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SOUTH AFRICA IS MOBILIZING HER ENTIRE DEFENSE FORCES

Uprising of Thousands of Native Laborers in Mines Feared by Whites LABOR LEADERS ARE ARRESTED EARLY TODAY Seven Natives Killed and Thirty-Six Wounded in Fight With Overseer

REVOULTION THREATENS [By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.] PRETORIA, Jan. 10.—The conviction is growing here that the government of the Union of South Africa is faced with a situation more in the nature of a revolution than an ordinary strike, while the fear that the trouble may spread to natives in the diamond country is causing a panic among the women in outlying districts. Secretary Bain of the Trades Federation this morning informed the workers at Johannesburg that tomorrow's mass meeting will be of greater significance in the world than the Fourth of July. Ward, another official of the Trades Federation, threatened retaliation for the government's arrest of the men's leaders. The general body of citizens seems to be wholly on the side of the government. The citizens' defense force is being mobilized with marvelous rapidity, men swarming into this city and Johannesburg to join their respective regiments. All strategic points along the railroads have been occupied by detachments of troops and every possible precaution has been taken by the authorities.

CAPE TOWN, Jan. 10.—The entire defensive forces of South Africa, including the regulars and the citizens' reserve, are being mobilized for the protection of property which the government believes to be threatened by the railway strike. There is fear of an uprising of thousands of the native laborers in the mines. Some further arrests of labor leaders were made today. Among them were President Connerlin and Secretary Dawson of the Railway Men's executive committee and Buckley and Riley, members of the executive committee.

SEVEN NATIVES KILLED. Thirty-six Wounded in Dispute Over Killing of Worker. [By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.] JAGERSPONTEN, Jan. 10.—Seven native laborers in the diamond mines were killed and thirty-six were wounded in the course of an attack today. A few whites also suffered injuries. The trouble had no connection with the railway strike, but arose over a dispute over the death of a Basuto which was said to have resulted from a kick of the white overseer.

60,000 CALLED OUT. Proclamation Calls Citizens To Defend Colors at Pretoria. [By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.] PRETORIA, Jan. 10.—A proclamation calling the 60,000 men of the Citizen's Defense Force to the colors was issued today.

ROBBER IS CAUGHT. Jurgens, Who Held Up Drain-Coos Bay Stage Is Captured. ROSEBURG, Or., Jan. 10.—Prosecuting Attorney Brown is informed that Ed Jurgens, who escaped from the Oregon penitentiary, was captured by a deputy from Salem. Jurgens was picked up near Brooks, a few miles north of Salem. Jurgens was serving a ten year term for holding up the Drain-Coos Bay stage, in company with Fred Foster, and robbing C. E. Ricker and Wm. Burchard, two members of the grand jury.

FILE BANKRUPTCY PETITION. PORTLAND, Jan. 10.—The Josephson store, of Roseburg, has filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy in the Federal Court. The admitted indebtedness is \$50,257, with assets of \$29,790.

Locates Here.—Dr. Reynolds, who recently arrived here from Medford, has opened offices in the Coos building. Formal Resignation.—Harry Winkler, who made a verbal resignation as commodore on Monday night, handed in his formal resignation in writing to Mayor Allen yesterday. Mayor Allen stated today that nobody had yet been selected to fill Winkler's place in the city council, but he admitted that he had conferred with other members of the council as to the selection of a suitable candidate to fill the vacancy. ALBIN LACKSTROM, of Catching Inlet, arrived in the city this morning for a brief business visit.

NO PENSIONS ARE ALLOWED

County Allowance to Bandon Woman Cut Off—Other Applications (Special to The Times.) COQUILLE, Or., Jan. 10.—Judge John F. Hall in County Court this week did not increase the number of mothers' pensions in Coos County. In fact, he lessened them by one. The pension of \$10 per month allowed by Mrs. Dal Morse, of Bandon was discontinued owing to Mrs. Morse having been allowed a government position. The application of Mrs. Weeks of Coquille, for a pension was denied. The application of Mrs. Cora Gilkey, of Lampa, was continued. She asks for \$22.50 per month. An application for a pension for Mrs. West, of North Bend was referred for investigation.

