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## KOREA BELONGS TO JAPANESE KINGDOM

**BOLDEST INSTANCE OF SHUFFLING POLITICAL CARDS IN MODERN HISTORY.**

## REVOLT ALREADY TALKED

Japan said to be ready to suppress any uprising that may break out. People have been subdued by soldiers—A gigantic game of freeze-out—Americans greatly interested in future actions—Treaties involved.

Tokio, Aug. 29.—Independent Korea today became the kingdom of Chosen. Without outward hitch the hermit kingdom was annexed to Japan. In unofficial circles, however, come rumors of discontent and threats of revolt in Seoul capital. Annexation was made against the will of Koreans, after Japanese colonists had been poured into Korea by thousands and people subdued by soldiers. It was a gigantic freeze-out with Japan dealing and Russia playing with her and China protesting, but was too weak. Japanese statesmen announced Korean treaties will be recognized for a time. This was probably done to appease the United States whose citizens enjoy many privileges under Korean treaties not allowed by Japanese treaties.

It is acknowledged that Russia was acquainted with every detail of Ja-

## PIONEER WOMAN SUCCOMBS

**MRS. SAMUEL COCHRAN PASSES AWAY EARLY TODAY.**

One of the Pioneers of the Valley and Highly Esteemed Always.

Death this morning removed another land mark of local pioneer days, when Louisa Jane (Ruckman) Cochran, wife of Samuel Cochran, 1705 First street, this city, died at 8:40 a. m. Mrs. Cochran had been ill for some time and confined to her bed for the past month or so. Death, however, was sudden, as she succumbed to heart trouble.

She was born December 28, 1845, near Agency, Iowa. On November 29, 1866, she was united in marriage to Samuel Cochran, with whom, in the year, 1872, she came to Union county, Oregon. She leaves her husband and three children, Mrs. Mary W. Cople of Corvallis, Oregon, and Charles E. and George T. Cochran, of this city.

In 1865 she joined the Christian church at Bladensburg, Iowa, and has been an active member and sincere worshiper since that time. From 1872 until 1879, the family lived on what is known as the Sandridge in this valley. Then one year was spent in California, and eight years at Hood River, Oregon. Since the spring of 1909, she has resided in La Grande.

She also leaves surviving her, one sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Connolly of Agency City, Iowa, and two brothers, George W. and Thomas M. Ruckman, of Alleel, Oregon.

The funeral services will be held Wednesday. There will be a simple funeral service at the family home on First street at 10 o'clock a. m. The remains will then be taken to the family lot in the Summerville cemetery and a short service will be held at the cemetery at one o'clock, p. m.

pan's plan regarding Korea at time of Russo-Japan convention concerning status quo in Manchuria.

Tokio newspapers have an extra edition today. The general tone of the press is that Korea had fulfilled her destiny as a nation and that Japan is ready to crush out any revolution at hand, or aid, financially and commercially, Koreans with others. Japanese policy of meeting force with impressive persistence was never better shown. Early in July Viscount General Terauchi arrived in Seoul. He soon suppressed the press, censored the cables so that little was known that was going on until Japan was ready to take over the government.

## SALT PALACE BURNS.

Noted Building at Salt Lake is Destroyed by Flames.

Salt Lake, Aug. 29.—Famed Salt Palace of "our lake," with the pavilion was destroyed by fire, which is believed to have been of incendiary origin, today. The entire city fire department fought for ten hours, before the fire was controlled. The bicycle track, which was being used for a race meet benefit, was injured. Bicycle riders and carpenters are working on a temporary track for tomorrow's contest.

## FIRE SITUATION IMPROVED BY SLIGHT RAIN

**WESTERN AND SOUTHERN OREGON BENEFITED BY SHOWERS**

General Condition Throughout the Northwest is Much Better.

Medford, Aug. 29.—A drizzling mist and a lack of wind is putting an end to the forest fires. If no wind comes up, the situation will be controlled in 24 hours. Favorable reports come in from all districts.

**Better in Western Oregon.**

Portland, Aug. 29.—Rain yesterday and last night, with promise of more today, has caused a great improvement in the forest fires of Western Oregon and around Mt. Hood, in southern Wash. It is expected that the troops will soon be recalled. From the Mt. Hood district, reports say the flames are subduing rapidly.

