

# 31 DIE IN CHICAGO FIRE

## CHICAGO STOCKYARDS SCENE OF DISASTER WHEN MANY DIE AND GREAT LOSS IS SUSTAINED

Chicago, Dec. 22—Thirty firemen were killed early today in the destruction of the warehouse of the Nelson-Morris company at the stockyards, through the explosion of an ammonia tank, caused by a fire. Seven charred bodies were recovered up to 9 o'clock this morning, when the rescue was abandoned on account of a renewal of the fire. At noon nearly half of the Chicago fire department was fighting the fire. Among the dead are believed to be several commanding officers of the department including Fire Marshals Horan, Burrows and Lieutenant Fitzgerald. The body of Captain Collins has been recovered.

Chicago, Dec. 22—Men were working inside the building when the tank exploded. The roof was blown into the air and men crushed beneath. Three were outside and escaped the force of concussion but were overcome by the fumes of the warehouse, a four story building. Not a wall is left standing. It occupied a block.

**Tallow House Affre.**  
Shortly afternoon all the departments were out and the great tallow house occupying a full block caught fire. The stock yards are threatened unless the wind abates. The fire started inside the storage room. The loss is already over \$500,000.

**Burning Meat Sickens Fighters.**  
At 10 o'clock the third alarm was sounded and ten new companies were called out.

During the morning the beef house was consumed. The stench of tons of meat sickened the firemen and a number were overcome. When the tallow house was ignited a general alarm brought out the entire department. Great stores turned the fire into a volcano. Thousands of spectators gathered but were driven back by the police who feared another explosion.

Among the missing in the fire and believed to be dead are Captain Fuchs and Lieutenant Regan and seven other members of the engine company No. 9. Lieutenant Dennis and two others of Engine Company No. 39. Lieut-

Berkery and eight others of engine company No. 59 and two of company No. 17 and one of No. 24. The bodies of Pipeman Wm. Weber, Stepe Lane, employes of the Grand Trunk railroad were recovered this afternoon. Three laborers known to have been in the plant are missing.

The dead so far as identified are: Barroughs, Horan, Capt. Collins, Captain Doyle, Lieutenant Ritzgerald, Lt. Strum, Truckman, Crane, Pipeman George Mauwiski. The fire was brought under control this afternoon. Ten bodies were recovered. The tallow house fire is extinguished. The men are now recovering bodies who were caught when the wooden canopy and walls collapsed.

## EIGHTY MILLION IN LEAD ORE IN FEW YEARS

### NORTHERN IDAHO MINES SHOW VAST WEALTH

Bunker Hill and Sullivan Mines Have Produced Great Sums.

Spokane, Wash., Dec. 22—Eighty million dollars' worth of lead and silver has been taken from Wardner Hill in the Coeur d'Alene district in northern Idaho, 128 miles east of here, since the beginning of systematic development work, according to Stanley A. Eaton, manager of the Bunker Hill and Sullivan mine, who made the statement in Spokane today. The gross output of the district, from 1883 to date, is estimated at more than \$210,000,000, with net profits of between \$41,000,000 and \$42,000,000. The district ranks first in the United States in the output of lead, the Missouri-Kansas belt being second, Utah third and Colorado fourth.

"The only discouraging feature of the mining situation at present is the depression in the lead market," said Mr. Eaton. "And this is due solely to the uncertainty about the tariff. Much of the lead now being produced in the United States is mined at a small profit. This is especially true of the Missouri mines. It is out of the question for American lead mines to compete with those of Spain, which produce a tonnage equal to the United States with little or no consumption on account of the poverty of the people."

"We are not afraid of competition with the Canadian mines. The conditions under which the lead properties are operated in the Dominion are similar to our own, and there is small objection to reciprocity with Canada in lead and lead products."

"But for the tariff uncertainty the lead market would be in a much stronger position than that which obtains for copper, principally because no large lead producers have been developed in the United States for years, while enormous deposits of copper ore, the product of which can be marketed profitably in New York as low as eight cents a pound, have been opened up recently."

