MINE EXPLOSION SLAYS 339 MEN

Only Six Escape Uninjured From Radbod Shaft in Westphalia.

FLAMES REPEL RESCUERS

Whole Town Abandoned to Mourning When Hope of Survival Is Given Up — Courrieres Veterans Baffled.

HAMM, Westphalia, Germany, Nov. 12.—The greatest mine disaster in many years in Germany occurred this morning at the Radbod mine, about three miles from this place. There was a heavy explosion at 4 A. M., and almost immediately the mine took fire. Of 380 miners working underground at the time, only six escaped without injury. Thirty-five men were taken out badly hurt and 37 dead were brought to the mouth of the pit. The remaining 302 have been given up for lost.

The explosion was unusually violent, destroying one of the shafts, which had to be partly repaired before the rescue work was begun. In addition the flames and smoke proved to be almost insurmountable obstacles in the efforts of the rescuing parties. A special corps, composed of the men who rendered such valuable aid in the terrible mine disaster at Courrieres, France, in March, 1906, arrived upon the scene shortly before noon, but were unable to enter the mine, being forced to await the result of the efforts of the firemen to keep the flames in check.

Meantime heartrending scenes took place at the mine when the dead and injured were brought to the surface, and there were similar scenes in the town when the injured were transported through the streets to the hospitals.

At 1 o'clock the fire had made great headway, and later in the afternoon, after a consultation of the engineers, it was decided that any further attempts to rescue the entombed men would be in vain, owing to the impossibility of entering the galleries. At the same time an order was issued to flood the mine.

First reports indicated that the accident was the result of an explosion of coal dust, but the statements of the injured men rendered this improbable and it is not clear just what caused it.

ONE KILLED, 35 INJURED

Windows of Train Blown In by Explosion in Powder-House.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Nov. 12.—A terrific explosion in the glazing house of the Excelsior Springs Powder Company at Dodson, Mo., 10 miles south of Kansas City, this morning caused considerable property damage and resulted in the death of one man and the injury of 35 others.

Herman Kline, engineer in the glazing house, was killed and Mrs. J. B. McDonough, of Fort Scott, Kan., was seriously injured.

A Kansas City Southern passenger, northbound for Kansas City, was standing on the tracks two blocks distant from the powder works when the explosion occurred. The windows of the coaches were blown in and it was in this manner that so many persons were hurt.

Engineer Kline was the only person in the glazing house at the time of the explosion, and as he was instantly killed, no one knows the cause of the explosion. The total property damage will not exceed $25,000.

The injuries of the passengers and members of the train crew were so slight that only two remained at the hospitals in Kansas City after being treated. These were Mrs. McDonough, whose injuries are not considered fatal, and Mrs. Ellen Stitt.

SORRY HE WAS ELECTED

South Carolina Mill Operator Doesn't Want to Go to Congress.

NEW YORK, Nov. 12.—A Republican who was elected to Congress in North Carolina and who bemoans the fact is in New York. He is John Motley Morehead, a well-to-do woolen mill operator, who reluctantly accepted the nomination, refused to campaign and did not expect to win. When the votes were counted, however, it was found he had defeated Aubrey Brooks, the Democratic candidate in the Fifth District.

The unwilling statesman is now on his way to Washington to obtain a residence for himself and family, still persisting that he is a business man and ignorant of politics.

Despite Mr. Morehead's personal apathy, his campaign managers saw, as the campaign progressed, that he had a good chance of victory and laid the case before the Republican National Committee. A liberal donation was the result and the major portion of this was devoted to work in the Fifth District, with the outcome that a Republican, albeit almost rebellious, was elected and will serve in the next House of Representatives.

UTAH CONTRACT AWARDED

Camden Company Submits Lowest Bid on Battleship.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 12.—The Navy Department today awarded the contract for the building of the battleship Utah to the New York Shipbuilding Company, of Camden, N. J.

There were four bidders on this ship, the Camden company being the lowest bidder for a vessel of a speed of 20 and three quarters' knots. Its bid was $3,946,000. As designed, the displacement of the Utah will be about 21,825 tons.

