

GOETHAM JARRED BY GIANT BOMB

Financial Center Scene of Catastrophe.

29 DEAD, HUNDREDS HURT

Buildings Battered, Windows Shattered, Streets Converted Into Shambles.

PLOT EVIDENCE DISCLOSED

Message Giving Warning of Blow-Up Is Known to Have Been Delivered.

NEW YORK, Sept. 16.—(By the Associated Press.)—A mysterious explosion in Wall street, near Broad, believed by, trained department of justice and police investigators to have been caused by an infernal machine, rocked the heart of New York's financial district at noon today, leaving death and destruction in its wake.

At least 29 persons were killed, more than 200 were injured, the banking house of J. P. Morgan & Co., the United States sub-treasury and assay office were partially wrecked and property damage estimated in excess of \$1,000,000 was caused.

Bomb Theory Doubted.

Thomas W. Lamont of the J. P. Morgan firm expressed the belief, however, that the explosion was purely an accident caused by a collision between an explosive wagon and another vehicle. The firm had received no threats of any kind, he said, and there was no real reason for the planting of a bomb outside the firm's office.

Blast Deafening One.

Then came a deafening blast. A moment later scores of men, women and children were lying prostrate on the ground and the streets were covered with debris from thousands of broken windows and the torn facades of adjacent buildings. Two minutes later the stock and curb exchanges, the financial pulse of the world, had closed.

Panic and confusion reigned in the heart of New York's financial district. Thousands of clerks and stenographers fled in terror from adjoining structures. Scores fainted, fell and were trampled on in the rush. Meanwhile the noise of the explosion, which was heard throughout lower Manhattan and across the river in Brooklyn, brought thousands of the curious to the scene.

Police Are Helpless.

The few police on duty in the district were unable to cope with the crowds and a hurry call for police reserves was sent to all downtown police stations.

Sub-treasury officials, fearing that an attempt might be made to rqb the building, all the windows of which were broken, requested assistance of the military authorities at Governor's island and a company of soldiers was sent to guard the institution.

Hurry calls were also sent to all hospitals in the downtown section of New York and scores of ambulances were soon speeding through the narrow streets. Dressing stations were established in the lobbies of buildings nearby, where the less seriously injured were given treatment.

Queer Fragments Found.

Evidence tending to confirm the theory that the explosion was caused by a bomb or some other infernal machine came from several sources. Chief Police Inspector Laney reported late today that he had found evidence to justify the conclusion that the explosion was caused by a huge bomb loaded with T. N. T. trinitrotoluol—reinforced with iron slugs fashioned from window weight bars. Pieces of these slugs were

WALL-STREET DEAD LIST LONG, GROWING

31 KNOWN TO HAVE PERISHED IN EXPLOSION.

Several Victims Not Yet Identified. Others, Seriously Injured, May Die.

NEW YORK, Sept. 16.—A partial list of the dead resulting from the Wall-street explosion today follows: William T. Joyce, clerk of J. P. Morgan company. Charles Hanrahan, Brooklyn. L. L. Roberts, New York. Benjamine Soloway, Brooklyn. Jerome G. H. Latimer, chauffeur. Ludolph Fortong, bank teller, Jamaica, N. Y. Colonel Charles Neville, U. S. A., New York City.

Alfred Mayer, New York. Mildred Alexander, New York. E. A. Sweet, address unknown. Mr. McArthur, address unknown. Mr. Ellsworth, Brooklyn.

A man, about 40, five feet ten, brown hair, at Volunteer hospital. Robert W. Day, 16, messenger boy, New York.

Bernard J. Kennedy, 39, messenger, employed at 116 Broad street. Miss Carolyn N. Dickinson, 40, Elmhurst, N. Y. Collin B. McClure, 35, Yonkers. Mrs. Margaret Drury, 29, stenographer, Brooklyn.