**CITY'S 1911 FINANCIAL STATEMENT.**

Estimated running expenses for 1911	\$20,000.00
Estimated income for 1911	19,000.00
Estimated amount to be raised for running expenses	\$1,000.00
Interest on all bonds, 1911	14,250.00
Beaver Creek sinking fund for 1911	8,000.00
To retire warranted indebtedness	5,600.00
One-half mill tax to meet state law for city park fund	1,400.00
<b>Total estimated sum to be raised (approximate)</b>	<b>\$31,000.00</b>
<b>The total levy fixed:</b>	
General fund	.35 mills
Special fund:	
Bond interest	.6 mills
Sinking fund	.3 mills
Park fund	.1-2 mill
	9.5 mills
<b>Total levy for 1911</b>	<b>13 mills</b>

Notwithstanding that the running law, for half mill tax for the maintenance of the city park, and this amount will be applied to the Riverside project to aid in what has already been done to beautify the place there. The estimations of running expenses and other items were made by the finance committee of the council after a careful investigation of all probable expenses to issue.

## 345 ENTOMBED ENGLISHMEN GIVEN UP FOR DEAD BY OWNERS OF EXPLODED MINE; FIRE RAGING

Manchester, Eng., Dec. 22—The total of 345 are dead in the Pretoria mine as the result of yesterday's explosion, was the estimate given today by the mine officials today. Rescuers are searching for any survivors within the fuming shaft but were halted within eighty feet of the mine's center today on account of gases. Officials say there is no hope for miners to be alive.

## NEW OCEAN TRIP RECORD WILL BE REACHED

LINER MAURETANIA AIMS TO BREAK ALL RECORDS.

Return Trip Across Atlantic Will be Made in About Eleven Days.

London, Dec. 22—The Cunard liner Mauretania reported by wireless today that she was speeding toward London on a schedule in an effort to break the record for the journey from London and return. If she keeps her present rate she will reach Fish Yard at 10 tonight, just eleven days, and fourteen hours and seven minutes since her trip began.

PRESENTS TOTAL 90 MILLION.

Bureau of Statistics Calculates What Presents Cost This Year.

Washington, Dec. 22—It was estimated today by Victor Olmstead, the chief of the bureau of statistics that the Christmas "giving germ" cost the American people nine million this year. Not more than half the people are giving presents costing money. He said a vast number are not giving because they haven't the money to purchase. It is estimated children average an expenditure of fifty cents.

## MURDER CASE AT 4 O'CLOCK

NO SENSATIONAL EVIDENCE INTRODUCED BY EITHER SIDE.

Defense Rests With Telling Story of the Defendant Himself.

Without introducing evidence other than that which the defense said it would, at the start, the Ellexson murder trial went to the jury this evening about 4 o'clock and the fate of the unknown man—the man who lives nowhere and claims no family—will soon be determined. The state rested last evening and the defense has put on but the one witness, the defendant himself. Most of today was consumed in arguments to the jury and at a short time before the closing hours of court for the day, the judge had given his final instructions to the jury.

Italy and Turkey in Trouble.

London, Dec. 22—The Pall Mall Gazette today presents an account of the embarking of an Italian army corps for Tripoli as a result of the strained relations between Italy and Turkey.

## PHILADELPHIA HOLOCAUST CLAIMS TWENTY-FOUR LIVES--THOUGHT TO BE OF INCENDIARY ORIGIN

Philadelphia, Dec. 22—Sixteen firemen are dead and six are missing, four policemen are dead and five are missing and twenty-four injured firemen and police are in the hospitals with a likelihood that several will die and half a dozen bodies are in the ice covered ruins of the Philadelphia leather factory, with exhausted fire fighters who are fighting ice and fire to reach them.

That is the summary today of Philadelphia's fire which started last night and still is burning. It is suspected the fire is of incendiary origin. It is so cold that the hose was wrapped in blankets to keep it from freezing. The bodies of eleven firemen were taken from beneath the wreckage of

## 400 MEMBERS OF LOWER HOUSE HEREFTER

BILL DISTRIBUTING THE REPRESENTATIVES WILL PASS SOON.

Bill is Being Prepared for Passage at This Session of Congress.

