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WHAT'S GOING ON?

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DISTRICT ATTORNEY LILJEQVIST AND OTHERS SEEK HIDDEN GOLD

J. Vaughan's Tale of Alleged Confession of Miller Causes Search for Money

GRAND JURY HOLDS SUSPECT IN JAIL

Denies Alleged Confessions in Myrtle Point Bank Robbery

(Special to The Times.)
COQUILLE, Or., Jan. 15.—District Attorney Liljeqvist and a number of Coquille and Myrtle Point men are today uniting in a search for the loot of over \$10,000 from the Myrtle Point bank, which Larry Miller, the cook, who is in jail on suspicion of being implicated in the robbery, is alleged to have told three or four was hidden near the scene of the crime.

The search for the hidden treasure will not be confined to the officers and the several who think they have information as to its probable location. The story of the stolen gold being buried some place around Myrtle Point is in pretty general circulation and many are said to be digging in spots that might look like a good place for a robber to hide his ill-gotten gains. More shovels and forks will be brought into play than have been busy in many a day.

Vaughan Is Witness.

J. Vaughan, convicted of horse-stealing, was before the grand jury yesterday for a long time, and it is said that he practically sustained the stories of Miller's alleged confessions to W. G. Borreo, proprietor of the Nutwood saloon in Marshfield, and Jack Elwood, the Myrtle Point restaurant man.

It is said to be on Vaughan's stories about Miller telling him that the money had been hidden, dug up, and hidden again, several times, that District Attorney Liljeqvist and other officials joined in the search for the hidden gold today.

Miller Denies All

Miller was again called before the grand jury yesterday. He was somewhat nervous but not nearly as much so as on his previous appearance before the inquisitors, according to people who saw him go and come from the jail. It is reported that he maintains his innocence absolutely and denies positively that he told either Borreo, Elwood or Vaughan a word about him being implicated in the robbery.

The officials are at a loss to understand it, and whether to brand him the biggest prevaricator who has ever struck this section or as an unusually nifty bad man.

Miller Is Held.

Following the testimony of Vaughan and Miller and others, the grand jury decided to continue Miller's case until the next term and the accused man will have to remain in the county jail until the April term of court, unless something develops that results in another special session of the grand jury being called.

Vaughan's Story.

As near as can be gathered, Vaughan told his version of the robbery and Miller's alleged admissions concerning it to Sheriff Gage last week and it was on this story that Sheriff Gage went with Vaughan to the scene where Vaughan claimed that the gold was "planted." They got nothing.

So far as can be learned, Miller is said to have told the story to Vaughan in the county jail. Miller is alleged to have grown suspicious of his other friends and grown "chummy" with his fellow prisoner. It is claimed that Vaughan insisted that he was going to be freed on the horse stealing charge and then Miller is said to have "coughed up" to him. It is claimed that Miller was to tell Vaughan where the money was to "plant" and when Vaughan got free, the latter was to dig it up and secret it for division later, such of the money as was necessary to be spent secretly to gain Miller's release.

Vaughan is said to claim that Miller told him that the hiding place was changed a few times so that it would be safer and that consequently Miller knew that there

BANDON GIRL IS EXONERATED

Grand Jury Finds Miss Ruby Simpson Innocent in Diamond Mystery Case

(Special to The Times.)
COQUILLE, Or., Jan. 15.—Miss Ruby Simpson, daughter of Editor A. M. Simpson, of Bandon, and a well-known young woman of the "City-by-the-Sea," was exonerated by the grand jury yesterday on the charge of stealing a diamond from Mrs. Bud Hamlin there.

Miss Simpson was bound over to the grand jury on the charge of having taken a piece of jewelry from the Hamlin home while attending a Haloween party there.

The evidence before the grand jury showed that the only grounds for the charge against Miss Simpson was that she had a small diamond, valued at about \$25, which the parties thought was one of the five that had been taken from the mountings on the missing piece of jewelry.

Miss Simpson produced witnesses to show that they were present when "Smiling Dutch," a wrestler who spent a few months in Bandon and Coos County towns last summer, presented the stone to her.

Some of the grand jurors after adjournment yesterday stated that it was a sad mistake that Miss Simpson had been accused.

