

LIBERTY THEATER ROBBERS CAUGHT

4, Including Woman, in Jail; Two Sought.

HOW EMPLOYE LEADER

Man Who Was Struck Down by Gang Accused of Hatching Plot.

WIP IS GIVEN TO SHERIFF

Mother of Six Confesses to Part She, Son and Husband Had in Holdup.

Four of the six persons implicated in the daring daylight robbery of the Liberty theater by which \$213,750 was obtained on the morning of November 7, were captured late Saturday and early yesterday by deputies from the office of Sheriff Barney, and were placed in the city jail.

Two others were still at large, but their capture was expected tonight.

Information furnished to the office of Hurlbert and District Attorney Myers Friday afternoon, the deputies, working under the direction of Martin Pratt, chief deputy, and S. Christofferson, chief of the criminal department, got into the late Saturday afternoon and effected the capture of two, a woman and her son, at Vancouver Saturday night, and two others, including Harry Barney, trusted employe of the theater, in Portland Saturday night.

Mother of Six Arrested.

Those under arrest were Henry or Harry Barney, as he is also known, six years night superintendent of the Liberty theater, and reputed leader; Joe Watkins, 44 years old father of three children; John Printer, Vancouver, Wash., father of six children; Andrew Barney, aged 17, son of Mrs. Printer, the district attorney and sheriff's deputies yesterday procured complete confessions from Mrs. Printer, Andrew Printer and Joe Watkins. Each of the admitted robbers pointed the finger of accusation at Barney as the one who plotted and directed the robbery.

Barney made but a partial confession, although he led the sheriff's deputies to a cache in the rear of the Liberty theater yesterday afternoon where \$213,750 of the stolen money was recovered. He insisted this was all he obtained from the robbery.

Watkins, who had been jailed on several occasions for petty thefts, pointed out a cache where \$214.50 in dollars and half-dollars was hidden. This money was contained in a small iron sack and was buried beneath a pile of sand at the rear of the Independent Foundry company plant, twenty-third and York streets. An additional \$800 in currency which Watkins received, has been cached in his wife. She has promised that it will be turned over to the county officials today.

STINNES BACK IN BERLIN

Capitalist Confers With Wirth on Visit to London.

BERLIN, Nov. 27.—Hugo Stinnes yesterday discussed with Chancellor Wirth informally his recent visit to London. When the conference was ended Stinnes again left Berlin. Negotiations between cabinet and industrialists relative to foreign credits will be resumed next week, when it is expected the government will make a formal statement of its plan for meeting the January reparations payment.

MOBS IN ROME QUELLED

Several Demonstrations Against French Embassy Dispersed.

ROME, Nov. 27.—Several demonstrations against the French embassy were attempted today as an aftermath of the excitement caused by the publication of Washington dispatches alleging use of harsh words by Premier Briand of France against Senator Schanzer at the Washington conference. The police dispersed the demonstrators.

There were further anti-French demonstrations Saturday night in Genoa and Naples.

U. S. VESSELS FIRST IN PANAMA CARGO

11,000,000 TONS ARE TAKEN THROUGH CANAL IN YEAR.

Gross Revenues of Big Ditch Are \$27,000,000 for Fiscal Term Ending June 30.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 27.—Ships of four nations carried 89 per cent of the approximately 11,000,000 tons of cargo which moved through the Panama canal during the fiscal year ended June 30.

American vessels led all others in the list, establishing a record by increasing the total tonnage of the previous high year by 615,885. British ships were second, with a total of 3,738,250 tons, surpassing their high mark of 1917.

Japan and Norway took third and fourth places, respectively. Japan exceeded her last high mark by 32,279 tons. Of the nations which shared in moving the remaining 11 per cent of tonnage, the most important were Denmark, Holland, Spain, Sweden, France and Peru.

Governor Morrow in his report said that the most important trade route served by the canal "was that between the east coast of the United States and the west coast of South America. Others of the principal routes were those from the east coast of the United States to the far east and between the west coast of America and Europe."

"In terms of money, the Panama canal had gross revenues of more than \$27,000,000; increased investment, additions, stock, etc., of \$8,000,000 and gross operating expenses of \$24,500,000. The excess of revenues in the last fiscal year, the report shows, was \$2,500,000 more than operating expenses without allowing for interest on the capital cost of the waterway.

