



FIVE HOLD UP TRAIN, LOOT CAR; ESCAPE

Gibson, Cal., Scene of Daring Robbery.

POSSES RUSHED IN PURSUIT

Three "Cover" Express Messenger, Two Stand Guard.

BOOTY'S VALUE UNKNOWN

Safes Are Blown and Coin and Valuables Dumped into Sacks. Robbers Emphasize Commands With Pistol Shots.

ASHLAND, Or., Sept. 1.—(Special.)—Five heavily armed and thickly masked men tonight held up the California Express, Southern Pacific train No. 15, on a siding at Gibson, Cal., waiting to let the Shasta Limited pass at 9:50 o'clock tonight. The robbers looted the strong box in the express car and escaped with the booty. A brakeman on the train, it was learned tonight, saw the five men leap into an automobile which headed for Dunsmuir. This is believed to increase the chance of capturing the robbers. The express messengers were eating their supper and the side doors of the express car were open. As the train waited, three robbers crawled up from the brush by the siding, covered the messengers with their guns, and scrambled into the car, ordering "hands up." The express messengers were told to stand with their faces to the wall, and the robbers then blew both safes in the express car, rifled them and escaped, accompanied by two other robbers who had been riding on the roof of the car. No one was hurt. The value of the robbers' booty has not been learned.

The robbers emphasized their command to the express and train men by frequent shots. Engineer Coleman, attracted by the shots, climbed from his cab, but bounded back as the two robbers stationed on the outside of the express car sent several shots in his direction. Conductor Dickey, who also sought to make an investigation, hastily beat a retreat when bullets whizzed close to his head. As the train pulled off the siding into the main line the robbers began their work. With the skill of experts two robbers blew open both safes, while the third forced the messengers to keep their faces to the wall. The steel express car was not damaged by the explosion, except that one window in the door was shattered. The safes opened, the three robbers crowded coin and packages that looked valuable into the gaping mouths of gunny sacks they had slung over their shoulders. Express Messenger Myers was then made to pull the bell cord to signal the engineer to stop. The engineer obeyed the order, stopping at Rainbow, a mile and a half north of Lamonia, when the men took to the woods. When Myers recovered from his unconscious condition, brought about through being bound and gagged by the three confederates, he described one of the men, as wearing a heavy mask 5 feet 6 inches, and his weight 150 pounds.

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MAIL NOT BELIEVED VALUABLE

Portland Express Officials Say Train Carried Ordinary Amount.

Train No. 15, California Express, left Portland at 7:45 o'clock Thursday night. The train crew with which the "express" left Portland changed at Roseburg and again at Ashland and at Dunsmuir. The express car, which, so far as could be learned from Portland Wells-Fargo officials, carried only an ordinary amount of business, was in charge of Messenger Rudolph

STATE PAYS HONOR TO BATTLESHIP

INSCRIPTION ON "OREGON" IN CAPITOL RECALLS FEAT.

Remarkable Trip of Magnificent Fighting Machine in Spanish-American War Remembered.

SALEM, Or., Sept. 1.—(Special.)—Mounted in a handsome frame, an inscription has been placed over the figurehead of the battleship Oregon, which is mounted in the main lobby of the State Capitol. The inscription, prepared by the Secretary of State, is as follows: "When war was declared between the United States and Spain the battleship Oregon was ordered from San Francisco to join the Atlantic fleet under Admiral Sampson at Havana. This was before the days of the wireless telegraph, and throughout the country great anxiety was felt for the safety of the warship after it left the Pacific Coast.

"For weeks the fate of the Oregon was unknown and when the magnificent fighting machine, after steaming half way around the globe at forced speed, arrived on the eastern shores of the country, unharmed and ready for action, the achievement was hailed everywhere as a supreme test of the efficiency of American seamanship and the American man-of-war. The remarkable trip of the Oregon will be a bright spot in American history as long as love of country survives. "This figurehead was on the Oregon on the long trip and throughout the war of 1898, and in 1909 was presented to the State of Oregon by the Navy Department."

SPEECH PACIFIES UNIONS

Men Go Back to Work in Seattle When Builder Points Lesson.

