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MINE HORROR CLAIMS ABOUT HUNDRED MEN

SURVIVORS TELL OF HORRIBLE
EXPERIENCES IN REACH-
ING OPEN AIR.

THIRTY BODIES RECOVERED

One Hundred and Forty Men Entombed and of These Some Are Being Rescued—Government Sends Rescue Squads to Pennsylvania Mine Wrecked by Explosion Yesterday—Force in Air.

Finlayville, Pa., April 24.—Little hope is entertained for the safety of 120 men buried under tons of debris yesterday by the explosion in the Cincinnati mine. Mine rescue squads of the federal bureau of mines, are working with Mine Superintendent Carter and his men. At a late hour this morning, 18 corpses have been recovered and 93 rescued alive. They told horrible stories of crawling through three miles of debris-filled tunnels and of many companions dropping by the wayside overcome with gases. Old miners hope many of the entombed will survive and fatalities are not expected to exceed 100.

Thirty Out at Noon.

At noon today thirty bodies had been recovered. Preparations to force air into the tunnels have been made. Rescuers are often forced to climb over huge piles of debris, leading them to think many may be buried under the wreckage.

Flatcars are ready at the mine entrance to receive the bodies as fast as they are recovered. Two companies of rescuers are now working at points two miles distant.

HIBBERD DOG WINS.

Former La Grander Enters Prize Winner in Seattle Bench Show.

Prince, the English Bull, which local dog fanciers remember as the property of George Hibberd, formerly express agent here, and now a resident of Seattle, carried off three blue ribbon prizes and a silver cup in the Seattle bench show recently. Mrs. Perry Oliver has received the details of Prince's victories in a letter from Mr. and Mrs. Hibberd. The dog won first honors for the best English Bull in Washington, and the best in Seattle.

TRACK MEET SATURDAY.

County Meet to be Held in This City Next Saturday Afternoon.

The annual county meet of high schools will be held in this city next Saturday. Union is conceded to be one of the strongest teams coming and it is not known what Cove will send or what the other towns of the county will do in the matter.

Meeting Opened

Washington, April 24.—With the Panama Canal policy the chief topic of discussion, the American Society of International Law opened its seventh annual meeting here today. Noted lawyers from every part of the country are in attendance. The convention will close on the 26th with a banquet.

LOCAL TONG WAR IS BREWING

IN PRISON GARB.

Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, Suffragette, Who Got Three Years.



Photo by American Press Association.

MISSION WORKERS HERE

Officials of Stammering and Children's Home Inspect Local Conditions.

On an annual tour of Eastern Oregon to visit Chinese colonies especially, but in the interest of fallen girls and homeless Chinese children, General F. E. Davis, Commander Mrs. A. V. Davis and Captain Billy Chune, the last named an Americanized Chinaman, are in La Grande today. They are the heads of departments of the Mission band, which has its nearest headquarters at Boise. Homeless Chinese children are cared for as far as possible and fallen girls, both oriental and occidental, are cared for through this medium. The visitors found conditions locally very satisfactory, and expect to continue their inspection of other cities tomorrow.

Pope Is Improved.

Rome, April 24.—The pope is improved today, his bronchial trouble having partially disappeared.

NEGRO HANGED IN ODD MANNER

GALLOWS ROPE TOO LONG AND
SHERIFF HOLDS IT.

For Eighteen Minutes Convict Writhes
In Pain Until Death Comes.

Uniontown, Pa., April 24.—One of the most ghastly executions in the history of Pennsylvania took place here today. When the drop dropped to hang John Harris, a negro, the rope was too long and Harris' toes touched the floor under the gallows. Harris writhed a few minutes and then attempted to climb the rope. Sheriff Kleffer and his deputies grasped the rope and hoisted the writhing negro up holding him from the floor for 18 minutes until he was pronounced dead.

LOW YOUNG WARNED AGAINST DANGER BY FRIENDLY TONGS

One Suspect Arrested and Three Highbinders Said to Be Here

Low Young, better known as Low Young, proprietor of the Palace restaurant of this city, is marked Chinaman, it warnings telegraphed him from friendly Chinese in Walla Walla are to be taken as absolute criteria. The impending war in this city and its first chapter written yesterday when a Chinese, said to be a California highbinder was arrested here and later released because of evident lack of evidence against him, probability against him.

The rumors that three highbinders are now in the city has strengthened the belief that Low Young's warning was not without foundation. He is urged to keep close watch of his enemies and to ask for police protection which he has done. The suspected highbinder arrested yesterday had been in the city jail on the suspect charge, the night before, but was bailed out by Toy Young, a prominent leader and Chinese Republic president in this city.

Old Superstition Revived.

That death awaits the ownership of the business which Hong Tuck owned for several years and of which he was owner when he died, has long been a superstition among local Chinese, some averring that slow poison has been the route over which death was sent. This however is only the superstition of Chinese and has no known evidence for foundation. However, Hong Tuck's successor, Wong Get, died a few months after he took over the business and when the business was reorganized recently for the third time, Li Jim was made manager but Low Young is one of the principal

stockholders, and the telegraphic warning from Walla Walla that Low's life is marked and harm is about to befall him, coupled with the rumored presence of three highbinders in the city, gives indications that the death hoodoo that hangs over the Adams avenue store may continue its gruesome toll.

