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WAITS AT HOME; FATHER DRUNK

Ex-Governor West Tells Why He Prosecuted the Copperfield Cases

CASE TO JURY SOON

Addresses Jury in His Own Behalf in the Wiegand Damage Suit

KNEW EFFECTS OF LIQUOR

Former Governor Reverts to His Own Boyhood as Reason for His Draconic Action Against Oregon Saloons.

BAKER, Or., April 17.—Because he knew the effects of liquor and having evidence that conditions in Copperfield were deplorable, he declared martial law and confiscated the liquor there, said former Governor Oswald West in the State Circuit Court today. He addressed the jury in his own behalf in the suit brought by William Wiegand for damages in the loss of the latter's salmon property at Copperfield following the visit of Miss Fern Hobbs some months ago.

"I remember, when as a boy, I sat up with a heart-broken mother, waiting for a drunken father to come home, sent home by such men as Wiegand," said the ex-Governor.

The case will probably go to the jury this afternoon.

BELIEVE FALL FATAL

MORTON TOWER FALLING FAST SAYS TELEGRAM

Ribs Were Crushed Into Lungs in Accident of Yesterday at Eureka When Car Jumped Track

Morton Tower is falling fast and there is little hope for his recovery is the gist of a telegram received late this afternoon by Dr. C. W. Tower from the physician in charge at Eureka. The wire stated that the ribs were crushed through the lungs causing edema of the lungs and that breathing is made difficult by the rushing of the air out through the perforations.

The accident happened yesterday when a car on which Engineer Tower and several others were riding jumped the track near the Jetty rock quarry, hurling the occupants to the rocks many feet below. There were four others hurt at the time.

MONEY FOR CHARITY

MRS. JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER LEAVES MONEY TO FRIENDS

Bulk of Fortune Amounting to About Two Million Dollars, is Bequeathed to Charity

NEW YORK, April 17.—The will of Mrs. John D. Rockefeller was filed in the Surrogate Court today. The terms of the will bequeathes in the neighborhood of \$500,000 and valuable articles of jewelry to friends and relatives. The rest of the estate, which is estimated at about \$2,000,000 in all, is bequeathed to charitable institutions. The charitable bequests are to be distributed at the discretion of the executor.

MORE DAMS GIVE WAY IN ARIZONA TODAY

Another Reservoir in Government Irrigation Project Breaks With Heavy Loss.

ROSWELL, N. M., April 17.—The diversion dam of the Kondo reservoir, a government irrigation project near here, gave way today following heavy rains in the mountains. Portions of Roswell and the surrounding country are flooded and the residents in low-lying sections fled for their lives. The damage was considerable, but no loss of life was reported.

SLUGGED -- ROBBED

GUNDER SEVERTSON FLUNG INTO BAY FROM DOCK

Implicates Three in Desd. Clung 50 Minutes to Piling, Afraid to Call Out Fearing Death

Before Justice Pennock a warrant was issued for the arrest of Harry Brewster, charging him with robbery. The man was trailed to North Bend where he appeared early this morning, but since then has disappeared, and so has one of the two men who accompanied Severtson to the Canton Noodle parlors.

Enticed onto a dock shortly after midnight, slugged unconscious and after being robbed of a \$90 was thrown into the bay where for 50 minutes he clung to the piling with afraid to call out for fear of being shot was the experience of Gunder Severtson. At 20 minutes of three this morning, numbed and about to sink the man called for help and a few minutes later was pulled from the water by Charles Jensen, of the fire station. At least one man believed to have been implicated in the robbery has been traced to North Bend where the officers early were on search.

But after subsiding Severtson chattered and tightened his hold on the piling. He said he kept only his head out of water for the wild striking his body was colder than the bay. At the end of 50 minutes he called out and a lodger in a near by rooming house came hurrying to Jensen. A line was passed to the nearly drowned man and he was dragged to the dock.

His teeth chattering a loud tattoo, his big frame shivering and with water squirting from his shoes and running down in little streams from his clothes, Severtson was brought into the fire station and plumped down in front of a fire.

His clothes were placed on a "hickory limb" to dry; their owner was given the finest cell in the jail with the door unlocked. It was there that he told his story this morning, his head still throbbing from the heavy blow given him before he was tossed out into the water.

Carried Money Is Reason Severtson, a laboring man of about 40 years of age, came here Thursday on the Elder from Eureka. He carried about \$100 on his person and says he was in search of work.