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 1.—(Special.)—Following a talk by James D. Hoge, president of the Union Savings & Trust Company, the union workmen who tied up work on the Hoge building last Tuesday because union carpenters refused to permit union metalworkers to hang the doors, went back to work this afternoon at 1 o'clock. Mr. Hoge told the union workmen that he was perfectly innocent, but was losing hundreds of dollars every day if unionists permitted a strike between unions to tie up work on the building. He said that at the outset he had promised to employ union labor and had done so, but that in order to save himself from loss he would be compelled to finish the building with non-union men if work was not resumed. Later in the day a delegation representing the warring unions called on Mr. Hoge and assured him that they had no fight against him and would go back to work and settle the dispute about the doors among themselves.

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HARRIMAN LINES REJECT DEMANDS

Recognition of Federation Refused.

LONG CONFERENCE IS HELD

Kline, for Men, Makes Plea on Economic Grounds.

ANSWER IS FLAT REFUSAL

Duty to Public, Say Railroad Officials, Will Prevent—Harriman Lines Must Recognize Joint Action, Says Union's Chief.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 1.—Representatives of the five shop craft unions whose application for recognition of the Federation of Shop Employees was refused today by the Southern Pacific, were still in conference late tonight without having reached any definite plan of action. It is thought another meeting with railroads will be held.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 1.—The Southern Pacific Company, through Julius Kruttschnitt, vice-president and director of maintenance of the Harriman lines, absolutely rejected today a demand for recognition of the Federation of Railway Employees, composing five shop trades and 25,000 men. This would hamper the company in performing its duty to the public, was the position taken by its officials. Union leaders asked for it on grounds of economy and expedition and admittedly because of a feeling that greater centralization of capital and power made corresponding centralization among various unions desirable. The unions involved had asked permission of their general officers to strike in event of the refusal of recognition.

Union Men in Conference.

A conference lasting three hours and 20 minutes was terminated by Mr. Kruttschnitt's final answer and following it the union representatives, sober faced, went into session themselves, to consider the strike vote, which they may accept as binding, or may reject, refusing to sanction a strike. Those who conferred today, were, for the railroad, Mr. Kruttschnitt, E. E. Calvin, vice-president and general manager of the Southern Pacific; W. P. Scott, assistant general manager; H. J. Small, superintendent of motive power; R. R. Cleary, assistant to the general manager, and F. G. Athern, chief of the bureau of economics. For the unions appeared J. W. Kline, Jr. (Concluded on Page 4.)

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THEODORE KRUSE ODDLY MISSING

Rich Cafe Owner Gone Since August 21.

WIFE AND FRIENDS MYSTIFIED

Third Portland Man Lost From Sight Recently.

WORD SENT FROM SOUND

Boniface Telegraphs From Seattle That He Left to Get Singers—No Trace Found Since—No Financial or Domestic Trouble.

THREE MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCES DEVELOP WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

Theodore E. Kruse, prominent hotel man, disappeared August 21. Friends fear foul play or temporary mental aberration. J. Lloyd Magness, cashier of Union Depot baggage department, left home Tuesday night. Boat found next day, empty. Father says river pirates cause of death. Other causes given as mental aberration or drowning. Charles W. Jones, assistant manager of the Oregon Hotel, after setting out to go fishing, failed to return. Thought never to have left the city and to have been injured or killed here or drowned in the Willamette River.

Under mysterious circumstances Theodore Kruse, proprietor of the Bellevue Hotel, the Louvre Cafe and the NEW Ritz-Carlton Hotel, disappeared from the city Monday, August 21, and every effort to find him has been of no avail.

No cause for his disappearance is given by his wife or intimate friends, unless it is that he is mentally deranged or has met with foul play. There are no grounds, apparently, for the belief that he is affected mentally, inasmuch as he had no great financial worry and was enjoying health. Neither can cause be given for foul play, as he did not carry a large sum of money with him. Mrs. Kruse, after worrying over her husband's disappearance for nearly ten days, during which time she has made every effort to find him, made public his disappearance last night, in hope that publicity might help to discover his whereabouts. She says she has exerted every effort to find him, without avail.

CHURCH OUT AFTER WILSON

Honorary Brewing Office Stirrs Ire of Methodist Folk.

