

FIRING HEAVY AS CHASE NEARS REDS

Posses Are Closing In on Fugitive I. W. W.

HANEY'S BODY RECOVERED

Picked Rifleman on Trail of Bland and Followers.

CAPTAIN DYSART LEAVING

Ex-Marine Turns Over Command to Lieutenant Van Gilder; Handling of Crisis Praised.

BY BEN HUR LAMPMAN.
CENTRALIA, Wash., Nov. 17.—(Special.)—Off to the northeast, 20 or 25 miles from this city, in fir forest thick with undergrowth, scores of posse men are converging upon an area of rough territory where fugitive participants in the Armistice day murders are lurking. There are rumors at present unconfirmed that the armed searchers are already pressing the radicals closely and that shots are frequently being exchanged.

Brief telephonic messages from the outpost ranches at the edge of the timber agree in asserting that there has been much firing and liken the rifle shots to machine gun staccato. But Captain Lloyd Dysart, commanding the military police and directing from local headquarters the expeditions which are in the field against the I. W. W., said early this evening that he had received no confirmation of reported clashes.

Bland Among Party.

At least three men, among them Bert Bland, local leader of the radicals and accused of participation in the Armistice day attack, are almost certainly within the grip of the converging posse. The posse men to the last one are picked riflemen who know every inch of the tangled timber country at the source of the Skookumchuck and Hanford rivers, a score of miles to the northeast.

But the report of at least one posse man who has engaged the radicals in a fight in the area is less than certain. This statement is made by Ben A. King of Olympia, Thurston county game warden, who was with the posse of local hunters engaged the I. W. W. on Saturday at hunters' cabin, when John Haney was slain from ambush.

Continuous Firing Heard.

Another engagement with the I. W. W. fugitives is now in progress in the Hanford headwaters country, according to a telephone message received this afternoon from Deputy Coroner Charles Sticklin, who went to meet the party bringing out the body of John Haney. As the party of which Sticklin is a member entered the timber on mid-afternoon they heard almost continuous firing, he reported. "It sounded like machine guns," it was so rapid, telephoned Sticklin.

That the body of John Haney, Tenino posse man slain in Saturday's clash with the reds, will arrive at the Rector ranch at 8 o'clock this evening was reported by the posse leader, Captain Lloyd Dysart, from Deputy Coroner Weisinger, one of those who went out to bring the body in. The message was telephoned to headquarters from the edge of the wild country where the fighting occurred.

The names of the three posse men who were with Haney when he met death in ambush were made known today. The party was recovered by Preston McDonald of Centralia, and its members were Morgan Davies, chief game warden of Thurston county; Ben A. King, Thurston county game warden, of Olympia, and John Haney of Tenino.

King and Haney Old Friends.

"King and Haney were old friends," said Captain Dysart, "and they had a woods signal, a sort of peculiar whistle, that they used to call to each other when they were in the timber hunting or on duty."

"In this instance Haney was slightly in advance. A shot sounded and he dropped, apparently mortally wounded. The reason that King and the confident his comrade had met death was that the former sounded their whistle many times, in the hope that the shot had not been fatal, but heard no reply. Of course that old news story about Haney's body was recovered by a posse leader on its way to Rector's ranch."

A detail of 12 men, armed and carrying lanterns, was sent out this afternoon to Rector's ranch, there to proceed into the woods by trail and meet the men who have brought the body of the deputy to within four miles of Rector's and a traveled road. It is probable that the party will arrive in Centralia about 9 o'clock tonight.

Captain Dysart to Leave

Captain Lloyd Dysart, who has been transferred from his law course at the University of Washington to take a share in bringing to justice the perpetrators of the Armistice day murders and who was chosen to command the entire military police operations against the I. W. W., will leave tomorrow for Seattle to resume his duties. Lieutenant Frank Van Gilder has been secured to take command.

LEGION MEN KIDNAP ANTI-LEAGUE SPEAKER

EX-REPRESENTATIVE LOCKED IN BOXCAR LEAVING TOWN.

Minnesota Sheriff Joins Party of ex-Soldiers in Preventing Address at Theater.

ORTONVILLE, Minn., Nov. 17.—Ernest Lundeen, former congressional representative from the fifth Minnesota district, who was scheduled to speak at a local theater tonight against the league of nations, was taken from the stage by members of the local post of the American Legion, escorted to the railroad tracks and locked in a refrigerator car on the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railroad.

The train was just pulling out and it is believed trainmen did not see Lundeen pass aboard.

