A DESPERATE TRAIN ROBBER

Holds Up a Northern Pacific Passenger Train Alone

HE KILLED THE ENGINEER

Who Tried to Overpower Him Grappled With the Desperado

FIREMAN JUMPED FROM TRAIN—GAINED ENTRANCE TO EXPRESS CAR AND BLEW IT TO PIECES WITH DYNAMITE—NOT MUCH BOOTY—PURSUIT.

BUTTE, Mont., Oct. 24.—One of the most daring train robberies in the history of the Northern Pacific Railroad occurred early this morning three and a half miles west of Drummond, Montana. As far as is known, but one man was engaged in the robbery. That one man seemed to be a host in himself, when he killed one, cooped up the whole train crew and the entire train load of passengers and kept three men at work obeying orders. Engineer Dan O'Neill was shot and killed when he grappled with the desperado, who had covered him with two revolvers.

The robber made little by the desperate deed. A charge of dynamite failed to open the safe in the express car and the Postal authorities state that the contents of the registered packages amounted to but a small sum.

The train had left Bearmouth, and, as the fireman turned to gather a scoopful of coal, he was startled to see a man standing on the coal pointing two revolvers at his head.

"Throw up your hands," shouted the man, elevating his vioce to overcome the noise of the train.

"Throw up your hands and obey my orders and you won't get hurt."

Then the robber commanded: "Go and put out that headlight and mind that you come back here."

The fireman lost no time in obeying the order and was returning into the cab when he heard a shot and peered in just in time to see the engineer fall backwards out of the gangway to the ground. Just then the steam was shut off and the brakes applied and the train came to a stop in Mulkey Canyon.

Engineer O'Neill, it seems, grappled with the robber and tried to overpower him. The fireman jumped to the ground and hid himself until what followed was over.

The robber went from the engine to the express car and, when the passengers began poking their heads out of the car windows there followed a fusilade of shots, which speedily sent the frightened passengers into the coaches.

The robber pounded on the door of the express car, threatening to blow it open. Two men inside opened the door to find themselves facing two revolvers. The robber tried to blow open the big safe with a light charge of dynamite. This failed and fifteen sticks of dynamite were placed in the next charge. The outside was blown open and another charge of fifteen sticks were used. This charge blew the express car to pieces.

Clerk C. W. Otis refused to open the mail car door until threatened with dynamite. Once in the mail car the robber went to work on the registered mail pouches, which he forced the express and mail men to open. Packages were handed to him, and with the utmost coolness the fellow took a seat and opend first one package and then another, using his gun to break them.

During all the time he was with his prisoners he kept up a running talk and joked with the crew over his poor success in getting valuable plunder. He expressed regret at having been forced to kill the engineer, whom he charactrized as foolish, for trying to resist.

The robber declared:

"If there's anybody who wants to know who I am, tell 'em I am the same fellow who held up the Southern Pacific out at Portland, last fall."

The robber is described as a small man, not over 5 feet 4 inches in height and to weigh less than 160 pounds. He was heavily masked.

Bloodhounds from the state penitentiary have been put on the trail. The Northern Pacific today posted notices of a reward of $5,000 for the capture of the man, dead or alive.

CHANGES RACING RULES

NEW YORK YACHT CLUB REVISES PLAN OF MEASURING RACING CRAFTS.

NEW YORK, Oct. 24.—The New York Yacht Club has adopted the report of the committee appointed in February last to revise the present racing rules with reference to the measurement of racing craft. The principal change affected is in the introduction of the factor of hull displacement with the factors of lengths and sail area previously considered. The formula, as it now stands, reads as follows:

"Length multiplied by square root of sail area divided by five times cube root of displacement. Directions with reference to the measurement of the various sails in all craft are given.

The committee of measurements announced that it had corresponded with designers and builders in Europe and America, to whom questions were discussed relative to the advisability of the club changing its rules to the possibility of formulating rules which would result in a wholesome type of boats adapted to yachting in this country, what system of measurement would be conducive of best results, and to the possibility of forming an international standard. In all cases favorable answers were received except that some doubt was expressed about the international standard.

