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TRAFFIC IN WHITE GIRLS FOR CHINESE HAREMS UNEARTHED

Chicago Girls sold to Lead a Life Worse than Death

Scripps News Association.
Chicago Oct 17—The local immigration bureau disclosed today facts that 48 American girls have been sold into slavery for the Chinese harems. The most of them are lost to civilization and can hope for no release save by suicide. They are helpless prisoners in Chinese interior towns subject to the whims of the mandarins who are able to purchase through connivance from a woman whose identity is well known to the government officials. The woman who delivered the girls into slavery resides in Chicago and a woman confederate at Shanghai are known to the government secret service agents. The bureau revealed the facts after receiving complaint of the sale of Louise Miller, of Montreal, to an agent of the Chinese officials in Shanghai.

Other evidence indicates that Eva Campbell, Maggie Brown and Victoria Blamont, all waitresses, who were induced to come to Chicago four years ago from Montreal, met the same fate. The names of ten more young women from Chicago and other cities, who disappeared, and had been shipped to Shanghai to become slaves, are in the possession of Inspector J W Burt of the Chinese immigration bureau.

The government says they must rely upon the police and state authorities to punish the procurers because no federal law exists prohibiting the exportation of women for immoral purposes, from America.

American Counsel James E Rodgers, of Shanghai, has enlisted the cooperation of the English and Chinese authorities of that city to produce evidence that many American and Canadian girls have been procured. The authorities have unquestionable proof of the incarceration of at least a dozen of the 49 known to have been lost. It is known that Hilda Anderson, aged 20 years, committed suicide after learning the purpose for which she was sent to China. Many have been sold to one master after another and have been lost, as they are far in the interior of China.

Chinese girl slaves bring from \$250 to \$400 each, while American girls have been sold into the hands of the rich for, from \$500 to \$1000, the price fluctuating according to beauty and accomplishments. Two of the intended victims escaped at Shanghai and sought refuge in a place frequented by Americans.

Testimony Being Taken

Scripps News Association.
Vallejo Cal Oct 17—Barstiel finished his testimony of the Bennington disaster this morning and takes the place of assistant counsel in the prosecution. Esquire Charles Wade went on the stand in his own behalf.

Five Indictments

Scripps News Association.
Edna Texas Oct 17—Five indictments charging murder and criminal assault, were returned today against Monk Gibson, the alleged slayer of the Condit family.

KENTUCY NEGRO IS HANGED

By Scripps News Association.
London, Ky, Oct 17—A mob of masked men rode into town last night and forced the jailor to give up a negro that was sentenced for life from Knox county for the murder of a lumber merchant, and hanged him to an apple tree. A note was pinned to the negro's body telling the reason why he was lynched.

Aged Maori Dead

Scripps News Association.
Dunedin, N.Z., Oct 17—A Maori convert from New Zealand, died here today after an operation for appendicitis. He was instrumental with the Mormon leaders in the Antipodes in proselyting three thousand Maoris to Mormonism.

Will Submit to Knife

Scripps News Association.
Ft Worth, Tex, Oct 17—Ex governor Hogg's condition continues to remain critical and he has consented to an operation.

BOY UNDER SPELL

By Scripps News Association.
Seattle Oct 17—As a result of hypnotic suggestion made by a band of voodoo vaudiville artists in this city a year ago, Jerome B Cummins, a colored lad, attempted to murder his mother, young sister and brother last night and then fled. The lad had been confined in the asylum three times since the first hypnotism, once giving himself up fearing that he would kill some one. He claims that the spirits are always prompting him to murder somebody.

Grocery Dynamited

Scripps News Association.
New York Oct 17—Following the receipt of two "hit ck hand" letters threatening death and demanding money, the grocery store of Giambalvo Bros was dynamited early today. The explosion blew out the front of the store and rocked a five story tenement above throwing people from their beds and shook the buildings for blocks. A 17 year old boy is suspected of the deed.

