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BOY BANDIT HOLDS OFF POSSE OF 150

HIDDEN IN BRUSH DESPERATE YOUTH RAINS DOWN SHOTS

Fred Melville, Charged With 10 Robberies Since His Escape From Reform School Two Weeks Ago, Gives Battle to Army of Officers.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Vallejo, Cal., June 15.—Fred Melville, boy bandit, alleged to have robbed 10 saloons since his escape two weeks ago from the Preston reform school, today engaged in a desperate battle with a posse of 150 men. Melville was surrounded on a hilltop between Vallejo and Benicia. At 9 o'clock 150 shots had been fired. The fight began at 8 o'clock. The boy is said to have three pistols and 150 rounds of ammunition. For three hours he stood off the posse and at 9 o'clock reinforcements were asked from Vallejo, Benicia and Lenox. They hastily gathered and were rushed to the scene of the fight. Melville took his stand in a thicket at the top of the hill. On all sides of him the open hillside gave him a good view of the movements of the posse. Although they were concealed in bushes at the foot of the hill they had no chance to rush the young bandit's stronghold. Melville was believed to be without provisions or water and the authorities believe he must soon surrender. They kept up their fire and Melville returned it volley for volley. The sheriffs believed that Melville's ammunition would soon be exhausted and that he could be captured by night. Accused of Robberies. Melville escaped two weeks ago from the Preston reform school and since then has frequently been seen in the neighborhood. It is alleged a number of saloon robberies in the neighborhood of Preston have occurred and it is asserted by the authorities that Melville has been the person who held them. An attempt to arrest him was made but the authorities say he fled heavily armed and threatened to fight. Shortly after 9 o'clock Melville attempted to leave his stronghold at the top of the hill. Sheriff Arthur Vesie of Contra Costa county who was in a motor boat off Glenice, saw him. He fired 15 shots at the lad. Melville ran back towards the top of the hill and disappeared among the bushes and rocks. Led Is Surrounded. The posse ceased firing after this encounter and the lad was left surrounded. The posse under Sheriff Vesie, Chief of Police Sanford of Vallejo, and Sheriff Frazier of Solana county, completely encircled the base of the hill. They are about a mile from the spot where the boy bandit is hidden. Melville has had nothing to eat, the officers say, since 3 o'clock last night, and his desperate attempt to flee and break through the lines is believed to indicate the fact that he is in desperate straits. Hunger, the officers believe, would soon win the battle for them. The officers got track of Melville last night when Sheriff Frazier met him near the Three Mills House. The two fought a pistol duel. Five or six shots were fired. Melville dropped, Sheriff Frazier says, and crawled off into the bushes. A search last night failed to reveal any trace of his whereabouts.

Tells of Steel Trust



James Gayley, ex-vice-president of the United States Steel corporation, who is giving testimony before the Stanley committee of the house investigating the alleged steel trust in Washington.

SENATOR ATTACKS ROCKEFELLER; NOT ABOVE LAW, SAYS

Ohio Member, Urging Criminal Prosecutions, Says Oil King Has Ruined Many by Unlawful Methods.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, June 15.—Speaking to his resolution directing the department of justice to bring criminal prosecutions against the personal defendants in the Standard Oil and Tobacco Trust cases, Senator Atlee Pomerene (Democrat, Ohio) in the senate today, flayed John D. Rockefeller, and his methods and took a slap at the attorney general for failure to bring such prosecutions on his own initiative. "Rockefeller's pathway," he said, "is marked by more victims whose business careers have been ruined by unlawful methods than that of any man in the industrial history of America, yet he is unwiped of justice. I think it is high time that the people understand whether the stars and stripes is to be the emblems of power and authority or the emblems of the oil barrel and tobacco tag. "The law is no respecter of persons, and the government ought not to be the poor and lowly are not above the law. "No statute was ever more plainly written than the Sherman law, nor more easily understood by those who understand it. Any 1100 country lawyer can tell what the law means. It takes a \$100,000 lawyer to point out ways to evade its provisions. Vast corporations and their learned counsel attempt to

ROOSEVELT SWINGS UPON OTIS AND HIS 'CAPITALIST PAPER'

Outlook Editorial by Former President Sizzles in Denunciation of Press of Stamp of Los Angeles Times.

"MR. FACING-BOTH-WAYS" MAKES STINGING REPLY

Says Labor's Enemy Responsible for More Brutal Utterances Than Unions.

