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HOLD-UP MAN PULLS DIAMOND DICK STUNT

W. G. WHITE ROBBED AND LEFT
BOUND HELPLESS IN THE
MOUNTAINS

WOMAN ACCOMPANIES ROBBER

At Point of Gun Compels Driver to
Pass Through Three Towns;
Rope Cut With Stone

Held up at the point of a pistol, robbed of his money, and left in the brush on a lonely mountain side with hands and feet tied, was the thrilling experience of W. G. White, a Grants Pass jitney driver.

It was Saturday evening at about 6:40. Mr. White's car was standing in front of the Grants Pass hotel, when a stranger approached him and asked for service. He was a man about 25 years of age, weighing perhaps 175 pounds, and said he wanted to go across the river, but asked that Mr. White first drive to the Southern Pacific depot to get a suitcase.

Arriving at the station they got the suitcase and grip, but a woman came out of the depot, entered the car and accompanied them. At the Rogue river bridge, the man asked the driver if that was the road to Rogue River, stating that he wanted to camp along the road a few miles out from the city. Mr. White drove on.

Arriving at Savage Rapids, about seven miles south of Grants Pass, the stranger said: "Stop here," adding, as he thrust a pistol in the driver's ribs, "do you see this gun?"

Mr. White assured him that he did, and asked what the game was.

"It's a holdup," came the quick response. "Get out of the car and march ahead of me."

Advising his victim to move faster, the robber told him that he would not be hurt if he obeyed. The "lady" remained in the car while the man rifled Mr. White's pockets. At first he missed a small flat pocketbook on an inside vest pocket, but realizing that he had done a poor job of searching, he went through all pockets again and found the purse which contained several bills.

"All this time," says Mr. White, "the robber was very polite and courteous, but gave me to understand that he meant business and would shoot if I made a false move."

"How's your gas?" asked the highwayman.

"Pretty low, I think." A measure taken showed five gallons in the tank.

"That will do," the driver was assured, and they stepped into the Ford and drove on.

They passed through Rogue River, but no one was on the street. Mr. White wanted to give the Ford a drink, but the highwayman told him to keep going. They also passed through Gold Hill, but it being meal time the streets were somewhat deserted. Here Mr. White began thinking pretty hard. He thought of turning the car quickly and driving to some store or house, but thought the chances were too risky. A few miles south of Gold Hill he was ordered to turn off on a road leading to Jacksonville, through which place they passed, but still the driver could see no signs of immediate help, for the man in the rear seat kept the pistol in a very handy position.

Arriving at a lonely spot perhaps a mile and a half south of the county seat town, the robber again spoke:

"This will do—get out."

Mr. White did so, asking: "What are you going to do?"

"First, we are going out in the brush a little ways."

Again the victim marched ahead, the muzzle of the pistol following

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BOLSHEVIKI GOOD AS STRATEGISTS

Lure Armed Sailors Into Jail Yard
Where They Are Covered With
Machine Guns

Paris, Sept. 15.—Bolshevik leaders in Russia are compelled to practice strategy in order to control the lawless elements they use as official executioners of the sentences pronounced by the soviet tribunals. One instance occurred in arrest of 15 sailors who had been employed in this way by Djerpinaky and Peters who have been described as "the terror men of Petrograd." The sailors had become obstreperous but as they were heavily armed they were not expected to submit docilely.

So they were ordered to Boutirky jail "to execute prisoners" of the bolsheviks. They entered the yard fully and were marched to inner enclosures where the officers left them to fetch the condemned men.

Soon the executioners discovered that machine guns menaced them from every window and the warden ordered them to surrender. Realizing their helplessness they threw their weapons away and were marched into the jail where they made the day hideous with their threats and cries.

HEALTH OFFICER HAS TESTED CITY WATER

It should be of some interest to the Grants Pass public to know the character of water which they use for domestic purposes. It is very essential above all, that the water should be free from typhoid germs. The Rogue River Water company has in use one of the most up-to-date sterilizing plants. In order to be sure of the work this plant is doing the company runs a series of tests several times a year. A series of tests covering a period of 30 days has just been completed by the county health officer, Dr. F. D. Stricker, with most satisfactory results. For the information of those familiar with the subject, it should be stated that the average number of colonies per cubic centimeter was 20, and the test for colon bacilli was negative for the entire time. This proves conclusively that the water is absolutely free from typhoid bacteria.

PORTLAND CITIZENS CHEER THE PRESIDENT

Portland, Ore., Sept. 15.—President and Mrs. Wilson were cheered by thousands as they rode through the streets. They were taken for a drive over the Columbia River highway and given a banquet at 1 o'clock. The president is to make a speech tonight. The weather is perfect.

