

## BIG PLANT IN ASHES TODAY

### EARMARKS OF INCENDIARY ORIGIN SEEN

## BIG STOCK ALSO BURNED

### GRANDE RONDE MEAT COMPANY PLANT DESTROYED SUNDAY

with a blaze of mysterious origin. Plant Not Long Since Built, Is Totally Destroyed—Pickling Room Is Alone Saved From Ashes—Temporary Resumption of Business Announced.

La Grande's meat packing plant went up in smoke about 2 o'clock Sunday morning when a fire of an origin held to be incendiary completely destroyed the Grande Ronde Meat company packing plant, slaughter house, and a full line of stock carried at the Oro Dell plant. The loss was practically complete. Before an alarm was turned in the blaze had done its worst and though the fire department was called, there was little to do at that time.

### Loss Is Complete.

Erected at an expense of nearly \$16,000 the plant was complete and deemed to be one of the best equipped packing institutions in Eastern Oregon. About three years ago the company installed its ice and storage plant rounding out a business that had been carried on along limited lines for some time previous to that. There was a very modern ice making plant in connection with the institution and the cold storage adjoining carried a large line of hams and bacon besides a storage of dressed beef and so on. Nearly a dozen hives, dressed, about as many dressed hogs and a dozen or more dressed sheep were in the storage preparatory to be placed on the local market Monday morning. These of course went with the rest of the stock.

The engine room and equipment, sausage room and other adjuncts to the plant are in ruins. The pickle room alone was saved. Three tons of lard were consumed.

### Insurance Covers Half.

J. A. Russell, principal owner and manager, today affirmed that the loss of \$16,000 is a very conservative estimate as the plant was built at an expense of nearly that much and the stock lost in the fire would bring the figure considerably higher. About half of this is covered by insurance, entailing an actual loss to Mr. Russell of \$8,000.

### Fire Origin Mysterious.

There is no way to explain the origin of the disastrous blaze except that some vandal touched a match. Workmen and the manager cannot deduct any other conclusion, knowing that no careless act of theirs could have ignited the plant.

The loss is heavy and retards a branch of local industries that was thriving even in its infancy. The packing business of Union and Walla counties was largely represented in that institution.

Undaunted, Mr. Russell is today laying plans for resuming the business on a temporary basis, and hopes to announce definite plans shortly.

### FWLER MEETS TROUBLE

#### Motor Broken and He Has to Call for Help From Yuma.

Banning, Calif., Oct. 23.—Aviator Fowler started this morning for New York and then broke down. He telegraphed to Yuma for a new motor. He will be delayed here two days.

COLORED PHOTOGRAPH OF FAMOUS SCOUT, BUFFALO BILL.



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## JAPAN NEUTRAL IN WAR ZONE

### CLAIMS SHE WILL KEEP HANDS OFF OF FIGHT

#### Fall of Manchu Dynasty Becomes More Apparent Today.

Shanghai, Oct. 23.—With four of the 13 provinces of China wholly controlled by the rebels and several others threatening to join them, the fall of the Manchu dynasty seems certain. Shanghai and Nanking are the only big cities of the Yangtze still under government control.

### Japan Frees Lance.

San Francisco, Oct. 23.—Japan has decided to keep her hands off in the Chinese revolution, according to dispatches received here from Tokio. The assurance that Japan will not harass the revolutionists under a pretext of protecting Japanese interests will do much toward making the rebels more confident.

### TAFT INVADES DAKOTAS.

#### Progressive States Give Him Warm Reception on Arrival There.

Pierre, S. D., Oct. 23.—President Taft invaded South Dakota and although progressives control the state he was accorded a warm welcome. He breakfasted with Congressman Burke and talked privately. Huron was the next stop and then Aberdeen this evening. Senator Crawford here said "Taft will have a hard fight to carry South Dakota in the national convention. I believe La Follette will get at least of the state's ten delegates."