A large crowd gathered at the local opera house to hear Lundeen's speech. Just as he started to talk, Sheriff John Gowan of Big Stone county and a number of members of the local post of the American Legion, surrounded Lundeen and marched him out of the hall.

They went directly to the railroad depot where the freight was just getting under way, opened a refrigerator car, pushed Lundeen in and locked the door.

The next stop of the freight was scheduled to be Montevideo, Minn., about 40 miles from here.

APPLETON, Minn., Nov. 17.—Ernest Lundeen, ex-representative from Minnesota, who was locked in a refrigerator car at Ortonville, about 20 miles from here, tonight arrived here shortly before 11 o'clock. Members of the train crew heard his shouts, released him, and permitted him to ride in the caboose.

Lundeen declared that the constable of Ortonville struck him a hard blow, but there were no marks to indicate he suffered violence. Lundeen said he was to have spoken at Ortonville tonight against "the British-Wilson league." He said the crowd in the opera house wanted him not to speak and that just as he started the sheriff stepped up to him and said: "You cannot talk here."

"I'm a citizen of the United States and under the constitution cannot be stopped," Lundeen said he replied. The sheriff then said, according to Lundeen: "You are under arrest."

Lundeen replied: "I'm under arrest! I've been in the army for ten years and know what orders are and will obey the law."

Then the constable, the sheriff and a crowd put him in the refrigerator car.

PACIFIC SHIPS PROMISED

Vessels on Eastern Ways to Be Put on Runs From West Coast.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 17.—Eight or ten new large passenger and freight vessels will be placed permanently in trans-Pacific service as soon as they are completed in eastern shipyards, according to announcement today by Harold H. Ebeby, director of operations of the United States shipping board, on his arrival from Washington.

Distribution of the new vessels depends upon the facts shippers and operators present to the shipping board regarding needs of the various Pacific ports, Ebeby said. Committees of shippers and operators are being formed for information have been appointed by the Seattle, Tacoma, Portland, San Francisco, Los Angeles and San Diego chambers of commerce, he said. It is expected that the first of the new craft will appear on this coast next spring.

WOMEN TOPERS, CHARGE

W. C. T. U. Worker Alleges Better Sex Extract 'Kick' From Fruits.

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 17.—Announcing that a large number of women were making wine and other intoxicants of elderberries, dandelions, cherries and other fruits and plants, Miss Cora Stoddard, director of the bureau of scientific temperance investigation, in an address before the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union convention here today said:

"We must go after these women as well as the men."

"When I was in Vermont this summer," continued Miss Stoddard, "I was surprised at the number of women making wine out of plants and fruits."

INDIANS ASK DIVORCE

Prominent Members of Nez Perce Tribe Charge Infidelity.

LEWISTON, Idaho, Nov. 17.—(Special.)—Nancy Allen and Mark Allen, prominent members of the Nez Perce tribe of Indians, are suing each other for divorce on the grounds of infidelity in the district court here. The trial has attracted a good deal of attention because both are well known in this district.

Mark filed a cross complaint, making the same charge as his wife had in her action.

OIL EXPLOSION KILLS 8

Death and Injuries Visited on Spectators at Fire.

HAYS, Kan., Nov. 17.—Curiosity, prompted by a desire to hear a spectacular blaze of four oil tanks burned eight persons to their death today and resulted in the serious injury of 26 persons, three of whom may die, and the less serious injury of scores of others.

A crowd of several hundred persons gathered about the fire, when three of the huge tanks exploded.

BAR LABOR NEWS, DEMANDS LEGION

Portland Post Declares War on Radicals.

WASHINGTON AID IS ASKED

Ousting of Communist Labor Party Is Recommended.

LIBRARY'S USE OPPOSED

Young People's Socialist Society Declared to Be Cloak—Kleiner Disfranchisement Asked.

Suppression of the Portland Labor News for seditious utterances, ousting by abatement proceedings of the communist labor party from its headquarters at 131 1/2 Second street, revocation of permission to the Young People's Socialist society, alleged cloak of the communist party, to meet in the public library, and steps to cancel the citizenship papers of Michael Kleiner, said to be a leader in the communist movement, were recommended today with a unanimous vote of unanimity at a meeting of Portland post of the American Legion which overflowed library hall last night.

To put teeth in the resolution, a committee was named to work for the fulfillment of the recommendations and the executive committee of the post telegraphed the office of the attorney-general at Washington, D. C., urging immediate and direct action in the prosecution of all persons spreading revolutionary propaganda in this city.

Dr. C. H. Chapman was named as the leading spirit of the organization to be infested with revolutionary doctrines, openly advocating the overthrow of constituted government.

Committee Makes Report.

