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BANGOR IS SEARED BY \$6,000,000 FIRE

Three Lives Lost as Flames Sweep City.

THOUSANDS ARE HOMELESS

Blocks Dynamited in Attempt to Check Flames.

OTHER CITIES SEND AID

By Freak of Conflagration, City Hall in Maine Town Escapes Destruction—Mayor Puts Community Under Martial Law.

BANGOR Me., April 30.—One-third of Bangor is in ruins, thousands of persons are homeless and a property loss estimated at \$6,000,000 has been sustained, as the result of a conflagration which raged for hours tonight.

Starting in a hayshed on Broad street, the fire swept along Broad and Exchange streets through the heart of the city, leaving residences, churches, schools, business blocks and all the public buildings with the exception of the City Hall a mass of smoking ashes.

For many hours the firemen assisted by men and apparatus from other Maine cities, battled against the blaze before they conquered it. Dynamite proved of little avail. Buildings were blown up, but it was not until the wind, which had been blowing almost a gale during the night, shifted and a light rain fell, that there was any indication that the firemen would win.

Fire Fighters Checked.

Checked by the help from this unexpected quarter, the fire-fighting forces were concentrated near the corner of Hammond and Central streets, nearly two miles from the place where the blaze started, and there the spread of the flames was checked at midnight.

But while the rain and the shifting of the wind to the east saved the rest of the city, it only added to the discomforts of thousands who had seen their homes go up in flames, and who were huddled together in the streets.

The burning of churches and public buildings left many of the unfortunate without shelter. Three lives are known to have been lost, although the names of the dead have not been learned.

A fireman was injured by a falling wall and died on the way to the hospital; an unidentified young man was crushed to death when one of the churches collapsed and an elderly man, from Denver, who had crossed the river to watch the fire, also was buried beneath falling debris.

Neither of the city's newspapers was burned out and both will publish tomorrow as usual.

Food Supplies Destroyed.

The problem of housing and feeding the destitute must be attended to at daylight and it will be a serious one. There is hardly an eating-house, bakery or other store where food can be obtained. Already offers of help have been received by Mayor Mullen, but the professed aid cannot be expected to arrive in time to prevent suffering.

The Mayor called out a company of the National Guard and placed the city under martial law.

The fire is considered by insurance companies the worst Maine has known since the Portland fire in 1866, when a large part of the business section was destroyed with a loss of \$19,000,000.

Bangor has a population of nearly 25,000 by the 1910 census and the latest figures show a real estate valuation of \$18,898,967.

Fire Starts in Hay Shed.

The fire started in a hayshed near the J. Frank Green building on Broad street, and in a short time was sweeping through the city in a northwesterly direction.

Before midnight, both sides of Exchange street from York to State, both sides of State street from Kenduskeag stream to Broadway, a considerable part of Central Franklin streets, nearly all of Park street and Marlow street was in ruins and the flames had made inroads of nearly a mile into the best residential section of Broadway, Center and West streets.

Half an hour after the first alarm, nearly a dozen buildings were in flames, and the fire was eating its way northwesterly on either side of Kenduskeag stream. In its path were banks, office buildings, library and other structures, all of which were consumed.

Telephone System Gone.

The city was soon shut off from telephone communication by the burning of the central office and calls for aid from Portland, Lewiston and Augusta were sent out by the wire chief of the company, who climbed a pole and cut in at a trunk line. The telegraph companies offices were both burned early in the conflagration, but later it established temporary offices outside the fire zone and communication was restored.

Several alarms were sounded almost simultaneously. In addition to the fire at the corner of Broad and Exchange streets, the firemen found a blaze in a bicycle repairshop in the rear of the telephone office. Both fires spread

SOLDIER, ORDERED TO FRONT, DROWNS

DEATH TAKES COVETED COMMISSION FROM GUARDSMAN.

City Attorney of Alameda, Cal., Swept Into Bay by Boom From Deck of Yacht.

OAKLAND, Cal., April 30.—M. W. Simpson, City Attorney of Alameda and Major in the Fifth Infantry, California National Guard, was drowned off the yacht Carrie L. in San Francisco Bay, late this afternoon. But a few hours before his death he had received coveted orders from the War Department to proceed to the Mexican border to observe maneuvers there.

With Simpson in the boat were Police Judge R. P. Tappan, of Alameda, and a Chinese boy. As the sun set the breeze freshened and Simpson started forward to shorten sail. Inexplicably, the boom swung, knocking him from the gunwale. Judge Tappan, who has only one arm, found difficulty in rounding to, and when the boat reached the place where Simpson went overboard he had disappeared.

