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## A BOILER EXPLOSION CAUSES MANY HORRIBLE DEATHS, AND FEARFUL SCENES WITNESSED

### FIFTY LIVES LOST

By Scripps News Association  
Brockton, Mass., March 20.—Fifty lives are reported lost as a result of a boiler explosion in the Grover shoe company factory this morning. Two badly burned bodies have been removed. All the doctors in town were called to the hospitals. Four hundred employees were in the factory at the time of the explosion; parts of the boiler wrecked several houses in the vicinity. Fire spread from the doomed factory to the Bahlborg block. The ambulance and all available carriages are busy removing the injured. Drake's tavern and the Bahlborg dock are also on fire also the Churchill & Alden The factory on the opposite side of the street are also on fire.

**MORE BODIES RECOVERED**  
3:30 p m.—Forty two bodies, all burned beyond recognition, have been recovered at this time. It is believed that the list of dead will reach seventy five.

Up to 11:30 twenty five bodies have been taken from the ruins. Many were terribly mutilated so that it is impossible to identify them. Most of the employees were in the main part of the factory and escaped, although in a panic and many were injured. The boiler which exploded had been lying idle all winter and the fireman who tested it pronounced it in perfect condition. The explosion occurred at 7:50. The

entire west half of the building was razed to the ground. In the wreckage were from 200 to 300 of the 400 employees. Fire broke out immediately and in a few minutes the ruins were in a mass of flames. Many of the employees were caught and pinned in the wreckage and the rescuers were obliged to leave them.

2:30 P M the estimation of the dead at the present time is any where from fifty to seventy five.

**THIRTY ONE RECOVERED**  
Brockton, March 20, 3 p m.—Up until three o'clock this afternoon, thirty one bodies have been recovered.

There are forty known who are injured beside the dead recovered.

**FIFTY SIX RECOVERED**  
4:30, P M At this time fifty six bodies have been recovered from the ruins.

### Train Men Agree

New Haven, Conn March 20.—It was announced today that the subcommittee of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad had reached an agreement relative to the long existing trouble between the two unions, and that the agreement is now in the hands of General Manager Higgins of the road.

Second Vice Grand Master Shea of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Fire men is quoted as saying that in all probability the railroad will give out the statement in the course of a day or two, but will not discuss the terms of the agreement.

### For Venezuela

[Scripps News Association]  
Washington, March 20.—The United States Cruiser, Colorado, left this port today at eight thirty a m for Venezuela.

### All Hands Lost

San Francisco March 20.—The Merchants' Exchange has received advices from Alaska reporting the probable loss of the schooner Pearl, which sailed hence December 7 for Sanak. Lumber and other wreckage has drifted ashore at Sanak and it is thought the vessel and all of the 36 persons on board were lost on a rock off Sanak.

### Monster French Ship

Paris March 20.—La Province, a splendid new ship of the French line will be launched March 22 at St Nazaire. She will be the largest French ship afloat, being of 19,100 tons, exceeding the tonnage of the largest French battleship, the Patrie, by 45 00 tons.

## SUPREME COURT OPINIONS

[By Scripps News Association]  
Washington, March 20.—The Supreme Court of the United States has denied the application of Peter Miller and Thomas Jefferson, of Colorado, sentenced in connection with frauds for a writ of habeas corpus. Contrary to expectations, the court did not decide a motion for an immediate issue of the mandate in the Harriman-Hill decision.

### Wm. McKinley Lodge

A new K of P lodge was organized in the Cove Saturday night with twenty-four charter members, and will hereafter be known as Wm McKinley lodge No 94. There were quite a number of La Grande boys who report that they were royally entertained. Among those present were: W B Sargent, F S Ivanhoe, C H Duns, J B Gilham, Fred Housh, Turner Oliver, G M Richey, E E Romig, Pete Boquet, J O Smith, A B Huelat and Tom Johnson.

## PEACE MAY PREVAIL

[By Scripps News Association]  
London, March 20.—Baron Hayash today made public the following dispatch from Tokio. "Our detachment at 4 a m, March 19, occupied Kayan, 20 miles north of Tie Ling. The enemy afterwards attempted to counter attack but were repulsed. The enemy burned bridges on the main road south of Kayan and also destroyed a part of the railroad bridge. A number of Russian guns were found buried near Mukden."

### POPE FOR PEACE

Liverpool, March 20.—The Post states that it has learned on authority of a prominent member of the Vatican that the Pope is seeking to influence European diplomacy in favor of mediation in the far east. He has communicated directly with certain rulers, including Emperor William of Germany and King Edward of England, also sent friendly letters to the dignitaries of the Greek church expressing hope that peace may be declared.

### POWERS MAY AWT

Birmingham, March 20.—The Post says that it is informed by a high diplomatist that two or three great powers, including Great Britain are considering the proposal to convene an international congress to end the Russian-Japanese war and to revise the rules of warfare.