"The state is a machine gun in the hands of capitalists. Let us capture and spike this gun!" is a sample of placard exhortations posted in the headquarters of the labor communist party, as read by Commander Cassius E. Peck at last night's assemblage.

The action followed a report of a committee appointed at a prior meeting to investigate the operations of the communist party in this city, a committee composed of James S. Kerr, G. M. Jackson and A. S. Detach.

Great stress was laid in the report on the fact that the Portland Labor News was in no way connected with the Oregon Labor Press, official organ of the conservatives in labor circles, officials of which gave valuable aid to the investigating committee.

The offices of the communist labor party were found to be "filled" with

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GIRL KILLED WHEN HIT BY AUTOMOBILE

VIOLA CUMMINGS, 7, VICTIM OF CROSSING ACCIDENT.

Joe Mielke Placed Under Arrest Pending Investigation; Intoxication May Be Charged.

Viola Cummings, 7-year-old niece and adopted daughter of W. J. Cummings, 952 Division street, was killed almost instantly yesterday afternoon when an auto driven by Joe Mielke, 372 Grand avenue, struck her at East Thirty-second and Division streets.

The little girl, with a girl companion, was crossing the street going north, when the car struck her. Her companion escaped injury. The car, according to witnesses, ran for 60 feet after it had struck the girl.

A passing auto, driven by Dave Paquet of the firm of P. S. Dunsmuir, undertakers, was commanded by Dr. C. L. Booth, who was called to the scene, when he found the girl still breathing. The child was rushed to the office of Dr. Booth at 738 Clinton street, but died on the way. Death was caused by injuries at the base of the brain.

Mielke was arrested by Motorcycle Officers O'Halloran and Ingie, who arrived on the scene shortly after the occurrence. Five witnesses gave testimony, corroborated by the motorcycle officers, that Mielke had liquor on his breath at the time of his arrest. The witness further testified that Mielke's car ran across the intersection of the street after hitting the girl. Skid marks showed that brakes had been applied 13 feet in front of the fatal spot.

Little Viola Cummings had lived with her uncle since her mother's death, some time ago, being adopted by him at the time. Her father is George Houck, of Kirby, Josephine county. She was a pupil at the Hosford school. Her home was taken from the office of Dr. Booth to the morgue. An inquest probably will be held later.

W. J. Cummings, the girl's uncle, witnessed the accident, as did J. C. Madden, 4294 Fortliam avenue Southeast; E. Taylor, 2438 East Forty-seventh street; A. Kalk, 1003 Division street, and A. A. Peters, flasher flouring mill.

"The girl jumped in front of the car and I had no time to stop," declared Mielke at the city jail last night. "I was going about 15 miles an hour."

Mielke was arrested previously for driving an auto while intoxicated and also for bootlegging. Mielke was implicated in the case in which Edward Brune, formerly proprietor of the Australia hotel, was tried for murder in the second degree. Brune ran down Miss C. Geraldine Alderson, daughter of William C. Alderson, superintendent of county schools, on February 25, 1918, fatally injuring her. When arrested he had in his possession five pint bottles of whiskey, which he confessed had been supplied by Mielke. Mielke, who then lived at 63 North Thirteenth street, was arrested.

In the former case Brune was found guilty of involuntary manslaughter and sentenced to the penitentiary. Records at police headquarters show that Mielke has been in jail seven times since the killing of Miss Alderson. After the accident which resulted in the death of Miss Alderson

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POSSEMAN IS KILLED BY COMRADES' FIRE

JOHN HANEY VICTIM OF HUNT IN WOODS FOR I. W. W.

Another Fight With Radicals Who Murdered Armistice Day Partisans Is Reported.

BY BEN HUR LAMPMAN.
CENTRALIA, Wash., Nov. 17.—(Special.)—John Haney, Tenino posse man, who was shot in the hunt for I. W. W. murder suspects Saturday afternoon, died from the fire of his own comrades, through an accidental brush between separated parties, it was learned early tonight, when the body of the deputy was brought to the city.

Sadness came to the city again in the knowledge that Haney had died in vain, and regret at his death is mingled with sympathy for the possemen who fired upon him, believing that they were being approached by the radicals, armed and desperate.

Among the first of the possemen to penetrate to the Hanford river headwaters country and the vicinity of Hunter's cabin, where three fugitive participants in the Armistice day crime were believed to be lurking was Haney. His companions were Preston McDonald of Centralia, Morgan Davis, chief game warden for Thurston county, and Ben A. King, game warden of Olympia.

