

EDUCATOR SCORES COLORADO MILITIA

Constitutional Guarantees Declared Wiped Out by Adjutant-General Chase.

MUCH BRUTALITY CHARGED

Battle of Ludlow Laid to Lieutenant by Attorney for Mineworkers, Testifying Before Federal Investigations.

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 7.—That constitutional guarantees were wiped out by Adjutant-General Chase as head of the Colorado militia that mistreated miners who were robbed by the militia; that that body was recruited with "scoundrels" and the right of search had been exercised by the militia while the civil courts were open, was the trend of the testimony of Professor James H. Brewster, of the University of Colorado, attorney for the United Mine Workers before the Congressional committee, testifying before the Federal Commission on Industrial Relations today.

Professor Brewster had been chairman of the State Federation of Labor Committee that investigated the strike in December, 1912, on the authorization of Governor H. H. Rowley.

He declared that Lieutenant (Monty) Linderfelt, in charge of the machine gun at the Ludlow battle, was a "brute unit to associate with anybody," and that because of his brutality the committee had asked that he be suspended on January 29, 1914.

Gun Turned on Colony. "Had he been suspended then," he declared, "Ludlow would never have happened."

He asserted Linderfelt had trained the gun on the Ludlow colony during a search of the colony by the militia for weapons, and, patting the gun, declared he could sweep the whole colony. At that time, the witness said, Linderfelt was making threats against Louis Tikas, whom he called a "scoundrel" the night the Ludlow battle was on, breaking the stock of a rifle over his head.

Adjutant-General Chase, he said, "thinks he is a soldier, but he is a war and thinks that way because he cannot help it. He honestly thinks he is a soldier."

Chase had enlarged the military district, under the Moyer decision, which he declared was a blot on the jurisdiction of Colorado until it included the whole state.

Greek Declared Peaceful. Louis Tikas, leader of the Greeks, who was killed in the Ludlow fight, he declared was a factor for peace in the Ludlow colony. He was a graduate of the University of Athens. He related the verdict of the court-martial which Linderfelt was exonerated for the killing of Tikas.

"I am not attempting to justify the events that followed," he said, "but if those Greeks had been Americans they would have risen long before."

He characterized the arrest of "Mother" Jones by the militia as one of the greatest outrages on American jurisdiction. He told of the arrest of a woman who had been exonerated for man because he shoved her during a parade at Trinidad. It was necessary to incarcerate children with her that they might be fed.

He declared merchants of Huerfano and Las Animas counties had been intimidated by the court-martial loss of financial and social position.

Attack on Boy Charged. A glance of an attorney's eye was sufficient to "fix" a Mexican jury that tried accident cases, he declared, and the jury had been saluted by the Deputy Sheriff tried by a jury of seven or eight brother deputies in Huerfano and Las Animas counties for breaking a miner's jaw. This was in the "kingdom of Jeff Parr," he said.

The witness said he had seen a youth whose mother had been opened by Linderfelt because one of Linderfelt's men had driven his horse against a barbed wire fence in crossing the open prairie and the witness Linderfelt believed some one had stretched the wire across the road with malicious intent.

He read excerpts from an alleged campaign speech of Judge Northcutt, now the attorney for the Colorado Fuel & Iron Company, and Judge McEldredie, declaring that the nominations to office in Southern Colorado had been made on a basis "satisfactory to the company."

These speeches, he said, were made before Northcutt became allied with the Colorado Fuel & Iron Company and before McEldredie had been elected District Judge.

Welborn Blames Miners. Professor Brewster began his testimony after President J. F. Welborn, of the Colorado Fuel & Iron Company, had concluded, and had arranged to divulge the name of the writer of the company's publicity pamphlets and to submit to the Commission all the programs received from the Eastern directors of the company during the strike.

In conclusion, Mr. Welborn, told of the shooting of Marshal Lee, of Segundo on September 24, 1912, the day after the call of the strike; the killing of mine guards at La Veta; how physicians had been kept from going to the wounded men for two hours.

Nine accidents could be charged to overhead expenses only if a National law was enacted, he said; otherwise the extra burden would turn the local consumption field over to competitors from other states. The Colorado Fuel & Iron Company carried no accident insurance, preferring to settle directly with claimants. The only reason for the unrest in Colorado was the introduction of a lawless element by the United Mine Workers of America, he said. Had the laws been enforced and the militia used vigorously the strike would have ended quickly, he thought.

