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THIRTY-NINE MINE LEADERS FACE CHARGES

MOYER IS AMONG THOSE WHO
HAVE BEEN INDICTED IN
MICHIGAN PROBE.

MOST SERIOUS CASE HELD SECRET A WHILE

Three Indictments Against Thirty-nine Mine Officials of the Western Federation of Miners Returned at Houghton Today—Believe Secret Indictment Is More Serious.

Houghton, Mich., Jan. 15.—Thirty-nine officials of the Western Federation of Miners, including President Moyer, indicted for conspiracy in the copper strike. The charges are contained in three counts. Another indictment was returned, it is said, but the names in it have not been made public.

The first indictment returned charges the men with conspiring to restrain laborers from working; the second for conspiring to restrain imported laborers from working; third, for conspiring to deprive laborers of their property and rights. All are named in one indictment. Under the Michigan law the offenses charged are classed as misdemeanors.

That the fourth indictment is more serious is indicated by the fact that Judge O'Brien has ordered them held secret until the arrests have been made.

WALLOWA PRISONER HELD

Local Policeman Apprehends Man Wanted in Wallowa County.

Fern Mason, wanted in Wallowa county on a criminal charge, was apprehended in La Grande last night by Policeman Driscoll. He is held in the city jail until Wallowa officials come after him.

Another case that may develop into something serious is that of Fred Bloomquist, held on a charge of giving liquor to a prisoner while at work on the street. F. Fields was the recipient of the beverage. The matter will be brought to the attention of the district attorney.

Women Live Longer Than Men.

Washington, Jan. 15.—That white women live to die at more advanced ages than white men, is proved by figures published today by the department of commerce. Until the age of eighty years more deaths of male members of the race are recorded. This is accounted for by the fact that there are more men than women.

Conceding that numbers of both sexes are about even at the age of seventy, a great number of the surviving die during the next decade, after which the mortality rate for women leads.

Atrocities in Macedonia.

Salonika, Jan. 15.—Terrible tales of outrages in Macedonia are being told here by fugitives from Kosovo. In the neighborhood of Prinzev, they declare a number of villagers were compelled to dig their own graves before being massacred. Near Struga nineteen Albanians were strangled with a telegraph wire, and in several villages the inhabitants were locked in burning houses by the Servians to save the trouble of burial.

SIDNEY A. WITHERBEE



Mr. Witherbee, an American, has come from Mexico with a peace plan which has the approval of many prominent persons. He proposes an all-American union, making the Latin American republics parties to instead of subjects of a policy of mutual protection and peace; an agreement that none of the parties interested shall obtain another's territory by force or conquest; a tribunal before which all internal and external questions affecting each other shall be adjudicated, and the concerted action of all to prevent foreign invasion. Mr. Witherbee is a native of Michigan.

COMMISSION SESSION HELD

WIRE INSPECTION MAY BECOME REQUIREMENT.

Various Matters Gone Over By Commissioners at Mid-Week Session.

Creation of a wiring inspector to give inspection to electric wiring on buildings at the same time that the plumbing and building itself is being inspected, was discussed informally at the meeting of the city commission last evening. President Wood and Commissioners Russell and Gardner, City Recorder Warnick and City Attorney Hodgkin were in attendance. The total expense for a building permit may be brought up to \$2.50, including the building, the plumbing and the wiring. This will just about pay for the inspection. The plan will come up for more detailed consideration at a later date.

The Second street assessment ordinance, after being duly verified, was passed.

Minor corrections to the liquor bonds were made.

Bills against the city were inspected and warrants ordered drawn.

The annual report of the city library, prepared by Joquiline Noel, was presented and filed. The details of it will be published tomorrow.

Resolutions for the final estimates of the sewer built in West La Grande were passed and the assessment ordinance was brought up but was laid on the table.

A resolution was passed settling with R. Callison for the right of way for the main sewer trunk line through his property on East Adams. He

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RESCUERS FIND HUNDREDS BURNED BUT ALIVE ON ASHY DESERT RECENTLY BUSY CITY

Seventy Thousand Missing But Some Of These May Be Saved--Worst Eruptions Are Over

Nagasaki, Japan, Jan. 15.—Terribly burned women and children and hundreds of insane, were found today at Kagoshima by marines from the Japanese naval squadron who got so near the island that small boats touched land. The danger on the main land is largely over, but to their amazement the blue jackets found 300 men, women and children alive there. All were dreadfully burned and several had gone insane from the horrors experienced. They had hidden in a cave during the worst volcanic outbreaks. From none of the survivors could a connected story of the disaster be obtained. They were too much broken up by what they had gone through. Several, it is said will die from nervous fright.

