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## FOUR THOUSAND HOMES ARE DESTROYED IN CONFLAGRATION

### Terrific Fire Lays Waste Large Part of Japanese City.

#### SOME REPORTED BURNED ALIVE

### Government Takes Action to Succor the Distress and Suffering.

(By Associated Press.) TOKIO, Japan, Sept. 4.—Dispatches tell of a fire yesterday which destroyed four thousand houses in the city of Niigata, in the Ichigo province. Fearful scenes of desolation and suffering followed. The government is rendering assistance but cannot recompense the citizens for the great loss. A number are reported to have been burned alive, but this has not been confirmed.

## NOTED FARMER DIED TODAY

### Oliver Dalrymple, Famous As North Dakota "Bonanza Wheat Farmer," Succumbs

(By Associated Press.) ST. PAUL, Sept. 4.—Word was received here today that Oliver Dalrymple, the noted "Bonanza Wheat Farmer" of North Dakota, is dead. His farm consisted of seventeen sections or nearly eleven thousand acres. It is probably one of the best-known farms in America and Mr. Dalrymple had gained wide renown as its owner and manager.

## HARRY ORCHARD MADE "TRUSTY"

### Warden Whitney of Idaho Penitentiary May Lose Job For Alleged Violation of Rules.

BOISE, Ida., Sept. 4.—The Idaho State Board of Pardons is investigating the charge that Warden Whitney of the State penitentiary, violated his instructions by making Harry Orchard a "trusty" and giving him privileges not enjoyed by other prisoners serving time for similar crimes. According to the charges made to the board, Orchard has enjoyed the privileges of a "trusty" ever since the death penalty was imposed after his conviction of the murder of ex-Governor Steunenberg and that Orchard has not been required to even wear the usual stripes and number. Whitney may be discharged and Orchard will be required to serve the same as other long term prisoners.

### DEMOCRATS ARE HOPEFUL.

#### Think They Have Good Chances In Several Eastern States.

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, Sept. 4.—Democrat National Chairman Mack announces that Homer I. Cummings has been selected vice-chairman of the speakers bureau. Cummings said he regarded Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York and New Jersey debatable ground with the situation in Connecticut favorable.

### SALT LAKE WINS.

Gets G. A. R. Encampment From Washington. (By Associated Press.) TOLEDO, Ohio, Sept. 4.—Salt Lake won the encampment of the G. A. R. by large majority over Washington, D. C.

## RAWHIDE IS SWEEPED BY BAD FIRE

### Conflagration In Nevada Town Leaves 3,000 Homeless, Injures a Score and Causes \$750,000 Loss.

(By Associated Press.) RAWHIDE, Nev., Sept. 4.—Three

thousand people are homeless, a score or more injured and a property loss of \$750,000 as a result of a disastrous fire which started in Dr. Gomer's office in the Rawhide Drug Company's building. A famine threatens the city as all the grocery supply houses were destroyed. A special train has left Reno with provisions.

## START SUIT TO RECOVER LANDS

### Government Begins Action at Portland to Recover \$40,000,000 Grants From the Southern Pacific.

(By Associated Press.) PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 4.—The suit to recover lands granted the Oregon and California railroad, now controlled by the Southern Pacific and valued at over \$40,000,000, was begun today in behalf of the United States government. The suit is based on the alleged failure of the railroad to live up to the terms of the grant in disposing of the lands in question to bona fide settlers at \$2.50 per acre.

Great as is the sum involved directly in the Southern Pacific suit, a victory for the government will mean similar suits against the other land grant companies of Oregon to recover an almost similar amount. In addition to these millions of acres will be thrown open to settlement and will hasten the development of Oregon. It is claimed.

## MYSTERY MAY NEVER CLEAR

### Daniel Donohue, Husband of Murdered Oakland Woman, Commits Suicide.

(By Associated Press.) OAKLAND, Cal., Sept. 4.—Captain of detectives Peterson does not believe the complications in the Donohue murder mystery will ever be cleared up. It is his opinion that Daniel Donohue took his wife's life for her money. He bases this on the fact that Donohue committed suicide yesterday rather than face the charge of murder. Gustave Ahlstedt, alias Arkell, who is under arrest as a suspect, will be held a few days longer.

