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FRAME-UP CRY OF SUSPENDED POLICE OFFICER

Patrolman Charles Wynn was today suspended by Mayor Wiley, pending investigation of charges that followed the arrest of Wynn last night by Constable Morley and the alleged discovery of a bottle in his pocket that is suspected to contain liquor. Wynn was allowed his liberty after the search on the promise that he would appear if complaint was filed against him.

Says Gun Was Drawn
Constable Morley, District Attorney Brower and City Councilman Vollmer and Bogardus, according to the story told by Wynn, suddenly entered the office of Mrs. T. H. Jolly collector, between 7 and 8 o'clock last evening, while Wynn was there on a business errand. Morley shoved a revolver against his body, he told his superiors, and ordered him to throw up his hands. He obeyed and was searched. The arresting squad took a small bottle, containing an inch or two of white liquid. The bottle is in the possession of the district attorney, who said today the contents had not been analyzed. The bottle was labeled "Boric Acid Solution."

Wynn said he got it earlier in the evening from an Indian at the Crater Cafe. The Indian behaved as if he were intoxicated and the policemen searched him, and kept the bottle, allowing the Indian to go.

On Business Errand
Then, Wynn's story goes, he went off duty. Hence he did not turn the bottle in at the police station but kept it in his pocket. He was called to Mrs. Jolly's office thereafter and went, believing that he was called to discuss some bills, left over from the time he ran a paint shop here, that had been placed in her hands for collection. The raid and arrest came as a total surprise.

The raid was conducted from the adjoining office, where the arresting party concealed themselves for some time. Dunbar & Dunbar, according to an "inside" story of the occurrence. Patrolman James Hilton was one of the raiding party, but remained in the other office.

While it was said the recently organized "Law and Order League," was responsible for gathering the evidence and staging the arrest, W. A. Wiest, attorney for the organization, said today that the league has not been formally completed. He stated, however, that the executive committee had been consulted and were informed of developments.

Chief of Police Wilson said today that he recommended the suspension of the patrolman, pending a probe of the charges. Mayor Wiley said that he would make the fullest investigation.

District Attorney Brower declared that until ten minutes before the arrest, he knew nothing of the matter. He refused to name the person or persons who laid the information. He said no names were mentioned, but he was told that if he went to the collection office he would find a man there with liquor in his possession.

Didn't Know Who It Was
Detective Morley says that at the time he entered the room he did not know whom he was going to arrest.

Wynn has retained William Marx as counsel and was said today that a complaint would be brought against Morley for false imprisonment and assault with a deadly weapon. The first charge is technical, based on the allegation that Wynn was arrested and detained against his will. Whether action will be taken against others of the raiding party, or not, was not intimated.

The bottle taken from Wynn was exhibited to the interviewer in the district attorney's office. It is a six ounce bottle, about a quarter full of rather cloudy, white liquid, bearing a drug store label on which the words, "Boric Acid Solution" are type-written.

Wynn Turns In Star
Wynn turned his star over to Chief of Police Wilson this morning, following suspension. The chief said he had no knowledge of the case and had formed no opinion. He said that if Wynn was innocent and the victim

Allies Will Discuss Penalty If Germany Refuses to Pay

PARIS, April 20.—The British and French military leaders, including Marshall Foch will confer in England Sunday with Premiers Briand and Lloyd George regarding the penalties of Germany in case she refuses the reparations payments due May first.

Premier Briand will insist that the British flag shall fly with the French tri-color over the Ruhr district, says the Echo De Paris.

FARMERS FIGHT TO LOWER RATES

WASHINGTON, April 20.—Farmers from all parts of the United States held a meeting here today under the auspices of the National Farmers Union and decided to take their fight for reduction of freight rates direct to President Harding.

They reached this decision after the farmers' spokesmen conferred with the Interstate Commerce commission to urge lower rates. The officials of the Farmers' union said the president probably would be asked to call a conference of the shippers, federal railway agencies, steel interests and bankers to discuss the voluntary railroad rate readjustment to restore it to the accustomed channel.

