# PEDESTRIAN IS HUR GAS EXPLOSION

Flying Piece of Manhole Cover Hits Woman.

WINDOWS BLOWN TO BITS

Spark From Electric Wires in Conduit Believed to Have Been Cause of Accident.

Explosion of gas which had collected in the underground light-wire conduits of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company, blew up three manholes on Fifth street, between Salmon and Main streets, at \$:30 o'clock last night, with the result that one woman was injured and a dozen windows broken at Fifth and Main streets.

Miss Ethel Walker, 290 College street, was struck on the head by a piece of the manhole cover. She re-

piece of the mannois cover. She re-ceived treatment in the Emergency hospital and later was sent home. The conduits are about six feet deep and two feet wide, with electric cables inside. The authorities believe that gas had leaked into the conduits and was ignited by an electric spark. The gas was believed to have come from a leaky pipe carrying illuminatgas or to have leaked from a

Cover Blown High in Air. The worst explosion was at Fifth and Main streets, where Miss Walker was injured. The steel manhole cover and the cast iron cap underneath it were blown high in the air. The cast iron cap was broken into a dozen

The windows of the Ideal barber shop, 242 Fifth street; of the Cash, grocery, 240 Fifth street, and of a lodging house at 240½ Fifth street were shattered by the concussion. The

were shattered by the concussion. The lodging house is over the grocery store and the barber shop and is conducted by Mrs. A. G. Dark.

Miss Walker's hat was smashed as though one of the fragments of iron had descended on her head. She had a bad scalp wound, but it was not though that she had been injured seriously. seriously.

Woman Standing on Corner. Miss Walker was standing with W. Williams of 287 East Thirty-

fourth street on the southeast corner of Fifth and Main streets when the explosion occurred. She was taken to the emergency hospital in the automobile of Mr. and Mrs. J. Simon, 307 Ainsworth avenue.

The explosions at Fifth and Salmon streets and in the middle of the block were less violent. The manhole in the middle of the block is only feet from the courthouse, but no w dows were broken in that building or

across the street.
Simultaneously with the explosio the electric lights went out in fire headquarters in the city hall. Simi-lar incidents happened in other buildings close by, according to reports to the police. The explosion could be heard for several blocks and attracted a large crowd. The police say the explosion probably caused a short-circuit in the light wires. The lights began burning after a short time. Sergeant Keegan and a squad of police set red lights around the broken police thought it unsafe to replace even the steel tops lest the gas accumulate and explode again.

PERMIT FOR BASEMENT OF STRUCTURE OBTAINED.

Berkshire Company Announces Construction Will Go on in Spite of City's Refusal.

Although the city persists in re-fusing a permit for the proposed new \$200,000 apartment house at King and Main streets, in the fashionable Port land Heights district, C. V. Everet of the Berkshire company, which is financing the structure, said last night that a permit for the excava-tions had been obtained, and that work would be started within two weeks. He said 11 apartments had already been leased in the new build-ing, which, according to present plans, will be ready for occupancy by September 1. Mandamus proceedings against the

city council for refusing to issue the building permit are scheduled to be heard in the circuit court today. Mr. Everett intimated that regardless of the outcome of the mandamus hear-ing, the work would go ahead while the tachnicalities were fought out in court. The Berkenire company is already carying on an extensive advertising campaign to lease apart-

The proposed apartment house has been planned as one of the most claborate structures in the city. The plans provide for 31 apartments, of from three to nine rooms each, besides a large game and dance room, two parlors, a sun playroom on the roof and a large court serving as the control of the most and a large court serving as approach to the main entrances,

DR. R. H. MILLIGAN TO LEAVE ROSE CITY PARK CHURCH.

Resolution of Congregation Urging Preacher to Stay Unavailing; Plans Not Announced.