## NOTED LABOR LEADER DEAD

### Frank P. Sargent Succumbs at Washington Today to Stomach Trouble.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 4.—Frank P. Sargent, commissioner of immigration of the United States Department of Commerce and Labor, died today of stomach trouble. For seventeen years, he was chief of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen. He was a thirty-second degree Mason. He was appointed by President McKinley.

### TAFT DISCUSSES PLANS.

#### Will Not Begin Active Campaign Until After October.

(By Associated Press.) MIDDLE BASS, Lake Ohio, Sept. 4.—That W. H. Taft should not go personally into the campaign outside of Cincinnati until October, seems to be the suggestion now under advisement. Taft will not go to Sandusky until Monday night for fear his presence might interfere with the Labor Day celebration there, so the demonstration in his honor has been postponed until Tuesday. He went fishing yesterday.

Mr. Taft found it necessary to abandon his fishing expedition to attend to correspondence today.

THERE'S a chicken for you at Stauff's. Call early and get it for your Sunday dinner.

WEATHER FORECAST. (By Associated Press.) WESTERN OREGON. — Fair tonight; Saturday, fair except showers near coast; east-erly winds.

## ANTI-DUBOIS FACTION WINS

### Scores First Victory In Fight For Supremacy In Idaho Democracy.

(By Associated Press.) BOISE, Idaho, Sept. 4.—The anti-Dubois faction scored the first point in the battle for recognition as the regular Democratic ticket when Secretary of State Landown accepted their ticket as named at Wallace. A half-hour later, the Dubois ticket was produced but the secretary of state, after consulting the attorney general, declined to accept it. The matter will be taken into the courts for settlement.

## W. E. TALLANT GETS CANNERY

### Elijah Smith Has Leased Empire City Plant to Astoria Man For Season.

(Special to The Times.) PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 4.—The old salmon cannery of Elijah Smith at Empire City has been leased by W. E. Tallant and will be operated by him during the fall season. He sent down today a cannery crew and supplies and a thorough trial will be made to learn if enough salmon can be caught there to operate it. Mr. Tallant operates the big cannery at Astoria.

### GEN OTIS ILL.

#### Prominent Los Angeles Man Undergoes Operation.

(By Associated Press.) BALTIMORE, Md., Sept. 4.—General Harrison Gray Otis, publisher of the Los Angeles Times, is at John Hopkins hospital for the purpose of undergoing a slight operation.

### WARNER MAY WIN.

#### Michigan Governor Nearly 1,000 Ahead In Primary.

(By Associated Press.) DETROIT, Mich., Sept. 5.—It now appears that Governor Warner is nearly a thousand ahead for the Republican nomination for governor in the recent primary.

CHICKENS for your Sunday dinner at Stauff's, the grocer.

The BREAKWATER sails for Portland Saturday, September 5, at 5 p. m.

See JOHN S. HAY'S business opportunity in want column.

## VETERANS AND PIONEERS TO HOLD REUNION ON COOS BAY

## THREE MEET E. H. HARRIMAN

### J. E. Oren, Dr. E. Mingus and Col. Wm. Grimes to Constitute Coos Bay Committee.

Owing to unexpected difficulties, the personnel of the Coos Bay Committee to meet E. H. Harriman at Roseburg tomorrow has been changed considerably and will probably consist of J. E. Oren, Dr. E. Mingus and Col. Wm. Grimes. Mr. Oren left with his wife and son for Roseburg yesterday and Col. Grimes and Dr. Mingus left early today.

Mayor E. E. Straw of Marshfield, and Mayor L. J. Simpson of North Bend, were unable to get away. C. J. Mills and W. P. Evans, who were in Portland, decided to return via Coos Bay instead of going direct to Roseburg and then go over with the rest of the committee, but the Breakwater, owing to the dense fog, did not get in time to allow them to join the others.

Just what will transpire at the conference is hard to guess, but many Coos Bay boosters believe that since Mr. Harriman ordered the resumption of work on the Tillamook line, he is quite apt to do so on the Coos Bay-Drain line.

### HARRIMAN LEAVES PELICAN.

#### Railroad Magnate Will Spend Tonight at Ashland.

(By Associated Press.) PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 4.—E. H. Harriman left Pelican Lodge today, and is due to reach Ashland tonight where he will remain over night. After brief stops at the Willamette Valley points where invitations have been accepted for a stop over, it is believed he will reach Portland tomorrow evening.