C. OF C. FUND NOW \$15,000

The Chamber of Commerce membership was swelled to a total of 344 by today's campaign, headquarters reported following the noon luncheon, a gain of 172 since yesterday.

Total service fund subscriptions were announced at \$6,560.50, a gain of \$550.50 over yesterday's total.

The total amount now pledged in memberships and service fund contributions is \$15,185.50. The goal is \$20,000, with two more days to raise the approximately \$4800 that is lacking.

WOMAN AUTHOR WILL VISIT CRATER LAKE

EUGENE, Or., April 20.—Mrs. Mary Roberts Rinehart, noted writer; her husband, Dr. D. M. Rinehart, and their two sons will take a 30 days' trip in the Cascade mountains this summer, according to Harry G. Haynes, hunter and guide of McKenzie Bridge, who has been engaged by them.

The trip will be started near Mount Hood and will be continued through to Crater lake.

EXAMINED FOR SANITY

James Hennessey, laborer who came here two or three weeks ago, was examined for sanity before the county court this morning. The court took no action, holding the matter for further investigation.

PAPER MILL AT BEND

SALEM, Or., April 20.—A paper mill apparently is contemplated at Bend. John Steidl of Bend, has filed with the state engineering department an application covering the proposed appropriation of 120 second foot of water from Deschutes river for the purpose of manufacturing paper at Bend.

STATE C. OF C. BOARD PLANS MEETING HERE

In response to an invitation by the local Chamber of Commerce, delivered and supplemented by Charles Hall, president of the State Chamber of Commerce, the board at the recent Astoria meeting, decided to hold the next meeting of the board in Klamath Falls.

The meeting dates of the board are approximately 60 days apart, making it likely that the local meeting will take place about the middle of June.

Definite arrangements depend upon the progress of plans for organization of a large party of middle western farmers for a tour of Oregon during the summer. The plan was endorsed by the directors and William Hanley, of Harney county, will leave for the east shortly to organize the touring party.

When they arrive they will be met at some point in eastern Oregon by the board of directors and a meeting will be held, but this will probably be subsequent to the Klamath meeting.

The board went on record as favoring a national system of reclamation, believing that such plan will work to the best interests of the entire western country.

Returning from the Astoria meeting Mr. Hall drove from Portland in his car, which has been in Portland since the close of the legislative session. He was met at Roseburg by Mrs. Hall and their son. They drove from Medford Monday, by way of Ager, as the Green Springs road is reported to be still obstructed by fallen trees, and arrived in time for Mr. Hall to preside at the Chamber of Commerce dinner Monday.

Seeking Man For Portland Shooting

PORTLAND, April 20.—Officers today are seeking Jesse Boydston, a Vancouver, Washington, barber, whom they accuse of shooting Mrs. Mable Baker and husband, Thomas Baker, here yesterday. Mrs. Baker is in a hospital in critical condition, shot through the head. Her husband is shot in the arm. The police say that Boydston fired at the couple as the result of jealousy, his attentions to Mrs. Baker having been rejected. They were unable to find any indication that he committed suicide as a note in his barber shop indicated.

START LAYING BRICK ON EWAUNA MOTORS, BUILDING

Brick work on the new sales building for the Ewauna Motors company at the corner of Seventh and Klamath was started this morning by Contractor R. W. Smith. It is expected that the building will be completed within 30 days. John Thorsen will do the carpenter work. The plans for the building were furnished by Geo. R. Wright.

CLUB WORK LEADER WILL SPEAK AT MT. LAKE FRIDAY

Miss Helen Cowgill, assistant state club leader, will be the principal speaker at a big meeting to be held Friday evening at the Mt. Laki church, dealing with the needs and benefits of club work. The Mt. Laki people issue a general invitation to all interested persons. Refreshments will be provided and a warm welcome is assured.

BASEBALL MEETING CALLED TONIGHT

Baseball enthusiasts will meet at the Chamber of Commerce rooms at 8 o'clock tonight to discuss the prospects of a city league. Three or four teams are tentatively lined up. The whole matter will be gone into this evening and any organization or individual interested is invited to be on hand.

