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FIREBUGS CAUSED DESTRUCTION OF CHELSEA

DID ANARCHISTS SET FIRE TO BUILDINGS?

SUSPECTS IN CUSTODY

Police Will Make Thorough Investigation to Determine Whether Conflagration Was Result of Vicious Plot.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Boston, April 14.—Fire fiends deliberately set out to burn Chelsea. Daniel Ross and Manuel Oliver were arrested today on the charge of having started the fires which caused widespread destruction Sunday morning and made thousands homeless.

Circumstantial evidence is piling up against the alleged firebugs and Mayor Beck openly asserts that the burning of the city was not an accident. He declares he has positive proof that four fires were lighted simultaneously at Chelsea Sunday.

Ross is accused of setting fire to a bundle of newspapers for the purpose of igniting a lumber pile and Oliver is charged with having set fire to a tenement house while the other fires were raging. Ross' home was destroyed in the conflagration and an investigation has been made.

GOVERNOR HENDERSON WILL VISIT OTTAWA

(United Press Leased Wire.) Dawson, April 14.—Governor Henderson and his wife and child leave tomorrow for Vancouver. From there Mr. Henderson will proceed to Ottawa to confer on the Yukon policy. Edward C. Senkler, legal adviser to the governor, is to fill the latter's place during his absence.

FALLS OFF CAR, HIT BY ANOTHER

Joseph Huggins Loses Leg as Result of Peculiar Accident on O. W. P. Road.

Joseph Huggins, of Tremont Place, 20 years old, employed by the Marshall-Wells Hardware company, fell from an in-bound O. W. P. car early this morning near East Forty-fifth and Hawthorne avenue, was struck by a car going in the opposite direction and his left leg crushed to such an extent that it was found necessary to amputate it. The other foot was severely injured but the surgeons believe it will be saved.

Form League to Down Mashers



What do you think of the Masher, young ladies of Portland? Not very much, that is sure. In New York the young women are of the same opinion and they have formed an "Anti-masher" society and their motto is "We'll cure ogling men."

FORAKER URGES REINSTATEMENT OF NEGRO SOLDIERS

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, April 14.—Senator Foraker of Ohio today bitterly opposed the so-called administration measure introduced by Warren of Missouri, permitting any discharged negro soldiers to re-enlist upon "proving to the satisfaction of the president that they were innocent of any complicity in the shooting up of the Texas town."

FULTON TO KILL LAW DESIGN OF REP. HENRY AT ARMORY

Promises to Tell All About His Connection With Mitchell and Hermann—Will Not Discuss Prosecutor Until Tonight.

Doesn't Think Much of Webster Affidavit—Senator Receives His Friends at Hotel and Is Very Cheerful.

Senator Fulton will address the people of Portland at the Armory tonight, at which time he will make reply to the statements which have been made against him by Francis J. Heney during his three recent addresses, two in Portland and one at Salem.

The senator reached the city this morning and is staying at his headquarters at the Imperial. He refused to discuss the Heney attack this morning, saying that he would discuss the questions raised at the meeting tonight which he would speak at the Armory.

Senator Fulton would not discuss the new features of Mr. Heney's attack, the affidavit of H. A. Webster, who said that Fulton had offered him financial inducements to keep him from changing his vote from Fulton during the senatorial battle in 1902.

SERVICES IN MEMORY OF DEAD DIPLOMAT

(United Press Leased Wire.) Tokyo, April 14.—Premier Hayashi and American Ambassador O'Brien have planned services in memory of Durham White Stevens, late advisor to the Korean council of state, who was murdered by a Korean revolutionist in San Francisco. The services will be held in Trinity cathedral on Saturday next.

DESERTER FROM ARMY IS SENT TO PRISON

(United Press Leased Wire.) Nome, Alaska, April 14.—Harry Loper, a deserter from St. Michael, was today sentenced to three years at McNell's island for attempting to kill George Zlicher on the lower Yukon last January. Loper is now in San Francisco, was convicted on a criminal charge there, but the judge gave him the preference of going to the pen for three years or joining the army. He took the latter course.

KILL LAW DESIGN OF REP. HENRY AT ARMORY

Republican Politicians of Oregon Tried by Every Means to Prevent the Passage of Direct Primary Measure.

