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FIFTY-FOURTH YEAR.

Vigilance Committee Takes Control in Teller County, Colo.

VIGILANTES RULE IN CRIPPLE CREEK.

Committee Takes Charge of the Government of Teller County.

ARMED MEN PATROL DISTRICT.

Many Regularly Elected Peace Officers Have Been Summarily Deposed.

ANTI-UNION SENTIMENT IS STRONG

Feeling of Mine Owners' Association Is That All Union Miners Must Be Driven Out of Camp.

Cripple Creek, Colo., June 7.—After a night of terror comparative peace prevails throughout this great gold camp today, but conditions are still of a volcanic nature, and nobody believes that the trouble is yet ended. Fifteen deaths have resulted from the dynamite outrage at Independence, and several of the injured are in a critical condition, and two men were killed and eight wounded in the subsequent rioting in Victor. Following is a list of the casualties in the rioting:

KILLED.
Roxey McGee.
John Davis.

WOUNDED.
J. A. Reed.
Joe Findley.
Fire Chief Murphy.
Peter Christman.
Fred Studebaugh.
Frank Caldwell.
Arthur Parker.
James McKelvey.

VIGILANCE COMMITTEE.

A thoroughly organized vigilance committee, composed of mine owners and their employees and sympathizers, has taken charge of the government of Teller and large squads of armed men are patrolling the district. These men are ostensibly acting under orders of Edward Ball, the new sheriff, who is a large property owner and an outspoken opponent of the miners' union. Sheriff Henry M. Robertson resigned under compulsion. He was forcibly taken to the headquarters of the Mine Owners' association and his resignation demanded. At first he refused to resign, but when finally a coil of rope was thrown at his feet he weakened and signed the resignation which had been prepared for him.

SHERIFF'S FIRST ACT.

The first act of Sheriff Bell was to take away the star of Under Sheriff J. Knabtown. He then appointed 25 deputies to which large additions have since been made and later he disarmed the union officers who had been appointed by City Marshal Michael O'Connell of Victor. Meantime O'Connell had visited the Mine Owners' headquarters, in which about 30 armed men had assembled, and demanded that they surrender their arms to him. He was forcibly ejected and after being deposed from office by Mayor French he was placed under arrest. Many of the other regularly chosen peace officers of the various towns in the district have also been deposed and some of them locked up with about 200 union miners who were arrested after the rioting in Victor.

The sentiment of the mine owners, as voiced by C. C. Hamlin, secretary of the association, is that all union miners must be driven out of the camp. His declaration that the time had come to "purge the district" started the rioting at the mass meeting in Victor, called to discuss the dynamite outrage at Independence.

TROUBLE STARTED.

"It's up to you to drive these scoundrels out," Hamlin had declared, whereupon Alf Miller, a union man who had been sworn in as deputy sheriff, raised his rifle and inquired, "Whom are you referring to?" Miller's rifle was seized and the shooting began which resulted in the killing of Roxey McGee, a non-union miner, and the wounding of six other persons, one of whom, John Davis, also a non-union miner, died a few hours later. The first shot was fired by some one in the crowd. This was followed immediately by two rifle shots from windows of the Miners' Union hall. A man standing in the door of the union store, it is said, also fired into the crowd with a repeating shot gun.

Sheriff Bell called on the local company of the state guard, commanded by Capt. Harry G. Moore, to assist in preserving order and in arresting the men in the Union hall. Soldiers were stationed on the roofs of buildings opposite the hall, and from this point of vantage fired into the doors and windows of the hall. A scattering fire was kept up by both sides for 20 minutes, at the end of which the miners surrendered. Only three wounded, Caldwell, Parker and McKelvey, were found in the hall, and there were no casualties in the attacking parties. The union men numbered 60, who were all placed under arrest, and the books and documents found were seized.



GOVERNOR PEABODY OF COLORADO, Who is Rushing Home From St. Louis to His Trouble Torn State.

During the night further arrests were made in Victor, Goldfield and Independence. The union stores in Victor and Goldfield were wrecked and the stocks scattered in the streets by a mob. This was not countenanced by Sheriff Bell or others in authority. Among those taken prisoners was Editor George Kyrer of the Victor Record, but he was subsequently released.

