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HERRIN HOLDS FUNERAL FOR WAR VICTIMS

Services Held for Dead—Evidence Laid Before Coroner's Jury Seems to Side with Ku Klux Klan

CITY STILL UNDER RULE BY MILITARY

Eighteen Militiamen Kept on Hand Under Command of Captain Bigelow

HERRIN, Ill., Sept. 3.—(By Associated Press.)—The Ku Klux Klan today buried the last of its dead, slain in the battle fought on one of Herrin's streets Saturday while Coroner William McCown and his jury of six men inquired into the causes of the fight and sought to learn who was responsible. The evidence laid before the jury was more or less conflicting and barring one witness, Mrs. Chester Reid, widow of one of the men killed, the testimony plainly was for the side of the Klan. The other side ignored the inquiry. Sheriff George Galligan said he would not testify at the inquest as "it didn't mean anything" but that he would wait for the convening of the grand jury at Marion September 22.

Deputies Won't Appear

His statement also was taken as an indication that none of his deputies would appear. The jury, after waiting most of the afternoon for witnesses adjourned until 9 o'clock tomorrow morning. Charles Willard was the klanman buried today. Impressive ceremonies were held for him and he was interred with all honors the Ku Klux Klan bestow on one of their own. Four protestant ministers officiated at the services held at the First Methodist church at Herrin. The edifice was packed with people while several hundred, unable to get in, remained on the outside.

HERRIN, Ill., Sept. 3.—(By Associated Press.)—The iron hand of military rule asserted itself here today while the inquest was being held into the deaths of the six men slain in Williamson county's latest clash. It was edict of Captain Harold Bigelow, in command of the eighteen militiamen who have been kept here to prevent a renewal of civil warfare, that prevented the local clan from appearing in public in klan regalia at the funeral of one of the victims of last Saturday's affray between klanmen and Sheriff Galligan and his force, and again it was Captain Bigelow's order that dissuaded the sheriff from coming over from Marion this afternoon to get the automobile he had intended to seize Saturday when the clash resulted.

Regalia Is Forbidden

When it became known that the klanmen contemplated appearing in their regalia at the funeral of Charles Willard, Captain Bigelow sent word to klan officers that they would not be permitted to appear on the streets with their regalia but that they could don them at the grave and remove them before leaving the cemetery. Prior to instructing Sheriff Galligan to appear at military headquarters here immediately at Herrin Bigelow ordered the sheriff to abandon his avowed intention of coming to Herrin with a machine gun and had also instructed Deputy Sheriff Ora Thomas, who participated in Saturday's clash not to enter Herrin. The coroner's inquest adjourned at 3 o'clock this afternoon until 9 o'clock tomorrow morning. The jury spent most of the afternoon waiting for witnesses to appear.

THE WEATHER

OREGON: Fair in east and cloudy in the west portion Thursday; probably light rain on immediate coast, no change in temperature; moderate winds mostly northerly. LOCAL WEATHER (Wednesday) Maximum temperature, 87. Minimum temperature, 53. Rainfall, none. River, —2.4. Atmosphere, clear. Wind, northwest.

SOME BOURBONS WANT KU KLUX KLAN IN RANKS

Belief Expressed by Democrats That KKK Should Be Kept Within Fold

AUSTIN, Texas, Sept. 3.—A strong anti-klan platform including a plank favoring laws which will require the membership of the Ku Klux Klan to be published was adopted today at the closing session of the democratic state convention. In addition the convention endorsed and ratified the nomination of Mrs. Miriam A. Ferguson of Temple for governor.

Many speakers voiced the sentiment that it was not desirable to drive klanmen from the party. Rather, it was declared, it was desired that the klan abandon what was said to have been attempts to dominate the party and stay within the fold. Speakers such as Joseph Weldon Bailey, former United States senator, and James E. Ferguson, husband of Mrs. Miriam Ferguson, the nominee for governor, joined in the plea to the klan to purge itself and stay in its political home.

WALESES MAKES ACHIEVEMENT

Sees Practice of Polo Players Without Being Hailed By the Crowds

SYOSSET, N. Y., Sept. 3.—The Prince of Wales gets credit for an achievement today. He witnessed the polo practice of members of the British and American international teams on two different grounds and was seen by only a small part of the crowds gathered at either place.

