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BATTLE ON AND FORTY TRAPPED

Strong Force of Police and Militia Surrounding Them on All Sides. ARE ENTRENCHED IN HEADQUARTERS Position So Strong That It Is Impossible to Storm It, Is Decision.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Johannesburg, South Africa, Jan. 14.—A battle was raging this afternoon between 40 armed strikers, entrenched in the Trades Federation's local headquarters, and a strong force of police and militia, surrounding them on all sides. Anticipating attempts by the authorities to raid the federation hall, the strikers chose 40 men to defend it. They were provisioned for two weeks and had plenty of ammunition. Their position was so strong that it was impossible to storm it without heavy loss of life, so the authorities were settling down to a siege, evidently hoping to starve out the strikers. Greatest of Strikes. Cape Town, South Africa, Jan. 14.—South Africa today faced the greatest strike any country has ever experienced. Every union worker in the land has been ordered out. The decree was issued by the Trades Federation last night. It was as yet somewhat too soon to tell how general the response would be. South African labor is very strongly unionized, however, and it seemed likely that it would obey implicitly. Martial law also prevailed. The government also prevailed. (Continued on page 5.)

This Millionaire Likes Jail Fare

McCreery Says He Has Comfortable Night in Cell With Petty Thief as His Cellmate. [UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] San Francisco, Jan. 14.—Richard S. McCreery, millionaire automobile speeder, announced today that he had spent an extremely comfortable night, though he spent it on a humble cot in the county jail with a petty thief as a cell mate. McCreery entertained company and dined on the choice food his friends brought him before he turned in last evening. Naturally, there was some little "joshing" from the callers. McCreery tried to enjoy it but he could not help reminding his visitors that to people on the outside looking in a jail was a much funnier place than to those on the inside looking out. He declined absolutely to pose for a flashlight photograph in his prison garb. Nevertheless he slept soundly and was already waiting for breakfast when coffee and toast were served at 7 a. m. "It was as good toast as I ever ate," he said.

ARGUMENTS FINISHED IN SALEM LIQUOR CONTROVERSY

The case of the Salem Brewery Association against the city of Salem is being argued today before the supreme court. There are several of these local option election cases that are very similar in facts, and the court is trying out the whole batch at the same time. There is a small army of lawyers battling with the hosts of sin, and the way the demon of the bottle got it in the neck, so to speak, from the defendants' attorneys in these cases, was a warning for the demon aforesaid to sit up and be good. It is probable the court will hand down its decision in all these cases next Tuesday, though they may go over a week.

LEADER INSISTS OUR MAYOR IS TO BLAME FOR DELAY IN SALEM

Would Have Departed From Salem Sooner if Steeves Not "Cheap Skate." ONLY FOUR MEN AT WORK Others Hurry to Join the Army When Notified by Leader That It Is Started Toward Albany.

"If it had not been for the mayor of Salem being a cheap skate we would have been out of Salem within a few hours after entering it," said E. W. Rimer, the leader of the unemployed gang last night. "We came here for something to eat and could not get it until the last minute." The leader telephoned to the school for the feeble minded and out to the tuberculosis institution yesterday evening and advised his followers that the main body of men had moved southward and advised them to hurry if they desired to keep with the crowd. Only Four Remain. When the men working at the institutions received this call from their leader, all but four dropped their work and made a bee line toward the Hub City where they expect to join their comrades. Out of 40 men who were given \$1.50 a day, good board and lodgings at the state institutions, but four remained and these wise ones declare that now they have a job they will stay with it. The 21 men who were arrested yesterday afternoon for begging, were escorted out of the city late yesterday afternoon by the police, and told to remain out. Although it was not over an hour and a half before when they had been treated to a good dinner by the city, they braced the Oregon Training school authorities for supper. The gang was turned down flatly, however, and after huddling about a fire near the institution during the night, they marched toward Albany. Very Unappreciative. Notwithstanding the fact that the city of Salem expended over \$9 yesterday in feeding the 35 men who agreed to get out of town, the favor was forgotten when the men got out of the city limits according to farmers south of Salem who overheard remarks made by the crowd. The unemployed said that Salem was a bum place; that its people were "phony" and that the way they were treated would make a dog go off and hide. If ever a man was treated to a good square meal, the gang rounded up at the city jail were recipients of the same article. Despite the fact that they said they would be willing to go out of town and that all they desired was a meal before going, they insist on biting the hand that fed them. According to the leader of the gang which has just left, there will be over a thousand men in armies of unemployed to pass through Salem within the next month. He declared that they are making right for the Capital City and that "the citizens may as well be (Continued on page four.)

