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BLACK PARTY COGITATES ON LOCAL LADDIES

EXCURSION IS OFF IN FINE STYLE AND ALL IS WELL

TWENTY-FIVE GET UNDER WAY FOR SOUTHERN OREGON

Portland Reached in Safety—Negro Porters Soliloquize on Characters of Men Comprising Party—Sleep Not Meant for Them Last Saturday Evening.

OPEN AMS AWAIT.

Salem, Jan. 15.—(Special)—The capital city received the La Grande delegation with open today. The Commercial club with Col. Hofer in command, tendered a banquet at the Marion hotel where Governor West was present with his glad hand and welcomed the La Grander to Salem in a warm speech. La Grande people responded warmly and the peace pipe was puffed with vigor. The junketers go to Corvallis this afternoon.

On board La Grande Special to Southern Oregon, Sunday, Jan. 14.—"On our way; on our way; don't know just where we're going, but we're on our way."

Thus sang the La Grande business men, who, 25 strong, are today spinning along the "frozen zone" of the O.-W. R. & N. system on their way to Southern Oregon—the country whose commercial clubs claim that roses bloom where snow flies in Eastern Oregon.

Tourists Gather Early.
The personnel of the party gathered one by one in the La Grande yards Saturday evening and quietly retired in their respective berths to procure a few slumbers. The slumber stunt was in a measure a joke, for just as quiet reigned and those in the car became

DARING THIEF NABBED IN ACT

SAWED THROUGH HAISTEN ROOF SUNDAY.

Had Abnormal Greed or Else Would Have Gotten Away Safely.

Caught red handed in the act, Joe Redcubough, of Ogden, Iowa, yesterday came near making good a bold daylight robbery. But for the fact that his presence in the F. D. Halsten furniture store was discovered by passersby, who communicated the suspicious circumstances to Chief of Police McLachlen, he would likely have gotten away with rich loot and his arrest is due entirely to his greed.

Entrance to the store was gained from the roof. The thief reached the Halsten structure by climbing up the White grocery building and by sawing through the boards was able to let himself down to the main floor and there he proceeded to load up with valuables. Taking an \$18.00 suit case he filled it with knives, revolvers, shells and other articles and carried one consignment to a box car nearby. Not content with a haul valued at considerably more than \$100 he returned for a second load, and got some high grade rifles. But his second venture proved his undoing. His suspicious action was communicated to the chief and the arrest followed immediately afterwards for the goods were recovered from whence the greedy one had placed them. This was about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon and is unquestionably the most brazen attempt at house breaking during daylight that has been attempted here for many moons. He is in jail now awaiting disposal of his case, and he gives his name as Redcubough, of Ogden, Iowa.

settled. E. Polack arrived at the car and found Fred Dutli in his berth. Almost a war in Deutschland, but it was averted by the ebony brother from South Carolina who was arbiter and adjutor and Polack and Dutli were put in their little beds, both happy and content.

But Jim Corbett and Dick Buckley forgot to issue orders to Jack Watson's department to have mufflers put on all engine exhausts and also forgot to admonish the switch engine to whisper instead of scream in reverence to the sleeping La Grande delegation.

It was midnight, an hour which even Night Officer Walden calls "a quiet time." Apparently there was going to be a period of quiet rest.

But, hark, ye from upper ten. It was Fred Gaskill's voice and he said, "Bill Church, you are the blankety blankest man to sneez in your sleep I ever knew."

When the ebony brother hastily assured Fred that the noise he heard was caused coupling the air hose, all once more became quiet.

At 1 o'clock a. m. every passenger was in bed. No. 5 arrived 15 minutes later. Agent Keeney saw the special car was properly attached to the train and with a farewell puff from Jack O'Neill's cigarette, we were off for the land where snowballs are a rarity, where the booster boasts, the politician pollocks around and the rain falls.

The Porter Acts as Reporter.

It happened that dark-skinned Charley, previously referred to as the "ebony brother" had an extraordinary instinct. He agreed to keep strict vigil over the overcoats, umbrellas and grips containing bottles and at the same time wrote down what each man said in his sleep. Here is his report: Lower No. 1.—"The man slept fairly well, seemed restless at times; frequently mentioned something about appendix and then with a slight moan would tell about doctors having to have a little fun once in a while."

Dr. Molitor occupied lower one. Lower No. 2.—"The man slept lightly. He occasionally talked of some supreme court calling them 'folks' and then sort of legalized about matters generally."

C. E. Cochran was in lower two. Lower No. 3.—"This gentleman was very nervous. He often remarked about taking some trip and he really swore in cuss words, kind of nice about it, but Mister, he swore and I'll stake my life on it."

John Collier was occupant of lower three.

Lower 4.—"The man in four kept insisting that he was going to be a nice boy the whole trip. He would worry for a little while and then sink into sleep, still assuring everyone that there was no use, he would not even drink mineral water."

The chart shows B. M. Sherwood in lower four and the chart never lies.

