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AN ENRAGED MOB OF 600 CITIZENS IS IN PURSUIT OF FIENDISH NEGRO

HE WILL HANG IF CAUGHT KILLS VICTIM OF HIS LUST ESCAPES ON MOTORCYCLE

Mrs. Melvina Haskins Assaulted by the Fiend and then Shot to Death—Crime Laid to Negro who Arrested for Assaulting White Woman Escaped from Constable on Motorcycle—This Gave Clue as Murderer of the Woman, a Negro Fled on Motorcycle—Forty Officers and 600 Men Scouring the Country for Him.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]
Los Angeles, Cal., Sept. 7.—Engaged by the brutality of the crime, officers, augmented by 600 citizens, all heavily armed, today are scouring the country south of Los Angeles for a negro who late yesterday shot and killed Mrs. Melvina Haskins. Under Sheriff Robert Smith is in charge of the deputies from the local sheriff's office, and other officers and citizens are led by the chiefs of police of Compton, Gardena and Watts.

Every male citizen of Compton, where the crime was committed, is engaged in the man hunt. Feeling against the assassin is running so high that it is doubtful if a lynching can be prevented if the negro is apprehended.

The most valuable clue yet received came shortly before noon in a telephone message from the chief of police of Santa Ana telling of the escape late Tuesday from the custody of a Santa Ana constable of a negro arrested for a series of assaults upon white women. The negro broke away from the officers and escaped on a motorcycle. The murderer, after assaulting and killing Mrs. Haskins, rode away on a motorcycle.

Among the leaders in the man hunt is William Haskins, husband of the dead woman. He is heartbroken over his wife's death and declares he will shoot down her murderer like a dog in the event of his capture.

Will Not Hang Him.

Little Rock, Ark., Sept. 7. Country-wide fears that Earl Gilchrist, the 15-year-old negro boy, convicted of the murder of another negro lad, would hang, which resulted in Governor Doanaghy being deluged under a flood of letters, telegrams and petitions of protest, were declared to be groundless.

The case has been appealed to the supreme court, and a decision cannot be expected for a month at least. If the upper court sustains the boy's conviction, the governor has declared his intention of commuting the sentence.

PEOPLE LIKE ANYTHING SALACIOUS

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]
New York, Sept. 7.—Freeman Bernstein, a theatrical booking agent, today stated that Beulah Blanford, the girl in the Beattie murder case at Chesterfield, Va., will appear at the Liberty theater, Philadelphia, next Monday.

He said that her act probably will consist of a couple of songs, adding: "It does not matter what she does just so long as the people have a chance to see her."

Bernstein said that later the girl will appear in New York, Chicago, Detroit, St. Paul and Minneapolis with possibly some dates in other cities.

THE STEAMER SANTA CLARA HIT THE ROCKS

STRUCK HARD WHILE ENTERING GOLDEN GATE, BUT PUMPS KEPT HER AFOAT UNTIL SHE REACHED THE DOCKS.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]
San Francisco, Sept. 7.—One hundred passengers on board the liner Santa Clara faced death today when the vessel, coming in from Eureka, struck the rocks while entering the Golden Gate in a fog which obscured the channel entrance.

A heavy sea was running and the passengers, who were preparing to land, were suddenly thrown to the deck by the terrific crash. Women and children screamed and a rush was made for the lifeboats.

For a few minutes a panic reigned but the bravery of the officers and the discipline of the crew proved sufficient to quell the rush, and order was soon restored. The vessel hung for a few minutes on the rocks, pounding heavily, and then slid off into deep water.

Although leaking badly, the vessel's pumps were able to keep the water down, and the engines were unharmed. Answering wireless calls for aid, rescue tugs rushed to the scene, and escorted the vessel to the dock, while the pumps were kept going steadily to keep the craft from sinking.

The Santa Clara was loaded with lime and general cargo, as well as the 100 passengers and a crew of 40 men. She is owned by the North Pacific Steamship Company, of San Francisco.

TIMES OUTFIT MUST ANSWER FOR INDECENCY

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]
Los Angeles, Cal., Sept. 7.—Judge Chesbro today overruled the demurrer of Harrison Gray Otis, Harry E. Andrews and R. M. Whitney, Times editors, and they must appear Monday to enter their pleas for trial on charges of printing indecent news.

Judge Chesbro decided that the city ordinance covered more ground than the state law in question and peremptorily ordered the three prisoners to appear in court Monday and file their pleas.