As they drew within a mile or so of the cabin Saturday about noon the posse of eight men separated, Haney and three others swinging in a wider circle to approach the place. They had agreed to meet the others at or near the cabin.

The first party to reach the cabin was the one which separated from Haney and his comrades. They approached the log structure cautiously, rifles ready, and discovered it to be unoccupied. Withdrawing a little distance they awaited the arrival of the second detachment. The first party arrived at 1:30 o'clock. At 1:55 o'clock Haney and his three companions reached the cabin, with Haney slightly in advance of the others.

There was little opportunity for distinguishing friend or foe in the thick growth of timber and brush, and members of the first detachment were the only ones to see a man moving cautiously nearer to the open plot before the cabin.

Members of the posse squad say that signals had been started upon the reunion at Hunter's cabin. When these were given, as he approached, Haney failed to recognize them, and dashed back into the undergrowth.

The possemen say that they cried out a command to halt. The posseman stationed near the cabin at once opened fire and at the first rifle crack Haney plunged forward, shot through the heart.

Haney fell his three comrades took cover and replied to the firing of their own comrades, equally concealed in the timber. A number of shots were exchanged and the three members of the Haney posse attempted to draw near enough to the spot where Haney fell to recover his body. They were driven off without discovering the terrible error of which he was the victim.

It was members of the posse which reached the cabin first and fired on Haney when he fled, believing him an I. W. W. member.

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WILSON BLUFFING, SAY SENATE FOES

Threat to Pocket Treaty Causes No Alarm.

REJECTION SERIOUS MATTER

Acceptance of Lodge Reservations Held Likely.

SUPPORT NOW IMPORTANT

President, It Is Said, Could Hardly Afford to Take Responsibility for Discarding Pact.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Nov. 17.—Close observers of the treaty proceedings in the senate do not take seriously the statements that President Wilson will pocket the treaty if it is ratified with the Lodge reservations. The message carried from the White House this morning by Senator Hitchcock failed to make an impression.

Sensitors on the majority side said the president was bluffing. While it was confidently declared that he would even accept the treaty with the first 13 committee reservations just as adopted, there was much going on behind the scenes to make it easier for him. That will be told later.

There are several reasons why Mr. Wilson can hardly take the responsibility of rejecting the treaty. If he does, he will be handicapped in his efforts to appeal to the country by the desertion of several of the master minds who have carried the burden of the fight for him up to this time in creating and crystallizing public sentiment.

Support Declared Lacking.

In such a fight he would have to go it alone. President Wilson has been only nominally the leader of the fight for the league of nations. Furthermore, he has been lacking in any powerful support in his own party. The actual genius and great driving force of the fight has been former President William Howard Taft.

This second great influence has been President Lowell of Harvard university. It will not be denied that Mr. Wilson in discussing the league of nations has dealt mainly in generalities, or rather in idealisms. This has been so true that the senate for an entire day at the White House seeking to obtain his understanding of the concrete proposals of the league covenant and their effect.

Appeal Is to Idealists.

His appeal has been to the idealists, the same class who were willing to take his word that he had and would keep the country out of war, while Mr. Taft and President Lowell have discussed fundamentals. It is asserted that they, of public men, and they alone, except for several senators, have talked sense and given the thinking element of the country a light. They have been able to place behind the president an army of individuals in all sections of the country who are leaders in their respective communities, and who at other times threaten to speak about Mr. Wilson's projects or policies.

All of this influential support, which the democrats have acknowledged so gratefully so many times, will be lost to Mr. Wilson in the event he rejects the treaty. Mr. Taft and President Lowell say that these 13 reservations, and even other of a similar character, do not justify discarding the document. They are confident that the other principal associated and allied nations will accept such reservations.

Lodge Held Accommodating.

A leading reservation senator has a letter from Mr. Taft received last Saturday approving the senator's vote on all of the 13 reservations. President Lowell is known to be equally pleased, since he was persuaded to suggest a change in the language of the preamble.

As to making it easier for Mr. Wilson, there is a movement on, not originating with the majority leadership, but as Senator Lodge, the majority leader, has shown a disposition to compose all reasonable differences on his side of the senate in the interest of harmony, there is little doubt that the majority will fall in line with any suggested change that will keep his forces together.

This movement took form this morning when Oscar Strauss, former secretary of commerce and labor and prominent in the League to Enforce Peace, arrived from New York and called a conference with several mid-reservation senators at Senator McNary's office. At the conference, besides Senator McNary, were Senators Kellogg of Minnesota, Leamond of Wisconsin and Colt of Rhode Island.

Strauss Urges Compromise.