BRUTAL OFFICER IS ACQUITTED

Man Who Stabbed Lame Shoemaker Wins Appeal on His Word Alone [By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.] STRASSBURG, Germany, Jan. 10.—Colonel Von Reuter and Lieutenant Schad of the 99th infantry, were acquitted today by the court martial which tried them on charges arising out of the recent violent incidents between the military and citizens at Zabern. Lieutenant Baron Von Forstner won his appeal before the second court martial against the sentence of forty-three days imposed on him December 19 for sabering a lame shoemaker. In all the trials the military judges accepted the word of the officers against the sworn testimony of the civilian witnesses.

CHAMBERLAIN IS RELEASED

Typewriter Salesman Not Indicted on Bigamy Charge—Alleges False Charges P. D. Chamberlain, the L. C. Smith typewriter agent, who was arrested several weeks ago in Portland on the charge of bigamy, being accused of marrying a waitress from the Chandler Hotel when he had a wife in Portland, Me., has been freed by the Portland grand jury. Chamberlain's arrest came as a great surprise here as he is well known throughout this section, where he had spent several months. He says that his arrest was a mistake and that the charges against him were trumped up by a business competitor. He says he will sue the parties responsible. The Portland Telegram says: "A not true bill was also returned in the case of Phil Chamberlain, a traveling man, who was examined on the charge of bigamy."

DANCES. The next dance of the series by the Coos Bay Concert Band will be given Saturday evening, January 17, at the Eagles Hall. This evening a number of Marshfield and North Bend people will attend a dance given at the Sumner Hall, special boat service having been arranged from Marshfield. The Linnea Society will give a ball this evening in the Finnish Hall. To Trustees.—Judge John F. Hall at Coquille this week closed up the J. L. Perry estate, turning it over to the three trustees named by Mr. Perry in his will. They are W. B. Curtis, E. A. Anderson and Mrs. Curtis. The estate was appraised at over \$80,000 and is equally divided among the three children, Mrs. Jacobs of Spokane and George and James Ferry of Marshfield.

GRAND JURY TO MEET MONDAY

Subpoenas Being Served on Coos Bay for Witnesses at Special Session In preparation for the special session of the grand jury, which will convene at Coquille on Monday, Constable Cox is serving subpoenas in Marshfield and North Bend today on those who will be called as witnesses in the several cases to be considered. Subpoenas are being served today on Messrs. Rotnor, Matson, Mendel and Dillard as witnesses in the Charles Spencer forgery case; W. G. Borreo, in the case of Miller, held as being implicated in the Myrtle Point bank robbery; Mrs. Painter, in the case against Tom Brownlee, and Frank Rogers, Elmer Parkinson and Merle Holden, in the case of Mrs. Lottie Cappious, charged with shooting at Parkinson with intent to kill. With the exception of Brownlee, all the rest of those charged are in detention. Brownlee was last seen early yesterday morning, but after the warrant was sworn out for his arrest on the charge of lewd cohabitation, he has since disappeared and efforts to find him have been unavailing.

BIG HARDWARE FIRM ASSIGNS

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.] NORWICH, New York, Jan. 10.—Pierce, Butler & Pierce, a \$5,000,000 hardware manufacturing corporation, was placed in the hands of a Federal receiver today.

TEN ENTOMBED BY EXPLOSION

Foreman and Nine Men Buried in Coal Mine at Birmingham, Alabama [By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.] BIRMINGHAM, Jan. 10.—An explosion in the seventeenth right entry of the Rock Castle mines of the Davis Creek Coal company this morning entombed ten men, including A. W. W. Quarles, the mine foreman. It is believed all are dead.

FAMOUS SINGER SYLVIA GAINS HER RELEASE

Mme. Lillian Nordica Stricken With Pneumonia on Thursday Island, Queensland [By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.] NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—Mme. Lillian Nordica, the famous singer, is in a critical condition with pneumonia on Thursday Island, Queensland, according to a cablegram received today by her husband. Friends here attribute her illness in a measure to the strain she underwent recently in the grounding of the Dutch steamer Tassman, which went ashore near Thursday Island but was afterward floated.

