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LONE ROBBER HOLDS UP AND LOOTS A TRAIN

Conductor Attempts to Start Train and is Shot by the Bandit

MOST DRAMATIC DEED

Pittsburg Express on Pennsylvania Railroad Held Up by a Single Masked Man in One of the Wildest Spots in the Allegheny Mountains. Got Away With An Amount Various Estimated From \$100 to \$100,000—Hold Up Carried Out in Most Dramatic Manner by Desperado.

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Harrisburg, Pa., Aug. 31—A lone bandit, masked and armed, held up the Pittsburg Express on the Pennsylvania Railroad in Lewistown Narrows, 52 miles west of here today, shooting Conductor A. A. Poffenberger, looting the passengers and express cars and getting away with an amount of money variously estimated from \$100 to \$100,000.

Although there was \$25,000 in bullion in the express car it is believed that the robber secured only a small sum.

The hold-up was carried out in the most dramatic manner by the desperado and all through the morning the wildest and most exaggerated reports came from the scene. As neither the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, nor the Adams Express Company would give out any information, various reports were current.

The Pittsburg Express, or train No. 39, as it is known, had left Harrisburg at one minute after midnight and was pounding along at a high rate of speed when it entered the Narrows.

The express is one of the heaviest passing over the Alleghenies and was pulled by two engines. The shadow of the mountain wall at the Narrows was suddenly lighted up with a glare and the explosion of a dynamite cap warned Engineers John Long and Dalzer Beahm that there was danger ahead.

As the train came to a halt under the pressure of the emergency brake, the bandit, wearing a black slouch hat, a black mask and carrying two pistols, stepped from the bushes along the track.

The two engineers swung to the ground, thinking some danger ahead threatened the train.

The robber approached them, and poking his revolvers into their faces exclaimed:

"You get back there; don't make any noise or I'll shoot."

The two engineers, with the bandit at their heels, started to walk back, and met Conductor Poffenberger, who had started to run forward.

Poffenberger, despite the menace of the bandit's two revolvers, urged the engineers to start the train forward. Poffenberger started to run toward the engine as though he contemplated running the train himself, when the robber fired a shot which plowed through the navy trainman's hand.

The sudden stopping of the train and the roar of the explosion had aroused some of the passengers and several men, clad only in their night dresses, clambered down from the cars, thinking there had been a wreck.

"Get back into the train again and don't make any noise about it," commanded the robber, and to emphasize his remarks he fired a few shots over the top of the sleepers, which caused the frightened passengers to skip lively.

The robber, holding his gun before him, ordered the trainmen to point out the express car. The door was locked, but the robber shouted through it that he would dynamite the car if the express messenger did not admit him. Not knowing how many robbers there were the messenger complied.

As the messenger threw open the door the bandit covered him with one of his revolvers and demanded that he throw out all the money and valuables. Some half dozen bags of coin which the railroad men here say contained only pennies, but which are said by others to have contained between \$50,000 and \$100,000 were taken from the strong box and thrown out besides the car.

"Now throw out the safe," demanded the robber.

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THE AMERICAN SONDER YACHTS EASY WINNERS

German Rivals Appeared to be a Second Division in the Struggle

ELLEN FINISHES FIRST

Today's Race Was Over a Windward and Leeward Course of Twelve Miles—American Yachts Showed Their Heels to Germans in Second Event of the International Contest. Wolf Finished Second and the Joyette Third—Wind Was Sufficient to Give Visitors Hope.

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Marblehead, Mass., Aug. 31—The American Sonder yachts again showed their heels to their German rivals in the second event of the international contest. The Ellen was the first of the little racers to breeze over the finish line with the Wolf second and Joyette third. The German boats constituted what appeared to be a second division in the struggle.

In a breeze of sufficient velocity to give the visitors hope the six little Sonder yachts that are to decide this year's contest between Germany and America for the Taft and Draper cups began the second day's white-winged battle about two miles off this coast at 11:10 o'clock today.

