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MAKING A STRONG DEFENSE

Telegraphers "Will Go Down Into Wall Street"

A GREAT LEAGUE MEETING

BOOSTING OREGON

Takes Up Matters of Vital Importance to the State—Governor Chamberlain Makes Fine Address On the Needs of the State

The Willamette Valley Development League held a very successful convention at Cottage Grove the past week. The local Commercial Club has a fighting record on certain lines and kept up its reputation for calling attention to the railroad situation and the lumber industry that resulted in the organization of the Lumbermen's Association and the capturing of the Chairman of the Railroad Commission for one of its members. Congressman Hawley made a hit with the large crowd at the afternoon session by a strong plea for the enforcement of the terms of the Southern Pacific land

grant on the original terms of the contract to sell the land to actual settlers at \$2.50 per acre, but refused to define what an actual settler might be, saying he would leave the enforcement of the law to the department and the decisions of the courts. At the evening session Governor Chamberlain discussed the new area of development, and some of the causes of the undeveloped condition of some sections of the state. Prof. F. G. Young of Eugene, discussed development through higher education, J. U. Campbell of Oregon City, enlarged upon the necessity of sending less money out of the state for insurance and manufactured products, Col. E. Hofer made a strong argument for the opening of the Willamette and free locks and canal at Oregon City. Louis Barzee handled the spirit of enterprise shown by the people of Roseburg and Coos Bay in taking stock in the newly projected electric line.

League Reorganized.
Following standing committees were announced at the opening session of the league:
Resolutions—D. J. Dubrille, Cottage Grove; Lotus Barzee, Roseburg; F. H. Rosenberg, Cottage Grove.
Nominations—D. M. C. Gault, Cottage Grove; W. C. Hawley, Salem; J. D. McNiel, Marshfield.
Transportation—J. U. Campbell, Oregon City; J. G. Graham, Salem; C. J. Howard, Cottage Grove.
Electric Lines—E. P. Sheldon.

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JOINED TO MAKE TROUBLE

THE PINKERTON WAY

Hired By Mine Owners to Become Members of the Federation For the Purpose of Encouraging Members to Commit Crimes.

Boise, June 28.—When "Bill" Easterly took the stand this morning Darrow immediately took him into the recital of the events in the Cripple Creek district, which culminated in wholesale deportation. Easterly emphatically denied any knowledge whatsoever of the Vindicator disaster, the Independence explosion or any violence which resulted, he stating that while street fights between "gun men" or the mine owners' association and residents of the district were common, they were usually expected in mining camps when the men were not working. "We kept our men in line," said he, "all through the difficulty." Detectives, employed by the owners, circulated among the union men and counseled violence, but every union officer stood firm against it, and used his influence to prevent any disturbances. We kept the peace as much as possible, and all through the trouble our men were ordered to keep off the street, and from the vicinity of the union halls." The defense promised a big surprise soon. It claims to have disinterested witnesses who will testify regarding Pinkerton operations among the ranks of the union men.

Prior to Easterly telling his story, the proceedings were interrupted to permit the recall of Dr. I. L. McGee by the state. McGee testified that he saw Orchard in Wallace in July, 1904, which statement absolutely contradicted that of Orchard, who swore that at that time he was in Denver, preparing to set out for California to blow up Bradley. McGee stuck to his original story again today, fixing the year positively by the fact that the Republican campaign was on at the time. The only man he ever heard advocate violence in the lodge room was a visiting member named Charles Beckman, who afterwards turned out to be a detective.

Following the Independence explosion Easterly went to Cripple Creek. Then, with a number of friends, he took the cars to Victor. The cars were crowded, nearly everybody carrying arms. He had a revolver. Got out at Victor and found a street meeting in progress, it being announced that the leaders of the Citizens' Alliance would speak. Unionists were openly cursing the federation men, declaring they ought to be hung. When the meeting began C. C. Hamlin and Samuel Crump got into a wagon to speak. Hamlin declared the Independence explosion was due to the federation, and declared the citizens should hang 50 of its members, and run the others out of the district. "Then," continued the witness, "the fireworks began. I fired with the others. When the shooting was over I took to the upper part of the town on a hill. Saw the soldiers surround the miners' union hall, fire into the building and arrest all that were there. I went home, and stopped on my way to warn the boys to get out. I got my Winchester and pump shotgun, and plenty of ammunition, and marched down the streets through Independence, where I met a number of the members. Some were armed, others were not. We went to the city hall, and could see from there five carloads of Citizens' Alliance men and militia go up Bull hill. They got off and gathered up all the union men. Then I saw them loot the union store. I got away to Gillette, where I hid 24 hours, and then boarded the train, escaped to Denver and reported what had happened."

