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## A FIERCE BLAZE

Half a Million Goes Up In  
Smoke At Hammond  
Packing House.

### CHICAGO TO THE RESCUE

Fire Fighting Force of Hammond  
Proved Inadequate and Chicago  
Department Responded to Call

More Than 2,000 Men Thrown Out  
of Employment By the Work  
of the Fire.

Hammond, Ind., Oct. 24.—Half a million dollars' worth of buildings and slaughtered cattle were destroyed by fire which broke out in the plant of the C. H. Hammond Packing company last night. Hammond's fire department was utterly unable to handle the fire and aid was secured from Chicago. Among the buildings destroyed were the export beef cooler, four story brick and frame structure containing thousands of head of slaughtered cattle; cold storage warehouse for cattle; beef slaughtering house and sheep slaughtering house.

As soon as the fire was discovered the one engine company in Hammond rushed to the scene, but was helpless, as a high wind was blowing at the time and sent a shower of sparks upon the unprotected buildings on every side. Nearly every body in Hammond flocked to the fire and bucket brigades, hundreds to the squad, began to fight the fire. Despite their willing work the flames continued to spread. Then an appeal was sent to Chicago for help. Several engines were loaded on cars and a detail of Chicago's best firemen were started for Hammond at the rate of 45 miles an hour over a railroad. When the Chicago forces arrived they found the four buildings in flames. The firemen, seeing there was no chance to save the burning buildings devoted their energies to checking the advance of the flames. The roofs of three of the other buildings in the neighborhood caught fire from flying embers, but after two-thirds of the walls of the burning buildings had tumbled down, the flames were kept under control. It is not known how the fire started. Over 2,000 employees were employed in the departments destroyed.

The C. H. Hammond company is one of the pioneer packing houses. It was established in 1889 and grew from small proportions gradually until it has come to occupy many acres of ground. Vice President Vogel said the loss would not exceed \$500,000 and that this sum was fully protected by insurance. The plant will be rebuilt at once and very few of the men will be idle any length of time.

## CZOLGOSZ

Will Be Executed Next  
Tuesday Morning at  
7 O'Clock.

Albany, N. Y., Oct. 24.—Czolgosz will be executed at 7 a. m., October 29, at Auburn prison.

### Important Tax Decision.

Springfield, Ill., Oct. 24.—The supreme court today affirmed the decision of the lower court in the Chicago tax case in which they insisted that the capital stock of corporations should be assessed. It will add over a hundred millions to the taxable property of Chicago.

### Chandlee-Grivel.

Elias N. Chandlee of Chester and Miss Amelia Grivel of this city were married last evening by Rev. J. M. Hughes at his residence.

