EXPLOSION KILLS SIX AT NAVY YARD

German Plot Is Suspected in Mare Island Magazine Disaster, Hurting 31.

PILLAR OF SMOKE IS SEEN

Patrols of Soldiers and Sailors Are Scattered Out and Island Is Placed Under Martial Law Pending Investigation.

VALLEJO, Cal., July 9.—A searching investigation was inaugurated tonight to determine the cause of an explosion of a black powder magazine at the Mare Island Navy-yard in San Francisco Bay early today, which claimed a toll of six lives and resulted in serious injuries to four persons and minor injuries to 27 others.

Navy officers, headed by Captain Harry George, commandant of the Navy-yard, 200 yards across the channel, and Federal agents co-operated in the probe. Arrests were expected, as it was believed, although not officially confirmed, that the blast was the result of an organized conspiracy.

Gunner and Family Killed.

The dead, the names of whom were officially announced, include Allen F. MacKenzie, chief gunner; his wife and two daughters, Dorothy, aged 12, and Mildred, 8; George Stanton, a gardener, employed by MacKenzie, and N. C. Damsteadt, a civilian employe in the ordnance department.

The list of wounded, none of whose injuries it was believed would prove fatal, included non-commissioned officers, enlisted men of the United States Navy and civilian laborers.

Martial Law Is Declared.

Commandant George refused to issue a statement as to the probable cause of the explosion, which wrecked nearly a dozen packing and shell houses in the vicinity of the magazine and broke thousands of dollars' worth of glass in Vallejo stores and residences, pending the result of the official investigation. He also refused to deny or affirm reports that several suspects had been arrested.

Military law was declared immediately following the detonation, which was heard in various towns within a radius of 40 miles, and no one was allowed to leave or land on the island.

Patrols Are Sent Out.

Patrols of soldiers and sailors scoured the hills, looking for suspicious characters, while the ambulances were conveying the wounded to the naval hospital and searching for the dead.

The explosion occurred at 7:54 o'clock. Eye-witnesses said a column of black smoke arose 300 feet. Shells, parts of steel plates, huge splinters of wood and debris were hurled in all directions. Passengers in a passing ferryboat were thrown into a panic and practically every window in the vessel was shattered.

Home Buries Four.

The bungalow occupied by the MacKenzies and the family of Gunner James L. McKenna was demolished. McKenna and his wife and baby and a nurse, Miss Margaret Ryan, were buried beneath the ruins of their section of the building, which collapsed. The portion occupied by MacKenzie was blown to bits.

Two storehouses were practically demolished and other buildings, occupied by petty officers and men, were partially wrecked.

MacKenzie's body was blown nearly 200 feet. The bodies of the others were almost unrecognizable.

Other Magazines Are Safe.

Many escaped death because of the light construction of the various buildings, which partly or totally collapsed, in the vicinity of the magazine. Other magazines containing high explosives were undamaged.

Thirty marines were eating breakfast when the blast came. The building tumbled about their heads. Some escaped unscratched. Others were stunned or rendered unconscious, but none were seriously wounded.

The families of C. E. Wooley and E. O. Corrigan, Southern Pacific Railroad employes, narrowly escaped death when the chimney of their home, nearly a half mile across the river from the scene crashed through the dining-room.

Telephone communication between Vallejo, where a majority of the Navy-yard employes live, was disrupted by the explosion. Crowds in the streets spread rumors that hundreds had been killed and wives, mothers and sisters lined the waterfront awaiting definite news. The utmost confusion reigned until the number of dead had been announced officially.

Explosion Believed Plotted.

Neil C. Damsteadt, one of those killed, was employed to take the temperature of the various powder-houses at frequent intervals. He had just taken the temperature of the exploding magazine and was about 200 yards away when the explosion came.

Investigators expressed the opinion that if the temperature had been abnormal Damsteadt would have given an alarm as soon as he left the building. From the deduction that the temperature was normal the investigators further expressed the belief that some external agency might have acted to cause the explosion. They said that black powder, such as was stored in the buildings, cannot be detonated by spontaneous combustion.

Sailors on Roof of Magazine.

Twenty sailors took station on the roof of a warehouse filled with guncotton and remained there to prevent fire from reaching the explosive until the danger was passed. Officials said that if the men had not prevented fire from reaching the guncotton a much more serious explosion would probably have resulted.

Captain George said tonight that all of the injured would recover. Friends of Mrs. Margaret Ryan, who was among the injured, expressed doubt about her recovery, and said relatives had been summoned.

NATIVE DAUGHTER DIES

MRS. JULIA FROST BORN NEAR OREGON CITY IN 1851 SUCCUMBS.

Third Death Recorded in Prominent Pioneer Family Within Year. Five Children Left.

