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DEATH MARS SHRINERS' EXCURSION

Train Wrecked in California and at Least 25 Are Killed.

BURNED, SCALDED, MANGLED

Engine Plunges in Sand and the Cars Leap Over It.

DEAD ARE EASTERN PEOPLE

Reading Members Most Numerous Among Sufferers.

BODIES BADLY DISFIGURED

Engine Leaps Track on a Sandy Beach Near Honda—Passengers Are Piled on It and Cooked to Death by the Steam.

hurried into San Luis Obispo shortly before 5 o'clock and, while the bodies of the dead were turned over to a volunteer corps of Masons, who had learned of the disaster to their brethren, the injured were hurried to hospitals and private homes, where cots and beds were awaiting their coming and where doctors and nurses were immediately in attendance.

The wrecked train, which constituted a portion of No. 1, the northbound "Coaster," left Santa Barbara at 12:30. While traveling on the schedule of a regular train, it was actually a special, and carried, among others, representatives of Rajah Temple, of Reading, Pa., Ismailia Temple, of Buffalo, N. Y., and Al Koran Temple, of Cleveland, O. While it is probable that delegates from other portions of New York were abroad the train, it is known that there are no residents of New York City were present and the list of dead shows that a majority of the victims were from Reading.

Two Versions of Cause.

Two irreconcilable statements have been made as to the cause of the wreck. In one it is said that drifting sand along the track formed an obstruction with which the engine of the Esamala special collided. The other report, received just before midnight from Lompoc, ascribes



Chairman Timothy L. Woodruff, Who Foisted Odell's Scheme to Give Roosevelt a Slip in New York Republican State Committee.

the disaster to a switch rail, broken or improperly placed. According to the Lompoc correspondent, who viewed the wreck and obtained the statements of survivors, the engine, traveling at the rate of 60 miles an hour, struck three projecting points of the switch rail, ran along the rail for about 40 feet and then bumped over the ties for over a dozen yards, finally plunging into the ditch. The tender was flung over the engine by cars behind. The baggage car and the diner, which was evidently the second car, plunged over the engine, and following these were two heavy Pullman sleepers.

Majority Die by Scalding.

The greatest loss of life occurred in the diner, which seems to have been filled with passengers. Not a person in this car escaped death. The doomed passengers were carried into close contact with the engine, buried under the cars that came behind, and for the most part scalded to death. The bodies taken to San Luis Obispo, almost without exception, are horribly disfigured and almost unrecognizable.

The crew was made up of Engineer Champlain, Conductor Johns and Brake-men Blackford and Fountain.

Most Killed on Diner.

The Buffalo, Reading and Cleveland Shriners with their wives and children occupied the dining car and two sleepers, the Duenna and Oswego. It was in these three cars that havoc occurred. In the baggage car the baggage man was instantly killed. In the diner it is estimated that 12 or 14 passengers, three colored waiters, the Pullman conductor and a brakeman met death, and that several victims were passengers in the sleepers. Two coaches did not leave the track, and apparently none of their passengers were injured.

There were 145 people on the wrecked train. Of this number 72 belong to Ismailia Temple, Buffalo, 45 to Rajah Temple, Reading; five to Salaam Temple, New Jersey, and 22 were trainmen, porters, waiters, etc.

A report from San Luis Obispo, which appears to be well founded, gives as the cause of the wreck the fact that a railroad crew was engaged in repairing the track. The wrecked special approached without warning at a very high rate of speed and the track gave way.

Rush to Work of Relief.

From north and south aid was rushed at once by special trains. Doctors and nurses from Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo raced to the scene of the wreck. Two carloads of dead and wounded were

ODELL'S BOMB IS A BOOMERANG

Move to Declare for Hughes Rejected.

AIMED TO WORRY ROOSEVELT

State Committee Adopts Woodruff's Plan.

EX-BOSS' BITTER SPEECH

Admits Trying to Climb in Bandwagon When Doing Reactionist's Work—The Vote Eliminates Hughes From the Race.