MURDERER OF GOODSELL GETS LIGHT SENTENCE

Portland, Sept. 15.—Amos B. Foster, a druggist, who on the morning of April 25 'held' Patrolman George Raney at bay in the lobby of a local hotel, shot and killed John Lawrence Goodsell, night clerk of the hotel, and then sent several shots into his own body today was sentenced to serve one year in the state penitentiary.

Upon recommendation of the district attorney's office, Foster, through his attorney was permitted to withdraw his plea of not guilty which he entered to the indictment charging him with second degree murder and enter a plea of guilty to manslaughter.

LEGION WILL GIVE OVATION TO ROOSEVELT

COLONEL WILL PASS THROUGH
CITY TUESDAY ON WAY NORTH
TO STATE CONVENTION

BUSINESS MEETING TO FOLLOW

Local Organization of American Legion Working Hard to Increase Membership

With the Grants Pass post of the American Legion taking the initiative, a hearty greeting will be extended Lieutenant-Colonel Theodore Roosevelt when he passes through here Tuesday evening.

This welcome to one of the originators of the American Legion will be the first action taken by the ex-service men of this locality.

The preliminary meetings which have been held showed a spirit and interest which augurs an influential and permanent place for the Legion in the affairs of the community.

The ovation for Col. Roosevelt will occur at his train which arrives at 6:15 p. m. Tuesday. Following this a working organization for the local post will be effected at a meeting in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce at 8 o'clock.

All ex-service men eligible for membership in the American Legion are strongly urged to attend both of the meetings Tuesday evening. All honorably discharged soldiers, sailors and marines are eligible for membership.

From Grants Pass Colonel Roosevelt will continue to Portland where he is slated to open the first state convention of the American Legion on September 17th.

PRESIDENT'S SPECIAL ARRIVES HERE TUESDAY

Efforts have been made by Grants Pass citizens to prevail upon President Wilson to stop here on his way south Tuesday and deliver a short speech, but up until 4 o'clock this afternoon no definite word concerning the president's special could be learned.

Station Agent Isham says that as near as he can learn, the president's train will arrive in Grants Pass at 10:35 Tuesday forenoon, but the hour is not certain. The president's physician is advising against his making any speeches that are not already on his schedule, but it is probable that the special will stop here for a few minutes, in which

WESTERN UNION REPEATER STATION AT GRANTS PASS NOW IN OPERATION

Grants Pass will hereafter have a 24-hour Western Union telegraph service, the new repeater service equipment, the installation of which has just been completed, now being in service. During the past month or more a crew of five or six men has been engaged in making final installation. The plant is equipped with the very latest telegraphic equipment, known as the universal repeater, by the use of which four messages can be sent in each direction from San Francisco to Portland over one wire at the same time. The equipment consists of three high speed automatic circuits, two quadruplexes and a battery of single

RESERVATIONS ARE 'DEFIANT' SAYS SENATOR

McCUMBER, REPUBLICAN, WANTS
ALL AMENDMENTS KILLED
FEW "RESERVATIONS"

"AMERICA WOULD BE ISOLATED"

Jones of New Mexico Says "Insidious
Declarations" Poison Public
Mind and Kill Treaty

Washington, Sept. 15.—Rejection of all the proposed amendments to the peace treaty and modification of the recommended "strong" reservations were urged in the individual minority report filed by Senator McCumber, North Dakota republican, ranking next to Senator Lodge on the foreign relations committee.

The senator denounced the amendments as selfish, immoral and dishonorable, and charged that they seek to isolate the United States and abandon our allies. He claimed that the reservations were couched in a defiant, discourteous manner and expressed "jingoistic spirit that ought to be eliminated from American statesmanship."

Washington, Sept. 15.—Consolidation of the peace treaty was begun today in the senate.

Washington, Sept. 15.—Denouncing the senators whose "insidious declarations poison the public mind against the peace treaty and the league of nations, Senator Jones, New Mexico democrat, said that if the reservations of the foreign relations committee were adopted, the treaty and the league would fail.

case Mr. Wilson may come out on the platform and speak a few words. It is urged that a big crowd be present. If the depot grounds are covered with people it will be an inducement for the president to come out and show himself. The president and his party will have several meals of Josephine county venison. The big buck from which the juicy steaks are to be cut will be put on the president's train on its arrival here. The buck was shot by R. L. Newman in the Murphy district and will be presented with the compliments of the Southern Pacific railway employees. The buck is on exhibition in the window of Pardee's grocery.

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JOHN BULL CATCHING FOOD PROFITEERS

London, Sept. 15.—To the present 336 profiteers have been convicted by the Stepheny food committee and have paid fines amounting to \$20,000 while four have served terms in prison. The newspapers insist that more prison sentences are needed to bring the high price traders to their senses.

