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FEDERAL TROOPS SURPRISE SMALL BAND OF INSURRECTOS

Mexican Soldiers Sweep Down On Rebel Camp Near San Diego Today.

SEVERAL KILLED AND WOUNDED IN BATTLE

Part of Rebel Band Escapes But Balance Surrounded In Adobe House.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Mar. 17.—Today a band of eighty federal soldiers swooped down on the rebel camp and in the fight which followed two rebels were killed and a number wounded. A small band escaped into the hills and nine men barricaded themselves in an adobe house and are being bombarded by the soldiers. The Mexican soldiers lost two men.

ROUGH RIDERS BUSY.

Report That Col. Roosevelt Talked of Reorganization.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., Mar. 17.—Members of Roosevelt "Rough Riders," of whom many reside in the territory, are quietly discussing today the probabilities of the formation by the former leader of another "Rough Rider" regiment in case of war with Japan. Roosevelt is said to have told some of his friends when here Wednesday, that in case of war, he would ask permission of the President to organize a division of cavalry. None of the former "Rough Riders" will confirm this report but nevertheless it is being discussed freely.

LMANTOUR WON'T TALK.

Mexican Representative Refuses to Be Interviewed.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

TEXARKANA, Tex., Mar. 17.—Senator Lmantour passed through here this afternoon. He appeared to be fatigued and refused to be interviewed.

LOS ANGELES FIGHT TODAY

Ad. Wolgast and George Memsic Meet In 20-Round Contest.

WOLGAST WINS.

(By Associated Press.)

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Mar. 17.—Wolgast won the ninth round over Memsic.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Mar. 17.—Ad. Wolgast, the champion lightweight, and George Memsic meet here today in a 20-round bout, it being their first meeting since Wolgast secured the championship a year ago from "Battling" Nelson. In addition to this, it is the longest fight Wolgast has fought since the championship battle and in that respect will test the champion's ability and endurance more than the contests he has been fighting in the East. Memsic has been training hard for some time and those who are familiar with him say he is in the pink of condition. Wolgast is not in as good shape as when he arrived from the East three or four days ago, but his trainer believes the champion has got into his stride. Wolgast has been the favorite in betting.

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FOUR ACTORS ARE STRANDED

Mrs. Bernell Leaves and Others of Troupe Plan Benefit Show.

Mrs. W. F. Bernell, whose husband had rather a meteoric career in the theatrical business here left yesterday for Portland. Mr. Bernell left sometime ago and his present whereabouts are unknown. Their lease on the Masonic Opera House has been surrendered.

Before leaving, it is said, that Mr. Bernell placed some of his wife's diamonds and other jewelry in pawn for money to leave on.

Four members of his show troupe are stranded here. They want to leave but haven't the money. They dislike to ask the public subscription and instead have arranged a benefit performance to be given at The Royal Monday night. Dixie Loftin is assisting them in putting it on. They plan to present "Out of the Fold," a clever little play.

Aside from a good entertainment, the show will likely draw a good crowd as it will afford an opportunity to many to assist the stranded actors.

WOMAN'S BODY FOUND TODAY

San Francisco Police Find Evidence of Foul Play—Identity Not Known.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Mar. 17.—With a bullet hole in the head and a revolver lying beside it, the body of a well-dressed woman about 35 years of age was found on a lonely road in the outskirts of the city. A man's handkerchief which evidently had been wrapped about the revolver was powder burned but there were no powder marks on the wound. These facts caused the police to start an investigation of the belief that it may have been a case of murder.

NO TRACE OF FIEND FOUND

Portland Officers Unable to Find Murderer of Little Girl There.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

PORTLAND, Ore., Mar. 17.—The police and detectives apparently are no nearer a solution of the murder of the little five-year-old Barbara Holzman whose body was found in a lodging house Wednesday, than they were a few minutes after the discovery of the crime. The murderer so far has been able to conceal his identity and the length of time that has elapsed since the crime was committed has given him a good start on the officers, if he has left the city. Every nook and corner of the city is being searched for some trace of the fiend.

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THE IRISHMAN, AND WHY I LIKE HIM

AN APPRECIATION OF IRISH PERSONALITY WITH A LAUGH IN EVERY LINE

"Has anybody here seen Kelly— K—E double L V? Has anybody here seen Kelly— Seen him passing by? For his hair is red and his eyes are blue, And he's Irish through and through. Has anybody here seen Kelly— Kelly with the green necktie?"