Before driving to the polo grounds he rode over to Locust Valley and paid a call at the home of John T. Davis, the democratic nominee for president. Mr. Davis, who was ambassador to Great Britain from 1918 to 1921 was in the west on a campaigning tour, but Mrs. Davis received the prince.

At the Meadow Brook club, where the international matches will be played, a large crowd assembled to see the British poloists play a scratch game against an American four. The royal guest, accompanied by his equerries, sat on a camp chair at the end of the field west of the main gate. Photographers found him out but he let them snap away without hindrance. He appeared to be less apprehensive of photographers than of the crowds.

PLANES ARRIVE SAN FRANCISCO

Forerunners of Battle Fleet Make Trip From Medford in One Day

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 3.—Eight navy planes, forerunners of the battle fleet which will arrive here tomorrow carrying Secretary of the Navy Curtis D. Wilbur, landed at Crissy field today, completing a trip from Medford, Or. The fliers left Medford early today.

Preparations to welcome Secretary Wilbur and the battle squadron of some 50 craft, were being completed today by navy officers and civic and marine officials.

The Statesman Party of Salem Girls at Newport Are Having Great Times

The Statesman girls (the winners in the seashore contest) are having a great time, according to Fred D. Coffeen, who phoned from there last night. They took in the movies and the skating ring on Tuesday evening, and having started early from Salem and had an eventful day, were ready to retire early (for Newport), at 10:30 to 11. They were all up early yesterday morning and after breakfast took a hike on the bay beach and around the point to the ocean beach, and back to Newport. Then, in the afternoon they had a fishing party on the bay, and some of them caught flounders, tom-cod, and a lot of crabs. They

US SECRETARY IS ACCUSED OF STARTING WAR

Russian Statement Asserts That Secretary of State Hughes Is Precipitating War in China

AMERICAN MONEY SAID TO BE INFLUENTIAL

Attempt Being Made to Repeat Boxer Memorandum of 1901, Is Claim

MOSCOW, Sept. 3.—(By The Associated Press.)—Secretary of State Hughes is precipitating the civil war in China, the newspaper Izvestia asserts today in discussing the attitude of the United States towards the hostilities in China. The newspaper declares that Mr. Hughes is feeling uneasy because since her agreement with Russia, China is acknowledging her own national aims and is striving to thrust off the yoke of foreign capitalists. Mr. Hughes, it adds, is afraid for the future of American interests in China which he considers as a colony for growing American industrialism. America is charged by the newspaper with violation of the decision of the Washington conference in regard to China.

"While Mr. Hughes is so afraid of civil war in China," the newspaper continues, "we believe the coming conflagration there which is being eagerly anticipated by the American press, will be arranged on American money and in accordance with plans set forth by Mr. Hughes who is using the pretext of civil war in order to organize a united front of the great powers against China. It is his intention to repeat provocation with the purpose of re-establishing the Boxer memorandum of 1901 which made the world capital the warden of China."

STEVENSON, Wash., Sept. 3.—Irving Dodge, Portland, was killed, Mrs. H. L. St. Clair of Gresham, Ore., was seriously injured, and four other persons received minor injuries near here today when the automobile in which they were riding plunged from the road over a 30 foot embankment. The accident occurred on the highway between Stevenson and Carson. Cause of the accident was not known here. Those slightly injured were E. A. Gould, Winnifred and Mildred St. Clair, daughters of Mrs. St. Clair, and Mrs. Irving Dodge, widow of the man killed. All were from Gresham.

PLUNGING AUTO RESULTS IN SERIOUS CASUALTIES

WOMAN BURNED TO DEATH IN FLAMES

OREGON CITY, Sept. 3.—Mrs. Laura Wilcrist, 28, was burned to death late today in a fire which destroyed the home of E. W. Meeks at Milwaukie. Neighbors who rushed in to save furniture did not know Mrs. Wilcrist was in the house. Her body was found in the ruins by O. A. Pace, coroner of Clackamas county. Mrs. Wilcrist, who was a widow, had been staying with the Meeks family. The house took fire presumably from the explosion of an oil stove.

MAC DONALD IS NOT IN FAVOR OF MEET IN U. S.

British Prime Minister Favors Holding Disarmament Conference in Europe

GENEVA, Sept. 3.—(By AP.)—The British prime minister Ramsay MacDonald, declared tonight that he favored holding the proposed disarmament conference in Europe, instead of Washington because it should be attended by the premiers of Europe who would thus be able to devote time to the conference.

