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## DYNAMITE

STORES LOOTED AT BOISE  
AND HIGHEST EXPLOSIVES TAKEN.

Governor and Prosecutors Threatened With Death—All the Magazines Looted—Fixed Up Broken Wall—Other News.

Boise, Idaho, March 3.—Great is the consternation in and around Boise tonight. On the heels of Steve Adams' confession comes the startling news that between 600 and 800 pounds of dynamite and dynamite caps have been stolen from the various powder houses located in the hills northeast of the city.

Last night employees of the Eastman-Teller Hardware Company found, upon going to their powder house, just beyond the Boise barracks, that about 600 pounds of dynamite and caps had been stolen from the powder house. The news that the powder house had been robbed spread like wild-fire over the city, and the officials and men about town, who were discussing the confession of Steve Adams, turned their minds from this subject.

With the same prompt action which characterized his movements in the assassination of ex-Governor Steunenberg, Governor Gooding immediately had one hundred or more guards sent out over the city, and especially around the penitentiary.

These guards were scattered over the town, and because almost all of the men whose names have been mentioned in connection with the prosecution of the officers of the Western Federation of Miners, had received threatening letters signed "Kneebone," a name adopted by the Inner Circle to strike terror to those whom they wish to frighten, armed men were placed around the homes of Governor Gooding, Special Prosecutor James H. Hawley, W. E. Borah and a number of others. The receipt of threatening letters and even the theft of the dynamite last night has not frightened Governor Gooding and the men who are aiding him in the prosecution. Guards have been placed around the homes of these men, not through fear, but out of precaution.

This morning the excitement about the stealing of the dynamite was about to pass away, when it became known that all of the powder magazines back in the hills had been broken into. In all there are about half a dozen powder magazines situated in the hills beyond Boise, and while the authorities will not admit it, they have all been entered and powder stolen.

It is known that the powder-house of the Carlson-Lusk Hardware company and the Idaho Hardware & Plumbing company were entered.

The job on the Eastman-Teller magazine was neatly done. The masonry work was torn out, and when the dynamite and giant powder caps were removed, the break in the wall was patched up. The discovery would not have been made.

The theft of blasting powder is not uncommon at this time of the year. Miners, so the story is told, who are without means make it a business to steal what powder they can. Usually however, when dynamite has been stolen in the past, only the No. 2 kind was taken. This time it is the No. 1 that was taken.

A citizen here who knows all about dynamite feels confident that had miners stolen the explosives they would have taken the No. 2, because all miners know that this is the less dangerous of the two.

Warden Whitney denies that the reason he had taken out the electric lights in the cells of Moyer, Haywood, Pettibone and St. John was because he feared that the prisoners would attempt suicide.

Beyond admitting that Steve Adams' confession was what the officials stated it was, even more sweeping than that made by Orchard, nothing more could be learned. Adams told of crimes he had committed for the Inner Circle of which Orchard knew nothing. He has been longer in the employ.

Now that Adams has confessed, it is fully believed that still another confession will be forthcoming in a few days, if not more. Just who

will be the next one to tell what he knows can only be conjectured. If it will be anybody it will be Vincent St. John. He is the weakest character who has not talked.

St. John is a stout, well-made man, and from his actions while at Caldwell, while the grand jury was being organized, it was clear that he was extremely nervous. Every time he got a chance he would pace back and forth over the courtroom floor like a caged animal.

Clarksburg, W. Va., March 2.—An agreement was suddenly reached during the trial today in the United States court of the Red Rock Fuel Company's suit against the Baltimore & Ohio railroad company and the suit was withdrawn.

The suit was brought to enforce a recent order of the interstate commerce commission directing the railroad company to cease its discrimination against the Red Rock Fuel company. By the terms of the agreement the railroad company will provide the fuel company with railroad connections at the plant near Buchanan, this state, at once, and will grant the firm in the coal district a fair rate and furnish distribution of cars.

The Red Rock Fuel Company retains all of its legal rights with the understanding that it may furnish the interstate commerce commission and Senator Tillman with all the information in its possession and all it obtains about alleged discrimination by railroads in West Virginia.

Boise, Ida., March 1.—Harry Orchard, the alleged assassin of former Governor Frank Steunenberg, whose confession implicated President Moyer, Secretary Haywood, Executive Committeeman Pettibone and other prominent members of the Western Federation of Miners, was taken from the penitentiary today to appear before the grand jury at Caldwell.

Boise, Idaho, March 2.—Harry Orchard, the confessed assassin of ex-Governor Steunenberg, resumed his testimony before the grand jury at Caldwell this morning. His testimony occupied the entire morning session.