(United Press Leased Wire.) New York, June 15.—Certain capitalist newspapers of a stamp that owned by General Harrison Gray Otis have been responsible for more brutal utterances than those attributable to any recognized labor leader," says Theodore Roosevelt, in the leading editorial in the current number of the Outlook. The editorial is headed "Mr. Gompers, General Otis and the Dynamite Charges." In the article Roosevelt directly answers editorials of General Otis in the Los Angeles Times and President Samuel Gompers of the American Federation of Labor in the American Federationist. Roosevelt refers to his original editorial on the McNamara arrests, printed in the Outlook, which, he says, was only a personal plea for a fair, impartial trial. He then quotes the following as Otis' reply to him: "If the Times building was dynamited, says Mr. Facing-Both-Ways, then those who did the work should be punished. The Times feels that the 'If' is upholding the cause of disorder and is a distinct aid to the villains who incited and procured the murder of 10 innocent men, and the destruction of \$500,000 worth of property." Roosevelt continues: "General Otis, in this article, has taken the very position against which good citizens should protest, when taken by labor men. "That is, the purpose of my article was to protest against assuming before the trial what it was hoped to prove or disprove at the trial; and, in this way, Otis is guilty of conduct which could not be too severely condemned if the offender were a labor leader, and which, therefore, cannot be too severely denounced when the offender is a violent opponent of organized labor, a consistent enemy of every movement for social

Officials of Sugar Trust Under Investigation



Above is Washington D. Thomas; below are Lowell W. Palmer, on the left, and Charles R. Heike, of the American Sugar Refining company.

HILLS' MURDERER SUSPECT IS SEEN NEAR ARDENWALD

Police Believe Highwayman Who Attempted to Rob Gus Obrist, Milkman, Early Today, Is Human Fiend.

VICTIM, HIT IN HEAD, ROUTS HIS ASSAILANT

Posses Scour Thick Woods in Determined Effort to Capture Supposed Slayer.

Startling evidence that the man who murdered the four members of William Hill's family last week is still in the immediate neighborhood of Ardenwald, where last week's murders took place, came early today when Gus Obrist, a dairyman, was attacked by a man believed to be the murderer. Obrist works for A. J. Dysie, a young dairyman, recently married, who has lived in Ardenwald for the past month. For three weeks, late at night and early in the morning, Dysie and Obrist have seen a rough looking man hanging about the barns and the house, who would disappear into the woods across the road when he saw that he was observed. Suspicion Aroused. Dysie thought the man might be one of the many tramps that infest the neighborhood, owing to the proximity of the Southern Pacific tracks, which run near the house, until he saw the man after the Hill murders. Then he notified the police and sheriff. Obrist and took care not to leave his young wife alone in the house. At 2 o'clock this morning, Obrist had finished milking the cows in the barn, behind the Dysie house, and was walking down the lane that runs from the barn to the house when the same man whom he has seen a number of times before, ran up behind him and struck him in the back of the neck, at the same time bringing his knee up so as to strike Obrist in the back. Obrist is young Swiss who has been in this country but a short while. He is sturdy built and managing to shake off his assailant, ran for the house. Makes His Escape. The man who had attacked him ran on down the lane, jumped the fence into the road and crossed the road into the thicket of woods that lies between the road and the Johnson Creek bottoms. It is the belief of those who have been working on the Hill case for the past six days that the man who murdered the Hills and the man who has been prowling about the Dysie home and other farms within a short distance of

WILL MAYOR SIMON'S HEALTH BOARD FORMALLY ACCEPT INCINERATOR AT GUILD'S LAKE IN SPITE OF PROTEST?

Crematory Has Fallen Far Short of Requirements, It Is Declared by Superintendent Napier—Several Fires Said to Have Been Started From Sparks From Plant—Smoke Menace Also Complained of by Many.