NEW YORK, May 11.—(Special.)—"The Republican party in the State of New York is in a state of complete disorganization and is in sore need of a leader. I believe the best way would be to make Governor Hughes the leader of the party by making him the nominee for the Presidency. Make him leader and let him lead."

In this fashion Benjamin B. Odell, Jr., hurled a bombshell into today's meeting of the Republican State Committee and placed it squarely on record as regards its attitude toward Mr. Hughes' candidacy for a Presidential nomination.

Thirty-two members voted to table a resolution presented by Mr. Odell, pledging the support of the state organization to Mr. Hughes' nomination in 1908. Four voted for it, namely, Mr. Odell, George W. Dunn, member of the State Railroad Commission; William Halpin, State Tax Commissioner, and William Ten Eyck.

Odell Causes Consternation. Boldly asserting that Timothy L. Woodruff and his followers were insincere in their assurances to Mr. Hughes and that it was their duty as Republicans to give him their full support, the ex-state chairman upset the plans of the Woodruff faction and threw consternation into the committee ranks. He then forced the committee to approve all of Mr. Hughes' measures, after a resolution had been presented commending the Governor. The committee, however, studiously refrained from advocating the passage of any of his bills, except the public utilities measure.

Woodruff Glares at Odell.

Mr. Odell's motives in championing Mr. Hughes were assailed in sensational fashion, and he laughingly admitted that he was trying to get on the bandwagon with the rest of the Republicans. Mr. Woodruff took the floor and said, glaring at Mr. Odell:

"Owing to the source of this resolution and inasmuch as throughout the country the relations between the author and President Roosevelt are well known, I believe this resolution would only tend to injure the Governor. It strikes me that it comes with very poor grace from Mr. Odell, and furthermore, as we do not know the attitude of Governor Hughes in the matter, I move that we lay the matter on the table."

Charles H. Bette, of Wayne County, followed Mr. Woodruff, and said: "Before I vote for this resolution I would like to know the attitude of Governor Hughes' real friends." He emphasized the word "real," and Mr. Odell's smile broadened.

Trying to Get on Bandwagon.

Mr. Odell rose and said: "I know what you're all after. You're all trying to get on the bandwagon, and so am I. I have no hesitation in admitting it. But I suppose that, while some of you will get good seats, the best I will get will be a spoke, and whether it will be in the hand or on the head, I don't know. There is no ulterior motive in this resolution. So long as the people of the state are making the candidates, I have just as much right as any one to express my opinions and state my preference. I am no longer a political boss, but only a party worker."

"Mr. Roosevelt has been going about

the country preaching to the old and young that honesty is the best policy; that truthfulness is the greatest of virtues. In the face of his teachings we cannot believe that he is insincere when he says that he will not run again for the presidency."

Hughes' Policy Indorsed.

He said that it thus became necessary to select someone whose probity, honesty and faithfulness will appeal with the same force and effect to the people as would Mr. Roosevelt's.

A resolution was adopted indorsing Mr. Hughes' policies, "particularly in the regulation and control of public service corporations, a re-apportionment in conformity with the constitution, a recent bill and amendments to the primary and election laws, to the end that just remedies may be provided for existing evils."

JOY IN ADMINISTRATION RANKS

Elimination of Hughes Clears Track for Taft Boom.

WASHINGTON, May 11.—(Special.)—Important and sensational developments in Ohio and New York have engrossed the attention of politicians at the Capital today. In Ohio the surrender to Secretary Taft has stirred the Foraker partisans to a pitch where they demand a portion of the Buckeye indorsement on the Senatorship proposition.

New York, however, furnishes the real sensation of the day. The practical elimination of Governor Hughes as a Presidential proposition is looked upon as clearing the road for the gal-

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BONDS OF INTEREST CEMENTED BY TRIP

In 6-Day Tour Portland Men Learn Much.

RETURN HOME THIS MORNING

Members of Party Are High in Praise of Excursion.

AN OBJECT LESSON TO ALL

Benefits Bound to Follow—Vote of Appreciation Extended to Railroad Officials—Yesterday Was Spent in Sherman County.