**Spokane District Improved.**

Spokane, Aug. 29.—Fire fighters have practically quit fighting and are patrolling the St. Joe district. The critical stage is passed and conditions are rapidly mending. The Dayton, Wash., fire is now under control. It burned \$25,000 worth of timber.

**Forty-Five Burned.**

Washington, Aug. 29.—Associate Forester Greeley today wired that 45 fire fighters were burned in the Northwest fires. Five men in two crews are still missing. The dead were all temporary employes of the government.

**East Lincoln Is Flooded.**

Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 29.—East Lincoln is isolated by flood today, due to a sudden raise in Entree creek. The streets are submerged five feet, homes are flooded and persons are compelled to flee. It is feared that lives were lost, but none were reported at noon today. It rained eight inches during the night.

**Directors to Eat.**

The Fair directors and the entertainment committee are to meet tomorrow evening for a 6:30 o'clock dinner. All members of these committees should be present as important matters will come up for settlement at the same time the pleasures of the dinner are being enjoyed.

## HUNDRED THOUSAND GREET ROOSEVELT IN DENVER TODAY

**COLONEL ENJOYS CHUCK WAGON FEAST--ADDRESS LIVE STOCK MEN WITH STRAIGHT FROM THE SHOULDER TALK ON CONSERVATION--STATE CONTROL OF THE RESOURCES BITTERLY ASSAILED BY THE SPEAKER.**

## CROWDS ARE ENORMOUS AND GREETINGS CORDIAL

**SUBJECTS HANDLED.**  
State control, power sites, coal land, neutral ground, reclamation and forest service were handled without show of fear by Roosevelt in his Denver speech. He advocated: Immediate stop of wastes or resources, immediate development of power sites and resources, leasing of coal lands and general development that will not deprive "those who come after us" of their just rights.

Denver, Aug. 29.—A presidential salute of 25 guns was given today, when Colonel Roosevelt arrived here. A hundred thousand visitors were gathered to welcome him, it being the biggest crowd since Roosevelt left New York. At noon the Colonel was a guest of the Denver press club. Later he was escorted to Overland Park where he was guest of honor at a "chuck wagon" dinner. Real chuck wagons with two old cowcamp cooks prepared and served the feast in genuine round-up style. Afterwards he went to the auditorium in the heart of the city, and was the guest of honor and the principal speaker at this afternoon's session of the Colorado Livestock Association. After the speech there he was scheduled to address a special session of the Colorado legislature, and after that he was rushed back to the auditorium to speak before the veterans of the Spanish-American war. Tonight he will be the honored guest of the Live Stock Men at an informal banquet.

This country has shown definite signs of waking up to the absolute necessity of handling its natural resources with foresight and common sense. The Conservation question has three sides. In the first place, the needless waste of the natural resources must be stopped. It is rapidly becoming a well-settled policy of this people that we of this generation, hold the land in part for the next generation, and not exclusively for our own selfish enjoyment. Just as the farmer is a good citizen if he leaves his farm improved and not impaired for his children, and a bad citizen if he skins the land in his own selfish interest, so the nation behaves well if it treats the natural resources as assets which it must turn over to the next generation increased, and not impaired in value, and behaves badly if it leaves the land poorer to those who come after us.

In the second place, the natural resources must be developed, promptly, completely, and in orderly fashion. It is not conservation to leave the natural resources undeveloped. Development is an indispensable part of the conservation plan, the forests, the mines, the water powers, and the land itself, must be put to use. Those who assert that conservation proposes to tie them up, depriving this generation of their benefits in order to hand them on untouched to the next, miss the whole point of the conservation idea. Conservation does not mean depriving the men of today of their natural rights in the natural resources of the land. All it means is that we of this generation shall so use our rights as not to deprive those who come after us of their natural rights in their turn.

In the third place, so far as possible, these resources must be kept for the whole people and not handed over for

for this reason that you will find those corporations which wish to gain improper advantage and to be freed from efficient control on the part of the public, doing all that they can to secure the substitution of state for national action.

