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#### **BRAVE SAILORS** BURNED IN TRAP

Terrible Powder Explosion on Georgia.

EIGHT DEAD, OTHERS WILL DIE

Spark Ignites Charge in Battleship Turret.

MEN INSANE WITH AGONY

Two Leap Overboard in Frenzy, but Are Rescued-Son of Admiral Goodrich Among the Dead. Heroism of Survivors.

RECENT NAVAL DISASTERS. Battleship Maine, blown up in

Havana harbor, March, 15, 1898; 242 Battlaship Iowa, explosion of gun, April P, 1903; 3 killed, 5 injured.

Cruiser Olympia, explosion of barrel of alcohol at Norfolk Va., September 12, 1903; 2 killed, 9 injured. Battleship Massachusetts, explosion in fireroom, at Philadelphia, December 15, 1904; 3 killed, 4 injured.

Battleship Missouri, explosion of powder off Pensacola, April 13, 1904; 88 killed, 5 injured.

Gunboat Bennington, boiler explo-sion at San Diego, July 21, 1905; 62 Battleship Kearsarge, powder explo-

sion off coast of Cubs, April 14, 1906; 7 killed, 14 injured.

BOSTON, July 14 .- With six of her officers and crew dead and 14 others either dying or suffering from terrible burns received in an explosion of powder in the after superimposed turret, the battleship Georgia steamed slowly up Boston harbor from the target practice grounds in Cape Cod Bay late today and landed the dead and injured men at the Charleston Navy-

Two of the Injured Died Tonight.

With the arrival of the Georgia there became known the details of the most terrible naval accident that has ever taken place along the coast of New England. The accident occurred shortly before noon today while the Georgia's crew was at target practice off manner, as yet unexplained, two bags of powder became ignited and in the turret crew, consisting of three officers and 18 men, was engulfed in fire and received horrible burns, one officer and five men dying before the ship reached port and another before mid-The victims of the accident

GOODRICH, Lieutenantent Casper, Brook-lyn; died at 11:45 tonight after being GOLDTHWAITE, Faulkner, midshipman, THATCHER. William J., chief turret captain, Wilmington, Del. BURKE, William Joseph, seaman, Quincy, Mass.

HAMILTON, George G., ordinary seamen,
South Framingham. Mass.

MILLER, George E., ordinary seaman,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

THOMAS, William M., seaman, Newport.

Injured. Cross. James T., midshipman, Nebraska; hands and face burned very seriously. Schlapp, Frank H., boatswain's mate, sec-cond class, North Adams, Mass.; back, chest, arms and face burned. arms and face burned.

Hansell, Charles, gunner's mate, first class, New York; face and hands burned.

Tagiond, Orley, chief yeoman, Richford, Minn; arms, back and face burned.

Walsh, Edwin K., seaman, Lonn, Mass.; chest and face burned fatally.

PAIR, William, Brooklyn.

Bush, John A, ordinary seaman, New ork, face, arms and chest burned, probably Eich, Charles L., ordinary seaman, Frankfort, Ind.; face, arms and head burned. Fone, John A., ordinary seaman, South-wick, Mass; two-thirds of body burned. Southwick, Mass.; two-thirds of body burn-

Maleck, John C., ordinary seaman, Cleve-ind, O.; arms and face burned. Messe, Louis O., ordinary seaman, Beres, arms, face and chest burned. Rosenberger, Samuel L., ordinary seaman, Philadelphia; srms and face burned. Thomas, James P., ordinary seaman, Brooklyn, N. Y.; face, arms, chest and back

mrned fatally. Four other men received minor injuries. Their names were not given out, and they were not taken off the

The explosion occurred in the after superimposed turret, but the men, under command of Lieutenant Casper Goodrich, son of Rear-Admiral Goodrich, commandant of the New York Navy-Yard, and Midshipmen Faulkner Goldthwaite and James T. Cruse, were operating the eight-inch guns. The guns in the forward turret had finished eight rounds of practice, and the guns of the after turret had fired one

Smoking Powder in His Arms.

Two cases, as the big 10-pound bags of powder are called, had just been sent up through the ammunition hoists and were in the arms of the loader, whose name was withheld by the ship's officers. The loader stood at the breech of the 8-inch gun, ready to insert the charge. At this instant the turret was seen to be smoking, and two men | naval hospital. who stood near the loader saw a black spot on the bag, indicating that the charge had ignited and was smoulder-

The loader discovered the spot at the same instant, and threw himself forward on his face, at the same time shouting a warning to his turretmates. The other men who had seen the spot were Eich and Hansell, and they also threw themselves on the floor of the turret.

