

FIRE IN PORTLAND

F. E. Beach & Co.'s Store Damaged by Fierce Blaze.

WOMAN AND CHILD RESCUED

Fire Broke Out at Noon and the Inflammable Material Caused it to Spread, Entailing a Loss to Building and Contents of \$10,000.

Portland, April 19.—Amid the loud cheers of fully 2000 people, Mrs. W. F. Grunow and her little 8-year-old daughter, Florence Dean, were rescued by members of the fire department from the third-story of the Strowbridge building, First and Alder streets while a desperate fire was raging in the rear of the F. E. Beach & Co. paint store, on the ground floor, at noon today. Although it is not exactly known, it is estimated the loss will be about \$10,000, fully covered by insurance. The origin of the fire could not be learned.

Roy White, of Woodlawn, who started to work at the store Monday morning, had a narrow escape from death. He was in the basement at the time the fire started. He made a mad rush for his life, leaping up the stairs, through the fire and on into the private office of Mr. Beach, where the first news of the starting of the fire was given. The boy's hair was singed and badly burned. His clothes were also scorched, but he escaped without injury.

Some time was lost in turning in the fire alarm, as it was hard to locate a box. Within five minutes after the department arrived, the flames were under control. The fire was confined entirely to the rear room, but considerable damage was caused by smoke and water in other parts of the building.

Great volumes of dense smoke from paints and oils filled the entire building, making it nearly impossible for the 10 people in the building to escape. Mrs. Grunow could not come down the stairs with her little one. A long ladder of Truck Company No. 1 was hurriedly thrown into place. Fireman Ed Rabler, James Mullen and Bill Bennett sprang to the rescue, and in a moment they were at the window where the woman stood almost overcome by smoke.

Policeman Price and Detective Resing ran up the front stairway through the smoke, shouting "fire" and rapping on each of the doors. None of the people on the second and third floors knew of the fire until the two policemen gave the alarm. Some of the women had to be led through the smoke.

The damage to the building will be several hundred dollars. It belongs to the Green estate.

Not very long ago the store of Beach & Co. caught fire, but the blaze was extinguished without aid of the fire department.

WILL BE REMOVED.

Indications Are That Alaska's Governor Will Resign.

Washington, April 19.—Secretary Hitchcock today received a letter from Governor Brady of Alaska admitting that he was a stockholder in Reynolds Alaska Development Company and had allowed his name to be used on advertisements of that concern. He stated that he had withdrawn his name from the advertising matter but does not offer to dispose of his interest in the company.

Reynolds, head of the concern, saw Secretary Hitchcock today but refused to explain the details of operations of his company. Brady's letter is not satisfactory and it is expected when President Roosevelt returns Hitchcock will urge Brady's removal and the appointment of a new governor.

Brady is in the same position as other officials who were dismissed for this same cause.

HOCH TRIAL BEGINS.

Noted Bigamist Being Tried for Murder in Chicago.

Chicago, April 19.—Johann Hoch, the "modern bluebeard" and confessed bigamist, was placed on trial today for the alleged murder of Mrs. F. Marie Welker Hoch, one of his many wives, before Judge Kersten in the criminal court. Hoch was indicted for murder in the first degree, it having been proved that Mrs. Welker Hoch died of arsenical poisoning, presumably administered by Hoch.

The first day's proceedings were devoted to securing a jury, 150 takersmen being summoned.

Assistant United States Attorney Olsen appeared for the prosecution, and Attorney Plouffe for the defense. Six women who claim Hoch as their husband appeared in court as witnesses. It is thought some difficulty will be experienced in securing a jury, owing to the fact that the case has

been widely exploited through the papers, and there are but few men who have not formed an opinion.

Hoch's career is a remarkable one. He is said to have confessed to having murdered 14 different women, and the police are confident that the real number of his wives run between 40 and 50. Hoch made a business of marrying middle-aged widows, who had some property. Many of these died mysteriously shortly after marriage. Hoch having acquired their property. Some of them were deserted soon after marriage and in no case did Hoch live more than a few months with the deluded woman. Five of the women he married died within a week of the wedding, 12 within three months, while a number were deserted within two hours of the time of the ceremony.

Seaside Mill Shut Down.

The Seaside Spruce Lumber Company has closed down its saw mill and logging camps, and most of the crew has been discharged. It is presumed that lack of business is the cause for the shut down. It is also believed by prominent mill men that a saw mill at Seaside is not in a position to compete with saw mills on transcontinental roads with easy access to the markets. It is reported that at the time the mill was closed down last year that A. B. Hammond furnished the money to start it up again, and it is believed that he now has the controlling interest in the property. It is also reported that eventually the mill will be moved to Flavel where there is no doubt it could be made a paying investment. It is also stated that Mr. Hammond owns all the lumber from which the mill is supplied and is in a better position to operate it than any private concern. That the mill will pass absolutely under Mr. Hammond's control is generally conceded by those in a position to know.