DOES NOT BELIEVE DOGS A NUISANCE

The Case of the Complaint Concerning Dogs Kept on South High St.

R. J. O'Leary, concerning whose dogs a complaint was made at the meeting of the Salem city council on Tuesday evening, regards himself as injured by the attack of the petitioners asking that his dogs be declared a nuisance and removed from their vicinity, which petition is in the hands of the committee on health and police of the city fathers.

A Lover of Dogs Mr. O'Leary is well known as a lover of good dogs, and as a competent dog fancier. He has a German police dog with five champions of his pedigree, and three beagle hounds bred from field trial stock; all registered. And he has no pups now. He says the prescribed license fees on his dogs, and, in accordance with the city ordinance, does not let them run loose, and he owns his home at 1930 South High street and pays the taxes on it. Moreover, he keeps the premises where he has his dogs in a sanitary condition, and there is no chance for offensive odors, for he personally sees to it that absolute cleanliness is maintained.

Mr. O'Leary declares also that he can prove by the testimony of near neighbors that his dogs do not howl at night. Mr. O'Leary cautioned the re-

FLIERS ENTER US TOMORROW

Damaged Plane Necessitates Stopping One Day at Pictou, Nova Scotia

PICTOU, S. S., Sept. 3.—(By the AP.)—The two world encircling American army airmen, Lieut. Lowell H. Smith and Lieut. Erik Nelson, with their mechanics, jumped from Hawkes Bay, Nfld., to Pictou, N. S., today. The flight of 420 miles was made in six hours and 26 minutes. The fliers left Hawkes bay at 10:12 o'clock, eastern standard time, and came down on the water here at 4:38 o'clock this afternoon. Head winds and rain squalls somewhat delayed the aviators, but otherwise they found flying conditions favorable.

Because the late arrival here precluded the possibility of refueling, oiling and a general check over the planes before the coming of darkness and owing to a broken spreader bar on Lieutenant Smith's plane, it was decided that the original plan to depart for Boston by way of St. Johns, N. B., would not be followed, and that the birdmen would not take off for United States territory until Friday morning. When Smith and Nelson leave here they again will have as companions Lieut. Leigh Wade and Lieut. H. H. Ogden, who were forced out of the flight last month when their plane was damaged while being hoisted aboard the cruiser Richmond after it had been forced down on the jump from the Orkney islands to Iceland.

The jump from Hawkes bay today was made without incident, beyond the breaking of the spreader bar on Lieutenant Smith's machine, which did not affect the flying qualities of the plane. The aviators encountered no fog, and except when they met rain squalls here and there they found exceptionally good visibility, which enabled them to pick up at long distances the destroyers and patrol vessels which stood out to convoy them.

Edgar A. Bancroft, New Ambassador to Japan and James R. Sheffield, Named Envoy to Mexico



At the left is Edgar Addison Bancroft, of Chicago, named as ambassador to Japan to succeed Cyrus Woods who resigned the post in June. He is descended from the famous family of historians which came to New England in 1640. Mr. Bancroft, who is 67 years old, was born at Galesburg, Ill. At the right is James Rockwell Sheffield of New York City. He has been chosen by President Coolidge to succeed Charles B. Warren who resigned early in August as ambassador to Mexico. He is a member of the law firm of Sheffield and Betts, Mr. Sheffield, who is 60 years old, was born at Dubuque, Iowa.

SIXTY SUCCEED IN BAR EXAMS

Supreme Court Announces List of New Admission to Law Practice

Out of 79 applicants for admission to the bar in Oregon, who took the state examination under direction of the state supreme court in July 69 were successful. The list of successful applicants was made public by Arthur S. Benson, clerk of the court. The list follows:

