

ELECTRIC RAY DEATH DEALER

Grindell Matthews Tells
of Possibilities of His
Newest Invention.

LONDON, (INS)—"My electric ray will sweep an army corps with sufficient power to put it out of action for half an hour, without any ill effects to the man, or for a longer period if necessary, or to destroy life entirely."

That is the claim of Henry Grindell Matthews, British inventor of the invisible rays of destruction. "My ray," continues Grindell Matthews, "can create an atmosphere in which nothing can exist, which will ignite everything inflammable or explosive, and even, with sufficient electrical energy, melt metal or even glass."

"It is an invisible power as destructive as a flash of lightning—a ray of light along which an electric current travels which is constant and controllable. My invention is purely a weapon of warfare, both from an offensive and defensive point of view."

"Whether the future will prove that it will be possible to transmit power or electrical energy in such a way as to make it a commercial proposition, time alone will prove. But I certainly agree with Nikola Tesla, the greatest of all inventors of modern times, that it should be possible in the near future to transmit wireless power."

"With regard to the possibility of fighting aircraft, it is not so much a question of putting the weapon out of action as of the possibility of actually setting fire to the aeroplane, or of electrocuting the pilot. By regulating the power you could either 'knock out' the pilot for half an hour or kill him outright—whichever method one chose to adopt. Therefore it does not seem to be of much use for any power to build aeroplanes for warfare if they can be brought down by simply turning a searchlight upon them."

"In future air raids electric rays will sweep the skies instead of searchlights. This means that any aeroplane or Zeppelin coming within the barrage would be brought down much more effectively than by machine gun fire. For unless a machine gun is trained straight on the aircraft it will miss its objective, whereas the electric ray that it can be trained on to a given square inch or be expanded over an area miles in extent."

"The whole apparatus can be carried on a motor-lorry and is, therefore, mobile, or the power

can be drawn from a central station to any given point just like broadcasting.

"It is now only a question of power as to the distance at which the discovery can be operated, for the principle has been absolutely established. The matter of distance, just as happened in wireless telegraphy, will come from further experimental work."

"It is my intention to give the first option of purchasing my invention to my own country—Britain. But while it is essentially a war weapon, at the same time it can be made a weapon of peace inasmuch as its expectations are realized, war will become unthinkable, as a power that had warlike intentions would hesitate before embarking on war with a country whose strength in 'invisible' armament was unknown."

Grindell Matthews, at the conclusion of the war, was granted 25,000 pounds by the British government in return for his invention for the wireless steering of ships. He has expended all this amount in his present researches.

Maxville Snow Storm Sunday Hour in Length

MAXVILLE (Special)—Maxville had a real snow storm Sunday that lasted for about an hour. While the cold weather was a decided change it lasted only a short time and "Old Sol" was on the job again.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Stover spent Sunday at Wallowa.

"Punk" Mitchell took Mr. and Mrs. McElroy and Mr. and Mrs. Lahr and Miss Vera Ringwood to Wallowa in his auto Sunday.

Ed Shipp is seriously ill at the hospital at Wallowa.

Dr. Tenbrook is in Wallowa looking after some of his patients in the hospital there.

Summer Sun Reveals Alaskan Sand Desert

CANTWELL, Alaska, (AP)—Shifting sands, having all the characteristics of the great American desert, and providing a menace to inexperienced travelers have been discovered in interior Alaska, according to prospectors arriving from Valdez Creek placer diggings.

This desert of Alaska is located between Valdez Creek and Myers' roadhouse, on the Richardson highway. L. A. Wickersham, a placer miner of the Valdez Creek region, has described the barren area. He said access was gained in years past by "hauling" 100 miles or more over the snow. As these trips were made in winter, the heavy snow concealed the nature of the country. Last summer, however, prospectors went further afield in their excursions from Valdez Creek, and they encountered conditions that made them apprehensive and wary. Where the old trail had appeared in winter leading plainly across a level plateau, they found immense sand dunes and the entire landscape changed.

In summer the winds start the sands to moving in the same manner as on the American desert. Changing of landmarks makes it difficult to travel.

The sand is of a pure vitreous material, indicating an origin in volcanic rock. For the reason prospectors maintain that the region was the last resting place of glaciers containing vast stores of ice.

University Tries New Method of Instruction

LOS ANGELES (AP)—A radical departure from existing methods of university instruction will be tried out on a number of selected students, to be known as the "honor group." It is announced by Dr. R. B. Von Klein-Smidt, president of the University of Southern California. The "honor group" must have at least junior standing toward a bachelor's degree, must have a good record of scholarship in all studies, and the endorsement of the faculty.

The object of the experiment is the encouragement of originality and initiative. "The students in this group," explained Dr. Von Klein-Smidt, "are to be given as large a measure of freedom as possible. Instead of compulsory attendance they may be free to complete their work in many ways. They may be relieved largely from the ordinary obligation of attendance and examination, and may use whatever means seems most likely to assist them in the field of study."

The president pointed out that trained individuality, originality and initiative were among the greatest assets of the modern world.

Egypt's Wonder No Longer Bites World's Attention

ALEXANDRIA, Egypt (AP)—"Tut-ankh-Amen dead!" was the startling text of a message from a London newspaper to its correspondent here a few days ago. In the newspaper vernacular this is true, for it meant that the long reign of this Pharaoh nummy in the day's news is over.