SHANIKO, Or., May 11.—(Special.)—After traveling 127 miles in Oregon and Idaho and visiting 33 towns and cities, the Portland business men left this place shortly before midnight tonight, to arrive in Portland Sunday morning at 8:30 o'clock. They had a very satisfying trip, learned many lessons about the regions they traversed and have been astonished by the progress of the irrigation districts of Umatilla County, Oregon, and Southern Idaho and other evidences of growth in agriculture, horticulture, livestock and mining of other districts. The visitors were received royally wherever they went and believe from the manifestations of friendship toward Portland that the tour has created closer relations between that city and the places visited, commercially and socially.

The weather has been excellent throughout the six days of the trip. Today the party visited Condon, a town of some 1500 inhabitants; Arlington, of about 500 people, and Wasco, Moro, Grass Valley and Shaniko, of about 300 each. At each place the visitors were cordially received. The satisfactory results of the trip are evidenced by the following opinions from Tom Richardson, manager of the Portland Commercial Club, and planner of the tour: F. E. Beach, T. W. B. London, H. M. Calk and Samuel Connel, who acted as chairman of the party on separate days; United States Senator Fulton and J. K. Gill.

Leading members of the excursion of Portland business men give their opinion of the effects of the trip as follows: Great Trip That Means Great Good.

Tom Richardson—Being on time at almost all the 33 stopping places added much to the pleasure of the trip. The results from irrigation at many points produced the most lasting effect upon the Portland business men. There was a welcome ready at each place and all the people are proud of Portland and the vast advertising campaign being carried on to develop the resources of the interior. It was six busy profitable days. The business men are themselves better acquainted with each other and better advised as to the wants of the trade and the attractions and possibilities of the country. We had an ordinary six weeks' trip crowded into as many days; we saw great fruit sections, a seemingly endless wheat belt, cattle and sheep upon boundless fields, and irrigation development upon an extensive scale, as can be witnessed anywhere in America. It was a great trip for Portland, and one through which much good will come.

City Can Appreciate Its Obligation.

H. M. Calk—The interior towns and communities visited will be inspired to greater effort in the upbuilding of their interests and in the development of their resources. They will have renewed confidence in and a more friendly feeling for Portland and her people. Our merchants will have a more comprehensive knowledge of the vast possibilities of that great inland empire upon which Portland must largely depend for her industrial and commercial development, and greater appreciation of her obligation as the metropolis of the Northwest to assist in the development of every portion of that country. The realization of the interdependent relations of Portland and the surrounding country in the secur-

ing of their mutual growth and prosperity will result in greater effort on the part of all for the upbuilding of Oregon.

Help to Greater Development.

F. E. Beach—I am of the opinion that great benefit will result from the Portland business men's visit to Eastern Oregon and Idaho. Covering, as it has, all towns reached by rail in the eastern part of Oregon and that part of Idaho, especially tributary to Portland, I was continually impressed with the vastness of undeveloped resources, also with the fact that the citizens of the different towns are moving in the work of developing them. The information which the members of the party have gathered from the sections visited will be one of the factors in the work of developing these vast resources.

Portlanders Have Learned Much.

T. W. B. London—To all of us, this has been an excursion of education. While an inspiration and tribute to the country merchants, the chief result is to the benefit of Portland business men, whose eyes have been opened as never before to the new wealth now being produced chiefly by irrigation, but which is the merest beginning of



Ex-Governor B. B. Odell, of New York, Who Tried to Slip Roosevelt by Having That New York Indorse Hughes for President.

an era of wealth so vast the mind utterly refuses to grasp it. Hitherto to us of Western Oregon irrigation has seemed a dry and negligible subject, but for the future it will have our become a household word. Irrigation deep interest and appreciation, and added to the purely natural resources of the Inland Empire cannot fail to give Portland 1,000,000 inhabitants during the lifetime of many of the excursionists.

Benefit to All Concerned.