There is something fairly comic in the appeal made by many of these men in favor of state control, who you realize that the great corporations seeking the privileges of developing the water power in any given state are at least as apt to be owned outside that state as within it. In this country, nowadays, capital has a national and not a state use. The great corporations which are managed and largely owned in the older states are those which are most in evidence in developing and using the mines and water powers and forest of the new territories and the new states, from Alaska to Arizona, I have been greatly amused during the past two months at having arguments presented me on behalf of certain rich men from New York, and Ohio, for instance, as to why Colorado and other Rocky Mountain states should manage their own water power sites. Now these men may be good citizens, according to their lights, but naturally enough their special interest obscures their

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## SHORT SESSION MESSAGE IS OUTLINED

**WILL URGE "PARTY PLEDGE" HASTE IN LEGISLATION.**

**Kansas Will not be Radically Insurgent Tomorrow is Belief.**

Beverly, Aug. 29.—President Taft is not overlooking a possibility of democratic control of the next house. With such a possibility in view he is working out a legislative programme for the coming short session. It will include platform pledges of the republican party.

The program, it is understood, will be very short and every preparation made to get the biggest part of the legislation passed between December 5 and March 4. A special message to congress urging haste in handling legislation, is being considered, according to reports. Taft is anxious to bring about harmony between the insurgents and regulars as the program otherwise can not be put through.

**Kansas May Go Conservative.**

Topeka, Aug. 24.—Despite the fact that the insurgents control Kansas, it is predicted that Kansas republicans at tomorrow's convention, will adopt a conservative-progressive platform. Reported resolutions will ask for a revision of the tariff, and endorse the good points in Taft's administration, will approve unqualifiedly for Senator Bristow, Congressman Madison, and Murdock, insurgents.

**New Studio Chair.**

The Ritter photograph studio today received a handsome new chair. It is especially designed and finely carved. It is a massive piece of furniture and the kind that is found only in high grade galleries.

**Big Horse Sale.**

One hundred percheons, clydes and shires, will be sold at public auction Tuesday, September 27, at Enterprise. E. A. Anderson and George Wagner, the owners, are planning on a big success of the sale and many local horsemen will participate in the sales.

**Goes to Los Angeles.**

Stuart Ingal, a University of Wisconsin student, who has been employed at the Palmer mill the past summer, left last evening for Los Angeles, where he will remain indefinitely.

## DOCTOR CRIPPEN PLANNED TO SUICIDE

**NOT EXPECTING ARREST HIS GRUESOME SCHEME MIS-CARRIED, SAYS NOTE**

## ADMITTED HIS AGONIES

Letter to Leneve Found in Pocket of Doctor Crippen When He Was Arrested by Inspector Dew—Letter Affirmed his Money was Gone and His Conscience at Unrest—Prays to Be Forgiven by Leneve.

London, Aug. 29.—Scotland Yard Inspector Dew testified before Magistrate Marshall today that Dr. Crippen had planned to suicide, just before the steamer Montross arrived at Canada, where Crippen was arrested with Leneve. Dew said when Crippen was arrested at Father Point, he had the following note addressed to Leneve in his pocket:

"I cannot stand the horror through which I have gone every night, any longer. I have made up my mind to jump overboard tonight. I see nothing ahead of me. My money has run out. I know I have spoiled your life. I hope some day you will forgive me." Crippen did not expect to be arrested when he penned the epistle. The night he intended to suicide he was arrested.

At the hearing today Crippen was formally charged with the murder of his wife, and then remanded to jail. He will plead September 6.

## CIRCUIT COURT IS ADJOURNED

**DEATH OF COUNSEL'S MOTHER IS PARTIALLY RESPONSIBLE**

**Grand Jury Retained and Will Commence Deliberations Tomorrow.**

Pending liquor cases and what other indictments may be ground out by the present grand jury will not be tried this week as contemplated, but are set for September 12. Court convened this morning on the call of Judge Knowles, but was forced to adjourn again on account of several potent factors. Attorney C. E. Cochran, counsel with C. H. Finn in all the liquor cases pending, is mourning the death of his mother, which occurred this morning, and out of respect to the bereaved attorney, court was adjourned.

The grand jury is held today pending arrival here of Foreman W. J. Townley, who was detained in Portland and could not reach La Grande this morning. The grand jury will proceed with its inquisition tomorrow morning and remain in session until all is finished. In this way the calling of the grand jury will be of no avail. It is presumed that true bills in one of the two cases will be returned immediately but one prospective bill that is likely to be investigated is the charge of jury packing preferred by the state with Adolph Newlin as prosecuting witness against W. A. Worstell and Frank E. Gray, pastor of the Baptist church here. It is freely admitted that the grand jury will be given the evidence and as the lower court dismissed the case, there is much speculation as to what the grand jury will do.