ON MURDERER'S TRAIL.

A bloodhound brought from Trinidad took the trail of the fiend who exploded the dynamite at Independence by pulling a wire attached to a revolver or some other instrument and thereby murdered at least 13 working men, and followed it from Bull Hill to the Colorado Springs wagon road. Detective Robert Sterling of the Mine Owners' association, then declared that he was convinced he knew who caused the deadly explosion.

Two more names were added today to the list of those killed by the independence dynamiting. They are George S. Henderson and Fred Buckley. It is believed that the bodies of several others were blown to atoms and the remains are in the mass of flesh and bones at the bottom of the hole made by the tremendous charge of dynamite. George Hall has been appointed coroner in place of James Doran, who has been forced to follow the example of Sheriff Robertson in resigning and will hold the inquest over the murdered miners.

DEBS SAYS, "STAND PAT."

Denver, Colo., June 7.—The convention of the Western Federation of Miners today delegated to the executive committee the full charge of the Colorado situation, both politically and otherwise, with instructions to use their best judgment in the fall campaign. A telegram was received from Eugene V. Debs, saying, "Enemy is desperate. You are on top. Stand pat." The convention will probably elect officers and finish up its business tomorrow.

MAINE UNIONS ORGANIZING.

Augusta, Me., June 7.—Delegates from Maine unions assembled in this city for the purpose of organizing a state federation of labor, adopted a constitution and passed resolutions bearing upon the Colorado miners' troubles and other subjects. The resolutions condemned violence in times of strikes and use of dynamite and urged that the conditions in Colorado should be given the utmost consideration. It was set forth that the present condition of lawlessness in Colorado was due to the Mine Owners' association and capitalists causing a reign of military despotism. The delegates pledged themselves to purchase only union labor clothing.

A GREAT MASS MEETING.

Cripple Creek, Colo., June 7.—Two thousand people are congregated this afternoon at Second and Bennett avenues, Citizens' alliance headquarters, for a mass meeting to be addressed by the mine owners, and business men and armed squads are searching for snipers. Lynching is freely talked of, and almost every man is a walking arsenal.

The union stores are in charge of deputy sheriffs. Wholesale arrests of union miners are to be made as fast as they are found. Mounted armed men have been sent on a quick march to the extreme northern and southern ends of the district to guard all avenues, forming in Cripple Creek for the purpose of escorting the union leaders to the Colorado line.

MINERS ROUNDED UP.

At 11 o'clock a detachment of 25 deputy sheriffs arrived at Elkhart and rounded up about a dozen union miners. A little later another detachment of 25 visited Independence, and at about the same time a detachment of 50 was going through the town of Anaconda. A large body of deputies are at this hour, noon, forming in Cripple Creek for the purpose of escorting the union leaders to the Colorado line.

SHOOTING AT GOLDFIELD, NEV.

Six Masked Men Entered Shaft House at Combination Mine And Shot Engineer.

THEY ATTACKED AN OLD MAN.

With Murderous Intent—Outrage Is Charged Up to Members of the Goldfield Miners' Union.

About 11 o'clock last Saturday night six masked men entered the engine room at the combination mine in Goldfield and attacked Engineer Robert Dempsey and an old man who is employed about the mine and who happened to be in the engine room at the time, says the Tonopah Miner. The attacking party threw the door open and one of the outlaws fired from the outside, the shot striking Dempsey, who was seated at the engine. In the right leg just above the knee, passing through the fleshy part of the leg and lodging in the left leg just below the knee. The crowd then rushed into the engine room and attacked the old man, clubbing and otherwise mistreating him. During the scuffle a pistol in the hands of one of the mob was discharged, and the two were burned the old man's face. Dempsey and his companion were then taken "down the canyon" toward Columbia, and after going about half way to town the gang turned back, taking the old man with them. Dempsey, who was faint from the loss of blood, made his way with difficulty to a house, where he remained until morning, when he was brought to Tonopah by Dr. Hammond, who had been summoned to attend him. He is now in the hospital, but is rapidly recovering from the effects of his wounds and will soon be able to resume work. Dempsey is a non-union man, and it is claimed that the trouble grew out of his refusal to join the Goldfield Miners' union. Every member of the union, on the other hand, strongly denounces the outrage, and it is the general opinion that it was perpetrated by irresponsible men while under the influence of liquor. There is a movement on foot to rid the community of the element which caused the trouble.

