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400,000 GO ON STRIKE FRIDAY

One Thousand Mines Will Close Tomorrow Pending a Settlement of Wage Question—Conference to Be Held Monday, But It Is Now Believed Walkout Is Certain.

4000 IN TEXAS GET IN A HURRY AND WALK OUT

President Lewis Declares a Suspension of Work—Predicts That 250,000 of 500,000 Will Be Affected—Many Going Out.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., March 31.—Four hundred thousand coal miners, including almost every man in the district between Western Pennsylvania and the Oklahoma fields, will strike tomorrow, compelling idleness in 1000 mines, according to a decision of A. J. Moorehead, president of the Illinois operators.

A joint conference of representatives of all miners and operators will be held in Chicago next Monday. Moorehead does not believe a settlement will be reached at that time.

CHICAGO, Ill., March 31.—A sharp advance in the price of coal is predicted here today by dealers as a result of the walkout of the miners in the bituminous coal districts, pending a new agreement. It is expected, however, that the quasi-strike will be settled within a month.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 31.—President Lewis of the United Mineworkers of America, today declared a suspension of work by the miners in the eastern coal fields. The suspension will last for a period not to exceed 30 days.

DALLAS, Tex., March 31.—With waiting the arrival of formal orders to strike, 4000 coal miners in Palo Pinto county walked from the mines today.

INQUEST HELD ON BUNCH OF GARBAGE

Excited Laborers on Pacific & Eastern Believe They Found Body of Child Along Right of Way.

Some men employed in setting fences along the P. & E. right of way, while bailing out a deep hole for the purpose of setting an anchor post, found a mass of decaying matter wrapped in paper at the bottom and jumped to the conclusion that they had unearthed a crime.

Word was sent to Medford that the body of a new-born babe had been found in the hole, and the story grew until the size, weight and general features of the infant were described.

Coroner Kellogg was summoned from Gold Hill and upon investigation could find nothing except vegetable matter in the package.

CATANIANOW THOUGHT SAFE

Two Villages Are Left to Their Fate—Soldiers Withdrawn—Lava Flow Widens in Its Progress Down the Mountain Side—Lava Estimated to Be 100 Feet Deep in Places.

TEDDY TO VIEW AETNA FROM TAORMINA, SICILY

Thanksgiving Under Way in Catania Now That Lava Flow Has Been Diverted From Its Course Toward That City—Every One Celebrates.

NEW YORK, March 31.—Theodore Roosevelt will arrive at Taormina, Sicily, tomorrow to witness the great eruption of Mt. Aetna, according to a dispatch received today from Catania.

NAPLES, March 31.—The mountain villages of Borello and Belpaso have been left to their fate, according to advices from Catania today.

The flow of lava from 35 craters of the giant mountain of Aetna has widened in its progress down the southern slope of the volcano. Soldiers have abandoned the towns, permitting the inhabitants to re-enter them to remove everything of value that could be carried to safety.

Other towns on the mountainside, which have partially been buried by the solidifying lava have been depopulated for several days and the soldiers are preventing the peasants from re-entering them because of danger.

Intervening hills have checked the flow of lava toward Catania according to reports, and the lava is now flowing towards the coast.

The lava is estimated to be 100 feet deep in places.

CATANIA, March 31.—Bells of the cathedral, the monasteries and the churches of Catania are ringing today while joyous processions of devotees fill the streets in thanksgiving for deliverance of the city from the peril of Mount Aetna's lava streams.

The civil authorities today announced that the largest stream had been diverted from Catania by a range of low hills and that it is flowing toward the sea.

Even the sorrow-stricken thousands from the mountain towns issued from the refugees' quarters to join in the demonstration.