Residents returning from Kagoshima have found the place a desert of ashes planked thickly by cooling volcanic rocks, humped up here and there by what had once been buildings.

Most of the city was of frail Japanese construction and was completely consumed. Naval officials are still unable to form any idea as to the actual loss of life, but it is unquestionably very heavy. Nearly all of the victims are buried under the ashes and some of them may have died a slow death.

Tokio, Jan. 15.—That 70,000 who lived in the city of Sakurajima are unaccounted for, is reported by wireless from the naval squadron near by. That many of these escaped is certain, but it is feared a large proportion of those not killed by the volcano and earthquakes proper, were drowned swimming the three-mile

strait, or killed by the rain of volcanic matter.

Though there is a less violent action today than after the initial outbreak, the volcano is still erupting fiercely and another tidal wave swept the coast last night, according to wireless messages.

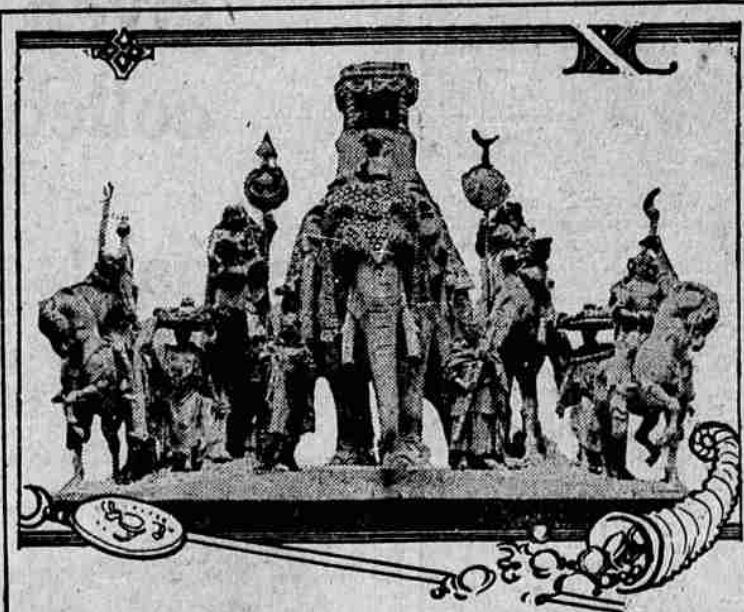
Italy Feels Shocks.

Leghorn, Italy, Jan. 15.—Six violent earthquake shocks were felt here in rapid succession at 4:30 today. A panic followed and thousands rushed to the snow covered streets in night clothes. The shock threw the Mediterranean into tremendous commotion and huge waves leaped into the air and pounded the shores. So far as known no casualties are reported.

Locketts Appeal to Supreme Court.

Baker, Jan. 15.—(Special.)—The Lockett brothers, convicted of cattle stealing after a sensational trial in the Baker county courts, will appeal to the supreme court of Oregon, according to Attorney Levens, who obtained today from Circuit Judge Anderson an extension until March 1 in which to file a transcript and a bill of exceptions in the case.

Hick Lockett and Marshall Lockett were convicted of stealing 29 head of cattle in Baker county from John Thomsen and of driving them into Grant county where they were apprehended. One of the contentions of the defense was that the cattle if stolen, had not been stolen in Baker county, but in Grant county, but this was overruled by the court and this is one of the grounds on which the appeal is being taken.



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"NATIONS OF THE EAST" AT THE PANAMA-PACIFIC INTERNATIONAL EXPOSITION, SAN FRANCISCO, 1915.

THIS superb group of statuary is a model of the "Nations of the East," which will surmount the Arch of the Rising Sun in the Court of the Sun and Stars at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition at San Francisco in 1915. Reading from left to right, the figures are as follows: 1. Arab Sheikh; 2 and 8, Negro Servitors; 3 and 7, Mohammedans; 4, Arab Falconer; 5 (the elephant), India; 6, Tibetan Lama; 9, Mongolian Horseman. The four pedestrian figures are by A. Stirling Calder, the equestrians by Leo Lentelli and the elephant and camel and their riders by Frederick G. R. Roth.