Before the other men in the turret ould understand what caused the loader's cry of warning, there was a blinding flash as the burning powder exploded. Flames, smoke and nauseous gases filled the little superstructure, in which more than a score of men were confined. As the powder was not confined, there was no report, nor did the vessel suffer any injury; but every nook and corner of the turret was filled with flames.

Crazed With Pain, Leap Into Sea. The loader, who was nearest the powder, was terribly burned, as was every other man in the turret with the exception of Eich and Hansell, who though scorched, escaped with injuries much less severe than the others Blinded by the smoke and flames, ooked by the acid, penetrating gaseous flames and maddened with pain, the men screamed in agony. Some staggered blindly up the ladder to the hatchway in the top of the turret,



Warren Fairbanks, Guest Last Night of the Astoria Commer-

while others crept along the turret floor, begging piteously for assistance Lieutenant Goodrich and Seaman Malck became crazed, staggered up the iron ladder to the top of the turret and then threw themselves headlong into the a despairing effort to choose a death by drowning in preference to

death by slow fire. When the smoke of the burning powder had cleared away, the shipmates of the unfortunate men rushed to their assistance and tenderly the suffering sailors were lifted out of the fire-blackened turret and quickly conveyed to the ship's hospital, where their burns were dressed by the surgeons. In the meantime Lieutenant Goodrich and Seaman Maleck had been rescued by a launch that was return-The surgical staff of the Georgia was soon reinforced by the surgeons of the vessels in the fleet, who had been informed of the accident and summoned | Charleston

Investigation Is Ordered.

A wireless message telling the brief highlands of Cape Cod and thense Washington.

An examination of the turret after serious damage had resulted to the phip.

Immediately upon learning the de tails of the accident, Captain Henry McCrea, commander of the Georgia, notified Rear Admiral Charles Thomas, commander of the squadron of what had occurred. Rear Admiral Thomas ordered an investigation board to examine into the cause of the accident. Until this board makes its report the primary cause of the explosion will be in doubt, and it is uncertain even that the board will be able dressed a crowd of several thousand peoto determine definitely what ignited

the powder, Two theories are entertained. One belief is that a spark from the discharge of the guns floated back into the turret through a gunport and settled on the powder cases. Another theory is that the spark that caused the gunports. caused the accident seemed evident to several men, but whether from a gun or a funnel furnished a topic for dis-

Landing Dead and Injured.

Not until half an hour after Georgia came up to the dock at the navy yard was it known that there had been any fatalities. On the way across Massachusetts Bay Midshipman Goldthwaite succumbed to his tortures, and a little later death ended the sufferings of Turret Captain Thatcher and Seamen Burk, Thomas and Miller. Seaman Hamilton died while the ship was approaching the navy yard pier.

When the Georgia arrived at the navy yard dock about 4:45 o'clock, a great crowd was awaiting her. Several hundred workmen from the machine shops and other departments of the yard had gathered, as well as a large corps of newspapermen and three priests, the latter believing that they might be called on to administer the sacraments of the Roman Catholic Church to dying sufferers of that faith. With the exception of offi-cers and the priests, however, no one was allowed on the dock. A detachment of marines, armed with fixed bayonets, kept the crowd at a respectful distance and no one was allowed to pass down the pler. As soon as the ship was made fast to the dock, five ambulances drove up to receive the injured men. Tenderly the sufferers were borne down the gang plank on stretchers and placed in the ambulances, which carried them to the

Assistant Surgeon Paul T. Dessez, as-aistant to Surgeon W. H. Buchor, the

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# GIVEN FAIRBANKS

Vice President Spends Day in Astoria.

**GUEST AT SEASIDE BANQUET** 

Eats Breakfast at Goble With Railroad Section Foreman.

DISPELS "ICEBERG" STORY

Distinguished Guest Sprinkles His Address With Appropriate Witticisms-Whole City Turns Out to Greet Him.

FAIRBANKS' DAY IN OREGON.

Morning-Eats breakfast with railroad section foreman at Gobie. Noon-Received at Astoria with salute by Gruiser Charleston and the cheers of citizens; guest of Senator Fulton; makes speech at 4 o'clock Night-Goes to Seaside and is guest

nor at a banquet. Later-Will be guest tonight of Portland Press Club, leaving for the

ASTORIA, Or., July 15 .- (Special.)-Nineteen times the boom of the guns of the cruiser Charleston broke the stillness of the air at noon announcing the arrival of the train bearing Vicee-President Charles W. Fairbanks, who has been Astoria's honored guest today. As the Vice-President stepped from the train the rulser's band played a martial air, the blue-coated marines brought their guns to present arms and the crowd broke into cheers while dozens of whistles on steamers, mills and canneries joined in harsh

but loud acclaim. The first to greet him as he stepped upon the platform was Admiral Swinburne, but others crowded forward and shook his hand as he passed along the line to Senator Fulton's automobile. The procession then passed through the principal streets of the city, the Vice-Prestdent waving his grateful acknowledge ments of the ovation given him by the thousands of people who lined the side walks. Later he was escorted to the home of Senator Fulton for luncheon and ring the early hours of the afterno on a trip through the city, about the harbor and paid a visit to the cruiser

Members Reception Committee.