WEATHER REPORT OREGON—Tonight and Thursday rain.

EXPECT SENATE OFFICIALLY TO RATIFY TREATY

WASHINGTON, April 20.—Vigorous opposition to the ratification of the Colombian treaty was voiced in the senate today by Senator Ferris, republican, of Nebraska. He referred to republican supporters of the pact as "rubber stamps" of the white house.

WASHINGTON, April 20.—Without question of doubt, the Colombian treaty, which is now the special order of business of the senate, will be ratified when the vote is taken today. But for the promptness of the administration in urging the senate to take immediate action, the results might not be so satisfactory to the friends of the treaty. As it is, there will not be many votes to spare above the requisite two-thirds of the senators present and voting.

Most of the enemies of the treaty hide behind the memory of former President Roosevelt in their opposition, but the fight for the treaty is led by Chairman Lodge of the foreign relations committee, perhaps the closest political friend the former president enjoyed.

President Harding has only been in office six weeks and no matter how much some of the Republican leaders would prefer not to have the Columbian treaty ratified, they are even more determined to have harmony and co-operation between the legislative and executive departments of the government. Therefore, the first requisite of President Harding in connection with a foreign treaty will be approved by the senate. Were his request to come a year later, after disagreements and difficulties, it is improbable that the administration could muster a two-thirds vote necessary to ratify this treaty, which has been the subject of bitter argument for a number of years.

Overcome Objections

Some of the objectionable language in the original draft of the treaty has been eliminated, thus enabling some of the former opponents of the treaty to now vote for it. Also there is now the question of commercial rights and privileges of the American citizen, of greater importance than heretofore, involving oil and platinum concessions of great value. In fact, citizens of the United States have just recently secured concessions for platinum in Colombia, which give them practically a world monopoly of this metal, now that the Russian mines are in no position to compete in the production of platinum or its distribution. This platinum concession has been secured by the Lewisohn Exploration company, New York, through its control of the South American gold and platinum company, which is the formal holder of the title and concession. The United States government under the terms of the concession, is to have first call on all the platinum needed, after which the British government is to be supplied before the general public can purchase any platinum. The Columbian government, of course, has prior rights over to those of the United States and Great Britain.

Titles to all lands and riverbeds taken over have been passed on by the highest courts of Colombia, so that there is no possible question as to the validity of the transactions.

The revolution in Russia has forced all the large operators of that country to suspend work, leaving Colombia the only dependable producer. The normal annual consumption of platinum by the United States alone is double the present production of the entire world. Colombia is expected to recover about 50,000 ounces this year. Aside from Colombia and Russia, the whole world has never produced more than 1500 ounces any year, and most of that has been incidental to the production of other metals. Colombia and Russia have the only important deposit thus far proven.

Adolph Lewisohn of New York, is president of the South American Gold and Platinum company. Other interests in addition to the Lewisohn Exploration company, of which Frederick Lewisohn is president, are

Japan Refuses to Change Attitude On Yap Question

TOKIO, April 20.—The cabinet yesterday decided there was no reason to alter Japan's policy on the Yap mandate question because of the recent American note, according to the Nichi Nichi. A decision will be reported Friday to an extraordinary meeting of the diplomatic advisory council, the newspaper adds.

The foreign office would neither confirm nor deny the report.

WEST COMBINES AGAINST ALIENS

WASHINGTON, April 20.—Senators and representatives from eleven of the far western states perfected an organization today with a view to finding a common ground upon which they can work to solve the question of Japanese immigration.

United efforts by the states dealing with the Japanese immigration problem, was urged by Senator Johnson, of California, who was made chairman of the organization and directed to appoint an executive committee composed of one senator and one representative for each of the eleven states. California, Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Utah, Nevada, Arizona, New Mexico, Texas, Oklahoma and Colorado.

V. S. McClatchy of Sacramento, said unless the Japanese were excluded they ultimately would swamp the white race.

LAUCK CHARGES COMBINATION AGAINST LABOR

CHICAGO, April 20.—Charges that a "capital combine," headed by 12 New York financial institutions inaugurated a policy of nation wide shut downs, was made here yesterday before the United States railroad labor board by W. Jett Lauck, economist for the unions which are arguing for perpetuation of their national agreements with the railroads.