Lower 5.—"That man in lower five had something heavy on his mind. He talked incessantly and told about moving pianos and mentioned the furnace and packing of household goods."

Fred Meyers occupied lower five.

Lower 6.—"That man is about to be rich quick. He had a deal of some kind on last night and he talked about deeds and escrows insisting that once

JOSEPH A. TAGGART.

New Representative From
Second Kansas District.



TROOPS RIDE DOWN MEN AT LAWRENCE

MILITIA BAYONETTES STRIKERS TO ESTAB- LISH ORDER

POLICE SWEEP ASIDE BY ANGRY MILL WORKERS THERE

More Troops Ordered to Scene by a Special Train to Restore Order—Men Women and Children Hurt in Charges Against Strikers by Government Soldiers This Morning.

Lawrence, Mass., Jan. 15.—Over 100 police were swept aside today by 3,000 strikers who stormed the factory, demolished fences, windows. Two companies of militia and a local battery with ball and cartridges were sent double quick to the Pacific mills where the strike is on. The militia charged the rioters with bayonets. Fifty men, women and children were injured in the charge. The strikers fled.

No serious violence is yet reported from the factory towns, Lowell, Lynn, and Haverhill, where other thousands are striking against the wage cut resulting from the operation of the state mandatory 54 hour week law.

More than 100 foreigners were arrested after the riot. Most of them carried revolvers and knives.

More Troops Sent.

Boston, Jan. 15.—Five more companies of militia have been ordered to Lawrence today by Governor Foss. They left on a special train.

The escrow was up he would feel better."

George Currey was in lower six.

Lower 7.—"The man in lower seven was a little worried about some stockholders' meeting. But honestly I think that man has the clearest conscience of the bunch."

This was F. J. Holmes' berth.

Lower 8.—"In lower eight that man was running for some office. He said he had a fellow named Jerry skinned a Salt Lake block."

George Cochran was in lower eight.

Lower 9.—"You had a very sound sleeper in lower nine. He was awake only once and then he said something about socialism being a dead issue."

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GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP OF TELEGRAPH LINES PROBABLE

Washington, D. C., Jan. 15.—That government control of telegraph lines and government ownership of them—perhaps—is a Taft policy was made clear this afternoon following a conference between Postmaster General Hitchcock and President Taft. The statement that Taft and the white house are in harmony was given out after Hitchcock had called on the president.

Constitution was caused at the white house by Postmaster General Hitchcock's announcement this morning that he would soon recommend government ownership of telegraph lines, to be operated as a part of the postal system.

Hitchcock was summoned to the white house, and it was understood that Taft was vexed at the announcement. The white house will not discuss the government ownership plan and early in the day it was made plain that Hitchcock merely expressed his own opinion and not that of the administration's. That Taft later voiced his approval is deemed certain.

FEDERAL EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY ACT HELD VALID BY TRIBUNAL

Washington, D. C., Jan. 15.—The United States supreme court today declared that the employers' liability law passed in 1908 was constitutional. The opinion was delivered by Justice Vandevanter.

Vandevanter's opinion says in part: "It rested with congress to say whether the law operating in all states is better than the laws in several. It is true the liability is imposed only on interstate carriers, but it does not follow that preference 'in violation of the constitution.'"

J. MITCHELL AFFAIRS STIR MINERS MEET

ANNUAL CONVENTION CALLED FOR TOMOR- ROW MORNING

PROPOSED STRIKE SUB- JECT OF MUCH DEBATE

Option Put to John Mitchell—Key to Withdrawn or reacted Upon, Following Counter Charges Preferred by Mitchell—Election of Officers Not Most Important.

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 15.—The advance guard of the delegates to attend the annual convention of the convention of the United Mine Workers of America which will meet here tomorrow, has reached here. The convention promises to be one of the most important as well as the largest gathering in the history of the organization. It will be attended by delegates representing the tens of thousands of miners who labor in the immense bituminous fields, which stretch from West Virginia to Pennsylvania and to the Northwest to British Columbia as well as to the Southwest as far as Oklahoma. The anthracite miners agreement will expire this year as well as that of the bituminous workers.

It is altogether probable that the convention will continue in session for the next two weeks. The matter of a new wage agreement will be thoroughly discussed, though final action in the matter, will, as usual be left to the committee which will meet in a joint conference with the operators early next month.

In addition to the ordinary routine business the convention will have many matters of importance to consider. It is generally conceded that the report of the tellers of the recent national election for officers will show the reelection of John P. White, of Iowa, as president over Tom L. Lewis, his opponent. Edwin Perry, the secretary treasurer, had no rival for the office.

One of the questions being discussed by the delegates who are already on the ground is whether the convention will rescind the resolution that

placed before John Mitchell the alternative of giving up his union card or resigning from the National Civic Federation. Mr. Mitchell, it will be recalled recently made charges that the last miner's convention was packed and to that fact was due the adoption of the resolution.