### RELIGIOUS MANIA

Berlin March 20.—The newspaper Die Welt says the Czar is suffering from a religious mania and that he spends two hours every day praying in the palace chapel and that he has telegraphed Father John, of Kronstadt, to compose special prayers for Russian victory, likewise for a suppression of the Russian revolutionary movement. He sent a similar telegram to the Arch Bishop of Moscow. He wears the crucifix on his breast continually as a protection against assassination.

### LINEVITCH REPORTS

General Linevitch reports date the 19th as follows:—Commander of the second army reports that there has been no further fighting. There are no reports from the first or third army. I have inspected the troops which have arrived from Russia. They are in excellent spirits and in good health.

### 190,000 CASUALTIES

St Petersburg, March 20.—Reports here thus far received indicate that 190,000 were killed, wounded, and taken prisoners during the battle at Mukden. Eight field guns were also captured.

### DIE OF DISEASE AND WOUNDS

Paris March 20.—The newspaper "Petit Journal" states that a St Petersburg dispatch asserts that five thousand Russians died at Harbin last week from disease, or wounds received in battle. The conditions at that place are horrible in the extreme, and it is estimated that the sick Russians in Harbin will number seventy thousand.

## SUPREME COURT TAKES RECESS

By Scripps News Association  
Washington, March 20.—The Supreme Court of the United States today took recess, and will not meet until April 3rd, at which time they will again resume their strenuous duties.

### Heney is Coming

Francis J Heney is expected to arrive in Portland about March 28. He left Washington last Monday, and was due in San Francisco yesterday. The land fraud investigation has not been suspended during his absence. Thomas B. Neuhausen, of the secret service, has been pursuing the government's inquisition into the fraudulent land entries, and a mass of evidence has been secured which will doubtless be laid before the federal grand jury when it reconvenes about April 1.

The grand jury must complete its labors by April 10, when the present term of the federal court ends. If the work is not completed at that time a new grand jury must be impaneled. It is believed, however, that ten days will suffice for the presentation of such further evidence as the government desires to submit, so that it will be unnecessary to call for another jury. A number of new indictments are expected.

Secret Service Agent William J. Burns will probably reach Portland this present week. He did not leave Washington with Mr Heney, but remained in the east to attend to some details of the land fraud prosecutions. —Portland Journal

## MAKES BOLD ROBBERY

By Scripps News Association  
Oakland, Cal., March 20.—At eleven o'clock this morning, John Daley, messenger of the Standard Oil Company at Point Richmond, returning from the Central Bank of Oakland was held up by two masked men and robbed of the sum of two thousand dollars.

### BOUND AND GAGGED

Mr Daley, with F K Roche were driving in a buggy along a lonely road which ran a short distance from a railroad crossing. Two masked men jumped out of the brush and leveled their revolvers at the unfortunate occupants of the vehicle. They ordered them to stop and made them stop. As soon as the men alighted they were bound and gagged, and thrown face downward upon the ground. The robbers then entered the buggy which the men had occupied and drove away with the treasure. In about a half an hour, workmen passing the place found Daley and Roche, released them and took them to Point Richmond on a car. The police in all the nearby towns have been notified, and a number of posse are scouring the country in Costa county. The money stolen was to have been used to pay off the employees of the Standard Oil Company at Point Richmond.

Mr B F Sparrow left this morning for a business visit to Durkee.

## CHINESE RIOT IN NEW YORK

[By Scripps News Association]  
New York, March 20.—Chinatown is in a state of terror over a feud between two factions, Ong Long Tong and Hip Sing Tong. The police are making every effort to prevent murder. The price of \$3000 has been placed on the head of Tom Lee, mayor of Chinatown. Mooh Dick, enemy of the mayor, is also in danger of his life. Armed ships have been posted in all parts of Chinatown with a scale of prices offered for the heads of the various leaders of the Ong Long Tong faction. Many of the Chinese are wearing coats of mail.

## SECURE FEDERAL JURY

[By Scripps News Association]  
Chicago, March 20.—Fifteen of the Grand Jurors were accepted today to investigate the beef trust in the Federal Court. Of the twenty two men summoned, two were excused because they owned stock in railroads, and five for other reasons. The questions that were asked the veniremen were searching, and indicate a disposition on the part of the Government to carefully avoid any possible errors. Other veniremen will be summoned for this afternoon, and the panel will probably be completed tomorrow, when the hearing of the evidence will begin. Assistant Attorney General Pagin declared that the investigation would be most rigid, and that he believes sufficient evidence is already in the possession of the Federal authorities to indict the principal members of the trust.

The prosecution is being made under the Sherman anti trust law, the maximum violation of which is five thousand dollars fine.

### The Cody Case

[Scripps News Association]  
Sheridan Wyo. March 20.—The Cody divorce case resumed here today with Judge Scott on the bench. The reading of the depositions will require two days, when the arguments of counsel will begin.

### Jews are Aroused

[By Scripps News Association]  
Barisov, Russia March 20.—Three squadrons of dragoons started for Berezina, where the armed Jews have killed, it is reported, the Chief of Police and a number of his assistants.

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