It was shortly after supper last night that he fell in with two men, Carl Hone and E. R. Rip and, together the three men sat in a front Street saloon sipping their beer along until closing time, 12 o'clock. "I don't remember anything after that," said Severtson this morning when seen in bed, his clothes not yet being dry, "and I think that something must have been put in my beer."

According to the story told by his two companions who appeared this morning and volunteered their story to the police, they all three went to the Canton Noodle Restaurant. It was while in there that a third man, Harry Brewster, came in and coaxed Severtson to go with him onto the dock.

Severtson claims the three went out with him and that at the edge of the water Brewster hit him a heavy blow in the head while one of the trio slugged him in the mouth, his pockets were rifled and a moment later he was flung into the bay.

Cold Water Revives The cold water brought him to his senses. He swam to a piling and yelled for help. Officer Shoup, on Front Street, hurried to the dock and for 15 minutes searched the waterfront, calling, but Severtson, believing it was one of his assailants returning to shoot him, hung shivering to the piling and Shoup passed on down his beat. "I thought I could stay there till morning," said Severtson.

Both Hone and Rip were seen by Shoup sitting on the dock near by. They told him they were waiting for a friend. This morning they told the officers they were on Front street when they heard the cry. Their story is erratic. No effort was made by them to trace their companion or to follow his cry. After passing a sleepless night they called Officer Shoup to the Blanco Hotel at 5:30 a. m., told him their story accusing Brewster and volunteered their services to hunt for him.

Immediately after Hone and Rip

GRAND DUKE NICHOLAS SHOT

Commander-in-Chief of Russian Forces Wounded by His Own General

COMMITTS SUICIDE

Commander of Russian Tenth Army Resents Criticism by His Superior Officer

SHOT AFTER AN ARGUMENT

When Summoned to Explain Defeat Gen. Sievers Receives Box on Ear and Replies With a Revolver—Suicide Follows

BERLIN, April 17.—(Wireless to Sayville.)—The General Anzeiger, of Duisburg, says it learns from unimpeachable authority that the reported sickness of Grand Duke Nicholas, Commander in Chief of the Russian forces, is due to a shot in the abdomen, fired by the late General Baron Sievers, of the defeated Russian Tenth Army. The report says Sievers was summoned by the Grand Duke to explain his defeat. A heated colloquy occurred and the Grand Duke gave Sievers a box on the ear. The latter thereupon drew a revolver and wounded the Grand Duke and then committed suicide.

A Prussian paper asserts that the Grand Duke Nicholas, Commander in Chief of the Russians, was shot and wounded by General Sievers, Commander of the Russian Tenth Army, who then committed suicide.

DENIED BY HUERTA

FORMER PRESIDENT OF MEXICO ISSUES STATEMENT

Never Gave Japan, or Any Other Nation, Rights on Lower California Coast.

NEW YORK, April 17.—Victrolana Huerta, former Provisional President of Mexico, declared in a statement published by the Herald today that he had never given Japan or any other foreign government rights or concessions on the coast of Lower California.

ANGRY IRISHMAN USES DYNAMITE

Tries to Wreck Cudaby Packing Co. Plant to Help the Germans in European War

KANSAS CITY, April 17.—John Mulvihill, held by the police in connection with the wrecking of the cooling plant of the Cudaby Packing Company Sunday night, denied he wrecked the building, but admitted he was on his way to dynamite another part of the plant at the time of his arrest, according to the police.

"I am an Irishman," he said, according to the police. "All Irishmen should oppose the British in this war. I wanted to prevent Cudaby filling meat orders for the English."

GREAT ALASKAN DOG RACE IS ON TODAY

NOME, April 17.—Leonard Seppala, driving 16 Siberian wolves, and Scotty Allan, behind 16 Alaskan-bred Malamutes, are matching wits and muscles today in the closing 100 miles of the great Alaska sweepstakes dog race, 412 miles from Nome to Candle and return.

Allan is twenty miles behind Seppala. The other competitors are far behind.

volunteered their story to Officer Shoup it was found that Brewster had been seen in a North Bend saloon this morning with a \$60 "poke." Deputy Sheriff Laird took the two men with him in an effort to locate the man.

MUCH DAMAGE FROM AIR RAIDS

Official German Statement Says There Have Been Two Invasions in Week

KILL PATROL MEN

Officers and Men of British Patrol Boats Victims of Zeppelins.

