

TROUBLE BETWEEN UNIONS RESULTS IN GREAT STRIKE

NINE THOUSAND MEN ON STRIKE IN BUTTE MINERAL DISTRICT

Butte, Mont., Feb. 16.—Every mine in and about Butte, with the exception of the Silver Bow, the Berkeley and the Mountain Consolidated, suspended operations today. The suspension was the result of an attempt on the part of the union engineers employed at the mines to separate from the Western Federation of Miners and organize a union to affiliate with the International Engineers' union.

It is estimated today that 9000 men are idle. The smelting works of former Senator W. A. Clark closed this morning. According to General Manager John Gillie of the Amalgamated Copper Mining company the Washoe smelters at Anaconda, employing 3000 men, and the Boston and Montana smelters at Great Falls, employing 2000 men, will probably be closed within four days.

The three mines in this city which have not closed belong to the Amalgamated company. They are running under difficulties, with crippled forces.

The direct cause of the suspension was the refusal of the engineers to go to work this morning. Further complicating matters, the miners and smeltermen's unions have announced that they will refuse to handle any ore hoisted by the engineers who have seceded from the Western Federation, but will import engineers.

This in turn has developed a new phase of a complicated situation. The operation of the hoisting engines requires such skilled work that the mining companies will not employ any but experienced men to handle them. It is feared that the conditions here will extend throughout the mining section of the state.

How Oregonian Changed View on Convention Plan

Article Printed in Its Own Columns at Time Simon Opposed Lotan Told of Wholesale Buying of Voters.

Thirty-five thousand dollars spent in buying votes in a single convention primary in Portland; voters herded to the polls in droves of 10 and paid from \$1 to \$2.50 each after their votes had been cast; ward strikers paid \$25 to \$50 each and higher up workers paid \$100 each for their day's work; gangs of men corralled and colonized for the purpose of carrying the primaries, and the question of which faction could outcount and outbuy the other as the chief issue, is an interesting story told in an old issue of the Oregonian of a contest between two rival citizens, one trying an old time primary election under the convention system.

Article is Illustrative. The primary transpired on the fifth of April, 1890, and the account of it appeared in the Oregonian of April 7. The article is illustrative of the methods which prevailed in Oregon under the old convention system and is as follows:

"The result of the primaries held Saturday is regarded by the defeated faction as showing a very ominous state of affairs. Thursday in Boy's Point, precinct No. 2, where charges of ballot box stuffing were claimed, there were 852 votes cast, against a total Democratic and Republican, of two years ago of 650. So, also, in North Portland, No. 1, precinct No. 1, where the Lotanites, there were 780 votes cast at the primaries, where two years ago the total vote of both parties was only 231. Other similar discrepancies occur in North Portland, No. 5, where 337 now are contrasted against 275, and in North Portland, No. 3, where the combined vote two years ago was 675, this time at the primaries 985.

Simon's Precincts. The precincts carried by Simon do not show up in any such shape. South Portland, No. 2, polled, combined, two years ago, 213; Saturday 538 Republican votes. North Portland, No. 2, shows now 670 against a former record of 545. "More money was used in the primaries than has ever been used in a primary election in Oregon before," Lotan's lieutenant estimates that Simon's men

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TUG DESCRIBED NOT THE NINA

Little Doubt in Navy Circles Remains That Tug Is Lost With Her 32 Men.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, Feb. 16.—It was learned today that a tug sighted by Mount Point by the whaleback steamer Bayview was the naval tug Apache. The Apache is one of the vessels dispatched to search for the missing government tug Nina. When the Apache was sighted by the Bayview, she was thought to be the lost ship. There is little doubt in navy circles here that the Nina has foundered, and that her crew of 32 men have been drowned. They believe that if the tug had merely been disabled her crew would have been rescued by a passing ship.

The Nina carried a crew of 32 men. For four days revenue cutters and ships from the navy yard have been searching for her.

STRIKE MAY PUT 18,000 MEN OUT

Enforced Idleness May Be Lot of Coal Miners, Millmen and Quarrymen.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Butte, Mont., Feb. 16.—Through the refusal of 137 engineers manning the big hoists of mines to go to work this morning in their effort to pull apart from the jurisdiction of the Western Federation of Miners and force the mining companies to recognize International Engineers' union No. 135, all except three mines were compelled this morning to suspend operations, throwing 9000 men into idleness.