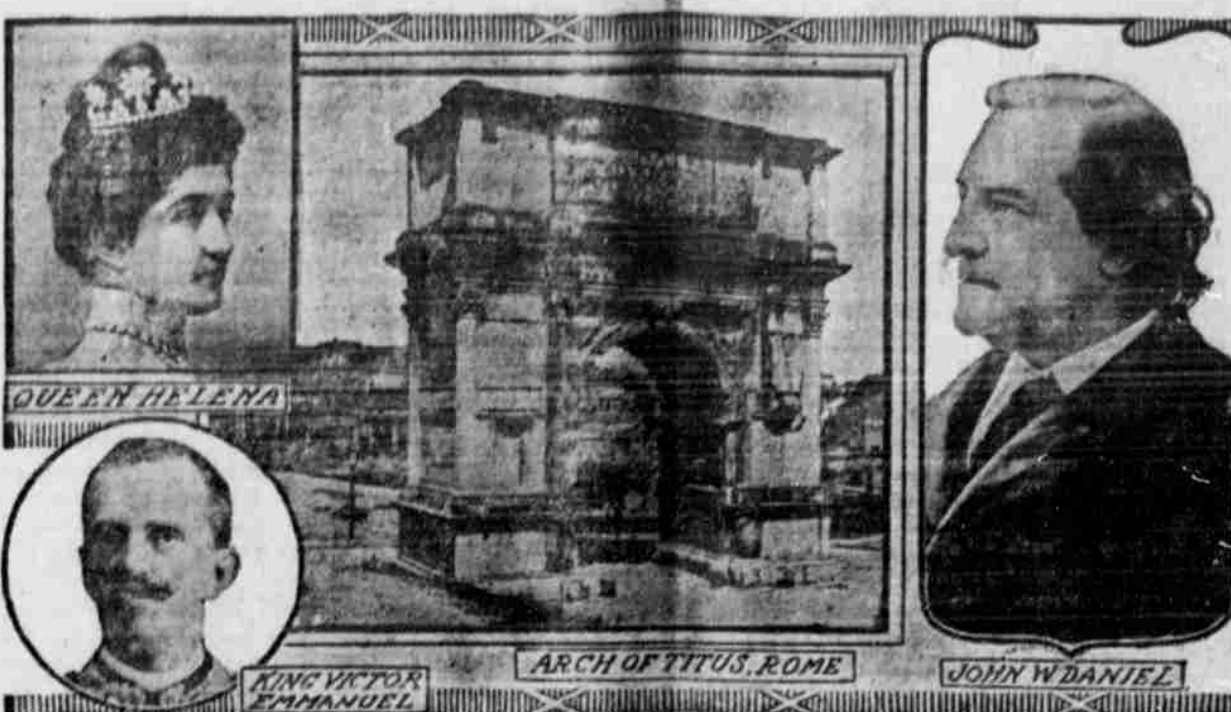
Persons who have been permitted to visit the territory which through the lava is flowing describe the mass as an impressive sight. They declare that in many places the lava has filled deep ravines, then taken its onward flow.

TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The 25th anniversary of the organization of the First Presbyterian church of Medford, Or., will be the subject of the services Sunday morning. Special music by the choir. Inspirational service. We bid you a welcome to join in this service with us.

Services at 8 p. m.: "How Can We Escape Through Neglect?" is the subject for the evening. Good music, special by the choir. The message is for you. Come and hear it. It is the message of the ever abounding life. Sunday school at 10 a. m. C. E. society at 7 p. m.

Rome and Its Royalties Preparing to Greet Roosevelt; Senator Daniel of Virginia.



TO COMPLETE ROAD TO BUTTE FALLS IN JUNE

Johnson Porter of Porter Bros., Who Are Building Pacific & Eastern Extension, Is in Medford on Inspection Tour—6000 Men at Work in Deschutes on Oregon Trunk.

"We expect to complete our present contract with the Pacific & Eastern railway company in June," states Johnson Porter, of the firm of Porter Bros., who are building the road, who is in Medford making an inspection tour of the road.

"Everything is moving rapidly and we are putting on all of the men possible. The present weather is great for railroad building. We have 6000 men at work at present in Central Oregon on the Oregon Trunk and the work is progressing rapidly. He read, when completed, will be like the North Bank, first-class in every respect, as we are laying heavy steel and building well."

Mr. Porter spent Thursday out on the line of the Pacific & Eastern.

\$30 OR 15 DAYS OR STAY AWAY

Mayor Canon Notifies Old Offender That His Presence Is Not Needed in Medford—In Trouble Before.

Dave Fleming, who has been one of the most regular customers of the city jail for the past year, came in from the construction camps of the P. & E. yesterday and proceeded to assuage his 60-day thirst. After having put quite a number of beers under his belt, he began looking for trouble. He found it. In perinegrations he ran afoul of another denizen of the construction camps, whom he thought he could lick. There was where Fleming made a mistake. He couldn't do it. In less than two minutes Fleming looked like he had been run over by a disc harrow, and in three minutes more he was in jail. His opponent escaped.

"I will fine you \$30," said Judge Canon, "or 15 days in jail; but as you haven't \$30 and the city don't want to feed you, you can make your escape from this town by the shortest route."

