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## THREE ARE KILLED AND NINE WOUNDED IN ILLINOIS RIOT

### Rock Island Scene of Terrible Outbreak as Result of Factional Fight.

### ARREST OF SPEAKERS STARTS DIRE CLASH

### Gov. Deneen Orders Out National Guard and May Declare Martial Law.

**MORE TROOPS OUT**

(By Associated Press.)

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., March 27.—Governor Deneen has ordered the entire sixth regiment of the Illinois national guard to proceed to Rock Island.

(By Associated Press to the Coos Bay Times.)

ROCK ISLAND, Ill., March 27.—Despite the fact that it was quiet in all quarters of the city this morning, the sheriff, police and militia prepared to resist a resumption tonight of the rioting which resulted in three deaths and the wounding of nine persons last night. The police state that more than 5000 persons composed last night's mob. After the attack on the station had been repulsed by a volley, a dozen dead or wounded were found on the streets.

Two of the three dead have been identified. They were J. C. Kelley, a blacksmith, of Silvas, a village a few miles up the river, and L. H. Orman, a shoe merchant of this city. It is said the riot may spread to Moline, where a political meeting is to be held tonight.

**Many Troops Out.**

Three companies of the Illinois national guard, ordered here by Governor Deneen to quell the riot, had control of the situation early today.

A mob attacked the city jail last night in an attempt to release sympathisers of John Looney, publisher of a weekly paper which had severely criticized Mayor H. M. Schriver. During the last three days, the people have been stirred up over the controversy between the editor and Mayor and last night the police arrested two speakers who were addressing the crowd. This inflamed the friends of Looney and they began to hurl stones at the police and break the windows of the police station. The Mayor, who was directing the police, ordered the officers to fire on the mob.

The mob finally dispersed but reformed after an hour and attempted to procure arms at the hardware stores. The police surrounded the stores and drove the mob back. The sheriff shortly before midnight asked Gov. Deneen for troops to assist the police and local militia company. One company from Moline and another from Galesburg were ordered out and are now on duty.

**TRY TO KILL MAYOR**

(By Associated Press to the Coos Bay Time.)

ROCK ISLAND, Ill., March 27.—An unsuccessful attempt to assassinate Mayor Schriver at the city hall was made today by an unidentified person who fired a rifle bullet through the Mayor's office window from the top of a building several squares distant. The bullet missed him.

Sheriff Bruner after an investigation declared the shot was accidentally fired by a deputy sheriff who was loading a riot gun but a paper declared it was an attempt on the Mayor's life.

**PROCLAIM MARTIAL LAW**

(By Associated Press to the Coos Bay Times)

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., March 27.—Governor Deneen has referred the request of Sheriff Bruner, of Rock Island, to declare martial law there to Attorney General Stead for an opinion on his, the governor's powers. He also will await the arrival of Adjutant General Dickson from Rock Island before deciding whether martial law will be proclaimed.

## EIGHTY-THREE DEAD IN MINE

### Bodies of Only Twenty-Eight Recovered in West Virginia Disaster.

(By Associated Press to the Coos Bay Times.)

WELSH, W. Va., March 27.—The explosion yesterday in the mine of the Jed Coal & Coke Co. killed eighty-three workmen. Twenty-eight bodies have been recovered.

## GREEK KILLED BY LOG TODAY

### Workman at Porter Mill Crushed to Death in Log Chute This Morning.

Gust Konidaris, a Greek laborer employed at the Porter mill of the Simpson Lumber company, was instantly killed this morning upon being struck by a big timber i na log chute at the mill.

Konidaris had been working around the mill for eight days and apparently did not realize the danger of getting too close to the logs in the chute. Other workmen and Foreman McCann repeatedly warned him of the danger but to no avail. Apparently he had plenty of time to get out of the way of the log but did not do so.

Konidaris was born in Greece, was about thirty years old and has three or four cousins working around the Bay.

Coroner Wilson decided that an inquest was unnecessary. Konidaris was badly bruised and mangled.

## ELECTION IN THREE MONTHS

### Port of Coos Bay Can't Be Reorganized in Less Than Three Months.

Following the shock resulting from the Oregon Supreme Court knocking out the Port of Coos Bay Commission yesterday, there is a general demand today that another election be called just as quickly as possible to reorganize it in order that the backset to the harbor may be kept to the minumum.