COLORADO SPRINGS, Col., Sept. 1.—A resolution calling on Secretary of Agriculture Wilson to resign from the honorary vice-presidency of the International Brewers' Congress and Hop-growers Exhibition, which will be held in Chicago, was passed today by the Colorado Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in session here. The resolution asked President Taft to demand such an action on the part of Secretary Wilson. (Concluded on Page 12.)

BOY FOILS KIDNAP PLAN OF FATHER

HALF-LOST SIGHT REMINDS LAD OF FLIGHT BEFORE.

"Cut It Out," Says 11-Year-Old to Sire Who Watched House Long for Chance—Parent Departs.

After watching for more than a week the house in which his divorced wife and her son are living, at 645 Market Drive, Joe Cowden, a recent arrival from Oklahoma, is said to have abandoned his supposed effort to kidnap the child and is believed to have left the city accompanied by a detective who worked with him. To Patrolman Gill, who discovered the facts and watched the house, is given much of the credit for preventing the kidnaping. Even more effective than the activity of the police, was the refusal of the child, 11 years old, to converse with his father when they met, just before the man's departure. "Cut it out," said the little fellow as he broke from the grasp of his father and retreated to his mother.

The boy had reason, for through an act of his father in kidnaping him three years ago he lost the sight of one eye. Soon after his mother, Mrs. Lulu Emerson, was divorced from Cowden in Oklahoma, the child was seized by his father, who drove away, only to be caught in a severe blizzard. The ride in the intense cold caused an affliction which lodged in the child's eye and led to the loss of sight. A week after the seizure he was recovered by the sheriff and was returned to his mother. She went to San Francisco to avoid a repetition of the act and thence came to live here with her sister. About two weeks ago Cowden appeared in the neighborhood and began watching the house closely, apparently knowing that Mrs. Emerson and her child were alone during the day. A friend of the family fell in with Lewis and gained information from him which caused him to give a warning to the family.

JOHN D. CUNNING AS BOY

Coup More Than Half Century Ago Put Future Magnate on Top.

CLEVELAND, Sept. 1.—(Special.)—That John D. Rockefeller, displaying the same cunning in his boyhood days that has made him the richest man in America, won a hickory nut fight between schoolboys years ago is shown by an old newspaper clipping discovered by the First National Bank at Preston, Ia. The fight, which occurred more than half a century ago, was between the boys of Prospect School and Cleveland High School. While his comrades were waging the fight with all their brute strength, Rockefeller, a Prospect boy, shrewdly made a reconnoitering trip and captured a load of ammunition from the High School boys. This coup turned the tide of battle. Other boys lined up with the Prospect boys, since have become famous were William McKinley, Thomas A. Edison, Mark Hanna and Calvin Brice. Mark Hanna was commander-in-chief of the Prospect.

NEW MILITARY CAP HERE

Vancouver Barracks Officers Arrayed Like German Army Men.

VANCOUVER BARRACKS, Wash., Sept. 1.—(Special.)—The new style military cap, to be worn with the new style officers' uniform, which becomes compulsory July 1, 1912, has already arrived and are being worn by officers in this post. The new caps are similar to the German officers' cap, being higher in crown and much broader on top, resembling a huge pompadour. There is no gold braid on them, but are apparently made for service and utility. The visor is short and at an obtuse angle. The change in the uniform, from the present style, is in make and not in color or texture. The collar of the coat, or blouse, is standing, instead of rolling, as the present ones, and the pockets are sewed to the coat on the outside, instead of being bellows style. The new uniforms will make a more military appearance.

MARK TWAIN HOME IS GIFT

City of Hannibal Now Owns House Famed by "Tom Sawyer."

HANNIBAL, Mo., Sept. 1.—The boyhood home of Mark Twain on High street, built by his father, John M. Clemens, in 1839, was bought today by George A. Mahan, a wealthy attorney and his wife and was given by them to the City of Hannibal. The old home is a two-story frame house in a good state of preservation. It is only a few feet away from the alley where "Tom Sawyer" had the boys paint the fence. "Huckleberry Finn" lived at the other end of the alley. It is a block to Holiday Hill and across the street was the "newspaper" office of "Tom's" father.

