

TAR AND FEATHERS
PUT ON DOCTOR, 55

Malpractice Charge Is Not Denied, While Facing Mob.

VICTIM IS BADLY BEATEN

Physician in Only One Undergarment Is Dumped From Auto on Busy Corner.

BEAUMONT, Tex., May 8.—Dr. J. S. Paul, 55, was confined to his home today with lacerated back and wrists and from nervous shock as a result of a beating administered by a mob of 15 masked men who afterward carried his body with coal tar and finished off with feathers.

Dr. Paul was taken into the forest near this city last night where the punishment was administered. He was then brought back to the city in an automobile and dumped into the street in the heart of a crowd of Saturday night shoppers.

A crowd quickly gathered about the physician whose only garment was a pair of drawers with the legs and his coat of tar and feathers. He was bleeding from several wounds in the back made by the lash.

Dead Evidently Rehearsed. Evidently Saturday night's programme had been rehearsed. Two reporters had been taken into the woods to see "something that would make a good story."

They were taken in an automobile at a corner designated by a mysterious telephone caller and driven into the forest blindfolded where they waited for the remainder of the party.

After the whipping and tarring, the reporters were driven into the heart of the business section and told to remain on the spot for another chapter. But a moment elapsed when a crowd of curious car slow down and Dr. J. S. Paul was shoved on the street.

Before the punishment was administered, the spokesman of the party told Dr. Paul the punishment was because of malpractice, and a number of instances were recited.

Dr. Paul did not deny the charges, but justified himself by declaring there were others as guilty as himself. The physician has been a resident of Beaumont for about 20 years.

Son Later Is Arrested. Following the return of Dr. Paul to the city his son Marvin, aged 18, was picked up on the street by police and taken to the station. An automatic pistol and 25 bullets were found on him. He was searching for someone responsible for the maltreatment of his father. No charges were made against him and he was released.

A special grand jury will be called tomorrow. It was announced, and an investigation already in progress have been made and so far as known no member of the party has been identified.

Dr. Paul said the mysterious party which called at his home told him they were members of the Ku Klux Klan, but no mention of organization or clan was made at the scene of the punishment. A cut on the head indicated the doctor resisted when they took him into the woods and a whack on the head resulted. Lacerated wrists also indicated he was shackled. Dr. Paul has made no statement concerning the events of the night.

NEAR-EAST WORK LAUDED

WORKERS AND PEOPLE ARE THANKED FOR AID.

County Chairman One of Chief Factors of Success, Says J. J. Handsaker, Director.

PORTLAND, May 7.—(To the Editor.)—During the past three years have had frequent occasion to thank the Portland papers for their generous support for the Near East Relief. Your editorial in The Morning Oregonian entitled "Saving a Million Lives" is most timely, as in response to an appeal from E. B. Piper, now in New York, we are endeavoring to close up the China-Near East campaign, and also to obtain the largest possible amount of clothing for shipment early in June.

Your editorial refers to the "amazing showing for organized benevolence of Americans" shown by the annual Near East Relief report just made to congress. There are many things which no annual report can show and yet which indicate more than any array of figures can show, the annual spirit of the Near East Relief. During my four years' service as a state director, I have come to realize the intimate knowledge of the inside working of the organization in the state, nationally and abroad. Giving due credit to all other agencies, the county chairman of the Near East Relief is one of the chief factors in our success. Yesterday there was in my office a man prominent in business and politics of the state, whose wife is one of our county chairmen. The success which has attended our campaign in her county and the other counties of the state is due in large measure to days of toll and sleepless nights on the part of those whose one reward for service is the knowledge that they are saving human lives.

There is in Portland today a large group of men and women, leaders in professional, business and social life, to whom I am free to go at any time, and whose services are given gladly as speakers, organizers or, in any other way.

Thanks to the aid of these friends of the children, the story of Armenia has become a household word in the state. Measured in dollars and cents, Oregon's contribution of more than one-half million dollars the last four years equals, if it does not exceed, that of any other state in proportion to the population and wealth of Oregon.

Oregon's contribution of volunteer services of money and of clothing by no means her most valued gift to the Near East. Oregonians have as cheerfully laid down their lives as did the workers in the Near East as did the boys in France.

