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LOST HIS LOAD

MOVING ENDPICE OF WAGON HIS ORANGES ROLLED OUT.

Revolver in Hand He Rushes down the Street to Capture the Culprit—Johann Hoch Pays the Penalty for His Murderous Crimes.

Portland, Feb. 24.—When war broke out Thursday evening between the fruit peddlers and a crowd of boys, at First and Harrison streets Captain of Detectives and Inspector of Police Bruin, like a true soldier, found himself in the thickest of the fray. For a time he must have thought himself on the battle field in the far-away Philippines, for the bullets went singing down the street, there was a rush of the pursued and the pursuers, and all of the din and noise, that accompanies a clash of arms.

The first thing Captain Bruin saw when he realized that hostilities were on, was Emil Potter, a young man, who came tearing down First street from Harrison, hatless, breathless and with hair standing up. At each step or so, a bullet would whistle past the lad. It was evident there was trouble.

"Stop!" commanded Captain Bruin, leveling his revolver at the head of young Potter. "Throw up your hands, or I'll blow out your brains, if you have any."

Potter stopped, and at that instant a man dashed up. He proved to be M. Weiser, a fruit peddler, and when he found Captain Bruin was an officer he turned and walked rapidly away. Later, when acting Detectives Murphy and Welch arrived, and a consultation was held it was found that Weiser was the man who fired the shots, and he was taken to headquarters. In the municipal court yesterday morning he pleaded not guilty and swore that Captain Bruin was the man who fired the shots. Captain Bruin denied it, and several small boys said Weiser did the shooting.

"What started the trouble?" asked Deputy City Attorney Fitzgerald of young Potter.

"I don't know," was the reply. "Did you hear anything about some boys taking out the endpiece of Weiser's wagon and spilling his oranges?" asked Mr. Fitzgerald. "No, sir," said Potter, and he looked very sober, while the other lads, standing afar off, laughed heartily, as though they had heard of something of the sort.

The fact was, the oranges did roll out of Weiser's wagon, and it is alleged he took the shots at Potter because Weiser thought Potter guilty of the trick.

"How many shots were fired?" asked Mr. Fitzgerald of Potter.

"I didn't stop to count them," replied Potter, and the spectators laughed so that Judge Cameron threatened to clear the courtroom.

The case will be completed this morning.

Chicago, Feb. 23.—Johann Hoch, convicted of the murder of his wife, Marie Welcker-Hoch, was hanged in the county jail today at 1:34 o'clock. Three times respited, Hoch insisted to the last that he be granted all the delay that the law conceded him. Under the wording of his sentence, Hoch was to hang between the hours of 10 a. m and 2 p. m. When the last resource of his attorneys—an appeal to the Federal court alleging a violation of the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution, which forbids that a man shall be deprived of his life without due process of law—had been denied, Hoch abandoned all hope of saving his life, but still insisted that he be allowed to live as nearly as 2 o'clock as possible.

When Jailer Whitman, who has long been a friend of Hoch, appeared in his cell and remarked, "It's all off, John, nothing more can be done for you," Hoch replied: "That's all right, I want to have all that is coming to me in point of time. I'll go when 1:30 o'clock comes, but if you try to take me before that time, I'll fight."

"It wouldn't do you any good to fight," replied Jailer Whitman.

"I know that," replied Hoch, "but I want all that is coming to me. I'll go all right at 1:30."

The jailer, after consultation with

Deputy Sheriff Peters, agreed to the delay. Hoch then asked that his dinner be sent for. His wish was granted and he ate with an evident relish and apparently without thought that he would never enjoy another meal.

It was exactly at 1:32 o'clock when Hoch, preceded by Deputy Sheriff Peters and attended by jailer John L. Whitman, Rev. Schleter and Rev. J. B. Burkland, stepped upon the scaffold, and two minutes later he was a corpse. He walked upon the scaffold quietly, and stood directly under the noose with heels together and head erect like a soldier on parade. He was pale but composed, and full of courage.

Rev. Mr. Burkland was reciting the prayers for the dying when Deputy Sheriff Peters asked Hoch to step back on the trap. He took two steps quickly, glanced down to see if he was in the proper place, and then turned his face to the deputy Sheriff.

"Do you want to say something?" asked Deputy Sheriff Peters.

"Yes, said Hoch."

Mr. Burkland was still reciting the prayers, and Jailer Whitman held out his hand to silence him. The clergyman, not noticing, kept on with the prayer, and one of the guards spoke to him. He ceased immediately, and Hoch, as soon as he could speak without interruption said in a strong German accent: "Father, forgive them; they know not what they do. I must die an innocent man. Good-bye."

He chopped the last words off in short, incisive manner, and before his voice was silenced the drop fell.

Dr. Francis W. McNamara, the jail physician, was at Hoch's side the instant he fell, and declared that death had been instantaneous, the neck being broken.

