

RAIL VETERANS GATHER TODAY 52ND REUNION

SAN FRANCISCO, May 10.—Pensioned veterans of Southern Pacific railway yards, locomotive cabs and offices and trains met at their annual luncheon here today to celebrate the fifty-second anniversary of the driving of the last spike at Promontory Point, Utah, which joined the Union Pacific and Central Pacific systems and completed the first transcontinental railroad.

William Hood, dean of American railroad engineers, who was one of the luncheon speakers, told how he helped drive the last stretches of Central Pacific track in record time to meet the Union Pacific. Mr. Hood retired from the Southern Pacific May 3, 1921, after fifty-four years service, at the age of seventy-five, in order to seek more difficult work, having tired of the office routine which became a part of his life when the railroad's big outdoor projects were completed.

William Bourke, president of the company, Paul Shoup, vice president, E. O. McCormick, vice president, and J. H. Dyer, general manager, were among other Southern Pacific men who spoke.

Tribute to the 117 veterans of the service who have died since the last luncheon one year ago, and to the "Big Four" of the old Central Pacific, Leland Stanford, Charles Crocker, C. P. Huntington and Mark Hopkins, was paid by a silent standing toast.

The golden spike, driven at the meeting of the rails fifty-two years ago, the silver hammer which drove it, and the spade which turned the first dirt at Sacramento in the construction of the system, were on exhibition.

BEN MARTIN'S WOUND FATAL

"If I'm killed all you'll have to do is notify my wife and see that I'm buried."

Words of this effect fell from the lips of Ben P. Martin, Klamath agency engineer, as he buckled on the holster and revolver borrowed from Mark Howard of the local fire department and set forth to aid in running down the gang of moonshiners arrested last week near Bray.

Late yesterday afternoon Mr. Martin died in the Dorris hospital of the wound received when he stumbled in the darkness and the gun pitched from the holster, striking hammer downward on a rock and sending a bullet through his shoulder. An artery was severed and the wounded man bled profusely. He was conveyed to the hospital at Dorris and physicians thought he would recover but gas gangrene set in and the end came yesterday afternoon with the widow and one son at his bedside.

The decedent was nearly 41 years old and had been a resident of Klamath county for about four years. He was known to many local residents and had the respect of all.

The body is at the Whitlock chapel here and arrangements are being made by friends for shipment to Los Angeles, where the funeral will take place.

Mr. Martin was an officer of the department of the interior and consented to go with the reservation superintendent and sheriff when he learned his services were needed. He was in Klamath Falls on business and had not his own gun with him. When he went to the police station to borrow a weapon, Mark Howard offered his Colts, which is carried in a shoulder holster.

L. A. Dynamiter's Liberty Restored

BAN QUENTIN, Cal., May 10.—John J. McNamara was released from the state prison here today after serving nine years and five months for dynamiting the Llewellyn Iron Works in Los Angeles in 1910.

Negotiations to End Marine Strike Off; Delegates Leave

WASHINGTON, May 10.—Representatives of the marine workers left Washington today, following the failure of negotiations to end the strike. Chairman Benson, at the final conference, is understood to have reiterated his stand for a flat 15 per cent reduction.

BALTIMORE, May 10.—Three hundred alleged marine strikers and sympathizers stormed the custom house here today in search of a party of negro strike breakers who had fled into the federal building for protection. Several negroes were severely beaten before the police drove off the rioters.

CHIEF SUING CITY FOR PAY

The expected suit of Chief of Police Wilson against the city was filed today. Plaintiff claiming \$375 salary from February 14 to May 1.

Plaintiff claims that during the time mentioned he was serving the city as a police officer and that at the regular council meeting, May 2, he presented his salary claim, which was disallowed by a 3 to 2 vote of the council. H. M. Manning is his attorney.

The suit is the outgrowth of the dispute between three of the councilmen and Mayor Wiley, which started with the incoming of the new administration. Mayor Wiley took the stand that the charter empowered him to organize and regulate the police department.

Councilmen from the first, fifth and third wards formed a combination in opposition, seeking the removal of Chief Wilson. They refused to ratify the appointment of Wilson and when the mayor appointed him under an emergency clause of the charter, five days at a time, they retaliated by refusing to allow Wilson's pay, for which he is now suing.

Red Cross to Name Officers Tomorrow

The executive committee of the Red Cross chapter will meet tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock in the chamber of commerce rooms. The chief purpose of the meeting is to select officers of the chapter for the coming year.

LONG HAUL RATE WILL BE LOWER

Transcontinental freight rates, affecting Klamath Falls, will be reduced within the next ten days, according to notification received by M. A. Callaghan, traffic manager of the chamber of commerce, from G. W. Luce, general traffic manager of the Southern Pacific.

The amount of reduction that might be expected was not mentioned in the letter of notification.

Reduction of rates from the east has been sought by the local traffic bureau since its inception several months ago. This reduction is a matter entirely independent of local rates, which will have a hearing in Portland in June.