## GERMANY AND FRANCE TILT

### French Officials Resent Kaiser's Charge of Ulterior Motives In Morocco Affair.

(By Associated Press.) BERLIN, Sept. 4.—The French policy regarding Morocco is interpreted here as designed to maneuver Germany out of any direct part in Moroccan affairs and with the ultimate purpose, supported by Great Britain, of acquiring the paramount position. Germany is not disposed to allow Mula Hafid to be compelled to take over a large amount of French pecuniary claims.

### FRANCE IS ANGRY.

#### Resents Germany's Charge of Ulterior Motives.

(By Associated Press.) PARIS, Sept. 4.—French official circles resent the intimation conveyed in the inspired communications from Berlin that France's purpose in delaying the recognition of Mula Hafid is to permit the French Republic to make private arrangements for the protection of French interests. They claim their action is in the general interest of all. France is awaiting Spain's approval of a joint note before communicating with the powers.

### SELECTED GRAVENSTEIN APPLES.

Delivered free in San Francisco, Oakland, Berkeley Alameda or Portland, \$2.00 per box.

Delivered in Los Angeles, San Diego, Puget Sound ports or any station on Southern Pacific or Santa Fe railroad in California at \$2.25 per box. See F. S. Dow.

### Coos County Organizations Accept Invitation to Come Here in 1909.

### PLAN BIG PICNIC AT HERMANN PLACE

### Dr. C. W. Tower of Marshfield, Elected President of Both Organizations.

(Special to The Times.) COQUILLE, Ore., Sept. 4.—After one of the most successful and enjoyable reunions in years, the Southern Oregon Veterans Association of Coos County and the Coos County Pioneers Association adjourned last evening after electing officers and selecting Marshfield as the next meeting place. Dr. C. W. Tower of Marshfield, was honored by being elected president of both organizations for the ensuing year.

It had been previously planned to hold the next annual meeting in the grove on the old Hermann homestead and make it a celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the arrival of the famous Baltimore colony in the Coquille Valley, but when Dr. Tower presented the joint invitations from the Marshfield Chamber of Commerce and Marshfield city council, it was unanimously decided to accept them. Instead of converting the reunions into a celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the arrival of the Baltimore colony, the latter event will be celebrated separately by a picnic at the homestead of Dr. Henry H. Hermann who lead the Baltimore colony into the Coquille Valley. It is thought that the four generations of the colony will be in attendance at the picnic, making about 200 in all.

Yesterday noon, the citizens of Coquille entertained the visitors at a banquet at which Hon. Binger Hermann was the principal speaker. Wm. H. Schroeder, the permanent secretary and treasurer of the Pioneers Association, was instructed to compile a roster of the living pioneers and a memorial of those who have passed to the Great Beyond.

The pioneers elected the following officers: President—Dr. C. W. Tower. Vice-president—B. F. Ross. Assistant secretary—Mrs. Mary E. Smith. Historian—Orvil Dodge. The veterans elected the following officers: President—Dr. C. W. Tower. Senior vice-commander—C. E. Zeek. Junior vice-commander—R. W. Lundy. Adjutant—W. E. Thorpe. Quartermaster—Simon Miller. Chaplain—R. B. B. Paul.

NOTE: Englishman Dead.

Lionel S. West, Whom Cleveland Fired Express.

(By Associated Press.) LONDON, Sept. 4.—Lionel Sackville West died yesterday. While British Minister to the United States, he was recalled upon the request of President Cleveland.

AT THE THEATRE.

The Margaret Iles Company will play at the Masonic Opera House tonight in "Ole Olson." This is the play that made such a big hit in the east and also by the Iles Co. in Myrtle Point, Coquille and Bandon. The company playing to packed houses in all of these towns. Mr. Meade in the part of Ole makes a hit wherever he appears. The rest of the company is excellent in the play and the people of Marshfield should not lose the opportunity to see the bill.

The play will be repeated again tomorrow night and the company will return here every Friday and Saturday night of each week. Two new people have been added to this excellent company and they are going to give Marshfield some of the best plays ever seen on the local stage.