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70 DEAD, 2000 MISSING, FOREST FIRES

THINK DEATH LIST WILL BE 200 AT LEAST

Total Monetary Loss Estimated at \$2,000,000—Vigilance Committees Organized to Prevent Thieving—Several More Towns Are Threatened With Destruction.

WINNIPEG, Man., Oct. 10.—Late reports this afternoon say that seven towns, Beaudette, Spooner, Graceton, Pitt, Cedar Spur, Swift and Roosevelt, have been wiped out in the forest fires. Five hundred persons are reported to have perished and the death roll may total a thousand, according to experienced foresters. Fifty houses and two mills were burned at Rainy River.

Lumbermen declare the loss of standing timber will total in the millions.

RAINY RIVER, Ont., Oct. 10.—Seventy persons are dead, 2,000 are missing and frantic appeals for help are coming from the fire swept forest areas surrounding Beaudette, Spooner and Pitt.

Sixty bodies have been recovered. The estimates of the total dead range from 200 to 500.

A majority of the missing are believed to have taken refuge in isolated villages which cannot be reached by wire.

The towns of Warrod, Minn., and Sprague, Minn., are threatened with destruction. Fires are within seven miles of Sprague and 20 miles from Warrod.

The Canadian Northern railway has dispatched special trains bearing fire apparatus and fire fighters in the direction of Warrod, which is reported to be surrounded by the flames.

The total monetary loss thus far is estimated at \$2,000,000. Cut and standing timber, telegraph poles and railroad tracks have been burned in the fire zone.

One searching party has returned, bringing to nine bodies of the Botten family, consisting of father, mother and seven children. They had only gotten a short distance from their home when they were overtaken by the fire. George Wower, Chas. Baker and Patrick O'Mara, who were missing have turned up.

Of the Iowa men out looking for homesteads, two of the bodies have been found. Their names cannot be ascertained. Charles Baker counted 19 bodies on his way to town. These are all within a radius of six miles of Beaudette. How many will be found further cannot be ascertained. People are sending their families east on special trains made up here for Fort Francis where they can transfer for Duluth.