On investigation today, it was found that the special election would have to be called at the regular session of the county commissioners and they will not meet until the first Wednesday in May. From forty to sixty days' notice will have to be given so that the earliest the election can be held will be the latter part of June. Then it will take some time for the appointment of commissioners. Owing to the old commission being held an illegal body, the taxes levied for this year will be illegal so that the new commission will be without funds unless they are able to provide them by a bond issue.

In consequence of this, the proposed mass meeting of Marshfield and North Bend citizens to facilitate the election will not be held before next week.

However, the Chamber of Commerce will probably take the matter up at the regular meeting Friday night, especially the phase of the situation relating to the Dredge Oregon.

There is only about three or four months' work for the Oregon on the government project in Coos Bay. Other work which the Port Commission had arranged for the Oregon and which had been sanctioned by Major Morrow would have taken at least three or four months longer and this would have meant that the Oregon would remain at work on Coos Bay for at least another year, probably. The latter work included the widening of the channel between the mouth of Coos River and North Bend and the filling of the big flat in front of Ferndale. The cost of this, which is estimated at between $7,000 and $9,000 was to be borne by the port Commission which had guaranteed its payment, subject of course to the supreme court decision.

The knocking out of the commission will mean that if this work is done at all, some new plan for meeting the expense of it will have to be devised. Whether the property owners who want their lowland near Ferndale filled will do so or whether the Chamber of Commerce and local business men will guarantee it with the understanding that the future port commission will pay for it will be discussed Friday night.

The work the Oregon is now doing in Front of Marshfield is practically all in the government project so that the decision will not affect it.

However, it will necessary to act promptly on the work in front of Ferndale if it is to be done as it will have to be taken up with Engineer Leefe and Major Morrow again and official sanction secured for it.

There is much discussion over the legal tangles growing out of the port commission being declared invalid. What will be done with the tax money now on hand, how some of the expenses incurred, like part of the dredging of Catching Inlet near Sumner by the Larson dredge, will be paid, etc., are the perplexing problems. Larsons were paid $1,000 on their Catching Inlet job but they still have something coming.

## THAT PORT DECISION

THE decision of the Oregon Supreme Court declaring invalid the election creating the Port of Coos Bay is a deplorable one from any standpoint.

The actual damage to this community is thousands upon thousands of dollars.

It turns the wheels of progress backward three years.

It means the stopping of all public improvements of harbor and inlets for months and maybe for years.

It means that Coos Bay will soon lose the U. S. Dredge Oregon and the time or possibility of its return is problematical.

It means that the filling which has been done for property owners at 5 and 6 cents per yard will in the future cost double and three times that amount.

The writer makes no claim to legal acumen or attainments but does not hesitate to state that this decision based upon the failure to post a few election notices in some remote precincts seems to lack law, logic and common sense. There was never any question that the fact of the day and date and nature of the election were known to every voter in the Port district. The returns were sufficiently large and decisive to prove that there could be no possibility of change in the result of the election.

Notwithstanding this, because of a technical, hair-splitting, non compliance with certain provisions of the election law the election is declared void and invalid and tremendous damage done to a large community. As one gentleman, who is not unfamiliar with the law remarked yesterday, if the Oregon Supreme Court holds that strict compliance with the notice posting provision of the election law is essential it will be impossible to hold an election that is strictly legal. There are 90 judges in the proposed port district and as the law merely requires the mailing of notices by the County Clerk to the election judge's address, without any provision for checking or seeing that this duty is complied with, it will be readily seen that failure of any one judge to perform his duty would invalidate the election. All that need be done by anyone opposed to the organization of the Port would be to invite one of the judges on a hunting or fishing trip about the time the notices are to be mailed and keep him away until it was too late. Or any judge might be taken sick or go away on a visit and the whole machinery of the election becomes futile and inoperative.

It would seem to a layman that the fact that the election was known to every voter is of more real importance than the technical compliance with the letter of the law.

It is decisions such as this one out of line with commonsense and working a hardship on many people that are responsible for the lack of popular respect and regard into which our courts have fallen and which prove the need of the recall and the reason the people demand it.

Regardless of their opinion of the quality of the judgment involved in the action the people must take off their hats to J. W. Bennett as a fighter. He has fought the Port Commission from start to finish and has fought it hard. Three times it has gone to the Supreme Court of the State. This last appeal was not carried up until Mr. Bennett personally guaranteed the expense of the case. He has won but it has been at a tremendous cost to the community and the taxpayers. And incidentally it has cost Mr. Bennett a penny or two, also.