### NEW MEXICAN WAR SOON.

#### Believed Reyes Will Take the Field This Week Against Madero.

El Paso, Oct. 23.—Mexico's incipient revolution under the leadership of Gen. Reyes is expected to break out in a day or two in open warfare. It is reported documents setting the date for today had been found by the United States secret service. Warfare is expected first in the state of Sonora.

## "OTHER MAN" BLAMED FOR CRIME WHICH REV. RICHESON IS ACCUSED OF BY STATE

### DETECTIVES COMB DISTRICT TO UNEARTH IDENTITY OF FORMER SUITOR TO AVIS LINNELL

#### EDMANDS FORTUNE TO DEFEND THE ACCUSED MAN

## Wedding Gifts Returned and Invitations Recalled by Bride-to-be—Cyanide Sale is Still Intact, it is Reported

Boston, Oct. 23.—Determined to save Rev. Richeson's life, friends of Moses Edmonds, the father of Richeson's fiancée, declare today that a former suitor of Avis Linnell was responsible for her condition and that he gave her the drug that killed her, and not the minister.

Inspector Dugan says he now has the chain of circumstantial evidence connecting the minister with murder, perfected. He said Richeson desired to get rid of the girl he wronged and was crazy about money.

#### Alibi Will Be Attempted.

There will be strenuous efforts to prove an alibi. Richeson was composed today and talks on everything but the murder.

It is said Richeson is prepared to produce the cyanide he produced from the druggist, Hahn. If it contains the exact amount Hahn will strongly favor the contention that he didn't give it to the girl.

#### Wedding Gifts Returned.

The Edmonds are returning wed-

ding presents and recalled one thousand wedding invitations for the nuptials set for Oct. 31.

### "Other Man" Is Sought.

"The other man" bids fair to be the pivotal point in deciding the fate of Richeson. Mr. Edmonds has pledged his fortune to clear the minister and today the cleverest detectives are scouring the tenderloin to find who the other man suspected is and if he had been seen with the girl in cafes. Assistant District Attorney Lavelle said today he would present the case to the November grand jury and expected the trial to start in January.

### Case Is Weakened.

The case against Richeson is weakening. The minister this afternoon formally stated he is innocent and the police are retracting previous statements concerning their confidence in his guilt.

KERMIT ROOSEVELT. Is Hunting in Wilds of Canada For the National Museum.



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## DEFENSE HIT BY JUDGE

### OPINION FROM NEWSPAPER DOESN'T DISQUALIFY JUROR

## CONSTERNATION IS SPREAD

#### DECISION FROM JUDGE BORDWELL WELL FIRST SERIOUS BLOW

Defense Must Resort to Pre-emptory Challenge to Remove Men Who Have Opinions but Can Be Convinced Otherwise—Attorney Scott Says Court Is Biased and Is Reprimanded Therefor.

Hall of Records, Los Angeles, Oct. 23.—Judge Bordwell, ruling on Juror McKee, holds that the holding of an opinion as to the cause of the Times explosion which would require evidence to remove, and which was formed from reading newspapers alone, is insufficient to disqualify a juror. This is the first serious ruling adverse to the defense in the McNamara trial.

In the first 15 minutes allowed to challenge both Robinson and McIntosh were dismissed.

In rendering the opinion, Judge Bordwell said: "As long as the juror says his opinion does not go to the guilt or innocence of the defendant," and he says such opinion will not bias him in reaching a verdict this court has no discretion but to hold the juror qualified under the code." It caused consternation among the defense and Attorneys Scott and Darrow both argued. Finally they submitted and the work of filling the vacant seats began.

Scott was so bitterly disappointed that he virtually charged the court with bias and was severely rebuked by the judge. This means that the defense will have to preemptorily challenge McKee and conserve challenges for a future case of the same kind.

### HYDE RETRIAL STARTS.

#### Immense Throng Forbidden Right to Enter Without Tickets.

Kansas City, Oct. 23.—The second trial of Dr. Hyde for the Swope murder of which he was convicted once, began today. An immense crowd was present but Judge Porterfield ordered that none be admitted unless they had admission tickets. The examination of 2,000 men began this morning.