### Increased Anthracite Coal Product.

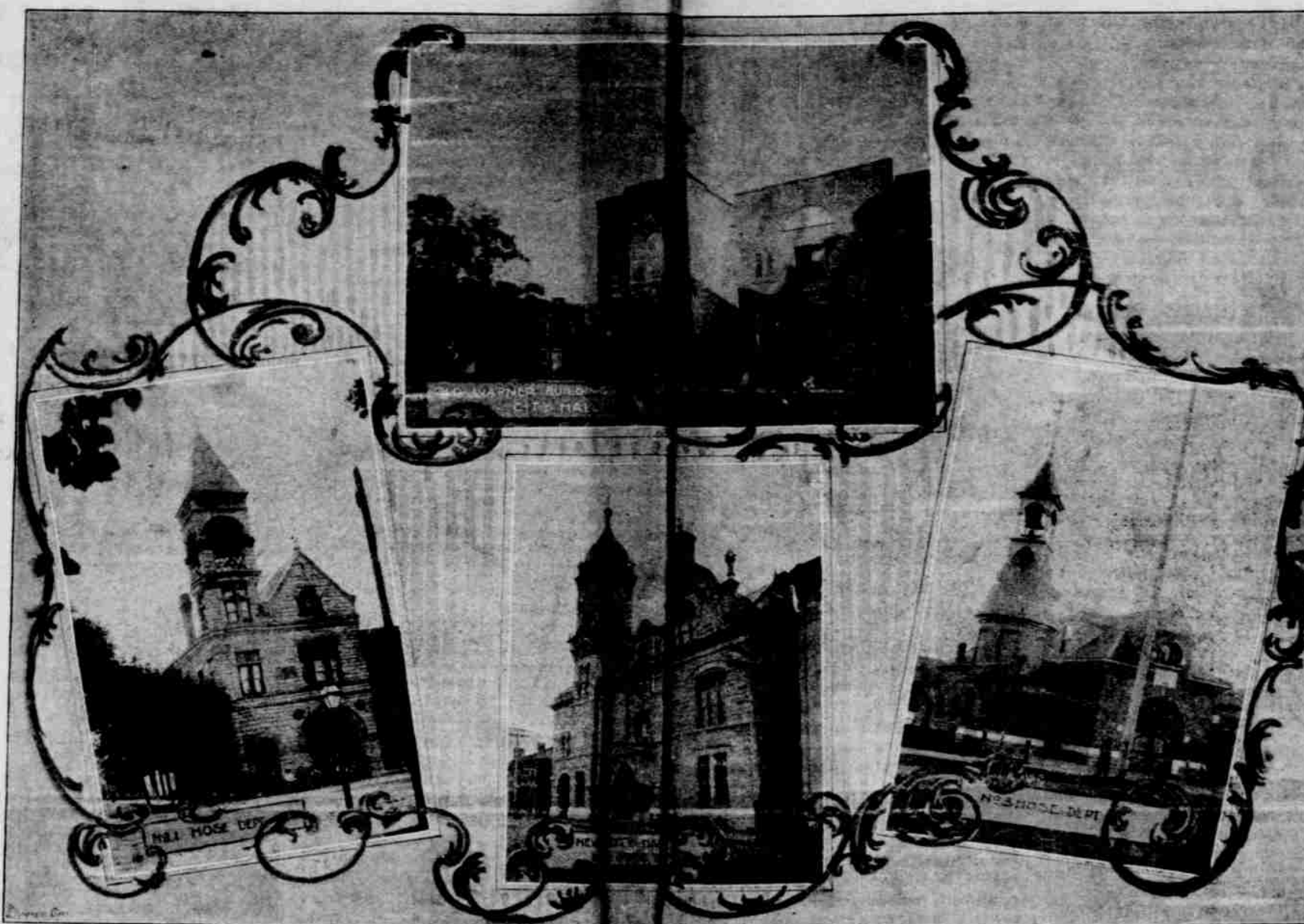
Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 24.—The production of coal in Pennsylvania this year will be the largest in the history of the state. Approximately the output will be about ten million tons more than in 1900. The production has been fully taken and mining companies have little stock on hand.

### President Wanted to Ride on Engine.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 24.—President Roosevelt and party returned to Washington at 10:30 a. m. today. The President greeted the engineer and fireman as he passed the engine and said he wanted to get out on the engine this morning but did not know whether he would be permitted to do so. "Now," said he, "the next time I take a trip I want to ride on the engine."

## RICHMOND CITY BUILDINGS.

PHOTO BY F. ALBURY.



## CONVENTION

Of the W. F. M. S. of Rich-  
mond District North In-  
diana Conference.

The annual convention of the Women's Foreign Missionary society of Richmond district of North Indiana conference is in progress at Grace church and will continue until tomorrow evening. It began this afternoon at 2 o'clock. The delegates and visitors arrived on all trains this morning to the number of fifty or more, and are being entertained at the homes of members of the congregations of the M. E. churches of this city.

On account of the Gilliland entertainment tomorrow evening there have been changes made in the program as printed. The entire Friday evening program has been worked into the program for the other parts of the session and there will be no Friday evening session, the convention adjourning Friday afternoon. The program for the sessions beginning this evening is as follows:

THURSDAY EVENING, 7:30.  
Opening Service, Rev. F. M. Kemper.  
Music by Union Choir.  
Report Corresponding Secretary,  
Mrs. C. H. Brown.  
Solo, Mrs. H. B. Turner.  
Address, Missionary Obligations  
of Twentieth Century Women  
New Burlington, Mrs. Elma O. Steere.  
New Castle, Mrs. Bessie Hadelson.  
Portland, Mrs. Clara Holmes.  
Richmond, First Church, Mrs. A. Myrick.  
Richmond, Grace Church, Mrs. Fannie C. Price.  
Richmond, Fifth Street, Mrs. Laura Lovin.  
Spicefield, Mrs. Carrie Hude son.  
Union City, Mrs. Elma Bowers.  
Winchester, Mrs. W. O. Smith.  
Solo, Mrs. Maud Manning.  
Election of Officers.  
Our Conference and District Mis-  
sionaries, Miss Harriet Kemper.  
Prayer, Mrs. R. E. Houghton.

FRIDAY MORNING, 9 O'CLOCK.  
Prayer service, singing led by  
Ladies' Quartet.  
Minutes.  
Report of treasurer, Mrs. Dennis  
Kelley.  
Auxiliary Reports:  
Economy, Mrs. C. Atkinson.  
Farmland, Mrs. J. M. Mulvaney.  
Greenfield, Mrs. Minda Seierest.  
Knightstown, Mrs. Mary Howren.  
New Burlington, Mrs. Elma O. Steere.  
New Castle, Mrs. Bessie Hadelson.  
Portland, Mrs. Clara Holmes.  
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FRIDAY AFTERNOON, 2 O'CLOCK.  
Bible Reading, Mrs. T. A. Mott.  
Memorial Service, Miss Isabella Thoburn.  
Solo, Mrs. A. W. Lamport.  
Solo, Miss Blanche Page.  
The Spirit of Christ, the Spirit of  
Missions, Mrs. M. E. Nethercut.  
Solo, Miss Lulu Chamness.  
Missions in India, Mrs. J. O. Denning.  
Special Work, Conference Secretary.

### North E Street.

The expense of repairing north E street has been but \$162.00. Ten squares were made and the street is in fine order from tenth to twentieth but whether the heavy hauling on this street will not cut it very badly especially during the coming bad winter weather is a problem to be solved. The street committee and officers have always more or less trouble that way and probably always will have until a more complete manner of building such streets can be had. The cost of the street was divided between the city and the street railway, the city paying all but \$20 of it.

## CAPT. CLARK

Of the Battleship Oregon  
Testified Before the  
Schley Court of  
Inquiry.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 24.—The Schley court of inquiry was crowded today on account of the expectation of hearing from Clark and Schley. It is expected the testimony will close today. Capt. Chas. E. Clark of the famous Oregon whose voyage from the Pacific to Key West and whose splendid work in the battle of Santiago is the pride of every citizen was called. Capt. Clark made a fine impression as he told of the chase after the Spanish ships. He said at one time he feared the Oregon would have to sustain the concentrated fire of the enemy. Just then the smoke lifted and he saw the Brooklyn well forward on the Oregon's port beam and broadside to the enemy. These relative positions were maintained to the end of the battle. He told of a conversation on the New York between Sampson and Clark and Schley when it was thought more Spanish vessels were coming. Sampson asked Clark to go to meet them, Clark suggested Schley go also and the latter gladly consented. He repeated a number of signals from the Brooklyn to the Oregon.

SCHLEY ON THE WITNESS STAND.  
In the afternoon session Admiral Schley took the stand and proceeded to give in narrative form his conduct of the campaign. He told of his instructions regarding the pickets and patrols, the making of the lights and general instructions in case of battle and went on to tell his movements in full detail.

### Railroaders' Pay.

This is a sort of railroaders' harvest. Never have the train men made better wages than at present, especially on the Pennsylvania lines. The ordinary wages of a freight conductor are \$95 to \$100 per month. Now it is not an unusual thing for a freight conductor to draw \$135 to \$138 per month and many of the brakemen draw \$90 to \$100 per month when the pay car pulls in. Of course this extra pay is for overtime, but it is not arduous as it used to be, as under present methods of operating, freight trains are not very long or tiresome. Freight trains and especially through freight trains now cover as long a distance in six or eight hours as they did a few years ago in twelve or fourteen hours. The methods of loading and unloading have been improved also with the freight train schedules so that delays are much less than in former years.