It is a matter of great importance to merchants and mill owners, who are constantly receiving large consignments of merchandise and machinery from eastern manufacturers and distributors and the amount of the reduction that the Southern Pacific proposes to allow Klamath Falls will be awaited with interest.

HENLEY PUT A WILL MEET NEXT FRIDAY

There will be a meeting of the Henley Parent-Teachers association Friday, May 13th at 8 o'clock at the Henley school. The election of officers for the ensuing year is the object of the meeting. After the business meeting Mr. Ellis will deliver an address. A social hour will follow and refreshments will be served.

HIS BACKERS LOST A FORTUNE



This is Harry Payne Whitney's three-year-old "Tryster," who was the favorite with scores of eastern track followers in Saturday's Kentucky Derby at the Churchill Downs track, Louisville. Tryster finished fourth. The winner of the \$40,000 purse was Behave Yourself, a Kentucky colt. Whitney and his friends had the courage of their convictions before the race was run, however, and it is said that heavy wagers were lost on the eastern favorite.

MILLS SEWER IS LAID OVER ANOTHER WEEK

Mills Addition sewer construction was laid over for another week by the city council last evening. The best bid for the \$50,000 bond issue is some \$3699 below par. The council thought Mills addition residents might combine and make up the deficit and by modifying the plans slightly a bid for construction within the bond amount might be secured.

Councilman Hawkins agreed to interview property owners before the next meeting and get their views.

W. T. Lee presented a petition for macadam pavement on parts of Fifth, Oak and Walnut in the city hall unit. No action was taken and the matter went over a week.

M. P. Evans, Sid Evans, Martin McAndrews and others asked that the paving on Sixth, Seventh and High streets, which is one of the contemplated improvements this year, be allowed to lapse. The council laid the problem over a week.

Contract for the paving has been awarded the Warren Construction company, subject to the sale of bonds, which are now being advertised, and should the paving company desire to hold the city to its bargain observers see in the situation a chance for a costly lawsuit if the petitioners plea is granted and the work lapses.

A resolution for paving the east side of Eighth street, from Main to High, was introduced. Abandonment of the stable yard of the O. K. barn was ordered, with the tearing down of the yard fence and clean-up of the premises.

The resignation of James Hilton as patrolman was read and accepted. There was no jangle over police affairs. The nearest approach to it came when bills of two special patrolmen for circus day were presented. They were allowed for \$5 a day, the councilman from the Fifth ward voting No.

AGED WOMAN BORN AND DIED SAME HOUSE

MONTEREY, Cal., May 9.—Mrs. Juanita Fielder, who died here recently at the age of fifty-six, lived all her life in the same house. She died in the room in which she was born.

BAR "FOR SALE" SIGNS

SANTA CRUZ, Cal., May 9.—"For Sale" signs have been banned from Santa Cruz. The Santa Cruz realty board took this action at a recent meeting, on the ground that the signs cheapened the city in the eyes of visitors.

NO CLASS DAY UNLESS SCHOOL PLEDGE TAKEN

Something in the nature of a new era, the establishing of a new school tradition, goes into effect at the Klamath county high school Thursday if the students take the pledge that has been prepared for them—a promise to so guard their conduct that it will bring no disgrace upon the school, to seek to keep others from doing any discreditable thing and, if any wrong is committed, to use their efforts to bring the wrong doer to justice.

Submission of this pledge to the student body by the school authorities marks the middle path of compromise through the obstructions that have gathered since all school activities were banned by Principal Goetz following the book stacking episode early in the term.

Thursday is Class Day, and comes within the category of privileges denied. The passing of the school year without Class Day observance was the unheard-of thing. But authority was obdurate. In order to get Class Day the student body must take the pledge, wipe the slate, which in the last few months has been marred by suspensions, expulsions, threatened walkouts and resignations among the student body, following the book stacking, and start anew with the pledge.

The obligation the students take, said Principal Goetz today, is a promise of each "upon my sacred word of honor" to do the things set out above.

All the classes will be required to take it now, and in years following each incoming class will be required to obligate its members by the same formula.

The time set for its administration is Thursday morning, preceding the Class Day exercises.

Commencement week at the local school begins May 23. The baccalaureate sermon will be preached Sunday evening, May 22.

SIX SUITS FILED

Suit has been filed in the circuit court by the First National Bank against the Langell Lumber company and O. J. Hawkinson to collect \$4,500; against Walter Fahrig and Jack O'Connor to collect \$500; against S. C. and Melissa Hamaker to foreclose a real estate mortgage for \$11,000, and against Walter Fahrig for \$200.

Lillie J. White is plaintiff against John M. White for divorce, alleging cruelty. They have been married 34 years. Violet Mumay seeks a divorce from William Mumay for cruelty.

President Would Not Obstruct Reparations Agreement By Haste

WASHINGTON, May 10.—President Harding is not asking any delay in the adoption by the house of the Knox peace resolution. It was said today in high administration quarters.

On account of the reparations situation in Europe, however, it was explained that the president is not insisting upon any haste in putting the measure through.