Dam Cracks, Waters Free

DOBBINS, WEST VIRGINIA, HAS EXCITEMENT.

GIVE EARLY WARNING

Watchmen Notify Citizens In Time to Permit Escape From Flood.

Elkins, W. Va., Jan. 15.—The West Virginia Pulp Paper company's dam across Stony river at Dobbins burst today, but fortunately, did little damage. Five hundred Dobbins residents rushed to high ground in time to avert drowning.

The nature of the break prevented much damage. The dam cracked first down the right side, giving the watchmen time to sound the alarm and have the safety sluices set to work. The water went out easily and did little damage on that account. The dam was of concrete and was 25 feet high.

DUCK SEASON OVER

Federal Law Goes Into Effect Tonight, State 15 Days Later.

Today is the last day of the duck season in Oregon. According to the state law there is 15 more days of duck shooting but the federal government has passed a migratory bird law covering all the states of the union and according to the ruling under this law, the duck and goose season in Oregon and Washington close Jan. 15. As the federal duck law takes precedence over the state statute, there will be no more legal duck shooting in Oregon until October 1, 1914.

MERCHANTS IN SESSION FEB. 9

ANNUAL MEETING HELD ON THAT DATE.

Preparation For Entertainment of the State Association in June.

February 9 is the day set for the annual meeting of the merchants association in this city. Election of officers for the ensuing year, a big dinner and program, and most important of all, the appointment of committees for the meeting of the merchants of the state in June, in La Grande, when this city is going to make a monster impression on the visiting merchants. Portland has been doing some hard boosting for this meeting and there is no doubt that this year's meeting coming as it does, will leave one of the best impressions ever carried away from the Grande Ronde.

Four hundred Portland merchants held a rousing booster meeting the other night for the state convention to be held in La Grande. A La Grande theatre party will be held at the Orpheum Theatre on the evening of January 28th. The state association wants some representatives from La Grande to be guests of the state association while in Portland.

Auditor Not Here Today.

The special auditor coming to check over the city treasurer's books preliminary to a turn over of all moneys in the retiring treasurer's hands, did not arrive today but is booked to be here tomorrow.

INDUCEMENTS TO SUBSCRIBER MADE POSSIBLE

VALUABLE CITY LOTS AS SECURITY FOR COUNTY FAIR STOCK.

STOCKHOLDERS MEETING TO HEAR SCHEME

Plan Afoot to Give Title to Lots That Make Up Fair Grounds As Security For Subscriptions to Finance the Proposition—Coming Meeting Is Important.

Financial plans are afoot to put the Union County fair grounds property and the fair grounds association on sound financial footing by offering something tangible as inducement for subscriptions to stock. Valuable city lots to become the property of the stockholders in case it is ever found desirable to move the fair grounds buildings to another location, is the inducement held out by the latest financial plans in connection with the fair.

One last effort is going to be made to arrange a meeting of the stockholders and other persons interested in the county fair. Secretary C. M. Secor, of the fair association, in an interview this afternoon declared that most of the stockholders did not realize the seriousness of the whole matter and made it plain that in case something was not done the property now used for fair purposes would revert to the original owners. In this event the county would have to go through the same rigamarole to get the county on the map by holding a respectable county fair and the same old deal of selling stock and roping of citizens of the valley would have to be indulged in to get the thing on its feet again. In view of the splendid efforts last year, and the loyal support of all concerned, in spite of untoward weather conditions, Mr. Secor is of the opinion that the plan he is about to submit at the meeting on the 28th of January, will help the association and put it on a solid working basis. But this is not all. It is merely the result of the plan. The scheme on which he is working and which he would like to see pass is this: The fair grounds contain something like 26 acres of ground, all of which has been divided into city lots. Of these there are in the vicinity of 312 that are salable. It is his plan to give to each of the stockholders one of these lots in return for the money that will be needed to liquidate the indebtedness. In this way the stockholder will have something that is tangible, something that he will own in case the fair association discontinues, instead of a scrip of paper of no value. He will then own a valuable lot in the city which in the event of the discontinuance of the fair could be sold by the owner or used for whatever purpose he chose. The indebtedness on the ground is somewhere in the neighborhood of \$9,000, with another indebtedness of some \$2,000. This would make the cost of the lots about \$36 each. The money realized from the sale of these lots would liquidate all indebtedness. If the fair association chose they could put the price up to \$40 or \$50 per lot, giving the association some ready money to

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