He Says It Hard.
I wish to emphatically deny any statement that has been circulated to the effect that I have money, or am loaning same.
H. A. GREEN.

If some people who talk much said only what they know, they would be silent most of the time.

Would Hold the Fleet.

San Francisco, Sept. 7.—An effort to persuade the navy department to retain the Pacific fleet at San Francisco until after the visit of President Taft in October was renewed today by directors of the Panama-Pacific Exposition company.

The fleet is under orders to Hawaii for division battle and target practice, the orders having been issued just before it was announced that the president would journey to the Pacific coast. California representatives at Washington have been asked to use their influence to secure a countermanding of the order and a postponement of the fleet's departure, and it is expected that their efforts will prove successful.

PERFUMED WARM AIR AS WEAPON

It Will Have as Much Effect on the S. P. as Would the Titillation of a Fly's Feet on the Hide of a Rhinoceros.

Kline and Others Told in Language Sesquipedalian Just What They Would Do if Kruttschnitt Does Not Come Through, Seemingly Forgetful of the Fact That "Krutty" Has Already Told Them He Would Have Nothing to Do With Them.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]
Sacramento, Cal., Sept. 7.—"We are facing a crisis—a struggle is on today that is going to try every man's soul. We can not get out of it. We can not back up. We must fight the music."

So declared J. W. Kline, president of the blacksmiths' union, at a mass meeting held in the Labor temple here.

"I am for peace—if we have to fight for it," he continued. "Mr. Kruttschnitt can run a railroad but he cannot run a labor organization to save his neck."

Let every man vote for the man who is a friend of the worker. We hope it will not be misrepresented by the newspaper reporters. We hope they will give us a square deal. We never say anything we are ashamed of and will take Mr. Kruttschnitt into our meetings, if he wishes to come."

The purpose of the meeting, the speakers declared, was merely to ascertain what the men wanted.

Kline made clear the labor situation and the position occupied by the union in regard to their employers. The various crafts were well represented and the men applauded vigorously the more forceful arguments and assertions of Kline and the other speakers. None of the speakers evidenced a disposition to strike except as a last resort. They asserted repeatedly that they were of a conciliatory spirit, although they would not hesitate to stand by their guns if it became necessary to fight for their rights.

J. A. Franklin, president of the boiler-makers' union of the Harriman system, ascribed the fact that employers have been able to do as they pleased with the unions in the past for the lack of unity among the various organizations. He further stated that the railroads would give the workers just as much as the workers were able to take from them. There was no philanthropy in business. Another of the speakers was M. F. Ryan, president of the carmen. J. B. Bucklee, vice-president of the machinists' union, said he did not come here either to prevent or incite a strike.

There will be a meeting tomorrow in San Francisco of 45 representatives of the federated trades' unions and the officials of the Harriman lines. That conference, he said, would have a material bearing on the situation.

The Sacramento branch of the federation is anxious to bring matters to a focus and will strike if necessary.

COME OVER TO SEE 'THE PRICE WAS SAFE'

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]
Newport, R. I., Sept. 7.—Lord Camois, fiance of Mildred Sherman, and prospective son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. William Watts Sherman, is here from England, well in advance of the wedding date, for the purpose, it is supposed, of arranging the marriage settlement.

Lord Camois arrived in the United States on the steamer Olympic, traveling under the name of R. Stoner.

WELCH FEARED OREGON ELECTRIC SO HE STRUCK THE FIRST BLOW

GOOD HAIL OF OPIUM.

Seattle, Wash., Sept. 7.—More than \$1200 worth of opium was found by United States customs officers this morning in a room occupied by J. L. Brown, who was arrested on a smuggling charge. More arrests probably will be made this afternoon. Brown, who is said to have brought the drug from Vancouver, B. C., had 61 5-tael tins in his possession. Each of these, weighing about seven ounces, is worth \$20.

Customs Inspector Frank Lotz has been on the track of Brown for more than two months. He is thought to be one of a gang of opium smugglers.

COAL MINE PAYMASTER MURDERED

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]
Pottsville, Pa., Sept. 7.—Joseph Zehner, of Lansford, Pa., contractor in charge of extensive coal stripping operations for the Lehigh Valley Coal and Navigation company, and Samuel Watkins, of Summit Hill, were shot down and killed from ambush near here this afternoon, the murderers escaping with a box containing \$3000.

