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TELEGRAPHY IN FOREST FIRES

Washington, Aug. 25.—Wireless telegraphy is to be employed in aid of saving the forests of the West. Plans are being made in the bureau of forestry to establish wireless stations at intervals throughout the Rocky mountains, where there are large forests and where fires occur in the dry season every year.

News of the Army and Navy TWO MORE RUSSIAN SHIPS STRIKE MINES

Captain Blandy On Promotion Leaves Work Point For Halifax. While Attempting to Clear Passage for Another Sortie Destroyers Run Against Floating Mines and One Sinks.

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WILL NOT REPLY

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St. Petersburg, Aug. 25.—The Russian authorities decline to formally reply to the statement presented to the Ryshetel affair given by the Associated Press August 21st. Nevertheless the Russian view of the Japanese statement was reflected by an official of the foreign office to the effect that the statement was an attempt by a general assertion to close and distract attention from the issue raised by the Russian protest.

CHARGES AGAINST LEADER

New York, Aug. 25.—Philip W. Welles, president of the Building Trades Alliance, under indictment on charges of extortion, entered a plea of not guilty today to make up his mind—the Bear Stearns separate motions for dismissal and delay were overruled. Welles was released on \$2,000 bonds.

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Mining Progress In the Kootenays

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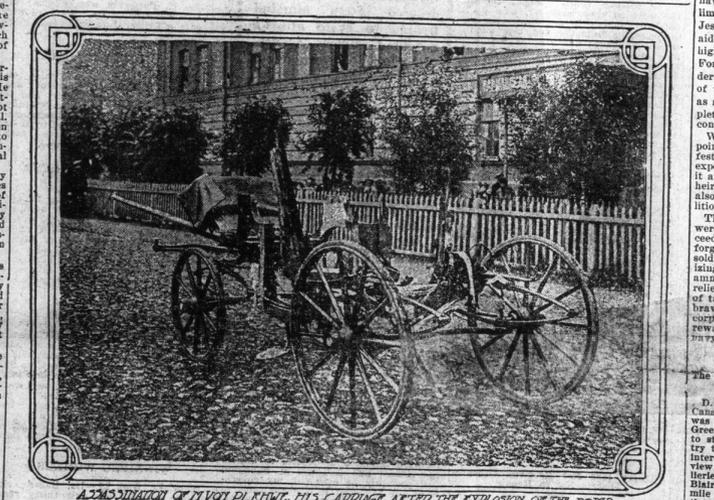
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