OREGON CITY, July 9.—(Special.)—Mrs. Julia A. Frost, prominent Clackamas County pioneer, died suddenly at the home of her daughter, Mrs. E. H. Long, of Canemah, this morning. Death was due to heart disease.

Mrs. Frost had been ill for several weeks, but was much improved Sunday evening when retiring. Shortly after she had arisen this morning she complained to her daughter that she was unable to breathe and was advised to return to her bed by Mrs. Long, who summoned the family physician, Dr. Guy Mount. Mrs. Frost died a few minutes after being stricken.

The passing away of Mrs. Frost this morning makes the third death in one of Clackamas County's pioneer families within a year. The first was that of her brother, Cyrus Straight, of Oregon City, and a sister, Mrs. Mary E. George, of Chehalis, Wash., died a few months later.

Mrs. Frost was born at Parkplace, Clackamas County, May 13, 1851, and had resided in this county all her life.

She is survived by the following children: Elmer Frost, of Seattle, Wash.; Roscoe Frost, of Hoquiam, Wash.; Oliver Frost, Canemah; Mrs. J. W. Wood, of Independence, Or.; Mrs. E. H. Long, of Canemah.

FOUR DIVORCES GRANTED

Gussie Ferguson Commences Suit Against W. H. Ferguson.

"No woman on earth could live with that man," declared Dora Eller of J. D. Eller in her testimony yesterday before Presiding Judge Kavanaugh in support of her suit for divorce. The plaintiff told the court that shortly after her marriage to the defendant in December, 1916, he began his course of cruel treatment of herself and two children by a former marriage. She won a decree.

Caterino Angliotta through an interpreter, told of her unhappy marriage to A. Angliotta. A city detective testified as to the husband's alleged "affair" with another woman and told of a conversation which he overheard in which the husband and the "other woman" planned to go to the war front, he to fight and she as a Red Cross nurse. A decree was granted to her.

Estelle Grow proved her charges of cruelty and was awarded a decree from Russell Grow, while Lillian Wood obtained a decree from James Wood after she had related numerous instances of alleged cruelty.

On charges of desertion and cruelty Gussie Ferguson yesterday started suit for a divorce from W. H. Ferguson. They were married in 1910 and have one child, whose custody the plaintiff seeks.

PHILIP GLOVER IS DEAD

Quintet Line of Aged Brothers Broken When Pioneer Passes.

SALEM, Or., July 9.—(Special.)—Philip Glover, pioneer of 1849, died at his home near Sublimity Sunday morning at the age of 88 years. With his passing a quintet line of aged brothers was broken. Sam and James Glover, of Spokane, are 87 and 80 years, respectively; John, of British Columbia, is 72, and Charles, of Portland, 77, and all survive Philip Glover.

He also is survived by a widow, whose maiden name was Delilah Edmunson, and the following children: Mrs. Amelia Conick, of Klipsan Beach; William Henry and John Glover, Grandview; Arthur, Salem; George, Sublimity; Mrs. Ellen Lambert, Stayton, and Frank Glover, Dallas. The funeral will be held tomorrow at 2 o'clock at the residence.

BEND GETS 7 RECRUITS

Party of Six for Army Hospital Corps Leaves for Portland.

BEND, Or., July 9.—(Special.)—Six recruits for the United States Army Hospital Corps left here today for Portland—Claud T. Border and Harold G. Rooney, of Gist; David P. Miekels, of Fort Rock; Ben R. Gillander, of Bend, and Charles Ferguson, of Crescent. Sergeant Charles Davis, in charge of recruiting in Central Oregon, is now turning his attention to the signal corps, having received word that there are 1000 vacancies to be filled.

Another recruit to leave today was J. E. Engebretson, proprietor of one of the leading plumbing shops here. Mr. Engebretson has turned his business over to an assistant and will seek service as a mechanic on a submarine chaser. He has had previous experience in the Navy.

THIRD OREGON TO BENEFIT

Oregon City Concert Saturday Evening Nets $415.

OREGON CITY, Or., July 9.—Mrs. W. R. Logus, who had charge of the concert given at the Busch Hall and the ball that followed on Saturday evening for the benefit of the hospital fund of the Third Oregon Regiment, placed on deposit in this city $415, subject to check by the Third Oregon. This amount will assist in the purchasing of an ambulance and other necessities on the field and in active service.

For some time this regiment has been in need of an ambulance, and the movement now under way for purchasing one is favorably received in Oregon City. The programme was given by the Third Infantry band and drew a large crowd.

Farmer Is Believed Demented.

The police arrested Otis W. Lancaster at 10:30 o'clock last night, on neighbors' complaint that the man was demented. Lancaster is living at 546 Going street. He says he is a farmer.

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First Session of Main Convention of N. E. A. Held.

PRESIDENT ALEY IS HEARD

Important Part Instructors Play by Inculcating Patriotism and Loyalty Into Hearts of Young Americans Emphasized.