When found the dead bodies of the two men were found lying in the inside of a carriage on the top of the mountain between Lansford and Nesquehoning, the horses peacefully grazing at the roadside. A teamster driving over the same road made the discovery.

Today was pay day for the men working at the Nesquehoning coal strippings, and Zehner, with Watkins, his driver, left the company's office at Lansford at noon to pay off the hands. There is no clue to the robbers, who evidently were aware of the large amount Zehner would have with him, and laid their plans carefully.

Captain Wilhelm, of the state police, dispatched a detail to the scene of the crime immediately after receiving a report.

Working for a Bridge at Newberg.

Containing that the people as a unit in the northern end of the county demand the construction of a bridge across the Willamette river at Newberg, and that if built it would open up and develop a large territory which is now bottled up, a delegation from Newberg is appearing before the board of county commissioners this afternoon with the view of having it appropriate \$45,000 of the \$90,000 required to build the bridge.

Two members of the board are favorable to the construction of the bridge—believe that it should be built, but also believe that the people of Newberg should make an appropriation. They base this belief on the fact that town will be the greatest beneficiary from the construction of the bridge.

HER WOMAN'S WIT DISCOVERED A WAY

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]
Portland, Or., Sept. 7.—Unable to telephone her husband, who was at a neighbor's house, because the telephone belonged to opposition systems, Mrs. Herbert Little called up the police department. The desk sergeant sent Little home to his anxious spouse.

LA FOLLETTE'S BOOM STARTED IN NEBRASKA

Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 7.—Senator La Follette's boom for president was practically launched in Nebraska today, following a meeting of the executive of the Nebraska Progressive League, when the resignation of Secretary Frank A. Shotwell was requested, because of his action in giving out an interview at Washington to the effect that Nebraska was for President Taft's re-election.

F. P. Carrick, a La Follette man, will be elected secretary in Shotwell's place, and a La Follette League will be formed.

People Cheer Him.
Hartford, Conn., Sept. 7.—Greeted by cheering thousands, President Taft arrived here today to attend the state fair. He took luncheon with Governor Baldwin and a number of notables at the Library building.

CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATE S. P. OWNS THE WELCH LINE IT IS A BATTLE OF GIANTS

Welch, Not The Capital Journal, Accuses the Mayor of Conspiracy, and Tells Why He Ordered Suit for a Restraining Order Commenced—Claims the Oregon Electric Had a Gang of Men Ready to Tear Up His Track, and That Work Would Have Been Done Sunday, When S. P. Franchise Died, and Courts Not Open.

Was it the plan of the Oregon Electric Railway company in the fight it is waging for franchise rights in the city against the Southern Pacific, to put a crew of men in the field and tear up the Southern Pacific track on Front street for which the franchise expires tomorrow, and to lay down on the ground its own track?

A Welch, manager of the Portland, Eugene & Eastern Railroad company, which has purchased an interest in the track, and which is under a traffic agreement with the Southern Pacific in relation to its use, seems to have had reason to believe so, as several days ago he requested his attorney in the city to keep a vigilant lookout for just such a move and to be prepared to forestall it by legal proceedings.

Fearing that the Oregon Electric might in its adroit and fox-like way await until Sunday—two days after the Southern Pacific franchise would expire, and make the move when the courts would be closed, and he unable to institute legal proceedings to stop them, he yesterday brought a suit in the circuit court to restrain the Oregon Electric, and Louis Lachmann, mayor of the city, and the city of Salem from in any way interfering with the track until his rights in relation to it should be finally adjudicated.

Such in brief was the outline of the situation given a reporter of the Capital-Journal today by Judge Slater, of the firm of Kaiser, Slater & Pogue, the firm which yesterday instituted the injunction proceedings for the Welch line in the circuit court.

Situation Explained.
According to Judge Slater's statement of the case, the franchise of the Welch line—the Portland, Eugene & Eastern—gives the company the right to maintain two tracks on Front street. It already, according to his statement, has one track, and exercising the rights given under the franchise, it secured the second one when it purchased the interest of the Southern Pacific in its track. The Southern Pacific evidently realizing that unless it would agree to a common user clause that it could not secure a renewal of a franchise on this street, sold its track to the Welch people and entered into a traffic agreement with them.

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PRESIDENT ADVOCATES ARBITRATION

SAYS "IF THE SENATE CANNOT BIND US—THE NATION CANNOT BIND US"—DOES THIS MEAN THAT THE SENATE IS GREATER THAN THE COUNTRY?