Simpson was 43 years old, a Californian by birth, and was an Assemblyman in the 29th and 30th session. In the Spanish-American War he served at Vancouver Barracks as Captain of Company O, Eighth California Volunteers. At the close of the war he received his majority and was assigned to the Fifth Infantry. He was divorced from his wife about three months ago and she and an infant child survive him.

CAR LEAPS THROUGH AIR

Concrete Steps Demolished by Crash of Loop-Line Runaway.

LOS ANGELES, April 30.—(Special.)—Thundering down the long Alvarado street hill like a sled on an icy slope, a car of the First and Sixth streets loop left the tracks today at the curve, leaped 20 feet through the air and crashed through a flight of solid concrete steps as though they were so much paper.

The motorman, conductor and three passengers, the only occupants of the car, were slightly injured. They are Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hunter, a bride and bridegroom; Mildred Smith, a school girl; W. H. Wicherhead, the motorman, and A. K. Walker, the conductor.

A cigar store in the basement of the building into which the car ran was half demolished and the steps leading to the Los Angeles School of Art and Design are a total loss. Failure of the emergency brake to operate was given as the cause.

FAMINE THREATENS FEZ

Moroccan City Besieged by Rebels in Hard Situation.

FEZ, Morocco, April 30.—The city is quiet, but the stock of provisions is low and famine threatens the populace.

There have been no further attacks by the rebels among whom dissensions appear to be springing up.

DARROW DELAYS DYNAMITE CASE

Noted Lawyer Hesitates to Lead Defense.

UNION MEN AWAIT DECISION

Prisoners Spend Day Reading of Dynamite and Death.

STRIKE SITUATION SERIOUS

Conditions in Los Angeles Grow More Difficult for Labor Leaders to Handle and General Walkout is Imminent.

LOS ANGELES, April 30.—Clarence Darrow has not promised definitely that he will undertake the defense of John and James McNamara, and, lacking such assurance, those interested in the case of the accused dynamite conspirators said today they were "up in the air" regarding the arraignment of the prisoners.

Labor leaders who are arranging the preliminaries do not want the men arraigned until Darrow is on the ground, and the best information they had today was that the Chicago attorney, instead of coming personally to Los Angeles, had sent a confidential representative to look over the situation before he would agree to accept the task of chief counsel in such a momentous legal struggle.

Arraignment May Be Postponed.

In consequence, the arraignment, which was scheduled to take place not later than next Wednesday, may be deferred, and the District Attorney is expected to consent to the delay, as it is understood that he is not averse to having further time to adjust various technical points in the state's side of the case.

These points are said to concern the indictments against the accused men which were drawn hastily after Burns had taken James McNamara and McManigal into custody at Detroit.

Assistant Prosecutors May Arrive.

It was also reported in official quarters that the arraignment might await the arrival of attorneys representing the National Erectors' Association, who, it is said, will join District Attorney Fredericks and his assistant, W. J. Ford, in the prosecution of the McNamaras. Since his alleged confession to the prosecutor three days ago and his subsequent refusal to see attorneys for the defense, McManigal is (Concluded on Page 4.)

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TARIFF PLOT SEEN IN LORIMER CASE

Big Corporations Involved in Scandal.

SECRET AGENTS FIND FACTS

Rubber and Woollens Men Connected With "Slush Fund."

NEW WITNESSES CALLED

Investigating Committee of Illinois Senate Shows Determination to Continue Until Results Are Obtained.

CHICAGO, April 30.—(Special.)—Secret agents of the Helm investigating committee are believed to have uncovered evidence of a sensational nature which is expected to result in bringing into the Lorimer bribery scandal the names of at least three prominent Eastern corporations and their head officials.

This was tacitly admitted today by persons closely associated with the investigation being conducted by the Helm committee of the State Senate, following the announcement this morning that persistent reports were current that persons interested in the woollens and rubber schedule of the Payne-Aldrich tariff bill had been mentioned in connection with the collection of the \$100,000 "slush" fund, alleged to have been disbursed to secure the election of William Lorimer to the United States Senate.

New Witnesses Called.

E. H. Hatfield, assistant sergeant-at-arms of the Senate, who arrested Edward Tilden, William C. Cummings and George M. Benedict last Friday morning, returned to Chicago this afternoon after a mysterious absence during which he is reported to have been on a still hunt for additional witnesses. He admitted having served several subpoenas yesterday but refused to give the names of the persons summoned.

"There is likely to be something popping at Springfield before long," he remarked. In Judge Pett's court tomorrow morning will begin what is expected to be one of the bitterest legal battles ever waged in an Illinois court by attorneys for the State, Cummings and Benedict, who were released on writs of habeas corpus immediately following their arrests, and John J. Healy, attorney for the Helm committee.

