

MEN ARE TO BLAME, SAYS ROCKEFELLER

John D., Jr., Gives Denial to Specific Charges That Company Made Trouble.

HEARINGS GIVEN EMPLOYEES

Company Glad, Says Witness, to Meet Those on Own Payroll and Treat With Them—First Violence Attributed to Strikers.

WASHINGTON, May 22.—Concluding his two-day examination by the Industrial Relations Commission today, John D. Rockefeller, Jr., entered pleas to three charges, which if sustained, according to Commissioner Weinstein, "would lay at the door of the Colorado mine operators the responsibility for the unfortunate happenings" in the Colorado coal strike.

Despite frequent clashes between the witness and Chairman Walsh as to the form of the questions, there was little friction at the hearing today. Only two members of the commission, Chairman Walsh and Commissioner Weinstein, attended throughout the day's session.

Strikers' Charges Reviewed.

When Chairman Walsh finished questioning Mr. Rockefeller, Commissioner Weinstein presented a letter to the latter which set forth a preliminary statement in which the commission reviewed the commission's inquiry into Colorado conditions.

"What I have been able, in brief, to get out of it all, is that the strikers and their sympathizers make three specific charges.

"That at no time after the strike could they get a hearing at the hands of the operators.

"That the civil and judicial machinery for obtaining such justice as the law affords was in the hands of the operators and not available to the strikers.

"Operators Accused of Violence.

"That the operators sought their agents were the first to resort to violence and that all the violence which followed was defensive on the part of the strikers and not offensive.

"If these three charges have been established, then it must be plain that the responsibility for the unfortunate happenings in Colorado must clearly be laid at the door of the operators and the strikers are entitled to all support and sympathy of the American people."

Answering the first charge, Mr. Rockefeller said:

"The representatives of the unions, so far as I know, have not met in conference with the operators; but the striking miners, as I understand it, were present at a meeting called by Governor Ammons on November 26, where they met three of the operators, with the Governor, and discussed the situation."

"Company Willing to Meet Men.

Mr. Rockefeller quoted a telegram from President Wellborn, of the Colorado Fuel & Iron Company, relating to this meeting, and said this was the only representative he knew of at which representatives of the miners were present.

"The Colorado Fuel & Iron Company," he continued, "has always been and always is ready to meet in conference or with the representatives whom its men may elect—men working in its mine."

"As to whether the civil and judicial machinery were in the hands of the operators and not available to the strikers, I am not in a position to state, but I have understood testimony clearly offered on both sides. I think the fact, with regard to party lines, is that the election which took place in Colorado in the fall, in which, as I said, would indicate that the ballot is still powerful in that state to represent the will of the people."

Discussing the final charge as to the beginning of violence in the strike, Mr. Rockefeller asserted:

"I naturally regret, now that these are all matters of which to recollect the question of where the blame may properly rest, but the information I have is that the beginning of violence was on the part of the strikers, when one of the camp marshals was killed."

Mr. Rockefeller quoted from a letter to him from Superintendent Bowers of the Colorado company, reporting the shooting of a Marshal on September 25, after a slight brush with Chairman Walsh over the introduction of a letter he caused to be written to President Wellborn, of the Colorado Fuel & Iron Company, by State J. Murphy, his counsel, succeeded in getting before the Commission an account of his part in having attorneys for the company withdrawn as assistants to state authorities in prosecuting strikers.

AMAZING EXHIBIT IS GIVEN

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by the water and mud flowing down the western slope. They reported that, as they ascended, the heat became greater. Ordinarily the sides have been covered with snow down the timber line. Nearly all the snow has disappeared.

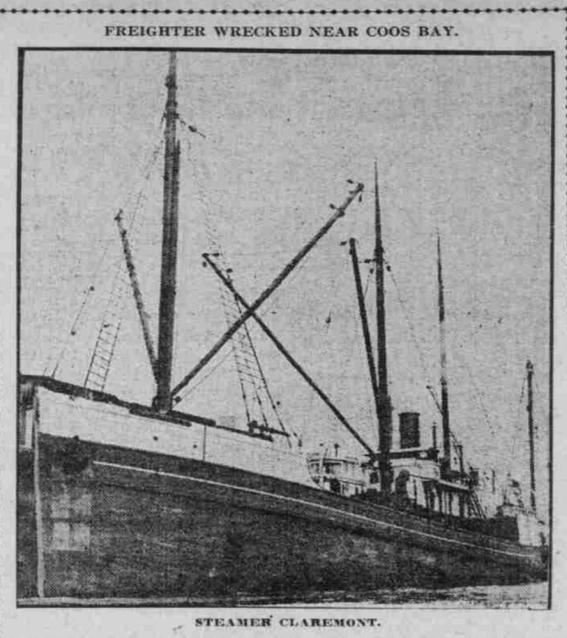
The violence of the mud streams that flooded the valley for several days which have withstood the seasonal floods in the creek for years. Every bridge over Hat Creek from the base of Lassen Peak to Cassel, 30 miles north, is reported out.