BALLOON RACE ON SUNDAY

Spectacular Contest of American Aeronauts at Los Angeles.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Nov. 12.—One of the most spectacular balloon races in the history of American aeronautics will be started from Los Angeles next Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, when the two monster balloons, "America" and "United States," will be sent away in a race across the continent that may result in breaking all world's records for long-distance flights.

Two well-known aeronauts, Captain A. R. Mueller and Horace B. Wild, will be in the baskets, each accompanied by a navigator. Captain Mueller will command the America and Mr. Wild the United States. Both of the big balloons have sailed in international races, the United States being the winner of the James Gordon Bennett cup at Paris in 1906.

The present is the first great balloon race to be started on the Pacific Coast, and is much in the nature of an experiment. Aviators have, however, carefully tested and studied the air currents of the Coast and are confident that the wind will carry them directly toward the Atlantic Coast.

A feature of the race is that the great aerial craft must surmount mountain ranges in their flight toward the east, necessitating the attainment of a height hitherto unaccomplished in the West.

The American and United States will not be inflated with ordinary coal gas, as is usually done, but pure hydrogen gas of maximum lifting power will be employed instead. Each balloon will carry about three tons of ballast, divided into 128 sacks.

Provisions for 10 days will be loaded in the cars, including a fresh water supply and other necessities.

Flier Factory in Detroit.

DETROIT, Nov. 12.—Orville B. Wright, the famous aviator, has enlisted the support of Russell A. Alger, the Detroit capitalist, and son of the late Senator Alger, and an aeroplane factory will be built in Detroit.

LIBERALS MAY WIN

Probable Result of Cuban Election Saturday.

VERY CLOSE VOTE LIKELY

Conservatives Claim Majority of Vote Formerly Silent, but Liberals Claim All Provinces—Several Are Doubtful.

HAVANA, Nov. 12.—At the close of the Presidential campaign, which ended last night with a great Conservative demonstration in Havana, both the Conservative and the Liberal leaders expressed the utmost confidence as to the result. The election probably will be very close, but indications are rather favorable to the success of the Liberals.

Much depends upon the bringing out of the vote which was not cast in the elections in August, when only 269,123 votes were deposited as compared with a registration of 461,677. The Conservatives claim a greater portion of this silent vote of 182,000, alleging that their partisans were deterred by intimidation from going to the polls.

A careful canvass made by the Havana Post gives the Liberals Pinar del Rio, Havana and Oriente provinces, which would mean a total of 62 electoral votes, eight in excess of the number necessary for a choice. Santa Clara and Camaguey provinces are doubtful, while Matanzas is Conservative.

The Liberals claim all of the provinces, while the Conservatives concede to them Havana, but claim Pinar del Rio, Santa Clara, Oriente and Camaguey.

Even if the Liberals lose the presidency, they probably will have control of the Senate.

COMPLETE RETURNS OF OREGON PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION

Complete election returns from 33 out of 34 Oregon counties give Taft a plurality over Bryan of 24,343, which will be increased by the 250 known plurality in the one other county, Harney, to 24,593. The Oregonian's estimate on the night of the election was 25,000. Returns from the one unfinished county will raise the total Republican vote to about 62,600 and the Democratic to 38,000. In 1904 the Presidential vote was: Roosevelt, 60,455; Parker, 17,521. In the latest election, therefore, Taft polled some 2145 more votes than Roosevelt and Bryan 20,479 more than Parker. The Prohibition vote fell off from 3806 to 2700—a loss of 1106. The Socialist vote decreased from 7419 to 7125, a loss of 294. Hisgen polled only 327 votes in 32 complete counties and his total will probably not exceed 340. The Prohibition candidate received only one vote in Lake and none in Curry.