Mr. Strauss suggested that a compromise be sought with the democrats by an offer to eliminate from the preamble, more properly designated reservation No. 1, the requirement that concurrence of four of the principal associated or allied nations in the reservations be had by an exchange of diplomatic notes.

Mr. Strauss appeared to think that Mr. Wilson would be glad to accept the reservation with this one pro-

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GIRL TRIES SUICIDE BY LEAP INTO RIVER

MISS GENES BRENNER, 17, IS RESCUED BY PATROL.

Despondency Over Unemployment Given as Cause for Jumping From Morrison Bridge.

Miss Genes Brenner, 17 years old, jumped 50 feet from the Morrison bridge into the river at 7:15 o'clock last night, but was rescued by the harbor patrol. The girl made no outcry after striking the water, but swam steadily toward the middle of the river as though she were bent upon drowning. She was placed in the city jail charged with attempting suicide.

The police said Miss Brenner was despondent because she had been out of work for two weeks. She said she especially disliked asking for employment.

Miss Brenner was crossing the bridge from the east side. She stopped just before reaching the middle of the river, and was rescued by the harbor patrol. Two young men asked her jestingly if she intended to jump over.

"I am thinking about it," she replied.

The men went on. They heard her call out "goodbye," a few seconds later, and turned to see her poised on the rail. She jumped before they could stop her.

Sig Berven, a bridge tender, tried to throw the girl a rope, but although she rose to the top of the water and began swimming, she had headed down stream and was beyond reach. Patrolmen Finn and Schroeder rescued her with the harbor patrol launch.

Miss Brenner is the daughter of Mrs. F. C. Cheeber, 561 Irving street. She lives with her mother and stepfather. Mr. Cheeber said last night that the girl did not have to work for a living.

Miss Brenner was transferred last night from the jail to the rooms of the women's protective bureau in the same building. Her condition is not serious.

AIR TRANSFER PREDICTED

Mail to Be Delivered To and Collected From Planes.

BELMONT PARK, N. Y., Nov. 17.—Mail pouches delivered to and collected from an airplane in flight were a development predicted here today when the Glenn L. Martin mail ship, the largest in service in this country, made its trial flight. The big aerial mail carrier will make its maiden flight tomorrow, carrying more than 1000 pounds of mail to Washington.

Otto Praeger, second assistant postmaster-general, in a telegram to the Manufacturers Aircraft association, said that an attempt would be made to drop mail at various points in Washington while the plane was in flight. Congressional mail will be dropped on the capital grounds and railroad connection and District of Columbia mail will be dropped on the roof of the postoffice, he said.

Thousands Come to Show.

Portland is thronged with thousands of visitors who are drawn here by this greatest of all livestock shows, and when the doors were opened at 8 and 9 o'clock yesterday morning, the large crowd which had arrived by early street cars and motor vehicles was already impatient to enter the pavilion where the bled stock from Northwest farms and ranches was ready for the week's inspection.

Practically all the exhibits were ready hours before the doors were opened, although here and there about the building could be heard the saw and hammer as artists were working at record speed to prepare the exhibits by early evening.

Judging Teams At Work.

Shortly after the doors first opened the stock judging teams from the several northwest colleges and universities began their competitive work. Judging horses, cattle, sheep and swine. The college men were hard at their task in all parts of the pavilion throughout the day, and the team judging pure-bred stock will receive substantial cash prizes. The result of this contest will not be known until the official judges complete their work. The college judging team for which comes nearest the official judges in judging the different classes of stock will be declared the winner.

Breeders Take Over Pavilion.

At the dedication exercises Frank Brown, president of the Pacific International Livestock exposition, accepted the pavilion on behalf of the breeders of the Pacific northwest.

"On behalf of the livestock interests it gives me great pleasure to accept this magnificent building," was his response. "I feel that in due time all interests will be well-repaid for helping to build up one of the greatest industries of our country."

E. G. Crawford, chairman of the finance committee which procured the needed funds to construct the pavilion, gave a detailed account of the work which was done and paid a fitting tribute to the work of the livestock men of the Pacific coast.

"We have never heard of I. W. W. or bolshevism being among the breeders of pure-bred livestock," he shouted as the crowd thundered its approval. "For by raising the standards of the livestock industry we are raising the standards of our boys and girls."

Founder's Granddaughter Officially Opens Show's Gates.

William S. Ladd, whose granddaughter, Mrs. Helga Ladd Green, officially opened the doors to the pavilion at exercises Sunday afternoon, was memorialized in an address given by Judge C. H. Carey, who spoke last

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ANXIOUS MOMENTS FOR THE RELATIVES.

