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CONSTITUTIONAL RULE IS HELD OUT TO REBELS BY IMPERIALS OFFERS ARE MADE TO SECURE LOAN

Manchu Government Seeks Loan of
Eighteen Million Dollars With
Which to Carry on Warfare
Against Rebels.

REBELS SAY THEY WILL
REPUDIATE IF SUCCESSFUL

This Causes Foreign Powers to Hesitate
As Rebel Success Is by No
Means Doubtful.

PEKING, Oct. 30.—The imperial government today issued an edict granting what amounts to constitutional rule in China. It is also reported as making huge offers to certain foreign governments for aid in upholding the present administration.

The edict issued today provides for a parliament, the revision of the present ineffective legislation, a substitution of civil for military measures in maintaining order, the responsibility of the cabinet to parliament and for a great curtailment of the power of the emperor.

It is believed that England and France are the powers with which the Manchu government is negotiating. It is seeking a loan of \$18,000,000 from these countries. The American and German governments are expected to express their dissatisfaction with the bargain, if such a deal goes through.

It is probably, in any event, that such a loan could do little in suppressing the rebellion. The rebels have notified all governments that, if they win, they will repudiate all the imperial government's obligations and there is believed to be little likelihood of France and England supplying the millions asked under the strong probability that the loan would be repudiated.

Reports that the imperialist army had recaptured Hankow from the rebels have not been confirmed, and grave doubt is expressed here that the information is correct. It is known that the foreign warships stationed near the city have landed more marines, as there is considered to be danger that the European residents of the city may suffer during the fighting.

ITALIANS SUFFER HEAVY REVERSES

Rome Officially Denies Report That
Turks Have Re-occupied Tripoli—
Grave Danger to Italy Is Seen in
Disaster.

LONDON, Oct. 30.—Messages received here today from Tripoli indicate that the Italian army there has suffered a heavy reverse, but Rome officially denies the report that the Turks have re-occupied the city of Tripoli after a terrific battle.

Grave danger to Italy is seen here in the disaster which it is almost certain the Italian army has suffered in the African campaign. The anti-militarists are eagerly awaiting such an opportunity to start an outbreak, which it is feared may ultimately prove so serious as to cause a revolution, endangering the throne of King Victor Emmanuel.

Mining Man in Wrong.
WEAVERVILLE, Cal., Oct. 30.—Deputy Sheriff Van Matra here today identified H. H. Thompson, a former Shasta county mining man, as a prisoner who shot at him twice in Lewiston and escaped from there on October 5. Thompson is held in jail to answer to the superior court. He is said to admit the burglary of a store in Douglas City, but denies the shooting as charged by Van Matra.

HITS AT ROOSEVELT.



FRANCISCO ESCOBAR

Francisco Escobar, consul general of Columbia to the United States, in a remarkably bitter communication sent to Theodore Roosevelt declares that Mr. Roosevelt's article on "How the United States Acquired the Right to Build the Panama Canal," in a recent number of the Outlook, insults and slanders the people of Columbia.

HANKOW BEING BURNED BY THE MANCHU TROOPS

Retake City From Rebels and Apply
Torch—thousands of Unarmed
Non-Combatants Are Said to
Have Been Slain.

SHANGHAI, Oct. 30.—Wireless messages from foreign warships anchored off the city today say that the imperial troops are burning Hankow.

Confirmation of reports that the imperial troops had recaptured Hankow from the rebels preceded the reports of the burning of the city. Strategists here think the rebels abandoned the city after heavy losses, finding it difficult to hold.

The wireless dispatches from the battleships say that after the imperialists entered the city they slaughtered thousands of unarmed non-combatants. It is feared that some of the European residents may have suffered in the sacking of the city.

More than 500 rebels were killed and 1500 wounded in Friday's fight. The Rev. A. H. Kepler, an American, was among those wounded during the battle and is in a critical condition. He was struck in the neck by a bullet while watching the fight from a roof. There was no intention apparently to assault the missionary, whose wound was received from a stray bullet.