	Taft.	Bryan.	Chafin.	Debs.	His. gen.
Baker	1,091	1,005	23	286	16
Benton	1,184	773	89	68	2
Clackamas	2,776	1,866	115	364	20
Clatsop	1,482	658	33	284	9
Columbia	1,188	425	37	182	16
Coos	1,857	894	52	437	28
Crook	526	537	42	169	1
Curry	267	148	..	33	8
Douglas	2,087	1,361	59	567	1
Gilliam	500	251	6	40	2
Grant	749	433	13	306	15
Hood River	768	360	47	55	40
Jackson	2,637	1,537	98	379	10
Josephine	967	732	20	229	20
Klamath	634	429	11	82	10
Lake	464	223	1	50	3
Lane	3,569	2,179	103	461	14
Lincoln	595	287	15	121	5
Linn	2,155	1,508	149	332	2
Malheur	804	543	53	74	4
Marion	3,785	2,263	301	275	5
Morrow	682	279	....	....	.
Multnomah	17,819	9,859	630	1,455	45
Polk	1,459	1,113	75	139	4
Sherman	443	252	32	32	..
Tillamook	641	253	40	129	6
Umatilla	2,336	1,589	110	180	3
Union	1,520	1,199	41	282	10
Wallowa	909	512	23	169	3
Wasco	1,324	770	55	141	4
Washington	2,529	1,165	133	138	18
Wheeler	417	234	14	10	2
Yamhill	1,980	1,247	245	169	4
Totals	62,118	37,775	2,686	7,008	327

BALLOON MEETS DISASTER

TORN BY TREE, IT LOSES GAS AND FALLS IN SEA.

German Army Dirigible Comes to Grief in Baltic After Ten Hours' Flight.

BERLIN, Nov. 12.—One of the dirigible balloons of the German army made a flight from here last night and came down in the water near Woolin on the Baltic, after having been badly damaged by a collision with a tree. The pilots were not injured, however, and were brought safely to land.

The envelope was torn its entire length, and the steel stays were broken and all the gas escaped. The balloon lay in water for two hours before it was towed ashore. The flight lasted ten hours.

AMERICA MAY HEAD COURT

Uncle Sam to Help Arbitrate Casa Blanca Trouble.

NEW YORK, Nov. 12.—According to cable advices which have been received here, it is expected that because of divided sentiment among the powers, an American may be selected to head the court which will arbitrate the Casa Blanca affair.

It is said that the court of arbitration will have for its members a German, a Frenchman and two other foreign nominees. After their selection these four will be authorized to select a president, and, according to the understanding, this will be an American chosen by the American State Department.

This arrangement, it is said, is acceptable to France and Germany.

TROTTERS IN LIMELIGHT

New York Sporting Men Organize New Association.

NEW YORK, Nov. 12.—With horse-racing relegated somewhat to the background with the ban on betting, indications are that trotting meetings are to receive more attention in the future. This was indicated at a movement just inaugurated in New York to form an International Horse Show Association which, while it will further the interest of horse shows throughout the country will also serve to stimulate trotting. A committee of five was selected to draft by-laws and to further perfect the arrangements and to submit the results of their labors to the various organizations throughout the country.

HATFIELD TAKES TO STAGE

Man Who Was Held as Murderer Suspect Signs Up Contract.

SAN JOSE, Cal., Nov. 12.—William Hatfield, who yesterday was discharged from custody here after being detained several weeks in jail in Texas and in this city as a Dunham suspect, has been engaged by a local theater to make his appearance on the stage next Sunday evening.

From the rear of the footlights here he will tell the story for over a week of his capture and detention and then will go on the circuit for several weeks.

Hood River Rural Carriers.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Nov. 12.—John L. Stewart has been appointed regular, Grace Stewart substitute, rural carrier, route 1; Jim E. Mowers regular, Frank C. Stout substitute, route 2, at Hood River, Or.

LAMPHERE IN TIGHT BOX

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by the Gunness house and that he was on the spot when the fire broke out, about 4 o'clock, and that he was the only person around at that time. We will prove that he was at the Lake Erie crossing at 4:50 A. M. This is a mile and a quarter away.

Inquired About Victims.