The grand jury adjourned yesterday. Only two indictments were returned by them, they being against C. W. Spencer for forgery, and Mrs. Cappious for assaulting Walter Parkinson with a revolver.

was little chance of Borreo or Elwood finding it.

From the hidden treasure, it is said that Vaughan admits that he was depending on getting the \$200 with which to pay R. O. Graves for defending him (Vaughan) on the horse stealing charge. However, when Vaughan was convicted, his chances of sharing in the Myrtle Point bank funds grew slim and he decided to make a clean breast.

Vaughan's story of Miller's alleged admissions is said to be much more complete than either those of Borreo or Elwood.

Want Leaton Now.

It is also reported that Miller made similar admission to W. J. Leaton, of Eastside, who was recently taken to the penitentiary. It is understood that the authorities will endeavor to get in touch with Leaton at Salem and if he confirms the stories of Borreo, Elwood and Vaughan, of Miller's alleged admissions, there will be a strong chain of circumstantial evidence.

However, the circumstantial evidence without the discovery of the hidden gold or a confession of Miller is hardly strong enough to convict and the only thing the officials can do is to wait and see if time won't bring more important developments.

Got All Statements.

It was learned today that District Attorney Liljeqvist has got the statements of all in a dictaphone, which he recently had the county buy. He is using it to secure a complete record of all testimony before the grand jury in important cases. The lawyers others from the grand jury room, but there is no ban on the machine, which takes it on phonograph records and then reels it off like a phonograph.

Vaughan Is Held.

Vaughan was to have been sentenced Monday for horse stealing, but his sentence was deferred until Friday, owing to the possibility of him being needed as a witness in the Myrtle Point bank robbery case.

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FIELD GUN TRAINED ON LABOR LEADERS FORCES A SURRENDER

Three Hundred Workmen Behind Barricade Threatened With Destruction

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

JOHANNESBURG, Union of South Africa, Jan. 15.—Secretary Bain, of the South African Federation of Trades, and his band of 300 comrades, who barricaded themselves in the trades hall since Tuesday, surrendered unconditionally to the police today. Bain and ten leaders were lodged in jail.

Although the struggle between the employers and the unionists continued doggedly, there were indications today that the strikers were losing ground. Although the laborers of all trades in the Transvaal and Orange Free State have joined the strike,

SMITH NAMED FOR SECRETARY

Former Newspaperman Heads North Bend Chamber of Commerce

J. A. Smith was elected as Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce of North Bend at the semi-annual meeting, which was largely attended by the business men of North Bend, last evening. Several applications were read to the body for the position. Among others were those of Col. Brigham, Mr. Smith and Peter Loggie.

Loggie's Proposition.

Loggie's proposition differed from the other two in that he offered his hall as a meeting place and offices in Loggie's building for the sum of \$75 per month. As soon as the applications were read, Virgil E. Waters, a member of the board of directors, said: "In order to simplify matters let the members vote on whether they wish to move to Loggie's Hall. Now I'm going to be very candid with the body, and I, for one, would oppose moving the Chamber of Commerce from its present location to Mr. Loggie's place, because it is on a business street at the present time."

"Well, Washington street is a business street," interrupted Loggie. "There are just as many people passing Washington street as any street in town, and while some members of the community have called Washington street a cow pasture, I still believe it to be one of the most central locations in the community. I am not making this proposition to thrust myself on the people of North Bend, but rather to save them the expense of hiring a hall for the meetings of the body, and the present secretary will tell you that the quarters occupied are not fit for the Chamber of Commerce. Furthermore, if you don't elect me to this office, I shall still continue to work for North Bend. That's all I know—how to work for North Bend."

Warmly Contested Election.

The motion made by Mr. Waters was seconded by N. C. MacLeod, who also explained that he would be opposed to moving the Chamber of Commerce to Mr. Loggie's premises for the reason that Washington was an out of the way place, "and while we will grant Mr. Loggie that as many people pass Washington street, still they pass so fast that they leave only a cloud of dust," meaning that the people pass in automobiles. Loggie then made another speech on the merits of his hall, telling the history of a former Chamber of Commerce, which, when they moved from his hall, were wiped out of existence, and that in order to make the Chamber of Commerce conspicuous he would place a flag on his building that could be seen from the Bay.