TAFT'S WESTERN TRIP A "FROST"

Jeff Davis Declares That He and
His Bride Attract More Attention
Than the Chief Executive—Majority
of People Indifferent.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Oct. 30.—Characterizing President Taft's western tour as a "frost" and claiming that in some places he attracted more attention than the president, Senator Jeff Davis of Arkansas arrived here today. "My wife and I happened to travel over practically the same route as President Taft," said Davis. "And we saw the results of his trip at first hand. In some places we attracted more attention than the president. Taft's western trip has been a frost and as palpably planned for political prestige, it has been a failure. The majority of the people have been indifferent."

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among the help wanted ads.

DR. HERNDON IS HELD TO BLAME GIRL'S DEATH

Coroner's Jury Fixes Blame on Former
Ashland Physician for Death
of Miss Annie Riedl Following an
Operation.

GRAND JURY TO CONSIDER
THE CASE THIS WEEK

Doctor's Excuse Is That Girl Came
to Him Pleading and Crying for
to Save Her.

SACRAMENTO, Oct. 30.—The inquest over the body of Annie Riedel, the 16-year-old Oak Park girl who died from the effects of a criminal operation performed by Dr. J. S. Herndon, who is now facing a charge of murder, was held and the responsibility for the girl's death was formally fixed upon Dr. Herndon, a physician of this city who came here three years ago from Ashland, Ore.

The jury found that death resulted "following an operation admitted by Dr. J. S. Herndon to have been performed by himself."

Just enough testimony to fix the responsibility for the girl's death was presented by Assistant District Attorney Atkinson and Coroner Gormley. Andrew Carl, 3013 Sunset avenue, Oak Park, step-father of the dead girl, was called to identify her.

Dr. June E. Harris of the county hospital, whose activity in the case brought about the arrest of Dr. Herndon, testified that the girl was beyond hope when she was taken to the hospital, and her heart was so weak that an anaesthetic could not be given to operate upon her.

Dr. C. B. Jones, who performed an autopsy upon the body, testified as to the result and Court Reporter Warren E. Doan read the confession which Dr. Herndon made. The doctor's excuse for his act was that the girl came crying and pleading to him to save her from disgrace.

The grand jury will be asked to investigate the charge against Dr. Herndon and to return an indictment for murder in the second degree.

Whether Dr. Herndon's act constitutes murder or manslaughter is a point the officers have not decided. Should he be convicted of manslaughter the maximum punishment would be ten years in the state prison and if convicted of second degree murder the minimum punishment would be ten years with a maximum of life.

The district attorney has in his possession the set of instruments with which Dr. Herndon operated in case of this kind. They were secured under a search warrant after the door of the doctor's office at 415 1-2 K street had been broken open by the officers. The instruments are of a wide assortment and are in a filthy condition, showing the utter recklessness with which Dr. Herndon operated without fear of serious consequences resulting from unsanitary tools.