I KNOW of no line of mental or other activity in which an Irishman has not mixed up. An Irishman does not participate; he mixes up. You can make certain that where he has been something has happened. And if it has not happened to him, it has happened to some one else. Indifference and an Irishman are not twin brothers. For the purpose of my argument let us admit, as a major premise, then, that Ireland is great and the Irish greater. I know of no place where they have not been, and I know of no place where they arrived, that others did not take notice of them. And, as a rule, they looked the place over and took it.

We haven't "adopted" sons of Ireland; we have "adopting" sons of Ireland. There is no realm of energy that they have not invaded—professions and the arts and sciences, moral and physical courage, and all those things they have given us great examples of. They have been the equals of most everybody, but I notice this—that I have never heard of an Irishman that apologized for his national paternity. I have often wondered why the Irish brogue survived three or four generations before it disappeared, and the psychological reason is that an Irishman refuses to trade his personality for anything temporal.

I like an Irishman because he never ceases to be an Irishman. I know some other people who cease to be lots of things, and sometimes without any visible regret on the faces of their neighbors. There is a tendency nowadays to standardize most everything. We are told how we must eat and sleep and drink and think and act alike, after some prescribed formula. The difficulty today with an Irishman is to tell him what he must not do. Let him attend to the rest himself. I have never known of a topic on which an Irishman did not have an opinion, and if he could not maintain it by argument, he maintained it by an original endowment of sturdy health which was equally effective.

I have never known of an Irishman who objected to how much somebody else had, if he had enough. I have never known of an Irishman, however much he had, who would not divide with a human being whom he loved and who had less than he had. The most characteristic things about an Irishman, and the things that mark him most in the community to which he goes or which he adopts, come in the plainer walks of life, when they speak and act with greater naturalness and cheerfulness, when they adopt other things that other people prescribe for them. I have known an Irishman to compromise upon conduct, but never upon his ideas. And I am reminded that one of the most potential things we can have this side of Jordan is an idea, which leads me to think that I cannot account for the existence of many people I know, unless they are traveling on the original momentum of their birth.

An Irishman never gives the power of attorney. An Irishman is never diffident, because he is born with a degree of confidence in himself and his extraction which is clear, comprehensive and all-embracing. And I like an Irishman because he never surrenders his natural original endowment. You can make over physical objects, but you cannot make over human beings. A man who claims to be what he isn't is usually discovered, but not always notified, by those that are looking at him. And many men there are who would receive a violent shock to their vanity if they knew what other people thought of them. The average man, being a gentleman, minds his own business, and these other people wander off in the solitude of selfish contemplation.

I never knew an Irishman that would not help somebody in distress, and I have met many of them that would distress people, too. There is no climate or country in the world that can destroy the good spirits of an Irishman. Irishmen have said more in short sentences than most people have narrated in books. The man who can make a race smile has lifted it morally. To reduce an audience to tears before you can convey an idea may be flattering to the speaker, but it doesn't convince anybody of anything except pain. A man who can make a brother in distress smile has lifted the man along the line of human progress, until he comes within the great smile of human events and thinks himself a part of the human race. I would rather make a man smile than cry. I would rather iron out a wrinkle than cause one. I would rather make a man look up than look down. I would rather teach man how to enjoy himself than to worship me. I would rather insure than terrify.

There is no need of passing much time in describing the Irish. They admit it. There is no need of telling a man he is great when that is his first instinct. There is no need of telling a man what he has done when he did it first and did it intentionally. But the Irish race has stirred more emotions in the human breast than any other race that walks the earth. They have been broader and narrower. They have been more generous and more selfish. They have gone through the gamut of human experience, and they have never surrendered their personality. You can persuade an Irishman to do something, but you cannot make him. I rather like that notion. Irishmen say "we" when referring to each other. The only subject I have ever heard them agree on was Ireland and the Irish, and on that they are a unit. They are not always strong in aggression, but when they are on the defense you cannot tell how many of them there are, because they only look like one.

It is a strange thing that a man, when he is an Irishman, is only great when he is away from home. With the rest of us, we are only great at home; and if a man could persuade his neighbors that he were as great as he can persuade his family he is, they wouldn't know him. The lesson from the Irish race is this: Not that they have been great, not that they have been heroes, not that they have sacrificed their lives for their own cause and the cause of other people, but that wherever they have been, whatever the walk of life they have been led to tread, and whatever their walk in life so far as opulence or otherwise may go, whether in high or lowly position, they have never tried to conceal their identity and they have never apologized for those characteristics which are the benediction of the heavenly Father. He has cast upon them tears, and He has given them a smile to wipe them away with. He has made them suffer, but He has given them capacity to relieve the suffering of a neighbor. He has reddened them in means, but He has in

ALASKA MINERAL CLAIMS TO BE CONTESTED BY GOVERNMENT

ARRIVE TODAY ON NANN SMITH

C. A. Smith and Other Representatives of Company Reach Coos Bay.

C. A. Smith and several other representatives of the Smith Lumber company arrived here on the Nann Smith from San Francisco this morning. The vessel arrived in early but stuck on the mud flat in the lower bay for a little while and the passengers came up on a launch.

