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270,000 MINERS OUT ON STRIKE; \$900,000 IS OWNERS' DAILY LOSS MINERS AND OPERATORS RAPIDLY GET TOGETHER SAMS VALLEY SOUTHERN PACIFIC TO BACK DEAL TO CLOSE TRAVEL TO CRATER LAKE

75,000 MINERS IN ILLINOIS GO OUT ON STRIKE

Coal famine is feared, but it is predicted that all differences will have been settled within a week—many men already return to work.

INDIANAPOLIS, April 1.—Official estimates by leaders of the United Mineworkers of America today are that 270,000 miners are on strike. They also estimate that the falling off in the output of the mines reaches 1,250,000 tons daily. The loss to the miners in wages is estimated at \$900,000 daily.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., April 1.—Three thousand miners of Southern Indiana continued work today owing to the rapidity with which operators and representative mine-workers reached an agreement on wages and hours.

The end of a strike of 17,000 miners in that territory is in sight and probably will be brought about today. President Lewis of the United Mineworkers today predicted that all contracts except in Illinois and in the southwest would be signed within a week. He added that probably Illinois miners and those of Texas, Oklahoma and adjacent states would be back at work under iron-clad agreements within ten days. He said further that there would be no trouble in reaching agreements and signing contracts in Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, West Virginia, Kentucky, Central Pennsylvania and Iowa.

Reports received at miners' headquarters here indicate the following conditions throughout the bituminous coal districts, due to the strike: In Illinois 900 mines are closed and 75,000 miners have quit work. A conference between operators and miners has been called for next Monday and is to be held in Chicago. The Illinois operators say that the men demand an increase of 10 cents a ton, which means an annual increase of \$14,000,000. They declare that if they pay this sum it will necessitate a four months' shut-down of the mines.

Little Coal on Hand.
Only a two months' supply of coal is on hand and the operators predict a great coal famine which will boost prices of coal to the limit. In Indiana 18,000 miners were ordered to quit at midnight last night. Already a sixth of the number have returned to work under new and satisfactory agreements. The miners' officials of the state declare that the strike will be short-lived. In Pennsylvania approximately 40,000 men were affected by the strike order. The operators have submitted a temporary scale wage allowing a 5 cent increase on every mined ton of coal.

Iowa Mines Closed.
In Iowa, every mine is closed pending the settlement of the wage dispute. Negotiations are in abeyance, but it is probable that the operators of Iowa mines will concede the same terms as those granted by the operators in other states and that the miners will accept.

WAS IT HALLEY'S COMET OR JUST AN APRIL FOOL?

Reported by Different People That Halley's Long-Expected Comet Was Seen Just Before Daybreak in the East—But Mr. Wiseman Says, "You Can't Fool Him."

A number of local people reported this morning that they had seen Halley's long-expected comet in the east before daybreak this morning. But you can't tell anybody that today—April 1—and expect them to believe it. Mr. Wiseman shies at the report, having already "bit" once or twice in the early morning hours. So the report was shied at all over town. But Mr. Wiseman may have "bit" the other way—for several people maintain stoutly that they saw it—that it looked like a quarter-full moon and that it was due east of the city.

MRS. ENYART SELLS HER GLENDALE PROPERTY

GLENDALE, April 1.—Mrs. J. E. Enyart of Medford, who is visiting her sister, Mrs. Florence Dewey, in this city, sold her hotel property on Pacific avenue to Sether & Gilberston. The place is occupied as a hotel by Mrs. Eva Tindall. Also Mrs. Enyart sold her residence on Montgomery boulevard to K. A. Miller and J. H. Smith of the Glendale real estate agency. The place is still occupied by Mrs. Kate Slocum, who will still hold it. Other important deals in real estate are under advisement. Our city is enjoying a time of unparalleled prosperity and the end is not yet.

WOMEN IN FRISCO DEMAND REGISTRATION

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., April 1.—While the local band of suffragettes are scheming out a new way of giving publicity to "cause" today, Deputy Registrar Cameron H. King is receiving congratulations from politicians on the stand he took yesterday when a formal delegation of "votes of women" floated into the registrar's office and demanded they be allowed to register. They based this demand on grounds that they were citizens of the United States. Mrs. Keith, wife of the distinguished artist, led the suffragettes and many well-known women in the ranks. King stated firmly that he could not register any of them.

JAPANESE SPIES ACTIVE THROUGHOUT PHILIPPINES

SAN FRANCISCO, April 1.—A prominent army officer, recently returned from the Philippines, in discussing the presence of Japanese spies in the Philippines, said: "The government is well aware of the activity of Japanese soldiers and engineers in the use of merchants and traders in mapping the islands and endeavoring to get plans of the defenses of island ports. The Philippines have been overrun by Japanese, but their presence has been no secret to the authorities. For the most part the so-called spies have not been interfered with, although their movements have been followed by government agents. Of

MOORE JURY IS UNABLE TO AGREE IS SENT BACK

Report to Judge Bronaugh and Are Ordered Locked Up Again, Although Foreman Says There Is No Possibility of Their Reaching an Agreement.