GRAND JURY HEARING MURDER CASE RESTS

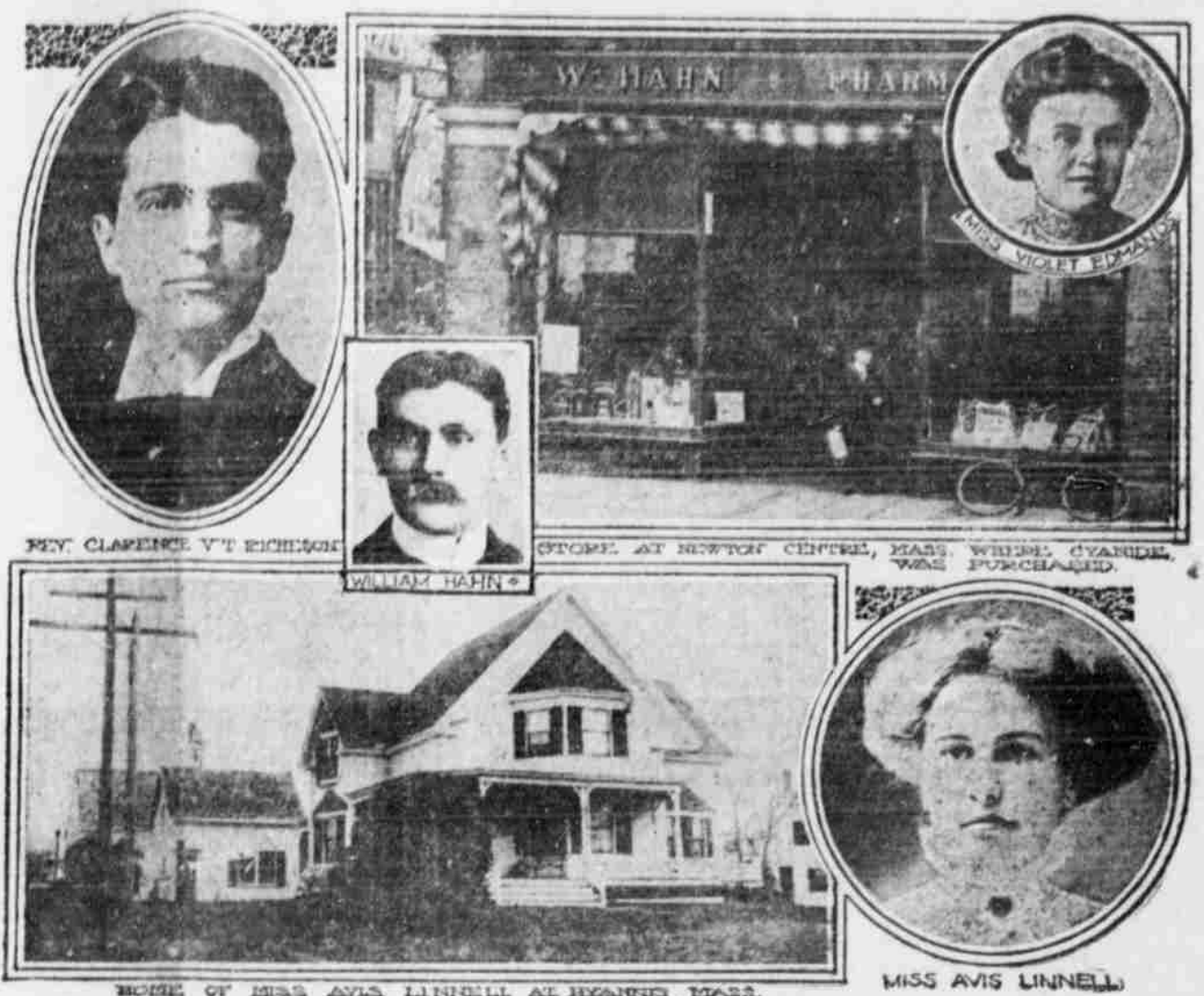
BOSTON, Mass., Oct. 30.—Adjournment was taken this afternoon by the special grand jury investigating the case of Rev. Clarence Virgil Thompson Richardson, charged with the murder of Miss Avis Linnell, his former sweetheart, until tomorrow, when witnesses from the girl's home in Hyannis, a Boston suburb, will be examined.

Robbers Wreck Train.

FORT WORTH, Texas, Oct. 30.—Posses today are seeking a gang of robbers who removed the rails in front of the Fort Worth-Denver express at Bellevue today, causing a wreck which resulted in the death of Engineer Cunningham and Fireman Yates, as well as injuries to a score of passengers.

The wreck occurred after the express had rounded a curve and started to enter the yards. Reduced speed prevented a far more serious catastrophe.

PRINCIPALS AND SCENES IN CONNECTION WITH SENSATIONAL MURDER.



As an evidence of the bitter feeling against the Rev. Clarence Richardson, who is accused of the murder of nineteen-year-old Avis Linnell, an effigy of the clergyman was hung in the yard of the Baptist church at Hyannis, Mass., of which he was once pastor.