What will Mayor Simon's health board do with the new refuse incinerator at Guild's Lake? Will the board accept the plant built by the Public Works Engineering company, in the face of repeated adverse reports by City Crenatory Superintendent Harry N. Napier? These are pertinent questions that are troubling themselves on taxpayers who have already been called upon to foot bills to the amount of \$60,000, these having been paid out by the city on the authorization of the health board. Rumor says that at least two members of the board are inclined toward acceptance. What may have been an intimation of the intention of the present administration was the request of Mayor Simon to the ways and means committee of the city council last Monday. Responsive to this request the committee recommended that \$55,000 worth of crematory bonds be sold so that the money may be available in case the health board, at its last meeting during the Simon regime, decides to accept the refuse burner. \$40,000 Is Unpaid. The bonds can not be sold before next month, but once the plant has been accepted the city would have to pay for it, or be compelled to pay interest on the amount due the company, from the date of the acceptance of the plant until the final payment should be made. There still remains something like \$40,000 of the original contract price of \$99,900, to be paid on the plant, if it is accepted. The burner will be up for acceptance or rejection June 27, that date marking the end of an official test of six months provided for under the contract with the Public Works company. During the past six months Crematory Superintendent Napier has submitted to the health board, daily reports of his observations on the working of the new plant and the majority of these reports have been extremely unfavorable. Added to other defects that have been reported, has been mentioned in the report this month a faulty smokestack. Cause of Fires. Sparks escaping from the top of the stack are believed to have been the cause of half a dozen fires in the vicinity of the plant. These fires have fortunately done little damage, so vigilant has been the watch on the plant by Superintendent Napier. One of the fires referred to consumed a garbage wagon that had been standing near the crematory barn. Another burned down a small wooden house near the crematory enclosure. On at least one occasion sparks from the stack have threatened to consume the barn. Superintendent Napier is obliged to

RIFLED SEE'S SAFE TO GET EVIDENCE

Wife, Suing for Separation, Cannot Be Prosecuted for Robbery.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Chicago, June 15.—Although the wife of Evelyn Arthur See, revealer of the "absolute life" cult cannot under the law testify against him, attorneys for the state who are prosecuting him for alleged mistreatment of girls, admit today that it is through Mrs. See that the most startling evidence was secured. Mrs. See has been separated from her husband, and is suing for separate maintenance. No decree has been granted, however, and she is still his wife. Therefore she could not legally be guilty of robbing him. Taking advantage of this fact, Mrs. See went to the so called Junior commonwealth established by her husband, and accompanied by a professional safecracker, secured by the police, cracked the safe found there and seized the papers and letters it contained. Many of the papers were in See's handwriting. One of the papers found was the so called "Book of Truth," much of which is unprintable. In this book See refers to the "spirit of absolute life." The four women most directly interested in the case are referred to as the personification of that life. The women were known under the following names: Mildred Bridges, "wifehood"; Mona Rees, "purity"; Mrs. Felicia Rees, her mother, "motherhood"; and Mrs. Lucilla Bridges, as "motherhood." See himself was known as "wisdom." Among the papers were many sentimental letters written to See by various women. At the trial before Judge Honore to examine the prospective jurors was continued. Eight jurors have been selected.

HELPLESS CHILD IS VICTIM OF ATTACK BY STARVING RAT

Baby Daughter of J. A. Erwin, Asleep in Her Cot, Has Face and Hands Torn by Teeth of Vicious Rodent.

Attacked by a large rat which stole up her crib, biting her tongue, face and hands, the baby daughter of J. A. Erwin, 218 Monroe street, was covered with blood when rescued by her father last Tuesday night. Mr. Erwin put the baby to bed in a room upstairs and returned downstairs. He left a bottle of milk for the baby to drink. About 10 minutes later he heard screams from his eldest little girl, 7 years of age, and on rushing up stairs, the little girl pointed to the baby's room, crying "Rat! Rat!" As he entered the room a large rat sprang from the baby's cot. Blood was streaming from the baby's face. The rat had bitten the baby's face, gums, cheeks and thumb, as well as biting the nipple from the bottle of milk and drinking what remained of the contents. So eager was the rat in its bloody work that the little girl was unable to drive it away when she was attracted to the room by hearing the baby fighting the rat. Dr. Holcomb was called to dress the wounds inflicted by the rodent, and the child was reported today to be in no danger. The baby is 1 year old.

HEAD OF MORMONS IS CALLED DESPITE SMOOT'S PROTESTS

Hardwick Sugar Investigating Committee Orders President John Smith to Appear and Give Testimony.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, June 15.—In spite of protests of Senator Reed Smoot, the Hardwick sugar investigating committee today ordered President John Smith of the Mormon church to appear and testify. When the committee reconvened this morning Chairman Hardwick read a letter from Reed Smoot asking that Smith be excused because Thomas R. Cutler of Salt Lake City could give all the testimony that Smith could give. Insists on Smith. Hardwick insisted that Smith be asked to testify, saying that he was the big factor in the organization of the Utah Oregon Sugar company. Congressman Baker, (Democrat, California) moved that Smith be ordered to appear, and the motion carried. Charles R. Heike, former secretary of the American Sugar Refining company, resumed the stand. His memory was

SHIPPERS ASSERT WALKOUT A FIZZLE; STRIKERS UNEASY

Leaders in Seamen's Union Admit That General Outlook Is Not Bright; Many Ports Are Affected.