PORTLAND, Or., April 1.—The jury in the case of Walter H. Moore, ex-president of the Oregon Trust & Savings bank, tried on the charge of receiving deposits after he knew the bank to be insolvent, reported to Judge Bronaugh at 10 o'clock today that it could not agree. The impression was general that the jury, who have been deliberating on the case since noon yesterday, stood about 10 to 2 for conviction. After receiving further instructions from the court, the jury again retired, although Foreman Smith declared there was not the slightest possibility of an agreement. The maximum penalty for the crime of which Moore is charged is a fine not exceeding \$1000 and imprisonment not exceeding two years.

JOHNSON SORE AT TALES OF BOOZING

Says He Drank Mineral Water Alone and Did Not Indulge in Wealthy Water Which Cheers.

CHICAGO, April 1.—"Ah wish you fool reporters 'ud yemme alone," was Jack Johnson's indignant reply today when questioned concerning a report that he drank enough wine to float a "Dreadnaught" at a birthday dinner last night.

DRANK WITH STRANGERS AND LOST HIS MONEY

Mark Donegan, a plumber who works for Fenwick on the west side, met some new pals in Kennedy's saloon Wednesday night and, allowing himself to be enticed into the back yard of the place, was thrown over a beer barrel and relieved of the contents of his pockets. He claimed that three men did the trick, two of them holding him bent over the barrel, while the third went through him.

JEFFRIES LEAVES FOR TRAINING GROUNDS SUNDAY

LOS ANGELES, Cal., April 1.—James J. Jeffries and his party are scheduled to leave Los Angeles on the Southern Pacific's Owl train on Sunday afternoon and will arrive in San Francisco early Monday. The white champion had intended to start north tomorrow, but postponed the trip one day because he could not get Pullman accommodations.

DEAL TO CLOSE

Parties Who Gave Options on Their Property to American Development Company Notified to Prepare Abstracts and Deeds and That First Payment is Ready.

PRICES AVERAGE \$62.50 AN ACRE; TOTALS \$1,250,000
Intention of the Company to Irrigate the Land, Place It in a High State of Cultivation, Cut It into Small Tracts and Sell.

Parties who have bargained their lands in Sams Valley to the American Development Co. have been notified that the first payment on the options has been deposited in bank and that as soon as a proper abstract has been prepared and accepted the first payment will be made. The deal involves some 20,000 acres of land in Sams Valley, some of it more valuable than the rest, but at the prices asked by the owners the tract averages about \$62.50 an acre, an aggregate of \$1,250,000.

It is not certain that all the tracts will be taken at the price asked for them, but doubtless a majority of them will be. The intention of the company, which is composed of a syndicate of wealthy eastern people, is to irrigate the land and put it in a high state of cultivation, after which they will cut their holdings up into smaller tracts and dispose of them.

BANK STATEMENTS OF MARCH 29 CALLED

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 1.—The comptroller of the currency today called for a statement from the United States national banks up to the close of business Tuesday, March 29.

OTTAWA, Ont., Canada, April 1.

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MEDFORD MUCH BETTER KNOWN THAN LAST YEAR

A. C. Randall, Who Owns Large Property in Valley, Returns to Spend the Summer in Medford—City and Valley Better Known, He Says, Than Ever Before in East.

"The city and valley are far better known this year than ever before," states A. C. Randall, who arrived from Minneapolis this morning to spend the summer here supervising his extensive holdings in the valley. "I noticed the change immediately after I got east last fall, and this summer there are many people coming west, and all are bound for the Rogue River valley. The last booklet issued did a great and good work and when the Eagle Point car of Spitzbergs won out at Spokane every one seemed talking of it. The valley certainly looks good to me—better than anything I saw east, and I traveled extensively." One of the first things Mr. Randall did after reaching Medford was to give \$100 to the Crater road fund.

CANADA TAKES HOLD OF CABLE COMPANIES

Measure is Passed by Canadian Commons Giving Railway Commission Control of Cable Companies.

LOST MONEY STOLEN

LOS ANGELES, Cal., April 1.—John Gues today requested the police to search for the thief who made away with several tin cans, containing more than a thousand dollars, which Gues had buried on his farm near this city. According to the story he told, he was afraid to deposit his money in the local banks and buried it in a field near his ranch house.

INSANE MAN ESCAPES FROM ASYLUM AND RUNS AMUCK

SAN BERNARDINO, Cal., April 1.—More than a score of attendants at the Highland state asylum for the insane, reinforced by a dozen deputy sheriffs from this city, are searching the desert country in every direction today for Antonio Torres, a violent patient, who is at large and thought to be armed. Torres made his escape from the asylum last evening. Eluding the guards in his ward, he dashed into the asylum yard and rushed upon Mrs. Edwin Waite, a San Bernardino society woman, who was standing with the bride of her saddle across her arm.