Mrs. Jane Walker, of Zena, Polk county, who recently purchased a lot of J. N. Skaife on Nineteenth street, began the erection of a $1,200 cottage on the same yesterday morning.

PHILIPPINE'S MONEY

DIRECTOR OF MINT ROBERTS FAVORS MAKING AMERICAN MONEY LEGAL TENDER.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 24.—Director of the Mint Roberts, in an interview upon the rejection by the Philippine Commission of the law passed by the last session of Congress, providing for an independent system of coinage for the Philippines, said:

"If the coinage system provided by Congress is not fit for the islands, and not to be put in operation there, I think that the best way would be to have a law passed by Congress at the next session, providing that on and after a certain date, American money shall be legal tender in the islands. While that might make some confusion at the start, it would come out all right in the end. The money stock of the islands, aside from what American money there may be there, is about $30,000,000 Mexican. It would be a comparatively easy matter for us to replace this with American money."

IS ARRANGING THE EVIDENCE

In a Systematic Form to Present to Commission

PRESIDENT JOHN MITCHELL

May Present the Miners' Case If They Select Him as Their Counsel

TWENTY-TWO MORE MINES IN OPERATION YESTERDAY THAN DAY BEFORE—OUTPUT CLOSE TO 100,000 TONS—MINERS BEING SLOWLY REINSTATED.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Oct. 24.—The evidence which President Mitchell will present to the Arbitration Commission is being arranged in a systematic form.

Regarding the report that there was a doubt as to whether he would be permitted to appear on behalf of the miners, Mitchell said he presumed the miners would select any course they saw fit to present the case before the Commission. Mitchell will leave here Sunday for Washington.

More Mines Start Up.

Wilkesbarre, Oct. 24.—There were 22 more mines in operation in the anthracite region today than yesterday, and the output will be close to 100,000 tons. When in full operation the mines employ, in every capacity, about 145,000 men and boys.

Of this number, it is estimated that 82,000 were at work today. A more amicable feeling prevailed today between the employer and the employe than yesterday. The excitement over the commencement of work yesterday wore off somewhat today and there was more work and less talk. Non-union men, despite what may be said to the contrary, are slowly being displaced in many of the mines and the old employes are taking the places.

Imports Are Scarce.

Scranton, Pa., Oct. 24.—All mining companies in this region reported today that large additions were made to the working forces. Imported workingman was decidedly minus in quantity today. Superintendent Rose, of the Delaware & Hudson Co., which operates thirty plants, said he did not know of a single "import" still in the company's employ. Other superintendents said that very few remained.

WASHINGTON HANDICAPPED

WILL GO INTO FOOTBALL GAME AT SEATTLE TOMORROW UNDER DISADVANTAGE.

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON, Seattle, Oct. 24.—Great interest is manifested in the football game tomorrow between the University of Washington and the Oregon Agricultural College. The last game between these institutions was played two years ago, when the Oregon team won an overwhelming victory. The university team will go into the game under certain disadvantages. There has been much difficulty in arranging for practice games. So far the university has played only three games, all of which it has won easily. In the last game, Scherer, who plays center, was disabled, and it is doubtful if he will be able to be in the game Saturday. In the same game Captain McElmon, one of the star players, sprained his ankle so severely that he will not be able to walk for several weeks.

DEATH OF A PIONEER.

