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J. S. HERNDON, A FORMER WELL KNOWN PHYSICIAN OF ASHLAND, ARRESTED AT SACRAMENTO, MURDER CHARGE

OPERATION IS FATAL; VICTIM 17 YEARS OLD

Girl Makes Deathbed Statement in Which She Holds Youth Responsible, Blameless—Herndon Confesses and is Put Under Arrest.

CONDUCTED AN ASHLAND HOSPITAL 3 YEARS AGO
Was 65 Years of Age and Married—Went to Sacramento Three Years Ago.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Oct. 27.—Having made a confession in the presence of 17-year-old Annie Reidel, during her last hours at the county hospital, that he had performed a criminal operation resulting in her death, Dr. J. S. Herndon is today in the county jail charged with murder. In a following statement made by Miss Reidel she said that Thomas J. Hunt of Oak Park, a school chum to whom she was engaged to be married, was responsible for her condition but that she held him blameless. She had scarcely finished her statement when she died.

Herndon, who is 65 years of age and married, came here about three years ago.

Well Known Here.

Dr. J. S. Herndon, who was arrested at Sacramento this morning charged with the murder of Annie Reidel, following her death as the result of a criminal operation, for a number of years was a resident of Ashland, Or., where he conducted a hospital. Dr. Herndon was well known in this city. Several ugly stories were recalled concerning him and his practice in Ashland today by Ashland residents when they were informed of his arrest at Sacramento.

Herndon has a wife and three children at present living at Ashland. Dr. F. J. Swendenburg, a physician of Ashland, formerly associated with Dr. Herndon in conducting the hospital at Ashland, stated this morning that he had severed partnership with him owing to Dr. Herndon's frequent acceptance of such cases. He expressed little surprise when told of the case.

PEKING MANCHUS PANIC STRICKEN

Proclamation of Republic of China Throws Imperial Court into Wild Panic and Hundreds Flee to the Northward.

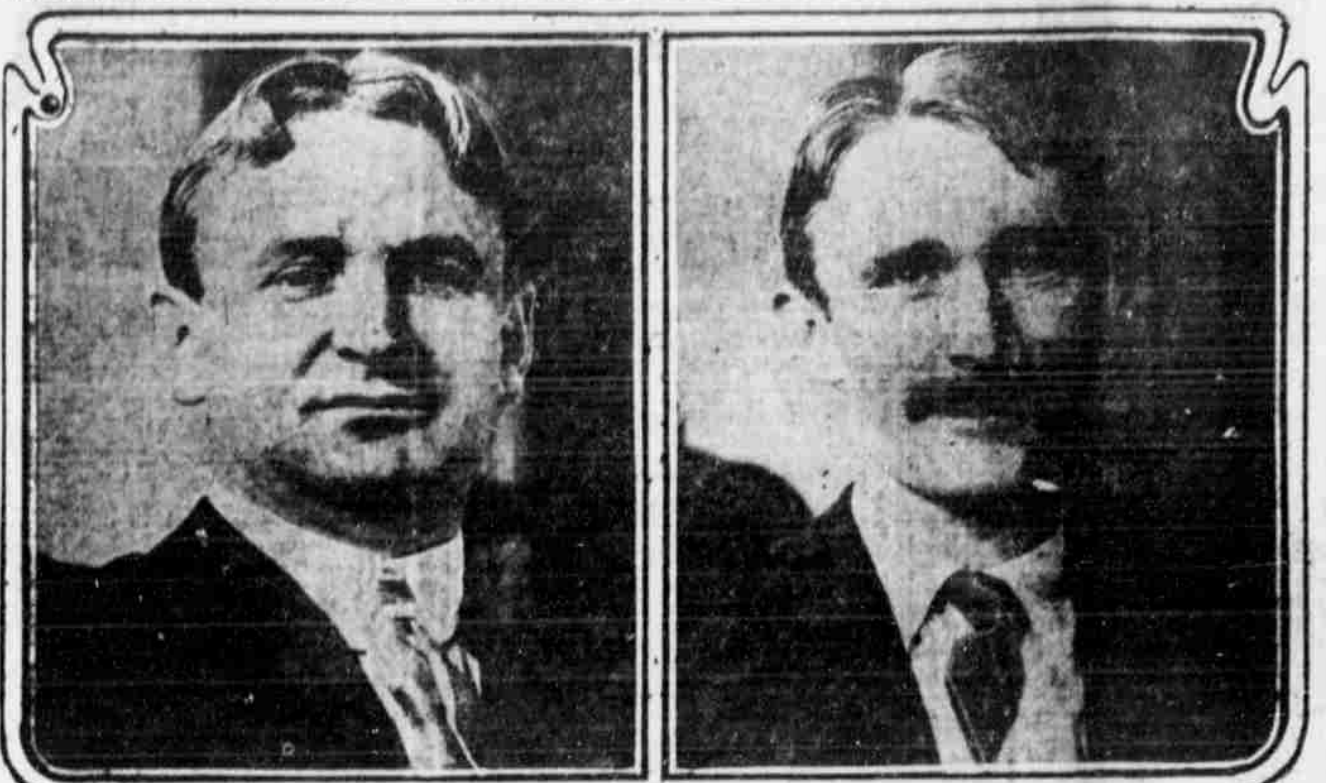
PEKING, Oct. 27.—Proclamation by the revolutionists today of the republic of China threw the imperial court into a wild panic and hundreds of Manchurian officers are fleeing northward, while the few remaining are prepared to leave at an instant's notice.