According to the testimony of Detectives McParland before the grand jury Messrs. Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone experimented with bombs on the prairie four miles north of Denver and had a regular dynamiting school there. Orchard knew about this.

McParland also gave testimony corroborating Orchard's confession in regard to the murders of Superintendent Martin Gleason at the Cripple Creek mine, of Superintendent Arthur Collins of the Telluride mine and Superintendent Barney of Telluride, who has been missing since 1902.

McParland classed Haywood as the engineer of the murders, Moyer as the dupe, and Pettibone as "in it for the money."

It leaked out this morning that Orchard had two trunks here, one of which was checked at the depot. Storage was paid on it, Orchard visiting it daily. After his arrest the trunk was turned over to a detective, who found mysterious papers, from which was worked out the cypher key to what is claimed to be startling disclosures.

New York, March 2.—The Armstrong committee's insurance bills, which seem pretty certain of being enacted into laws, are creating the gravest concern in Wall street.

Not only will insurance business be revolutionized, but a number of big financiers will find themselves deprived of support upon which they have depended for years.

It is estimated in the financial district that the "Big Three" alone have holdings of \$300,000,000 in stocks and bonds which come under the ban. About \$125,000,000 are in stocks and the remainder in bonds. The "Big Three" are the Equitable Life Assurance Society, the New York Life and the Mutual Life.

The stocks alluded to above, while the property of the companies, were practically controlled by big financiers, who had the proxies. Up to the time of the shake-up, E. H. Harriman and Kuhn, Loeb & Co. were the dictators of the Equitable stock; J. P. Morgan, through his partner, George W. Perkins, controlled the New York Life, while

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## WHO WILL GET IT?

A Splendid Prize will go to some Corvallis Home.

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ing of a car load by a representative of Eiler's Piano House, at a town near here. I have been authorized to close it out at a price way below what it ordinarily sells for. It is the best value I have ever seen. It is in Corvallis. It is handsomely cased in mahogany. It may be secured by paying thirty-five dollars and small monthly payments. The Eiler's Piano House full guarantee goes with it. G. TAILLANDIER, Ind. phone 185, feb 27.

## WRECKS A TOWN

OVER ONE HUNDRED PERSONS DEAD BY A TORNADO AT MERIDIAN, MISS.

Large Stores Demolished and Bury Employees—Negro Quarter Ruined and Then Burned. Other News.

Mobile, Ala., March 3.—Information has reached Mobile by telephone that a destructive tornado visited Meridian, Miss., at 6:30 last evening, killing 21 white persons and over 100 altogether, and damaging property to the extent of \$1,500,000. There were also scores seriously injured by being caught in wreckage of houses.

The tornado caught the city on the southwest and traveled to the northeast, spending itself in two suburbs, where many negroes were killed or injured, a whole tenement district being wiped out. Two large wholesale stores, one smaller one, the principle hotel, the electric lighting plant and all the smaller property between the Mobile & Ohio road depot and the business part of the city are badly damaged.

Twenty-one men were caught in a restaurant and several were killed.

The negro tenement district in the north of the city was demolished and the debris caught fire, threatening a new danger, but the local department, assisted by hundreds of citizens, overcame this after a hard fight. They were assisted by the torrential rain following the tornado.

The city is in darkness and the full extent of the disaster will not be known until daylight. The known path of the storm was about 600 feet wide and one mile in length. About 6:30 P. M. the clouds began to gather. They came hurriedly and hovered close and black over

er the city. It has estimated to be of four minutes' duration. During this time a reign of terror was over every one. The air was filled with missiles.

The residence portion of the city was safe from harm. Meridian, a place of 14,000, has always considered itself tornado-proof. Mount Barton and the Sand Mountain hills were accepted as a sentinel against such a disaster. The Sowashe Valley was crossed by the storm and this was unexpected.

In a northerly direction the wind wound its way, tearing a path through a negro settlement. Little is known of the loss of life there.

The electric power station was visited and, while the chimney escaped the fury of the wind, yet other parts of the plant are so demolished that it may be ten days before it is possible to re-establish its lighting facilities.

North of the power house the storm overturned a few box cars and crossed the tracks of the Alabama & Vicksburg railroad. There is a cluster of depots in this vicinity, and two operators in them were injured. The buildings were damaged but no lives lost.

The Tom Lyle Grocery company was crushed to a heap of splintered lumber, and fire followed its fall. The Roebuck Lumber company, one of the largest in Eastern Mississippi, had its yard swept away.

William Ethridge, a young man, was carried 100 yards through the air and set down well balanced on his feet unhurt.

Nearly every house on Front street is reported to have been demolished. The Armour Packing company plant is the only building left standing, and the roof of that is gone.

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