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Major Testifies Miners Tried to Seize His Train

Charges No Heed Was Paid to President's Proclamation; Two Say Blizzard Seemed Marchers' Head

Store Hold-Up Described

Correspondent Tells of Being Under Fire and Wounding of Tribune Man

CHARLESTOWN, W. Va., May 4 (By The Associated Press).—Two officers of the United States Army telling how the march against Logan stopped, two sheriffs who testified they were unable to prevent or stop it and a newspaper correspondent's story of being a target between the fighting lines enlivened testimony to-day in Circuit Court, William Blizzard, defendant, indicted with other officials of the United Mine Workers on the treason charge on which he is now being tried, was named by three of the witnesses as appearing to have authority over the miners' forces in the vicinity they visited.

Blizzard's lawyers, however, brought out in testimony of one of the army men that the defendant was with Brigadier General H. H. Bandholz on a tour of inspection to see if the miners had returned to their homes after the first march was turned back, on August 27, the date when, a previous witness said, he and Blizzard set out in command of groups who did not observe the instructions to go home.

Ignored President's Proclamation

Major Charles F. Thompson's testimony of his investigations and report that Federal troops were needed included a statement that men to whom he read and explained a Presidential proclamation paid no heed to him, and on one ocacsion tried to commandeer the special train he was using. Major Charles G. Smart commanded a portion of the Federal troops that disarmed the miners, and testified that men gave up their arms when Blizzard told them to, but not at the major's previous request.

Sheriff Henry A. Walker of Kanawha County, where the original gathering of miners took place and from which the march started, and Sheriff Griffith of Boone County, through which the marchers passed, said they were unable to disperse the miners and could only appeal to the Governor.

Tells of Reporters Under Fire

Donald A. Craig, Washington correspondent of "The New York Herald," was one of a party of four that got between the lines, was fired on by state police, then from the miners' side, and finally was brought out from the fighting zone through Logan County. Boyden Sparks, correspondent of The New York Tribune, was wounded twice, and Craig said he got a slight scratch, but "nothing that amounted to anything." Miss Mildred Morris, the only woman in the party, was not injured.

Craig and Major Smart said Blizzard appeared to be in charge of the miners at Sharples and elsewhere behind the fighting lines, while Sheriff Griffith testified Blizzard told the commander of the first troops to arrive that he had been on all the firing lins and that "his men" would surrender their arms.

The only other witness heard to-day was Josiah Keeley, of Kayford, manager of mines for the Cabin Creek Consolidated Coal Company. His story was of being held up and compelled to open the company store at Kayford and deliver to members of the mine union about $200 worth of supplies and 1,000 rounds of rifle ammunition.

Lewis Discusses Strike Situation With Harding

Talk Said to Have Referred to "Certain Fundamental Conditions in the Industry"

WASHINGTON, May 4.—President Harding gave his personal consideration to the national coal strike to-day when he conferred at the Executive offices for two hours with John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers of America, and Secretary Davis, of the Department of Labor. At the conclusion of the conference Mr. Lewis, with the approval of Secretary Davis, said the discussion had been upon "certain fundamental conditions in the industry," but beyond that nothing could be said. The strike, from the union standpoint, he added, was "developing normally and without any breaks."

Intimations were given late to-day that the Labor Department in a few days might make public a statement concerning the strike. Actual participants in the strike controversy, however, said there was reason to believe the Administration would continue for the present to maintain a "hands off" policy.

Mr. Lewis departed for New York to-night.

Striking Miners Evicted From Homes in Fayette

UNIONTOWN, Pa., May 4.—First evictions of striking miners and their families in the Fayette coke region took place to-day at the mine of the Amend Coal & Coke Company, near here. A dozen families, it was reported to the county authorities, had been moved from company houses and their belongings set out in the road. This, it was stated, was the beginning of a movement by operating companies to reclaim houses now occupied by what they termed "undesirables."

Savings Banks Oppose U. S. Thrift Stamps

Resolution at Convention Says Practice Is Unsound and Wrong in Principle

ATLANTIC CITY, May 4.—Selling of thrift stamps by the Postoffice Department was criticized in a resolution adopted to-day at the annual convention of the Mutual Association of Savings Banks. The resolution reads:

"It is essentially unsound and wrong in principle for any government bureau or financial institution, for the purpose of obtaining direct or indirect benefits therefrom, to issue savings securities or to maintain saving accounts at a loss that is compensated for by taxation or by profits derived from other government departments' business."