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]
Hartford, Sept. 7.—President Taft today discussed the arbitration treaties. He said in part:

"If the senate cannot bring itself to submit questions of jurisdiction arising under the treaty, as Norway and Sweden have done, for instance, then the prospect for real and substantial progress is most discouraging."

The president criticized the majority of the senate foreign relations committee because they refused to give the joint high commission authority to determine what questions were arbitrable. He declared that the reasoning of the senators that concluding treaties would be unconstitutional was most remarkable.

"I cannot exaggerate the importance of escaping from the limited view the senate committee takes of the powers of the senate in this regard and of securing the action of the senate sustaining the view of the minority," he said.

"Wherever there are good men and women longing and praying for the dawn of a great day of peace, their eyes are turned with hope and confidence to the great republic of the West, a land which more than any other uses peaceful methods of arbitration for the settlement of the differences of nations. This hope, by the proposed narrow consolidation of the powers of the senate, we are bound to strike down. To them struggling and longing we say: 'Look unto us for leadership. We can not even follow. Let other nations arbitrate; let other nations set up a high court of nations and pledge faith that they will resort no more to the dread arbitration of war, but will abide by the verdict of their chosen judges.'

"This great American nation is unable by the constitution to help forward the great movement; it is unable to bind itself in any future submission of its case to an arbitral court, though the whole world follows the light of civilization and peace. For, remember, if the senate cannot bind us, the nation never can bind us; these peace loving people forever are incapable of taking a step along the great path which all the world wishes to tread and along which all the world thinks America is the best fitted to lead."

EXTRA EXPENSE WAS MADE WITH A LEAD PENCIL

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]
San Francisco, Sept. 7.—The Santa Fe railroad is run at a loss and pays out \$1.98 for every \$1 worth of business done in California, if the figures presented to the state commission by Statistician Amos Peabody may be credited. Peabody's statistics were given as a part of the Santa Fe's testimony in the San Joaquin valley rate case, in which San Francisco shippers are seeking lower tariffs from this city into the lower valley.

Peabody said the state business was all a loss because the cars did not run full and the stations were too far apart. He declared all the earnings of the Santa Fe were made in interstate business. Pressed for a reason, Peabody admitted that the cost of the state service had been figured at five times the cost of interstate traffic.

COMPANY WANTS TO THE FIRST OF YEAR

On condition that an order made by the state board canceling a contract entered into with the Portland Irrigation company for the reclamation of certain lands near Paisley be revoked, representatives of the company yesterday afternoon appeared before the water rights board to relinquish all water rights obtained from the government in event that it should not be able to finance the project by the first of the year.

The company entered into the contract for the reclamation of the land 10 years ago, but has done nothing, because of the lack of money. Several months ago the board cancelled the contracts, but it could not cancel water rights obtained by the company from the federal government. The company agreed to relinquish those water rights if the state will cancel the order cancelling its contract for the reclamation of the land, and give it until the first of the year to make good. Should it then fail to be able to finance it, the state will fall heir to the water rights, as well as the land, and be in a position to award a contract to some other company able to reclaim the land.

THE BISHOP SHOWED A VIOLENT TEMPER

Sacramento, Sept. 7.—Bishop Strahl had the choice of 30 days in jail, \$150 fine or whistling some cheer, lively popular air when he again feels like abusing his horse. Justice Pugh gave him the choice in a few well chosen words, that carried the punctuations of sincerity. Strahl was found beating his animal unmercifully, when he got mad because the nag was tired.

WHERE, OH, WHERE IS OWEN ADAIR

New York, Sept. 7.—Late this afternoon Astor, Madeline Force and her sister, Katherine, left the Force residence in a cab. Madeline carried a traveling bag. Asked where they were going, Astor replied:

"To the subway, and we're in a hurry."

It is believed the party were bound for Astor's yacht.

PICTURES SHOULD BE FORBIDDEN

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]
Chesterfield, Sept. 7.—Beulah Blanford left the jail here at noon today and boarded a train for Washington, where she will fill a moving picture engagement. She will pose for films in a plot representing the Beattie murder.

One thousand persons gathered outside the little jail when she entered an automobile and sped away toward the depot. Miss Blanford put a heavy veil as the machine started. She was accompanied by the three representatives of a theatrical booking agency.

Probably Sewer Hoops.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]
Portland, Ore., Sept. 7.—Arrested for eating refuse found in garbage cans, three Italians, when searched, were found to have more than \$100 each in their clothing.