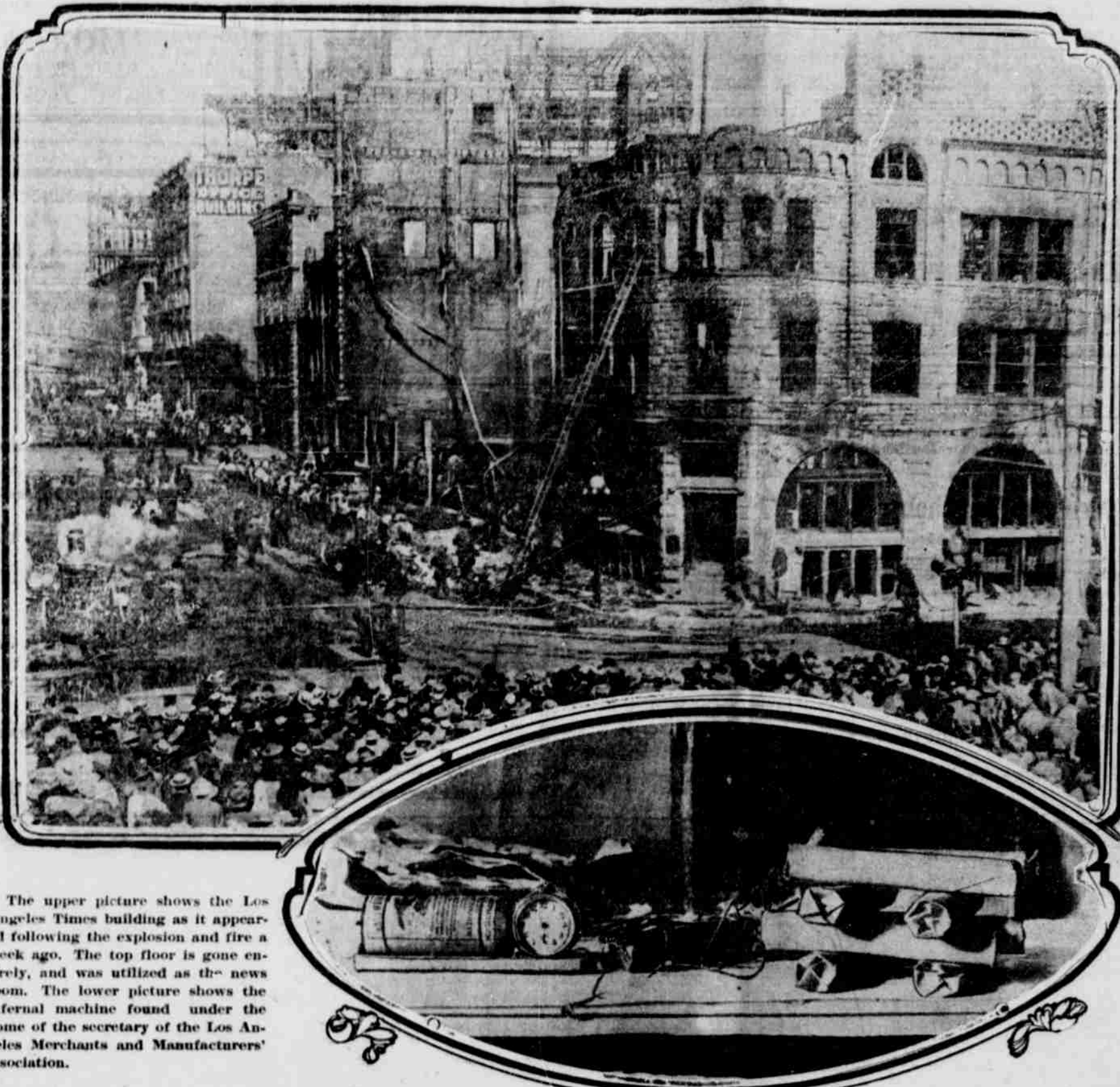
At a mass meeting yesterday the citizens of Rainy River organized a vigilance committee for the purpose of ending the activities of thieves and ghouls. Fifty men are guarding the ruins of the town today as a result.

NO VISITORS THIS WEEK AT NEW DEPOT

No visitors will be allowed to enter the new Southern Pacific depot this week, owing to the fact that the contractors are doing their utmost to complete the work so that the building will be ready for the dedication Saturday.

KANSAS CITY, Oct. 10.—Battling Nelson will try to "come back" tonight when he locks horns with Monte Dale here in a ten round go, a no decision bout.

All That is Left of a \$1,000,000 Newspaper Plant



The upper picture shows the Los Angeles Times building as it appeared following the explosion and fire a week ago. The top floor is gone entirely, and was utilized as the news room. The lower picture shows the infernal machine found under the home of the secretary of the Los Angeles Merchants and Manufacturers' association.

MULKEY SAYS LAW BREAKERS NOT IMMUNE

Will Attend Elks Session in Ashland Saturday—Smith Begins Active Canvass of First District—West Campaigning in East Oregon.

"The District attorney's office will prosecute with the utmost diligence any violation of the fish and game act in this district, regardless of any personal view held by a deputy, as the classification of a fish as migratory or otherwise. The accusation of Game Warden Stevenson is unjust and unfair."

Such is the reply of District Attorney B. F. Mulkey, to charges made by the state game warden in which it was claimed that the local prosecuting offices were not doing their duty in prosecuting violations of the fish law.

"The question of classification of the salmon trout has not as yet checked our efforts to enforce the law was reported. The law intends that there shall be no fishing within 600 feet of a dam in the Rogue river and every violation will be prosecuted.

"The only case which has come to our attention so far has been one where two boys, 14 and 15 years of age were arrested by a deputy fish warden in Grants Pass. This case was referred to the juvenile court and dealt with there.