ENGLISH STILL PONDER OVER TEDDY'S SPEECH

Newspapers View With Alarm the Spread of Secret Societies in Egypt Which Tend to Undermine English Rule—Say T. R. Took a Great Chance When He Spoke.

LONDON, April 1.—Declaring that Roosevelt was in great personal danger when he dared to denounce the Nationalists while in Egypt, and asserting that members of secret organizations are preparing by means of terrorists' methods to sweep the English from the country, the London Express today sounded the loudest cry of alarm yet regarding British rule in Egypt. In an editorial the publication asks that the English officials in Egypt be instructed to inaugurate more rigid measures to repress the Nationalists, their publications and the various societies. "It is no secret that sedition is rampant among the native officers," says the Express. "The country is honeycombed with secret societies whose members are conspiring against the British and planning by terrorists' methods to sweep the English from the country. It is well known by government officials that members have been selected from these secret societies and sent to Italy and Switzerland for the purpose of studying explosives. The result of this can be but one thing—a reign of assassinations."

BOYS FREEZE TO DEATH IN COLORADO BLIZZARD

LOVELAND, Cal., April 1.—Two boys were frozen to death in the blizzard that has swept this section for the last three days, according to a report brought from Greeley today. They were Kost Nasus, 17 years old, and Willie H. yworth, aged 12. The bodies of the boys were found in the Hayworth ranch house near Greeley last evening. The Hayworth boy's father had left the boys to complete a shanty he was building while he journeyed to Greeley for more material. He was delayed by the blizzard and returned to find both lads lying dead just inside the door of the house.

GREATER MEDFORD CLUB MEETING

The meeting of the Greater Medford club, postponed from Monday, March 28, will be held at Smith's hall Monday afternoon, April 4.

TO IMPROVE ROAD

Klamath county is to take up the work of improving the road and will spend \$30,000 on the Klamath side according to the following dispatch: KLAMATH FALLS, April 1.—Thirty thousand dollars, if necessary, will be spent in the construction of an automobile road between Klamath Falls and Crater Lake. Judge Griffith, in announcing the decision of the county court, said: "Klamath county is not going around with its hat in its hand asking its neighbors to help construct roads for it. We are going to build our own roads and going to do it right. The county court has decided to construct between this city and Crater Lake a highway that will be a credit to the county. We decided that last year and were ready to spend \$30,000 in this work, if it were necessary. But the road can be put in fine shape for far less money than this. Already Modoc Point, the nightmare of automobilists and farmers alike, is a thing of the past, and all that remains is to remove a few more 'undesirables' along the road to make it one of

REPORTED THAT RAILROAD PLANS NEW AUTO LINE

Plan Proposed Provides for Sale of Tourist Tickets Which Will Give Purchaser Chance to Visit Lake by Payment of Hotel Bills and a Possible Nominal Fee.

Information comes from a reliable source that there is a plan on foot regarding the placing of Crater Lake on the map of the Southern Pacific railroad. The scheme is nothing more nor less than the establishing of an automobile line between Medford and Klamath Falls. The plan proposed provides for the sale of tourist tickets which will give the purchaser the option of continuing north or south on the main line or taking the side trip via Crater Lake. No additional charge will be made, aside from the usual ones in connection with hotel expenses.

At first glance it might seem that the expense would be too great a one for the railroad to bear, where no returns are in sight. But the company is not doing it for the present benefits that may be derived. It has had under consideration for some time an advertising campaign for Crater Lake that will be greater than anything of the kind ever undertaken. The literature that is to be issued will be well prepared and tens of thousands of them will be sent broadcast throughout the world. To supplement this the company has conceived the idea of the automobile line, believing that one live tourist would be worth a hundred dead books. Hence the idea of giving the tourist the novelty of making the trip from this city to Klamath Falls by way of the lake.

It will readily be seen that such a program would arouse widespread attention and would be the means of spreading the fame of Crater Lake far and wide more speedily and effectively than any other means that could be adopted. The plans embracing this enterprise are simply in the formative state. It may be possible that when they are all worked out it would become necessary to make a small additional charge for this side trip, but it is understood that this will not be done unless the business would involve a too heavy loss to the company.

With a wild yell the maniac hurled Mrs. Waite to the ground, seized the bride and leaped into the saddle. He dashed from the grounds and along the country road toward the foothills. Within half an hour attendants had taken the trail. They were joined later by deputies from the office of Sheriff Ralphs. Torres turned into a creek bed near the outskirts of the highland and it was difficult to follow his trail. From a deputy who returned to the asylum shortly before noon, it was learned that Torres' pursuers believe him to be armed.

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