Those who accompanied Mr. Fairbanks to Astoria were Governor Chamberlain details of the accident was sent to the Congressman Ellis, ex-Senator Mulkey, Government wireless station on the Judge George H. Williams, S. G. Reed, District Attorney Manning, Food Com overland to the Navy Department at missioner Balley, J. W. Minto, Walter C. Smith, H. M. Cake, C. A. Schlbrede, Louis Krause, C. F. Swigert, Max Cohn the accident failed to show that any and Russell King, the Vice-President's private secretary.

The party was in charge of the special reception committee consisting Senator Fulton, Mayor Wise, H. R. Jen-

kins and J. E. Gratke. Shortly after 4 o'clock the procession again formed and headed by a platoon of police, the Charleston's band and the cruiser's full complement of marines and bluetackets and followed by the Vice-President and the other guests of the city in automobiles proceeded to the VanDusen field, where Mr. Fairbanks adple who had gathered to hear him. Introduced by Fulton.

Mayor Wise welcomed the distinguished visitor in a few well-chosen words and

then Senator Fulton in his usual happy nanner introduced the guest of the day Mr. Fairbanks' speech was purely of an mpromptu nature, but he is a pleasing talker and his numerous witticisms and local hits soon aroused the enthusiasm of the nudience and dispelled the idea that he is an "iceberg," as so often depicted. He spoke of the great and unequalled prosperity of the country, of the wonderful opportunities to be found in the West, and prophected that the pros perity of America as a Nation was but just beginning. He said in part:

"Your Mayor says Astoria is located on the Fairbanks (of the Columbia). I feel this afternoon as though something was on me. But it is not a city, it is not even a hamlet. It is a deep appreciation of the cordial welcome, generous courtesy and unstinted hospitality that has been shown me by the people of Oregon and of the City of Astoria.

"Long after I have left this grand state and your beautiful city and have returned to my home in the East, I hall carry with me a due sense of obligation for your wholesome hospi

Sees Great Future for Oregon. Speaking of the conditions throughout



the country, he said: "This country has made such rapid advances that it has

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MARS-"HEY! THERE, CAN'T YOU LET A CHAP ALONE THIS WARM WEATHER"

### IN LAW'S CLUTCH

Charges of Perjury in Haywood Case.

ALLER AND DAVIS THE FIRST

Several Coeur d'Alene and Cripple Creek Men.

ORCHARD AGAIN TESTIFIES

Many Witnesses Demolish Story of Train-Wrecking Plot-Sensations Promised in Today's Evidence. Sterling to Come Forward.

BOISE, Idaho, July 15 .- (Special.)-The sensations promised by the state on rebuttal have at last begun to arrive. Dr. McGee, who was arrested last night in Spokane, was the first. C. W. Aller and W. F. Davis have followed in quick succession. The arrest of Davis had to be deferred for a while this evening to allow Justice of the Peace Savidge to finish seeing the championship ball game between Weiser and Mountain Home. Aller was placed in jail early in the

evening. The case against him appears to be absolute. He swore positively that he saw Orchard and Detectives Sterling and Scott together in a certain room. The state now shows that the trainmaster of the Florence & Cripple Creek road was occupying that room; that Mr. Scott was not in the employ of the company at that time, and that Mr. Scott, between April 25 and June 13, 1904, lived in Den-

Mr. Darrow, in his persistence to lift the lid when Mrs. Baker, late proprietor of the Miles House, was on the stand. brought out a most interesting fact. The landlady could remember Scott so well cause he was constantly getting notes warning him that he would be "bumped off" unless he left town.

More Arrests to Follow.