After wandering about considerably, Easterly finally located at Silver City, Idaho, where he has been working ever since. He met Jack Simpkins in Silver City in December, 1905. Simpkins told him Orchard was selling mining stocks and writing insurance in Southern Idaho. Simpkins, he said, came to Silver City at the request of the union there to organize a new local. Soon after Simpkins went back Orchard wrote him that he was doing fine, and wanted him to come out and join him in selling stock and writing insurance. On two occasions he had similar letters from Orchard. Borah then cross-examined Easterly, who said he knew Steunenberg was opposed to the federation. Orchard told him in Altman in August, 1903, that Steunenberg had departed him, and he would get even. Easterly admitted that he knew in November or December, 1905, that Orchard was in Caldwell, but said he did not know Steunenberg lived there. Asked why he had not given information to the law that Orchard threatened Steunenberg he said: "I never have been an informer." Easterly denied he left an infernal machine under his bed when he left the district. He did, however, leave two rifles there. Jos. Scholtz, a Mullen miner, formerly of Cripple Creek, who accused by Orchard of having made the trip into the Vindicator at the time the attempt was made to blow up a carload of dynamite, was called. He confronted Orchard on the witness stand and the latter said he was not the man he meant. Scholtz said the only other Scholtz he knew in the district was a man he understood was a "gun man" for the mine owners. He was not cross-examined. George Breen, a rancher, formerly a railroad man on the Florence & Cripple Creek railway, was in Independence the day of the depot explosion. He saw the hounds brought from the penitentiary at Canyon City to the scene of the crime.

Pulpit Discourses Out of Date.
Chicago, June 28.—Sermons and discourses from the pulpit belong to the passing order—are out of date. Like the crusades, they have had their day in the religious world, and now must give way in the new era in the manner of getting people into close association with the crops. The period in religion is "personal work." The present belief of the Rev. Johnston Myers, pastor of the Emanuel Baptist church, was expressed before an audience of more than 100 young divinity students at the University of Chicago Wednesday.

Dr. Myers did not strike a hard blow at the sermon itself, but he classified it as too antiquated to be of great use in the modern world.

Two Cars of Beer Burn.
Boise, Ida., June 28.—The Freight Transfer & Cold Storage Company's plant at Nampa was destroyed by fire early Thursday morning, causing a loss of \$8000 on a two-story frame building, machinery and contents. The Seattle Brewing Company lost nearly two cars of kegs of beer. Five thousand pounds of butter was the only thing saved. The fire started in the boiler-room, adjoining the main building, a little after midnight, and burned so rapidly the fire department could do little. Insurance is \$6750 on building and machinery.

Harriman Paid His Fine.
New London, Conn., June 28.—Harriman appeared aboard the cutter Gresham on which the board of inquiry met this morning and paid the fine fixed by the board for violating the rules governing yesterday's Yale-Harvard race. The amount is unknown. The board was not allowed to remit the fine, and the matter is now up to the treasury department, if Harriman fights.

STRIKE STILL GROWS

BOTH SIDES DEFIANT

President Small Says Telegraphers do Not Wish to Injure Business But Will Close Up the Stock Brokers, If Necessary.

Oakland, June 25.—The shadow of the telegraphers' strike has fallen over Wall street and the Chicago board of trade. "We will go down into Wall street," said President Small this morning, "if the companies continue their present attitude. We don't want to be forced to extreme measures, and as telegraphers we have no wish to hamper brokers and commercial interests, unless it is necessary to win our San Francisco demands. If both companies continue to refuse arbitration, let them have war. Thousands of telegrams are being sent to San Francisco by train, and the companies were from 24 to 40 hours late last night." The companies deny Small's statements as to delay, and declare they are moving business in a satisfactory manner.

