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Kerosene Found on Floors of Re-
maining Store Building—It Is
Feared Blow May Be Final for
Nearly All Losers by Fire.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Albany, Or., June 10.—There is said to be no doubt that the big fire at Shedd station Friday morning was of incendiary origin. An inspection of the remaining store building shows indications of coal oil having been poured on the floors and that an effort was made to scatter it among the stock of goods. A story is circulated that a couple of tramps were in that city the evening before, and were refused meals and otherwise coldly treated. Many believe that in revenge the hoboes sought to destroy the town. The tramps have disappeared and cannot be located. Some silverware was found in a sack hidden under the corner of one of the large warehouses near the railroad.

It is the general opinion that the four stores were fired simultaneously in an effort to wipe out the town. It is believed that kerosene was used in each case.

The little city is sadly stricken, and the calamity will wreck the business enterprises of most of the losers. The loss is only partly covered with insurance, and even with this the greater number of those burned out will be unable to rebuild and again enter business.

Albany & Shedd, the principal losers, will rebuild at once, and install a line of general merchandise, although it will be a month or six weeks before they will be open for business.

MINE MISHAP LEADS TO A RICH STRIKE

Cave-In Necessitates New Shaft and
That Taps Unsuspected
Ledge.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Helena, Mont., June 10.—A mine accident, which indirectly resulted in a fatality, has been responsible for an unusual gold strike in the Hope mine, 50 miles south of Helena. The Hope at one time produced the richest ore in Montana and miners were searched as they left the premises at the shift ends. One miner daily cached small amounts and returning several years later to recover the treasure was arrested and sent to the penitentiary.

About two weeks ago there was a cave-in and a miner named Collins miraculously escaped death, his body being protected by falling timbers. It took 17 hours to rescue him and so great was his fright that when he went to Butte afterwards he died from heart disease.

This cave-in was so extensive that the company determined to sink another shaft, with the result that almost from the grass roots work has been in the same ore that made the property famous 10 years ago. It is being operated by M. L. Hewett of Helena.

AMERICANS ATTEND BRUSSELS COUNCIL

(Journal Special Service.)
Brussels, June 10.—The first international conference of Scottish Rite Masons of the world opened here today. The order in America is represented by a large delegation that includes among its members Grand Commander James D. Richardson of the southern jurisdiction, Henry L. Palmer, sovereign grand commander of the northern jurisdiction; Allison Naylor Jr., representing the supreme council of Mexico; Isaac H. Stearns, sovereign grand commander of Canada, and W. Frank Pierce of California and George F. Moore of Alabama.

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EDITORS OF NATION GATHER AT NORFOLK

Norfolk, Va., June 10.—The National Editorial association, embracing newspaper publishers and editors throughout the United States, met in twenty-second annual convention at the exposition today. The forenoon was given over to the opening formalities, with addresses of welcome by President Tucker of the exposition, Governor Swanson and President W. S. Copeland of the Virginia Press association. The response was made by Walter Williams of Columbia, Missouri. This afternoon the editors listened to an address by President Roosevelt.

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Otis Skinner, distinguished actor who begins engagement at the Hellig theatre tonight in "The Duel."

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Seat Sale for Dockstader.
The advance seat sale will open tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock at the box office of the Hellig theatre, Fourteenth and Washington streets, for Lew Dockstader and his big minstrels, which come to the above theatre next Thursday and Friday nights.

Rose Matinee at Baker.
There will be a special rose matinee at the Baker next Wednesday, in honor of the approaching rose festival and to stimulate interest among the little folks in Portland's flowers. Every child attending who carries a bunch of home grown roses will be admitted free and a prize will be given for the most beautiful bouquet.

Sacred Concert Success.
As long as the engagement of Schil-sony's Imperial Hungarian Hussar band continues at The Oaks sacred concerts will be a regular feature Sunday afternoons. The one yesterday was a pronounced success, so the future ones will be sure to please thousands as yesterday's did hundreds. Many prominent musicians from the city attended and were unanimous in their verdict. There were big crowds at the park yesterday despite threatening weather and all enjoyed themselves. The great Davenporters are scheduled to appear at the park on Wednesday.

"Dolly Varden" at the Marquam.
Tonight at the Marquam that prettiest of all old comic operas, "Dolly Varden," will be revived by the San Francisco Opera company and there is no end of enthusiasm as a result of the announcement. The piece has been pleasing thousands for years and whenever it is revived it continues to do so. Teddy Webb, the inimitable comedian, is seen at his best in the opera, and the soubrette, Miss Florence Sinnott, also has an abundance of high class work. The piece abounds in beautiful musical numbers and the costumes and staging are wonderful.

"All the Comforts of Home."
Beginning tonight the Lyric inaugurates its great carnival of fun, the greatest laughing week in the history of the theatre. The Allen stock company will present William Gillette's famous farce comedy, "All the Comforts of Home."

"The Belle of Richmond."
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"Fun in a Laundry."
An acrobatic pantomime act, "Fun in a Chinese Laundry," heads the new vaudeville entertainment at the Grand this week. The Lutz brothers return for their annual engagement. The Mortons have a comedy set and Mlle. Olive is a dainty juggler from Europe. George Evers, the minstrel man, will sing and Whelan and Searies are German dialect entertainers.

OPERATORS SEEKING TO AVOID WALKOUT

(Journal Special Service.)
New York, June 10.—The national executive board of the Commercial Telegraphers Union of America met here today to take final action in regard to the demands made upon the Western Union Telegraph company. Wednesday will be the regular meeting day of the directors of the telegraph company and unless satisfactory concessions are then announced a strike of the 20,000 telegraphers in the United States and Canada appears inevitable. Strong pressure is being brought to bear on both sides and it is hoped that the conflict may be avoided.

The principal demands of the men are for an eight-hour day, the abolition of the sliding scale of wages and the reinstatement of discharged union telegraphers in New York, Louisville, Nashville, Rochester and other cities. The national executive board will present a statement of the grievances to the directors of the company. An ultimatum will be presented only as a last resort and after all efforts to reach a satisfactory basis of agreement have failed.

NEW YORK CENTRAL ON FEDERAL GRILL

(Journal Special Service.)
Rochester, N. Y., June 10.—The case of the federal government against the New York Central was called for hearing in the federal court here today. The case arises over a shipment of petroleum and its products from Rochester to Norwood as part of a shipment made by the Vacuum Oil company to the Standard Oil company from Omaha to Burlington, Vermont.

Hot Land Contest at Sparta.
La Grande, Or., June 10.—Almost the entire population of Sparta is in turmoil over a contest before the United States land office at La Grande involving a quarter section adjoining Sparta, located by P. L. Kelly as mineral ground and contested by William Taylor as agricultural ground. Almost the entire population of the camp appear as witnesses. Potatoes and cereals vs. high assays in gold figure prominently in the adjudication of the case.



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DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE FORMED AT SUMPTER

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Sumpter, Or., June 10.—There has been formed here at a well attended meeting of the citizens of Sumpter a business organization called the Sumpter District Development league, which will take up the proposition of running an electric line out to the mines of this district. The vast tonnage to be handled will make this one of the most profitable projects in the state. R. L. Neill was chosen president and George E. Allen secretary.

Mrs. E. G. Lowry of Chehalis Dead.
(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Chehalis, Wash., June 10.—The funeral of Mrs. E. G. Lowry, who died unexpectedly Thursday, was held Saturday. She had just returned from a Tacoma hospital. Death was due to heart disease. She leaves besides her husband and children, three sisters at Tacoma and one, Mrs. B. L. Smith, at Merlin, Oregon. All were present at the funeral.



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