The Panama Railroad company, according to the report, had a gross revenue of approximately \$2,000,000, an increase of investments on capital additions of \$1,500,000, while the gross operating expenses were \$22,000,000 on June 30. Gross revenues of the Panama railroad steamship line at the same time were \$5,156,448, while operating expenses for the fiscal year totaled \$5,857,257.

3 COACHES JUMP TRACK

Several Passengers Are Bruised in Rail Mishap at Cooks, Wash.

Several persons were shaken and bruised, but none was severely injured, last night when the three rear coaches of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle train No. 1, bearing passengers from Spokane and the east left the track as the train was entering Cooks, Wash. The accident was caused by a broken rail.

Mrs. J. D. Hansen of Banff, Canada, suffered a wrenched left knee. A. L. Cryor of Spokane was injured slightly. Several others, including trainmen, were bruised. The cars which left the track were the diner, a standard sleeper and the observation car. As the cars left the track they broke from the forward coaches. When the cars lurched forward on the ties the passengers were thrown about. The passengers were removed to the forward coaches and the derailed coaches were left standing on a siding at Cooks. The train, which was due in Portland at 7:30 o'clock, arrived at 9:10 o'clock.

REVOLTS ARE DISCOUNTED

President Obregon Laughs and Says There Is No Need for Alarm.

MEXICO CITY, Nov. 27.—(By the Associated Press.)—Revolutionary tendencies reported recently in Lower California are considered of small importance by President Obregon, who received newspaper correspondents today and dismissed questions relative to these reported disturbances with a laugh.

"There is no need for alarm," he said, "as the uprising are minor."

He dealt with the Washington conference and when questioned whether Mexico would accept an invitation, if extended, to participate in later sessions, he answered that the "form of such invitation would determine Mexico's acceptance."

JAPAN HOLDS OUT FOR BIGGER NAVY

Experts Understood to Want 10-10-7 Ratio.

AMERICANS OPPOSING PLEA

British Envoys Line Up With U. S. Delegation.

REPORT EXPECTED SOON

Nipponese Contend That Battleship Mutsu Should Be Retained in War Fleet.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 27.—(By the Associated Press.)—With the question of land armaments thrust into the background by last week's developments, the arms conference will enter its third week tomorrow with another stride toward agreement on naval limitations foreshadowed.

The naval question, at least so far as its most vital element, the "5-5-3 ratio" of fleet strength between Great Britain, the United States and Japan is concerned, is approaching the point of transfer back to the "big five" committee with the report of the naval experts. There is some expectation that a plenary session of the conference will be called this week to reach first decisions on the naval plan.

Whether the experts of the three major naval powers will submit individual reports is not known.

Both the British and American experts were reported as having concluded their examination of the ship data involved in Secretary Hughes' proposal. The Japanese group was still toiling Saturday, it was said.

Hughes' plan satisfactory. A summary of last week's development on naval proposals indicates the following status:

American officers have seen no reason in an argument advanced by Japan to any change in the keystone of the agreement Mr. Hughes proposed, the "5-5-3" naval strength ratio.

PACKING STRIKE IS VOTED

Employees in Favor of Resisting Cut in their Pay.

OMAHA, Nov. 27.—(By the Associated Press.)—Omaha packing plant workers today voted in favor of a strike here to resist announced wage cuts if a majority of employees of the industry in other packing centers want to take similar action.

The vote was taken at a mass meeting called by the Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen's union of North America. According to Jacob Davis, president of the union's district council, about 50 per cent of those who attended were non-union workers.

\$2,505,000 IS LOANED

Approval of Farm and Stock Advances Is Announced.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 27.—Approval of 57 advances for agricultural and livestock purposes, aggregating \$2,505,000, was announced tonight by the war finance corporation.

Nebraska \$221,000, Montana \$217,000, Colorado \$840,000, South Dakota \$222,000 and Iowa \$691,000.

BEND BUILDS RADIO TO OUTWIT STORM

CITY STILL OUT OF DIRECT TOUCH WITH WORLD.

Stage From Klamath Falls Takes Papers and Telegrams to City Isolated by Snow.