Mr. Lauck named about 100 men who through interlocking directorships, he claimed, centered in these dozen institutions control of the majority of the country's important railroads, and of basic raw materials. He charged that:

"This inter-related capital group deliberately deflated the farmers and then undertook by precipitating industrial stagnation, to deflate labor."

The railroads, he asserted, were the chosen vehicle for this labor drive. Layoffs of repair men on railroads in recent months he charged, were deliberate, while much of the repair work was let to outside companies who charged the roads about twice what the same repairs would have cost in their own shops. One purpose, he said, was to get this portion of railroad labor out of government jurisdiction by forcing it to work for outside concerns. These concerns, he said, were largely under this same financial control as the roads.

The document that Mr. Lauck presented made about 125,000 words. It was prepared by the American Federation of Labor Bureau of Research, Railway Employee's Department, and entitled, "Human Standards and Railroad Policy."

Johnson Matthey & Co., of London, assayers to the British government, and the Consolidated Goldfields company of London. Several important American capitalists are interested as individuals.

Rich In Gold

These platinum deposits are also rich in gold, and from them there has been taken more than \$200,000,000 of gold since the Spanish discovered them. The natives had been working them for centuries, for gold, but threw the platinum back as they considered it worthless. Platinum has been precious only in the last generation.

BRIGHT OUTLOOK FOR FUTURE OF STRAHORN ROAD

The announcement from Washington of the application to the Interstate Commerce Commission by Robert E. Strahorn for permission to issue bonds of the Oregon, California and Eastern railway company would indicate that the first step towards financing this undertaking has been made. Mr. Strahorn's statement that he had "found a wicket through which he can market these bonds," may be taken to mean that he has not been idle in his efforts to properly finance his road. The local officers of the railroad has been requested by the Interstate Commerce commission to furnish a large amount of technical information and Superintendent Bond has had a force of clerks at work preparing the data, all of which is now before the commission.

If the issue is approved and the bonds marketed, sufficient money should be available to complete the line to Sprague river and work on an extensive scale should soon be underway.

The roadbed of the line withstood the ravages of a trying winter and is in splendid condition. The grade for nine miles north of Dairy is completed and all of the ties are on the ground and part of the steel. The end of this grade is about seven miles from Sprague river.

Work on the grade for the branch to Bonanza is proceeding and it is reasonable to expect this part of the railroad will be in operation this year.

The first car of logs to the new Shaw-Bertram mill came in over the line this week. One mill on the line is already operating and others are getting ready for the season's run. Logs and lumber are being delivered at loading stations. It is estimated that ten million feet of lumber alone will be at loading stations for shipment this spring and this, added to the summer cuts and other freight, indicates large tonnage for this year.

LABOR UNIONS JOIN THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Timberworkers, culinary alliance and carpenters' locals have taken memberships in the Chamber of Commerce, James Stevens, president of the central labor council, told those present at the meeting at the Chamber of Commerce rooms last night. The labor leader advised individual members of the unions to take memberships. The Rev. C. F. Trimble, Secretary T. L. Stanley, L. W. Depuy and Dr. Harvey Miller addressed the gathering, urging the coordination of interests.

YEGGS BLOW BANK, FLEE EMPTY HANDED

PORTLAND, April 20.—The Troutdale state bank building, near here, this morning was wrecked by an explosion which blew off the outer doors of the vault. The inner door was left intact. The robbers were frightened and escaped in an automobile without the loot.

GRAND JURY MAY END INVESTIGATION TOMORROW

The grand jury, which has been in session since Monday, may be ready to report upon the cases submitted to their examination by tomorrow night, said District Attorney Brower today.

Weather Probabilities

The barometric pressure, as recorded by the Cyclo-Stormograph at Underwood's Pharmacy, is slightly higher today and prospects are favorable for more sunshine tomorrow than has been in evidence the last few days.

Forecast for next 24 hours: Probably clear; increasing winds; storm brewing in northwest.