Late News Bulletins

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Ontario, Cal., Jan. 14.—After weeks of anxiety over the presence in their neighborhood of the mealy bug, deadly foe of citrus fruits, growers of Upland are almost convinced today that the bug that infests their trees is not the citrus mealy bug, and is harmless. Large sums have been spent to stamp it out. San Diego, Cal., Jan. 14.—A "live" torpedo is floating in San Diego today, imperiling shipping, according to Naval Recruiting Officer Pitkins. Pitkins has offered \$20 reward for its return. The torpedo was lost yesterday by the cruiser California. Mulberry, Kan., Jan. 14.—By the snapping of the cable, a cage in which six men were descending the Spencer-Nowell Coal company's mine No. 7 here fell 100 feet today. Three of its occupants were killed. [UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Tokyo, Jan. 14.—Assurance that no Americans perished in the volcanic eruption which destroyed the city of Kagoshima, wiped out several smaller towns in its vicinity and turned all the surrounding country into a desert, were received here today from United States Consul Carl Deichman, at Nagasaki. Several American traders and a large number of missionaries lived in the stricken district and a few tourists were at Kagoshima, but Deichman reported that he had accounted for all of them. It was taken for granted, however, that they had lost everything. No names were as yet known here. Eruption Less Violent. The eruption of Sakurajima was said to have been subsiding somewhat since 2 a. m. today. The mountain was said still to be a terrifying sight, however, and the earth shocks continued almost uninterruptedly. So severe were some of them that many of the refugees who reached places of safety said they were frequently compelled to crawl on hands and knees. Destruction was feared, too, today, from other volcanoes on Kishiu island. Kirishima, 35 miles north of Kagoshima, burst into violent activity yesterday, and the volcanoes of Aso, Ouseen and Takakoma were rumbling heavily. BEDS OF AGATE UNCOVERED BY RECENT BIG GALE [UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Newport, Ore., Jan. 14.—Not for years have there been so many agate beds uncovered along the beach here as there have been this winter, and some valuable stones are being found by the hundreds of searchers. Among the successful searchers are: A. W. Peters and R. F. Furbish, of Lockport, N. Y. The prevailing southeast winds and the high tides have uncovered the beach between Nye Creek and Castle Rock, a locality which usually is covered with sand at this time of the year. Agate bearing sand and gravel is exposed most of the way for ten miles north. GUARDS MEET. [UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Washington, Jan. 14.—Prominent national guardsmen expected today that the meeting of the National Guard association executive committee and state adjutant generals here would result in a concerted effort to force the federal pay bill through congress. This measure, providing that every guard member officer shall receive a small salary, has met with opposition from the war department. MAY CARRY 100 POUNDS BY PARCEL POST BEFORE LONG [UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Washington, Jan. 14.—Postmaster-General Burleson admitted today that he was seriously considering increasing the parcel post limit to 100 pounds. "During the fiscal year beginning July 1, next," he said, "I think we will transport approximately 600,000,000 pounds at about 10 cents per pound on the average. Just want to say here that the thought of a 100-pound limit does not terrify me. EXECUTION DELAYED. [UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Chicago, Jan. 14.—State Supreme Justice Carter issued today a writ of superseas delaying the execution of Henry Spencer, convicted murderer of Mrs. Mildred Allison Herxroat, until the supreme court can decide whether Spencer was fairly tried.

