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SENTENCES HARRY ORCHARD TO BE EXECUTED MAY 15

Slayer of E-Governor Stuenen-berg of Idaho Must Pay Death Penalty.

JUDGE RECOMMENDS IT BE COMMUTED

Court Expresses Confidence in Evidence of Orchard in Haywood and Pettibone Cases.

(By Associated Press.)
BOISE, Idaho, March 18.—Judge Wood today sentenced Harry Orchard to death in accordance with the plea of guilty entered by Orchard last week, but the court recommended that the sentence be remitted. In sentencing Orchard, Judge Wood stated that he believed Orchard in his testimony at the trials of Haywood and Pettibone for the murder of ex-Governor Stuenenberg told the exact truth, and did not attempt to conceal anything. "I am more than satisfied that the defendant now at the bar of this court awaiting his final sentence not only acted in good faith in making the disclosures that he did, and that he also testified fully and fairly to the whole truth, withholding nothing that was material and declaring nothing which had not actually taken place," said Judge Wood, as he sentenced Orchard. He fixed May 15 as the date of execution. Orchard thanked the court for his review of the case and for Woods' kindly remarks concerning him. He repeated that he had told the whole truth, and that no promise of immunity or mercy had ever been made to him. Before he had concluded tears were streaming from his eyes and he all but broke down as he thanked Judge Wood for his recommendation to the board of pardons.

LAST OF THE NOBLE SIX HUNDRED IS DEAD

William Nelms, Who Claims to Have Participated in Famous Charge, Dies in Colorado.

(By Associated Press.)
LAJARA, Colo., March 18.—William Nelms, who claimed to be the last survivor of the "Noble Six Hundred" at Balaklava, is dead at his home in Manassas, aged ninety. He was wounded at Balaklava, fought at Sebastopol and was wounded at the battle of Inkerman. He was a member of the Queen's Guard for fifteen years, and drew a pension from the British government.

GIRLS SCREAM AND CAUSE BIG PANIC

One Thousand Girls Fly in Terror From Ten-story New York

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, March 18.—One thousand girls employed in a big ten-story factory building on Twenty-fourth street were thrown into a panic today by the bursting of a steam pipe on the sixth floor. Two hundred girls in the working room fled screaming. This caused the entire population of the building to become panic-stricken. The coolness of the elevator men, who kept the machine running, served to quiet the women, and in a few minutes all returned to work. No one was hurt.

WANT FOREST RESERVE. Oregon May Get Large Tract From Government for Purpose.

(By Associated Press.)
PORTLAND, March 18.—The State Forestry Association has initiated a movement for a state forest reserve. Resolutions were adopted proposing legislation by which the state can be permitted to exchange about 100,000 acres of school lands located within the forest reserves in scattered tracts to the national government for one compact body of the same area. The state land board and state forestry commission are directed to confer with proper officials of the government to secure the enactment of legislation to bring about such a transfer.

PRIZE FIGHT ENDS FATALLY

Aleck Allen Dies From Pounding of Young Mike Rhodes Before St. Joe Eagles.

(By Associated Press.)
ST. JOSEPH, Mo., March 18.—Jack Allen, a prize fighter, died today from injuries received last night in a fight with Fritz Gutzenberger, professionally known as "Young Mike Rhodes." The fight was under the auspices of the Eagles' lodge. The officials may be arrested.

PORTLAND FIRE TODAY CAUSES \$125,000 LOSS

Store and Warehouse of Pacific Coast Rubber Company Destroyed by Blaze of Unknown Origin.

(By Associated Press.)
PORTLAND, March 18.—The store and warehouse of the Pacific Coast Rubber Company in the Hotelling building on North First street was burned today. The loss is \$125,000. The cause of the fire has not been ascertained.

KILLS MAN WHO SAID THAT HE WASN'T BRAVE

Russian Military Fight Duel That Will End Fatally as Result of Port Arthur Siege Discussion.