SNOW IS MELTED BY HOT LAVA

Weather Conditions Make Examination of Volcano Perilous.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 22.—"Hot lava from the crater of Lassen peak melted the snow on the slopes and caused the flood of mud which descended on Hat Creek yesterday," said Supervisor Rushing in his report to the forest service here today.

He also said that the heavy rains and the recent cloudiness in the Lassen region may have caused the volcanic substance which covered the peak to slide.



FREIGHTER WRECKED NEAR COOS BAY.

STEAMER CLAREMONT.

SHIP HITS ROCKS

Claremont Founders Off Coos Bay Entrance.

CAPTAIN TAKES BLAME

S. Benson, on First Trip, Admits He Turned Craft on Outer End of Sunken Jetty, but Is Among Last to Quit Ship.

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the sea and was swimming ashore, when a boat was lowered from the steam schooner Saginaw, and he was picked up and put ashore near Charleston. It was reported at first that it was the Saginaw which had struck and was calling for help.

The Claremont struck the rocks at 10:30 o'clock, and it was after 5 o'clock this evening before it was known definitely that all hands on board were saved. The sea was rough when the craft struck and grew more so as the work of rescue was taken up and carried on, making seconds seem as minutes to those on board fearful that death might be their fate.

Operating a breeches buoy the life-savers, using the dredge as a base, took in the record time of one in every three and one-half minutes. There were 23 on board when the Claremont struck.

The sea is growing rougher and it is expected the Claremont will be entirely broken up before morning. Captain Benson, of the ill-fated craft, admits he was not familiar with the entrance of the harbor, turning too far north, thus striking the submerged jetty.

The Claremont had operated here for several years usually in the Columbia River lumber trade and loading north-bound with general cargo, until recently being numbered with the Dodge line, but was taken over by the Swayne & Hoyt interests and was in their service when she got into trouble. The vessel was built in 1907 at Aberdeen, Wash., and was of 747 tons gross and 418 tons net register, her length being 138.4 feet, beam 28 feet and depth of hold 12.5 feet. She was used exclusively for cargo purposes.

The steamships Breakwater and Killbuck, of the Saginaw, which were among those which answered the distress signals of the Claremont, did their utmost to maneuver about the wreck, and the Breakwater tried three times to sel, but all to no avail, and all three boats finally had to withdraw and surrender to the dredge, which, it was found, could prove the only craft that could be utilized in the lifesaving work.

EMPIRE HOUSES SHIPWRECKED

Woman, on Ill-Fated Vessel, Furnished Clothing.

EMPIRE, Or., May 22.—(Special.)—A bedraggled aggregation of passengers and sailors were landed here from the dredge Mitchell this evening. Captain Benson had his trousers tied up with a pair of suspenders; first mate Albert Larson had been given clothing by the crew of the Mitchell; Miss Faulkner was furnished clothing from several sources; Steward Goller said he saved his clothing, but all he had was a Sumner pair of trousers and a shirt of percale. Still he was the happiest man in the bunch.

Boat Owned in San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 22.—The Claremont Steamship Company, of this city, is the owner of the ill-fated craft which struck off the Coos Bay sunken jetty today.

COLONEL WINS VERDICT

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dict came from a jury composed of men of every political faith.

Before he got from the jury he supplemented this with: "Gentlemen, this is certainly a typical American verdict. I want to thank you again."

Crowd Cheers Juror Burns.

A crowd gathered at the door of the Courthouse and cheered Burns, the juror, as he left the building. Colonel Roosevelt's attorney, John M. Bowers, said, with the approval of the Colonel:

"The verdict of a unanimous jury is that Theodore Roosevelt had justified the entire article in suit.

"The victory that Mr. Roosevelt has won is a victory for good government. The issue put to the jury was whether machine government or government by the people should prevail, and the latter has prevailed. The article in the suit was held by the court to be libelous in two aspects.

"First—Because it charged a corrupt political alliance between William Barnes, the Republican leader of the state, and Charles F. Murphy, the Democratic leader of the state, in relation to the state government. This the judge held, was the meaning and purport of the article taken as a whole."

"Second—Because the article charged

that the plaintiff had worked through a corrupt alliance between crooked business and crooked politics. The jury was further instructed that they must render a verdict in favor of the plaintiff, unless they found that the defendant established to their satisfaction by a fair preponderance of evidence that both charges were true. This burden was successfully borne by Mr. Roosevelt.