Yesterday's victory came to the Americans over a triangular course of 15 miles. Today's race was over a windward and leeward course of 12 miles.

The little Joyette, the American yacht which won yesterday's race, was the first to cross the line. She was followed closely by the German Hevelia. Then came the Wolf, another American boat. The Ellen, of the home racers, and the Margarethe and Seehund, of the visitors were followers in a bunch.

All the boats with the exception of the Wolf started off on a port tack.

GOMPERS PRACTICALLY REFUSED RECOGNITION

(By Cable to The Times) Paris, Aug. 31—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, practically refused recognition by the International Conference of Trades Union here today when, on the motion of a Belgian delegate, the conferees voted to discuss only the proposals submitted by organizations affiliated with the conference. This was directed squarely against the proposition made to the conference by Mr. Gompers that an international federation of workmen be organized which, while not affecting the independence of the workmen of the various countries would defend the rights and interests of all and create international fraternity and solidarity.

The action of the conference is viewed as a severe rebuff for the American labor leader as it virtually reduces his status in the conference to that of a mere auditor.

REPUBLICAN PROSPECTS ARE BRIGHT IN VIRGINIA

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Washington, Aug. 31—Congressman Slemp, of Virginia, who visited the treasury department today, said that the republican chances for carrying the state this fall are good.

"Republican prospects have not been so bright in years," he said. "The democrats are sore; they have not recovered from the bad feeling engendered by the primaries, which resulted in Judge Mann's nomination. The democrats are saying all kind of things about what they will do to him. Of course this kind of talk gives us encouragement, and, as we are united I believe we have the best of the situation."

Earthquake in New York. (By Leased Wire to The Times) Albany, N. Y., Aug. 31—An earthquake shock that lasted for 40 minutes was recorded on the seismograph at the state museum today. The vibrations began at 7:06 a. m. and continued until 7:46.

STATE TAKES A HAND

Prominent Men May be Caught in This Net

Men Committed in Connection With Attempt to Break Strike Are in Violation of State Laws—Will Proceed to Criminal Prosecution.

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Pittsburgh, Pa., Aug. 31—Thoroughly convinced through the medium of evidence collected by county detectives and secured from other



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sources, that many acts committed in connection with the attempt to break the strike at the plant of the Pressed Steel Car Company at Schenerville are in violation of the state laws. District Attorney William Blakely will proceed at once to criminal prosecution of the offenders. This will be done, he insists, without regard to whom the guilty may be. That some very prominent men may be caught in this net is intimated.

The federal government is conducting a searching investigation through three departments. The department of justice is ferreting out peonage charges, the department of commerce and labor is investigating conditions and the immigration officials are seeking to obtain proofs of contract labor brought directly from Europe to the plant.

A meeting of all the pastors of the various creeds in the strike zone adopted resolutions calling in the name of the Prince of Peace for a settlement of the dispute.

Attorney E. A. Anderson, for the public defense association, has sent a letter to James McCrae, president of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, calling his attention to testimony given at the government hearing to the effect that strike-breakers who attempted to leave trains at Trenton, Philadelphia, Altoona, Harrisburg and other points, had been prevented from so doing by armed guards and forced to continue to Pittsburg and asking that the Pennsylvania Railroad conduct a rigid investigation. Today is the extreme time limit for the strikers occupying company tenements to vacate.

All was quiet early today at Schoenville, McKees Rocks and Preston.

Stating positively that an early settlement of the Pressed Steel Car Company strike is in sight, a representative of the company this afternoon visited the hundred or more families remaining in the company houses in Schoenville and informed them that they need not comply with the eviction notices, the time of which expires today.

ENGLAND'S REPRESENTATIVE.

British Cruiser Squadron Commanded by Rear Admiral Hamilton. (By Leased Wire to The Times.)

Washington, Aug. 31—The state department was today advised by John R. Carter, charge d'affaires at London, that the British government will send Sir E. Seymour, admiral of the fleet, as its representative to the Fulton-Hudson celebration. The fifth British cruiser squadron at the celebration will be commanded by Rear Admiral Hamilton.