BOWERMAN TO VISIT MEDFORD IN NEAR FUTURE

Will rigorously Prosecute All Violations of Fish and Game Laws Despite Report That His Office Declined Owing to Definition of Term.

Jay Bowerman, assembly candidate for governor, will attend the dedication of the Elks' building at Ashland Saturday evening. He will spend Sunday and Monday in Medford and probably speak here Monday evening.

Mr. Bowerman has started upon an active campaign of the state. He intends to cover all the principal towns. Dan McLarkey, who has announced his candidacy for the United States senate two years hence, will accompany him, but not on his trip here.

Oswald West, anti-assembly candidate, has been busy for a week campaigning in eastern and central Oregon. He spoke at Burns Saturday evening, and though not making and pretentious at oratory, is developing into a first-class speaker.

Senator Chamberlain is to make a series of addresses in West's behalf in various parts of the state. Senator Bourne has left for Washington and is taking no further part in the campaign beyond his letter advising supporters of popular government to vote against all assembly candidates.

John Manning, democratic nominee in the Second congressional district (Continued on Page 8.)

REAL ESTATE MEN IN GREAT GAME OF TAG

Rumor That Inspector of Federal Sites is Here Spreads and Great Hunt is On for the Mysterious "It" in the Game.

A merry, merry game of "Tag, you're it," is on in Medford today and the search for the Times dynamiters fades into insignificance with the zeal real estate men in Medford are camping upon the trail of "It." In this case "It" happens to be the government inspector of postoffice sites and nearly every real estate man in town is trying to beat his competitors to it and slay one over. At latest accounts this afternoon "It" was still leading and the real estate men were still trying to spot him.

A rumor spread this morning to the effect that the inspector of federal sites was in Medford for the purpose of choosing the site for the new federal building. Immediately the real estate men got busy. They tried every stranger in town, but the real man had not been encountered or had not acknowledged his identity. Inquiry at the postoffice brought forth no information, the postal authorities tating that they knew nothing of the man.

None of the real estate men seem to doubt the story that the inspector is in the city and are doubling their efforts to locate him, hoping by giving him a little inside information as to where the building should be located. (Continued on Page 8.)

DECISION IN HETLING CASE TOMORROW

If Adverse to Portland Oakland Will Lead by 17 Points in Percentage Column—Think Portland Will Lose Pennant.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 10.—The decision of President Graham of the Coast league in the case of Gus Hetling of Portland, the question of whose eligibility was raised by Manager Wolverton of the Oakland team during the recent Portland-Oakland series in Portland, has been prepared and will be made public tomorrow afternoon. The general impression is that the decision will be adverse to Portland, that the games in which Hetling participated will be forfeited to Oakland, thus giving that team the lead in the pennant race.

The stand-off the two teams, in this event would be as follows:

Clubs	Won	Lost	Pct
Oakland	109	83	573
Portland	97	76	560

Graham refused to intimate what his decision will be, but his actions since the controversy arose plainly indicate that he believes that Wolverton's protest is well taken and if he so holds nothing remains but to declare the games forfeited to the Oaks. Graham's decision, it is believed, will be based on the alleged fact that Hetling is a "contract jumper," rather than that he was ineligible because of the ruling of September 15.

51 MINERS ARE ENTOMBED; NO HOPE IS LEFT

Comrades Toil All Night to Save Them but Without Avail—Morgue Already Prepared for Men, Who, Though Still Alive, Cannot Possibly Escape.

TRINIDAD, Col., Oct. 10.—Fifty-one miners are in a living tomb at Starkville with absolutely no hope for their rescue alive save through a miracle. All night long the workers toiled in the glare of acetylene torches and electric lights to aid the imprisoned men, but the rescuers, imperiled by after damp, were compelled to abandon their places at day-break to save their own lives.

While the men worked in the glare of the flickering lights, a temporary morgue was being prepared for the bodies of men yet alive. Under the direction of the coroner of Las Animas county, deputies transformed a machine shop of the Colorado Fuel & Iron company, owners of the mine, into a charnel house, while women relatives of the entombed men dully watched the ghastly preparations apparently unable to comprehend their significance.