BEND, Or., Nov. 27.—(Special.)—For the first time since a week Saturday night, when wires, down in Deschutes canyon and all service suspended with the string of the Oregon Trunk train at Frieda, Bend heard directly from the outside world last night. A wireless station installed by O. G. Seward and Carl Austin, radio operator, for the Bulletin, a local daily, picks up messages sent out from North Head, Marshfield and other coast points relative to storm conditions. Attempts to send to Portland were unsuccessful, but will be resumed tonight.

Although 70 miles of drifts covering railroad lines in the Deschutes canyon remained to be pierced before traffic can be resumed, railroad men are predicting that the regular schedule can be resumed early next week. Engines are being used in ramming the drifts from the south and are within a half mile of the train stalled at Frieda. Portland and San Francisco papers which were brought in by the stage from Klamath Falls last night were eagerly bought up, the demand far exceeding the supply. One hundred and fifty telegrams were brought in on the same stage.

TREASURY RAID FORECAST

Representative Says Fanatics Will Want Cash Saved on Navy.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 27.—"The contemplated saving of several hundred millions of dollars through the limitation of armaments will result in hundreds of attempted raids on the United States treasury with 'freak legislation,'" said Representative Fess, chairman of the republican congressional committee in a statement today.

"An ever-growing popular demand for greater national interest in education, one of the most important features of which is the physical education of the coming generation, demands first call on our resources," he said.

REGENT HONORS CHINDA

Japanese Crown Prince Makes Talk Deploring Father's Illness.

TOKIO, Nov. 27.—(By the Associated Press.)—Crown Prince Hirohito, new regent of Japan, in addressing a gathering yesterday, deplored the infirmities of the emperor which had rendered necessary the naming of a regent and expressed anxiety as to whether he could discharge the duties which had fallen on his youthful shoulders. He is 20. His aim, he said, would be to further the friendship of foreign powers and to promote the national welfare while awaiting his father's recovery.

The general view is that the appointment was a timely development in view of the emperor's condition. As regent the prince will practically be the actual ruler.

Viscount Chinda has been appointed lord chamberlain in Hirohito's household in place of Baron Arata Ramao, who is asked to be relieved. Viscount Chinda also will retain the post of privy councillor.

WOMEN BACK ARMS PLAN

National League of Voters Pledges Support to Hughes' Programme.

CHICAGO, Nov. 27.—Mrs. Maud Wood Park, president of the National League of Women Voters, today sent a message to President Harding in behalf of the board of directors of the league, endorsing Secretary Hughes' programme for the limitation of armaments and pledging support of the organization to the plan.

"We thoroughly endorse Secretary Hughes' courageous and definite programme and will do our utmost to support it by all the means at our command," the message said.

POLICEMAN IS DEAD AFTER FIGHT IN CELL

BLOW FROM PRISONER'S FIST BELIEVED TO BE CAUSE.

McMinnville Night Watchman Killed While Telling Acquaintance of Encounter.

McMINNVILLE, Or., Nov. 27.—(Special.)—Harvey Neil, on the McMinnville police force for the last 30 years and night watchman for the last three years, was dead today from hemorrhage at the base of the brain, said to have been caused by a blow from the fist of George W. Scott, whom Neil helped to arrest last night. Scott was lodged in jail. An inquest tomorrow will determine whether Scott will be charged with the death of Neil.

Scott was said to have been intoxicated and disturbing the peace last night when Neil sought to arrest him he resisted arrest. Chief of Police Snodgrass and two bystanders went to the assistance of Neil and between them they got Scott to jail. As Neil was opening the cell door Scott, it was said, struck Neil with his fist, the blow striking Neil on the jugular vein. Neil struck back, knocking Scott down, closed the cell door and left the jail to go to town. About two blocks away he met O. O. Hodson, to whom he was relating the fight with Scott when he was seized with a trembling of the body, swayed and began to fall. Mr. Hodson caught him, but before he could get help Neil was dead. Autopsy this morning revealed that he had suffered a hemorrhage.

Just 30 years ago today Neil had arrested Scott. It was reported. Neil was between 55 and 60 years old. He is survived by his widow, a son and daughter.

PUBLICITY IS CLUB IN HUGHES' HANDS

Old World Friction Met in Secret Sessions.