EUGENE, Oct. 24.—Hon. Allen Bond, an old pioneer, died last evening at his home near Irving, after a protracted illness. He was 68 years of age, and was born in Virginia in 1833. At the age of three years his parents moved to Indiana, where his early life was spent and where he was married in 1854. Immediately following their marriage Mr. Bond and his bride started for Oregon, coming across the plains with an ox team. Arriving in Oregon, they settled upon a fine farm near Irving, where they reared a large family and have lived continuously ever since, Mrs. Bond having died two years ago. Mr. Bond was an thrifty farmer, public-spirited, and was esteemed by a very large circle of acquaintances. He was the father of eleven children, nine of whom are still living—B. F. Bond, S. L. Bond and J. E. Bond, of Irving, Mrs. A. J. Green and Mrs. C. D. Thomas, of Idaho; Mrs. H. J. Ebbert, of Springfield; E. A. Bond, of Baker City; Mrs. J. D. Spencer, of Irving, and Mrs. Charles Minkler, of Portland. The funeral services will be held tomorrow at Irving, and the remains will be interred in the Luper Cemetery. He was a member of the Odd Fellows and A. O. U. W., and the lodges of both these orders will attend from Eugene.

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THE CUBAN RECIPROCITY

Treaty As Submitted to Pres Palma Is Acceptable

INSTRUCTIONS FOR CHANGE

Sent to Minister Quesada at Washington for Approval

NATURE OF ALTERATIONS NOT MADE PUBLIC—CONTENTS HAVE BEEN GUARDED CAREFULLY. NEELEY HAS ABONDONED PLAN TO RETURN TO CUBA.

NEW YORK, Oct. 24.—It can be stated authoritatively that with the exception of a few minor changes the reciprocity treaty submitted by Secretary Hay to President Palma is acceptable to the Cuban President and his Cabinet, cables the Havana correspondent of the Tribune. Instructions as to changes desired have geen sent to Minister Quesada at Washington, and if approved by the United States, the treaty will be sent to Congress soon after it reconvenes. Just what alterations are asked cannot be learned, but it is said Cuba wants equal terms for certain Cuban commodities.

President Palma has guarded carefully the contents of the treaty. However, it is safe to say it provides for a 20 per cent. reduction.

Will Not Return.

Muncie, Ind., Oct. 24.—Charles F. W. Neeley has abandoned his plans to return to Cuba. He says that for the time, at least, he has abandoned his demands upon the United States Government for the $6,000 taken from him at the time of his arrest.

New President In View.

Chicago, Oct. 24.—The Record-Herald tomorrow will say: It was announced on good authority yesterday that H. R. Nickerson, Vice-President and General Manager of the Mexican Central Railroad, has been offered the presidency of the Southern Pacific.

OLD RESIDENT DEAD

PASSED AWAY AT THE HOME OF HIS SISTER EARLY THIS MORNING.

J. F. Ticknor, an old and well known resident of this city, passed away at 1:40 o'clock this morning at the residence of his sister, Mrs. S. E. Jones, No. 375 High street, aged 61 years, of tuberculosis.

Deceased was born near Jackson, Mo., February 23d, 1841, and came to Oregon with his father, arriving here November 4th, 1864, and has resided here almost continuously since. About two years ago he received a slight stroke of paralysis, since which time he has not been in good health, and for the past month so low as to be unable to leave the house. For the past fifteen years he has made his home with his sister, where his death occurred this morning. He was the son of Hiram Ticknor, deceased, and of the family of eight children Mrs. Jones remains alone. The coming of death was not unexpected, as for several months past he had suffered from tuberculosis.

The funeral will be held at the residence, Sunday, at 2 p. m.

BEGGAR HAS WEALTH

HIS COUNTRYMEN HAVE PROTESTED TO THE POLICE AGAINST HIS METHODS.

VIENNA, Oct. 24.—The police of Agram (capital of Croatia-Slavonia, Hungary) have received complaints from the Croatian colony in New York concerning Peter Modries, who is familiarly known as the "Beggar King of Hoboken," and who was believed to be visiting Agram, his birthplace. The Croatians of New York asked the Agram authorities to help them take steps against their countryman on the grounds that the fair name of their colony was disgraced by Modries' questionable way of making a living."