Letters Read by Heney Show How Carey and Mitchell Busied Themselves to Block Action by the Legislature.

That Republican politicians have been strongly opposed to the direct primary law ever since it was first proposed in Oregon, was vividly illustrated last evening by two letters which were read by F. J. Heney in the course of his address at the Centenary M. E. church.

The letters were written in 1902 just before the special session of that year, their purpose being to prevent the primary law from being brought before the session, because it would drive the bosses out of control in Multnomah county politics. One letter was written by Charles H. Carey, then the leader of the Mitchell faction in Multnomah county, the other by Senator Mitchell of George C. Brownell's asking that Brownell do not take up the primary law during the special session.

The letter written by Mr. Carey follows: Portland, Or., Nov. 7, 1903.—Hon. John H. Mitchell, U. S. Senator, D. C. Dear sir:—It is practically certain that a special session of the legislature will be held some time in December. I understand that Brownell is intending to bring up the direct primary legislation which failed by a margin of one or two votes at the session in June. It is very important that the present primary law in Multnomah county be untouched, and if Brownell takes his course, no doubt McClain, who was with him in support of the measure at the last session, will again unite with him and do all he can to secure the passage of the law. We are now in a very important position, and for all the advantage that we get as the regular organization under the present system will be taken from us. I am very urgent about this matter and hope you will use your strongest endeavors to have Brownell promise absolutely that this measure shall not come up at the special sessions.

JOHN JOHNSON HIT BY TREE AND KILLED

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Clatskanie, Or., April 14.—John Johnson, 23 years of age, was killed last evening while chasing logs at Benson's logging camp. A tree fell, striking him on the head and killing him instantly. The body was taken to Portland on the evening train. Interment will take place there today.

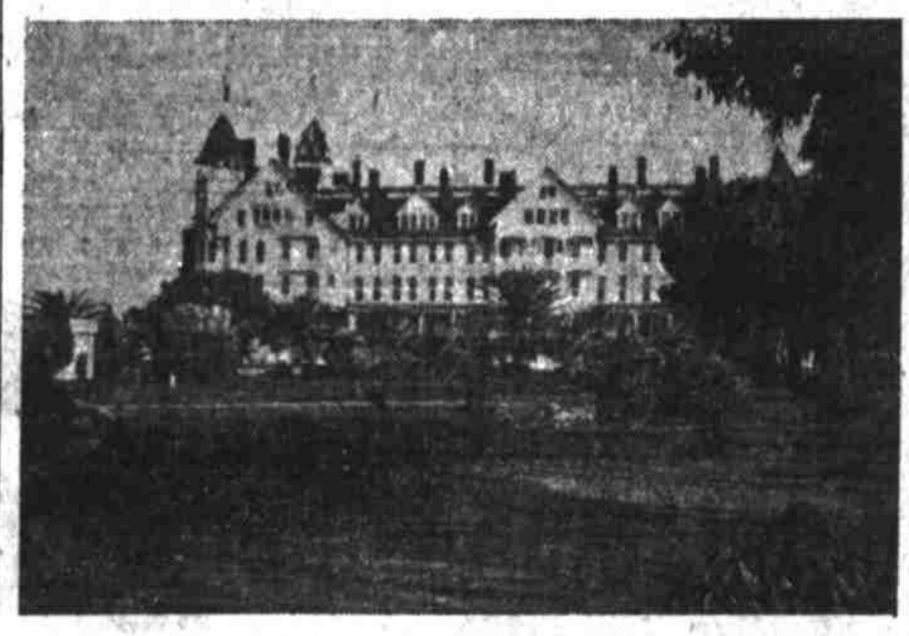
SEASIDE PETITION TO VOTE ON BOOZE

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Astoria, Or., April 14.—A petition was filed yesterday in the county clerk's office to submit the question of prohibition to the voters of Seaside precinct at the coming election in June. The question was voted upon at the Seaside city election last year and was defeated by an overwhelming majority.

SONORA STRIKE RICHEST EVER

(United Press Leased Wire.) Sonora, Cal., April 14.—The great gold strike made in the O'Hara mine, north of this city, a few days ago, now promises to be the most miraculous in the history of California. Nine sacks of ore sent direct to the mint netted \$100,000. One piece weighing ten pounds was priced out on Sunday.