Two Masked Robbers Early Last Night Held up four men in the saloon of Bauer Brothers, at 711 Williams avenue, shot O. W. Tucker, a former of Warren, Or., in the leg, rifled the cash register, taking about \$15, and escaped. The men entered the saloon by a rear door. Evidently to scare the occupants, one of the robbers fired a shot. The bullet grazed the left leg of Mr. Tucker, inflicting a slight flesh wound, glanced off the bar and pierced

the plaster on the front wall. While one of the highwaymen held John Bauer, the bartender, J. A. Beaver, A. Fortier and Tucker, patrons of the saloon, at bay with his revolver, the other robber went behind the bar and rifled the till.

The bartender was drawing a bucket of beer when the men entered and did not have time to shut off the faucet. "Please turn off that beer; I don't want to waste it," he requested the robber, who was going through the cash register. The highwayman complied with the request and the two left the saloon by the rear door. They ran up Ivy street, witnesses said. One of them dropped his hat on the street and did not stop to pick it up. The hat was found by the policemen who arrived at the saloon soon after the robbery.

The highwaymen were well dressed, and each was masked with a blue bandana handkerchief. Tucker's injury is not serious and he refused the offer of the police to take him to the Emergency Hospital, saying he would dress the wound himself.

SUPERINTENDENT OF NEW ORPHEUM ARRIVES.



Frank H. Donnellan.

Frank H. Donnellan, house superintendent at the Orpheum Theater, has arrived from Portland to assume the duties of personally supervising the arrangements for the comforts of the patrons of the new theater at Broadway and Stark streets. Mr. Donnellan comes from San Francisco, and is arranging to move his family to Portland.

Around the Press Club in San Francisco Mr. Donnellan has been regarded for years as one of the popular press agents of the California field, having filled that position for the Empress Theater for a number of years. Mr. Donnellan has been connected with Sullivan & Consideine interests for eight years, having been the manager of the old Coliseum Theater at Seattle, and later had charge of the Star. He opened the new Empress at Seattle, later going to San Francisco with the Sullivan & Consideine people.

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BAN ON TRUCKS SCORED

F. C. RIGGS QUESTIONS WASHINGTON COUNTY MOTIVE. Action Looks Like Move of Railroad to Get Back Suburban Traffic, Says Distributor of Packcars.

While Portland men interested in the auto traffic which has been shut off by the Washington County roads have not thought of any way to open the roads to commerce, it is generally regretted that the county to the west has had to resort to such stringent means to protect its highways.

"It certainly is a deplorable condition," declared Frank C. Riggs, the local distributor of Packard trucks and motor cars. "In some ways you cannot blame Washington County for trying to save its roads, but to me it looks like a move on the part of the railroad to get back some of the suburban trade."

"Indeed, the protection of the roads is the underlying idea, then it is a regrettable situation, in that it shows what miserable roads we have."

"The weight limits which the county has established are unreasonable."

ITALY RUSHES LIBYA AID

Eight Battalions Ordered "to Be Ready" for Any Aggression. ROME, Dec. 7.—Eight battalions of Italian troops have been ordered to Libya to reinforce the troops there, and, according to the announcement, "to be ready for any aggression."

PORTLAND MAN LEAVES TO VISIT PARENTS IN AUSTRALIA.

Robert B. Beat, 616 East Twelfth street, North, a well-known contractor and builder of Portland, left recently to visit his parents, five brothers and two sisters, who, a year or two ago, left Perth, Scotland, for Sydney, Australia, to make their home.

Mr. Beat has not seen his relatives for 16 years. He expects to return to Portland about the end of March.

LEGISLATORS VOTE TAX ACT TOO SEVERE

Multnomah Delegation Unanimous in Opposing Full Payment in Advance.

OPINIONS TO BE SOUGHT

Plans to Reduce Expenses by Eliminating Conflicting Boards and Commissions and in Other Ways Get Attention.

Taxation problems and proposed changes in the tax-paying laws were the principal subjects of consideration at the weekly meeting of the Multnomah County legislative delegation last night.