The question of renewing the agreement with the operators, however, will overshadow all other matters before the convention. The present agreement will expire March 31 next. No attempt is made to conceal the fact that a general strike of both the bituminous and anthracite miners is among the possibilities. The situation in the anthracite fields is the more alarming as a strike of the hard coal miners is always a more serious in its consequences than a mere suspension of operation by the bituminous workers. The district organizations in the separate fields have held their separate conventions. These gatherings have adopted a resolution demanding a 20 per cent increase in wages, a decrease of about 11 per cent in working hours without a corresponding decrease in pay, payment by weight exclusively and other concessions.

The operators have not given any official notice of their intentions but it is well known that they have no intention of granting these demands. While the mine workers argue that the increased cost of living has made necessary the increased cost of living has made necessary an increase wage increase, the operators hold that the sliding scale created by the Strike commission has given the miners the advantage of every advance in the price of coal, and that no flat advance in wages is possible under the present conditions.

The Conciliation Board also promises to be a bone of contention also. This is composed of three representatives of the mine workers and three representatives of the operators. It was created by the Strike Commission to settle differences as they arise from time to time. The miners declare that the method of work of the Board is very cumbersome and unpracticable.

ANOTHER RICHESON AFFAIR

Aged Pastor Accused of Deed Similar to Richeson Horror.

Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 15.—A case almost paralleling the Richeson affair developed here today when a warrant was issued for the arrest of Reverend W. F. McFarland, aged 60, pastor of the United Presbyterian mission, at Greenville, Tenn. The coroner's jury recommended that he be held pending an investigation into the death of Mrs. Elsie Coe, aged 28, his private secretary. The police say the minister performed two criminal operations on her here at her home, and they are searching a dozen cities for the minister, who is married and has children.

I. O. O. F. New Officers Coming

All Odd Fellows are requested to be present at lodge, Saturday evening, Jan. 20th, at 7:30 sharp to join in welcome to grand officers. Reception and banquet following session. By order of La Grande Lodge No. 16, I. O. O. F. W. A. Worstell, Secretary.

GEORGE TURNER.

Recently Appointed to Inter-
national Joint Commission.



GIRL HEIR TO FOR ONE EARNS \$3 PER WEEK

HER INFATUATION FOR WAITER DRAWS HER FROM HOME

MYSTERY OF CHICAGO IS SOLVED BY DISCOVERY

To Be Near Her Lover, Girl of 15 Rans Away From Chicago Home of Comfort and Works for \$3 Per Week—Lover Arrested but Finally Released Rather Be Free Than Rich.

New York, Jan. 15.—Infatuated with a waiter, Jack C. Clewne, and found working at \$3 per week as a nurse girl, in order to be near him, Violet Buehler, the 15 year old Chicago heiress who disappeared November 25th, and for whom the skyscrapers of Chicago were searched, because friends believed that she had been kidnapped, is held here. She was arraigned today before Justice Olmstead in the children's court charged with being under improper guardianship. The girl will be held until her parents arrive. Clewne was arrested and then released, the police declaring that his relations with the child were proper.

The girl admitted her infatuation for the waiter and said she expected to marry him when she was older. She said she met him in Chicago where he used to "bum around with her gang."

"They say I am foolish to leave home and all that \$100,000 to work for \$3.00 a week but I can't see it that way," she said.

"I would rather work, make my own way than be rich in Chicago. My foster mother treated me right but would not let me go out or have any boy friends. The other girls without money are allowed to have sweethearts. I suppose that now I will have to go back to Chicago, but I will come back to New York at the first chance. I want to do as I please."

M'ALLISTER IS LAID TO REST

MASONIC ORDER PRESIDES AT FUNERAL SERVICES.

Resolutions Adopted by Local Farmers Union Saturday.

Impressive ritualistic rites were read and enacted at the burial services of the late John W. McAllister in this city yesterday afternoon when a large concourse of people, members of the family, and friends, at large, were present to pay the last respects to the late leader of the Farmers' union and prominent citizen in general. The Masonic order presided at the funeral services and the full ritualistic services were carried out, with the funeral sermon by Dr. Willis of Elgin.

During the forenoon the body lay in state in the Henry & Carr undertaking parlors and the bier was surrounded until the funeral hour.

Condolence Passed.

The La Grande local of the Farmers' union Saturday afternoon adopted the appended resolution:

Whereas, it has pleased the Allwise Ruler of Heaven and Earth to remove by death from our midst, our brother, John W. McAllister, on the 13th day of January, 1912, and

Whereas, Brother McAllister was for two terms a member of the legislative assembly of the State of Oregon, and during his term of office as a public servant, was honest, faithful and conscientious; and always stood for what was best, regardless of what the political effect might be in shaping a public career, only considering that great question, the greatest and most ennobling of all questions that come to the conscientious public servant, "Is it best for my country?" and

Whereas, at the time of his death he was the president of the State Farm-

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