A SEA ATTACK ON PORT ARTHUR.

Preceding it Japanese Made an Effort to Advance on Fortress by Land.

RUSSIANS OFFERED BATTLE.

Fleet Sailed Out—Result Unknown—Cossacks Spear and Kill Mayor Who Refused Provisions.

Chefoo, June 7, 4 p. m.—Preceding a sea attack on Port Arthur last night the Japanese apparently made a determined effort to advance on that stronghold by land.

A Chinese junk, which left a point three miles south of Port Dainy early Monday morning, has arrived here. She reports having heard firing north of Port Arthur yesterday. The correspondent at Teng Chou, Shantung peninsula. The correspondent said there was firing at Port Arthur last night beginning at 11:30 o'clock and continuing for several hours. The above Chefoo dispatch also confirms the report brought there by a Chinese junk, which arrived during the night. The latter reported that there was heavy firing all day yesterday in the vicinity of Port Arthur.

RUSSIANS QUIETLY RETIRE.

Seoul, Korea, June 7, 7:15 p. m.—A telegram has been received here from the Japanese consul at Gensan, Korea, saying that the Russians who were at Ham Heung have retired in the direction of Ping Yang.

It is reported that retreating Cossacks spared and killed the prefect of Kowon, who refused to furnish the troops with the provisions demanded by them. RUSSIAN GUNBOAT.

Tokio, June 7, 1:30 p. m.—Supplementary reports from the blockading forces indicate that the Russian gunboat which was sunk by a torpedo off Port Arthur was of the Gremashchik type instead of the Glik class. Admiral Katakata, commander of the Third squadron, reconnoitered Shantung and Taku Kiao. They say that when the Russians abandoned Taku Kiao, they poisoned the water sources. Admiral Katakata is investigating the charge.

COSSACKS ROUTED.

Tokio, June 7, 3 p. m.—A detachment of the Japanese forces which landed at Takushan surprised and routed a company of Cossacks on Sunday at Kan Chia Tun, on the Kip Chou road, seven miles northwest of Takushan.

COSSACKS LOOTING.

Seoul, June 7.—Reliable information has been received here from Ping Yang to the effect that Cossacks between Kail Chou and Kail Chou are looting the homes of the Korean natives and looting their homes.

THINGS RUSSIAN.

Anti-Bellum Criticism of Them Waived.

Mukden, June 7.—The authorities announce that the interdiction of journalistic criticism of things Russian written here on Sunday at Kan Chia Tun, on the Kip Chou road, seven miles northwest of Takushan.

WITH THE TEACHERS.

They Were Addressed This Morning By State Supt. Nelson.

The Normal Institute convened at 8:30 this morning at the university and accomplished a good day's work. The first feature of the morning session was an address by A. C. Nelson, state superintendent of public instruction, which was full of splendid advice for the teachers.

D. H. LOVELESS OF PROVO.

Gets a Patent for Shaft Support for Vehicles.

(Special to the "News.")

Washington, D. C., June 7.—The post-office at Gladys, Custer county, Ida., will be discontinued after June 15. A patent for a shaft support for vehicles has been issued to David H. Loveless of Provo, Utah.



MRS. A. O. WOODRUFF, Whose Death From Smallpox Occurred in the City of Mexico This Morning.

It will be sad news to the many friends of Apostle and Mrs. A. O. Woodruff to learn that Mrs. Woodruff died this morning, in the City of Mexico, of smallpox, a disease with which she had been afflicted for about three weeks. The word came in a private telegram this morning which also stated that interment would take place today, the malady being of such a nature that immediate burial was absolutely imperative.