PERSONAL OVERFLOW news visitor in the city today. JOHN HAYDEN, of Catching Inlet, Catching Inlet this morning on the Wah-Ta-Waso. WILL BREWORTH was among the visitors from across the bay today. MRS. HILBERT came across the bay today on a short purchasing trip. A. O. SMITH came across the bay today on a business visit to Marshfield. FRED MESSERLE, of Catching Inlet, was a business visitor in Marshfield today. MRS. I. WIRTH came across from the Creamery this morning on a brief shopping tour. MRS. HARRY RUSSELL was down from Catching Inlet this morning on a shopping tour. MR. AND MRS. HARVEY RUSSELL, of Catching Inlet, were visitors in the city today. HERBERT GOOLEY arrived in Marshfield this morning for a brief visit from Catching Inlet. MR. AND W. N. MOBLEY were among the shoppers in the city today from across the harbor. J. A. WARD was among the visitors in Marshfield today from the Creamery on the other side of

TIMES CHOSEN OFFICIAL PAPER

Has Over One-Third More Coos County Subscribers Than Any Other Paper The Coos Bay Times was yesterday selected as the official county paper for the ensuing year by the Coos County Commissioners, having by far the largest number of subscribers in the county. The Times had in excess of 1700 subscribers in Coos County alone, while the next nearest was a little over 1300 subscribers. On the county notices, the Commissioners awarded the contract to a Marshfield paper at two and one-half cents per line, which is one-half the regular rate. These notices were offered the Times at this rate, but were refused by The Times. The Commissioners also continued the question raised about publishing the delinquent tax list. Road District Contests. Judge John Hall returned today from Coquille, where he adjourned the annual session of County Commissioners until next Monday. During the past week the Commissioners established new voting precincts, increasing the number in the county from thirty-nine to fifty-six. The judges and clerks of election will be appointed next week for the ensuing two years. Road supervisors will also be selected next week. F. P. Norton will probably be re-appointed in Marshfield and Perkins at North Bend, as there are no contests. There is a lively contest at Bandon, Geo. Cox seeking the place held by A. J. Counts and residents of McKinley are making a vigorous fight on Sam Stout, the present supervisor. J. D. Clinkenbeard of Sumner, refuses re-appointment and Walter Spade will probably be named.

PROGRESSIVES PLAN TICKET

Idaho Bull Moosers Going After Every Office Available in That State [By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.] BOISE, Jan. 10.—The Idaho Progressive state central committee today passed a resolution to put full state and congressional tickets in the field and make nominations for every office from United States Senator to constable.

SYLVIA GAINS HER RELEASE

Suffragette Freed When She Collapses From Hunger Strike in Jail [By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.] LONDON, England, January 10.—Sylvia Pankhurst in a state of collapse as the result of a week's hunger strike, was released from Holloway jail today. She has been a prisoner since January 3, when she was arrested in the east end of London.

PERSONAL OVERFLOW. ARTHUR HOLMES was among the passengers arriving in the city this morning on the Wah-ta-Waso, the bay. W. J. KING and his mother, Mrs. King, were visitors today in Marshfield from the vicinity of the Creamery. ALFRED AND JULIUS GUNNELL were among the passengers arriving here this morning on the big launch Wah-Ta-Waso. JOHN FANSOM was among the passengers arriving in the city for the day on the launch Wah-Ta-Waso. One Drunk Fined.—Dan McCormick, arrested for being drunk and disorderly on the streets, was brought before City Recorder Butler this morning and assessed \$5 for the privilege. DR. GEORGE E. DIX has reserved a passage on the Redondo on Monday and will leave for San Francisco in an effort to regain his health. He has been unwell for several days, but is still feeling considerably better under the weather. L. D. SMITH returned yesterday from a trip to Coquille Valley points. He recently had a letter from Geo. Beale, a former well known Coos River rancher, who now lives at Gridley, Calif., stating that his family had been under quarantine for some time.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR BLAMES OPERATORS IN CALUMET STRIKE

PROFITS SAID TO BE LARGE Investigation Shows Average Wage in Calumet District Is Very Low [By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.] WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 10.—The profits of the Calumet & Hecla company, which employs more than fifty per cent of the miners in the Michigan copper district, were characterized as extremely large in the report on the copper strike submitted today to Secretary of Labor Wilson by Walter B. Palmer, investigator of the Department of Labor. Palmer reported that the general average of day wages paid by all companies throughout the year was \$2.59. Some of the smaller companies, he declared, were operating at a loss. Up to the present strike the general work day was ten to eleven hours, and some of the miners were paid as low as \$2.35 a shift. Some other classes of labor were paid as low as \$2.00.

RENTON STRIKE DECLARED OFF

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.] SEATTLE, Jan. 10.—The strike of the coal miners at the Renton mine of the Puget Sound Traction, Light & Power company, for recognition of the union, was declared off today, the men being completely defeated after a struggle lasting eighteen months. Of the 300 men who struck 100 remain in Renton. These will be taken back by the company.