If you want a nice fresh fish call up 929 and get the best.

### The Road Roller.

The talk still continues with regard to the broken road roller. The city engineer says that it was a mistake to buy it; that it was a machine the makers could not sell elsewhere and wanted to unload. He advised against its purchase as it was too heavy and he told the committee so, telling them that the one they had was too heavy and what they needed was a lighter one rather than one 3,000 pounds heavier. It is so heavy that it can not be used in making new streets at all. The street commissioner says that the engine is one, and the tank is in the balance of the machine. He says that after the engine was complete the company had a strike and had to put in any new men they could get and got men who did not know the business. When the machine got here the boxing was a quarter of an inch larger than the axle. To fix it they did not put in a new box, but turned the axle down which weakened it. He thinks that what broke it was the play in the axle. It has been used two years, however, without expense. The expense of fixing it this time was \$116.98, including an express bill of \$21.98.

### Railroad Men.

There have been quite a number of prominent railroad men in this section this week. Supt. Oblinger went to Logansport to meet President Cassatt who is on his annual tour of inspection. Last night H. I. Miller, general manager of the Vandalia and B. W. Taylor of the I. & V. division of the Pennsylvania lines were at the Westcott. The entire party are expected to pay Richmond a visit before they return east. It is stated that the directors of the lines west of Pittsburgh will this week take some action with regard to the vacancy occasioned by the death of Vice-President Brooks which is liable to cause quite a rearrangement of the executive officials in the west. It is thought the number of vice-presidents will be reduced to three which would mean that Joseph Wood will become second vice-president and J. J. Turner third vice president.

### South Side, Ahoy.

Here is an opening for the South Side Improvement association if they will act promptly. P. T. Brown, a stove manufacturer, with factories at Logansport and other Indiana cities, desires a location. He will probably come without asking for a bonus from the city. At present about twenty-five men are employed in the Logansport factory, and \$2,900 per month is paid in salaries. Mr. Brown's lease has expired on the building in which he is now located and he is unable to secure another site in Logansport. This is given as his reason for wanting to remove from that city.

### Want All It's Worth.

General Manager Hibberd of the Richmond Gas company finished securing the right of way for their pipe line today. The right secured today was over J. W. Maxim's land. Mr. Hibberd said the price paid was \$400.

Harry S. Schidler of Cambridge City has been appointed railway mail clerk.

## TODAY'S PICTURE.

The City Buildings, Old and  
New, and the Hose  
Houses.

The half tone in this issue, of the city buildings, is quite interesting, showing all the fire department buildings in addition to the city buildings, old and new. The old city building which is shown was built by Dr. Warner, of whose grave we gave a picture recently, for a residence and office. At his death in 1835 he gave this building, as we described it then, to the city schools and the city paid \$400 per year rent for it at the time the picture was made. Part of it was used for a school house at one time and the balance for a city building. As we remember it, the front door entered into a narrow hall from which steps led to the floor above where the city clerk had his office. A door leading right back, on the first floor, entered into the police court room which was also used for a council chamber, with a few old desks and a sort of throne for the mayor. Back of this was the mayor's office, a dingy old hole of a place with a piece of ragged matting on the floor and a little old flat table for its only furniture, where Tom Bennett, Lou Shofer and Alex Horney held forth. Beneath was fitted up for a calaboose until Dr. Davis, by a trick which he sometimes relates, got Thomas Nestor to vote for some improvements. Anton Bescher, who is about the only one now living who did business in that locality, had a saloon at the right side of the city building shown in the picture. The fight which was had during the times the erection of the new city building was being fought through in council has never been forgotten. In order to head it off the price of the building was purchased by part of the council for a quarter of the price it is now worth, but J. J. Jordan who was determined the building should go where it now is, got an injunction in the courts and broke up the sale. Those who are having the fight to get hose houses on the west side and in the south part of the city may find consolation in the fact that each of the hose houses shown in the picture cost the promoters just as hard a fight as they are going through with themselves at the present time.

### Tennessee Soldiers' Monument.

Knoxville, Tenn., Oct. 24.—A monument of Tennessee marble in memory of thirty-two thousand Tennesseans who served in the United States army during the civil war, six thousand of whom never returned home, was dedicated at the National cemetery, this city, today.