(By Associated Press.)
ST. PETERSBURG, March 18.—In a duel between Lieutenant General Fock and Lieutenant General Smirnov, the latter was probably fatally wounded. Pistols were used. Smirnov had questioned the courage of Fock in the siege of Port Arthur.

TWO IOWANS FOUND DEAD IN ROOM 23

Whether Result of Suicide Pact or a Duel Not Known, as Each Was Clutching a Revolver.

(By Associated Press.)
SHERIDAN, Wyo., March 18.—W. S. Bunker of Arcadia, Iowa, and Herman Harker, of West Side, Iowa, were found dead in room No. 23 at the Pepper hotel, Ranchester, a small town near Sheridan, either as a result of a pistol duel or a suicide pact. A revolver was clutched in the right hand of both men, and bullet holes were in their heads. Until an investigation and post-mortem examination it will not be decided whether it was a duel or suicide. Both had considerable money.

RIO GRANDE SHOP MEN GO ON STRIKE

Over 1,500 Employees Quit Work and Threaten to Spread Trouble to All Gould Roads.

(By Associated Press.)
DENVER, March 17.—Fifteen hundred machinists, boiler-makers and members of kindred trades working in the Denver & Rio Grande shops went on a strike today in response to an order issued by W. J. McQueeney, representing the machinists' national organization, after the railroad company had refused all concessions. McQueeney says that the strike will undoubtedly spread to every road in the Gould system, and that the struggle will be a long, hard fought one. The strike is the result of an order posted a month ago abrogating all contracts with the union.

BUILD CLUB HOUSE.

Men Students of University of Oregon Plan Improvement at School.

"The Beaver Club," an organization of the men students at the University of Oregon, have arranged to build an \$8,000 chapter house at the institution.

Just received a fine line of fishing tackle. Coos Bay Cash Store.

POMONA WRECKED ON HIDDEN REEF

Big Steamer Plying Between San Francisco and Eureka Totally Destroyed Off Port Ross, but Entire Sixty-two Members of Crew and 101 Passengers Are Saved.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 18.—The first of the passengers of the ill-fate Pomona, wrecked on the sub-

merged reef off Port Ross last evening, arrived here this afternoon. Sixteen went overland to Cazadero and 84 passengers and 62 members of the crew will arrive here this afternoon on the steamer City of Topeka. The Pomona will be a total wreck. The Pomona plied between San Francisco and Eureka, and was one of the best known vessels in northern Pacific waters. How she happened to run on the reef has not been explained.

NAN SMITH HERE ON MONDAY

Big Lumber Carrier Will Sail From San Francisco For Coos Bay Saturday Afternoon With C. A. Smith and Daughter on Board.

MAYOR PROCLAIMS A LEGAL HOLIDAY

Preparations For Welcoming Largest Craft Ever Entering the Local Harbor Practically Completed—Will Be Historical Event For Shipping.

A PROCLAMATION
Office of the Mayor,
Marshfield, Oregon, March, 18, 1908.
Whereas, the steam schooner Nan Smith is expected to arrive on Coos Bay, Monday, March 23, 1908 and whereas, said vessel has just successfully rounded the Horn, having been built at Newport News off the coast of Virginia, and,
Whereas, said vessel is the largest craft ever in Coos Bay waters, and the largest vessel of her kind on the Pacific coast, and,
Whereas, the said Nan Smith will make Coos Bay her base of operations advancing this port's interests, materially, and,
Whereas, her coming marks a new epoch in the shipping industry on Coos Bay, and,
Whereas, the Chamber of Commerce and public spirited citizens have taken steps to make a fitting demonstration, now,
Therefore, I, E. E. Straw, mayor of the city of Marshfield, Oregon, do hereby proclaim Monday, March, 23, 1908, a public Holiday, and request that all citizens rest from their labors, and desist from their usual vocations as far as practicable on that day, that they participate in services appropriate to the occasion, especially in the water parade. It is especially urged upon those having control of boats that they bring them out, and for the preservation of order, and for the safety of passengers, it is requested that all boats, large and small, report to Mr. T. J. Lewis, the manager in charge.
Done this 18th day of March, 1908.
E. E. STRAW, Mayor.

