

EX-CONVICT CHIEF WITNESS AGAINST G. HILL ROBBERS

The preliminary hearing of Pete Storr, "Dutch Pete," and Frank Kodat, the alleged Gold Hill bank burglars, which began in Justice Taylor's court this morning, was resumed at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon. The prisoners were defended at the hearing by Attorney Frank J. Newman, and the state's interests were looked after by Assistant County Prosecutor George Coddling.

The big feature of the hearing today was the revelation how President Smith of the bank and the authorities came to be tipped off that the attempt to burglarize the bank was going to be made. The star witness of the prosecution was Chas. Foster, ex-convict, living near Gold Hill, who not only testified that several days before the attempted burglary Dutch Pete with whom he became acquainted while they were serving sentence in the Oregon state penitentiary, several years ago, and Kodat told him, he alleges, that they were going to rob the bank, but that the next day he informed President Smith, Sheriff Terrill and Deputy Sheriff McMahon and came to Medford and pointed out to those officers Dutch Pete and Kodat, unknown to the suspected men.

Another good witness for the state was W. C. Wise, the bank watchman, who had a one-sided gun battle with the two burglars who entered the bank at 1 a. m. last Tuesday. Wise's story does not differ materially with that of this exciting night in the bank from that previously published in the Mail Tribune except that both burglars wore masks upon the upper part of their faces and had the lower part of their faces blackened or painted, when they entered the bank, and the fact that a street light near the bank instead of a lamp in the back room illuminated the banking room instead heretofore published.

Wise in his testimony identified Dutch Pete and Kodat as the two burglars, by their general size, clothing and general contour of their faces. He said that Dutch Pete was the first man to enter, that he had a sack strapped over his back, and a search light in one hand, and went over to the vault at once and was stooping over and reading a paper on the front of the vault door, when the second burglar entered the room and Wise began shooting at him with his 44 caliber Colt revolver.

Charles Foster, the ex-convict who served four years of a term for arson for burning down Deputy Sheriff Wilson's home in Jacksonville years ago, has been engaged in clearing a tract of land one mile north of Gold Hill for some time past. He testified that he became acquainted with Dutch Pete in the penitentiary.

He said he had not seen him since until Friday, April 8th, he was in Dusenbury's store at Gold Hill talking with Dusenbury and others when Dutch Pete and Kodat came in and the former walked back and forth seeming to be trying to attract his attention, until he finally greeted him and that Dutch Pete then asked him to step outside and take a walk as he wanted to talk over something with him. He went outside and then he and Dutch Pete and Kodat, whom he had never seen before, walked down to the vicinity of the railroad bridge.

Foster testified that the two men told him they were going to break into the bank the following Sunday, Monday or Tuesday night at 1 a. m., and that while they did not ask him to join them in this crime they told him to keep his mouth shut and that \$200 would be left for him under a walk near the bridge. Foster further testified that Dutch Pete and Kodat had a can of nitro-glycerine, powder, fuse and caps with them under their overcoats at this time which they in his presence concealed under a walk.

SLAVE TRADE IS STILL FLOURISHING IN MOROCCO ZONE

MELILLA, Morocco. (By the Associated Press)—Slavery and trading in slaves still flourish in the unconquered districts of both the French and Spanish zones of Morocco. There have been stories that some of the slaves are white people, but these reports are not borne out by inquiry.

Threats by the turbulent Moors of the Riff coast to sell into slavery a Spanish sailor boy, Francisco Sallud, unless his father, with whom he had been wrecked and captured, paid a ransom of 4,000 pesetas, led the Associated Press correspondent to make an inquiry into the question of the existence of enslaved white people in Northern Africa.

The result of his inquiries shows that of recent years instances of white people being sold into slavery have been very rare, but there are slave markets for the sale and purchase of colored people in the districts to which French or Spanish rule have not reached. The traffic varies according to the economic situation of the tribesmen who, when they are in funds, do not hesitate to give high prices for slaves to be used as servants. Slaves so purchased become personal property of the family into which they are bought and are disposed of by testament when the proprietor dies.

However it is customary for the purchaser to make a formal agreement before a competent legal authority to grant his slave his liberty on his master's death, when the heirs have to give up all claim and at the same time to allow the liberated slave to live on and cultivate any portion of his dead master's land, which may have been left to him as one of the family.

A slave-owner may give his slave a wife from among his other slaves bought in the same way and the children of these marriages become slaves of the same owner unless he has signed the agreement already mentioned in connection with their parents.

The prices paid for slaves vary considerably. Generally the age is the chief consideration but girl slaves, beauty calls for the highest prices. Seven hundred and fifty pesetas (about \$100 at the present rate of exchange) is about the maximum figure ever paid—and this only in the case of a very young and handsome girl. Should the human merchandise have passed the age of 25 or 30, the price paid is round about 400 pesetas, never more.