(United Press Leased Wire.) London, June 15.—Leaders of the striking seamen admitted today that the general strike outlook was less satisfactory than yesterday when the walkout was ordered. Ben Tillet, in charge of the union headquarters, said the desire of the union to keep within the law caused its officers to order all members to complete their contracts before leaving their vessels. As a result of this, he said, few ships in port were affected. He asserted that as soon as other liners arrive their crews would quit work. Officials of the shipping federation, which represents 13,000,000 tons, characterize the strike movement as a fizzle. They say few men walked out, and that these are now ready to return to work. Secretary Bett declared that the shipping federation will fill the strikers' places and blacklist the seamen who deserted the ships. Reports received today show that the strike is progressing in London, Glasgow, Shields, Middlesborough, Belfast, Bristol, Cardiff, Swansea, Manchester, Newcastle, Liverpool, Amsterdam, Rotterdam and Antwerp. Strikers are being recruited to man the White Star liner Teutonic and Canadian Pacific steamer Empress of Ireland, scheduled to sail Saturday and it is probable that these vessels will depart on time. It has not yet been determined whether the crews of English channel vessels shall go on strike.

MRS. LOVE RELATES HER SIDE, SAYS HE DRANK, NOT KIND

Admits Spells of Good Treatment by Love, However, Especially When Physician Told Him Nature of Illness.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Baker, Or., June 15.—Looking pale and worn out, Mrs. Marjorie Burnes Love took the witness stand today to defend herself from the charges occasioned against her by her husband, Sidney Love, in his action for divorce. She was under direct examination all the forenoon by her attorney, Benjamin Tuska, and answered questions readily at most times, frowning occasionally when her home life was brought up. Once she was visibly affected when the events just prior to the birth of her baby were discussed. She wore a heavy veil, as she has all through the hearing. She recited at length the details of her acquaintance with Love. "During his courtship," she said, "he was affectionate, and my marriage with him was one of pure love. He told me always during those days that we were to live in New York, as he would not care to live in Chicago at all. Home Drunk, Ugly, Sulen. "The beginning of my illness was one night when he came home to dinner very much intoxicated, and on occasion once before, when he was so much under the influence of liquor. His condition was such that he swayed and I had never seen that before. All through dinner that night he was ugly and left me to me, and while I was ill, he went to the theatre with him. Some friends were with us and saw how I felt, so would not accompany us. We returned home in the motor and when we arrived, he did not help me out, but left me to fight as best I could. He then ordered the chauffeur to drive him to a club, and left me standing alone on the street at midnight. "The next day the doctor told him what was the nature of my illness, and he was greatly pleased. He came back and was very kind to me indeed. "She then told how they had gone to Newport, and while she was ill, he had the house full of guests every

CASTRO ALARM SENT OUT; SLEUTHS WATCH

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, June 15.—Due to the presence of former President Castro of Venezuela in Hastien waters in the command of Consul Grootcock, a vessel fully armed the state department has advised all powers of his whereabouts. Cablegrams sent today to Guantanamo, and to vessels on special service asking them to watch out for him. New Orleans, June 15.—Secret service officials are preparing to watch Juan J. Estrada, former president of Nicaragua, when he arrives tonight from Guatemala. It is believed that he is planning a new revolution in Nicaragua.

AMERICA HAS NO DISTINCTIVE MUSIC. Walter J. Damrosch Tells Edward Marshall That Music, Truly American, Is Still in the Making. Read This Striking Interview in THE SUNDAY JOURNAL.

BARBER WHO SERVED KING GETS INVITATION. Denver, Colo., June 15.—Granville James, a Denver barber, is on his way to attend the coronation of King George as the king's guest. Years ago, when King George, then duke of Cornwall, spent several months in Bermuda, James performed some slight service for the duke. "When I am King I will remember you," remarked Cornwall. After a long search the king's attorney located James in a local barber shop and money sufficient to pay all expenses incidental to the trip was sent to him.

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