There may be a faint renewal of world interest when the gilded case is opened and the mummy-ravaged dead winter, but with the closing of the official visiting period to the tomb the Nile of Luxor has lapsed into summer idleness and silence, and Tut sleeps again.

London's \$1,000,000 Aquarium

LONDON (AP)—A new million dollar aquarium has been erected by the Zoological society for their gardens in Regents park. The building contains 900 tanks and shows nearly every kind of living fish. The tanks are filled with water brought from the Bay of Biscay, which with scientific aeration and filtering will last for years.

AGED BOSTON PATH YIELDS

BOSTON (AP)—Sunlight has returned to Governor's Alley, that for 91 years has been known to Boston as Province street. The little narrow thoroughfare, with its 15-inch sidewalks on either side, runs through a part of the city rich in tradition. Crossing from Bromfield street to School street, and parallel to Washington and Tremont streets, the old roadway may be best remembered by visitors by the picturesque piles of stone steps leading down to it from one end of Bosworth street.

The street is now being widened letting in the sunshine where for so many years the shadows have lain heavily under the close, high walls. Landmarks have gone by the board in the work of improvement. A pathetic old sign, "Province Inn," which once stood for visitors by the picturesque piles of stone steps leading down to it from one end of Bosworth street.

Unless efforts being made to save them prove successful, the old stone steps, surrounded by their ornamental iron arch and lamp, are doomed to go also.

The old street for 120 years bore the name Governor's Alley, up to the time of the change to Province street in 1822. It was then made a "modern street" with its 15-inch sidewalks and cobblestone paving. Originally it was a country lane. After the royal governors who came from England to rule the colony of Massachusetts, had descended from their carriages at the Province House in what is now Washington street, the horses were driven around to the stables on "Governor's Alley." Now, the slice of land being added to the street, is cut from what once was the governor's apple orchard.

On this site the first Catholic church to be erected in Boston was built in 1788. Nearby was the Second United Church in 1817, and it was there that the renowned Rev. Hosea Ballou was ordained and preached. The entrance from Bosworth street, was once Montgomery court, named in honor of General Montgomery who lost his life when he tried to take Quebec.

It was on Bosworth street that Oliver Wendell Holmes lived when he wrote "The Autocrat of the Breakfast Table." Bosworth street, itself, up to 100 years ago, had been occupied by the gardens of fashionable mansions in Tremont and Bromfield streets.

Increasing congestion in traffic conditions in the narrow thoroughfares of older Boston has resulted in the widening operations now in progress.

The older you get the quicker the future becomes the past.

Plague Claims Many Victims In Lahore District of India

LAHORE, India, (AP)—A virulent form of plague is raging here and at Multan and several of the outlying villages, 20 deaths on an average occurring in Lahore daily. Four colleges have been closed and it is expected that other institutions also will be closed soon. The Council of the Punjab University will consider at an emergency meeting the question of postponing the examinations. The authorities are taking means to combat the epidemic and the commissioner at Multan has forbidden the holding of the annual religious fair at an adjacent village where thousands of people generally congregate.

BLOSSOM DAY IS HELD

HOOD RIVER, Ore.—While the mild-Columbia orchard districts in spring garb of vivid green were never more beautiful when seen between the showers, the rain that began last night and prevailed at intervals until tonight resulted in a small attendance for Apple Blossom Sunday. Motorists from Portland were far fewer than on last Sunday. The valley expected 5000 visitors. Not more than 1000 were here.

While too light to be of any great benefit to orchard tracts now in the need of soaking showers, the rain cleansed the atmosphere of smoky haze developed by record early forest fires. A brush fire, a menace to fruit tracts north of Parkdale, was extinguished.

One of life's little ironies is to catch a fly ball in the bleachers and be forced to pass it on to keep the ground-keeper from getting it.

PREPARING FOR DEM. MEETING

NEW YORK (AP)—New York City is used to conventions, about 800 are held here annually, but it will get its first big test in handling a convention on a great scale when the democrats meet in June to nominate candidates for president and vice president.

While there have been notable gatherings attended by many thousands of delegates in the past, there has never been a convention here that will approach the size of the democratic meeting. Ordinarily a convention is swallowed up in the city's vastness and there is no noticeable increase in the crowds. A few thousand people more make but little difference in a community of over 6,000,000.

This June, however, New York is bound to feel the influx of many thousands of visitors. Some estimates place the number expected at 200,000. The first result will be to tax the city's transportation system to the limit. The subways, elevated and trolley lines are already jammed daily with struggling, strap-hanging people, especially in rush hours.

The problem can be visualized when it is realized that 2,700,000 passengers were carried on the various transit lines last year, an increase of 30,000,000 over the previous year. The normal increase in local passenger traffic is about 2500 persons a day.

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New York, however, has a habit of taking care of such problems and the out of town visitor may be pushed a bit in the subway jams but he will be able to get about town quickly.

The city has 200 hotels and hundreds of boarding houses. Reservations already have been made for the delegates and alternates at the principal hotels. The visitors accompanying the delegates also will be provided for, and a special committee has been working for weeks perfecting plans for taking care of everyone.

The hotel owners have agreed not to raise prices. The thousands of restaurant owners have entered into a similar agreement.

SAYS GUAM PARADISE OF BOOTLEGGING PROFESSION

SAN FRANCISCO (INS)—Bootleggers flourish now in the island of Guam, according to Lieutenant J. P. Adams, air service, United States marines, who is here from the island.

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