Moses G. Edmunds, father of Miss Violet Edmunds, to whom the pastor was to have been married October 31, has full confidence in Richardson and believes in his innocence. William Hahn, whose portrait is shown above, is the druggist who sold the poison to the accused man.

CONVICTS ARRIVE TUESDAY TO START WORK ON HIGHWAY

Warden Curtiss, Accompanied by Dr.
Reddy, Twenty-five Convicts, Two
Cooks and a Blacksmith, Will Leave
Salem Tonight.

Accompanied by twenty-five convicts, two cooks, a blacksmith, and Dr. J. F. Reddy of this city, Warden Curtiss will leave Salem this evening for Medford. The party will arrive Tuesday morning on train 15 and will be taken out over the Pacific & Eastern to Dudley from where they will be taken by wagon to Florence Rock, where the convicts are to work on the Crater Lake highway.

Tomorrow Governor West's promise to send a party of convicts to this county to work on the Crater Lake road. The men will be at work Wednesday or Thursday after they have settled in their new camp at Peor's place which the county has fixed up for them.

Dr. J. F. Reddy, who Governor West named as a deputy warden to take charge of the men, left for Salem Sunday evening and will accompany the men to Medford. John Grieve will camp with the men and direct their work.

3,000,000 PEOPLE FACE STARVATION

Famine Is Attributed to Total Crop
Failure—Government Sends Food
but it is Going in in Insufficient
Quantities.

ST. PETERSBURG, Oct. 30.—Three hundred thousand people are facing starvation in Siberia.

The government has tried to suppress the news but the dispatched trains have already drawn attention and the situation is being much talked about today. The famine is attributed to a total crop failure. With conditions already as bad as present is said the death rate will be frightful as winter advances.

Though the government is sending food to the sufferers it is going in insufficient quantities.

PRESIDENT ISSUES HIS THANKSGIVING DAY PROCLAMATION

CHICAGO, Ill., Oct. 30.—President Taft issued today his Thanksgiving proclamation, fixing November 29 as the date for the observation of the day. In his preamble he mentions the rich harvests, our industrial prosperity and enlarged freedom from famine, pestilence and war as particular reasons for Thanksgiving in the United States.

"Our national councils have furthered the cause of peace in other lands," the proclamation reads, "and this spirit of benevolence has brought us into closer touch with other peoples. Strong in the sense of our own rights, we are inspired to a sense of right in others and we live in peace and harmony with the world. Rich in the priceless possession and abundant resources wherewith God's unstinted bounty has bestowed us, we are unselfishly glad when other people pass onward to prosperity."

ANTI-WAR MOVE GAINS STRENGTH

Violent Demonstrations Throughout
Italy Are Planned as Premier De-
lays Action in Convening Session
of Parliament.

NICE, Oct. 30.—The anti-militarists are planning a series of violent demonstrations throughout Italy. The radicals charge that Premier Giolitti's decision to delay assembling parliament until after peace has been arranged with Turkey and all talk of the Italian seizure of Tripoli has been blown over amounts virtually to the establishment of a temporary despotism. They propose to resent it by every means in their power.

There is a strong republican movement in Italy. There are signs that the Giolitti's drastic method are crystallizing this sentiment, bringing the various radical factions together, winning recruits for them from the moderates and about to result in serious consequences for the non-archy.

Look at all of the real estate ads
and at much of the real estate ad-
vertised, before investing.

KLAMATH WOULD SUPPLY MEDFORD WITH MILL-STUFF

Chamber of Commerce After Rates
Which Will Allow Klamath County
to Market Grain in This Valley—
Portland Has Much Better Rate.

A movement has been launched by the Klamath Falls chamber of commerce to secure a lower rate on grain and mill-stuff from Klamath to Rogue river valley points, in order to supply this section, and have asked the co-operation of the local commercial club.