It was the unanimous opinion that the present law is too severe on the taxpayer, as it virtually forces the payment of all taxes at one time and in advance.

But whether the various departments of government will have sufficient funds to operate efficiently, if only one-half the taxes are paid at the first period, is a further problem that is receiving careful study. S. B. Huston, chairman of the county committee on taxation, reported that he had written to the several tax-levying branches of the Government to determine what proportion of the funds are required in the Spring and what proportion is not needed until Fall.

More Than Half Believed Needed. He expressed fear that 50 per cent will not be sufficient to carry on the work through the first half of the year, and suggested that the proposed revision in law will have to carry a provision that will induce people to pay more than half at the first period. Both the discount on advance payments and the penalty on the deferred payments are being considered.

E. V. Littlefield, chairman of the delegation, offered the suggestion recently made by State Treasurer Kane that 60 per cent be collected in the Spring and the remaining 40 per cent in the Fall.

That is one of the most important questions scheduled to come before the Multnomah delegation and as it also is one of the most important to come before the Legislature, the tax issue will be made a special order of business at next Monday's meeting.

Opinions to Be Asked. Treasurer Kay, Secretary of State Olcott and members of the State Railroad Commission will be invited to attend the meeting and present their views.

Closely related to the taxation question is the predominating issue of economy and the visit of the state officials expected to produce much information that will assist the legislators in reducing the expenses of government.

In this same connection the plan of abolishing conflicting state boards and commissions is being considered. I. N. Day, chairman of the county committee handling this question, reported that he had written to the several boards and commissions to produce a letter from Senator Barrett of Athens, advising that he is preparing a bill to relieve the taxing situation.

Plowden Stott, secretary of the delegation, was advised to procure a copy of Senator Barrett's bill.

Senator Day suggested that while the Legislature is in the business of abolishing offices, it might do well to consider the advisability of abolishing the State Tax Commission and the work, especially as far as it pertains to the taxation of corporations and public utilities, over to the Railroad Commission, which body is making a physical valuation of the various public utility properties in the state.

League Offer Accepted. The offer of the Taxpayers' League of Portland to provide legal talent to draft bills for the Multnomah delegation, gratis, was accepted.

The meeting was late in getting down to business, as most members of the delegation were attending the duck dinner of the Sportsmen's League at the Commercial Club.

Only five members—Plowden Stott, Louis Kuehn, T. L. Perkins, Robert S. Farrell and S. B. Cobb—were present. Therefore, when Elly B. Van der Vliet, appearing at the Orpheum Theater this week, presented his plan for legislation that will permit members of his profession, as well as others whose duties require them to travel constantly, to vote on National issues at every election, regardless of where they happen to be on election day.

Mr. Van pointed out that he is a resident of a small town in New Hampshire and that he is one of the heaviest taxpayers in that town, but that he never has been able to vote there.

Minnesota Tries Plan. A bill similar to the one he proposes now is in effect, with reported good results, in Minnesota.

The duck dinner over, the following other members appeared and business proceeded: E. V. Littlefield, D. C. Lewis, Arthur Langguth, Ben Seiling, I. N. Day, John Gill, S. B. Huston and Gus C. Moser.

George W. Weeks, of Salem, a member of the lower house, was a visitor, and upon invitation addressed the meeting.

"We've got a great duty to perform," he said. "I feel that we ought to wipe out old scores and start out anew."

He told, then, that he visited Representative Scheibel at Oregon City on his way to Portland and that Mr. Scheibel had outlined to him his plan for abolishing all continuing appropriations in the state, with the possible exception of the millage appropriations for the State University, Agricultural College, Normal School and other like institutions.

20 Per Cent Cut Held Possible. "We can wipe out 20 per cent of the state expense," he declared.



CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR MEN

This store is ready for the tide of early Christmas shoppers. Gifts are here in abundance for father, husband, son, brother or sweetheart. If you've a man to buy for, come to a man's store where he would come himself! You'll find our service prompt and courteous.

Men's Neckwear. Soft, lustrous imported silks in every conceivable combination of colors. 50c to \$3.

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Help Yourself! Men's Fine Umbrellas, in silk and gloria, \$1.50 to \$10.