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SULTAN WANTS BANDIT'S CASH

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Tangier, Morocco, Aug. 31—For the purpose of torturing El Roghi, the rebel leader and pretender to be the Moroccan throne until he tells where his wealth is hidden, the sultan has ordered constructed a wooden shirt studded with nails. El Roghi will be fastened in this contrivance and the nails will be pressed into his body. The bandit chief is known to have large sums in foreign banks which he obtained from foreign companies. However, he has persistently refused to give up any part of his wealth unless the powers would guarantee that he would not be put to death. The sultan objects to making the matter an international one.

FRUSTRATE PLOT TO WRECK TRAIN

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Mineral City, Pa., Aug. 31—A plot to wreck the Cleveland & Pittsburg train this morning at the tunnel on the Bayard and New Philadelphia division, half way between Mineral City and Canal Dover, was frustrated by Watchman, John Mace, after a battle with four train wreckers. In the battle with knives and guns in the darkness at the entrance of the tunnel one of the train wreckers shot and killed one of his companions. Mace was seriously wounded. The three remaining wreckers fled when section men hurried to Mace's assistance.

Sheriff Marlow, of Tuscarora county, took the body of the train-wrecker to New Philadelphia where an attempt was being made to identify him. Mace was removed in a dying condition to the new Union Hospital at Canal Dover.

Slight Earthquake.

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Washington, Aug. 31—The United States Weather Bureau seismograph this morning recorded a slight earthquake, but the tremor was so faint that no record of it was taken. Bureau officials say the disturbance probably occurred at a distance from Washington of from 3,000 to 3,500 miles and must be very slight.

HARRIMAN WILL TAKE VENGEANCE ON HIS ENEMIES

The Magnate is a Sturdy Fighter and it Will be a Battle Royal

EVENING UP PROCESS

All Attention is Turned Towards Harriman's Enemies, Who Tried to Cut a \$25,000,000 Union Pacific "Melon"—The Great Financier Will Have Taken Vengeance on Those Who Tried to Worst Him While They Thought Him Lying Critically Ill on Board a Ship Before He Leaves New York.

(By Leased Wire to The Times) New York, Aug. 31—Now that E. H. Harriman has issued a statement setting at rest the disquieting rumors concerning his health the situation has generally cleared and the public is generally accepting Mr. Harriman's word that he is rapidly becoming physically well as true.

All attention is now turned towards Harriman's enemies, who tried to cut a \$25,000,000 Union Pacific "melon". It will be a battle royal, for Harriman is a sturdy fighter and with the wonderful powers at his command he can fight without asking quarter.

It is reported that Mr. Harriman will spend the winter in Texas, likely near his old camp ground, where he spent a portion of the spring. But before he leaves New York he will have taken vengeance on the financiers who tried to worst him while they thought him lying critically ill on the Kaiser Wilhelm II, for it is conceded that Harriman will be the victor.

A significant sentence in Mr. Harriman's "health statement" is:

"I appreciate the interest shown in my welfare by the press and my friends in all sections—and perhaps by some others."

The "some others" are supposed to be the little gathering of financiers who attempted to work a financial double cross upon the railroad king.

The intrigue against Harriman has caused a financial snarl ramifying away from the Union Pacific and affecting other interests. John D. Archbold, who just returned from Europe, has taken it upon himself to untangle conditions as far as possible. One of the alleged conspirators is said to be largely interested in Standard Oil stock. Archbold is said to have talked plainly to this man and censured him severely for his action. This verbal punishment was made necessary because there is Standard Oil capital in many Harriman enterprises.

When Harriman starts to even up Wall street will stand breathless and the outcome of this evening up process may be strange, indeed.

MORE ABOUT SUTTON'S BODY BEING EXHUMED

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Washington, Aug. 31—Mrs. James N. Sutton said today that she has not received any permit to exhume her son's body, as published today but the war department sent her last night an official notice of approval of the permit which she has had for some time, action on which has been held up. All that Mrs. Sutton has to do now is to give the war department one day's notice, when the disinterment may take place. Mrs. Sutton said that the exhumation would be made soon after the return here of her attorney, Henry E. Davis, who is expected Thursday.