The police made investigations and discovered that Modries, accompanied by a young woman, had just sailed on a fast steamer for the United States. They ascertained that the "Beggar King" owns two valuable houses in Agram and that he claims to own two tenement houses in Hoboken.

TRUNKS FULL OF BOOTY.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Oct. 24.—Chas. Clark, a negro, and a mulatto woman who claims to be his wife, have been arrested here on information telegraphed from Minneapolis, Minn. The officers forced an entrance into the apartments of the pair and found three large trunks full of supposed stolen property. In Clark's possession was found a complete burglar's outfit. The property taken from the trunks is valued at $1,000, and consists of a large quantity of men's and women's new clothing, gloves, silks, fancy vests, and lingerie. Hidden in the lining of a fine overcoat was a bag filled with jewelry, part of which was engraved with initials.

Nearly 50 pawn tickets, issued by Minneapolis and Chicago pawnbrokers, were found in the pocket of the woman's jacket.

FIRST NAIL DRIVEN.

ROSEBURG, Oct. 24.—This afternoon the first nail was driven in the general offices of the Great Central Railroad Company. The ceremony was witnessed by a large number of Roseburg citizens and business men, John Lamert, Manager of the Great Central Townsite Company, explained the objects and purposes of the company.

Judge C. A. Schelbred, right-of-way agent, and Colonel J. G. Day, also made short addresses. C. Schmidt, landlord of the McClellan House, broke the bottle of champagne.

GUILTY OF MURDER

TOM HORN, SCOUT AND DETECTIVE, KILLED FOURTEEN-YEAR-OLD BOY.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Oct. 24.—Tom Horn, the famous scout and stock detective, was this evening found guilty of murder in the first degree for killing Willis Nickell, 14 years of age, at his father's ranch, in the Iron Mountain country.

GIFT FROM ROCKEFELLER.

NEW YORK, Oct. 24.—At the meeting of the Teachers' College Trustees of Columbia University it was announced that John D. Rockefeller had offered to give $500,000 to the college, provided that the college could raise $190,000 to pay off the debt of the institution and $250,000 besides. It was announced also that Mr. Rockefeller makes the gift as a "Thank-offering to Almighty God for the preservation of himself, his family and household" from the fire which recently destroyed his country home at Pocantico Hills.

ABANDONED CANDIDACY

James Darden, Candidate for Congress in Illinois District

CONCLUDED TO WITHDRAW

Upon Advice of Mayor Harrison on Account of a Publication

HAD BEEN ARRESTED IN PORTLAND, OREGON, ON CHARGE OF FORGERY AND EMBEZZLEMENT. HANNA, FAIRBANKS AND BEVERIDGE CAMPAIGNING.

CHICAGO, Oct. 24.—James Darden has abandoned his candidacy for Congress in the Illinois Ninth District. The probablities are that J. Hamilton Lewis, formerly a member of Congress from the state of Washington, will be nominated in his place.

Darden concluded to withdraw after a conference with Mayor Harrison following the publication that he had been arrested in 1895 in Portland, Oregon, on charges of forgery and embezzlemnt.

Hard Campaigning.

Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 24.—Senator Hanna, accompanied by Senators Fairbanks and Beveridge put in twelve hours of hard campaigning today. Hanna and Fairbanks departed for Canton, Ohio, tonight, to attend a meeting of the McKinley Memorial Association. At South Bend, late tonight, Hanna all but collapsed again at the end of an address, and had to be assisted to his chair.

HE GOT HIS MAN

SHERIFF COLBATH HAS DIFFICULTY IN SECURING PRISONER IN PORTLAND.

Sheriff B. B. Colbath returned last night from Portland, bringing up from that city Maurice Deverney, alias Burroughs, alias Wilson, the young man arrested there Thursday for the theft of a team and buggy from W. H. Goulet, of Woodburn, on Wednesday last. Sheriff Colbath had his man in irons when he reached Salem, and conveyed him at once to the county jail for safekeeping. Burroughs, as he calls himself, has numerous aliases, among them being George Wilson and Maurice Deverny. He is a young man, looking to be about 22, of rather pleasing features and possessing a fine physique; and though this is said to be not his first experience in the commission of crimes as two or three others have been laid at his door, of a graver nature than the one for which he is held here.