Senate May Convene Later.

Realizing that unless it can secure the testimony of these three men during the next fortnight the Senate will have added (Concluded on Page 4.)

5 LEGISLATORS TRAPPED

Three Detectives Arrested as Lobbyists in Ohio Reveal Real Mission.

COLUMBUS, O., April 30.—Admissions were made tonight by three men arrested last night as alleged lobbyists in the General Assembly that they had successfully manipulated a trap for the legislators suspected of bribery. Five legislators were named, including one Representative and four Senators.

It is admitted by Prosecutor Turner that a device to record conversations was placed under a couch in the hotel rooms occupied by the detectives and that incriminating evidence is in process of presentation to the grand jury. (Concluded on Page 4.)

ALLEGED DYNAMITERS UNDER ARREST AT LOS ANGELES, THEIR CUSTODIAN AND TWO LEADERS IN THEIR DEFENSE.



ABOVE, SNAPSHOT OF ORTIE MCANIGAL, SHIELDING HIS FACE FROM CAMERA; PORTRAIT OF J. J. MCNAMARA AND SNAPSHOT OF JAMES W. MCANIGAL, WHO IS RAISING DEFENSE FUND; SHERIFF W. A. HAMMILL AND CLARENCE DARROW, WHO IS EXPECTED TO DIRECT DEFENSE.

STRAHORN RUSHES SHORT LINE WORK

ORDERS FOR \$950,000 WORTH OF STEEL ARE PLACED.

Railroad Officials Anxious to Open Route to Portland Soon as Possible.

SPOKANE, Wash., April 30.—(Special.)—Orders have been placed for the steel rails and other track metal needed to complete that section of the former North Coast line from Spokane to Ayer Junction, according to F. L. Pitman, chief engineer of the third district of the Oregon-Washington Railway & Navigation Company, this afternoon. The total weight of the steel will be about 20,000 tons, and it will cost approximately \$950,000 by the time it is laid down in the yards ready to be placed on the grade.

Speaking of the work being done, Mr. Pitman said: "Soon after reaching Chicago I received instructions from President R. E. Strahorn directing me to push the work along the line with all possible vigor, to the end that the rails on the Short Line between Spokane and Portland will be in place at the earliest possible date. To this end I at once telegraphed instructions to rush the work north from Hooper, from which place the track will be laid north and south."

NEW YORK, April 30.—The steel mills reported a sudden increase in orders for railroad equipment and supplies received in the last two or three days, making the total for last week nearly 70,000 tons, and for April 152,000 tons. Export business was less. Railroad orders for cars was large, including 93 engines for the Southern Railway, but for April the equipment showing was a poor one. Bridge orders were especially light.

FIRE APPARATUS WANDERS

Yacolt Mayor Fears It Will Be Found in Town's Gardens.

VANCOUVER, Wash., April 30.—(Special.)—The town of Yacolt has lost its fire department apparatus and Vasco Christy, the Mayor, is searching gardens of the commonwealth believing a few of the residents borrowed the hose and fixtures and forgot to return them.

To aid him in his search Mayor Christy has advertised in the town paper. The advertisement reads: "Anybody having any of the City's fire apparatus, or knowing where any parts are, will kindly return the same to the Yacolt Bulletin office, where you will find the keys of the fire hall. If the hall is kept locked, except when there is need for the fire department."

FIRE ROUTS ACTRESSES

Bernhardt Troupe Flees to Street in Negligee Attire.

SAN JOSE, Cal., April 30.—(Special.)—Fire early this morning destroyed a restaurant adjoining the Eureka Hotel and sent a dozen members of Sarah Bernhardt's company scurrying into the streets in pajamas and night dresses. The fire did \$1000 damage. Many of the spectators were guests at the exclusive Saturday evening cotillion at the Hotel Vendome, having just left the hotel for their homes when the fire alarm rang in. Although the walls of the hotel were charred and several of the actors and actresses were drenched with water, there was no panic and exceptionally quick work by the fire department eliminated danger early. No one was hurt.

SOUTH DAKOTA HAS STORM

Fall at Dallas Is 2 Feet in 24 Hours. Nebraska Also Feels Storm.

OMAHA, Neb., April 30.—Reports from Dallas, S. D., show a fall of two feet of snow on the level during the last 24 hours. Heavy rain or snow storms also visited portions of southwestern Wyoming and Northwestern Nebraska.

Although the temperature has fallen, it is believed it will not drop to the point where growing crops will be seriously damaged. In this city the temperature dropped from 64 to 38.