Chinese Hold Meeting.

Last night the local Chinese held a mass meeting at which time the arrest of the Chinese suspect was thoroughly discussed. Officer Avant was first called to inform the leaders who filed the complaint against the stranger Chinese—who by the way is known to be from California—but the officer didn't know. Chief McLachlin arrived on the scene and advised them he had caused the arrest and forthwith the Chinese meeting adjourned, sine die. While it is not known what the suspected Oriental is doing here, and notwithstanding that he was released on the understanding that he was to work for a Chinese rancher near the city. Others who claim to know of him aver that he has never worked and doesn't intend to.

Low Young, naturally enough is alarmed over the situation, and his friends are urging all stranger Chinese whose business here is not vouched for, be ordered out by the police. The police, however, affirm the suspect arrested yesterday has money and as long as he behaves himself and has money, cannot be deported. That the careful protection thrown about Low will stave off bodily injury and that the close scrutiny that will be given Chinese who may

POLICE CAPTAIN HUSSEY.

Former New York Inspector, Indicted in Graft Exposures.



drop into La Grande with the possible motive of carrying out long war vengeance, are believed by the cooler Chinese head to be effective measures.

Trouble in a more or less well defined degree, has been brewing in La Grande during the Portland and San Francisco bloody tong wars. Any direct move on the life of any of the local Chinese would of course precipitate the sharpest sort of gun war here.

Woman Shot on Street.

Seattle, April 24.—An unidentified man shot, Nellie Hart, aged 22, through the cheek and arm while she was standing on a street corner in the busiest section of the city at noon, and then turned the gun on himself and fired a bullet into his brain. The girl refuses to divulge the man's name.

Explosion Kills Many.

Riverside, Cal., April 24.—Twelve mangled bodies have been found and from five to 15 others are feared to be under debris as the result of a premature explosion of 1000 pounds of dynamite in the quarries of a local cement factory. The missing men, except the foreman, are Mexicans and Indians.

MORE OFFICES FILLED TODAY

POSTMASTERSHIPS AT THE
DALLES FILLED UP.

President Wilson Visits Senate Room
and is Criticized.

Washington, April 24.—President Wilson today sent the following nominations to the senate: L. F. Rezenström to be postmaster at Roseburg, and R. E. Williams to be postmaster at The Dalles.

Reasons behind the holding up of the La Grande postoffice job, slated originally to be made 10 days ago, are still bothering local politicians. The

SACRAMENTO LEGISLATION AWAITS BRYAN

NOTHING WILL BE DONE UNTIL
BRYAN ARRIVES AT SACRA-
MENTO MONDAY.

DEADLINE ALREADY DRAWN

Point Beyond Which California Legislature Must not go in Her Anti-Allen Legislation Has Been Determined Between President Wilson and Secretary Bryan—Lawmakers Halt.

Washington, April 24.—Confident that California will accept the national viewpoint of the anti-allen legislation, President Wilson declared today he was satisfied there would be no attempt to embarrass him by anti-Japanese legislation at Sacramento before Secretary of State Bryan arrives there on Monday. Bryan and the president discussed the situation today and, it is believed, determined a line beyond which California must not go. This decision will be communicated to Governor Johnson.

Legislation at Standstill.

Sacramento, April 24.—Anti-allen legislation will be at a standstill and remain so until the arrival of Bryan on Monday. Although amendments in the senate are being prepared, it was discussed at a caucus today that no action be taken on the floor of the house until Mr. Bryan arrives.

Eucharistic Congress.

Valetta, Island of Malta, April 24.—The twenty-fourth International Eucharistic congress of the Catholic church, was today marked by the celebration of the first pontifical mass. The ceremony took place this morning at 8 o'clock in the cathedral of Saint John the Baptist and was attended by thousands. The congress was formally opened yesterday.

general opinion has long been that the selections of the senators and the agreement with the postmaster general over the La Grande job was long since made. One reason generally conceded to be behind the delay is the likelihood of a certain Oregon Democratic senator being opposed to free wool and dissension has arisen among the two senators, one visible consequence being a disagreement over the postmastership in La Grande, previously cut and dried.

Washington, April 24.—Leaving the White House at noon, President Wilson went to the president's room in the capital and conferred with various senators regarding the appointments still pending. In many cases the president wishes to select the appointees instead of appointing those favored by the various senators.

Considerable criticism at the president's action in going to the senate instead of having the senate come to him, is heard today. The president evidently expected the criticism to follow as he refused to comment on it.

The tariff debate in the house is being carried on at great length today, the session being slated to last until 8 tonight.

BE IT EVER SO HUMBLE THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE HOME



—Minor in St. Louis Post-Dispatch.