The president today asked Attorney General Daugherty to investigate charges of profiteering in contracts and purchases made by the war department during the war.

BOARD MAKES SCHOOL PLANS

Tentative plans for the new school building between Shippington and Pelican Bay and for two room additions to the Fairview and Mills Addition schools were discussed by the city school board last night. Plans for the building and additions were submitted by three local contractors.

A \$60,000 bond issue was recently voted by the district for the new building and expansion of the existing schools. The board last night decided that the bonds would be offered and if they find a ready sale the construction work will go ahead immediately.

The new school, it is estimated, including the site, will cost approximately \$33,000. The improvements at Mill and Fairview will cost about \$12,000 each.

FOUR NEW MEMBERS OF KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS

Knights of Pythias initiated four candidates in the rank of esquire last night, the work being conducted by officers of the lodge.

Next Monday night the rank of knight will be conferred and the ceremonies will be followed by a supper and social time.

Back From Calif. With Prisoner

Constable Fred Morley returned last evening from California with Roy G. Patch, indicted by the grand jury recently for larceny of an automobile, which he was buying under contract. He is alleged to have started to California with his family in the car. At Bray he stripped the gears and then sold the machine to Mrs. S. De Coster, asserting that he owned it. The car was recovered by the Wood & Markwardt garage, from whom it was being bought, but Patch and family had gone to Fortuna, California, where he has a brother.

Patch made some attempt to resist extradition said Constable Morley, causing delay in his trip. He was away about ten days.

Accused Slayers of Taxi Driver Held

SEATTLE, May 10.—Four alleged many deserters from Camp Lewis wanted in connection with the slaying of Karl A. Timbs, Tacoma taxicab driver, were arrested at Snoqualmie pass this morning, according to a message to the sheriff. They were driving Timbs' automobile in which they were alleged to have fled after the killing. Timbs left his stand in Tacoma Sunday night, and was not again seen until his body was found yesterday, six miles north of Seattle, robbed and with the skull crushed.

READY FOR FIRES

VISALIA, Cal., May 11.—Rangers in the Sequoia National Forest near here, are at present engaged in stringing telephone wires to remote sections of the park so fire patrol parties this summer can get into instant communication with headquarters when necessary.

GERMANY IS PREPARED TO ACCEPT TERMS

BERLIN, May 10.—Acceptance of the allied ultimatum relative to reparations was expected in the Reichstag when it convened today.

The Centerists and majority Socialists were believed, as the result of conferences yesterday, to have definitely aligned themselves in favor of the allied demands.

It seemed yesterday that there was considerable competition among the various parties as to which should be first to take its place in the column assenting to the acceptance of the ultimatum.

BREACH OF CONTRACT SUIT FILED BY LOG CONTRACTORS

J. W. Simpson and J. E. McCain today filed suit against the Williamson River Logging company for alleged breach of contract, asking compensating damages of \$2,425. Plaintiffs assert that they had a contract to get out logs for defendant, which was terminated by defendant before it was completed.

Carl Abramson today begun suit against Andy Voltch to collect \$202, alleged to be due for labor.

BRANDENBURG STOCK IS BOUGHT BY S. F. MAN

J. Johannes of San Francisco has purchased the stock of the Brandenburg store and is arranging for its transfer to that city. A sign on the building announces it is for rent. Mr. Brandenburg has not yet announced his plans for the future.

NEW STORE TO OPEN

Stock is being arranged today on the shelves of the new Fairview Cash store on Upham street, which will open for business within a few days.

STUDIES HARD FOR SUCCESS

It is seldom that people give thought to the time, hard work, and trying patience necessary to achieve success, particularly in music. This great requirement is brought forcibly to mind by the career of Mamie Boyd-Wagner who is to sing in Klamath Falls on the night of Tuesday, May 17, in the Presbyterian church. Mamie Boyd began to study voice production when she was a very young girl. She had the early advantage of falling into the hands of Mrs. Zumwalt, who is pronounced far superior to the average vocal teacher found in the larger cities.

After being with Mrs. Zumwalt for several years, she studied in San Francisco with Mrs. Coplin, and then in turn with Mr. Shakespeare and Mr. Pasmore. When she was not under the immediate direction of an instructor, she was nevertheless devoting her time to her music. Her hard work entitles Mamie Boyd to become one of the great American singers. Not that studying music is drudgery to her—she enjoys it, lives on it—but nevertheless she has worked hard and sacrificed much to get where she is today.

Now, before she feels that she is really fully prepared to demand the place to which she is already entitled, she expects to study at least two or three years more in New York. There are few professional men who have put in one-half as much time in study as Mamie Boyd has already spent on her music, but the reward is great and will be far greater as the years go by.

ITALIAN STATESMAN, ILL. COMMITS SUICIDE

ROME, May 10.—Francesco Tedesco, former minister of finance and treasury and vice president of the chamber of deputies, today committed suicide by jumping from a window. He was suffering from asphyxia.