Dr. Robert H. Milligan, who, through the period of his pastorate at the Rose City Park Presbyterian church, has built up one of the strongest congregations in the northwest, tendered his resignation to the republic" bonds were completed yes-session a few days ago and, declining terday at a meeting of campaign to reconsider at the request of the leaders at the Portland hotel, with members thereof, announced from the Dan Kellaher acting as chairman. members thereof, announced from the pulpit yesterday morning his intention to leave after Easter. His stated in the total came as a complete surprise to nearly all of those present, only a few officials having known of his decision. His future plans have not been made public.

Dr. Milligan visited the east on business several weeks ago, and upon his return immediately announced to the several weeks ago, and upon his return immediately announced to the several weeks ago, and upon his return immediately announced to the several weeks ago, and upon his return immediately announced to the several weeks ago, and upon his return immediately announced to the several weeks ago, and upon his return immediately announced to the several weeks ago, and upon his return immediately announced to the several weeks ago, and upon his return immediately announced to the several weeks ago, and upon his return immediately announced to the several weeks ago, and upon his return immediately announced to the several weeks ago, and upon his return immediately announced to the several weeks ago, and upon his return immediately announced to the several weeks ago, and upon his return immediately announced to the several weeks ago, and upon his return immediately announced to the several weeks ago, and upon his return immediately announced to the several weeks ago, and upon his return immediately announced to the several weeks ago, and upon his return immediately announced to the several weeks ago, and upon his return immediately announced to the several weeks ago, and upon his return immediately announced to the several weeks ago, and upon his return immediately announced to the several weeks ago, and upon his return immediately announced to the several weeks ago, and upon his return immediately announced to the several weeks ago, and upon his return immediately announced to the several weeks ago, and upon his return immediately announced to the several weeks ago, and upon his return immediately announced to the several weeks ago, and the

his return immediately announced to a few friends that he would tender and for Oregon \$100,000. The state his resignation. Later he placed it campaign opens February 15. with the session for action.

being absent, a resolution was unantmously adopted urging him to remain.
This resolution was read to the congregation yesterday morning by R. F.
Feemster, clerk. This set forth the
details, emphasized the high esteem
in which the pastor is held and recited his reasons, including the condition of his health and his determimatter resign and asked him to renation to resign, and asked him to reconsider and remain.

consider and remain.

Dr. Milligan replied that he had fully decided upon plans calling for a change and that he would not delay answering the request that he remain. He said he could not. Another reso-lution was then read, urging him to stay and give the church his leader ship during the days intervening be-tween now and Easter, these being

SEARCH IS CONTINUED FOR CORVALLIS WOMAN



Mrs. Edward M. Buol. · CORVALLIS, Or., Feb. (Special.)—Search for Mrs. Ed-ward M. Buol, who disappeared from her home here last Friday, is being continued without re-laxation. The farewell note to her husband, who is assistant professor of forestry at the Oregon Agricultural college, was attributed to a period of despendency.

Parties are scouring the coun-try in the hope of finding some trace of the missing woman and have traversed the banks of the Willamette river without locating any clew whatever.

highly important, and Dr. Milligan said he would do so. This means that Dr. Milligan will remain until some time in April, the exact date not having been set. Fol-lowing the close of services yester-day morning Dr. Milligan was sur-

MRS. ANNA HANSON, 62, VICTIM OF AUTO COLLÍSION.

Head Strikes on Pavement and Scalp Is Lacerated: Other Accidents Reported.

Mrs. Hanson was taken to the St. and realizing Vincent's hospital following the ac- without the

The woman is said to have attempted to spring from the Campbell machine in which she was riding at the time of the collision. She fell and struck her head on the pavement. The machine driven by Ray was bowled over on its side by the force

hen S. I. Parks, 294 Clay street, ranked up his machine at Fiftieth and Clay streets yesterday afternoon the car started and ran over him, cutting him severely about the head.

WORKING FORCE AT INFLU-ENZA QUARTERS CUT DOWN.