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logically carried out by the advancement of the teacher with the pupils as they pass into higher grades.

Superintendent Alderman, in speaking of conditions today confronting the schools, said: "We realize as never before that we must prevent waste, and the greatest waste in the world is the waste of human talent. Our motto in the crisis hitherto has been, 'School as usual.' Hereafter it must be 'School as unusual.' The great outstanding strength in our educational system is the teacher."

W. T. Foster Lauds Ideals.

That the high purpose of the schools and college should be to preserve and foster those principles for which America cast her gauge of battle was the declaration of Dr. William T. Foster, president of Reed College, in his words of welcome.

"This should become a day memorable in the history of Portland, memorable in the history of the National Education Association—the day upon which we welcome the teachers of the Nation in this, the first year of our entrance into the world war," said Dr. Foster.

"The dominant purpose of this convention, therefore, is fixed by world events. We could not escape it if we would. Our new and controlling problem is how to use the war to clarify our vision and intensify our noblest National purposes. War—which elsewhere breeds brutality, bigotry, cupidity, race-hatred, intolerance—must in school and college be interpreted to develop catholicity of spirit, human sympathy, sacrificial devotion to convictions and passion for truth and justice.

Truth Declared Great Factor.

"Armies and navies and aeroplanes alone cannot make the world safe for truth; and the world cannot be safe for democracy until it is safe for truth. Democracy is a body of ideals. Its last citadel of refuge from the enemy therefore must be an institution dedicated to the conservation of ideals. Such an institution is the school.

"Thousands of the young men of America are now on their way from the universities to the front trenches of the fight for ideals. We are giving the best we have. Some of them will never return. That will be a loss beyond the power of imagination, but it will be a greater tragedy if, while they are dying at the front, we who are entrusted with the conservation of National ideals fail to do our part in making the world safe for democracy. We shall fail unless we make our schools and universities safe places for continuing—even under stress of war—to inculcate the principles for which we went to war. For what shall it profit us if we gain the whole world for democracy and thereby lose the soul of democracy?"

Ex-Portlander Answers Welcome.

A great joke it was to him, said Dr. Clyde A. Duniway, president-elect of Colorado College, when President Aley, of the National Education Association, asked him to deliver a response to the addresses of welcome, little knowing that Dr. Duniway used to go swimming in the Willamette and range the woods of Portland Heights in his youth.

And in his response Dr. Duniway made it very plain to the assembled convention that he has lost none of his boyhood affection for the Oregon country. He asserted that a few days' residence would, in turn, enthrall them.

To this juncture the session had been presided over by David B. Johnson, retiring president of the N. E. A., who now relinquished his place to President Aley, at the same time presenting him with a handsome gavel, the gift of technical classes of the Bangor high schools, in President Aley's home state of Maine.

President Aley Speaks.

"This great association has never held a meeting when National and world conditions were as they are now. Our country for the first time in her history is part of a world conflict," said President Aley in his inaugural address. "This world struggle is between democracy and autocracy. Democracy must win or all the sacrifices of the past have been in vain.

"Last August, by the establishment by Congress of the Council for National Defense, with its advisory committee on engineering and education, official recognition was given to education as a National resource. It is significant that this is the first time education has been so recognized. As teachers we certainly appreciate the confidence of the Government in our work. We renew the pledges that our work of the past has verified and offer ourselves unreservedly for the great work ahead of us.

Co-operation Is Urged.

"Organized education must continue to produce broadly educated men and women. In addition, it must speed up its machinery and produce men and women specially prepared to handle the difficult and complex problems of the great war. It is also essential that organized education do more than heretofore to disseminate knowledge and to illustrate and teach how our citizens may produce more and conserve better.

"The democracy of this country has produced a multitude of schools of different ideas and ideals. In this crisis, we need the hearty and united service of all the men and women produced by all these schools. The discussions of the past have, perhaps, helped us to clarify our notions, but they have also fixed us in our opinions, strengthened our conservatism and unduly emphasized differences. We need now to open our mind to new needs, to let go some of our conservatism, and to place a mighty emphasis upon fundamental likenesses.

"In a country like ours where saving has been unnecessary, keenness of wit and an ability to profit by failure have been fairly good substitutes for systematic training and scientific knowledge. The rapid increase of our population, the higher plane of living expected and demanded of our citizens, the increasing complexity of modern life, the demands of our allies upon us in the present crisis, and the part that we must play at the close of the war in the remaking of the world, all unite to give American education an opportunity and to place upon it a greater responsibility. If education accepts its opportunity and assumes its responsibility, there must be co-ordination and co-operation. It is the function of the National Education Association, the greatest educational organization in the world, to bring to the American people a constructive educational programme, adequate for present needs, and flexible enough to be easily adjusted to future growth."