EARLY AGREEMENT DOUBTED

Trump Cards Still Held Up by Foreign Delegates.

OLD SCHOOL DELIBERATE

Likelihood of American Leader Calling for Open Session Steadily Faced, However.

BY ROBERT T. SMALL. (Copyright, 1921, by The Oregonian.) WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 26.—(Special.)—Old world quarrels have found their way into the Washington conference. This was inevitable. As a result it would seem that anything approaching a satisfactory final agreement is impossible before the conference takes a Christmas adjournment. The recess undoubtedly will come about December 15 and may last until the middle of January.

The swift movement of the conference during its first two weeks has perhaps created a false impression of complete serenity throughout the United States, and has also created the belief that almost any moment the delegates might sign on the dotted line and return triumphantly to their homes.

Old Friction Still Manifest. Words of warning had come from across the waters just prior to the first meeting of the conference, but the frankness with which Secretary Hughes laid down a naval disarmament proposal on the part of the United States led many persons to the conclusion that old world friction was out of date and that a new era indeed about to open in the dealings of one nation with another.

But it has been found within the last few days—found in that freedom of discussion which prevails behind the closed doors of conference committee rooms—that the old points of friction, submerged by the riotous enthusiasm which marked the opening day of the conference, remain among the older nations, and that peace has its problems no less than war.

Not All Cards Laid on Table. There is nothing but praise among all the foreign delegates for the manner in which Secretary Hughes stated the naval policy of the United States, but they have not followed suit by laying all of their cards face up on the table. That is not in old world holds that if you play your trump cards first you have nothing to hold over your neighbor's head toward the end of the game. Furthermore, the playing of the trump cards all at once excites the on-lookers to an unwanted degree.

As a result of the Hughes type of diplomacy, it would seem the United States at the moment is not taking the leading hand in the discussions behind the closed doors, but the American delegates believe that public sentiment is working, not alone in the United States, but in all the countries represented at the council tables.

Open Session Is Faced. Furthermore, there broods over the secret committee meetings, which are now the order of the day, the constant threat of an open session at which more plain talking may be heard. China already has intimated that it may ask for a public session in which it will tell just what the powers are preparing to do and proposing not to do.

The United States has not made its far eastern position as plain as the delegates had expected for they had based their expectations on Mr. Hughes' disarmament bombshell. However, there is a likelihood that if matters take a further turn for the worse Mr. Hughes will call an open session and state the far eastern policy in terms which none can misunderstand.

While it is true that the present conference is being held in a new atmosphere, the participants in it for the most part are men trained in the old schools of diplomacy, and the old school of diplomacy moves with a deliberateness that, at times is both puzzling and disappointing.

No Major Point Settled. Therefore, at the end of the first fortnight of the conference no single major point has been settled, and the old world quarrels are beginning to make early agreements seem very impossible.

England and France, staunchest of all during the war, are at loggerheads. Europe has known it for several months, but the Washington conference is emphasizing it and bringing it to the attention of the new world. France, therefore, is preparing to play a lone hand in dealing with Germany as to reparations payments in the future.

France and Italy have many points of irritating contact and the fact that France has stated that she will not reduce the size of her regular army at any time in the near future is regarded by Italy as tantamount of an announcement that France will con-

GREEN COAT SAVES BABY'S LIFE IN RIVER

MOTHER LOSES GRASP; TOT PLUNGES INTO WATER.

Harbor Patrol Spies Dark Hues Under Surface and Effects Rescue; Boy Is Resuscitated.

Melvin Lawrence, 24-year-old son of Pilot and Mrs. James Campbell of the river tug Hustler, slipped from the gangplank into the river about 1:30 yesterday afternoon, and owes his life to Patrolmen Perha and Voderberg of the harbor patrol. He had floated for a distance of two blocks at a depth of 18 inches below the surface when the officers spied his bright green coat and pulled him out.

The Hustler was moored near the Morrison-street bridge, with an 18-inch gangplank reaching to the dock. Mrs. Campbell, holding the boy's hand, was walking across when he slipped. Her grasp on his hand was not sufficiently strong to hold him and he plunged into the river.