DROP SHELLS ON LONDON

Austrians Continue to Claim That They Have Defeated Russians in Greatest Battle in the War

LONDON, April 17.—An official German statement today, evidently referring to yesterday's raid over England by a German aeroplane, says shells were dropped on Greenwich, in London's Metropolitan district, London dispatches yesterday said the aeroplane approached no nearer than 30 miles of the city. Unofficial advices from Berlin say considerable damage was done by the Zeppelins which raided London twice this week and the officers and men on British patrol boats were killed or wounded.

Paris announces further naval operations against the Turkish forces which invaded Egypt, and says a French battleship shelled the Turks near the Egyptian city of El Arish.

There were no important engagements in France yesterday. In the east operations are being delayed by the spring thaw.

The Austrians claim to have repulsed the Russians in the Carpathians in the greatest battle of the war, so far as number of men engaged is concerned. It is claimed that the Russian losses in killed, wounded, sick and prisoners is 500,000.

USE DEADLY BOMBS

GERMANS SAY BRITISH USE ASPHYXIATING GASES

Lose Two Small Positions But Make Gains in Other Points on Battle Front.

BERLIN, April 17.—(Via wireless to Sayville.)—The official statement today says: "French attacks near Flirey were repulsed. East of Ypres, the British yesterday used grenades and bombs which developed asphyxiating gases. On the south slope of Lorette Heights, northwest of Arras, a small German point of support 60 yards long and 50 feet deep, was lost. In Champagne, northwest of Perthes, a group of French fortifications were stormed. A French counter attack failed. Germans conquered a French position Northwest of Urbis in the Vosges. They captured the French chasseurs and then evacuated the position because of its disadvantageous situation.

A French airship destroyed a window glass at Strasbourg and wounded civilians. A German aviator shelled Greenwich, near London.

The situation in the East is unchanged."

ARREST AMERICAN

English Officials Take Traveler Into Custody

Claim Paul Selbach is an Alien Enemy Who Failed to Register Himself.

LONDON, April 17.—Ludwig Paul Selbach, claiming to be an American citizen, was remanded to custody in London today on a charge of being an alien enemy who failed to register himself in accordance with British regulations. Selbach admitted he was born in Hamburg, but he produced his preliminary declaration of American citizenship dated July 1909.

NO RECORD OF PASSPORT WASHINGTON, D. C., April 17.—State Department officials said today that a search of the files for the last two years failed to show any record of a passport issued to Ludwig Paul Selbach.

PLACE BRITISH SOLDIERS IN SOLITARY CONFINEMENT Act is Taken in Revenge for English Treatment of German Submarine Crews

HALLE ON THE SALLE, Germany, April 17.—Ten British officers, prisoners of the Germans, have been taken from the local camp of prisoners of war and placed in solitary confinement in Magdeburg. This is a measure of reprisal for the treatment by Great Britain of crews of German submarines held prisoners in England. The officers include a son of the former British Ambassador in Berlin.

SEND CRUISER TO TURTLE BAY

Admiral Howard Orders An Immediate Investigation of Alleged Jap Invasion

OFFICIAL REPORT

Activities of Japanese Naval Forces on Mexican Coast Receive Attention

WILL REPORT BY WIRELESS

Commander Irwin, of the New Orleans, Will Give Navy Department Result of Inquiry by Wireless From His Vessel There.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 17.—Admiral Howard, commanding the Pacific fleet off the west coast of Mexico, reported to the Navy Department today that he had ordered Commander Irwin on the cruiser New Orleans to proceed at once to Turtle Bay, Lower California, and report on the activities of Japanese naval forces there. The New Orleans is due to reach Turtle Bay today and Irwin expected to report the result of his inquiry by wireless.

JAP NAVAL BASE

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 17.—Secretary Daniels had telegraphed Admiral Howard of reports alleging that while the ostensible purpose of Japanese activities in Turtle Bay is to salvage the grounded cruiser Asama, the real object of their operations is to occupy the bay and adjoining shores as a base of operations.

MAY SETTLE STRIKE

MOVE MADE TO ADJUST CARPENTERS DIFFICULTY

Lumber Dealers Are Laying Off Teamsters As Result of Industrial War

CHICAGO, Ill., April 17.—A definite move in the direction of settling the building trades strike is expected before tonight. President Metz of the Carpenter Union said he would offer arbitration to contractors independent of the other unions.

