 5.—(A. P.)—The San Francisco Examiner today identifies Captain Henry W. Lyon, who was yesterday taken from the yacht Lady Lou by prohibition officials after a chase by a coast guard vessel, as a former student of the naval academy at Annapolis and the son of a retired rear admiral of the United States navy.

Captain Lyon claimed he was running a load of liquor from Monterey to San Francisco "for a party" when shots from the coast guard chased him at midnight twenty miles south of San Francisco harbor, federal officials said.

The Examiner says that Captain Lyon was a familiar figure on the San Francisco waterfront and that he has in times past, at least, had the entire in society.

Continuing, the Examiner says that he is the son and grandson of admirals of the United States navy and sacrificed his own naval career thru an escapade at Annapolis a week before his graduation day. After that he was graduated from Columbia university, New York City.

Since that time, the Examiner story continues, his life has been one of seafaring adventure. At one time he acted as skipper of private yachts and held commands on passenger liners. His last command of importance, according to waterfront recollection, was the shipping board steamship Huxton.

BIG TIMBER SALE IN UMATILLA U. S. FOREST

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 5.—Sale of 22,000,000 feet of yellow pine 250, 000 feet of lodgepole pine and an unestimated amount of other species of timber in the Umatilla national forest was awarded this morning by the forest service to the Mount Emily Lumber company of LaGrande. The price paid was \$2.75 a thousand for yellow and lodgepole pine and fifty cents for other species. The timber is located on Five Point creek.

Death Toll of the Automobile

EUGENE, Ore., Oct. 5.—Struck by an automobile on the Pacific highway in front of the Santa Clara school, a few miles north of here, D. W. Wing, 65, janitor of the school, was almost instantly killed this morning. E. L. Constock of Mouth was driving the car.

According to the story told officers, Wing was talking with another man and when he turned to leave he walked across the highway. He apparently became confused at the approach of the car, and the accident resulted.

Wing is survived by one daughter, Mrs. O. E. Arndt, of Seapoo, Ore., and a son, Fred Wing, of Kent, Wash.

Salem, Ore., Oct. 5.—Tom Murray, 22 year old desperado serving a 20-

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TRIAL OPENS; STATE ASKS FOR DEATH

Tom Murray Shows No Interest in Proceedings As Work of Securing Jury Is Started—Heavily Guarded, But Not Manacled—New Venire Is Ordered.

SALEM, Ore., Oct. 5.—The trial of Tom Murray, leader of the convict trio who shot their way out of the Oregon penitentiary on the evening of August 12, opened in the circuit court here before Judge Percy R. Kelly this morning with District Attorney John Carson asking the death penalty for the murder of John Sweeney, one of the two guards killed in the break.

Up to the noon recess of the court seven jurors had been tentatively passed by both the defense and prosecution and one had been excused upon challenge of the defense.

There were indications, however, that not more than two, possibly three, of the seven would pass final muster and be accepted.

Those who had been passed were: Mrs. Earl Allen of West Silverton; Mrs. Emma R. Condit of Aumaville; Theodore Minden of East Stayton; Mrs. Nellie G. Baldwin of Salem Heights; A. N. Moore of Salem; Homer P. Cleveland of Liberty; Mrs. Emil C. Rowe of Silverton.

Charles L. Parmentier of Salem was excused when he said he had served upon a jury within the statutory limitation of one year.

After the excuse from jury duty had been granted there remained at noon only fifteen names on the venire and the court had ordered the drawing of an additional venire of fifty names. The attorneys anticipated that it would be late tomorrow before a jury could be selected.

Murray came into court shortly before ten o'clock accompanied by Deputy Warden Litley. He was not manacled and wore civilian clothes. He immediately took the place assigned to him beside the chair of his attorney and scarcely moved throughout the morning session, showing no emotion and little interest in what was going on. Except for an occasional flicker of a smile his expression never changed. Just before the noon recess a newspaper photographer took a flashlight picture of the courtroom and Murray sat erect and looked squarely at the camera.

When the noon recess was called Murray rose and filed out between Litley and a guard from the prison through the judge's chamber and out the rear entrance to the court house. He was taken back to the prison for lunch and returned for the re-convening of the court at 1:30.

The only touch of the dramatic in connection with the morning session came with adjournment when Murray's mother, who had been seated in the front row outside the rail, broke into tears. She and Murray's father came in during the middle of the morning, and took seats in full view of the jury box.

Off on the far end of the first row of seats outside the railing sat Mrs. Sweeney, widow of the murdered guard. She showed no emotion and few in the court room were aware of her presence.

Every seat in the court room was filled and probably a hundred or more other people waited in the halls for an opportunity to get in.

Only one tilt occurred during the morning session, when the district attorney entered objection to the questions being directed at the prospective jurors by the defense. Mr. Carson objected to the query of Mr. King as to the juror's willingness to vote for a recommendation of life imprisonment as against the death penalty.

The court ruled that it was proper for the defense to question the prospective juror as to discretion but held that it was not allowable to question the manner in which this discretion was to be exercised.

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KLAMATH C. OF C. MEMBERS VOTE AGAINST SUPPORT OF SOUTHERN PACIFIC

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Oct. 5.—Population of the Klamath county chamber of commerce directors in their resolution favoring the Southern Pacific program was taken by the membership of the organization Saturday night when by a vote of 74 to 49 the resolution was defeated. The resolution sought to place the chamber of commerce on record as favoring the ideas of the lumbermen and farmers. The lumbermen were known to be favorable to the Southern Pacific and against the entry of the Oregon Trunk, while the Southern Pacific, in a statement over the signature of President William Sprague of the Southern Pacific, approved the resolution as an endorsement of the Southern Pacific program.

In view of the action of the members of the chamber of commerce it is not believed any further action on the railroad question will be taken.