The Silver Bow, the Berkeley and the Mountain Consolidated mines of the Amalgamated Copper company are still operating, but with crippled forces.

Senator Clark's smelter was forced to suspend this morning and within four days the Amalgamated smelters at Great Falls and Anaconda, employing 5000 men, will also be forced to shut down. Ten per cent of the smeltermen were laid off this morning.

Less than 500 miners are at work in Butte today, every company in camp being tied up as a result of the squabbling, which is purely between union organizations, no question of wages or hours being involved.

The serious situation is fraught with danger of immense loss by the companies, due to their inability to secure engineers to man the pumps and keep the mines clear of water.

Miners and smeltermen refuse to handle ore hoisted by International engineers and the companies steadfastly refuse to accord the new union recognition.

Because of the great responsibility entailed, the companies will refuse to permit any but experienced Butte engineers to man the engines. With the closing of the coal mines, lumber mills and stone quarries, the suspension of the smelters, 18,000 men will be rendered idle in Montana and Wyoming.

History of the Trouble. The trouble between the hoist engineers and the miners has been of long standing and has occasioned much bitterness on both sides. It reached a point last fall where the miners refused to go into the shafts where engineers who refused to affiliate with the Western Federation were employed.

The miners demanded that the engineers either join the Western Federation or leave the mines. This the engineers refused to do and the miners appealed to the operators to discharge the engineers or endorse a strike.

The operators at first decided to keep the engineers, but later, when the supply of ore in the bunkers of the mines began to run low and threatened the big smelters with a shutdown, they capitulated to the miners.

At this juncture the smeltermen, numbering several thousand, stepped into the fight and used strong measures to compel the engineers to join the Western Federation. The mine operators, threatened with serious financial loss, joined with the miners and smeltermen in enforcing the demand, and the engineers capitulated.

The action of the engineers today is believed to have followed a decision on their part to throw off the dominance of the Western Federation Miners and to set at defiance the miners and smeltermen. Whether they have the support of the operators is a mooted question.

Niece of Elkins Attempts Suicide

(United Press Leased Wire.) Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 16.—Miss Agnes Elkins, niece of Senator Elkins of West Virginia, shot herself above the heart in a room in a local hotel today. Physicians who attended her announced that she had a chance to recover.

Miss Elkins has a \$20,000 share in an estate of which she is the executor. His refusal to give his permission for her to enter upon a stage career is reported here to have caused her much chagrin.

Nagel on Control of Corporations

Chicago, Feb. 16.—Considerable interest is manifested among politicians, financiers and business men alike in the dinner to be given by the Industrial club at the Congress hotel tomorrow night. Secretary of Commerce and Labor Nagel is to be the principal speaker, and will address the club on the subject of "Federal Control of Corporations." A number of railroad presidents and officials of large industrial corporations have accepted invitations to attend the dinner.

Detroit Man Buys Farm

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Eugene, Or., Feb. 16.—Thomas Richmond of Detroit, Mich., has just purchased from M. R. Hastings, the old Horace Hampton ranch near Goshen, eight miles south of Eugene, consisting of 587 acres. He will bring his family here soon and will also bring a number of other families here from his locality.

FEUDS IN NAVY COST LIVES OF INNOCENT MEN

High Officials, It Is Believed, at Last Suspect, With the Public, That Virtual Murder Has Been Done.

TROUBLE DATES FROM ORDER OF NEWBERRY

Alleged Inferior Work Outgrowth of Strife—General Shakeup Predicted.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Vallejo, Cal., Feb. 16.—Though there is a deep official silence at Mare Island navy yard concerning the explosion on the workmanship on a boat when ten explosions take place in its boiler rooms in as many months, was expressed today.

The possibility of the whole subject of trouble and enmity between departments in the navy yard being submitted to a far reaching inquiry is considered.

The sending of an anonymous letter which warned the officials that something was wrong with the Hopkins and the subsequent discovery of machine shop trash stuffed into the tubes, taken in connection with the explosion, may be made the basis for an exhaustive review of the troublous conditions which have prevailed in certain departments at the yard during the past year.