Mrs. Woodruff was a resident of this city and left here with her husband about April 19, the latter being called away on Church business. At that time her health was perfect and continued so until they reached the City of Mexico, when she was seized with the affliction which terminated in her death. That she was enjoying the trip is evident from the fact that she wrote home to relatives just prior to reaching Mexico, asking them what they would like in the way of souvenirs from that country. The news of her death, therefore, in so short a time, comes like a thunderbolt.

Helen Winters Woodruff was the daughter of the late Oscar Winters and Mary Anne Winters, and was a native of Utah county where she lived until about eight years ago when she was married to Elder Abraham O. Woodruff and came to make her home in this city. Physically she was strong and robust, with a kind and cheerful disposition and was thoroughly beloved by all who knew her. She was an active church worker and at the time of her demise was a member of the general board of the Young Ladies' Mutual Improvement association.

Mrs. Woodruff leaves several young children, also a number of brothers and sisters, among them Mrs. Augusta W. Grant, wife of Apostle Heber J. Grant; Mrs. Booth, wife of Judge John E. Booth of Provo, and Cortez Winters, a brother, now a resident of Ogden.

The news of Mrs. Woodruff's demise was broken to the Mutual Improvement conference at its meeting this morning and brought forth the following resolution of condolence, which was unanimously adopted amid expressions of heartfelt sorrow and sympathy:

"Having learned with deep regret of the death of your wife, Helen W. Woodruff, in the City of Mexico, June 7, 1904, we, your associates and officers of the Mutual Improvement association, in conference assembled, unitedly join in expressing to you our sympathy in the bereavement which takes from you your loving companion and wife; from your children a devoted mother; from us a friend and associate; hold near and dear, and from our cause a faithful and energetic worker. We express to you and to your children the sympathy of our hearts in the terrible loss which you and they are all of us have sustained, and pray God to console and comfort you by the presence and power of His Holy Spirit."

A telegram of condolence was also authorized and sent to Elder Woodruff.

HALF THE JURORS BY NOON TODAY.

Three More Secured This Morning In Bentler-Rice Murder Case.

SEVERAL CHALLENGES MADE.

Some Were for Cause and Others Were Peremptory—Venire of Forty More Today.

Three more jurors were secured this morning in the case of the state vs. John Rice, one is believed tried in the criminal division of the district court for the murder of Fred Bentler in this city in February, 1897, making a total of six out of the necessary 12 jurors to try the case. The attorneys are confident that the other six jurors will be secured this afternoon and the taking of testimony commenced tomorrow morning. The jurors secured this morning are W. P. Gilmore, W. H. Atwood and H. S. Scofield. Those secured yesterday afternoon are William Quick, D. E. Jones and Milo Andrus.

Of the other jurors examined yesterday the defense challenged two for cause, four upon peremptory challenges and the state peremptorily challenged three. It became necessary to issue a venire for 40 additional jurors, returnable this morning. Of this number 27 appeared in court this morning for their voir dire examination, and five of them were excused upon their own motion and five were excused on account of physical disabilities.

Of the jurors called to the box this morning and examined for cause the defense excused two for cause and three upon peremptory challenges while the state challenged two peremptorily.

CAME NEAR TO DEATH.

T. F. Thomas Meets With What Was Almost Fatal Accident.

Thomas F. Thomas, who has charge of the restaurant at Saitair and is also the publisher of the program for that resort, had a narrow escape from very serious if not fatal injuries at the Saitair depot in this city yesterday afternoon while attempting to board the train to go to the beach. The accident occurred about 2:30 o'clock when the train was arriving at the depot from Saitair. There was a large crowd waiting to board the train so Mr. Thomas undertook to help clear the tracks. The crowd caused him to be pushed against the last car, as the train was backing in, and fall underneath.

Fortunate for him the train was just about to come to a standstill when the accident occurred so he escaped with only a few bad bruises and considerable damage to his clothing, and a grip, which he held in his hand. He was taken from beneath the cars by some of the crowd, who thought he was seriously injured. After he recovered from the excitement he was able to take the train for Saitair.

VICTOR PASSED AN ANXIOUS NIGHT.

From Dark Until Dawn Streets Were Crowded With Thousands Of Men and Women.

DRAGNET CAST FAR AND WIDE.

Paths Leading To and From the Mines Closely Watched by the Military.