Sheriff Colbath experienced some little difficulty in securing his man yesterday after he had gone to Portland armed with the necessary authority. According to Sheriff Colbath's story, the Portland officers telephoned him on Thursday night that his man was there but for him, Colbath, not to go down until he heard from them again.

Sheriff Colbath disregarded the message, however, and took the early train yesterday morning for that city. Arriving in Portland, he demanded the prisoner, but the officers made some objections to giving him up, the reason, so it is said, being that there was a reward offered for his return to California. The case was at once presented before District Attorney Chamberlain, who immediately telephoned the chief of police to deliver the prisoner to Marion county's sheriff, which command was obeyed forthwith, and Sheriff Colbath arrived at the station with his man just in time to catch the 4 o'clock train for home. The prisoner will probably be arraigned this morning, and a date set for hearing.

ALGER DECLINES TO TALK

SOUTHERN PACIFIC MANAGER KNOWS NOTHING OF DEMAND FOR HIGHER WAGES.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 24.—R. G. Alger, general manager of the Southern Pacific Company, today declined to make a statement regarding the reported intention of the firemen and engineers of his company to go on a strike in the event of the company not meeting their demands for higher wages.

"I know nothing officially regarding the demands of the men. We will do nothing in the matter at present."

Asked if he would be in a position within a few days to make a statement regarding the situation, Mr. Alger replied:

"I do not think it will be necessary."

ASSASSIN MUST DIE.

SOFIA, Bulgaria, Oct. 24.—Michael Stavreff, alias Huiju, was today found guilty of the murder of ex-Premier Stambouloff in 1895, and sentenced to be hanged. The accused pleaded not guilty. Companions of M. Stambouloff testified that Stavreff fired the first shot.

Stephen N. Stambouloff, who has been called the Bismarck of Bulgaria, was assassinated in Sofia on the evening of July 15, 1895, three months after his dismissal from the Premiership.

METEOR AT ABERDEEN.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Oct. 24.—A brilliant meteor was observed in the eastern sky about 7 o'clock last evening. It fell in a straight line to the earth and was a globe of pure white light, appearing about four inches in diameter. Just before it struck the ground it exploded, part of it being of a peculiar bluish tint, the rest retaining its original color.

TORNADO IN ARGENTINA.

BUENOS AYRES, Argentina, Oct. 24.—A hurricane has swept over Port Diamant, Province of Entre Rios. Fifteen persons were killed and many injured. A hundred houses were destroyed and several ships were sunk. Nogvoya and other places were also damaged.

TO BEGIN WEDNESDAY.

ST. PAUL, Oct. 24.—Attorneys for the State, in the Minnesota suit against the railroad merger, have sent out notices that the first hearing of the testimony before the referee would take place next Wednesday.

GREIG GOT FIVE YEARS.

LONDON, Oct. 24.—L. H. Greig, ex-bookkeeper in the London offices of the Carnegie Steel Company, and charged with forgery and abstracting checks aggregating $81,265 from the correspondence of the Carnegie Company, pleaded guilty to forgery, and was sentenced to five years' penal servitude.

THE PLOT FRUSTRATED.

MADRID, Oct. 24.—A dispatch from Tangier, Morocco, says the Sultan's vigorous action in dealing with the murderer of Missionary Cooper was due to the discovery of a plot to murder all the Europeans in Fez.

AUDITOR BREWSTER DEAD.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Oct. 27—Wm. H. Brewster, county auditor, died tonight.

C. D. Minton, managing editor of the Oregon Poultry Journal, returned Saturday evening from a tour of the Fairs at Spokane and North Yakima, Wash., New Westminster, B. C., and Lewiston and Boise, Idaho, in the interest of his publication.

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