

LOCAL LADY A VICTIM OF R. R. BANDIT

Mrs. Newton Chaney On Union Pacific Train Derailed and Robbed in Wyoming—En Route Home From Legion Auxiliary Conclave—Passengers Suffer Minor Injuries

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Nov. 26.—(AP)—A youthful bandit held up and robbed the passengers of Union Pacific passenger train No. 17, westbound from Chicago to Portland, Ore., three miles east of here at about 9 o'clock last night after having caused a derailment of six cars of the seven-car train by pulling switches from the rails.

One car, though off the rails, remained upright. The other five came to rest against an embankment.

The bandit escaped with the loot he deftly collected from more than 35 passengers, none of whom was seriously injured.

Unlike the notorious Bill Carlisle, Wyoming's last train robber, who used a glass toy pistol to rob a Union Pacific train, the youthful bandit, who hurried through the cars and stopped passengers who had left the coaches, carried a .25 caliber revolver.

took Small Sums

Railroad officials said the robber took amounts ranging from 35 cents to \$150 from a number of passengers, but a tabulation of the total amount he obtained was impossible. Many of the passengers continued their journey on westbound trains after they were brought to Cheyenne.

Passengers said that the robber appeared anxious to get away, as he hurried his work, took what ever was offered him and made no threats in order to obtain more. A number of passengers reported that the bandit took only a part of their money.

Mrs. Chaney Robbed

Mrs. L. D. Jones of Kemmer, Wyo., departmental president of the Wyoming American Legion Auxiliary, and Mrs. Newton Chaney of Medford, Ore., who holds the same position in her state, were stopped by the holdup while walking up the tracks and robbed of \$3.

Included in the first group of passengers brought into Cheyenne from the wreck were:

Mrs. Dona Witt, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Mrs. C. E. Bailey, Charlevoix, Mich.
Mrs. L. E. Larson, Portland, Ore.
Clay M. Allen, forestry service, Portland, Ore.
Louise Dulk, Salem, Ore.

Passengers Left Cars

Many of the passengers left the coaches when the cars left the tracks, and the lone robber, after searching passengers still in the coaches, turned and robbed passengers outside the train.

A few of the passengers suffered minor cuts and bruises and were given medical attention, but none was seriously injured.

Clay Allen said he was in a berth and was not disturbed. Mrs. Witt was outside the train, with a number of other passengers, who were warned by A. M. Smith, porter, that the robber was working inside, and saved most of their valuables.

The manhunt today extended over parts of three states. Train robbery in Wyoming is a capital offense and punishable by hanging.

Mrs. N. C. Chaney was on her way home from Indianapolis, where she was called by the national Auxiliary president for a conference on the national American Legion Auxiliary program, held there November 22 and 23, when the holdup occurred. Mr. Chaney received a telegram from her yesterday afternoon at 3:10, sent from North Platte, saying that she would arrive in Portland at 9:30 tomorrow morning.

Just how much of a delay the holdup would cause in her arrival, Mr. Chaney had not yet learned today, as he had not heard from her since yesterday's wire.

Portland—Plans under way for erection of annex to Emanuel hospital at 400 commercial street.

Night Golf on Tiny Links New Fad in Dixie Society



Regular golfers call it a nightmare. Nevertheless night golf on semi-top courses is going great in the south. Cator Woodford, Atlanta business man, is shown with two fair players on his private links.

ATLANTA—(AP) Hobday Jones' home town is so crazy about golf it can't get enough of it in the daytime.

Night golf has found its way into the society columns and is now to become a popular after-dinner fad in Atlanta and the south.

Played on a miniature 18-hole course with an almost endless variety of unique obstacles, the first private course of its kind in Atlanta is a favorite gathering place for society, although addicts of the orthodox game have dubbed it a nightmare.

Consisting of an acre, brilliantly lighted with illuminators attached to trees, the "poo wee" course made its debut at a recent entertainment at Jacquand lodge, one of Atlanta's beautiful estates on the city's fashionable Ponce de Leon avenue.

The owner is Cator Woodford, Atlanta business man, who sought a new method of entertaining guests.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH CELEBRATES 45TH YEAR IN MEDFORD

The First Christian church celebrated the 45th anniversary of the organization of this congregation and the second anniversary of the pastorate of Charman E. Mell, Sunday with appropriate program consisting of music, short talks by the pastor, Mrs. Margaret Fisher and others, during which a brief



Charman E. Mell

history of the church was given from its organization Nov. 22, 1884 by thirteen charter members, the only one of whom living here now is Mrs. Margaret Fisher. Three other charter members are living in other cities.

The present church building was erected in 1912.

During the two years Mr. Mell has been pastor, the church has made splendid progress, both spiritually and financially. All departments are very active now, the attendance at the church services and Sunday school ranks among the largest in the city, there have been added to the church 148 members, the total now being 548. A thorough budget system has also been inaugurated and is working satisfactorily.