BOTH SIDES VERY DETERMINED.

Mine Owners Say the Federation Must Be Banished—Union Men Say They Have a Right to Organize.

Victor, Colo., June 7.—Excitement ran at a high pitch last night, although no sensational incidents occurred after the riot of the afternoon. From dark until dawn the principal streets were almost as crowded as they were during the day by thousands of men and women who had assembled from all parts of the camp in the belief that darkness would invite further bloodshed. From expectations, however, proved to be groundless.

Aside from the occasional arrest of a union agitator by the military authorities, the streets of the town, however, were quiet, the night passed off quietly. All night, however, the streets of the city and the foot paths leading to and from the mines were watched closely by the troops and the deputies and every few minutes a hard faced miner was brought in and placed in the army, which is under heavy military guard. The dragnet was cast far and wide and more than 150 union men, said to be the leaders of the riot of yesterday, are now languishing about on the hard floor of the army. Many have been there since early yesterday morning, and there is no telling how much longer they will be kept there.

SUPPRESSED EXCITEMENT.

At midnight last night a special train of five coaches drawn by a heavy engine pulled in on the Florence & Cripple Creek siding near the temporary bull pen and the suppressed excitement was suddenly raised to fever heat. It was rumored, and apparently with some foundation, that some 12 or 15 of the recognized leaders of the union were to be turned loose by Sheriff Bell and that all other prisoners were to be deported from the camp. As soon as the train backed on to the siding Secy. C. C. Hamlin of the Mine Owners' association, Mayor French and other people in the mine headquarters. In about 30 minutes Hamlin came out of his private room and telephoned to the railroad officials that the train was to be needed at that time. When this information went the rounds those who had been expecting trouble gave a sigh of relief and many of them returned to their homes. Mayor French said today that in his opinion no more troops are needed here. "Company L, now on duty, consists of 60 men," he said, "and the number can be increased to 100 if necessary. These soldiers have 100 armed deputies. The civil authorities have perfect mastery of the situation. Should the military turn over their prisoners to the civil authorities there will be no lynching."

However, the feeling against Alf Miller, who is said to have started the rioting here, former City Marshal Michael O'Connell, by whom it is asserted, union men who remain here in the streets from the Union hall had been sworn in as deputies and armed, and Harvey Starbuck, former marshal of Independence, is intense. Every person in the district has taken sides with one faction or the other here, and nobody would be surprised should rioting break out anew at any moment.

"The Western Federation of Miners will be banished from the district," declare the mine owners. "It has not been proven that the dynamiting was done by the federation," retort union men. "We have a right to organize."

Both sides express a determination to fight to the bitter end. Business is practically suspended in Victor and conditions in Cripple Creek are little if any better. All saloons are closed by order of the authorities. Many merchants have closed their stores and all who can are doubling or tripling their insurance.

TROOPS FOR VICTOR.

Denver, June 7.—It is reported at the capital that troops from Colorado Springs and neighboring cities, will be ordered to Victor before night. Fears that the town will be burned as a result of the feeling existing. Nearly 500 troops are now mobilized and can be rushed to the Cripple Creek district on short notice.

SITUATION MORE INTENSE.

12 noon.—The situation grows more intense, though a recurrence of yesterday's experience is not expected, as nearly all the union miners have been disarmed. The feeling against the unions is very bitter. The crowd around the armory, the short line and the Florence and Cripple Creek depots continues to increase, and the soldiers and deputies are having some difficulty in keeping the streets passable. By order of Mayor French, the fire department has stretched a line of hose from a fire plug at the corner of Victor avenue under Third street to the armory for the purpose of dispersing the crowd without the resort to the use of arms. There are now 200 union miners in the bullpen and other are being rounded up. The sheriff, the military authorities and the mine owners now openly state that a wholesale deportation of union miners will occur although they will not state when. It is believed that all but the leaders will be sent out tonight on special trains with a warning not to return. The leaders of whom there are probably 12 or 15 in custody, will be held by the sheriff. The sheriff is avoiding in deputies as far as possible. Fifty were added to the force in Victor alone today. No firing has been done today and no untoward disturbance of any kind has occurred.