All purchases are made conditionally on the slaves proving satisfactory. A close examination is made of the slaves mouth to see whether he or she possesses a complete set of teeth. Proofs are required that the slave is neither weak-sighted nor deaf and dumb, while limbs are tested and muscles tried and every part of the body subjected to minute inspection in order to discover physical defects.

For women slaves three days' trial of their domestic aptitudes is demanded before the purchase is completed.

Such are the conditions of the slave trade in Morocco at the present day, and this is the fate from which Francisco Sallud escaped, probably by the payment of part of the ransom demanded, although exact information as to the transaction is unavailable.

RED CROSS AID TO VETERANS OF WAR OVERSEAS

SAN FRANCISCO—Calls for help from veterans of the World war and their families to the Red Cross are increasing constantly, said a statement issued by the Pacific division of the Red Cross here today. The peak of the relief work has not been reached.

Reviewing the work of the 169 Red Cross chapters in California, Nevada and Arizona during the last twelve months, the statement said 63,733 soldier cases were handled. During the period \$341,616.48 was expended for relief work.

Work of aiding the former soldiers is handled by Red Cross home service committees. These same committees started their work during the war and have continued it since.

In addition to the work conducted by the various chapters, the statement said, the Pacific division has the highest hospitalization task of any of the Red Cross divisions. In the western division there are six United States public health service hospitals.

Records in an average month show that in that time more than 2000 patients in the hospitals were treated. The six hospitals are Arrowhead hospital at Arrowhead, Nevada; Marine hospital at San Diego; Palo Alto hospital at Palo Alto, Cal.; Tucson hospital at Tucson and Whipple barracks hospital at Prescott, Arizona. In addition to the patients at the government hospitals, 867 patients were treated in "contract hospitals" in the division's territory.

"Hundreds of soldier cases are brought to the attention of Red Cross chapters daily," the statement said. "In 1920 chapters dealing directly with the various government departments or indirectly through national Red Cross headquarters in Washington handled, throughout the nation, more than 200,000 service claims."

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may not hereafter buy or lease agricultural lands.

Surrounding Entry.
Attention of the committee was invited by the witness to what he characterized as "the surreptitious entry" of 700 Japanese who had settled in Nebraska. They came without passports and were unable to send for "picture brides," Mr. McClatchy said, with the result that ten per cent of them already had married American girls.

Mr. McClatchy declared that Japanese in the Hawaiian Islands would comprise a voting majority of the people there in a few years and would largely control the affairs of the island. He said the Japanese in the continental United States did not seek citizenship and that only 114 had become citizens under the act of 1918.

Mr. McClatchy told the committee Japanese in the United States were required to report regularly to Japanese government officials and maintain allegiance always, adding that this form of dual citizenship was a very dangerous menace to the United States.

MADE IN ROGUE RIVER VALLEY IS A POPULAR IDEA

The idea of making a display of "Made in the Rogue River Valley Products" in the Medford Chamber of Commerce building next week, which is Home Products Week, as suggested by this paper Saturday evening, has been warmly received by some of the manufacturers in the valley and with a committee appointed from the Chamber of Commerce tonight to assist with the project a splendid exhibit can be arranged, and the people will be surprised at the different products that are made and sold in this valley.

The people, when ordering anything at the stores should always insist on having the home made products first and after that the products made outside of the valley and in the state.

COMMUNICATIONS

(This column is open to the public for discussion of any subject of general interest. Communications to be available, however, must be signed by the writer's name and should not exceed 200 words in length. If circumstances justify the writer's name may be withheld by request, but signed statements are greatly preferred.)

Regarding Revivalists
To the editor: I wish to make a little matter of interest public through your daily paper. In regard to the coming "Revival" to be held in Medford. The people here should insist that this meeting be conducted on a very different basis than heretofore. I happened to be in Walls Walla and Klamath Falls at the time of the ones there, and myself am a church man, but must say it was a shock to me to hear such language used in a pulpit, and not only myself but the greater part of the people thought the same. Now we should be trying to set a high standard for our young and cannot do so by such meetings. To show the influence they have on the young mind and the conception they get from such meetings can be seen in this conversation between two young boys of Klamath, who met on the street. One said, "Where are you going?" The other replied, "To the show, come along." The first then said, "Nit, I am going to hear that revival man; he is better than the show, he can swear to beat the band and it is just like a circus to go there. He makes the people yell and sing like they do at a real show." Now this is truth, not fiction, and if it looks that way to two, many more must think the same, and does the real good come from excitement and noise, or the quiet peaceful sermons heard in a church pulpit, and how soon are the words of a revivalist forgotten and the ones he attracted drift back into the same old way.