The local officials of the C. A. Smith Lumber and Manufacturing company last night received a telegram from San Francisco stating that the Nan Smith would sail from that port Saturday and reach Coos Bay some time Monday, probably early in the morning. This is the first definite advice received as to the arriving time here. The first trip the vessel will make with a cargo will be from Coos Bay to San Pedro. Preparations for the reception of the big lumber carrier are progressing favorably, and Dr. Tower, chairman of the committee having the welcome in hand, Secretary Lyon and

J. T. Lewis, the master of ceremonies, are getting the details worked out and expect to have assembled one of the most gaily decorated and pleasing fleets of small craft ever assembled in this section. Mr. Smith and his daughter, in whose honor the vessel was christened, will accompany the steamer here from San Francisco. Captain Nelson, in charge of the Nan Smith, has sailed on the Pacific coast for years, and has made many trips in and out of Coos Bay. Mayor Straw will probably issue in a day or two a proclamation declaring Monday a legal holiday.

SHIPS SCARE HAYTI BANDS

President of Belligerent West Indian Republic Decides to Be Good.

(By Associated Press.)
PARIS, March 18.—Official advices from Hayti indicate that the arrival of a number of foreign warships has produced the desired effect upon President Nord Alexis. The government has abandoned its belligerent attitude and safe conducts have been granted for a number of revolutionary leaders to leave the country. All danger of an attack on the legations and consulates is considered at an end.

Attitude of Germany.

(By Associated Press.)
BERLIN, March 18.—The Associated Press is authorized to state that the German foreign office is in full accord with the views of the United

BIG VESSELS CRASH IN FOG

Steamer Crown Rams the Kronprinz in New York Harbor and Damages Her.

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, March 18.—The steamer Crown of Castile ran into the liner Kronprinz Wilhelm during a fog in the harbor this morning and tore a hole in the Wilhelm's stern in the overhang. Several plates were cut through and others crushed. The Wilhelm was lying at anchor. States in regard to the situation in Hayti. There never was any intention on the part of Germany to intervene in the affairs of the Haytian republic. It will simply insist upon the protection of the German interests.

Buy your canvas gloves at the Coos Bay Cash Store; 10 cents the pair.

OREGON LAND GRANT BILL IS DEBATED IN CONGRESS

LAFOLLETTE IS AFTER SYSTEM

Wisconsin Senator Scores the High Financiers and Combinations in Speech.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, March 17.—Declaring that the recent financial stringency was brought on by the influence of Standard Oil and J. Pierpont Morgan, Senator LaFollette in a speech practically closing the debate on the Aldrich bill, entered upon a vigorous denunciation of men high in the financial world. "There were no commercial reasons for the panic," said LaFollette. "There were special legislative and political reasons why the panic might serve the special interests. There were business scores to settle, legislation to be blocked, and currency measures suited to the system to be secured. There was a third term to be disposed of, and politics to be discredited."

LaFollette was severe in his denunciation of the high financiers, and told how the Wall street financier assisted in crushing the small investor last October. He told of the over-capitalization of the corporations and of other abuses, and discussed the economic development of the country and the growth of financial combinations, and declared: "With this enormous concentrated business, it is possible to create artificial periods of prosperity and periods of panic. Prices can be lowered or advanced at the will of the 'system.' If an effort is made to make any one of these great interests obey the law, it is easy for them to enter into a conspiracy to destroy whoever may be responsible for the undertaking." He severely criticised the provision of the Aldrich bill by which railroad bonds are to be made security for emergency circulation, and charged that it was a scheme to defeat legislation which might lower rates.

TILLMAN RAPS ROOSEVELT.