With Mr. Smith are Mr. McDonald and G. M. Harrington of the company's branch at Bay Point and Mr. Everts. Mr. Smith will probably spend some time here this trip.

The Excelsior which was recently chartered to carry lumber from the C. A. Smith mill sailed today for San Francisco with 500,000 feet of lumber.

The Redondo is due in Monday morning from San Francisco.

The Nann Smith will sail from here Sunday.

BOND IS BIG FOR M'GLALLEN

Second Degree Murder Is Charge Made Against Roy McClallen and Bond Is Fixed at \$7,500.

ROSEBURG, Ore., Mar. 17.—A warrant charging Roy McClallen with murder in the second degree was sworn out on direction of Prosecuting Attorney Geo. M. Brown. His bonds were fixed at \$7,500. The coroner's jury verdict was non-committal. McClallen, who is a prominent young Roseburg man, shot and killed Ben A. Mahan.

ROSEBURG, Ore., Mar. 17.—Taking the witness stand in his own behalf at the coroner's inquest, Roy McClallen told the story of his killing of Ben A. Mahan last Monday night and of events that led up to the tragedy. It was the story of a man who claimed fear for his own life as the justification for taking the life of another, and of preceding threats and actions on part of the dead man that made the slayer even afraid to walk the streets alone during the day or night.

For three quarters of an hour McClallen kept the stand. Though his face bespoke a heavy mental strain, he talked with a clear, firm voice and his answers to the questions of District Attorney Brown came without any hesitation. When he had finished, two other men, Ellis J. Neal and F. B. McCord, the later a brother-in-law of Mahan, were called to testify, after which the case was placed in the hands of the jury.

Accused Claims Self-Defense. That Mahan attempted to draw a

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structed them to divide what they have left with the less fortunate; and wherever they have been and wherever they may go, the God-given capacity to smile to make another man smile, and to cheer the human race and leave something on this footstool to somebody else is a characteristic of which they may be proud. No Irishman ever stayed away from the polls. They do the best they can always, and always do something. I would rather try something and err than not have the nerve to make an effort. I would rather make a motion and lose it than to be one of a quorum that turned out to vote when somebody else tells you. I would rather follow the lead of a beligerent Irishman and get in trouble than to be afraid to go out of the confines of my own home lest I get hurt. And when I am laid away I want a record not of things done but of things tried; and, with no thought of being irreverent, I would rather have written upon my tombstone, "He did the best he could," than "Nearer, my God, to Thee."

Investigations Started In 630 Out of 1,000 Coal Entries There.

MANY INDICTMENTS ARE ALREADY RETURNED

Other Groups Than Those Now Contested Will Be Investigated Soon.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 17.—Out of the thousand coal claims in Alaska which the Government Land Office is investigating, 630 covering more than 102,000 acres are involved directly or indirectly in indictments so far returned by the grand juries in Spokane, Tacoma, Detroit and Chicago. Although the Ballinger-Pinchot controversy halted the work on these claims, the investigations were vigorously resumed last June. The result so far has been the indictment of participants in the Dunn, Doughton, Stracey, Simmonds, Detroit and Watson or Frost groups of claims. The indictments also indicate evidence such as to demand a showing on the part of the locators why their claims should not be allowed. This showing probably will soon be called for. Investigations also are to be made into other Alaska coal claims. But what groups are involved have not been made public.

FIRE IN WASHINGTON.

Baseball Park Grandstand and Old Hospital Burn.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 17.—Fire, which started in the American league grandstand, practically wiped out the grandstand and bleachers. It spread to the old Freedman's hospital, destroying that structure. The loss is \$50,000.

LONDON BANKER SUICIDE.

R. F. Carnegie Ends Life at Home—No Cause Known.

LONDON, England, Mar. 17.—A sensation was caused in financial circles by the suicide of R. F. Carnegie, manager of the Lombard Street branch of Parry's Bank, Limited, whose body was found in his home today. The affairs of the institution are said to be in perfect order.

TEXAS "DRY" BILL SIGNED

Gov. Colquitt Approves Submission of Liquor Question at Next Election.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

AUSTIN, Tex., Mar. 17.—The so-called state-wide prohibition bill was signed today by Governor Colquitt. It provides for submission of a constitutional amendment for state-wide prohibition at the election July 22, next.