### Army of the Tennessee Reunion.

Cincinnati, O., Oct. 24.—General A. Hickenlooper, corresponding secretary, and Colonel Cornelius Cadie, recording secretary of the society of the Army of the Tennessee, have issued notice to members that the thirty-third reunion will be held at Indianapolis, November 13 and 14. General Granville M. Dodge of New York is president of the society.

## SCHLEY'S SILENCE

Will Be Broken Today When  
He Goes On the Witness  
Stand.

### LONG ORDEAL IN SIGHT

It Is Probable That the Admiral  
Will Be Kept On the Stand For  
Two Or Three Days.

Examination of the Principal In  
Extraordinary Inquiry Will Attract  
Attention.

Washington, Oct. 24.—Admiral Schley is expected to take the witness stand in the naval court of inquiry which is investigating his conduct in the Spanish war, late this afternoon. This announcement is justified by the progress made in the examination of witnesses called to testify in the admiral's behalf. He will be the last witness to be heard in support of his side of the controversy. It is now considered probable he will be questioned for two or three days.

It is not yet possible to say whether any witnesses will be called in rebuttal by the court, but it seems probable that a few persons may be summoned for this purpose. The testimony yesterday led Judge Advocate Lemly and Mr. Hanna to decide upon the calling of at least one rebutting witness, if he can be found. This is Mr. Sylvester Scoville, whose testimony is desired in connection with the incident of the meeting of the press boat Somers M. Smith by the scout boat St. Paul, while the latter was off Santiago in May, 1898. The first of yesterday's new witnesses, Mr. James Hare, photographer on the press boat, stated that Captain Sigsbee of the St. Paul had told the correspondents aboard the Smith on May 26 or 27 that Cervera's fleet was not inside the harbor at Santiago. Mr. Scoville was among the correspondents on the Smith and if he can be found he will be asked to come to Washington and give his testimony on this incident. It is also probable that an effort will be made to rebut other portions of the testimony given in Admiral Schley's behalf, including Lieutenant Scott's denial of a conversation concerning Admiral Schley, which the lieutenant is alleged to have taken part in on board the Massachusetts on May 31.

Other witnesses in addition to Mr. Hare, who testified yesterday, were: Chief Boatswain L. Hill, Gunner F. T. Applegate and Major Paul S. C. Murphy of the marines, all of whom were aboard the Brooklyn during the Cuban campaign; Lieutenant Commander Harlow, who was executive officer of the Vixen, made notes of the battle of July 3 and three officers of the Oregon, Lieutenant A. A. Ackerman, Lieutenant E. W. Eberle and Lieutenant R. G. Johnstone. Lieutenant Ackerman had charge of the after 13-inch turret and Lieutenant Eberle of the forward 13-inch turret of the Oregon on July 3 and Lieutenant Johnstone was signal officer on the Oregon at that time. Mr. Johnstone testified that he did not receive any signal from the Brooklyn to fire her 13-inch guns at the Spanish ship Cristobal Colon and all of the Oregon's officers who testified expressed the opinion that the Oregon and the Brooklyn was practically equidistant from the Colon when that vessel went ashore. Some of them, however, were inclined to think that the Brooklyn was a shade nearer the Spanish ship. While Boatswain Hill was giving his testimony, which was very complimentary to Admiral Schley, there were two outbursts of applause. These were promptly suppressed by Admiral Dewey.

## OVERRULED.

Judge Swift Decides Against  
the Contention of the  
Richmond Natural  
Gas Company.

[Connorsville News, Oct. 23.]

A demurrer in the case brought in the Wayne circuit court by the Enterprise Gas Co. and other New Castle parties to enjoin the Richmond Natural Gas Co. from operating a gas pump in the Henry county gas field, and brought to this court by change of venue, was ably argued by counsel on both sides before Judge Swift, yesterday, and overruled this morning. The demurrer contended that the case should have been originally brought in the Henry circuit court, and many very delicate points of law were raised and adroitly argued on both sides.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Greer, who were visiting Frank Critchett and wife, returned home to Logansport this morning.