Jefferson Dying.

Palm Beach, April 18.—Joseph Jefferson is slowly sinking and may pass away at any time. His family is at his bedside.

INDEMNITY PAYMENT

Sixteen to One Depriciates When It Comes to Paying Debts.

CHINA ADOPTS NEW SYSTEM

According to This Dispatch She Owes Somebody Some Money, But What Country or Government It Is Will Always Remain a Mystery.

New York April 19.—After two years' discussion the powers and China will sign an agreement today, according to a Herald dispatch from Peking, regarding the payment of the deficit in the indemnity due to the fall in the price of silver and providing for the future payment of the indemnity in gold.

The agreement comprises three paragraphs, and briefly stated sets forth that China is to pay 15 days after the signature of the document the sum of \$5,000,000 and interest at 4 per cent on this amount from January 1, 1905, which sum is to be accepted in full payment of all deficits due to the change from silver to gold.

In the second paragraph China agrees to sign immediately fractional gold bonds, expressing the amounts due to each country in the coinage of that country.

By the third paragraph China undertakes in the future to pay the amount due each year in 12 equal monthly installments, credited every six months. China will be allowed interest at 4 per cent on the monthly payments made in advance of these biennial periods. China may pay also in gold bullion, gold drafts or telegraphic transfer of silver at the average monthly London rates, each foreign government selecting the method it prefers.

Gamblers Will Be Disappointed.

A report was circulated that representatives of a Portland gambling and sure thing outfit had been in Astoria making arrangements for opening up a gambling game in Astoria. There will be no more sure thing gambling outfits from Portland open in Astoria. The respectable element claim the right to a voice in the management of city affairs in Astoria, and they propose to exercise it. Gambling will not be opened in Astoria this year by any person, firm, individual, company or corporation. The less this question is agitated the better will it be and will save a fight.

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VICTIM OF RABIES

Man Bitten By Mad Dog Dies Seven Months After.

INVESTIGATING THE DISEASE

Pet Dog Bit the Owner on the Cheek and Notwithstanding the Bite Was Disinfected and Cauterized the Man Dies in Terrible Agony at Hospital.

New York, April 19.—Hydrophobia from a dog bite received seven months ago has caused the death of Louis Ellwinge, 23 years old, in the Orange county (N. J.) hospital. The victim had entirely forgotten his adventure with the dog, but investigation shows the animal ran away and was shot to death the next day in a neighboring town where it was suffering from rabies. Ellwinge was married eight months ago. Soon afterward the dog, a small pet, was given him by a friend, and while playing with it he was bitten on the cheek. The wound was disinfected and afterward cauterized.

Ellwinge became ill last Sunday when he noticed a difficulty in swallowing water. The symptoms gradually became more pronounced until convulsions resulted. Between the spasms he was perfectly rational and had his bride take him to a hospital. Experts were called, but they could do nothing to check the convulsions and after terrible suffering Ellwinge finally succumbed.

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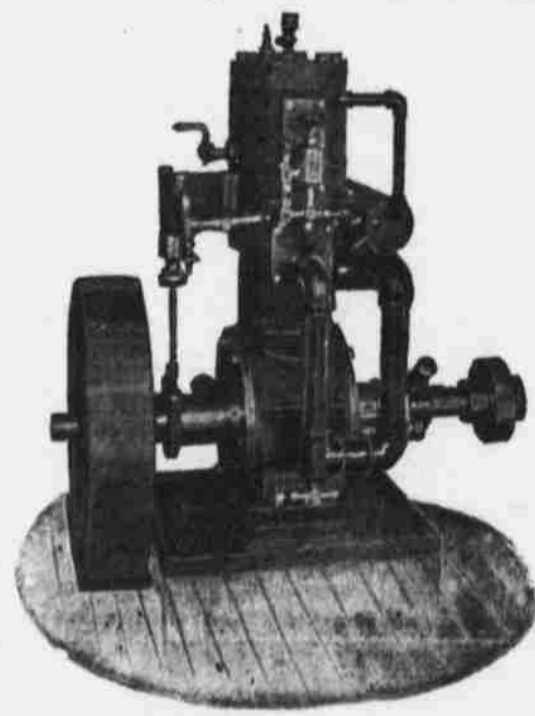
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