MUST EXPLAIN STRIKE EXISTS

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.] BOSTON, Mass., Jan. 10.—The state supreme court today upheld the constitutionality of the statute which compels employers advertising for help during labor troubles to state in their advertisement that a strike exists.

MINER INJURED AT RIVERTON

(Special to The Times.) RIVERTON, Or., Jan. 10.—J. A. Ballentine, a miner in McGee's coal mine, was seriously injured in a mine accident here this afternoon. He was caught between the top of a car and roof at a low place in the shaft and body badly crushed, injuring his back and leg and breaking some ribs. The full extent of his injuries cannot be ascertained at this time.

H. E. BULTMAN, who went to San Francisco with other members of the Coos Bay Outing Club on the Redondo about three weeks ago, returned on the steamer today from the California metropolis. He reports that the New Year celebration in the Bay City was a "cooker." H. J. KIMBALL left yesterday for Portland, where he will spend a week or so with his partner, Theo. Bradshaw, to determine what they will do about marketing the new gasoline engine which they have patented. The engine has been under test at Portland for several months and promises to make them millionaires. REV. R. E. BROWNING returned from Gardiner yesterday, where he has been conducting services in St. Mary's Episcopal church. While at Gardiner Rev. Browning visited the S. P. tunnel camp at 5 mile lake and found good progress in the work there under Engineer Bidolfo. He will hold services here Sunday at the regular hours.

SERIOUS CHARGES ARE MADE AGAINST MINE OWNERS BY GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS

STRIKERS SHOT ON LITTLE PROVOCATION Find Strike Breakers Imported and Taken to Mines at Pistol's Point [By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.] WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 10.—The report of the Department of Labor's investigation of the Michigan copper strike declares that strike breakers were imported into the copper region by misrepresentations, that some were taken to the mines at the point of pistols, that strikers were wounded by firearms in the hands of armed guards, but that no evidence was found of the officers being injured by strikers. Details Made Public. A summary of the investigation made public today details the work of Palmer and also that of John B. Densmore, solicitor of the Department of Labor, and John A. Moffitt, special agent, who later were sent as mediators. Secretary Wilson today declined to say what the next step in the department's participation in the situation would be, but intimated that the report of the investigators might become the basis of a proposed Congressional investigation. Conciliation Attempted. In connection with the efforts of the Department at mediation, the reports of Moffitt and Densmore, who acted as commissioners of conciliation at different times, show that suggestions were made that the managers of the companies meet the representatives of the miners with a view to effecting a mutual settlement, that the whole question in dispute should be submitted to arbitration, that no member of the Western Federation of Miners be selected on the arbitration board, that the companies agree to restate all of the workmen without discrimination relative to their being members or non members of the union and to post notices to that effect. Companies To Blame. The report says: "Each of these propositions as made was accepted by the representatives of the miners as a basis of settlement, but rejected by the representatives of the companies on the ground that they would not deal with the Western Federation of Miners or have any of its members in their employ."

ARRESTS ARE MADE. Mine Owners' Detectives Make Charges Against Two Men.

[By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.] NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—Two arrests were made today on information furnished by detectives employed by the copper mine owners to investigate alleged false affidavits obtained here from so-called thugs and strong arm men, who said they were engaged by the mine owners to work at the scene of the mine strike in Michigan. Two of those who appeared as having made affidavits have sworn that their signatures on these documents were forged.

COUNTY COURT TO MEET AGAIN

Adjournment Taken Until Monday When Selection of Officials Is Made The session of the County Court, which has been convening this week adjourned Friday afternoon till Monday morning and Judge Hall returned home at the beginning of the week. He stated that considerable routine business of the county had been handled and that adjournment would be taken for the term about Tuesday at noon. The work to be taken up on Monday consists of the selection of judges and clerks of the county and state election, choosing of road supervisors for the year, and the work of examining the books and accounts of the Sheriff's office. L. F. FALKENSTEIN and C. S. Winsor, the North Bend captains of industry and finance, have gone to their big Coquille Valley ranch to spend a couple of days looking it over and planning some more extensive improvements in the property. They plan to make it the finest ranch in Southern Oregon and are bending all their energies in that direction, even passing up the big ball in North Bend tonight to look after it.