Wyoming Wreck

(By Scripps News Association.)
Cheyenne Oct 17—Twenty were injured today, three fatally, when the Colorado & Southern was derailed 35 miles north of this city this morning. Two coaches filled with passengers went down an embankment.

Fever On Wane

Scripps News Association.
New Orleans Oct 17—Only two new cases were reported today and there were no deaths up to noon. Orders have been issued to admit no more patients to the yellow fever hospital. The detention camps will be closed after today. No more suspicious cases have been reported.

Would Banish War

Scripps News Association.
Glasgow, Oct 17—Andrew Carnegie, in addressing the students of the University of St Andrews, said that five or even three nations banded together in a peace league, and by inviting all nations to join, could banish all war in the future.

Two Officers Captured

(By Scripps News Association.)
Tangier, Oct 17—Two British marine officers were captured by the Angers tribe while returning to Ouant from the British repair ship Assistance which was wrecked in Tettuan Bay. The officers were Captain John E. Crowther and Lieutenant Edward A. Shelton and had an escort of 21 men from the Rif tribe. When they were attacked the Rifis fled leaving the officers to be captured.

LARGEST SAW MILL IN EASTERN OREGON

May be Located in La Grande, If not, Below Elgin.

A large saw mill, planer and box factory may be located at La Grande. The Observer was fully informed today that the George Palmer Lumber company has about perfected arrangements to erect a large saw mill, with a capacity of 100,000 feet per ten hours and in connection therewith, a large planing mill and box factory and that the work of construction would commence within a very short time in fact has already commenced as far as the mill itself is concerned, as the plans are now in course of formation. The mill is to be of the very latest improved and will be the largest now in operation in Eastern Oregon.

Our readers will notice that the first line of this article state that this mill may be located here. It may be located along the O R & N line of railroad which is now being constructed below Elgin.

The company is now considering the location feature and where even the lumber can be manufactured at the least cost all things considered, there is where it will be located.

We do know that is very common for large saw mills to be located many miles distant from the timber belt.

The Oregon Lumber company for years have hauled their logs to their mill which is located at Baker City and that mill today furnishes Baker City with the largest payroll in that city and if this payroll is located in La Grande, it will furnish a payroll that will be second only to the O R & N payroll in this city.

The location is simply a question of economy as the product of this mill will not be marketed in this valley but in the East but it does mean much to the locality wherein it is located, as it will be a permanent institution for many many years as the company now own several thousand acres of the very best timber land in the northern portion of the county and will continue purchasing when ever opportunity offers, as there is a vast body of commercial timber adjacent to their holdings that the ax has never marred.

Whether or not the mill is located in this city we are glad that this timber is to be worked and the profits remain in this county and we hope in the very near future to receive the official information that the plan will be located in La Grande.

RETURN FROM ORIENT

Scripps News Association.
San Francisco Oct 17—Hon. Bourke Cochran, the leading orator of Tammany Hall and one of the foremost Democrats of the United States, arrived from his tour of the world on the Oriental liner, America, from Manila at noon today. He will be the guest of the leading Catholic societies.

When asked whether he had changed his views in relation to the Philippine islands Cochran said: "No indeed, I've always opposed the acquisition and retention of the Philippines. This visit, made to study the conditions, has not changed my views in the least. However, as long as the secretary of war and president determine to hold these islands, I will do what I can to benefit the islands. The grafting movement will prevail in the islands despite the honest intentions of the administration." Cochran said that he holds the same view relative to the Hawaiian islands.

Looking For Miscreant

Scripps News Association.
Fresno Cal Oct 17—Officers are looking for a man named Vandover, who had been sending out strange tips about the coming Owl wreck previous to Sunday night's disaster as though he knew something of the wreck. The officials firmly believe that the wreck was the work of wreck-er. The switchman says that it had been locked at 9:35 and seven trains went over its safety.