Show Your Gratitude Throughout the Year

A beautiful story of true gratitude is told of a little child living in a poverty-stricken home. The mother had leaned a door shutter up in the corner of her cabin so that her shivering little ones could shelter behind it from the icy wind. One of the children, creeping behind this poor shelter, said: "Mamma, aren't you sorry for the poor little children that haven't any door shutter to go behind?" In this child was exemplified the true sentiment of the gratitude expressed by the Pilgrim fathers.

Gratitude is the open door through which we enter into true peace and happiness, and this must find its rightful expression in unselfishness and consideration for others. What a different world it would be if the spirit of Thanksgiving day were to be demonstrated, not only on a special occasion but throughout every day of the year! Into the thought filled with gratitude, envy, malice, hatred and jealousy can find no entrance. This is not true gratitude a powerful factor in bringing peace and harmony to all mankind.—Exchange.

Expressing Our Gratitude

Gratitude must have an object. It must recognize the source of the debt. It must express a feeling toward something exterior to itself. If our favored position and condition are due to our own efforts then we owe nothing, have no reason for gratitude, and there is no object to which thankfulness can be directed. Or if this is a material world and nothing else, if life is merely a mechanical process, there is nothing outside of ourselves to which we should be

Neuner Sees Little Aid in Liquor Ruling That Citizen Must Tell Authorities or Become a Felon

No particular enthusiasm was shown yesterday by George Neuner, United States district attorney, after reading the press dispatches from Peoria, Ill., quoting Federal Judge Fitzhenry as having declared that any person who buys a drink of liquor or knows of a friend, neighbor or relative who possesses liquor, for beverage purposes is, unless he reported his knowledge to the United States government, a felon.

Judge Fitzhenry based his opinion upon an act of congress of 1790, which is section 146 of the criminal code, or section 231 of the United States code annotated. "Whoever, having knowledge of the actual commission of the crime of murder or other felony punishable by the courts of the United States, conceals and does not, as soon as may be disclosed and made known the same to one of the judges or other persons in civil or military authority under the United States, shall be fined not more than \$500, or imprisoned not more than three years, or both."

Buying and Drinking Legal.

This act could have but rare application in liquor cases, Mr. Neuner pointed out. The first fallacy which the district attorney found in the opinion was its attempt to include the buying and drinking of liquor. To this day those acts are not crimes under federal statutes.

The Jones act, which was mentioned by the eastern judge and which made certain liquor violations felonies, does not include possession, Mr. Neuner said, and here

again the court's opinion is in error. "The courts, Mr. Neuner pointed out, are prone to consider an ancient statute in the light of the conditions of the day. When this sentiment was adopted by congress there was no prohibition law, and there were but few statutory felonies. The act, as Mr. Neuner views it, could be applicable only to common law felonies, or those crimes which in themselves are felonious and so recognized by the law without specific statute being adopted by the legislature defining the particular act as a felony."

Judge Fitzhenry's declaration that "the Jones law operates entirely outside and beyond the national prohibition act," was also open to objection, Mr. Neuner pointed out, as the act directly applies to the prohibition law and provides additional penalty for certain violations made unlawful thereby.

An additional objection to the application of this ancient act of congress, Mr. Neuner pointed out, is the constitutional guaranty which protects a man from testifying against himself, or giving evidence which might incriminate him.

Where a man sees liquor manufactured, sold or transported and such is done in his presence, Mr. Neuner pointed out, the act might be applicable, provided such a prosecution could surmount the other obstacles in its way.

Conspiracy Statute Rules.

The same end is now reached in prosecutions under the federal conspiracy statute, which is, in effect, a dragnet which brings in all parties to any act coming under federal statutes.

There have been specific decisions on the 1790 statute holding that it is not applicable in misdemeanors.

"To say the least," J. O. Johnson, legal advisor for the federal prohibition unit here, said, "the decision is far-fetched and of little importance. The Jones act by its own terms specifies commercial transactions, which would remove it from application in the instances cited by Judge Fitzhenry."

Prudential Ins. Company Opens Office in Medford

Walter J. Olmscheid, representative for the Prudential Insurance Company of America, located in Medford recently and opened an office for the company in the same rooms as the Commercial Finance corporation in the First National bank building. This is the first time this company has had an office in this city.

Mr. Olmscheid has been with the company for several years, coming here from Klamath Falls, his family accompanying him. They accompany him with the city and vicinity. Mr. Olmscheid is a member of the Kiwanis club.

Helmet Combined With Scarf.

PARIS.—(AP)—Helmets and scarves knitted in one of Edeco Shetland wool are shown here for winter sports. A talk over the ear extends into a four-inch wide scarf which can be opened through a loop over the other ear and worn

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