Other arrests to follow these three are is a limit to what even the best of good-Dominick Flynn, of Mullan; William Me-Hale, of the same place; Patrick Moran, the Cheyenne saloonkeeper; Mrs. King not come out on the stand, for the sake and daughter, of the Cripple Cheek lodg- of the honor of the legal profession. ing-house; Captain Wallace, the Cripple Creek lawyer who commanded a militia been placed under arrest, although it is company during the strike ,and Riley, who lived across the street from Brad- issued. lev's in San Franci

Riley swore that he got a drink from Guibbini the morning of the explosion, when, as a matter of fact, Guibbini was in bed. Wallace swore that Sterling fired the first shot that started the Victor riot. Mrs. King and her daughter often saw Orchard in Mr. Sterling's room. Morae denied that he went to Denver in June. 1904, and got \$500 from Pettibone for Orchard. Flynn and McHale will be tried for perjury in connection with that poker game in Flynn's cigar store in Mullan on April 29, 1899, when they say Harry Orchard was present.

An officer high in the counsels of the state said to your correspondent this evening that the arrests made were just a beginning and that all who had aworn falsely would be prosecuted. This probably also includes Max Malich, King of Globeville, and his man Friday, Joe Mehalich.

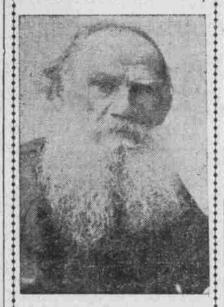
Sensations Promised Today.

The developments tomorrow promise to be even more sensational than today. Three important witnesses who will be on the stand are R. C. Sterling, Charles Neville and Thomas M. Stewart. Mr. September 1, 1903, at the time when all the defense witnesses swear that everything was peace and quietude in the

#### Steve Adams, Jack Gaffney, Jim Laferty, Art Bastian, Ed Minster and a dozen other union miners took Mr. Stewart, then 60 years old, out of his house at night, leaving an armed guard over his wife lest she give an alarm. They took Mr. Stewart a quarter of a mile down the railroad track, beat him over the head with guns, shot him in the back and left him for dead on the railroad track

Charles Neville will tell the story of the trip from Cripple Creek into Wyomin with his father and Orchard after the independence depot explosion. Neville has been here for a month or more and is never out of sight of a detective. It will be remembered that the boy's father state is taking no chances in losing young Neville. He was only it when he made that trip into Wyoming and be

in front of an approaching train, three days after the troops arrived for which the defense says there was no need. dled suddenly in Goldfield, Nev., and the says Orchard and his father thought



Count Leo N. Tolstol, Reported to Be Dead.

LONDON, July 16 .- The Daily Telegraph prints a dispatch from St. Petersburg that there is an un firmed rumor there that Count Leo Tolstoi is dead.

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* he was too young to understand much

that was said.

Surprise for the Defense. It is known that the defense put up \$1000 to have K. C. Sterling remain away from Bolse during the trial. The surprise is that those 15 bright lawyers would fall into such an easy trap. But the defense made the mistake of attempting in Mr. Sterling's absence to fasten the Independence depot explosion, the Victor riot and other crimes upon the good-natured secret service man. There natures will stand. It is intimated that the evidence of this payment of \$1000 will

At midnight W. F. Davis had not yet understood a warrant for him has been

ALLER'S STORY TORN TO BITS

Cripple Creek Agent Arrested for Perjury-Orchard's Uncle Insane.

BOISE, Idaho, July 15 .- Another war rant charging perjury against a witness, who has testified for the defense in the case of the State of Idaho against William D. Haywood, was issued this evening. C. W. Ailer, formerly a telegraph operator and ticket agent at the depot of the Florence & Cripple Creek Rallway, at Cripple Creek, Colo., is charged with the offense by prosecuting attorney of Ada County. immediately arrested and held in \$5000 bonds, and the preliminary hearing will be set, to take place within the next few days.

Eleven witnesses in rebuttal were examined today in the Haywood trial. Harry Orchard reappeared on the stand and was asked a few questions as to his acquaintance with some of the wit-nesses for the defense, who have testi-fied as to his movements. On being admitted that his uncle, Peter McKin-ney, committed suicide by hanging 13 or 14 years ago. Counsel for the deor 14 years ago. Counsel for the de-fense asked Orchard if his uncle was not insane before he killed himself, and his maternal grandfather was insane, his monomania being imaginary crimes ommitted a long time ago in Ireland. Orchard denied all knowledge of the grandfather, but admitted that his uncle was demented.

Prove Aller a Perjurer.

The entire afternoon session was taken up with the examination of witnesses, who contradicted the evi-dence given by C. W. Aller, who testi-fied for the defense in support of the charge of conspiracy against the Western Federation of Miners, in which it is alleged that the Mineowners Asdation, the Citizens' Alliance and the Pinkerton Detective Agency were con-cerned. Aller swore that he saw Orhard and D. C. Scott together at the depot of the Florence & Cripple Creek of the cliff, where it had been hurriedly left. The rifles had spent the night in weeks prior to the explosion at the the water, as had the ammunition and Independence depot on June 6, 1904. equippage. Hurrying on through the trap, Independence depot on June 6, 1204.