The trial opened with a victory for the defense when Hyde's attorneys were denied a right to the list of veniremen and the court ordered it read in court.

In addition to the colonel's death Hyde is charged with introduction of disease germs in the food of the Swope family resulting in the death of a number of persons who were legatees of Swope.

Hyde expressed confidence in his ultimate acquittal. The motive was that he wanted the inheritance, contends the state.

### BOISE MAN AMUCK.

#### Kills Wife and Then Suicide With a Shot Gun at His Home.

Boise, Oct. 23.—"Commodore" Gary aged 60, today shot and killed his wife with a double barreled shotgun, striking her in the back.

He went into the yard and told the neighbors to call the officers, and then put the gun butt against a wall and the barrel against his chest and pulled the trigger with a string. He died instantly. No cause is known.

## RAIN FALLS, 5TH DELAY ORDERED

### NATIONAL COMMISSION AGAIN CALLS OFF GAME.

#### Rained All Night and More Storm Indicated by Predictors.

Philadelphia, Oct. 23.—For the fifth successive time the fourth game of the world's series was called off by the national commission today.

It rained steadily throughout the night. The sun appeared momentarily today, but more storm is indicated.

### RACE WAR PREVAILS.

#### Oklahoma Town Has Stirring Scenes Following Shooting Fracas.

Coweta, Okla., Oct. 23.—Virtual martial law exists here today with the militia patrolling the streets, following the lynching of a negro, by name Ed Suddeth, who shot and killed City Attorney Beavers and Carmen Oliver when Marshall Hart was attempting to arrest him. The mob shot two other negroes. The negroes who number 2,000, have threatened vengeance and the whites are ready for war.

### PRINCESS HASSAN ANGERED.

#### Seeks Divorce From Well Known English Nobleman at London.

London, Oct. 23.—Princess Hassan, better known as Viola Humphrey, of California, is here seeking a divorce from the prince, the first cousin of the khedive of Egypt. She said she married him for love and got tired because he guarded her too closely and ordered her about.

### TEN THOUSAND PROTEST.

#### Seattle People Protest Against Conviction of McNamaras.

Seattle, Oct. 31.—A mass meeting was held here today under the auspices of organized labor to protest against the attempt to convict the McNamaras of dynamiting the Times at Los Angeles last year. Ten thousand attended the mass meeting.

### Judge's Resignation Arrives.

Washington, Oct. 23.—The resignation of Federal Judge Grosscup of Chicago was received at the white house today. It was forwarded to President Taft.

## WALSH, OUT OF PRISON, DIES

Chicago, Ill., Oct. 23.—John R. Walsh, the former bank wrecker, died here at his home today from heart failure. He was released from Leavenworth on parole a week ago last Saturday. He was serving a five-year sentence following conviction on

53 counts in connection with wrecking his three banks: Chicago National, Home Savings and the Equitable, in 1905.

Members of the family believe his death is attributable to brooding over his downfall.

## LOS ANGELES REPORTS SAY ENGINEERS AND OTHERS TO GO ON STRIKE NOVEMBER 2

Los Angeles, Oct. 23.—One thousand members of the Los Angeles locals of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, the firemen, the Order of Railway Conductors, and the Order of Railway Telegraphers will strike on Nov. 2nd, according to H. D. Yancey, chairman of the Los Angeles advisory board of the system federation. "They are not striking out of sympathy for us," said Yancey today.

Local federation strikers' report today:

"Assistant Superintendent W. R. Ladd and the assistant managers private car are on a visit here from Huntington today.

"All trains from one half to five

hours late and freight service badly demoralized.

"Engine 300 died on passenger train. Engine 68 died on Pendleton local to Portland on account of bursted arch tube. Engine 512 dead."

### ILLINOIS MINERS ENTOMBED.

#### Six of the Sixteen Trapped Are Brought Out Badly Mangled.

Harrisberg, Ill., Oct. 23.—Sixteen entombed miners are believed to be dead in the north main entry to the O'Gara mine No. today. Six bodies have been recovered and six rescuers have been taken out overcome by the fumes.

The explosion was caused by a powder discharge.