Washington, Dec. 22—Passage of a law fixing the basis of representation in the house is practically certain this session of congress, according to Chairman Crumpacker of the house committee on census today. He said his committee is preparing a bill based on the new census that would place the number of congressmen at 400. Crumpacker and Clark conferred long over the proposed measure.

NEW TIMES CLUE.

Two Men Arrested on Suspicion of Dynamiting.

Oakland, Dec. 22—A new and unexpected angle of the Times dynamiting case developed today when it became known two men were under arrest and in the Oakland jail in connection with the explosion. Detectives won't discuss the case. The prisoners are said to be Lawrence Cook and John Dwyer who were arrested yesterday.

WANT FIRE PROTECTION.

Taft Urged to Ask for Liberal Appropriation for This Purpose.

Washington, Dec. 22—President Taft is urged to secure an increase in forest-service appropriation sufficient to insure protection from fires, in a resolution adopted today by the Conservation Association representing Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana and California.

INJUNCTION MODIFIED.

Judge Knowles Rules on Injunction Existing at Joseph.

That the City of Joseph can use all the water in Wallowa river over 60 second inches, which must be released for the present water company is the modification of a standing injunction granted by Judge Knowles in the water litigation at Joseph which has been an important case in circuit and supreme court. The injunction was modified to read as stated.

the south wall which fell on them. The bodies of nine policemen were taken from the debris of the fallen north wall. A cursory examination by the coroner shows the building was fired from several places simultaneously.

**Take Day to Reach Bodies.**  
At 3:30 this morning the remaining shell of the building collapsed, and added tons of debris over the bodies. The entire department is aided by city employes and began work of uncovering bodies. It will probably be several days before all are recovered.

The list of known dead are:  
Firemen, Robert Stewart, Charles Hill, Wm. Hoffman, Fred Galberth, Frank Carroll, Howard Bartlett, Chas. Ridelman, Harry Bartlett, Kilpatrick Ebrichmayer, John Collins, Thomas Entwistle, Charles McConnell, George Machinsky; two unidentified; Policeman Landley.  
Two more bodies were recovered from the fire ruins this afternoon.

DEPOSED KING TO TRAVEL.

Manuel Will Eventually Visit the United States.  
London, Dec. 22—The deposed King of Portugal, Manuel, after attending lectures at Oxford will tour the world, it was learned today. He will not attempt to take a degree but after a course of instruction will visit Australia, Africa, Canada, United States and the far east. It is said he believes he will finally regain his throne and his present plan is to equip himself for such a contingency.

Hundreds Die in China.

Victoria, Dec. 22—A heavy loss of life by floods and severe famine in the Anhui province of China, affecting two and one half million persons, following the flooding of crops is reported by passengers who arrived from the Orient today. Already a hundreds are dead from starvation and more are dying daily and it is predicted a thousand died this winter. The floods likewise caused a tremendous loss of life.  
Efforts are being made to form a relief committee.

King on Holiday Visit.

London, Dec. 22—King George today went to San Drigham palace for the Christmas holidays.

## PEACE DOVE HAS APPEARED IN STRIKE

RAILROAD MANAGERS LEARN ENGINEERS ARE NOT BLUFFING.

Peace Negotiations are Said to be Under Way This Afternoon.

Chicago, Dec. 22—A lengthy conference between Commissioner Nell and representatives of the locomotive engineers today is regarded as fore shadowing a peaceable settlement of the threatened strike. It is believed the railroad managers have concluded the engineers are not bluffing in regard to the strike and have granted more concessions. What they were is unknown.

## 2 ENGLISH ARMY OFFICERS GET 4 YEARS

ACCUSED AND FOUND GUILTY OF SPYING ON GERMAN FORTS.

Men Take Punishment Heroically Claiming to Be Martyrs for Home.

Liepsic, Germany, Dec. 12—Captain Bernard Trench and Lieutenant Vivian Brandon, English army officers, were convicted of spying on German fortifications at Bogrun and were sentenced to four years imprisonment by the court here today. The Englishmen admitted they had taken sketches of the fortifications and having given the sketches to British officials.

The German supreme court heard the case and this practically precludes an appeal. The prisoners were calm and said they were willing to suffer for their country.