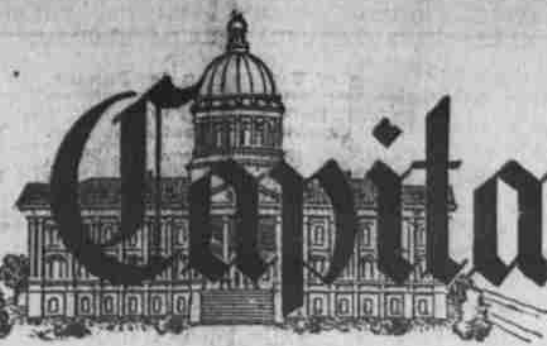


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TAKING SOUNDINGS OF THE RIVER FOR BIG \$200,000 STEEL BRIDGE

OREGON ELECTRIC AT WORK STREET PAVING BEGUN AND BUILDING RECORDS BROKEN

Engineer Wickersham Looking Over Streets Granted by Franchise for the Electric---Paving Companies Ready to Begin Work---Residences Springing Up Like Toadstoops---Business Blocks Planned and Colonists by the Hundreds Coming This Way Makes Salem the Liveliest Little City on the Coast.

With Engineer Wickersham, of the Oregon Electric, in the city making preliminary preparations for the laying of the tracks of the road on the streets where franchises have been granted the company and for the erection of bridges and buildings which will be necessary to accompany the expansion of the road; with a crew of men sounding the Willamette river preparatory to the commencement of the construction of a huge steel drawbridge across it by the Salem, Falls City & Western Railroad company; with handsome homes going up everywhere in the residence district and business structures being erected in the business section, and two contracts already awarded by the council for street improvement work, and dozens of others to be awarded as soon as the street committee can get action it is certain now that the city, in building, street improvement work, and railroad work will this year surpass all others, and that it is destined to be known as the most enterprising, progressive and prosperous year in its history.

Railroad People Busy.
Engineer Wickersham today spent the day conferring with the attorneys of the company--McNary & McNary--relative to the plans of the company with relation to laying the tracks on the city's streets and the construction of the necessary bridges and warehouses and depot. When questioned with relation to his plans he stated that he had nothing to announce to the public, but that his mission here was to look over the streets on which franchises had been granted, and to make preliminary

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THE BILL CURED HIM AT SIGHT

BED-FAST, HELPLESS, ALMOST SPEECHLESS, THE MENTION OF THE \$9 BILL GALVANIZES PATIENT INTO LIFE AND ACTION.

Yesterday afternoon a workman named Van Black fell off a barn on North High street, dropping some nine feet before he concluded to stop, and doing it so quickly that he did not have time to arrange for an easy landing, and so he met the earth, which according to the laws of gravitation, came towards him as he fell, a distance in exact proportion to the relative weights of his body and the earth, and so it was practically a head-end collision. This story was duly chronicled in the Capital Journal yesterday afternoon, our wide-awake reporter getting the item just before Van Black lit.

A cursory examination failed to show any broken bones, but as the man seemed badly hurt he was ambulance to the Willamette sanatorium for treatment. He passed a rather restless night and this morning seemed to be about all in. He was unable to turn over in the bed, and could only dig up a whisper to answer the soft voiced nurse who

was giving her gentle ministrations to him. He seemed so nearly gone in fact, that the nurse was puckering her marble brow, and bringing her big blue eyes as nearly to a squint as such pretty orbs could be brought, in an effort to decide whether to call the doctor or coroner.

The patient, however, managed to gaspingly inquire as to the amount of his bill. When the nurse told him \$9, Van Black received the shock of his life, running up in the kilowatts, so to speak, until the kilowatt "busted." It was like applying a live wire to the spinal cord of a frog. Van Black forgot his fall, the barn, his aches, his lost voice, everything except a sort of moving mental picture show that looked like this: \$9 \$9 \$9--and so on with no blessed curtain to drop and shut it out.

He sprang out of bed, and somehow managed to get his pants and a coat. He borrowed a pair of socks from another patient--came down town and bought a pair of shoes, found a discarded hat in the Woodmen's hall, and then hunted up Day Officer Burkhardt and told him the gruesome tale. Burkhardt, went with him to the sanatorium, where the officials gladly gave him the balance of his clothes. They didn't want them and the nurses didn't wear that kind, not being married, and so Van Black is again all right, clothed and in his right mind," but it will be some time before he falls off another barn, or gets on one, for as he says: "They come too high."