VOLCANO FAILS TO KILL AMERICANS IN STRICKEN DISTRICT

Large Number of Them There But They All Made Escape From Horror. ERUPTIONS ARE SUBSIDING Sakurajima Less Violent During Day, But It Is Still Terrifying Sight and Shocks Continue. [UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Tokyo, Jan. 14.—Assurance that no Americans perished in the volcanic eruption which destroyed the city of Kagoshima, wiped out several smaller towns in its vicinity and turned all the surrounding country into a desert, were received here today from United States Consul Carl Deichman, at Nagasaki. Several American traders and a large number of missionaries lived in the stricken district and a few tourists were at Kagoshima, but Deichman reported that he had accounted for all of them. It was taken for granted, however, that they had lost everything. No names were as yet known here. Eruption Less Violent. The eruption of Sakurajima was said to have been subsiding somewhat since 2 a. m. today. The mountain was said still to be a terrifying sight, however, and the earth shocks continued almost uninterruptedly. So severe were some of them that many of the refugees who reached places of safety said they were frequently compelled to crawl on hands and knees. Destruction was feared, too, today, from other volcanoes on Kishiu island. Kirishima, 35 miles north of Kagoshima, burst into violent activity yesterday, and the volcanoes of Aso, Ouseen and Takakoma were rumbling heavily. BEDS OF AGATE UNCOVERED BY RECENT BIG GALE [UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Newport, Ore., Jan. 14.—Not for years have there been so many agate beds uncovered along the beach here as there have been this winter, and some valuable stones are being found by the hundreds of searchers. Among the successful searchers are: A. W. Peters and R. F. Furbish, of Lockport, N. Y. The prevailing southeast winds and the high tides have uncovered the beach between Nye Creek and Castle Rock, a locality which usually is covered with sand at this time of the year. Agate bearing sand and gravel is exposed most of the way for ten miles north. GUARDS MEET. [UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Washington, Jan. 14.—Prominent national guardsmen expected today that the meeting of the National Guard association executive committee and state adjutant generals here would result in a concerted effort to force the federal pay bill through congress. This measure, providing that every guard member officer shall receive a small salary, has met with opposition from the war department. MAY CARRY 100 POUNDS BY PARCEL POST BEFORE LONG [UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Washington, Jan. 14.—Postmaster-General Burleson admitted today that he was seriously considering increasing the parcel post limit to 100 pounds. "During the fiscal year beginning July 1, next," he said, "I think we will transport approximately 600,000,000 pounds at about 10 cents per pound on the average. Just want to say here that the thought of a 100-pound limit does not terrify me. EXECUTION DELAYED. [UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Chicago, Jan. 14.—State Supreme Justice Carter issued today a writ of superseas delaying the execution of Henry Spencer, convicted murderer of Mrs. Mildred Allison Herxroat, until the supreme court can decide whether Spencer was fairly tried.

Another Plan to Settle Strike

Governor Ferris Reported to Have Formulated Scheme to Bring End to Strife. [UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Calumet, Mich., Jan. 14.—Governor Ferris was reported from Big Rapids as engaged on another plan for settling the Michigan copper mine strike. Its details had not been made public. Special Prosecutor Nichols denied that the Houghton county grand jury would report today but said he thought it might do so tomorrow. Among other things it was understood the jury had considered the case of the deportation of President Meyer of the Western Federation of Miners from the copper country recently. SALOON MAN ROBBED. San Francisco, Jan. 14.—Two masked men held up John Cavello's saloon here early today. One of them knocked Cavello down with the butt of a revolver, while the other emptied the cash register of \$75. SHOTS DOCTOR FOR HIS ATTENTIONS TO WIFE AND THEN HIMSELF [UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Centralia, Wash., Jan. 14.—Dr. C. E. Robson, city health officer at Tenino, a physician well known throughout southwest Washington, was shot and killed yesterday afternoon by M. C. Cole. The shooting occurred in front of Cole's residence. When Cole was sure his victim was dead he sent a bullet through his brain. Jealousy of Robson's alleged attentions to Mrs. Cole was believed to be the motive for the double tragedy. URGES DISPLAY [UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] New York, Jan. 14.—Opening the National Boot and Shoe Manufacturers' association convention at the Hotel Astor today, President A. S. Kreider strongly urged creditable displays at the San Francisco exposition, and at the Anglo-American exposition in London.

ALL MISSING AND FEARED 118 DROWN

Rescue Ship Arrives Close to Royal Liner and Finds No Life. FEARED ALL TOOK TO BOATS AND DIED Wireless Messages Heard From Ship During Forenoon and Some Hope. [UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Halifax, N. S., Jan. 14.—The distressed Royal Mail liner Cobequid was located this afternoon ashore off Trinity Ledges by the liner Lady Laurier. The fate of the Cobequid's 16 passengers and crew of 102 men, however, was not known. Wireless dispatches received here from the Lady Laurier said no sign of life was visible aboard the ship. It was believed here that the passengers and crew had taken to the sea in open boats. Halifax, N. S., Jan. 14.—The Royal Mail liner Cobequid, carrying 10 passengers and a crew of 102 men, was reported ashore this afternoon near Trinity Ledges, Yarmouth. Most of the vessel's hull was above water, and the passengers and crew were reported safe. The weather started clearing this afternoon and the work of steamers endeavoring to reach the distressed vessel was not so hazardous. The steamer Lady Laurier is hurrying to the Cobequid's relief, and it was expected that the work of transferring the passengers and crew would be completed before night. When last heard from the Cobequid was only 20 miles distant from the Lady Laurier.