MOTORCYCLE HITS TRAIN

Rider Meets Death as He Attempts to Cross Track.

TACOMA, Wash., April 30.—(Special.)—Laws Priest, of Seattle, after racing across the country for several miles on a motorcycle of which he had lost complete control, crashed into a fast interurban train at Orilla near Kent, Washington, today, and was almost instantly killed. Both machines were going at a terrific rate of speed.

The victim was riding his cycle from Tacoma to Seattle as he had been noticed during his ride by several people.

NEW BEER FORMULA FOUND

Patrolman Discovers Meaning of "Copia Ext. Humulis. Qt."

"Copia. Ext. Humulis. Qt." Patrolman Niles learned last night that this prescription, in abbreviated foreign language, meant six bottles of beer, when he found E. Reed buying six quarts of the beverage at T. Benninghoff's drug store in Kenton last night. Niles interpreted the "Qt." part of the prescription to mean Q. T., and left the other part to be figured out by the official interpreters.

LABOR CRISIS DUE IN CHICAGO TODAY

50,000 Workmen on Verge of Walkouts.

2500 BRICKMAKERS TO STRIKE

All Kilns Within 50 Miles of City Involved.

RAILROAD MEN MAY QUIT

May Day to Be Perilous for Windy City—Employees of Six Lines Post Ultimatum—Result Hinges on Reply.

LABOR STRUGGLES ON IN VARIOUS PARTS OF COUNTRY.

New York—Ten thousand or more men and women in three trades, machinists, watchmakers and bakers will walk out today unless an eight-hour day is granted, say labor leaders. Chicago—Industrial war, affecting nearly 10,000 men, including brickmakers and railroad employees will begin today, it is said, unless a conference is granted by the employers. Los Angeles—Instead of early settlement of the various labor disputes that have been hanging fire in Los Angeles for months, a general walkout in all trades unions appears imminent. Employers have begun letting out union carpenters, and the labor leaders in other lines may counter today regarding a general sympathetic strike.

CHICAGO, Ill., April 30.—(Special.)

Industrial disputes affecting approximately 50,000 workmen in Chicago will be ushered in tomorrow morning with the first day of May, known throughout the country as "strike day." In all sections of the city labor meetings and conferences with employers were held today, but except in one or two minor instances failed to clear an atmosphere surcharged with strike talk. Brickmakers representing all the yards within a 50-mile radius of the city held a meeting today and voted not to accept the ultimatum of the manufacturers for a restoration of the wage scale of 1903, which means a reduction of about 5 per cent from the rates in effect last year. Every yard in the district will be idle tomorrow morning, and both sides are prepared for a protracted struggle.

Strike Is Voted.

Four special meetings of maintenance-of-way employes of the railroad entering the city were held in the afternoon, and it was by almost unanimous vote that the men decided to quit work at 8 o'clock tomorrow unless the general manager consent to a conference and a recognition of the union.

In addition to track laborers, the organization controls signal men, electricians and other skilled workmen, and it is said a strike will hamper the railroads seriously at terminal and transfer points.

From 9 o'clock in the morning until 5 o'clock at night a steady stream of freight handlers visited the polls at the international headquarters, on a plan to strike unless the railroad managers consent to a conference.

In other cities, where the freight handlers are organized, from Minneapolis to New Orleans, a vote was taken Saturday, and reports today showed that it stood about 86 per cent in favor of a strike. The same ratio prevailed in the vote taken in this city.

The freight handlers will ask for arbitration under the Erdman law before ordering a walkout, although it was admitted that a strike was a possibility before the week was out.

While the freight handlers have asked for a wage increase, the stumbling block is their demand for recognition of their organization.

The strike against the Otis Elevator Company is due to internal troubles of several years' standing between machinists and elevator constructors. Two years ago the elevator constructors went on strike for increased wages. Machinists filled their places and have been doing the work since.

Pact Leads to Dissension.

A few months ago an agreement was reached through which the company would re-employ elevator constructors after tomorrow.

The machinists and electrical workers will not give up the work, which they insist belongs to their respective crafts, and have ordered their men to quit wherever elevator constructors are employed.

The machinery movers are to strike in sympathy with the machinists, as they have no direct grievance of their own.

Another conference on the building trades situation will be held tomorrow, but it does not promise results, as the plumbers will not listen to anything except that the steamfitters give up their union and affiliate with the plumbers' organization.

MANY UNION MEN DISCHARGED

Los Angeles Labor Crisis Approaches and General Strike May Result.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., April 30.—Though the organized carpenters of this