There was a scurry for boats and much excitement, which attracted the attention of the harbor patrol crew. Surmising that someone was in the river, they started out to investigate. On the way the bright green of the coat attracted their attention and led to the rescue, as clothing of a neutral hue beneath the surface would have been difficult to distinguish from the background of water.

The boy was unconscious and suffered from water in his lungs. The rescuers undressed him near a warm fire in the harbor patrol station, working with him for half an hour before they reared consciousness. He was then taken to St. Vincent's hospital, where attendants last night reported him to be out of danger.

Mr. Campbell is pilot of the Hustler and the family lives on the boat.

3 KILLED, 80 HURT IN THEATER FIRE

Movie Patrons Stampeded When Flames Start.

TWO BODIES FOUND IN RUINS

Two Others Die at New Haven Hospitals.

BLAZE RAGES 2 HOURS

Occupants of Balcony Seats Said to Have Leaped Down on People Underneath.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Nov. 27.—At least three persons lost their lives here tonight when the Rialto theater, a moving picture house, was destroyed by fire. More than four scores received hospital treatment. It was believed some of the patients would die. Fire Marshal Perkins said other bodies might be found in the ruins, although a search with lanterns revealed only two bodies. Another body was at a hospital.

For two hours while the flames enveloped the theater it was feared the death list would be heavy. Ambulances carried scores of persons to the hospital, and hundreds had gone home out and bruised and scorched.

Stampeded in Described. Spectators told of a stampede at the cry of "fire" and of bodies being in heaps on the main floor, but when firemen entered the structure they found only two victims.

A number of Yale students were among those injured.

The fire, of undetermined origin, started shortly after 7 o'clock. The theater was jammed with people. The two bodies were taken from the burned building at 9:30 P. M. Chief of Police Smith, with three firemen, entered the front doors.

Blaze Makes Rapid Headway. Throughout the fire fighting, Yale students pressed close to the police lines and tried to get through to search for friends, when the blaze was under control.

Persons at the Hotel Taft, across the street, said the theater seemed a mass of flames almost before the fire alarm was given.

Early reports were that the fire started from the burning of incense on the stage in connection with a Christmas play.

The fire destroyed the interior of the theater and broke into a large adjoining building occupied by several concerns. The property loss was about \$50,000.

Injured Students Are Listed. At the Yale infirmary 12 students were listed as suffering from injuries. They included D. Cooke, Honolulu; A. H. Doolittle, Spokane, Wash.

Grace hospital had listed as Yale students two injured, including T. P. Doolittle of Spokane. At St. Raphael's hospital was another student.

The theater was cornerwise from the Yale campus and there were hundreds of students in the building when the fire started.

The picture which was about to be shown was "The Sheik." There were said to be more than 1500 persons in the theater.

It was reported that an attendant had just lighted a pot of incense on the stage when the blaze started. As the flames spread over the theater and the flames burst forth on the screen, the crowd was seized with panic.

FEDERAL JUDGE IS FINED

Alternative of Five Days in Jail Given for Traffic Violation.

PASADENA, Cal., Nov. 27.—Judge Morris of the United States district court at Duluth, Minn., Saturday paid a fine of \$10 in police court here on a charge of traffic law violation. Judge Morris was arrested October 25, the complaint reciting that he failed to stop and give aid to a pedestrian struck by his automobile. Today this complaint was changed to one of failing to give a traffic signal, and Judge Morris was given the alternative of paying a fine of \$10 or spending five days in jail.

MAN TO BE TRIED SUICIDE

Louis Koulouris, Slayer, Hangs Himself in Cell.

SAN RAFAEL, Cal., Nov. 27.—Louis Koulouris, who would have gone on trial tomorrow on a charge of murdering Harold Wilson, committed suicide by hanging himself in his cell in the county jail here today. Koulouris stabbed Wilson in the stomach as they, with other convicts at San Quentin penitentiary, were leaving a hall after an entertainment.

BURGLARS' LOOT \$50,000

Furs, Silk Stockings and Musical Instruments Taken.

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo., Nov. 27.—Burglars last night ransacked two stores in the business center here of more than \$50,000 worth of furs, silks and musical instruments, according to a report made today to the police. The loot included about \$7000 worth of silk stockings and a number of saxophones.