If an inquiry is started it is believed here that it will be extended so as to take in the causes which led to the dismissal of Foreman of Boilermakers Edward Kavanaugh and Assistant Foreman Colett. Their dismissal was the result of an investigation which showed that poor work was the cause of an explosion on the cruiser West Virginia a few months ago.

The trouble between the construction and engineering departments has been a matter of general knowledge since the order issued by Truman H. Newberry, when secretary of the navy, which placed engineering work under the authority of the construction department.

The matter takes its most serious aspect through the feeling in navy circles here that the men aboard the ships may be in danger from inferior work. It is pointed out that with the great number of explosions that have occurred in the past year, it is hard to predict what the future holds for the men who labor in the boiler rooms of Uncle Sam's ships.

What Constructor Evans Says. Naval Constructor Evans, who has returned here with his bride from the east, refused to discuss the explosion of the boiler tube on the destroyer Hopkins at San Diego, though the

DEATH CLAIMS O. A. C. TEACHER

Miss Stella Newman, Latin Instructor, Passes Away After Long Illness.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Or., Feb. 16.—Miss Stella Newman, instructor in Latin at the Oregon Agricultural college, who came here from the University of Wisconsin to teach in the language department, died last night. Miss Newman had been in poor health for a couple of months, but refused to accept the advice of her friends and secure medical attention, as she was receiving treatment from a Christian Scientist. Her gradual weakening induced Miss Newman's friends to secure medical aid yesterday. She died at 4 o'clock last night.

Miss Newman was serving her first year at O. A. C. and had many friends among the students and faculty.

STARVING WILD ANIMALS DESERT MOUNTAIN HOME

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Stevenson, Wash., Feb. 16.—Wild animals are becoming very troublesome in this section, owing to heavy snows in the mountains that they are coming down to the valleys for food. The Henderson brothers, living north-east of here, found the carcass of a deer that had been killed and partly devoured. They set their traps near the carcass, and Friday morning found a cougar which had been caught by the foot. It measured nine feet from tip to tip. Sunday night the brothers caught a lynx. Monday night they caught a wild cat.

HER WITS WERE HER FORTUNE



Mrs. B. S. Parker, woman with several aliases, who bunkoed a number of Portland merchants.

SAYS JONES IS TRYING TO COVER HIS OWN DEEDS

Contractor Bennett Declares This Is Reason School Architect Tried to Discredit Statements Made by McLeod.

H. E. Bennett, contractor, asserted today that the efforts of T. J. Jones, architect to the school board, to discredit statements made by Alex McLeod, are for the purpose of hiding Jones' own alleged unsavory deeds.

"Alex McLeod is all right. What he says I know to be true," said Mr. Bennett, whose office is at 220 Sweetland building. "McLeod is the only one who had nerve enough to come out and swear to the facts. There are a great many more who could do so had they the courage."

Experience With Jones. "I had my own unfortunate experience with Jones. I took the contract for the building of East Twenty-eighth, Holman and Sunnyside schools. Jones refused to give me a certificate for my work, although Director Beasi got up in a school board meeting and said mine was the best work ever done in the city of Portland. Jones caused me to lose \$20,000. McLeod at the time told me it was because I wasn't in the ring and that he was sorry for me, but that if I wasn't one of Jones' favorites I could never make any money; that it was

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CORPORATIONS OBEY INCOME TAX LAW; STATEMENTS FAIR

Oregon corporations are taking heed of the income tax law, and are keeping the office of Internal Revenue Collector Dunne busy receiving their statements, according to Colonel Dunne.

As a result of the notices and copies of the law, which were some time ago sent to every corporation in the state, and of the publicity given the requirements of the law, an increasing flood of statements is coming into the collector's office.

Uncle Sam Is Strict. It is probable, of course, that the violation of the penalty of from \$1000 to \$10,000 provided by the federal statute for the failure or neglect to make the statements called for before March 1, and the knowledge that it is a dangerous thing to trifle with the federal regulations, is causing the seeming eagerness of many of the corporations in getting into line.

The law requires all corporations to send in statements of their standing, giving in a sort of balance sheet, furnished as a blank, the amount of business done, the gross income, the expenses and the net income. If the net income is over \$5000 a tax is charged against that surplus, if it is below the \$5000 limit no tax is charged. All cor-

MRS. B. S. PARKER LEAVES VICTIMS TO MOURN LOSSES

Develops That With Aid of Tears and Oily Tongue She Got Aid From Sympathetic Business Men.