Governor Cox of Massachusetts, in and that the sales tax should be a ernment is primarily due to lessening of self-reliance in the American people and that the sales ta should be a practical incentive to thrift. The Governor said he favored the sales tax because it would afford the individual a high incentive for restricting unnecessary consumption.

George F. Brock, president of the Home Savings Bank, Boston, was reelected president of the association. Other officers chosen were William E. Knox, president of the Bowery Savings Bank, first vice president; R. W. Dwyer, the Assurance Dime Savings Bank of Hartford, second vice president; Wilton W. Harrison, of New York City, secretary and treasurer.

Navy Orders

From The Tribune's Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, May 4.—Navy orders issued to-day follow:

Amesley, Lt. Com. W. F. to U. S. S. Bilingsley.
Barker, Lt. Com. W. C. to U. S. S. Tennessee.
Baxter, Lt. Com. T. to U. S. S. Canopus.
Carpenter, Lt. Com. A. S. to U. S. S. Eagle 23.
Corbine, Lt. Com. W. H. to Hampton Roads.
Butler, Lt. W. L. to U. S. S. S-20.
Eldredge, Lt. E. P. to U. S. S. Savannah.
Fallentiney, Lt. S. P. to Mare Island.
Freudendorf, Lt. G. to New York.
Heneth, Lt. L. to U. S. S. S-32.
Reynolds, Lt. (jg) S. S. to San Francisco.
Rocktus, Ens. R. W. to U. S. S. Reid.
Rowling, Ens. J. P. to U. S. S. Truxton.
Cline, Ens. H. to U. S. S. Paul Jones.
Cone, Ens. W. W. to U. S. S. John D. Ford.
Davis, Ens. V. M. to U. S. S. Barry.
Linden, Ens. W. J. to U. S. S. Wm. B. Preston.
Donnell, Ens. J. S. to U. S. S. Noa.
Dunbar, Ens. H. S. to U. S. S. Peary.
Fewell, Ens. W. G. to U. S. S. Parrott.
Guerin, Ens. J. L. to U. S. S. Toucey.
Hughes, Ens. D. A. to U. S. S. Pruitt.
Jones, Ens. H. to U. S. S. McCormick.
Kizer, Ens. T. C. to U. S. S. Edsall.
Knope, Ens. A. R. to U. S. S. Hatfield.
Marott, Ens. J. W., jr. to U. S. S. Simpson.
McKillaff, Ens. J. V. to U. S. S. Paul Jones.
Miles, Ens. C. G. to U. S. S. Stoard.
Miller, Ens. P. to U. S. S. Truxton.
Parks, Ens. A. M. to U. S. S. Lawrence.
Peeples, Ens. H. D. to U. S. S. Bainbridge.
Teneyck, Ens. J. C. to U. S. S. Kane.
Tornan, Ens. E. J. to U. S. S. Parry.
Togg, Ens. C. E. to U. S. S. Pillsbury.
Wells, Ens. F. H. to U. S. S. Herndon.
Wyatt, Ens. J. L. to U. S. S. Preble.
Young, Ens. P. G. to U. S. S. Wm. B. Preston.
Gelper, Com. A. J. to San Diego.
Manchester, Com. J. D. to Mare Island.
Warner, Lt. Com. R. A. to Peking.
Johnson, Lt. S. F. to Raleigh.
Snowden, Lt. R. H. to Memphis.
Scanlan, Lt. M. T. to Washington.
Smallman, Lt. (jg) G. P. to San Francisco.
Eraken, Gun. E. R. to San Francisco.
Morrison, Gun. R. W. to Iona Island.
Emerson, Lt. A. T. to U. S. S. Fox.
Swafford, Ens. C. A. to U. S. S. S. C. 538.
Meriweather, Com. H. T. to San Diego.

Army Orders

From The Tribune's Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, May 4.—Army orders issued to-day follow:

Infantry

Tark, Maj. W. J. to Camp Alfred Vail.
Haywood, Capt. J. E. to Greencastle.
Clewell, Capt. E. L. to Camp Dix.
Walsh, Lt. D. jr. resigned.

Miscellaneous

Park, Maj. W. R., Vet. C. to Washington.
Mansfield, Capt. P. S., Air Service, to Camp Travis.
Stearns, Maj. C. P., Cavalry, to Fort Leavenworth.
Overheiser, Capt. F. O. M. C. to Camp Meade.