"We will show that instead of going on the highway, Lamphere jumped over fences and ran along through the woods to John Ross' place, where he was going to get a broad ax before continuing to the Henry Warwick place, where he was employed. We will show by the evidence that when he was arrested that night by Deputy Sheriffs Anstiss and Marr the first thing he said was: 'Did those folks get out of the house?' So you see the thought foremost in his mind was the burning of that house."

Continuing, he said that the state would prove that Mrs. Gunness and her 5-year-old son, Philip, slept in a bed in the northwest corner on the second floor and that the two girls slept in a room in the southwest corner; that the fire was started in the southwest corner and was driven toward the north by the wind; that Mrs. Gunness and the boy were overcome, and that later, when the fire entered the girls' room they ran into their mother's room thereby getting into the hottest of the flames and going down with the mother and their brother.

"We will also prove," said Mr. Smith, "that when the bodies were found there was a foot of debris underneath mattresses, bedsprings, etc., showing that these bodies could not have been cadavers placed on the cement floor of the basement."

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MAKING GOOD MECHANICS OUT OF PORTLAND BOYS

What the new School of Trades is doing to promote skilled work in wood and iron.

WITH THE Y. W. C. A. LADY AT THE UNION STATION

Humor and pathos mingled in lonely passengers protected by Portland's Travelers' Aid Society.

WILL PEARY REACH THE NORTH POLE THIS TIME?

Dr. L. J. Wolf, who was surgeon with the expedition of 1905-1906, says it depends altogether on the weather.

FISHING WITH A FLY ON ROGUE RIVER

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MURDER CASE CAUSES SUIT

Woman Mistaken for Mrs. Gunness Sues Road for $30,000.

NEW YORK, Nov. 12.—Mrs. Cora B. Heeren has brought suit against the New York Central Railway asking $30,000 damages because, as she alleges, she was mistaken for Mrs. Belle Gunness, the La Porte (Ind.), murderess, and taken from the train near Utica, N. Y., last Summer. Her mother, it is said, who was with her at the time, has filed a suit for a similar amount for alleged indignities to which she alleges she was subjected. Mrs. Heeren, who lives in Brooklyn, declares that she suffered such a shock that neither she nor her mother has completely recovered.

OIL MAN IS MYSTERIOUS

Person Who Borrowed $7,500,000 From Standard Can't Be Located.

NEW YORK, Nov. 12.—The name of the "Mysterious Mr. Barnesdale," as he is called by Frank W. Kellogg, the Government's counsel in the Goverment's suit against the Standard Oil Company, was brought into the case at today's session. It appears from testimony previously given that T. N. Barnesdale had borrowed $7,500,000 from the Standard Oil Company and ever since this fact developed, Mr. Kellogg has been trying to learn all the details of the transaction. That his desire for knowledge in that direction has not been satisfied, became apparent today when he sought to obtain information regarding Barnesdale from W. H. Johnson, vice-president of the Mid-Continent Oil Producers' Association and one of the leading oil producers of the Oklahoma field. Mr. Johnson said he was slightly acquainted with Barnesdale and had few business dealings with him. He had no knowledge of his present whereabouts or why he had borrowed the $7,500,000 or even that he had borrowed it.

Resists Hold-up; Is Severely Beaten.

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., Nov. 12.—Two masked men held up the proprietor and three patrons in Finley's saloon in the heart of the business district last midnight. One patron resisted and was terribly beaten with a revolver. The holdups escaped with $60.

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HORRORS OF GOLD HUNT

INDIANS AND FEVER BESET PANAMA PROSPECTORS.

Guides Killed, Baron and Four Companions Wander in Jungle, Stricken With Fever.

NEW YORK, Nov. 12.—Baron von Teuber, who arrived here today on the steamer Magdalena from West Indian ports, told a thrilling story of a gold-hunting expedition in Panama, north of the canal zone, which resulted in the death of three members of his party.

The baron, with his brother and three mining engineers, who left this city several months ago for the gold and anthracite fields in the northern part of the Isthmus, finally started with two Indian guides for the north, from Colon through what proved to be a country jealously held by exceedingly hostile Indians.

