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WHITHOUSE

Four Soldiers Suspected of Robbery.

TWO OF THEM CAPTURED

Two Others Have Deserted From Vancouver.

STRONG EVIDENCE IS OBTAINED

Detectives Run Down Men to Whom Facts Point as Gully of Whitehouse Road Hold-Up—Victims Identify One Prisoner.

The detective force has obtained evidence which seems to prove beyond doubt that the daring robbery on the Whitehouse road Thursday night was committed by four soldiers from Vancouver.

William Van Wagner and William Flood are now held in the gullyhouse at the barracks, and will probably be brought to Portland today to answer the charge of highway robbery. W. W. Adams and Ray E. Mottinger, two soldiers who are suspected of being implicated, have both deserted, and the detectives have been unable to find any trace of them.

The tall leader of the party, whose orders seemed to be law during the robbery, is alleged to be none other than Van Wagner, who is recognized as a leader among the soldiers at the barracks in everything that is undertaken. Three victims of the hold-up have positively identified him as the man that robbed them, and others will be asked to look at him today. The victims are equally sure that Flood was a member of the party, and he will be held to answer the charge. The fact that Adams and Mottinger deserted after the robbery is taken by the detectives as evidence that they were implicated, and a close search will be made for them.

The work of the detectives in running down the robbers has been clever from the start. The entire force has centered its energies upon the capture, and now feels assured that its efforts have been rewarded. From the time the soldiers arrived in the city Thursday afternoon until they separated Friday morning their course has been traced, and much evidence has been obtained which will help to convict them.

Evidence Left in Hurry.
The night of the robbery some of the victims were sure that the deed had been committed by soldiers. Mr. Gadsby had found a hat left by one of them, which he took to the station with him. It is broad-brimmed hat, and when it was taken to Vancouver, the officers there said at once that it had been worn by a soldier from that station.

Acting upon this clue, the officers commenced their search. Detective Snow was sent to Vancouver, and there found other evidence which seemed to indicate the guilt of the soldiers. Detective Kerrigan worked about the city, attempting to find if the actions of any soldiers had excited suspicion during the day. The start was obtained upon the case when a man from the Fashion Stables went to the station with a cap which he had traded from one of the soldiers.

"The man was in a great hurry when he came to the barn," said the man bringing in the cap, "and seemed to be very nervous." On the inside of the cap were the initials "W. W. A." This was sent to Vancouver and identified as belonging to Adams, who had left the barracks the day before the robbery and had not yet returned. By tracing Adams the detectives found out who had been with him during the day.

Description of Leader a Clew.
In the description given of Van Wagner the detectives had one of their best clews. "He is a man that could not be mistaken," said Chief Hunt yesterday, in telling of the capture. "He has a peculiar build, and is marked in many ways. He shoulders are broad and straight, and his legs small and long."
"I would know the large one if I ever saw him again," said George Scoggins, after the robbery, and the moment he saw Van Wagner in the gullyhouse he identified him positively as the man that had struck him on the shoulder with the butt of a gun.

With this description of Van Wagner, the detectives soon had him landed. Friday morning he was thrown in the gullyhouse, but nothing was made public, as they hoped to catch the others before they got the clew away. A little later Flood was also landed in the gullyhouse on the same charge. He admitted that he had slept in the same bed with Van Wagner the night of the robbery, but denied any connection with the crime.

Saturday was spent by Detectives Day and Simmons in Vancouver. While there they obtained evidence which was of value. They found that the men they suspected had been in Portland on the night of the robbery. Van Wagner had returned to the barracks about 9 o'clock Saturday morning, and Flood had come in a little later. The fact that the other two men had deserted made them believe that they were on the right track. Descriptions of the deserters were obtained, and the officers hope to have them captured within a short time.

Identified by Victims.
After the arrests had been made, the police decided to have the victims of the hold-up look at the men, to see if they could be identified. The descriptions were lied in every respect, but they wished to try to identify them before further action was taken. Yesterday a trip was planned for Vancouver. In company with Detective Simmons, George Scoggins, Paul S. Dick and one of the ladies who were held up went to the barracks.

"No doubt about it," they said with one voice, as Van Wagner was pointed out as the leader of the party. Upon being shown Flood, they said that he looked like a member of the party. He had not taken such a prominent part in the work as Van Wagner, but the victims did not hesitate to identify him as one of the robbers.

Movements of Soldiers.
In tracing the course of the soldiers during the day, the detectives have circumstantial evidence which points to their guilt. All through the day they were together, and were drinking in the various saloons about the city. Officers on the beats noticed them, and proprietors of the saloons noticed them. Van Wagner's

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BY A BIG VOTE

Roosevelt Will Be Elected President.