Rumors that the baby emperor is already smuggled out of the city are generally discredited here.

PEKING, Oct. 27.—War loans to China have been turned down by American, English, German and French bankers, and their representatives have been instructed not to consider them. It is understood that the decision is the result of advice from their respective governments.

SEATTLE, Wn.—Detective Joe Binuchi who shot and killed Frank Harris last Friday evening when he was trying to escape arrest, was charged with manslaughter in a complaint sworn to by Prosecuting Attorney John Murphy.

BROTHERS ON TRIAL IN FAMOUS LOS ANGELES DYNAMITING CASE



J. J. McNamara

JAMES (BRICE) McNAMARA

James B. and John B. McNamara, brothers, are now being tried separately in Los Angeles on the charge of having caused the loss of life attending the destruction of the plant of the Los Angeles Times with dynamite. The former, who is the first to face the court, resents the wide-spread impression that he is a weakling. Another one of the defendants is Orrie McManigal.

TURK OFFICERS ARE SLAIN BY ITALIAN FORCE

Italian Battleship Sinks One Turkish Ship and Damages a Second According to Unconfirmed Dispatch—Censorship Reaches Extreme.

LONDON, Oct. 27.—Nichia Bey, commanding the Turkish forces at Tripoli and practically all his officers were killed and two-thirds of his followers were exterminated by the Italians in yesterday's battle, according to a Rome dispatch to the Central News Agency.

The message quotes official telegrams from Tripoli to the Italian government.

LONDON, Oct. 27.—Messages today from Turin say the Italian battleship Napoli sank one Turkish battleship and damaged another near the entrance to the Dardanelles. The dispatches are unconfirmed.

The Italian censorship has reached ridiculous extremes, it being impossible to send even news of the Italian victories in regular news dispatches. Even commercial messages are closely scrutinized.

AVIATION NOW MADE SIMPLE

Wright Brothers Complete New Automatic Control Device for Planes and Experiments Prove the Worth of It.

KITTY HAWK, N. C., Oct. 27.—Any ordinary man soon will be able to fly safely, according to Orville Wright, here today, following sensational experiments with his new automatic control device for aeroplanes. Wright gave one of the most marvelous exhibitions in aviation ever seen, ascending to a height of seventy feet in a gale, and holding his biplane there, perfectly motionless, for several minutes, while vicious gusts of wind buffeted it on every side. Wright said the new appliance soon would be in general use.

STERILIZATION LAW IS INVOLVED IN WASHINGTON VANCOUVER, Wn., Oct. 27.—Under sentence of life imprisonment and sterilization, William N. Revnew was taken to the state prison at Waualla today. Revnew is the second man affected by the sterilization law, recently passed by the legislature. His victim was an eight-year-old girl.

NEW RAILROAD RATES SOON FOR WASHINGTON

OLYMPIA, Wn., Oct. 27.—The new railroad rates for Washington will be the same from all centers with difference east to west, according to announcement of the public service commission. They will be made only on a distance tariff basis.