- Earl S. Nelson, 818 Electric Building, Portland.
Frances M. Cummings, 721 E. Twenty-first street, Portland.
Kenneth M. G. Graham, Yeon Building, Portland.
David R. Vanderberg, 704 Amherst street, Portland.
Claire D. Wallace, 614 Highland street, Portland.
Emerson U. Sims, 94 East Sixty-second street, Portland.
Roswell DeMott, 107 East Twentieth street, Portland.
C. E. Zollinger, 611 Corbett Building, Portland.
Merle S. Hotchkiss, Court House, Portland.
C. A. Beckman, 149 East Sixty-eighth street North, Portland.
Charles H. Elrey, 402 Masonic Building, Salem.
Francis J. McPhelim, 1089 Vaughn street, Portland.
Allarick E. Hagglund, 755 High street, Eugene.
Donald J. Ryan, Gladstone, Ore.
Wm. H. Older, 749 Wayland street, Portland.
Louis J. Balbach, Crouch Building, Portland.
J. Mason Dillard, St. Helens, Or.
Harold Banta, Walport, Or.
T. F. Wold, Lumberman's Building, Portland.
Albert H. Herndobler, 86 East Forty-fourth street, North Portland.
J. S. Moltzner, 1108 Wilcox Building, Portland.
Pat H. Donegan, Burns.
John B. McCourt, 1311 Court street, Salem.
Wm. Wallace Smith, Salem.
Gerald A. Rice, Marshfield.
I. F. Phipps, 468 Market street, Portland.
J. E. McCall, 450 East Eleventh street, Portland.

DOUBLE WEDDING AT THE BLIGH

Root-Powell and Parmentier-Feller Weddings Performed Yesterday

Dedication of the new office at the Bligh hotel was featured with a double wedding about 5:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon when Miss Helen Root, organist at the Bligh theatre, became the bride of Edger D. Powell of Portland, and Margie Parmentier of Salem the bride of Dell M. Feller, clerk at the Bligh hotel. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Martin Pereshetan, pastor of the Unitarian church, with T. G. Bligh and Frank Bligh as witnesses. Mr. Feller is the son of Al Feller, of Donald. Both couples remained in the city last night and as far as could be learned, had not announced plans for the future. The first couple, friends said last night, had been planning on a wedding the near future, and at the last moment, induced the second couple to come aboard the matrimonial ship. The affair was hastily arranged and as T. G. Bligh and Frank Bligh had scarcely had time to arrange the equipment in the new office, they seized upon the idea of staging the double wedding then and there.

New Route Taken in Climb To Top of Mount Hood

Lost, but not knowing it, was the experience Sunday of Otto Hillman of the Hillman Feul company and Martin Geiger, a Salem high school student, who inadvertently selected an original route by which to climb to the summit of Mt. Hood. The pair left Sulfur rock about 15 minutes behind the guide and expected to catch up with him at any moment. Somehow they selected the wrong trail to the summit by the east side ascent. Upon reaching the summit five and a half hours later, they were informed by a forest ranger, who had been on duty for the last four years, that to his knowledge the route they came had not been taken by any other party. They reached the summit in two hours less time than it took the guide to make the climb by the regular route.

POSTMASTER IS DEAD AFTER 15 MINUTES' WORK

Hood River Man Drops Dead After Fighting Fire for Quarter Hour's Time

HOOD RIVER, Or., Sept. 3.—C. Johnson, 45, postmaster at Odell, dropped dead today following exertion in fighting a fire at the rear of his combined postoffice and confectionery store. Mr. Johnson had fired a pile of trash, the fire got beyond control and for about 15 minutes he worked hard bringing it to control. Death came as he ceased his exertions.

BRYAN ADOPTS NEW SYMBOL

Corn Cob Pipe to Be Used as Campaign Symbol of Democratic Simplicity

LINCOLN, Neb., Sept. 3.—Governor Charles W. Bryan, democratic nominee for vice president, put in a busy day at the state house, his principal act in the opinion of those close to him, being the adoption of a corn cob pipe as a campaign symbol of democratic simplicity.

Throwing back his black slouch hat in characteristic manner and placing the empty pipe, which he had received from a Nebraskan, in his mouth, the nominee told newspaper men he had heard a good deal about "common sense" and the Dawes "high priced, patented pipe" but that if the smoking voter would only listen to reason he could get a corn cob pipe for ninety per cent less than that paid for the trick bowl.

Governor Bryan said he had stopped smoking several years ago and did not intend to get back into the habit, but he boosted the emblem as a "common sense pipe," made from the staple product of the middle west, the campaign battle ground, and win the financial report of the common people.

The vice president candidate attended the state fair in the afternoon and again today, visiting a boys' club camp fire within the fair grounds. Governor Bryan said he would go to Omaha some time Saturday to greet John W. Davis, the party standard bearer, who will address a gathering in the city auditorium there that night.