BACK TO GOD'S COUNTRY COME SHIPS OF BATTLESHIP FLEET AND ANCHOR IN SAN DIEGO HARBOR



Hotel Coronado, in Front of Which the Fleet is Anchored.

JAPS SEND ARMS TO CHINA

Hayashi Warns Flowery Kingdom That the Mikado is Weary of Waiting for End of Boycott and War May Follow—Aid for Chinese Rebels.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Peking, April 14.—Proof that the relations between Japan and China are daily becoming more strained was provided today when Minister Hayashi of Japan informed the foreign office that the mikado is weary of China's delay in suppressing the anti-Japanese boycott. Hayashi intimated in strong terms that unless action looking to the suppression of the boycott is taken at once the mikado might resort to arms.

FREEZEUP TILL COURTS DECIDE

Object of Additional Grant Lands Resolution—Lumbermen May Quit.

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.) Washington, April 14.—The house public lands committee today agreed to report to the house an additional resolution which it is believed will hold the Southern Pacific grant lands in statu quo pending court decisions as to the railroad company's claims. The design is to prevent complicating titles during the trial.

CHRISTIANITY IN GRIEVOUS CRISIS

George Burman Foster Sees Old Faith Dead in Future.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Chicago, April 14.—"In my opinion Christianity is in the most grievous crisis of its history. I do not refer to controversies in newspapers and on the streets, but to the quiet, bitter battle which serious men are fighting out in their own souls. It is the dying of the old faith which Christianity is experiencing."

CRUISERS ARRIVE IN SEATTLE HARBOR

(United Press Leased Wire.) Seattle, April 14.—The cruisers Tennessee and California arrived from Everett last night. At noon today the California and Washington left for Tacoma. The Tennessee will stay in this harbor until Saturday, when all three will meet at Bremerton.

Vote for No Legislative Candidate Who Fails to Sign This Pledge:

Do you believe that the people of Oregon are intelligent enough to elect a United States senator? Do you wish to have a vote yourself in the election of the senator? If so, do not vote for any legislative candidate who has not subscribed to Statement No. 1.

CRUISE MAKES NAVAL HISTORY

San Diego Receives Great War Vessels That Have Broken All Records.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) San Diego, April 14.—Out of the thin mist of the sea, through the narrow deep channel of the entrance to San Diego bay the United States battleship fleet came back to "God's country" this afternoon, and to their anchorage off the Hotel Coronado. The ships came into port in single file, the Connecticut leading and carrying a great white "bone" in her teeth as her sharp prow plunged through the gentle land swell. Guns boomed, flags fluttered and the sharp, snappy crack of the rapid-fire cannon answering the shore salutes, vibrated in every loyal American ear and made one proud of his country.

It was a grand sight. The bay was dotted with gaily decorated pleasure craft, tugboats, steamers, saws, yachts, rowboats and the lovely dingy. Thousands of persons lined the beach at Coronado, thousands more blackened the wharves of the city front and upon the roofs of houses and in all other points of vantage the great crowds shouted till even the sound of the small guns was drowned.

Coronado was a mass of bunting. The big white hotel was a pretty background for the flags of all nations and the streamers of red, white, blue and gold. The tent city looked like a forest of flag poles from every spar of which the stars and stripes swung lazily in the cool afternoon breeze. The monster ships were lined up preparatory to dropping anchor and as they moved slowly up the harbor it was plainly seen the care that had been taken to make the name "White Squadron" as immaculate as the words express. They were clean with new paint and the brass work and the guns shone flashes of silver and gold.

Hours before the time set for the arrival of the fleet hundreds of people had flocked out to Point Loma and Point of Rocks to secure points of vantage from which to view the coming of the fleet. Soon after dawn they were on their way, men, women and children, carrying lunch baskets, cameras and binoculars.

PERVERSE DOG FAILS TO BITE

Antone Graft Shoots Beast on Only Day It Is Good and Pays \$20 Fine.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Vancouver, Wash., April 14.—Antone Graft, residing between Camas and Washougal, was arrested and tried yesterday for shooting a dog belonging to Mrs. Connors. He was found guilty by Justices Crawford and Brown at Camas and fined \$20, besides being put under \$500 bonds to keep the peace.