"Kin I wait fer a pass, yer honor, so that I kin git back ter ther camp?" pleaded the prisoner. "You can wait for your pass in jail, and remember, if you show up in this town again that \$30 fine goes."

Charles A. Cole of Corvallis is in Medford.

MOORE CASE TO JURY; LOOK FOR EARLY VERDICT

President of Defunct Oregon Trust & Savings Bank Will Soon Learn His Fate—Attorneys Complete the Arguments and the Jury Goes Out.

PORTLAND, Or., March 31.—With the completion of the argument of District Attorney Cameron, the case against W. H. Moore, president of the defunct Oregon Trust & Savings bank, who has been on trial here for the last two weeks on an indictment charging that he accepted deposits with a knowledge that the bank was insolvent, was placed in the hands of the jury shortly before noon today. A verdict is expected to be returned late this afternoon.

The last witness for the prosecution was Mrs. D. T. Watts, wife of a drug clerk, who testified late yesterday that she had taken Minnie Mitchell to the bank to make the deposit on which the indictment against Moore is based. The prosecution aimed by her testimony to contradict Moore, who, in his examination, denied being in the bank and witnessing the transaction by the clerk and Miss Mitchell.

This testimony in rebuttal was objected to by attorneys for the defense on the ground that the testimony should have been brought out in the chief testimony of the case and as later introduced, was merely cumulative.

This objection was sustained by Judge Bronaugh.

Today's session of court was occupied by arguments of the attorneys for both sides.

TEAM DASHES THREE CHILDREN INTO TRAIN

Spirited Team Gets Beyond Control of Young Driver and Dashes Trap Into Speeding Overland Limited.

PASADENA, Cal., March 31.—Helen Howard, 14, is thought to be dying at the Santa Fe hospital today, and Daisy Rogers, 15, and Lester Edwards, 16, are under the doctor's care at their homes as a result of injuries sustained when a terrified team of spirited horses dashed the trap in which they were riding against a speeding Santa Fe train.

Miss Howard's left leg was so badly mangled that amputation is necessary. Her skull was fractured and the surgeons who attended her declared she had practically no chance to recover.

CIRCUIT COURT GRINDING OUT WORK RAPIDLY

Davis Claim as Unpaid Creditor of Medford & Crater Lake Railroad Will Be Heard in Circuit Court Next Saturday—Is Most Interesting Case of This Term.

Although the court docket of the March term which opened last Monday is one of the longest in the history of the circuit court for Jackson county, Judge Calkins is going after it so rapidly that most of the cases will probably be disposed of before the summer vacation. Attorneys have to look sharp these days for Judge Calkins is keeping them on the jump.

The grand jury wasted but little time, and at the end of the first day of the term they adjourned until August 29, or just a week before the September term will open. Four indictments were returned and other matters considered.

Obstructed Stream. J. P. Adkins, S. S. Jolly and F. M. Wade of the Applegate Mining company were indicted by the grand jury for obstructing a stream frequented by salmon. These men in the operation of their mine are said to have built a dam without adequate fishways. Mr. Adkins was arraigned Wednesday and pleaded not guilty. The others will be arraigned soon and in the meantime are out on bail.

Today the case of Edwin Erdman of Medford, who is charged with larceny, is being heard. H. K. Hanna, Jr., was appointed by the court to defend him.

The indictments returned by the grand jury against John Doe and Richard Roe for larceny in a dwelling proved to be against Lewis Helghand and W. Swanson. These men are both of Medford, and are now confined in the county jail awaiting trial.

Unclean Slaughter House. Henry Dally and D. B. Deter, who conduct a slaughter house at Eagle Point, have both pleaded not guilty to the indictment returned by the grand jury that they kept an unclean slaughter house. They allege that certain persons through spite work brought about the indictment. They will come up for trial soon.

Although August Schultz paid to the Jacksonville lodge of Redmen all money which was due them and obtained a receipt in full, an indictment was returned charging him with larceny by embezzlement in the sum of \$26.50. The indictment, however, had been demurred to by his attorney, A. E. Reames. Schultz was admitted to \$300 bail, which he gave.

Damage Suit Up. The case of Huntzinger vs. the city of Ashland, which is an appeal from the city recorder on a damage suit in which he was awarded \$470 for the opening of a street through his property, was taken up in the circuit

NO RED FIRE IN SENATE FIGHT

But Insurgents Will Battle With the Regulars When Administration Measures Come Up for Passage—Will Differ From House Fight, as There Will Be No Fireworks.