The nurse says that for quick and successful action that \$9 bill has all the patents or prescriptions beaten to a frazzle, for it was the most sudden and complete cure, a snatch from the jaws of death as it were, that was ever accomplished in all the histories of all the sanatoriums that ever sanitated.

New Diamond Fields.

Vancouver, B. C., March 16.--Diamonds have been discovered in British Columbia by the geological survey, according to an announcement of the director of the survey just made. This is the first recorded discovery of diamonds in Canada. The gems, it is announced, are very small, most of them being not much larger than a pin head. Indications are that the discovery is of little commercial value.

The specimens were obtained on Oiving mountain, near the Tallanoe river. The diamonds were found in a rock known as danite, and is a combination of chlorite and olivine.

GOVERNMENT IS HOLDING ALL THE CARS

WILL INCREASE NUMBER OF TROOPS ON THE BORDER TO 20,000 -- FIRST "MANEUVERING" BEGAN TODAY, AND AIRSHIPS WERE TRIED OUT.

San Antonio, Tex., March 16.--Although 14,000 troops have arrived here and are in camp, the government still holds every car that was used to transport them and their equipment.

Quantities of ammunition arriving are left on the cars in the yards. Tourist sleepers, day coaches, 400 gondola cars, stock cars and locomotives also are being held here, but railway officials will not answer whether the government is paying the demurrage.

The \$14,000 troops are being recruited to a strength of 20,000. The first "maneuvers" took place today when several regiments were ordered to conceal themselves in the country nearby, while Lieutenant and Aviator Parmelee were ordered to scout duty and instructed to find the concealed forces and report their numbers, location, equipment, position of guns and the most vulnerable point of attack. It is intended that the aerial scouts shall be given the most severe tests.

COLONISTS INVADING THE WEST

TWENTY-FIVE HUNDRED REACH PORTLAND TODAY, AND RAILROAD OFFICIALS SAY THEY WILL LAND 3000 A DAY IN OREGON FOR SOME TIME.

Portland, Or., March 16.--An unprecedented number of colonists are pouring into Portland and the Northwest daily from practically every state east of the Rockies. It was estimated today that fully 2500 homeseekers reached Portland yesterday and last night, and railroad officials say that more than 2500 are due to arrive before midnight tonight.

The rush to the Northwest is due to an extensive advertising campaign by various Northwest cities. Railroad men assert that they expect to carry 3000 colonists daily within a week.

While there are few coming west with a view of returning to the east, the great majority are in the west looking for homes in Oregon, Washington and Idaho.

Cold Wave in the East.

Washington, March 16.--Extending from Cape Hatteras to Eastport, Maine, a cold wave holds sway over the Atlantic coast today. The weather is moderating, however. The wave traveled eastward from the Great Lakes, where zero weather obtained in many places yesterday.

According to reports today cold weather still grips the northern lakes district. At Winnipeg it was reported to be five below zero this morning, while at Virginia, Minn., the mercury dropped to three below. At St. Paul a cold wind was blowing and the temperature dropped to zero. The cold wave followed a period of comparatively warm weather.

IS ALMOST LIKE WAR IN KENTUCKY

Entire Population of Kings Mountain Section Is Armed and Will Prevent the Passage of All Trains.

A STRIKEBREAKER KILLED

City of Somerset in Darkness, as Plant Is Controlled by Railroad and Has No One to Operate It--Traffic Is at a Standstill and the Loss to Date Is Estimated at a Million -- 500 Armed Deputies Ordered out by Sheriff.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Somerset, Ky., March 16.--Armed strikers and mountaineers attacked a Queen & Crescent railway engine in the mountain district near here today and fatally wounded Fireman Powers, a white strikebreaker. The engine guard is missing and it is believed he also was slain. Powers declared that the guard refused to fire upon the strikers.

The entire male population of Kings Mountain is armed, and preparing to prevent the passage of trains through a tunnel here.