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Advertisement for 'Christmas Gifts for Men' featuring various clothing items like neckwear, gloves, and umbrellas, with prices and descriptions.

BEN SELLING LEADING CLOTHIER

MORRISON STREET AT FOURTH

LYRIC PLAY LIVELY

"The Smugglers" Is Crowded With Funny Situations.

Chorus Members Senoritas in First Act and Squaws in Second. Musical Numbers Please and Costumes Glitter.

Stanford Students Tied Berkeley Boys Release Rivals After Truce Is Declared.

French General Honored.

EMPRESS HAS GREAT COMEDY "Sidelights," Behind-Scenes Act, Is Hilariously Amusing.

Greater Than Krupp's Sixty-five thousand men are now working day and night in the big Krupp gun works in Germany, turning out guns to destroy the greatest number of human lives.

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GRAPE-NUTS

For Building human Strength and Energy

Since the war started shipments of Grape-Nuts food to Europe have increased by leaps and bounds, and in spite of the extra demand the price has not advanced.

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"There's a Reason" for GRAPE-NUTS Sold by Grocers Everywhere

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WOOD ROAD PROPOSED

REPRESENTATIVE - ELECT COBB SUGGESTS TIMBER USE. Lumberman Before East Side Business Men's Club Submits Plan to Aid Oregon Mills.

S. B. Cobb, of the Standard Box & Lumber Company and Representative-elect, in an address before the East Side Business Men's Club yesterday, offered suggestions for the utilization of Oregon lumber for road construction.

"I propose that the product of Oregon sawmills be used to build roads, not ordinary plank roads that do not give good service, but well-constructed and well-drained timber roadways that will cost about half what the hard-surface costs," said Mr. Cobb.

"All the material used will be Oregon material—Oregon-made lumber by Oregon labor and Oregon men. A hard-surface roadway is made from material from Trinidad and from cement from outside the state.

"The timber road proposed would be laid in pieces six by six, vertically with the grain, and not flat. These pieces will be laid in cedar pieces, which in turn will rest on a rock or gravel foundation. Between the cedar bearings there will be drainage ditches to connect with cross drainage to the side of the road. The six-by-six pieces are to be spiked to the cedar pieces, the spikes to be sunk below the surface one inch or more. When these six-by-six pieces become worn they can be turned and used longer. A gasoline machine can be seen out on the road and the pieces can be worked down to five-by-five to prolong the life of the timber roadway.

"Construction of these timber roadways throughout the state would do much toward putting idle sawmills and idle men to work. Mr. Cobb showed a working model of

a timber roadway. On motion of L. M. Leppner, the president of the club was authorized to appoint a committee of five to co-operate with Mr. Cobb in asking the County Commissioners to make a test of the timber roadway proposed.

16 PASS DENTISTRY TEST Only One Fails in Examinations at State Board's Session. Of the 17 applicants for licenses to practice dentistry in Oregon, 16 passed at the examinations held at the regular semi-annual session of the Oregon State Board of Dental Examiners at North Pacific College last week.

During the examinations a number of charity cases were handled by the applicants. The following were successful: Richard McCargar, H. B. Gebr, P. S. Hollis, C. E. Hall, J. L. P. Irwin, H. B. Jensen, J. O. Lashar, H. C. Smith, W. E. Driskell, R. E. Farnsworth, J. W. Hearn, T. Hett, O. J. Johnson, E. J. Koisendahl, C. L. Stanley and R. A. Thompson.

British Aid American Fund. LONDON, Dec. 7.—Although the American commission for relief in Belgium made no appeal for subscriptions in Great Britain, more than \$8,000 has been received from British newspaper readers. With this sum the relief commission has purchased 1800 tons of food supplies and has chartered the steamship Borgny, which will sail for Rotterdam in a few days.

St. Paul Nominations Made. ST. PAUL, Or., Dec. 7.—(Special.)—The following nominations were made Saturday night for the city election Tuesday: Mayor, D. L. Vandewiele; Councilmen, Alois Keber, W. M. Murphy, Barney Krecher, J. S. McDonald; Recorder, Mrs. L. D. Pettyjohn; Treasurer, J. H. Gooding; Marshal, Walter Coyte.

The United States last year imported 22,293,333 square yards of fiber matings.