South Carolina Senator Indulges in Abuse of President.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, March 18.—Citing what he claims to be "cold blooded facts," to show that the chief executive is responsible for many evils which exist, Senator Tillman in a speech in the senate today, said: "In the most pronounced language, he has denounced the combination between labor organizations and the boycott, but on the eve of election he panders to this same vote by demanding changes in the law as interpreted by the U. S. supreme court. Organized labor is to be relieved from the prohibition of the supreme court's decisions, but along with it must go the relief of capital. Once relieved, the malefactors of great wealth will smile in triumph over their victory, while labor will find itself no freer than before."

Tillman charges many of the evils in connection with the recent financial flurry to the president and his administration, and said: "These are only a few of the achievements of this uncrowned king. With others of his kind, he has created a Frankenstein monster which, unsatisfied by the blood of suicides and the fears of heartbroken women, threatens to devour and consume his creators, who were able to quench his thirst only by the torrents of gold poured out of the federal treasury." Tillman charged the senate and the house with absolute subservience to the wish of the chief executive.

FLOOD DANGER OVER.

Washington Rivers no Longer Menace Property in the Valleys.

(By Associated Press.)
TACOMA, MARCH 18.—All danger of wood from the Green, White, Stuck, Cowlitz, Puyallup, Toutle and other streams is over.

Townsend Lays Bare Motive of Lumbermen and Railroads in Seeking Legislation.

ACT MIGHT AFFECT GOVERNMENT SUITS

Holdings of Big Tracts by Corporations Retarding Development of the State.

WASHINGTON, March 14.—If the House committee on public land should amend the Fulton resolution in such a way as to block the purpose of the Department of Justice in instituting suit to forfeit the grant to the Oregon & California Railroad Company, it will not be able to plead ignorance as an excuse, for B. D. Townsend devoted more than three hours trying to explain to the committee the object of the proposed suit and the importance of special legislation to remove all doubt as to the right of the Attorney-General to institute such proceedings. Mr. Townsend made a remarkably forceful presentation of the Government's case, and put the committee on its guard against any amendments containing jokers which may be proposed in the name of 'innocent purchasers', but which in reality will have the effect of annulling any proceedings the Attorney-General may determine to initiate.

Would Prevent Forfeiture.

Every amendment so far proposed, he said, was "loaded" and would prevent the forfeiture of the land grant, and he knew of no amendment that would protect those purchasers who had bought in violation of the law, innocently though it may have been, which would not simultaneously protect the railroad company, which has been the chief offender.

The Government's policy, says Mr. Townsend, is to "waive no rights and waive no remedies." In his opinion forfeiture is the only remedy which the Government can apply.

Lumbermen's Real Motive.

Mr. Townsend abruptly stated that the lumbermen who have bought large tracts of railroad land contrary to the provisions of the law are here asking Congress to validate and confirm their titles, which they know to be bad. They are asking Congress to legalize that which was done illegally, regardless of the effect it may have upon the Government's case against the railroads. Some of them admit that such an amendment as they seek would afford absolute protection to the railroad company, but they insist upon having it, nevertheless. Mr. Townsend would not consent to any such amendment, and it was clearly to be inferred from what he said that, if an unsatisfactory amendment is inserted in the resolution, one which will let the railroad escape, and if Congress shall pass a resolution so amended, the President will not sign it, for the Attorney-General will not accept it.

Making Their Title Worse.

If this inference is fairly drawn, then the lumbermen are unknowingly working against their own interests, for, if they should innocently or otherwise be instrumental in preventing suit by forcing through an unsatisfactory resolution, the Department of Justice, fully cognizant of the facts, has it in its power to declare void those deeds by which these same lumbermen acquired large tracts of timber land from the railroad in violation of the law. Mr. Townsend said the resolution confers no power upon the Attorney-General, so far as the purchasers are concerned, which he does not already enjoy. He explained that, if there should be forfeiture, it would only apply to land now in the hands of the railroad company, and purchasers from the railroad would not be affected unless there should be separate proceedings against them.

Will Not Injure Industry.

While he could not say how far the department would go, beyond attacking the railroad company, he disclaimed a purpose to inflict injury against them.

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