Must Surely Die

(Scripps News Association.)
Wichita, Oct 17—Jerry Simpson continues to grow worse, and the physicians now state that they can hold out no hope of his recovery.

Grain Markets

Chicago, Oct. 17—The markets closed today as follows: Wheat 86 1/2; corn 44 1/2; oats 28 1/2.

PORTLAND MARKET
Portland, Oct. 17—Wheat, 72; blue stem, 75; valley 72.

LOCAL MARKET
Buyers today are offering 73 cents for blue stem and 70 for club.

MUTUAL OVER RATED

By Scripps News Association.
New York, Oct 17—The insurance investigations resumed this morning. James McKee, associate counsel, produced figures cabled from London, Berlin and Paris, making ridiculous statements made by James M Beck, counsel for President McCurdy, that the Mutual assets exceeded those of the bank of England, the bank of France, and the imperial bank of Germany. The statement showed that the Mutual's assets for Dec 1904, were less than two and one half billion. The assets of the bank of England are nearly seven hundred million, Germany thirty millions and the bank of France more than a million and a quarter more than Mutual claims. Beck said that the committee was laboring under a misapprehension. The assets of the banks mentioned exceed the Mutual by nearly two billion. His testimony showed that the officials of the bank of Germany receive thirty thousand dollars yearly and the governor of the bank of England \$10,000.

McCurdy was called to the stand. Hughes produced a number of letters from policy holders refuting the claims advertised by the Mutual. One letter showed the dividends on a policy paid up in 1876 to have decreased from \$50.50 to \$3. Another letter stated that the dividends of one policy fell from \$23 in 1903 to \$7 in 1904. "Probably nearing maturity" replied McCurdy, Chairman Armstrong was after him like a flash asking, "What does maturity of policy have to do with diminishing the dividends?" McCurdy dodged and said, "It is called actuary" He constantly made sharp answers to Hughes' questioning.

Four Big Specials

In Men's, Womens' and Childrens' Underwear This Week

Ladies' Non Shrink ribbed, white wool vests, and pants regular 60c values..... This week	49c	Men's vicuna colored wool underwear, shirts and drawers in all sizes, at the special low price of.....	98c
Men's natural gray wool underwear, heavy fleece lined, and special good value at \$2.50 a suit. This week the garment.....	98c	Children's fine wool vests and pants, in colors natural gray and salmon pink, extra good values.....	45c UP

LADIES' HATS

This week we offer some extraordinary values in ladies hats, in fact some of the choicest hat offerings it has ever been our fortune to offer a discriminating public. A special assortment of ready-to-wear hats in the seasons wanted styles, at the very low price.....

\$2.50

FURS, FURS

Save money on Furs
You'll do it if you buy them here, we handle only the products from the most reputable makers. Beavers and seals in mink, mink, mink, fox and a number of others, all at saving prices \$1.75 up

SOME GREAT SPECIAL VALUES IN LADIES' JACKETS

In colors, red; castor, blue, brown and black	\$ 10.00	Jackets	\$ 5.49
	12.00	"	7.69
	12.50	"	8.69
	13.50	"	9.89

Feather Pillows

20 by 26 inch Feather Pillows, an extra good value.....	\$1.00
Fine Feather Pillows, size 20 by 26 made from best Feather ticking, weight 24 lbs each.....	\$1.50

The Fair
THE PLACE TO SAVE MONEY

Be Ready FOR COUGHS

It's testing disease fasten itself that dangerous possibilities lurk in every neglected cough or cold. Most things are easily cured if taken in time especially in throat or lung troubles.

NEWLIN'S WHITE PINE EXPECTORANT

will cure a cough as quickly as it should be cured. It does not dry it up or drug it away. It is a vegetable remedy that builds up and strengthens—cures nature way. The one time to cure a cough or cold is when it starts. It can't get firmly seated if you have this remedy at hand.

NEWLIN DRUG COMPANY

La Grande Oregon