MacLeod Jostles Loggie.

P. N. Reberg, manager of the North Bend Hardware company, then asked the chair as to a point of information that should the body accept Mr. Loggie's Hall would they be accepting his services. Attorney MacLeod made a short address on what great good Mr. Loggie had done for the public, what a great

the workmen of Cape Colony and Natal are still working.

There is evidently some lack of sympathy with the revolutionary program of the syndicalist strikers, who are said to correspond to the Industrial Workers of the World in the United States.

A seven-pound field gun trained on the trades hall proved an irresistible argument to Bain and his companions. The government authorities gave them a quarter of an hour in which to yield, and informed them if they did not they would be buried in the ruins of their fortress. After a brief conference they surrendered.

The railroad strike showed signs of collapsing today when fifty-two men applied for reinstatement at Bloemfontein.

INQUIRY INTO STRIKE URGED

President Doesn't Say What Course He Will Pursue in Colorado

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DELAYED CRAFT SAILING SOUTH

Both Redondo and Adeline Smith Get Over Bar Today For San Francisco

After being hemmed in the harbor since Monday morning by heavy seas breaking on the shallow entrance to the bay, the steamer Redondo, Captain Erickson, and the Adeline Smith, Captain Olson, got over the bar at 1 o'clock this afternoon and steamed for San Francisco at full speed.

The Adeline has been anchored in the lower harbor ever since Monday and the Redondo has been wandering up and down the bay, discharging and taking on passengers at Empire and Marshfield. Last night she laid up at the Smith mill again and this morning she took her passengers aboard once more at the Alliance dock, both ships finally getting away.

SMALL BOY HAS NARROW ESCAPE

Joe McHale, Four Years Old, Rescued From Pool Where He Was Drowning

Little Joe McHale, son of Patrick McHale, who lives in the Hugh Sneddon residence at 1277 Commercial avenue, had a narrow escape from being drowned this morning in a deep pool of water beneath the high bridge at West Central avenue, where he was playing on a log.

The little fellow slipped from the log and disappeared in the water. Some men working on the foundations for the Hobson residence saw him and hurried to the rescue. By the time they reached the water the boy had gone down a couple of times and they dashed into the pool and carried him out.

Mrs. McHale was notified and every effort was made to revive the youngster, who had become unconscious. He revived on being wrapped in warm blankets, and beyond suffering from a chill caused by the cold water, it is believed he will not suffer any serious consequences following his immersion.

Hold No Inquest.—The autopsy held by Drs. Straw and Taggart this afternoon on the body of Ed Kaaten at Wilson's undertaking parlors showed that the man had met death from congestion of the lungs and also that his heart was in a weak condition. Following the autopsy, Coroner Wilson decided there was no need to call a jury and hold an inquest.

The Ladies of the Catholic Church will hold a **TAMALE SALE** in the **Summer Hardware Store Saturday afternoon.**

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GREAT FLOOD ALONG POTOMAC

Big Dam Near Piedmont, W. Va., Bursts and Sends Wall of Water Down.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)
PIEDMONT, W. Va., Jan. 15.—A wall of water fifteen feet high is sweeping down the north branch of the Potomac River following the bursting of the dam of the West Virginia Pulp & Paper company at Dobbin, West Virginia, according to reports received here. The inhabitants of the valley are fleeing to the hills and the greatest anxiety is felt for the safety of the entire district. No loss of life has been reported.

The dam is 1075 feet wide at the breast, backing water for three and a half miles and holding three billion gallons. It is ninety feet high on the outside and sixty-five feet on the inside.

BREAKWATER IS IN PORT AGAIN

Steamer Bucks Heavy Sea—Brings Many Passengers and Big Cargo

Bucking a strong southerly wind and head sea, the steamer Breakwater, Captain Macgenn, arrived in the harbor this morning with a big cargo of general merchandise and shifted up to Marshfield at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon.