The greatest loss, however, is the blow it is to harbor improvement and the delay in the progressive work that had been planned.

## TURKS REPORT A GREAT VICTORY

### Claim to Have Defeated Italians in Tripoli, Inflicting Heavy Loss On Opponents.

(By Associated Press to the Coos Bay Times.)

LONDON, March 27.—The Turkish army in Tripoli has achieved a great victory over the Italian army whose losses were 27 officers and 3500 men killed and wounded, according to the report of the Turkish commander at Benghazi received here today from a special correspondent at the Turkish headquarters.

The location of the battle was not given in the report which says the entire camp equipment of the Italians fell into the hands of the Turkish troops. The Turkish commander says the casualties among the Turkish and Arab troops numbered only 150 killed and wounded.

## NEW MEXICO'S NEW SENATORS

### Legislative Dead-Lock Broken and Two Republicans Are Elected.

(By Associated Press to The Coos Bay Times)

SANTA FE, March 27.—Albert B. Fall and Thomas B. Catron, republicans, were elected today United States senators from New Mexico. The fate of the latter was in the balance when the roll had been called. He lacked four votes of election but before the result was announced several legislators changed their votes and Catron was elected.

## THE "SMELTER TRUST" NEXT

### Colorado Congressman Says the Guggenheims Created "Smelter Graveyard."

(By Associated Press to The Coos Bay Times)

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 27—An investigation of the "Smelter Trust" by the house committee on mines and mining, is proposed by Representative Martin of Colorado, in a resolution introduced in the house today. Martin bitterly attacked the Guggenheims. He declared the smelter trust had left "a graveyard of rival smelters in Colorado."

## HAVE PUPILS BEAUTIFY CITY

### North Bend City Council and Supt. Raab Arrange for Civic Improvement.

The North Bend city council at a meeting last evening took preliminary steps in the inauguration of a "City Beautiful" campaign to be conducted by the school children there. The plan was suggested to the council by Supt. Raab of the North Bend schools and prompt action was taken. It was decided that about $75 should be offered for the best flower or vegetable garden, the best kept lawn, the greatest improvements in front and back yards, etc.

The council referred the matter to a special committee consisting of Supt. Raab, Prof. Grubbs, Mrs. Herbert Armstrong, M. E. Everitt and Mrs. Ira B. Bartle who will work the details of the plan and report to the council at its next meeting. It is likely that the committee will have entire charge of the plan.

**Other Business**

Engineer Bringham reported to the council the following estimate of the cost of improving Meade Avenue to connect with Oregon street:

Grading, $9,509.50; planking, $4,312. Necessary improvements on Chester street for connection included $615 for grading and $1,344 for planking and on Maine street $96 for grading and $257.60 for planking. Owing to the cost of Meade avenue work it is not expected that the council will order it done this year. The grade in some places would be eleven or twelve per cent.

Mr. Bringham estimated that the proposed improvement of Oregon street would cost $1,994.50 for grading $2,599 for planking. The Oregon street improvement would give from a two to a six per cent grade and it is expected that the council will at least have it graded this summer.

The council also adopted an ordinance regulating the storage of gasoline. Not more than five gallons can be kept in the business district. The ordinance is similar to one recently adopted in Marshfield.

The council renewed the licenses of the six saloons.

## TAFT DEFEATS COL. ROOSEVELT TWO TO ONE IN NEW YORK

## ROOSEVELT IS REAL BITTER

### Declares New York Primaries Yesterday Were Criminal Farce.

(By Associated Press to the Coos Bay Times..

FORT WAYNE, Ind., March 27.—The primaries in New York yesterday in which the Roosevelt forces were defeated, were, Col. Roosevelt on his way to Chicago today declared a farce. "In New York state, as a whole, there was no real vote of the republican party whatever," he said. "Outside of New York city the primary law was a farce. Inside New York city, it has been shown to have been a criminal farce.

"Even as it is, one-fourth of the delegates are straight-out Roosevelt men. Of the remaining three-fourths, a great majority of those elected from New York city have no more claim to sit in a republican convention than if they were sent to it by Tammany hall, for they were elected by methods more outrageous than the worst methods Tammany hall itself ever employed."