COOLIDGE-DAWES CLUB COMPLETED

Paul B. Wallace Is Elected President—Large Crowd Attends Meeting

An enthusiastic, well-dressed gathering of republicans last night at the armory was called to order by Mrs. E. B. Southwick of the state committee, and the following officers elected: President, Paul B. Wallace; vice president, Mrs. George H. Alden, U. S. Crowder, and Bert Macy; secretary, Mrs. Z. J. Riggs.

The club was officially named Coolidge-Dawes Republican club of Salem. It was sponsored by a number of strong, short, pertinent talks on the part of militant republicans who announced themselves ready for the campaign, no matter how long it was, or how far it took them.

Justice McCourt Reported In Critical Condition

Justice John McCourt of the supreme court, who has been seriously ill at his home on Court street for the past week, is now reported in a critical condition. He is said to be suffering from a complication of ailments, including bronchial pneumonia. A Portland physician was called in consultation yesterday and is said to have approved the treatment being administered to the patient.

DENIES ENGAGEMENT

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Sept. 3. Jack Dempsey at the Traymoor tonight denied he was engaged to Miss Estelle Taylor. The report was started, he said, through a feature story written by a girl reporter in Philadelphia, who "twisted things about a bit."

BATTLE FOUGHT TWELVE MILES FROM SHANGHAI

Ten Thousand Troops Under Chi Shih Yuan, Governor of Kiangsue, Make Vigorous Daylight Attack

NUMEROUS CASUALTIES CAUSED, IS REPORT

Indications are That Engagement Is Becoming General Over Large Area

SHANGHAI, Sept. 4.—(By The Associated Press.)—A pitched battle between the forces of Lu Hung-Hsiang, tuchun of Chekiang, and Chi-Shih Yuan, governor of Kiangsue, opened at daylight this morning along the Shanghai-Nanking railway near Shanghai, about a dozen miles from Shanghai, according to reports from Defense Commissioner Ho. The battle commenced with a troops, estimated at 10,000. While the left wing of the Chekiang army was forced back, the center and right slowly gained ground, according to Ho's secretary. Later reinforcements reached the Chekiang left wing enabling it to push forward at 8 o'clock. On the whole the Chekiang forces gained about two miles. There were many casualties. At 8 o'clock this morning, a Kiangsue brigade, commanded by General Ma Yuzen estimated at 5,000 attacked the Chiang force of the same strength outside Lihoo. This engagement according to the Lungwha headquarters, resulted after an hours fighting, disastrously for the Lungwha brigade, which at 3:30 was reported in full retreat, with the Chekiang troops pursuing them.

There were also many casualties in this sector. All reports indicated that the engagement is becoming general in the whole area from the Shanghai-Nanking railway to the coast. There is an artillery action along the railway.

Governor Blaine Receives Majority in His Election

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Sept. 3.—Governor J. J. Blaine, backed with the endorsement of Senator Robert M. La Follette, not only obtained a plurality over his nearest competitor, Arthur R. Hirt, of between 65,000 and 70,000 votes but rolled up a majority of between 30,000 and 35,000 votes over both his opponents in yesterday's primary for the republican gubernatorial nomination.

NOT ALL LIFE HERE SCIENTIST INSISTS

Claimed Absurd to Assume That Earth Is Only Planet Containing Life

SAN JOSE, Cal., Sept. 3.—"It is absurd to assume that the earth is the only planet on which life exists," was the declaration of Dr. Robert G. Aitken, assistant director of Lick observatory, in an address on astronomy before the San Jose Rotary club today. "The Milky Way contains thousands of suns," he said. "Each is probably surrounded by its own system of planets; each may be greater than our own solar system. In view of this it seems absurd to think that of this vast universe of heavenly bodies, but one tiny, infinitesimal planet, Earth, contains the only intelligent beings."

Commenting upon the markings of Mars as evidence of life on that planet, Dr. Aitken said that to be visible to astronomers of this earth, markings would have to be from fifty to one hundred miles wide, hence the notion that such markings plainly visible as they are, are canals such as would be built on this earth is absurd. "It's not likely they are canals," he added, "unless they do things very differently on Mars than on earth."

Dr. Aitken concluded with the declaration that astronomers have no direct observational evidence that there is life anywhere else in the Universe.