SQUIRES BURNS FIGHT

San Francisco, June 28.—The seat sale for the Squires-Burns fight opened this morning. Advance orders for \$5000 worth of seats were received by the management before the tickets were on sale, and, despite the car strike, there is every indication of being a big crowd. The betting has switched and Squires is a 9 to 10 favorite. Unless more Burns money appears this will shorten. Squires continues to work, but could step into the ring tomorrow if called on to do so, and give a good account of himself. Burns began work at Oakland today, having arrived from Harbi Springs last night. The fighters will begin to taper off on their work about Monday. Both are now down to fighting weight, Squires weighing 182 and Burns 178.

Nat Hall Acquainted.
La Grande, Or., June 28.—Nat Hall, tried for the murder of Isaac Enland, during the last three days of this session of the circuit court, was acquitted. The jury reported the verdict at 9 o'clock Wednesday night after having been out about seven hours. The verdict was a surprise to no one, as Hall has always borne a splendid reputation, and the state lacked evidence to substantiate even the charge of manslaughter. District Attorney Ivanhoe expressed himself as being satisfied with the verdict.

Harry Holmes, the 19-year-old youth who pleaded guilty to the charge of attempted assault on the person of a small girl, was taken to the penitentiary by Sheriff Childers Wednesday evening.

Robber Caught.
Fresno, Cal., June 28.—The stage robber who held up two stages at Brune's mine last week, was captured this morning by a posse near Fresno flats.

James Was Thoughtful.
Columbus, O., June 28.—James Cornelius, the wife murderer, was electrocuted. He made his own funeral arrangements.

TOP PRICE FOR APPLE LAND.

Iowa Man Pays \$1000 an Acre at Hood River.

Hood River, Or., June 28.—The highest price ever received for fruit land in Oregon was obtained when C. Dethman sold a 20-acre orchard of 5-year-old trees for \$20,000. The property was purchased by J. B. Redford, of Des Moines, Ia., who will move to Hood River and go into the business of raising fruit. The purchase does not include anything but the land and water rights, as there are no buildings of any description on it, and is a straight price of \$1000 per acre. The orchard purchased by Mr. Redford is set to Spitzenbergs and Newtowns, which will bear partially this year for the first time.

CONFER WITH CALHOUN.

Committee Trying to Arrange Settlement of Strike.

San Francisco, June 28.—The ways and means committee of the strike campaign committee, composed of representatives of the central organization, and men affiliated with the unions, held a conference this afternoon with Calhoun about bringing the street car strike to an end. The committee has been quietly negotiating with Calhoun, and this morning he consented to receive it. What the committee has offered is unknown.

THEATER THEIR DEATHTRAP.

Over 500 Chinese in Audience Are Roasted Alive.

Victoria, B. C., June 28.—A horrible holocaust is reported in mail advices from Hongkong, where 500 Chinese of the audience of a Chinese theater and 10 of the actors were burned to death when the native theater was destroyed by fire. The flames spread rapidly and the building collapsed quickly, blocking the entrance with burning debris. The fire is said to have been due to the lighting of explosives concealed under the floor of the theater, the fire following the explosion.

Rocky May Not Testify.

Chicago, June 28.—"This court is no respecter of wealth," Judge Landis said this morning, when Attorney Miller appeared and asked that Rockefeller be excused from testifying in the Chicago rebate cases on account of his age and wealth. Later Miller told Landis in chambers that the summoning of the oil king and his associates were mere sensationalism. The court announced that it may excuse Rockefeller if the other witnesses give the desired information. Subpoenas this morning were issued for three additional oil men.

Killed by His Own Rifle.

Drain, Or., June 28.—Elmer Wolley met almost instant death by the discharge of his own rifle Tuesday near Gunter, on Smith river, 35 miles northwest of Drain. Elmer Wolley and his neighbor, Mr. McGee, were at work in the mountains about six miles from Gunter, clearing a road. While securing water from a creek, Wolley's rifle was accidentally discharged, the bullet striking him in the head, causing almost instant death. McGee went to Gunter, six miles distant, to secure assistance, and the body was brought to his home at Woolley, where burial took place.

Maybe Jury Was Oiled.

Findlay, O., June 28.—The jury in the Standard Oil case this morning reported they were unable to agree, and were discharged. The trust was charged with conspiracy in restraint of trade and violation of the state and anti-trust laws. The jury was out 48 hours.

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