MOVING PICTURE MAN, KNOWN HERE IS SHOT DOWN

Frances Boggs, Who Brought Company Here Two Years Ago and Took Pictures of Local Scenes, is Murdered by Jap Gardener.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Oct. 27.—William C. Selig of Chicago, president of the Selig motion pictures, was shot and probably fatally injured, and Francis Boggs, general manager of the local branch of the company, was shot and killed here today by a Japanese gardener, Frank Minimatsu, who had run amuck with a 45 Colt revolver. The shooting occurred in the office of the company at Edendale, a suburb, about 11 a. m. The Japanese was arrested.

Selig arrived in Los Angeles this morning from Chicago for a conference with his local staff. Among those present at the time of the tragedy were J. L. McGee, business manager of the Selig company; W. Santahi, an actor, and Hobart Bosworth and Boggs.

While the conference was on in Boggs' office, the Japanese, who had been employed as a gardener and janitor in the motion picture development plant, without warning burst through the door. He held a huge army revolver in his hand. Without a word he opened fire with deadly effect. The first shot brought Boggs to the floor with a bullet through the heart. The next two bullets took effect in Selig's body, one piercing his arm, the other lodging in the head. The occupants of the room overpowered the Japanese and he was arrested. He is believed insane. Selig was rushed to a local hospital where it was said that his condition is critical.

MANY SOLDIERS SELL THEIR CLOTHES

WASHINGTON, Oct. 27.—One of the most vexatious problems confronted in the United States army is how to stop the practice of soldiers selling or otherwise disposing of their clothing, according to Brigadier General Crowder, Judge Advocate General, who has discussed the question in his annual report, just made public. There were last year more than 200 trials for the offense alone in the army. It is most prevalent in the Philippines, where there are men who make a regular practice of buying the heavy clothing brought by soldiers arriving from the states.

PROSECUTION OF STEEL TRUST BID FOR VOTES?

Suit Instituted Yesterday Said to Have Political Features Attached to It—Democrats Claim Credit of Forcing Administration to Act.

ANTI-ADMINISTRATIONISTS CHARGE GRAND-STAND PLAY

Senator Chamberlain Says He Believes Suit Would Not Have Started Had It Not Been for Dems.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 27.—That the government's suit against the steel trust will figure in the presidential campaign of 1912, and that there are endless political features attached to it, is the general opinion among party leaders today. The Democrats claim the credit of forcing the administration to act through the house investigating committee, which, with Representative Augustus O. Stanley of Kentucky as chairman, held sittings in Chicago and New York, to investigate the methods employed by the trust in conducting its business. They charge that the Republicans, by a bold stroke, are endeavoring to forestall Stanley and head off the work of his committee, which is to resume its sessions on November 15.

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Those in sympathy with President Taft's administration claim that the suit proves the sincerity of the administration's trust-breaking plan, while the anti-administrationists call the filing of the suit a grandstand play.

The Washington Post, John R. McLean publisher, which has always been a warm supporter of President Taft, roasts the suit today. It says in part: "The suit is the most spectacular piece of trust busting thus far attempted. Its effect upon the honest business interests of the country will probably be most injurious. War between the government and its own people cannot last long. Such strife is anarchy, and must cease."

Chamberlain's Views. Senator George E. Chamberlain, Democrat, of Oregon, declared: "I believe that the suit has already been too long delayed, and in all human probability it would not have been begun now if it had not been for the persistent course of the Democratic house in prying into these combinations in restraint of trade. They ought not only to proceed with this suit, but should prosecute every man connected with it who is responsible for violation of the anti-trust law."

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SECOND PANEL IS GONE, HYDE CASE

KANSAS CITY, Oct. 27.—Formal exception was filed today by the defense in the case of Dr. Bennett Clark Hyde, on trial for the alleged murder of Colonel Thomas H. Swope and a number of his relatives by a bomb which exploded in the city on October 20. The second panel of the jury which was called yesterday and the third will be called tomorrow. Taking of testimony will be begun November 4.

STEEL KINGS DECIDE THEY WILL NOT BE OUSTED WITHOUT FIGHT

TO PROSECUTE TRUST.



JACOB M. DICKINSON, Who will conduct the government's case against the steel trust.

STEEL COMMON LOSES 6 POINTS

Brokers Fight to Get Near the Steel Post and Despite Magnates Support Common Forced to 50—Recover Two Points.