Senator C. W. Fulton—It will prove of permanent value to Portland and all sections visited as well. It is a mighty good thing for persons whose interests are mutual to become acquainted. The interior merchant has long known that Portland is for them the natural and most convenient market in which to both purchase and sell. It was important to them to know the men with whom the exchanges must be conducted. It was equally important that the Portlanders should know them and know the resources, possibilities and requirements of their respective sections. All these prerequisites to the best possible relations, and conditions have been accepted. Hence increase of trade and a more united effort all along the line for the upbuilding and development of the Northwest must follow. This week we have had a lovely trip, seen the best people and the finest country on earth, and witnessed the working of a new record for hospital-

Trip Long to Be Remembered.

J. K. Gill—The business men's excursion through Oregon and Idaho will manifestly be of great benefit, both to the visitors and their numerous hosts. Commercially Portland men will be brought into closer union with their customers, the resources of their various localities will be better known and the basis for credit will be strengthened thereby. Generally speaking, the trip has been an object lesson to many if not all of the party. The marvelous results of irrigation by which many thousands of acres have been made to blossom as the rose; the products of immense stone quarries transmitted into substantial and beautiful buildings, some of which would attract attention if located in any of our larger Eastern cities; the great

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THE SAME MOYER, SAYS PINKERTON

Idaho Prisoner Is Chicago Burglar.

FACT KNOWN FOR WHOLE YEAR

Detective Says Identification Is Absolute.

INTENDED TO KEEP SECRET

Has Denied Story, but Now Affirms Truth—All Who Knew Moyer in the Black Hills Have Disappeared.

CHICAGO, May 11.—(Special.)—That Charles H. Moyer, president of the Western Federation of Miners, now awaiting trial for his life at Boise, Idaho, and Charles Moyer, former Chicago convict in the Joliet penitentiary, are one and the same man is declared today by William A. Pinkerton, of the Pinkerton detective agency. "For just a year we have known that Moyer of the Western Federation was the same Moyer who served sentence at Joliet," declared Mr. Pinkerton. "There is no doubt of the identification. I would not make such a positive statement unless I were sure."

"At times I have had to deny this story, for it was the intention to keep it absolutely unknown until Moyer himself went on the witness stand. Had I told it President Roosevelt would have been the first person to hear it. Chief Wilkie, of the Secret Service, was here a few days ago, and I believe was looking up the story."

"We learned Moyer's record before we arrested him in the West. After his arrest we went carefully over the matter of identification. Even the scar of a bullet wound in the hand and thumb is there. The identification is absolute. But I am sorry that the matter is generally known."

Impossible to Believe, Says Debs.

TOPEKA, Kan., May 11.—Eugene V. Debs, Socialist leader, said here today that Charles Moyer, on trial at Boise, Idaho, had never served a term in the Joliet penitentiary. "I have known Mr. Moyer for years," said Mr. Debs, "and it is as impossible to connect him with burglary as it is with the crime for which he is being tried, that is, complicity in a plot to assassinate. It is simply a case of an error in the persons whose records have been found in connection with the Joliet term and that of Mr. Moyer."

MAY COMPLETE JURY FRIDAY

Evidence Against Haywood Opens at That Time.

BOISE, Idaho, May 11.—Sheriff "Shat" Hodgin and seven of his deputies continued today to serve the farmers of Ada County with notices to appear in Boise next Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock to be examined as possible jurors in the case of William D. Haywood, secretary and treasurer of the Western Federation of Miners, who is on trial for complicity in the death of ex-Governor Ferris in the Altogether 100 men will be in attendance Monday afternoon for jury duty. It is the opinion of both prosecution and defense that 25 men will surely be qualified from this special panel.

Witnesses for the prosecution have been notified to be in court next Friday morning. This indicates the belief that the trial panel will have been sworn in by that time.

An interesting development of the case today was the service of a subpoena by the prosecution upon Acting Secretary Kerwin of the Western Federation of Miners. Mr. Kerwin had been in the city several days consulting with the prisoners with regard to union affairs and the approaching meeting of the Federa-

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MR. AVERAGE CITIZEN, WHO HASN'T REGISTERED, SUDDENLY DISCOVERS THAT HE HAS AN INTEREST, AFTER ALL, IN THE ELECTION



"Oh, Dear. Same Old Election Chestnut."

"Ah."

"Oh, Ho."

"Gracious."

"Whew!"

"Me to the Courthouse to Register."