She brought the following passengers:

H. W. Richardson, W. B. Richardson, Mrs. R. K. Ruffitt, W. B. Mass, Mrs. W. B. Mass, J. H. Anderson, C. F. Peterson, G. L. Goodell, D. R. Atkinson, J. F. Jackman, Mrs. Jackman, G. Chris, L. Muller, Miss Barringer, Miss H. Dodson, Mrs. Patrick, Dorris Patrick, Mrs. E. Herman, L. J. Schliehman, H. J. Kimball, E. L. Powell, E. H. Adams, J. Scharby, J. McGaury, A. S. Hammond, Judge Benson, Miss Anderson, N. Leopold, Mrs. D. Gauthier, Miss G. Noble, J. Lundgren, B. Erickson, M. Houston, G. A. Anderson, C. G. Arnold, W. C. Anderson, Mrs. Anderson, C. Blomberg, F. Berg, J. McAdams, H. W. Young, P. W. Leick, J. W. Hudson, A. M. Smith, J. E. Adkins, J. H. Guber, J. M. Bowen, E. R. Thompson, M. Levine, Mrs. Hudson, Mrs. Tucker, C. Hudson, H. E. Harming, Mrs. Harming, W. A. Goodwin, Geo. Carver, Mrs. Nyland, Mrs. H. Nyland, E. W. Bartlett, J. B. Vaas, James Vass, P. Carlano, J. Griter, A. Olson, H. Lantz, M. Macros, M. Peterson, R. Kermans, C. J. Cencas, C. J. Chefford, Mrs. Bunnnett, J. H. Griffith, F. Williams and Mrs. Williams.

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CHARGED WITH PREVENTING PURSUIT OF VOCATIONS BY FORCE AND ARMS

DEPORTATION INQUIRY OVERLOOKED BY JURY

Labor Men and Mine Operators Testify and Felonies Are Charged

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

HOUGHTON, Jan. 15.—Charles H. Moyer, president of the Western Federation of Miners, was indicted for conspiracy together with other officials of the Federation in connection with the strike of the copper miners.

The indictment charges conspiracy to prevent by force and arms the pursuit of their vocations by the employees of the mining companies. The charges against Moyer and the other officials of the federation are misdemeanors.

MANY EXAMINED.

Grand Jury Indicted Many Leaders of Miners' Unions.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)
HOUGHTON, Mich., Jan. 15.—A presentment embracing some true bills was made to Judge O'Brien in circuit court today by the special grand jury that has been investigating the lawlessness arising from the copper miners' strike. The men accused of felonies have not been arrested and their names were kept secret.

John Antilla, secretary of the Calumet union, was indicted for alleged conspiracy. This charge is a misdemeanor and therefore made public. The jury exonerated H. Stuart Goedel, oil merchant, of complicity in one of the strike shooting affrays.

The indictment against Antilla included charges against Charles H. Moyer, president; C. E. Mahoney, vice president; Guy Miller, Yando Tersics, J. O. Lowney and W. P. Davidson, members of the executive board of the Western Federation of Miners, in addition to Lynn Sullivan, William Riekard, Ben Goggis, Frank Alton, Charles Hietala and other local union leaders who were named, the list including thirty-nine. The first count of the indictment charged a conspiracy to prevent "by force and arms" the pursuit of their vocations by the employees of the mining companies.

The jury made no reference to the Moyer deportation as far as could be learned.

WARSHIPS FEED JAP REFUGEES

Many Saved During Volcanic Eruptions by Hiding in Cave on Sakura

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

KAGOSHIMA, Jan. 15.—Telegraphic communication between this city and the north was restored today. Officers of the Japanese cruiser squadron have taken charge of the situation. Many people of Kagoshima have returned to the city. Their houses are in ruins and the returning refugees are compelled to camp in the open. Warships brought in a large stock of food supplies, which is being dispensed. The clearing away of debris has not progressed sufficiently to permit even an approximate estimate of the loss of life.

Property loss has been immense. Thirty-three persons were rescued from a waste of steaming lava at the foot of the Sakurajima volcano. With their rescue, which was little short of miraculous, no living being remains, so far known, on the entire island of Sakura.

The refugees explained that they had hidden in a cave near the shore until the rain of ashes had subsided, and then tried hour after hour to attract attention to their plight.

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