According to C. T. Oliver, secretary of the Klamath organization, that section has the largest crop of grain that has been harvested for years, but owing to the excessive freight rates they are unable to market this crop. Local buyers have practically quit buying. The farmers are left with thousands of bushels of grain in their bins.

"This situation," he writes, "unless relieved, is going to cause very hard times in this section of the country but if we can get equal freight rates to Rogue river points, that is Ashland, Medford, Grants Pass, to those given Portland we can handle this crop. Portland gets a rate of \$4.00 per ton on a mixed car of mill-stuff to Medford. We are compelled to pay \$7.10 per ton. They ship more miles than we do." There is practically no milling done in the Rogue river valley at this time, thus Klamath Falls affords a good market. With all other conditions equal Klamath is entitled to an even break with the Portland people.

M'FARLAND WILL PLEAD NOT GUILTY

NEWARK, N. J., Oct. 30.—"Not guilty" will be Allison McFarland's answer when he is arraigned in criminal court here tomorrow to face the charge of wife murder. Frank McDermit, McFarland's counsel, stated by that time the preparation of the defense will be under way.

Denial the privilege of speaking with anyone except his attorney, McFarland spends the greater part of his time in writing. He is now preparing a voluminous history of his life which will be given his counsel for use in preparing the defense.

COURT HEARS TRUST PLANS FOR FUTURE

Circuit Court Begins Its Work of
Passing Upon the Re-organization
Plans of the Tobacco Trust Under
the Sherman Law.

SAY COMPANY MUST
HAVE ITS OWN WAY

Otherwise, Declares Attorney, It Will
Be Forced Into Virtual
Bankruptcy.

NEW YORK, Oct. 30.—The United States circuit court today began the work of passing upon the reorganization plans of the tobacco trust, recently forced to dissolve through the government's investigation of it under the Sherman anti-trust law. There were but few spectators present when court opened.

Judge Lacombe, presiding, announced that the attorneys for the trust will first announce their plans, after which the representatives of the securities holders and of the independent tobacco growers will be heard.

After this the American Tobacco company chiefs will be permitted to answer objections to their plans. When all arguments pro and con are ended, Attorney General Wickersham will have his final say.

Lewis Cass Ledyard, counsel for the trust, was the first speaker today, before Judge Lacombe. He urged a "sane and reasonable" plan for adjustment and predicted that disaster would follow the appointment of a receiver for the trust.

Declaring that the trust will be forced into receivership unless its plan for disintegration is approved, Morgan O'Brien, representing the bondholders' committee, declared to the court that the trust's plans complied with the decision of the supreme court that it must reorganize.

"The hostile interests have not proposed a scheme as effective as the one submitted to the court in bringing about the desired disintegration," declared O'Brien. "Receivership means eventually placing this property on the market, for sale to the highest bidder. As the property would be purchased by one of the interests at present owing it, the present intention of the supreme court would not be realized."

Joseph Choate, representing the holders of \$28,000,000 in bonds, advocated approval of the trust's plans. He declared that the plan restored competition and will solve "the almost impossible problem which the supreme court presented."

The brief filed by Attorney General Wickersham asks the right to intervene at any time during a period of five years, regardless of what plan for dissolution may be approved. It contends that it is impossible to tell where any plan of which the court may approve will be satisfactory and asks that none of the companies be permitted to have the same officials or directors as other companies of the trust. The government does not object to any company controlling 40 per cent of its business in any particular line.

Attorney Louis D. Brandeis, representing the Independent Tobacco company's interests, was speaking when the court adjourned for recess at the luncheon hour. He declared that the proposed dissolution plan of the trust does not restore competition.

Girl Rescued.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Oct. 30.—After being kidnapped in San Francisco, brought to Sacramento and kept in confinement for two weeks, Ah Woe, a beautiful Chinese girl, aged 19, has been rescued by local detectives and sent back to her home at Boulah Heights, near Oakland. She was accompanied by Miss Carrie Davis, a missionary worker of San Francisco.

Over two weeks ago the girl suddenly disappeared from San Francisco, where she had gone to do an errand.