INFLUENCE IN SENATE IS MORE SUBTLE OF THE TWO

Democratic Senators Will Not Rally to Aid of Senate Insurgents, as Did Their Brethren in the House—First Fight Was on Postals Bill.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 31.—Although there will be an insurgent fight in the senate between now and the end of the present session of congress, there will be no fireworks, such as accompanied the recent uprising in the house against the rules. This is the state of affairs according to statements of senate leaders today.

In the senate the insurgent fight will be brought out when administration measures are up for discussion. These measures, supposed to represent the platform ideas of the Republicans, will be attacked by the insurgent senators in debate, and they will fight hotly for such changes as they think necessary to make them nearer their idea of what has been promised the people.

The progressives in the senate have the same inspiration for warfare as those in the house, but conditions in the senate are not such as call for the mode of warfare waged by the representatives. There is no issue regarding rules. The influence that controls the senate is more subtle and not so clearly centralized as Canon's power in the house, therefore the fight will be made as an attack on reactionary measures.

While the Democratic representatives stood solidly in line with Republican insurgents to bring about revolution in the house, nothing of the sort could be accomplished, even if there was occasion for such a combination in the senate.

Those who are familiar with senate affairs declare that in the event of a close vote on an Aldrich measure, Aldrich could probably summon some Democratic votes. The insurgents, they say, could not.

No organization has been perfected by the senate progressives and no effort has been made to agree on a program. The progressives in the senate differ so in their views that it would be impossible to agree on a program.

The future fights of the insurgents in the senate will be made along the same lines as those so far conducted. The first was on the postal savings bank bill, and was successful.

LIBERIA UPRISING RAPIDLY SPREADING

Dispatches Today State Large Numbers of Germans Have Been Assassinated—Only 600 Soldiers.

LIVERPOOL, England, March 31.—Numbers of Germans have been assassinated and minor clashes between unorganized natives of the hinterland and troops stationed in the ivory coast are reported today in dispatches from Africa.

The native uprising in Liberia is spreading and the messages indicate that it has extended into the ivory coast.

Scattered detachments of the 600 soldiers stationed in ivory coast are opposing unorganized bands of thousands of hinterland natives and further fighting is reported today.

ROGUE LEADS IN BRAINS ALSO

Rogue River Valley Leads, Not Only in Taking of Prizes, But Also in Scientific Culture of Fruit—Essentially Wants O'Gara's Dope to Pass to Yakima and Other Districts.

NUMBER OF LETTERS ARE RECEIVED MAKING INQUIRY

News of Fight Against Frost in Valley Spreads to Other Districts and They Would Also Learn of Methods in Vogue.

Not alone does the Rogue River valley lead the other fruit districts of the northwest in acreage, quality and quantity of fruit, but in the scientific culture of pears and apples as well, if the letters received by Professor O'Gara and others are any criterion.

The letters which have been received recently have been in connection with frost prevention. It is a well established fact that pears and apples will not thrive in a section wholly free from frost, although they come nearer doing it in the Rogue River valley than elsewhere. But here there is no blind submission to an unkind providence, but an earnest and scientific effort at self preservation. And other districts would know how we do it."

In a letter from Edward A. Beals, district weather forecaster, to Professor O'Gara he asks for all available data "for distribution in the North Yakima, Lewiston and Boise sections of my district for the people in these places are not as far advanced in this work as those in the Medford district."

Mr. Beals states further that he intends to have a number of O'Gara's articles on frost prevention printed for general distribution before the next season begins.

Professor O'Gara has completed a pamphlet on frost prevention, which will soon be published by the department of agriculture.

FUNERAL RITES OF BREWER SIMPLE

Justices of Supreme Court Acted as Honorary Pallbearers—Taft and Committees of Congress Attended.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 31.—In accordance with his own wishes, the funeral today of David J. Brewer, associate justice of the supreme court of the United States, was simple. Although it was attended by the most prominent men in the nation, there was no pomp or ceremony.

The men who had occupied the bench with Brewer, justices of the supreme court, acted as honorary pallbearers. President Taft and members of the senate and house committees on the judiciary attended.

Short services were held at the Brewer home. Late today the body will be taken to the station, where it will be placed in a special car and taken to Leavenworth, Kan., the former home of the jurist, for burial. It is expected that the funeral party will arrive in Leavenworth on Saturday.

There will be some real baseball at the Medford grounds Sunday when the two leaders of the league, Medford and Jacksonville, meet. The Medford bunch is working out every day and the players are beginning to round into form.

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