Cost Proposed Bond Issue for Permanent Roads

Table showing the cost of the proposed bond issue for permanent roads, figured on a basis of the present assessed valuation of \$43,631,351 in the entire county, for the first year, and a reasonable increase for each succeeding year:

Table with columns: Year Levy, Will Raise, For Interest, For Sinking Fund, Amount Total Interest on each yr. on which value, Total Interest, Cost Year. Rows 1-20 showing increasing costs over time.

The above chart shows the amounts necessary to be paid, year by year, to retire the proposed bonds in 20 years; it also shows the annual tax levy for each year necessary to raise the required amounts; in the right hand column is given the amount of dollars and cents and the rate per one thousand dollars of assessed valuation one would have to pay for the privilege of having

good roads which amount averages but \$1.33 per year for the 20 years. For the first three years the interest only on the bonds is provided for. Commencing with the fourth year, as provided by law, a sinking fund is created and to this add the following year the interest which would accrue.

EMPLOYEE MISSING WITH \$13,000 FROM SAFE OF EXPRESS FIRM

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Connelleville, Pa., Jan. 14.—That \$13,000 was missing from the United States Express company's safe here was admitted today at the company's local office. The package, in banknotes, was consigned to a Connelleville bank. Ralph Wyant, the company's night agent, was sought in connection with the case. He had disappeared, leaving a note for his wife, in which he said: "I have committed a crime. You will not see me any more." FOR UNITED STATES MARSHAL [UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Washington, Jan. 14.—The nomination of Joseph P. Dillon, to be United States marshal of Arizona was sent to the senate today by President Wilson.

TWO MEDFORD ALDERMEN RECALLED BY VOTERS FOR EXTRAVAGANCE

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Medford, Ore., Jan. 14.—The business men's ticket made a clean sweep in yesterday's city election, electing five councilmen and recalling two of the present council by large majorities, on the grounds of municipal extravagance. A feature of the contest was the large vote cast by the women. A charter amendment was passed removing salaries from the mayor and council, and a bond issue for a new city reservoir defeated. This is the first instance that the recall has been invoked in southern Oregon and resulted in one of the hardest fought contests in the city's history.

The Weather

The Dickey Bird says: Oregon, rain or snow east portion tonight and Thursday; south-easterly winds; brisk near the coast. THAT HUERTA IS A NOISY GUY! [Illustration of a man shouting]

BONDS ARE APPROVED BY NEW YORK ATTORNEYS FOR BUYERS

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Medford, Ore., Jan. 14.—The Jackson county court today received the approval of the New York attorneys for the syndicate of bond buyers who recently purchased the \$500,000 road bonds voted last autumn for improving the Pacific highway through the county, and the money will be available as soon as the bonds are delivered. The bonds were purchased by a syndicate formed by Wells and Dickey company of Minneapolis and brought a premium of \$9 per \$1,000. They are the first highway bonds issued in Oregon.

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JURY HAS NOT AGREED IN \$50,000 BREACH OF PROMISE SUIT

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Portland, Ore., Jan. 14.—The jury which heard the evidence in the breach of promise suit for \$50,000 brought by Mrs. Gertrude Gerlinger against Lloyd Frank, a prominent merchant, had not reached a verdict at 12:30 today. The case was given to the jury at 5:30 yesterday afternoon. WILSON'S IDEAS OF BIG BUSINESS AND GOVERNMENT [UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Washington, Jan. 14.—President Wilson yesterday gave the cabinet his ideas on the relation of the government to "big business," the field that the anti-trust legislation should cover and the spirit with which he believed the task should be approached. Peace and not war, a feeling of friendly conciliation rather than of hostile antagonism and yet a constructive program that will eliminate uncertainty about the law and stimulate legitimate business, are the fundamental points of the president's plan. The president presented the message which he will read to congress next week to the cabinet today. The members spoke of the message as a progressive declaration that would reassure the business world of the administration's intention to deal fairly. RAILROAD BILL UP. [UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Washington, Jan. 14.—The Wickersham Alaska railroad bill was considered in the house today. It will come up every Wednesday until final action is reached. Government ownership in today's debate was advocated by Representative Brumbaugh of Ohio. The opposition was led by Representatives Davenport and Ferris.

SEVEN MEMBERS OF NEW ARMY COMING HERE DESERT

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Forest Grove, Or., Jan. 14.—After spending the night here in the opera house, and being furnished breakfast by the citizens, the second army of the unemployed marching from Portland to Salem, resumed their journey today. Seven members deserted here to accept jobs cutting cord wood.