## MINERS VOTE ON WAGE BILL

### English Strikers to Pass on Government Plant of Adjustment.

**ACCEPT WAGE BILL**

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, March 27—The British coal miners after a prolonged meeting, resolved today to accept the minimum wage bill. This means all the mines will be opened to the men as soon as they desire to return to work.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

LONDON, March 27.—At a full meeting of the Miners' Federation today it was decided to take an immediate ballot among the men as to whether they desire to accept the government's wage bill and return to work.

It is also likely that the government will establish a national wages board with an independent chairman to consider and determine on proposals for the introduction of the minimum daily rates of $1.25 for men and 50 cents for boys, on an understanding with these points settled that all miners will return to work while the negotiations are proceeding for fixing the minimum for other grades of workmen.

Leader Welsh of the miners, says the strike has now only really begun and that the miners are not going to work until they have won.

**WILL PASS BILL**

English Cabinet Hopes Measure Will End Great Strike.

(By Associated Press to The Coos Bay Times)

LONDON, March 27—The government's minimum wage bill, whose object is to put a stop to the disastrous coal strike, will be the law of the land within 24 hours, but whether it will result in the men returning to work is a question which will have to be determined by the men themselves.

The cabinet hopes the miners will seize the excuse offered by the enactment of the minimum wage bill for returning to work. Even if this hope is realized it will be necessary for other measures to relieve the great distress and it is understood the government has decided upon effective methods for carrying on relief work.

**DREDGE MEETING CALLED**

All parties interested in the retaining of the Dredge "Oregon" on the project as outlined by the Port of Coos Bay Commission, will meet at the Chamber of Commerce at 8:00 o'clock P. M. Friday, March 29.

J. T. McCORMAC,
President.

### President's Supporters Carry Every Precinct They Fought for.

### EXPECT BIG FIGHT IN STATE CONVENTION

### Roosevelt Forces Will Carry Contest Further Despite Defeat.

**TAFT HAS 242**

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 27.—As a result of yesterday's primary in New York and the state convention in Indiana, Taft's campaign headquarters today claimed 242 delegates from among those selected thus far. Director McKinley conceded but 24 to Roosevelt. McKinley said the failure to have ballots at many polling places in New York resulted in a loss of votes for Taft.

(By Associated Press to The Coos Bay Times)

NEW YORK, March 27.—Delegates to the republican national convention favoring the nomination of Col. Roosevelt were defeated at the New York state primaries in every district where they were opposed by candidates designated by the regular republican organization and claimed by the followers of Taft. The Taft campaign managers declared today that at least 83 of New York's 90 delegates would go to Chicago favoring Taft's nomination. This estimate included four delegates at large to be chosen at the state convention April 9. The remaining seven delegates were designated by the regular district organization but conceded to Roosevelt.

Roosevelt lost the only two fights his supporters made "Up-state," and the returns from the 15 contested districts in New York city and Long Island gave his opponents a plurality averaging more than two to one.

Roosevelt's supporters now are expected to concentrate their attention on the state convention in an effort to prevent Taft men sending to Chicago an instructed delegation. The primary law in operation yesterday did not permit specific instructions of the delegates at the time they were elected.

**COLORADO FOR TAFT**

President Will Have Big Majority in State Convention.

(By Associated Press to the Coos Bay Times.)

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo., March 27.—The endorsement of Taft by the state republican convention today and the instruction for him of the Colorado delegates to Chicago convention was made certain on the first test vote. Temporary Chairman T. H. Devine, of Pueblo, the Taft candidate, won over Griffith, the Roosevelt candidate, 656 to 232.

## MEX REBELS WIN VICTORY

### Drive Last of Federal Forces From Jiminez Under Heavy Fire.

(By Associated Press to The Coos Bay Times)

JIMINEZ, March 27.—The rebel triumph is complete. The last of the federal forces covering their retreat under a heavy artillery fire, fled during the night from Jiminez.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times)

SPOKANE, March 27.—The Spokane clearing house association announced today that Spokane banks hereafter will make advances to apple shippers in the northwest on bills of lading to assist the orchardists in marketing their crops. The banks will advance as much as 75 per cent of the selling price and will aid country banks to make similar provision for their customers.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We wish to express our heartfelt appreciation to the friends and especially members of Western Star Rebekah Lodge No. 27 for the kind acts and sympathy shown in our loss—the death of Mrs. Geo. Deubner.

W. C. DEUBNER and WIFE,
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