Several Located. The men in the old stope, or eastern wing of the mine, which was destroyed by an explosion, presumably of fire damp, Saturday evening, are in two blockaded chambers. One band has been located about two and a half miles from the mouth of the mine and the other a mile further on. There are six Americans and one negro among the doomed men. The remainder are Italians, Mexicans and Poles.

The main tunnel fills repeatedly with the deadly damp, even though a large fan on a motor car frequently is sent in to clear out the gases. The explosion is believed to have occurred five miles from the mouth of the mine, but the shock dislodged great masses of earth, which splintered the stopes and shut off the escape of the men.

The prisoners have two chances in a million to escape. Their only hope is to force their way through the clogged and gas filled main tunnel or to make their way to an old tunnel leading to the Engleville mine, which adjoins the Starkville workings. Several years ago during a fire in the Engleville mine this tunnel was walled up.

Scores of workmen are now frantically tearing into the masonry with picks and small charges of powder in the hope of aiding the men to gain their freedom.

SEASON ENDS AT CRATER LAKE

Camp Being Dismantled and Being Made Ready for Winter—Past Season Has Been Most Successful in History of Lake.

The camps at Center Lake have been deserted and the 1910 tourist season closed, according to J. C. Neff, manager of the Crater Lake Transportation company, who made a flying trip to Crater and return Saturday.

Mr. Neff states that snow is falling on the summit and that it will not be long now before it will be impossible to reach the lake.

The camps are being dismantled and made ready for the winter. The past season has been the most successful in the history of the lake in point of number of visitors.

STEVENS SAYS RAILROAD WILL BE COMPLETED

Man Who Directs James J. Hill's Projects in Oregon Arrives in Medford to Inspect Pacific & Eastern—Money Market Cause of Delay in Construction.

JOHN F. STEVENS SAYS: That as soon as the money market becomes settled work on the Pacific & Eastern from Butte Falls over the Cascades will be resumed. That the work has not been stopped, but delayed. That it will eventually connect with the Oregon Trunk. That he is charmed with the Rogue River valley. That he has great faith in the future of Medford and is amazed at the progress made since his last visit here, which was in June.

John F. Stevens, right hand man of James J. Hill, "the empire builder," former chief engineer of the Panama canal, but who now is the head of all of the Hill projects in Oregon, stated emphatically this morning upon his arrival in this city for an inspection trip over the Pacific and Eastern that the road road would be constructed over the Cascades to a connection with the Oregon Trunk and as soon as possible. Mr. Stevens stated further that the delay in the work at present was due to unsettled money conditions in the east. Money, he stated, could be obtained, but at too high a price.

Mr. Stevens arrived in this city at 10:32 a. m. in his private car. He is accompanied by W. E. Coman, Hill's general freight and passenger agent, Francis B. Clark, and other officials of the Hill lines. He was taken by Chief Engineer Gerig of the Pacific and Oregon for an automobile drive. An inspection trip over the Pacific and Oregon is also to be made.

"As soon as the politicians in the (Continued on Page 8.)

SITUATION IN SPAIN IS ACUTE

Leaders Admit that Uprising Is Imminent—Claim that Army Will Desert Alfonso When It Comes to a Show-down.

MADRID (via Hondaye), Oct. 10.—With the increasing turbulence throughout Spain and the greater activity of outside agents of the revolutionists who are successfully smuggling arms into Barcelona and the towns along the French border, the Spanish government is becoming more repressive in its measures and all leaders admit today that an uprising is imminent.

The government called the reserves to the colors today. Many of the government leaders are doubtful of the loyalty of the troops to King Alfonso, and the republicans openly proclaim that the army will desert the king when the revolution begins.

Spanish republicans are fostering an immediate uprising. Armies have been established in secret places where arms and ammunition have been collected. Circulars are found everywhere appealing to the Spaniards to attack the government and citing the success of the Portuguese revolutionists.