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Harry Turns On Gas To End His Trouble. But It Only Begins

Policeman Stops Him From Becoming Corpse; Wife Instead of Widow Gets Message of Unrequited Love

Harry Wyson thought he was merely going to die yesterday when he put a gas tube in his mouth in his apartment at 102 East 127th Street and made all his arrangements accordingly. If he had known that a patrolman would break in, revive him, reveal the last message which he had penned with what would have been grim irony if all had gone well and finally place him under arrest because he found a blackjack in the apartment—if he had known all that Harry might have taken the precaution of jumping off the roof.

It's one thing to have your widow find a note directing her to bring another woman to see your dead body that she may see what unrequited love has brought you to and it's quite another thing to have your wife find it, as the unfortunate Mr. Wyson is beginning to realize. When he wrote the note, however, he had not the slightest doubt that he would become a successful corpse long before it was found.

It happened, however, that a neighbor smelled gas and notified the East 126th Street police station, and it happened that Patrolman Thomas Elliott, who was sent around, had handled gas cases before. The measures he took to ive Wyson saved the latter's life, according to Dr. Wahrman, of Harlem Hospital, who completed the job with a pulmotor.

Patrolman Elliott in hunting for restoratives chanced upon a blackjack and as soon as his patient was pronounced out of danger placed him under arrest and took him and the note that was on the table to night court. There Wyson was held by Magistrate Simpson for trial in Special Sessions on a charge of illegally possessing a blackjack, and the note was read into the court record.

It was addressed to Mrs. Wyson and on the margin her husband had written, "Please turn off the gas; I am through with it forever." His dying request to her follows:

"When you come home and find me lifeless, call Buddy on the phone and tell her I said goodby and will see her in another world. Please tell her and nobody else until after she has come to the house. Please bring her here so she can see what has happened to me, who has loved her and been cast aside."

What Mrs. Wyson said to Buddy is not a matter of record.

Wife Planning Alibi for Mohr in Brunen Killing

MOUNT HOLLY, N. J., May 4. While county authorities to-day continued their investigation of the death of John T. Brunen, circus owner, who was shot to death the night of March 10, Mrs. Harry C. Mohr, wife of one of the two men in jail charged with the murder, announced she had "rounded up witnesses enough to establish a perfect alibi" for her husband.

Mohr was arrested after Charles M. Powell, formerly concessionaire with the Brunen show, had made a confession charging that he had shot and killed Brunen after Mohr had hounded him for months to do it.

As a result of developments in the investigation County Detective Ellis Parker said to-day he was convinced that nearly a half hour elapsed between the time Brunen was shot, while sitting near a window at his home in Riverside, and the time his wife had told neighbors of the shooting.

Passing motorists heard shots fired at the Brunen house at 7:10 p. m., and it was after 7:35 o'clock when Mrs. Brunen told neighbors her husband had been killed, Parker said.

Bachelors' Home Costing $5,000,000 In Will Contest

Heirs of Marcus L. Ward Cannot See Why All That Should Be Spent on Persons of Doubtful Existence

Vice-Chancellor Fielder, in Newark, heard argument yesterday in the contest of the will of the late Marcus L. Ward, who died in Newark in 1920. The will created a trust fund of $5,000,000 for a home for bachelors and widowers and the contest is brought by the kin of the testator on the question as to whether the clause providing for the fund is a practical one.

John O. H. Pitney and John R. Hardin, both lawyers, are trustees and executors of the estate. The Court of Chancery has been asked by Dr. Joseph M. W. Kitchin, of East Orange, first cousin of the testator, and others of his kin, to decree that the estate shall be held for them.

Richard V. Lindabury is counsel for the trustees and executors, while Conover English, Ralph Lum, former Judge Thomas E. Davis and another attorney represent the relatives. Mr. Lum, when asked by the Vice-Chancellor if he thought there was anything ambiguous about the clause creating the trust, said:

"We think so. There is a question as to what is meant by the language used. We regard the will as an objective reflection, in a way, of the testator himself. He was a man of means and lived a life of solitude. He appears to have considered the condition of men whose means had been swept away. He failed to realize there was no one of that kind in that particular class in which he moved. If he had lived among men down and out there would be some reason for making the clause in question."

Mr. Ward was a son of New Jersey's Civil War Governor, Marcus L. Ward. He was a bachelor. The only surviving member of Mr. Ward's immediate family died May 8, 1911, before the will was made.

Mr. Pitney, contending the trust was practical, said his side is prepared to give names of institutions and the number of inmates in each; the proportion of these to the population. "There is, for instance," he said, "the old Charter House in England, referred to by Thackeray in 'The Newcombs,' a home for impecunious youths and older people."

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