SOLD FURNITURE NOT HERS THREE TIMES

Dr. T. J. Pierce Gave Her \$96 Belonging to Wife—Woman Indicted.

Names given—Anna Barker, B. S. Parker, Elizabeth Barker, Mary Barker, Mary Watson, Amy E. Parker, Beatrice Watta, A. E. Parker.

Stories told—Daughter of American consul to Brazil; starving babe; cruel husband; sister of Izzetta Jewell; friend of Miss McKenzie, nurse; divorce suit pending in Boston, etc., etc., Poulson-Ratcliffe company.

Loans procured from—Wagoner Brothers, Colonel Harrington, R. A. Frame, E. J. Cowlshaw, S. W. King, F. C. Priestly, C. W. Pallet, New Era Loan company, Dr. T. J. Pierce, Ames Mercantile company, a total of from \$1200 to \$2000.

Credit given by—Woodard & Clarke, Sherman-Clay company, Edwards company, Meier & Frank.

Will Not Aid Woman. Not one of the individuals concerned in the list just given was willing to contribute a dollar and thus swell a collection of \$100,000 to help her, which is to help "Mrs. Parker," and so forth, to make a new start in life when she had been freed from present incarceration for obtaining money under false pretenses.

The loan men were convinced that their barrier of precaution believed impregnable, had been broken down by one lone woman who had demonstrated that she could borrow money from as many agencies, at as many times and in as many places as she desired.

Could Get Credit. The merchants believe that in spite of their imposing array of credit clerks and managers, in spite of their precautions, a little woman with a plausible story attractively varied, could get credit as often as she desired and from whom she desired.

Kind hearted persons who have contributed to the fund and who may possibly be disillusioned have not yet been heard from.

Mrs. Parker, etc., is under indictment for selling and reselling furniture and a piano, both under lease, which means they were not her property, but that she paid a small amount, promising to pay the remainder on the installment plan.

The indictment charges her with reselling this property of others some three times. A little tour of the business district of Portland yesterday afternoon resulted in the discovery of eight other loaning agencies who believe that while Mrs. Parker, etc., was apparently selling them her furniture, that she was in reality "selling them out."

At Fraser Home. Mrs. Parker and her two children, a boy of 3 years, and a baby girl 9 months old, are being detained at the Fraser home, having been brought back from Tacoma, where she went without bidding her. Portland friends good bye. Many people have sympathy for them, but Dr. T. J. Pierce, whose office is in the "Albany block," has not.

"She told me," said the doctor, speaking with considerable wrath, "that her husband had deserted her, that her baby

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MOORE WOULD ENFORCE LAW

Seattle Campaign Battle Between "Liberals" and Enforcement Factions.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Seattle, Feb. 16.—It is agreed here today that the coming municipal campaign will be a battle between the "liberals" and strict law enforcement factions, following the speech of Judge William Hickman Moore, Democratic candidate for mayor, last night.

"If I am elected mayor, I will enforce the law if I have to wipe out the underworld," said Judge Moore. "Your homes and your children are dearer to me than any office in the gift of the people, dearer to me than all the money of the public service corporations and the underworld combined." He added:

"I propose to see that the charges of corruption and incompetency in city offices are thoroughly investigated, he continued. "If the charges are true, the waste baskets will be so numerous that it will take all the garbage wagons a whole day to haul them away from the city hall. When Moore says he will do a thing he will do it."

Responses Liberal. According to Collector Dunne the responses to the demand for statement have been liberal, and is increasing as the time limit draws near. Next week he expects an avalanche of statements. "There are two things that I want to say about these statements," said Colonel Dunne this morning. "One is that the statements that have been made, judging them with the extensive knowledge I have of Portland and of Oregon conditions, have been surprisingly fair. There seems to be no attempt on the part of the corporations so far to evade the law or to shade their statements in order to secure a reduction of the tax."

"The other thing I desire to say, and I want to lay stress on this, is that corporations or business men need have no fear that their statements will become public property, or pass into the hands of business rivals. They are held strictly confidential with this office and with the department, and, so far as I am concerned, a deputy in my office who would divulge the contents of any statement would last only long enough to hand me his resignation."