Iwo Attendants Reported III; Ten Inspectors Named to Look After Theaters and Movies.

The force at the city influenza ho pital was reduced yesterday when one of the nurses and an orderly be-came sick, both apparently with in-Director-General Hines is expected fluenza.

Dr. Parrish declared there was

great opportunity at the hospital for Statement in Von Tirpitz' Memoirs omeone who wished to be of as-sistance in the present crisis. One family of eight persons were

the spread of the disease in the city. He expected further reports today. There is no system for receiving and checking them on Sunday.

To help combat influenza ten sanitary inspectors have been appointed to inspect theaters and movie houses of the city daily.

## IRISH TO SELL BONDS

Multnomah County Quota \$35,000

for "Republie" Funds. Plans for the subscribing of Mult nomah county's quota of the "Irish republic" bonds were completed yes-

Phone your want ads to The Orego-At a meeting of the seasion held last Saturday night, Dr. Milligan uian. Main 7070, A 6095.

Renewal of Treaty Fight Creates Expectancy.

DANGER SEEN IN DELAY

Prominent Frenchmen Voice Ap peal, Praying for Early Ratification by America.

BY JAMES M. TUOHY. (Copyright by the New York World. Pub-lished by Arrangement.)
PARIS, Feb. 8.—(Special Cable.)— France is awaiting the United States senate's action on the peace treaty with a sense of expectancy. The hope is held that ratification will at least

issue from the deliberations.

Statesmen see all the evils accruing from delay growing in danger, and the need of ratification is powerfully voiced by Baron d'Estournelles de Constant, a senator who admits that he was himself one of the severest he was himself one of the severest

omissions and contradictions. I criti-cized it more than anyone else in the French parliament. Monsieur Clemnceau never forgave me. His adminenceau never forgave me. His admin-istration did everything to punish me by trying to prevent my re-election to the senate. Despite all this, I voted for ratification of the treaty because we could not prolong any more a situation which was neither peace nor war.

"Abstention Suicidal."

"Now, all together, we can improve the ratified treaty. We can commence to organize a society of nations. A noble emulation under the pressure of public opinion is going to group all governments in the service of this organization. The work is urgent. The only option is between the society of nations and anarchy. ions. A noble emulation under the the society of nations and anarchy.
"Is it possible that the United Mr
States should remain any longer in nurs uncertainty apart from the universal effort? No. The United States saved Europe from barbarism by its intervention in the war. That is only the beginning of the immense service that civilization is expecting from that civilization is expecting from the next room for her husthat civilization is expecting from America's enthusiasm. It now re-mains with them to save the world from anarchy by their intervention is

"In the universal cataclysm abstention is no policy, it is suicidal. A great democracy, the biggest and most High School Mid-Year Commence owerful of all, cannot commit sui

Equally impressive and striking is the appeal made by Senator Hoorriot Maire of Lyons, one of the ablest and

of a free nation. I therefore can only follow with the greatest anguish the debate before the American senate. But, admiring the United States and grateful to that great nation for the be special musical numbers under the

Ray, 844 East Twenty-ninth street, at East Fifteenth and Weidler streets.

Mrs. Hanson was taken to the St. And realizing idealism. But with or Vincent's hospital following the acnation, upon whom the entire world

THREE IN AUTO HURT

Two Women and Man Injured in Collision With Street Car.

the car started and ran over him, cutting him severely about the head. Howard Markensen, 10, of 567 Skidmore street, was taken to St. Vincent's hospital late yesterday suffering from a broken nose sustained in an automobile collision at East Twenty-eighth street and Sandy boulevard.

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Mrs. Larson suffered a broken nose and was taken to St. Vincent's hospital.

NEW YORK QUIZ RESUMES
Ousted Assembly to Take Week to

WAGE CONFAB TO GO ON

Proposal This Week.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8 .- Conference tween railroad administration officials and heads of railroad employes' unions over wage demands of the workers will be resumed tomorto submit a definite proposition to the union officials and action in the opin-Dr. George Parrish, city physician. spent practically all day searching for help, as the remaining force at the layed.