LANDIS IS SURE OF IT

People of Country Were at First in Doubt.

BUT HE HAS KEPT HIS PLEDGES

Senator Fairbanks Had Aspirations, but Hanna Quickly Showed Him That He Would Do Well to Keep Them Quiet.

That President Roosevelt has kept the pledges made when he succeeded President McKinley, and that he has more than met expectations as Chief Executive, will insure him the Presidency for the next term by a large popular vote, is the belief of Representative Landis of Indiana.

Senator Fairbanks has had the misfortune to have another chance to fill the executive chair blasted, but perseverance is one of his traits, and he will wait for another day.

CONGRER SUGGESTS ASKING RUSSIA.

Information as to Chinese Demands Was Reliable.

PEKIN, June 7.—United States Minister Conger has telegraphed to Secretary Hay suggesting an inquiry into the authenticity of the published interview with the Russian Ambassador, Count Cassini, in which the latter was reported to have declared the correctness of Mr. Conger's statement that the Russian demand for China, and to have expressed surprise that Minister Conger should act on unreliable rumors.

Mr. Conger's information was the original letter that the Russian Charge d'Affaires at Pekin, M. Plancou, sent to the Chinese Foreign Office, containing the Russian demands.

WORKERS ASK CONFERENCE

Declare Their Employment More Dangerous Than Coal Mining.

PHILADELPHIA, June 7.—The working committee of the Central Textile Union, composed of one delegate from each union on strike, met at strike headquarters today and considered the situation. After a five hours' session the committee in conjunction with the executive board of the textile workers, issued a long statement to the public giving reasons for the strike over 200,000 men, women and children.

The statement says that the strike was ordered for sanitary reasons; that it was necessary because the health of the men, women and children was at stake. The statement also mentions the fact that children were compelled to work 10½ hours a day in the mills from Monday till Friday, and 14 hours on Saturdays.

The statement also declares that the textile industry, as shown in statistics produced before the Anthracite Coal Strike Commission, is deadlier than the mining industry; that the workers in the mills where there is always dust, are subject to pulmonary diseases. The statement also asks for the support of the public, and reiterates the willingness of the workers to meet for a conference.

STRIKE OF CRACKER-MAKERS

Planned to Take Place All Over the Country Tuesday.

CHICAGO, June 7.—A general strike in the various plants of the National Biscuit Company all over the country is to be called Tuesday, according to a statement made at a meeting of the Chicago Federation of Labor by Delegate McIntosh, representing the cracker-bakers' unions. Mr. McIntosh declared that National Secretary Harshbarger, of the Bakers' and Confectioners' International Union, with headquarters at Cleveland, had issued the general strike order in conformity with the action of the recent convention, which he said had decided to make a fight on that concern because it refused to treat with the unions.

Cities in which the National Biscuit Company has plants and which will be affected by the general strike order are Kansas City, St. Joseph, Cleveland, Cincinnati, St. Louis, Denver, Indianapolis, Philadelphia, and several thousand workers will be affected.

CRY SHOULD BE HEEDED

Federation of Sectionists Pleads for Russian Jews.

PITTSBURGH, June 7.—At today's session of the Federation of Sectionists, 50 delegates were seated, while the gallery from the various parts of the United States. Every state in the country is represented in the convention.

Representatives of the executive committee, the treasurer and other officials were heard. The number of missionaries established was 71. Many contributions had been sent for the relief of the destitute and afflicted in Bulgaria, Galicia and Roumania.

The resolutions adopted said that the barbarous outrages that have lately happened in Russia have shown the weak and defenseless position of the Jewish nation, and have shown that the Jewish people in Russia are in constant danger and in the interests of humanity the congregations of the Jewish people in America should hear the cries of their brethren in distress.

Italian Constitution Day.
WASHINGTON, June 7.—Constitution day, the anniversary of the signing of the Italian constitution, was appropriately celebrated at the Italian Embassy today by a reception which Signor Mayer de Flanches, Italian Ambassador, and the Ambassador sent to members of the Italian societies in Washington.

GOLD FLOWS INTO LONDON
Reduction of Bank Rate is Soon Expected.
LONDON, June 7.—The steady influx of gold promises to bring about an early reduction in the bank rate. The uncertain conditions on Wall street acted as a check on all the markets of the Stock Exchange last week and the continued weakness of South African shares contributed to the general depression. The only steady market was for some foreign bonds, particularly French securities, which were affected favorably by the Sultan's consent to the unification of the Turkish debt.

American securities closed better on Saturday, when it was found that the rumors that leading operators were embarrassed were lacking in confirmation; but a very apprehensive feeling still prevails regarding this market. Canadians were also depressed with the exception of Grand Trunk, which was firm on unexpectedly good traffic returns.