The body will be taken from the grave in the presence of representatives of the navy department and the war department. Mr. Davis and a surgeon representing Mrs. Sutton and the autopsy will be performed at the naval hospital. The body will then be reburied and the ground consecrated by the Rev. Father Griffiths, of St. Augustine's Catholic church.

"I do not know," said Mrs. Sutton, "what the autopsy will disclose. On this disclosure depends whether further steps will be taken by me. Afterwards I will visit my son, Cadet Sutton at West Point, and my daughter, Mrs. Parker, at Fort Snelling. I will then return to my home in Portland, Oregon."

GENERAL REYES IS ON HIS WAY TO MONTEREY

His Presence There May Lead to Open War or Reconciliation

800 BODIES RECOVERED

The Disaster May Do Good in the Event That it Brings About a Reconciliation Between the Friends of General Reyes and President Diaz, Thus Preventing a Rebellion Which Would No Doubt Shake All Mexico—Reports From Death Zone Tell of Nothing But Misery, Destruction, Death, Famine and Pestilence.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) City of Mexico, Aug. 31—General Reyes, foe of President Diaz and seeker for the presidency of Mexico, has left his mountain retreat near Galena, where he has been surrounded by government troops for two weeks and is on his way to Monterey to aid in the relief work in the tornado zone.

His presence there may lead either to open war or reconciliation between his friends and the followers of the present president. Thus disaster may prevent the rebellion which would, it was feared, shake all Mexico.

Today the appalling disaster has cast a blight over the entire nation. The property loss is now estimated at from \$35,000,000 to \$50,000,000 and 800 bodies have been recovered. The shock of the disaster has caused a stagnation of affairs throughout the entire country.

In this city nothing else is discussed today. A public subscription list to which President Diaz has contributed \$30,000 is being circulated.

Reports from the death zone—from Matamoros and Monterey—tell of nothing but misery, destruction and death. Famine and pestilence are threatening the survivors.

Search for the bodies is going forward all over the ravaged district. One American woman was found dead but as yet she has not been identified.

Urgent word came from Monterey today for foods and medicines and wagon trains are enroute from the mountain cities which did not suffer from the tornado. It will be impossible to resume train service through the cyclone district for a fortnight and complete service cannot again be resumed for six months.

In Monterey the electric light plant is unable to operate and the city is in complete darkness at night. Drinking water is scarce and much sickness has resulted from drinking impure water.

The cathedrals, theatres and school buildings have been thrown open in Monterey for the refugees.

Monterey suffered more heavily than was at first supposed. In addition to the industrial center being nearly wiped out, eighteen blocks of residences were destroyed. Fully one quarter of the city was destroyed and more than 16,000 persons are homeless.

General Trevino, of the Mexican army, has taken charge of the relief work and Reyes followers and loyal troops are working side by side to relieve the suffering. Factional lines have been wiped away and friends and foes are alike doing all in their power to help the stricken. The members of the American colony in Mexico City are working with Consul General Hanna to help the Americans who need assistance.

Red Cross Active. Washington, D. C., Aug. 31—The American National Red Cross in a statement issued today relative to the recent flood at Monterey says:

"Authentic dispatches state that thousands of persons are homeless and that the entire population of Monterey, about 100,000, have suffered from the flood. Probably \$100,000 is required to meet the immediate emergency. Contributions may be sent to the American National Red Cross, care of the war department, Washington, D. C."

The Red Cross today telegraphed \$2,000 to American Consul General Hanna, at Monterey.

Veteran Kingslore Passes Away. Mr. R. S. Kingslore, an inmate of the Soldiers' Home, died yesterday afternoon about 3 o'clock, aged 72 years. He had been in the Home since 1903, coming from Wilson. The funeral service took place this morning at 11 o'clock.