FIGHT STARTED TO
REINSTATE POLICEMEN
Boston, Sept. 15.—A definite campaign to regain the places for striking policemen has been inaugurated. Labor leaders have conferred with Police Commissioner Curtis.

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TWO INNOCENT MEN HUNG BY WILD MOB

Pueblo, Colo., Scene of Tragedy,
Guns Under Sergeant's Nose Forced
to Deliver Jail Keys

Pueblo, Cal., Sept. 11.—A mob of several hundred citizens, all heavily armed, entered the police station here, held up the desk sergeant with revolvers under his nose and forced the jailer to turn over two Mexicans held in the city jail as suspects in connection with the murder of Patrolman Jeff Evans.

The Mexicans were taken in an automobile to the north of the city. A false telephone report just previous to the mob's action had drawn the greater part of the police force to Peppersauce bottoms to quell a fight, leaving the desk sergeant and jailer alone.

Police officers say the mob seized the wrong men. Jose Gonzales and Santos Oretz, arrested for the murder Saturday night of Patrolman Jeff Evans, they say, had been transferred to the county jail to avoid trouble.

The bodies of the two Mexicans were found by the police on the Fourth street bridge, just at the city limits, 45 minutes after they were taken from the jail. They were hanging by ropes from the girders of the bridge.

H. C. L. CONTINUES TO SOAR SKYWARD

Washington, Sept. 15.—Retail prices went up during August and are still mounting despite the government campaign to reduce the cost of living, according to two government departments, who are covering practically every section of the country. Simultaneously both wholesale prices and prices paid to producers have dropped, the government reports indicate.

NEWS WRITERS STRIKE AT NEW HAVEN, CONN.

New Haven, Sept. 15.—Three afternoon newspapers prepared today to issue under difficulties, due to the news writers' strike, following the publishers' refusal to increase wages to street and desk men.

NEWSPAPER MEN KILLED IN AUTO COLLISION

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CONGRESSMAN LEA PROMISES HARBOR HELP

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WILL PREVAIL UPON WAR DEPARTMENT TO START WORK IMMEDIATELY

WAR HOLDS UP THE RAILROAD

Commission, Southbound, Accompanied to Medford by Boosters From Del Norte and Grants Pass

That the federal authorities would authorize the commencement of construction work upon the Crescent City harbor without further delay was the belief expressed by Congressman Lea, of California, to representatives of the coast city and of Grants Pass Sunday. The congressman was en route south upon train 13 Sunday morning and was met at Grants Pass by the Del Norte harbor commission, who had come to Grants Pass Saturday. The members of the commission were Jacob Marhoffer, president of the Crescent City bank; Attorney Jas McNulty; Geo. M. Keller, manager of the Hobbs-Wall Co., and John J. McNamara. The commission conferred with citizens of Grants Pass Saturday evening and Sunday morning, accompanied by Wilford Allen, representing this city, joined the congressional party, which included Congressman Lea and the other legislators who had been in Portland conducting the investigation of the spruce production campaign.

The Del Norte delegation sought to enlist the assistance of Congressman Lea in gaining the authorization of the government in starting work upon the harbor at Crescent City. Del Norte county bonded itself for \$200,000 to aid in the building of the harbor, the government to appropriate \$200,000 for the same project. The bond issue has been sold and the money is now available. A condition of the government appropriation was the construction of a railroad from Grants Pass to Crescent City, but this has been held up during the period of the war, and the government portion of the fund is therefore not yet available. The Del Norte people, however, wish to start harbor construction with the funds which are now ready from the proceeds of the bond sale, and are going after the department with a will that will certainly win. Congressman Lea did not consider it advisable to ask congress to eliminate the railroad clause from the harbor bill, but he did believe he would have no difficulty in prevailing upon the war department to contract for as much of the work as could be completed with the \$200,000.

The Crescent City delegation stated that a breakwater 1700 feet in length could be built with the funds which they now had available. They said that not a great amount of new equipment would be required, as the Hobbs-Wall logging railroad now extends from the dock to the quarry from which the rock for the breakwater will be taken. The war department's engineering plan contemplated the placing of the rock in position with a "high-line" built from the dock, making the handling of the rock most economical.

Congressman Lea is to return to Washington City within the next two weeks, when he will immediately urge upon the department the necessity of calling for bids for the harbor work. He considered it advisable that the 1700 feet of the breakwater be built at once, as this will be a wonderful aid to shipping that will develop from Crescent City. He showed a lively interest in and a familiarity with the harbor question, and inquired especially of conditions in the Rogue valley and the cooperation between the two communities in railroad and harbor building. The Crescent City and

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