Denver, Colo., Feb. 23.—Detective James McParland has left for Idaho, with all the documentary evidence in the Steunenberg murder case, including Harry Orchard's confession, in his possession. He will testify before the grand jury, which is to begin its investigation next Monday. He will be the principal witness, and his examination will probably occupy a full day or two. Before leaving he asserted that no one could wish the accused federation officials a fair trial more than himself, but declared he is amply able to prove his charges.

Orchard's confession, a copy of which is on file in this city, embraces 104 pages, typewritten, and contains fully 25,000 words. It was secured by McParland, with his stenographer, while he interviewed Orchard in the penitentiary at Boise, Idaho. It is signed and sworn to, and the main points embraced therein are said to have been fully corroborated. The document will comprise the basis of the trial of Moyer, Haywood, Pettibone and others.

Indianapolis, Feb. 23.—A strike of the 200,000 farmers composing the American Society of Equity, an organization with headquarters in Indianapolis, has been called for March 1. Every one who responds to this call will agree to withhold from marketing any agricultural products excepting at prices that are up to the level decreed as equitable by the officials of this organization.

This organization claims that the producers ought to get at least \$1 a bushel for wheat, no matter what may be the size of the crop. The call of the strike sets forth a minimum selling price on all farm products, prices which the agricultural strikers claim they are entitled to and can get if they stand together.

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SECRETS TOLD

HOW DYNAMITERS CONTROL FEDERATION IN INNER CIRCLES.

Money Is Their Real Object—When Trouble Begins, Subscriptions Pour in—Former Leader Who Seceded Reveals Inner Workings of Terrorists.

Denver, Colo., Feb. 24.—A man closely associated with the Western Federation of Minors for years, who held executive positions and was close to the inner workings, so much so that he retired in disgust and loathing, tonight gave the history of the "inner circle" from its foundations until recent times. He said:

"It was in May, 1898, that the 'inner circle' of the federation was formed. We were holding the annual convention of the federation that year in Salt Lake City. A short time before the Bunker Hill Sullivan mill at Wardner, Idaho, was blown up. The authorities were after the federation pretty hard, and something had to be done. The convention was too big to handle. Most of the delegates were union men, and they were opposed to violence. Of course, the average miner is not squeamish, but he will not stand for murder. But the cry among the leaders even that far back was for force. They ridiculed the conservatives like myself, who were opposed to force and wanted to build up the unions by different means."

"I remember the first thing that convention did was to vote \$5,000 as a retainer to Patrick Reddy, the San Francisco lawyer, to defend the Idaho men and to hide the books of the federation in preparation for a raid."

"Hugh Boyle, who blew up the Bunker Hill-Sullivan mine, was in hiding in Salt Lake at that time, and he took quite an active part in forming the inner circle. George A. Pettibone, who had just been released from the penitentiary after serving several years for throwing dynamite down a flame in the Coeur d'Alene, was another, and Dan McGinty, the 'hero of Bull Hill,' as we called him, was the third."

"A ritual prepared by Dr. Carr,

of Hill City, S. D., was used. This man was a crank on this kind of work. He is still forming societies with huge rituals. But he had nothing to do with the inner circle outside of framing a ritual used by the order. It was improved on afterward. But even at the beginning it was one of the richest I have known of. The oaths to be taken would make the ordinary individual shiver, and you know the men wanted for the inner circle were of the superstitious kind anyway. It took a member several days to get over the initiation, and some men that I know never got over it."

"As long as Ed Boyce was president, the inner circle was kept in the background. It used to do things then, but it did not run the federation as it has done for years. About a dozen men run the inner circle, and this runs the executive committee and the federation."

"Since Haywood got hold, the inner circle has run the whole organization with its 90,000 members and its income of \$300,000 to \$500,000 a year. Poor Moyer was not such a bad fellow. He was easily led and fond of trouble, but I do not think he would have done the things charged against him if he could have avoided them."

"Haywood and Pettibone are the brains of the inner circle. And do you know that Pettibone swore that he would kill Haywood on sight and get ready to do it for something that is often justified by the public, but the inner circle jumped in and said: 'We cannot have any scandal. Quit.' And I guess they did."

"The inner circle has had charge funds of the federation for several years. Wait until an investigating committee from the outside goes after these books. If Moyer and Haywood are convicted, then you will hear something drop. Men who very likely had nothing to do with any of the deeds of violence, but who were aware of what was going on, will be seeking other climates."

"If the true story could be told, the enormous income of the federation in the last few years would be at the bottom of much of the crimes committed. The more trouble the more money; the more persecution, the bigger the subscriptions from outside unions. The only way to get the money to come in was to have trouble with the authorities and arrests. The Cripple Creek and telluride affairs meant half a million dollars to the inner circle. If any one can get at the books they will show that I am within the

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