Henry Morgenstau, ex-ambassador to Turkey, in commenting on the heroic life and death of Frances Gage, ex-secretary of the Y. W. C. A., said "if ever a woman deserved sainthood, it was Frances Gage's." Robert E. Spears, secretary of the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions, paid the highest possible tribute to Philip Douglas, husband of a Portland girl, Eva Ballis Douglas, who gave up his

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SEPARATE GRAVE PREPARED FOR MEDICAL BEER.

House Judiciary Committee to Examine Mr. Volstead's Stranglehold Dry Measure.

WASHINGTON, May 8.—The ghost of John Barleycorn will bob up in congress again this week at house judiciary committee hearings on Volstead's bill to keep him completely dead.

Enemies of the departed plan to deliver a final whack. Considering the dry composition of the house, members predict that the new Volstead measure designed to prohibit the sale of beer to the sick will pass. A flood of petitions has reached Mr. Volstead and against the added restrictions. Doctors seek to be divided about fifty-fifty, according to the letters on medical beer.

So the committee agreed to hear them. Mr. Volstead predicted, put through the bill designed to put medical beer in a grave all its own.

Aside from Mr. Volstead, three or four others opposing prohibition are pending. The bill which would permit American ships to sell liquor beyond the three-mile limit will be considered by the merchant marine committee, but the Volstead committee will have a word to say on the subject.

Obituary. Eugene H. Kurtz, 487 East Thirty-fourth street, died early yesterday morning following a sudden attack of pneumonia. Mr. Kurtz was born in Germany in 1872, but came to this country at an early age. He resided in St. Louis for some time, but moved to Portland about four years ago. During the last year he was employed at the Powers & Estes drug store. Mr. Kurtz was a member of the Masonic lodge and was formerly secretary of the Retail Clerks' association.

He is survived by his widow and child, his mother residing in Germany and a number of more distant relatives who are living in St. Louis. Funeral arrangements have not been completed.

Alleged Thief to Be Returned. EUGENE, Or., May 8.—(Special.)—Dick Lewis, who was charged with the theft of an automobile from Ira Truesdale and with forging the name of E. E. Hyland, lost Valley lumberman, to two checks, was caught at Red Bluff, Cal., Saturday afternoon, according to word received by Sheriff Stickle's lawman and the man will be returned to this city immediately. He is a boxer and had been in training here for a bout, but had been employed in the mill of the Lost Valley Lumber company.

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Chamber of Commerce Conducts Active Drive to Insure Purchase of Concessions.

MEDFORD, Or., May 8.—(Special.)—Medford has raised \$4500 of her \$7000 allotted stock in the new Crater Lake National Park company, which has been taken over by the Chamber of Commerce from Alfred L. Parkhurst of Portland and will operate them this year.

Hard sledding in the raising of the \$7000 caused the Medford chamber of commerce to issue the following statement for publication in Medford: "The question as to whether the business men of Medford were back of the movement of improved facilities at Crater lake was placed squarely before them at a meeting held at the city hall. The chamber of commerce Crater lake committee had been successful in selling about \$3500 stock of the Crater Lake National Park company out of the total amount of \$7000 which Medford citizens were expected to subscribe."

"After having the proposition placed squarely before them, approximately \$1900 of the stock was subscribed yesterday and assurances given the committee that an effort would be made to assist them next week to sell the entire balance (\$2500) to the business interests here."

"The Crater Lake National Park company was capitalized at \$40,000 and one half of its stock is being offered for sale. The business men of Portland have subscribed \$12,000. Governor Olcott has taken \$1000. As Medford has raised \$4500, she is the only place of medium size in Oregon which has not raised the balance in Medford and run it this year. Under these conditions Medford cannot afford to fall. V. H. Vawter and George T. Collins have accepted the responsibility to maintain Medford's stock in the company and are acting as director of transportation, both experienced men whom the people of Medford must back to the fullest extent."

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Improvement in employment and market conditions.

The railroads, taking stock of earnings and income, also have taken fresh heart for the future. A February deficit of \$7,000,000 has been followed by a March net income of approximately \$30,000,000. Decisively, the railroad situation has turned for the better.

THE SPELL OF THE LAND

THE great achievements of the West have as a stage or background the great achievements of nature. It is a setting of mountain, sea, and sky; sunsets and drifting plains. The beauty of the West, the appeal of its varied scenery, and the vigor of its life draw people from all parts of the earth, holding many of them here in its spell to add impetus and energy to the enterprise of the land.

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