Dr. Van Hise Is Heard.

Illuminated by clear logic and the citation of unquestionable facts, was the address of Charles R. Van Hise, president of the University of Wisconsin, who is in attendance as the accredited representative of Herbert Hoover, food controller of the United States.

Dr. Van Hise spoke of the absolute necessity for conservation of all resources, particularly of food, that the arm of the Nation may be strengthened in the strife with Germany. He pointed the way by which the educators of America may share in the campaign for conservation, which is one of the most important of democracy's drives against autocracy.

"I ask that this great group of teachers do everything possible in order to make the Nation appreciate the absolute necessity for the adoption of a conservative readjusted food programme," said Dr. Van Hise, in conclusion, "as one of the imperatively essential steps which are necessary to maintain in this world the principles of freedom and democracy, upon which this Nation was founded."

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RAID CRITICS MET

Premier Declares German Visit to London Is Costly.

CITY WILL NOT BE IMMUNE

Lloyd George Points Out Success of Attacks Over Enemy Lines in Country Well Protected and Full of Hostile Craft.

LONDON, July 9.—The morning newspapers subordinate everything to Saturday's air raid. The country, it is declared, has been disgraced in a manner never experienced since the Dutch fleet burned Chatham, more than 250 years ago. The incident is described as disgraceful alike to the War Office and the Admiralty air service and the removal of those responsible for the "miserable display of incompetence" is demanded.

Even those comments which are more restrained complain that Great Britain is falling behind in aircraft construction and say it needs speeding up.

National Pride Wounded.

In all the comments there is the same note of outraged national pride and disgust at the impunity with which the enemy came, raided and departed.

Twenty-two airplanes of the Gotha bombing type took part in the raid on London last Saturday, Premier Lloyd George announced at the secret session of the House of Commons tonight, according to the official account. Three of the raiders were destroyed and six machines of the protecting squadrons also were destroyed. Following is the official account of the secret session:

"The Premier opened the proceedings by giving briefly an account of the raid. He said 22 airplanes of the Gotha bombing type, carrying about 880 pounds of explosives apiece, came over London. Of the three destroyed, one was by the machines actually protecting London. Besides this, out of the protecting squadrons, which the Germans organized to assist the return of the raiding squadron, six machines were destroyed and one damaged.

Attack Costly to Germans.

"The attack, in fact, had not been made with impunity. He wished to point out that the first fact the House should get into its mind was that complete protection in the air could never be obtained.

"At the front our machines daily are crossing over the German lines, and, notwithstanding the most terrible anti-aircraft fire and very powerful German air squadrons, they are yet able regularly to bombard stations and headquarters behind the German lines. That is possible daily in a region where German airplanes and anti-aircraft strength is concentrated most closely. The people should realize that no measure would give complete immunity. The nearest approach to immunity lies in making their visits so costly that they would not become worth the Germans' while.

"The first consideration before the government was to insure that the army in France was supplied sufficiently with airplanes. They were the army's eyes, without which it was impossible to advance. To photograph the enemy's works required air supremacy, and without that supremacy it was sheer murder to allow troops to advance.

"The Germans realize the importance of this question quite as much as we, and they are trying to diminish our superiority by attempting to force us to withdraw machines from France in order to protect our home towns; if the Germans knew that by bombing English towns they could compel us to withdraw fighting squadrons from France, nothing would encourage them more."

DR. VAN HISE IS DINED

Head of University of Wisconsin Is Guest of Alumni.

Charles R. Van Hise, president of the University of Wisconsin, who is a prominent speaker at the N. E. A. convention, was guest of honor last night at an impromptu dinner at the Benson Hotel, arranged for him by a few of the graduates of that institution residing in Portland.

The following alumni attended the dinner: James B. Kerr, N. A. Coleman, Loyal H. McCarthy, H. V. Stahl, G. G. Schmitt, O. Laurgaard, Matthew G. Berge, Eugene Brookings, V. H. Reineking, John W. Cunningham and Arthur Cotzhausen.

At the suggestion of President Van Hise the first step toward the organization of a Wisconsin Alumni Association in Portland was taken by the appointment of a committee on organization consisting of James B. Kerr, H. V. Stahl and Loyal H. McCarthy.

TOT LOST ON STREETCAR

Young Daughter of W. A. Holt Recovered After Long Absence.

Betty, the 6-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter A. Holt, of 867 Lovejoy street, gravely mounted a Twenty-third-street car at 2 P. M. yesterday and proceeded to ride back and forth across town until 4:30 o'clock, when the carmen, being unable to find out who she was or where she lived, turned her over to a traffic patrolman.

She was held at the Police Station until 6 o'clock, when a frantic "daddy" came down and was overjoyed to find his girl. Her father is the assistant cashier of the United States National Bank.

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