Jury System Declared Vindicated.

"It is impossible to determine at this time the far-reaching extent of this verdict for good government.

"The verdict certainly assures us that the Anglo-Saxon system of determining questions between litigants is rightly lodged in the hands of a jury of 12 men.

"Moreover, it determines that jurors holding political views opposed to those held by a party will not be awayed thereby in determining the question submitted to them."

The foreman of the jury said: "After the first ballot we stood 10 to 1 in favor of the defendant. Those figures were never changed, Mr. Burns refusing to change his vote until this morning."

"Except for Mr. Burns the jurors who voted for the plaintiff on the first ballot did so, they said, because they did not want it to appear that they gave insufficient consideration to the great mass of evidence that was presented during those five long weeks. We are all very tired, I assure you."

BARNES WILL TAKE APPEAL

Ivins Says Court's Attitude Did Not Conform With Precedent.

NEW YORK, May 22.—William M. Ivins, of counsel for William Barnes, announced today that an appeal would be taken from the verdict of the jury at Syracuse.

The following statement was issued at the same time by Mr. Barnes: "There is nothing that I can say regarding the verdict of the jury in this matter except that when I brought the action I knew that the accusation made by Mr. Roosevelt, combining, combination or even dickers between me and Tammany Hall or Mr. Murphy or any other Democratic agency, not only for any corrupt purpose, but for any purpose, was absolutely false."

"When I accepted the chairmanship of the state committee in January, 1911, it was at the request of the membership of the committee at a time when I had retired from political life and when the Republican party was out of power in the state. As chairman of that committee, I never attempted to build up any machine nor to represent a famous deaf architect of the deaf in other sections will be revealed and delegates elected and instructed to represent the state at the National convention in San Francisco next July.

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ORE STAMP MILLS ARE BUSY

Record Activity Attained in Bohemia District Near Cottage Grove.

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Bartels and Minor have opened up some good ore for their mill, which is now in running condition. George Bohman has some good ore out for his mill and recently has installed a gasolene engine with which to run the mill when the water is low. J. R. Smith is working his property. George Atkinson has several mills at work. The Sweepstakes and a big bunch of ore will be put through the mill at this property. The mill will be started within a month. The extensive mine properties will be active, as usual, and there is some indication that operations will commence again at the big West Coast properties. There are more men employed in the district now than at this time of the season for many years.

Band Man Held at Roseburg.

ROSEBURG, Or., May 22.—(Special.)—Recognized by a photo sent here from Seattle, L. W. Harriman, a member of the Douglas County band playing at the carnival here, was arrested today and is being held pending the arrival of an officer. The charge against him is not known here.

Sacrifice Sale —of— Young Men's Suits

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PHILOMATH ROUNDUP ON WILD WEST EVENTS FEATURE FIRST DAY OF BIG HORSE SHOW.

Parade, Bucking, Trick Roping and Baseball Game Are Main Events. \$100 Saddle to Be Awarded.

PHILOMATH, Or., May 22.—(Special.)—The first day of the Round-Up and Horse Show has been full of thrills from the start. A public sale was held in the morning and the afternoon was taken up with wild west features. The grand parade was headed by the Philomath band, and was followed by the baseball team. After these came mounted cow girls, cowboys in chaps and all the fluttering features of the days of the chuck wagon and the rose corral were in evidence. The blooded stock made a fine showing in the parade which was more than half a mile long.

One thousand people witnessed the exhibition of roping, riding wild steers and pulling of teams. Tugs of war by mounted cowboys made up a thrilling exhibition. Exhibitions of tricks with a rope, bucking horse contests, races of cowboys and cowgirls with a bull-dogging thrill were among the more notable events.

One of the features was a baseball game between the Philomath nine and the Corvallis boys, the score standing 7 to 3, in favor of Corvallis.

BRANDY TAX IS PROTESTED

Californians Say Grape and Wine Industries Face Ruin.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 22.—Repeal of the special tax on brandy is asked in a memorial to Congress being drafted by representatives of viticultural interests in California. It says that the grape and wine industries of the state will be ruined unless relief is afforded. The present tax of 55 cents a gallon on brandy, used in the fortification of sweet wines, will be doubled January 1, 1915.

The appeal to Congress was decided on at a meeting today called by the State Board of Viticultural Commissioners to determine a course of action.

It was decided to invite members of the Congressional party now at Honolulu to inspect the vineyard districts on their return, to impress on them the importance of the threatened industry.

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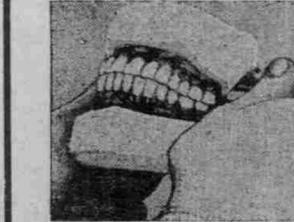
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