NEW YORK, Oct. 27.—After 15 minutes of trading on the stock market today the market steadied, but during that time 5000 shares of steel common had changed hands with the price around 54. Steel preferred hung near 104. At the end of the first hour two points had been knocked off the common. Then there was a reaction and it rose 1 1/2. Brokers fought all morning to get near the steel post, and despite the magnates' support of both the common and preferred stock, which rallied somewhat, the bears forced the common to 50 by noon and dumped thousands of shares on the market. Preferred steel soon touched 103 1/2 and immense volumes of the stock changed hands. In the first 15 minutes 115,000 shares were unloaded and bought up and to noon \$34,400 shares of all market stocks had been bought and sold. And topping this \$303,000 worth of bonds were dumped and picked up. Steel common closed today at 52 1/2, making a net loss today of 6 1/2. Preferred stock closed at 103 1/2, a net loss of 4 1/2. One million three hundred thirty-two thousand eight hundred shares of all stocks changed hands today. Bonds worth \$5,322,000 were sold today. This includes 703,600 shares of steel common, 19,400 shares of the steel preferred, 53,900 smelters and 143,500 Union Pacific stock.

Two Poisoned. LA GRANDE, Ore., Oct. 27.—Suspecting that they may accidentally have been poisoned, an autopsy will be held on the bodies of Mrs. Mary Mills, 61, and her granddaughter, Mary Donaldson, aged 21 months, both of whom died after a few hours illness which followed a candy feast. Other members of the family ate the candy, which was home made, but suffered no ill effects. It is believed that the candy might have been poisoned by the utensils in which it was made.

SEATTLE, Wn.—In ordering the restoration of \$937 to Miss Dorothea Williamson as over-charges made by Dr. Linda Hazzard for treatment in her sanitarium at Olla, Wn., Judge Still scored the institution for the starvation method of treatment employed and reprimanded Dr. Hazzard for advising Miss Williamson while a patient there to commit suicide. Dr. Hazzard had been acting as guardian for Miss Williamson and kept her money.

DICKINSON TO CONDUCT CASE FOR UNCLE SAM

Grants of Finance Hold Conference Lasting Until Early Morning—No Official Statement Is Given Out by Them.

NEW YORK, Oct. 27.—Summoned to court to show why their billion dollar combine should not be dissolved because existing in defiance of law, the steel kings today are determined they will not be ousted from their throne of power by the United States government without a fight. The giants of finance met last night in the library at the home of J. Pierpont Morgan in a conference which lasted until the early hours this morning. The financiers arrived quietly in darkened limousines, while a squad of guards held back the eager newspaper reporters to prevent them from learning the identity of the participants in the conference. The fact that no official statement was forthcoming from any of the heads of the steel trust is taken as indication that the magnates will fight desperately. Francis Lynde Stetson, general counsel for the steel corporation, discussing the dissolution suit filed by the government yesterday afternoon said:

Officials Silent. "When we know just where we stand, and with what we are charged, we can act accordingly." He refused to discuss the matter further until the trust officials are formally served with the papers in the government's suit. United States Marshal Snowden of Trenton, N. J., is here attempting to serve the individual defendants with the summons. He succeeded last night in serving E. H. Gary, whom he found at the Waldorf Astoria hotel.

Today he is busily seeking John D. Rockefeller, Jr., J. P. Morgan, Daniel Reid, Norman B. Ream, Henry C. Frick, Andrew Carnegie and Judge William H. Moore. Dickinson to Prosecute. Former Secretary of War Dickinson will personally conduct the suit against the trust, according to a statement by Attorney General Wickert. The attorney general said he would probably take no part in the proceedings. "For one reason, I will be too busy," said Wickert. "I have other cases to which I must devote the time that would be required for my attendance in court in the steel trust cases. An attorney general does not appear in cases as a general thing until they reach United States supreme court. Dickinson will be in charge. I will have some one to assist him, but I have not yet decided whom to select for this duty. Solicitor General Lehmann will not participate in the proceedings, being too busy attending to suits in the supreme court in which the government is interested."

RENO, Nev., Oct. 27.—Perry H. Brewington, charged with bigamy as a result of his marriage to Mrs. Mary DeRemer, made a confession to District Attorney Woodburn, admitting that he married Mrs. DeRemer in Sacramento knowing that he was still bound to his first wife, who lives at Greeley, Colo. Mrs. DeRemer is a wealthy widow, possessing considerable property here. Brewington is well known in Colorado. Wife No. 1 discovered Brewington's second marriage through a newspaper clipping, secured a warrant and the arrest followed.