Refuted by Admiralty.

was stated that Admiral Togo's naval victory over the Russians was due to the presence of a British naval officer on Togo's flagship. The British adniralty issues tonight a denial, say

'Admiral Tirpitz' memoirs contains a statement wholly contrary to fact, that British naval officers, attached to Admiral Togo's staff, took an important part in the decisions of the Japanese command in action. As this allegation reflects on the professional reputation of a most distinguished Japanese admiral the secretary of state for foreign affairs has, at the request of the admiralty, informed the Japanese ambassador it has the un qualified contradiction of his majesty's

## 'FLU' CAUSE OF TRAGEDY

GRIEF-STRICKEN WIFE KILLS SELF WHEN HUSBAND DIES.

Scattle Woman a Suicide Within Half an Hour of Barber's Death.

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 9 .- (Special.)-Half an hour after the death from influenza of her husband, Ed-ward Phelps, a barber, at 10:30 o'clock Sunday morning, Mrs. Alice H. Phelps, grief-stricken and unable to bear the thought of living without him, ended her own life by firing a bullet into her head at her home, 313 West Sixty-fifth street. Mrs. Phelps was formerly a resi

critics of the treaty.

"I shall speak openly, as I always do to my American friends." he said today. "I implore them, republicans or democrats, to ratify the treaty. This treaty is full of imperfections, to recommend the treaty. This treaty is full of imperfections, and the treaty is full of imperfections, and the treaty is full of imperfections.

had attended Phelps, was the only other person in the house. She had been sent from the room by Mrs. Phelps for Mr. Phelps' garments to be taken to the undertakers.

Miss Johnson had barely stepped across the threshhold when she heard a shot. Rushing back into the room Miss Johnson found Mrs. Phelps lying on the floor, an automatic pistol

her hand and a bullet wound in her head. Death was instantaneous, physicians say.

Phelps was 36 years old and conducted the barber shop in the New Richmond hotel. He had been ill

Mrs. Phelps was inconsolable. The nurse says the wife's grief was so great that she gave her her entire attention for a half hour after the hus-band's death. Mrs. Phelps appeared band's garments.

## SALEM GRADUATES NINE

ment to Be Held February 13.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 8 .- (Special.)-Nine young men and women will grad-Maire of Lyons, one of the ablest and most progressive minds in France, who said:

uate from the Salem high school on February 13, according to a list of the successful students prepared by "My liberal policies forbid me to laureate sermon was preached by interfere with the internal discussions Rev. Leland W. Porter at the Chris-

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Young Man Gagged, Robbed and Thrown From Car.

OAKLAND, Cal., Feb. 8 .- Herman Ritzmann, former soldier on his way from Fresno to Seattle, was bound and gagged, robbed of \$1000 and thrown from a Southern Pacific train to the railroad tracks, where he was found early today. Ritzmann said he had no recollection of what had happened to him since he left Fresno. He said he recently had inherited

Present Case.

ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 8 .- The fifth Hines Expected to Make Definite charges of disloyalty against the five socialist members will begin Tuesday when it is expected that the prosecution will complete introduction of its

When the judiciary committee re-cessed on Thursday, counsel for the committee announced that with the exception of a few "odds and ends" of evidence, its case virtually had been closed. Counsel for the ousted assemblymen have announced that they would require only a week t present their case.

Hop Growers Get 35 Cents. SALEM, Or., Feb. 8 .- (Special.)-Hop buyers in the Salem district have several contracts whereby they agret to take the growers' product for a term of three years at a stipulated price of 35 cents a pound. As a result of these contracts One family of eight persons were taken to the hospital yesterday suffering with influenza. Dr. Parrish received no other reports relative to in Admiral von Tirpitz' memoirs it materially increased this season.

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