Laying Off Teamsters

CHICAGO, Ill., April 17.—Lumber dealers in Chicago have begun laying off teamsters and laborers today as the result of the industrial war that broke out yesterday in the building trades unions and employes, brick yards also gave evidence of approaching cessation of work.

To Celebrate Completion.

Mr. Mills is looking unusually well and says that he is feeling fine. Mrs. Mills, who was feeling poorly for a long time, is now much improved. Mr. Mills is pretty closely confined with his work here and says that he has not even been to Portland since his last visit to Coos Bay. However, he is anticipating another visit on the Bay before long and it is likely that Mrs. Mills and he will be members of the first party to make a trip over the Coos Bay-Eugene line when its completion is formally celebrated.

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COOS BAY RAILWAY

S. P. OFFICIALS WOULD LIKE MORE ENTHUSIASM

Bridge Work Has Been Ordered and Will be Rushed as Speedily As Possible.

(Special to The Times.) SAN FRANCISCO, April 15.—"A lot of people will not realize that they are on the railroad until the train runs over them."

This is the view expressed by some of the Southern Pacific officials here in discussing the Coos Bay-Eugene line's progress and the date of its probable completion. They cannot understand the seeming indifference with which the railroad's coming is taken by the people on the bay and the attitude of indifference which they think the people there maintain toward the new line.

"Well how is the railroad coming?" inquired C. J. Mills, assistant to President Sprule and to whom considerable of the preliminary work especially on the Coos Bay end of the road, was entrusted. "Have the people there finally made up their minds that they are going to have a railroad," he continued. Mr. Mills' air was one of disappointment over the evident feeling on his part of lack of appreciation of those upon whom a favor had been conferred.

Even when assured that he had misconstrued the attitude of the people toward the new line, he still appeared a little skeptical as to there being any enthusiasm over the realization of the long desired railroad.

Bridge Work Ordered.

When asked as to when they expected the final completion of the line, Mr. Mills would not set any date. He said that the construction was being prosecuted as vigorously as conditions permitted and he indicated that there would be no let-up in the work until it was finished. He said they would soon know how much damage the winter rains had done to the grading and roadbed where the rails had not been laid and that this would be one of the factors in determining the date when regular service would be instituted on the new road.

He said that he had discussed the line with Chief Engineer Hood the other day and that he understood that the balance of the work had been ordered started and would soon be under way. He referred to the bridge work across the Umpqua and Siuslaw. He said that it was possible that there might be delays in the bridges on account of late delivery in the steel for some of the bridges. This is all special dimension material and consequently takes more time to secure. However there is little chance of much delay on this score.

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INTERVENTION BY U. S. ASKED

American Missionaries in China Cable Important Appeal to President.

JAPS ASK TOO MUCH

Claim That Demands on China Are Really Acts of Aggression

MENACE TO UNITED STATES

Message of 5000 Words to President Wilson Suggests That He Intervene in Negotiations Now in Progress

PEKIN, April 17.—Intervention by the United States in the negotiations now proceeding between China and Japan was recommended to President Wilson in an appeal recently sent to him by American missionaries. The message of 5000 words was cabled to Washington. It characterizes the Japanese demands on China as acts of aggression such as eventually will present a menace to the United States.

A HOOD RIVER FIRE

TWO GIRLS LOSE LIVES IN AN EARLY MORNING BLAZE

Conflagration Which Destroys Home Results in Two Fatalities—Father Badly Injured.

HOOD RIVER, Or., April 17.—Two daughters of Robert Robinson lost their lives early today in a fire which destroyed their home near here. The victims were Violet, aged 14, and Ruth, aged 7. Robinson and his son were badly burned in an effort to rescue the girls.

FEAR A MASSACRE

KURDS THREATEN CHRISTIANS IN BASKALA

TABRIZ, Persia, April 17.—Engagements between the Armenians and the Kurds are frequent in the vicinity of Van, Turkish Armenia, according to information reaching here, and a general massacre of Christians is said to be feared in the province of Baskkala. After stubborn engagements between the Russians and the Turks north of Dilmun, Persia, the Turk retreated south. There is said to be a growing hostility between the Turks and the Kurds, the former deprecating the inhumanity of the latter. There are several instances of Turkish soldiers lynching Kurds guilty of unusual atrocities.

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