NEW REVOLT BREAKS OUT

State of Sinaloa Rises Up Against Government of Madero.

EL PASO, Texas, Sept. 1.—According to a special tonight from Hermosilla, the state of Sinaloa, Mexico, is in rebellion against the Mexican government. Governor Juan Bandera heads the revolt, declaring for an independent state.

SECOND BULL RUN PIPE IS COMPLETE

Water Rushes Through Conduit in Test.

SUPPLY 68,000,000 GALLONS

Report That Task Is Ended Cheers Officials.

FAMINE PERIL VANISHES

Superintendent Dodge Informs the Board That Big Tube Is Successful and May Be Used Wednesday After Main Is Cleaned.

A scene bordering on the dramatic followed the sudden announcement by Superintendent Dodge to Acting Mayor Baker and members of the Water Board yesterday that water was turned into Bull Run conduit No. 2 at the head works at 4:37 o'clock yesterday afternoon for the first time, and that the test was successful. It seemed difficult for those present to realize that at last the big conduit, which will deliver 68,000,000 gallons of water into the city every 24 hours, was completed and nearly ready for actual service. Probably by Wednesday morning it will be possible to turn the supply from the new conduit into the distributing mains for use over all the city for irrigation and domestic purposes. 68,000,000 Gallons Kept. This project is one of the largest ever undertaken by the city, and its completion marks an epoch in Portland's history, at least, in that there will be a supply of 68,000,000 gallons of water available for use here every 24 hours, instead of 23,000,000 gallons, as heretofore. Shortage of water, therefore, will be a thing of the past, generally speaking, although, because of improper distribution mains in some sections, there may not be all that is desired. Plans are under way, however, to remedy this. It is safe to say that there will be no occasion for the repetition of this season's famine. Routine of business had been followed by the members of the Board in the usual manner, Acting Mayor Baker presiding, when the report of Chief Engineer Clarke was reached by Superintendent Dodge, who proceeded to read it to the Board. At 4:30 Superintendent Kruse entered the room, whispered to Mr. Dodge, and the superintendent, who had evidently been expecting a message, said: "Gentlemen, I have to report to you that Inspector Maupin, in charge of the head works, has just telephoned to my office that he turned on the water into the new pipeline at 4:37 o'clock, at the orders of the contractors. "Good," shouted Theodore B. Wilcox, on whose motion, a year ago, the Board awarded the contract to the Schaw-Batcher Company, of Sacramento. "Fine business," commented Acting Mayor Baker, and Commissioners Mackay and Winn echoed their sentiments likewise. Commissioner Alinsworth, who has taken deep interest in the new conduit, was absent on important business, and did not have the pleasure of hearing the announcement which means so much to the city. Superintendent Dodge then proceeded to detail to the Board how fortunate it is that the new conduit is so nearly ready for actual use. Pipe Kills Shortage. "This morning," said Mr. Dodge, "the reservoirs showed a deficiency of 33 per cent. Instead of having 68,000,000 gallons on hand, as we would have, we are losing at the rate of about 3,000,000 gallons a day." Inquiry was made as to when the water from the new pipeline can be used for domestic purposes. Chief Engineer Clarke said it would take but a few days. Probably four days, he said, would give time in which to have the pipe cleaned and the reservoirs scoured sufficiently to permit the turning of the new supply into the distribution mains. When the question of shutting off the privilege of evening sprinkling was brought up, Mr. Wilcox asked Superintendent Dodge what he thought about it, and Mr. Dodge replied that he would not do so; that he would prefer to make an effort to pull through until the new pipe is in service, when there will be ample supply. All of the members of the Board seemed to be of the same opinion, and it was decided that, should the danger point be reached and it be found necessary to shut off the evening sprinkling, action will be taken at the call of Superintendent Dodge. The method of cleaning the big conduit is simple. There are about 50 blowholes scattered along the line, and these are left open when the water is turned in. This reduces the pressure to make it safe, and throws off the dirt. As fast as a blowhole shows clear water it is closed. This procedure will be followed until the last hole is shut down at the Mount Tabor reservoirs. The reservoirs will have to be flushed much in the same manner, to clear out the tar and dirt that have accumulated while they were in the process of building.