Count the good and the evil done by them and I think the evil will come out ahead. Could not the money given to an evangelist be kept at home among our preachers who stay with us, or shall we tax the evangelist like a circus, and how do the people feel at having a meeting break up with a fight, rotten egging and quarrels, as it has in other places?

C. T. THOMAS.

'SIGN ON THE DOOR' AT PAGE THEATRE TUESDAY, APR. 26

An event of unusual interest in the local dramatic season will take place when Marjorie Rambeau in "The Sign on the Door," will take possession of the Page theatre Tuesday night, April 26th.

Miss Rambeau, is appearing under the direction of A. H. Woods and this is her first venture away from Broadway in six years. It was not Miss Rambeau's desire that has kept her in New York—it was the insistent demand of the playgoing public. Her engagement in "The Sign on the Door" might easily have been extended into the present season, and doubtless would have been carried along if Miss Rambeau herself had not insisted upon a tour of the principal cities. In "The Sign on the Door" Miss Rambeau appears in a role that gives her a wide range of freedom in the display of her art. That she has given force and power to the play and at the same time added to her own prestige as an emotional actress is shown by the unanimous verdict of critics and playgoers that her dramatic efforts in Channing Pollock's play mark a new achievement in the American drama. "The Sign on the Door" is the thrilling play of the hour—crowded with tense moments, softened with delicious comedy and entertaining from start to finish. Miss Rambeau is supported by a company of recognized ability, including Lee Baker, Harry Minturn, Harold Salter, Hugh Dillman, Beatrice Allen and many others.

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He declared there is now "no necessity for labor unions" in the opinion of the large majority of both employers and employees.

Turning to the subject of possible reduction of working hours for employees of the steel corporation, Mr. Gary said:

"The officers of this corporation, the president of subsidiary companies and a majority of others in positions of responsibility are in favor of abolishing the twelve-hour-day for this reason and because of the public sentiment, it is our endeavor and expectation to decrease the working hours—we hope in the comparatively near future."

The question of reducing wages among the 265,000 employees of the steel corporation has not been considered up to the present time, Mr. Gary said.

"I think when the high cost of living has been reduced," he added, "it will be only a question of time when there will be some readjustment of wages. The board of directors will take the matter under advisement at the proper time."

"Always it has been the effort of our organization to treat its employees very liberally. If a reduction is made it will be one of justice and equality."

The stockholders approved a profit-sharing plan providing for setting aside annually a certain proportion of all net profits above \$100,000,000. The distribution would be made to employees "who by their ability, industry and loyalty have contributed in an unusual degree to the success of the corporation."

A special committee will put the plan into effect, determine who shall receive shares in the profits and superintend their distribution.

Four directors, Richard V. Lindabury, Thomas Murray, Percival Roberts, Jr., and Robert Winsor, were re-elected.

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continued, Japan would draw attention that at the meeting of the commission on mandates on July 19, 1919, Colonel E. M. House, one of the American peace commissioners, opposed Viscount Chinda's claim that the same equal opportunities for commerce and trade should be guaranteed in territories of the "C" class (such as the Pacific islands) as in those belonging to the "B" class of territories under mandate.

Japan Opposes Open Door
"In view of the position thus taken by the American delegate," the note added "the imperial government feels obliged to state that in their opinion the American government cannot with justice contend for the open door in the "C" class territories as against Japan and to inform the United States government at the same time that they cannot consider themselves bound in any way to recognize the freedom of other nations in the manner insisted upon by the American government in regard to the landing and operation of cables even in places where the principles of the 'open door' is to be guaranteed."

Reverting to its claim to the award of the mandate over Yap by the supreme council, the Japanese government said the British government had placed the same interpretation on the action of the supreme council on May 7. It also declared that it was unable to understand why the United States had waited for more than a year and a half to question the decision of the council.

OBITUARY.

MURRAY—William Murray died at a hotel in Ashland, April 16, 1921 at 11 o'clock, age 55 years, two weeks. Deceased had been staying with his sister, Mrs. Eleanor Maule for several months while being treated for asthma. "Becoming lots better he decided to try California for a change and after two weeks he returned to Ashland thinking the higher altitude would be better but his heart was too weak to stand the strain.

Mr. Murray came to Oregon in 1871, settling with his parents near Medford, where he has lived most of his life. He leaves to mourn him three children, Mrs. E. Schatzman and Mrs. Cleora Grimms of Canby, Ore., and Fred Murray of Dallas; also sisters, Mrs. Eleanor Maule and Mrs. Mary Merriman of Medford, Ore., and one brother, Geo. W. Murray of Hanford, Calif., who is on his way here to attend the funeral. His funeral announcements later.

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WEDNESDAY Bill Hart in "The Testing Block"

NOTICE

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Tuesday, April 19
at 8 o'clock

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SEELY V. HALL
Vice Commander.