Mr. Scott, this afternoon, swore that they camped on the beach, built a fire he was not in Cripple Creek at the time and a number of witnesses corroborated this. As a result of this rebuttal testimony, information was clothing and blankets and ste their sworn out after court adjourned, charging Allen with perjury.

Blow to Gas Theory.

The explosion at the residence of state undertaking to show that the effect of an explosion of illuminating gas could not have been that described in the deposition taken for the defense in San Francisco. The manager of the Boise Gas Company, C. D. Lampson. who was at one time a resident of New York, qualified as an expert. He dis-credited the proposition that gas could be ignited by the glow at the end of He was cross-examined at and showed a close technical knowledge

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## TILLAMOOK TRAP

Six Soldiers Undergo Night of Terror.

HELD BY TIDE ON ROCKS

Water Rushes Upon Them, Cutting Off All Escape.

HANG NINE HOURS ON CLIFF

Drenching Rain Beats Upon Them and Heavy Wind Blows in From Sea-Men Reach Camp Sun-

day Badly Exhausted.

SEASIDE, Or., July 15 .- (Staff Correspondent.)-Six riflemen of the Third Oregon Infantry regiment, in camp at Seaside, reached their quarters at 10 o'clock this forenoon badly exhausted after being caught by the tide on a perilous point of rocks under a cliff known as the trap Tillamook Head. Their escape from death was nothing short of miraculous and they got away only after a fearful experience. They were compelled to cling to projecting rocks on the perpendicular cliff for a period of nine hours until the tide receded.

All this time a drenching rain was falling and a heavy wind was blowing in from the sea. Drenched and nearly frothe six infantrymen hung on through the night, calling and shouting to one another to keep awake. Miraculously enough, none of the boulders to which they clung became loosened and all were able to bear up under the strain

until the tide receded at daybreak. Hung All Night to Cliffs.

Few people have ever been caught in the trap and Hved to tell of it. the Guardsmen escaped a terrible death was due only to the fact that they were able to climb 75 feet up the cliff and hang there. The detail was in command of Captain Denny, of the ordnance department, and First-Lieutent Disch, of Company H. The enlisted men were Sergeant-Major Howard of the nonalssloned staff and First-Sergeant Geer, Sergeant Oesch and Corporal Dickel, all of Company H.

The squad left Camp Everett at Seaside late Saturday afternoon, intending to search out a favorable point for rifle practice along the coast. nted out to them and they set out at 6 P. M. Passing around Tillamook head, three miles below Seaside, they came to the dangerous rocks known as the trap. Unaware that it was time for the tide to marched under a tall cliff that seemed to set well back from the ocean. Passing among the rocks, they were well along toward the other side when a swirling line of breakers bore down upon them

cutting off retreat from both sides. Tide Overwhelms Them.

They had not an instant's warning, for it appears that the tide floods the trap from both flanks before appearing in front. The name "Trap" is well applied to the spot, the guardsmen say. Up to their waists in the water, the six men ome, but the tide dashed in stronger and stronger and beat them against the cliff. Had the men lost their heads, there would have been no hope for them. Finding they could not get back or forward, they splashed through the boiling breakbeing ers to the cliff, fortunately chancing on turned over for cross-examination, he a shelf where they were safe for a time. The tide, however, soon drove them from this shelter and then they were compelled to climb for it. It was dangerous work trusting their weight to the boulders and also tried to show by the witness that crevices of the cliff. By careful climbing the six entrapped men got out of

reach of the ocean. Then followed a night of suffering such as tested their endurance to the utmost. Holding themselves against the face of the cliff, they waited hour after hour for the tide to recede. A cutting wind chilled them. Already drenched from their hapless dip in the surf, their clothing was kept saturated by the rain which

continued until nearly daylight. Held Prisoners Till Daylight.

Not until 6 o'clock yesterday morning did the tide recede so that they could climb down from the point of rocks. All their equipment was found at the base water-sonked provisions. Remaining over the rest of the day, they camped on the beach again last night and walked back to camp this forenoon, arriving at 10

STATE GUARDS STRIKE CAMP

o'clock.

Militia Boys Preparing to Go Home After Strenuous Campaign.

FORT STEVENS, Or., July 15 .- (Spe cial.)—The National Guard troops which have been participating in the Coast defense maneuvers at the mouth of the Columbia River struck camp today and

their home stations. No drills or ma-(Concluded on Page 3.)