A midnight encounter resulted in the fatal shooting of the Indian guides. Left thus in a strange, practically trailless country, they wandered helplessly. The three engineers were soon stricken with frightful fevers. The baron and his brother, however, made for the coast with the sick men, encountering constant hardships.

John Bradley, one of the engineers, died in a boat that they had hastily constructed, but Frederick Smith and Peter Bartlett were finally taken to the Ancon Hospital, where they are slowly recovering.

POLITICS AT HOT SPRINGS

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pay for permanent public improvements.

Senator Scott, of West Virginia, and Mrs. Scott came to spend some time. Mr. Scott stated today that he is anxious that whatever tariff revision is made shall be accomplished this Winter at the short session of Congress.

Scott for Immediate Revision.

"I believe that if we went to work with that end in view, we could get through with a tariff bill," he said. "The advantages of this would be great to the country, for it would place business in possession of what conditions were to be met at as early a date as possible. The delay means that contemplated business will wait to ascertain just what is to be done and a drag on conditions will follow."

All of these gentlemen doubtless will take the opportunity to have talks with Mr. Taft, but the President-elect said tonight that, as far as he knew, he would not be called upon for some time to make any important plans for the future. He insists that this for him is vacation time.

It was said today by those in a position to know that the Republican campaign fund was made up of between 11,000 and 12,000 subscriptions, only three or four of which were in an amount greater than the $10,000 limit fixed by Mr. Bryan.

GOES TO HIGHEST COURT

Oil Octopus Not Yet Shed of Its $29,000,000 Case.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 12.—Following the recent action of the Circuit Court of Appeals in Chicago in refusing the United States Government a re-hearing in the Standard Oil case, made famous by its $29,000,000 fine, the Department of Justice decided tonight to take the case to the Supreme Court of the United States. The decision was reached after an all-day conference between Attorney-General Bonaparte and Government attorneys who have been engaged in the case.

Application will be made to the Supreme Court, when it re-convenes November 30, for a writ of certiorari, to bring up and review the action of the Circuit Court of Appeals. In a statement issued by the Department following the adjournment of the conference, it was said:

"It was found that a considerable number of changes had been made in the opinion of the Court of Appeals originally rendered, and that Judge Baker, of that court, had filed a separate concurring opinion which differed materially in its reasoning from that of Judge Grosscup.

"After careful consideration of all phases of the situation, it was decided that an application should be made to the Supreme Court of the United States, when it re-convenes November 30, for a writ of certiorari to bring up and review the action of the Circuit Court of Appeals."

GAS KILLS FIVE CHILDREN

Father and Mother Escape but Little Ones Perish.

ELKINS, W. Va., Nov. 12.—An explosion of gas in the home of E. J. Rice, a barber at Beverly, near here, early today, resulted in the death of his five children. Rice and his wife escaped.

In a new telescope at Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, the reflector consists of a basin of mercury, revolved by an electric motor. By varying the speed the concavity of the mercury may be changed to alter the focus.

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ENGLISH PIANIST PROVES HERSELF A GREAT ARTIST

ADELA VERNE

Before a fashionable and representative audience that completely taxed the capacity of the Scottish Rite Cathedral, Miss Adela Verne, an English pianist, made her initial appearance in this city last evening.

Miss Verne has already won a most enviable reputation in England and on the Continent. All those who were fortunate enough to hear her last evening departed with the conviction that they had heard an artist of rare temperament, astounding technique, and a masterly interpretative insight. Her programme, a most difficult and varied one, was heartily applauded and she generously responded with several well-chosen encores.

Among those who have not kept pace with the wonderful advance in piano construction and the marked improvement made in tone production during the last few years, the magnificent Weber piano used by Miss Verne elicited much favorable comment. It seems impossible to conceive of a more perfectly balanced scale or truer and purer tones than those which poured forth from the Weber piano in response to the demands of this great young artist.

It was furnished by Eilers Piano House, who are the representatives for the famous Weber instruments in this locality.