Somerset was dark last night, owing to insufficient power to operate the railroad-controlled light plant. The factories at Burnside were thereby closed. Traffic between here and Oakdale, Tenn., is at a standstill, and many towns are facing a food famine. The loss to the Queen & Crescent so far is estimated at more than \$1,000,000.

Governor Willson today ordered the sheriff of Pulaski county to swear in 500 deputies and arm them, to protect property.

THE HYPNOTIC EYE OF WALTER'S DID IT

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] San Jose, Cal., March 16.--Walter Sargent, a wealthy rancher, owes his life today to the power of the human eye. Late yesterday, near Gilroy, he was confronted by a mountain lion. As it crouched for a spring, he fixed his eye on the beast. The lion stood like a statue for a few seconds, then trotted away.

McCLALLAN IS HELD TO THE GRAND JURY

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Roseburg, March 16.--Roy McClallan, who shot and killed B. A. Mahan, was given a preliminary examination in the justice court today and was bound over to the grand jury under \$7500 bail, which he furnished.

MRS. MELBER GUILTY IN SECOND DEGREE

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Albany, N. Y., March 16.--The jury this afternoon returned a verdict of murder in the second degree against Mrs. Edith Melber for having administered poison to her little son.

INSURGENTS BLOW UP BARRACKS CITY OF JUAREZ THROWN IN PANIC

FIGHTING REPORTED TODAY YAQUIS JOIN INSURGENTS LIMANTOUR IS CALLED HOME

Rebels Slip Into Jaurez During the Night, Explode Dynamite Under Federal Barracks and Escape--Other Bombs Found in the City Causes "Extreme Nervousness" and Only Heavy Guards Placed at the International Bridge Prevented the Populace Fleeing to the Amerioan Side.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] El Paso, Tex., March 16.--A battle between Mexican federals and General Blanco's insurrecto force near Douglas, Ariz., was reported in progress, according to advices received here today. Passengers from Sonora report that a large body of Indians, well armed and mounted, are hurrying from the Yaqui country to join the insurgents.

General Navarro and Colonel Tamporel announced today that no one was killed in the blowing up of the federal barracks at Jaurez last night by the insurgents. It was reported that 12 federals had been injured. A portion of the barracks was demolished.

Jaurez has not yet recovered from its panicky feeling of last night. The suddenness of the explosion, and the ease with which the insurrectos entered the city jarred the inhabitants. The rebels entered the town by way of the railroad before 9 o'clock. After the explosion all escaped except two. Those two were wounded and captured.

Navarro posted heavy guards at the international bridge to prevent

panic-stricken citizens from leaving the town. The nervousness of the populace was not assuaged by the news today that several bombs were found at different places in the officers' quarters. This would indicate that the persons responsible for the dynamiting are still in Jaurez.

Navarro detailed a special guard to search the town, and ordered them to summarily shoot any person caught with bombs in their possession. The rebel junta here announced that a general uprising in the interior of Mexico would take place early next week, and that simultaneously the organized insurgent forces would attack the border towns.

May Have Big Fight.
Mexico, Mex., March 16.--The significance of the departure of General Berthold and Leyva yesterday with the major portion of the Mexican garrison was apparent today when couriers returning from the Cocopah mountains reported that the rebel band was well on its way to

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THE GRIST NOW PROVIDED FOR THE GRAND JURY MILL

Seventeen criminal cases will be presented to the grand jury for its consideration when it convenes on the afternoon of March 27. Deputy District Attorney Winslow, who is in charge of this work for the district attorney's office, today issued subpoenas for the witnesses needed, and everything is now in readiness for the jury's investigations.

The cases to come before the jury, and which have been bound over to it are as follows:

State vs. Roy Williamson and Charles Rapp, charged with rape.
State vs. John Webb, charged with assault with a deadly weapon.
State vs. A. Danderle, charged with assault with a dangerous weapon.
State vs. H. Overman, charged with obtaining goods under false pretense.
State vs. Isom, charged with larceny.
State vs. Fred Betchen and Josephine Rule, charged with adultery.
State vs. Chas. Lewis, charged with false pretenses.
State vs. Willis McIntyre, charged with larceny from building.
Besides there are five other cases which have not been bound over and which will be presented direct to the jury for action.

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