Charles Lindrothe, about 25, employed at 25 Broad street, address unknown. William Furman Hutchison, about 30, insurance broker, Garden City, N. Y. John Johnson, 55, porter, employed at Bank of America, 44 Wall street. Joseph Schmitt, 20, clerk, Bayside, N. Y.

Joseph Auebury, 27, married, New York City. Lewis K. Smith, New York. Thomas Osprey, 18, Brooklyn. Raymond Miller, address unknown.

Among the injured who live outside of Greater New York are: Worth Begley, Washington, D. C.; Arthur J. G. Cole, North Arlington, N. J.; condition serious; Leo K. Drury, Washington, D. C.; A. B. Jessup, Jeddo, Pa.; John Markle, Jeddo, Pa.

WOOL PROFITS NEAR CUT

Montana Growers Plan to Give Consumer Cost Product.

HELENA, Mont., Sept. 16.—Montana wool growers, through their organization perfected at a meeting held here tonight, will deliver finished blankets and cloth for men and women's clothing, made from virgin wool from Montana, to the consumer, at a price which will eliminate the profits which now prevail between the grower and the ultimate consumer. It was announced after the meeting.

The Montana growers through their association have gained a liberal and substantial financial support of the adopted plans.

LEGION TO FIGHT PRICES

2 Million Members to Be Mobilized for Vital War.

NEW YORK, Sept. 16.—The American Legion announced today formation of plans to mobilize its forces for a war against the high cost of living.

In every community where there is a post the legion contemplates organizing retail dealers into an association, prospective merchant members of which, it is said, have pledged discounts approximating 5 per cent from the street price on all commodities to the 2,000,000 members of the legion and their families.

CORVALLIS MAN IS SLAIN

Lee C. Fones Killed Following Quarrel Over Wages.

MOUNTAIN HOME, Idaho, Sept. 16.—Lee C. Fones, of Corvallis, Or., was shot and instantly killed Wednesday evening by F. A. Young, a bookkeeper of Grand View, Idaho, as the climax of a quarrel over wages, according to reports reaching the sheriff's office here.

Fones, who had been working in the Young apiary, was killed as he sat at the wheel of a light motor truck entering the Young premises.

YOUNG SERENADER SHOT

Arm Broken by Bullet Fired by Newlywed of Near Dufur.

THE DALLES, Or., Sept. 16.—(Special.)—George Harvey McAllister, 31, of Dufur, shot and broke the arm of Jack Norton, 29, Wednesday night, when the latter, in company with a party of young folks, attempted a chivari party at the home of McAllister. McAllister was married a week ago to Miss Lucy May Winslow of Dufur, and had just started house-keeping ten miles west of here.

No arrests have been made.

HARDING'S TOUR LIMITED

Proposed Trip Not to Take Him as Far as Denver.

MARION, O., Sept. 16.—Official advice was received from the Chicago headquarters today that Senator Harding's proposed western trip will not take him as far west as Denver. Dates and cities in which the senator will speak were not announced.

It also was stated there will be two other short trips.

HART HAS BIG LEAD FOR GOVERNORSHIP

2114 Out of 2366 Precincts Report Vote.

JONES HEAVILY SUPPORTED

Democrats Make Poor Showing for All Offices.

COYLE RUNS GOOD RACE

Talman, Holcomb and Bridges Prove Three Highest Candidates for Supreme Bench.

SEATTLE, Sept. 16.—With but 252 precincts to be heard from out of a total of 2366 in the state Louis F. Hart, governor, late tonight was maintaining a lead of 7621 votes over Roland H. Hartley, his nearest opponent for the republican gubernatorial nomination in Tuesday's primary election. Figures compiled from 2114 precincts gave Hart 69,846 votes and Hartley 53,215.

Other candidates stood: Stringer 4414, Coman 19,259, Gellatly 18,204, Lamping 22,017, McEachern 2155.

In the democratic race for governor Judge W. W. Black was leading with a vote of 5106. Other candidates had: O'Hara 1416, Judd 3029.

United States Senator Jones in the 1920 precincts tabulated had 33,595 votes and Colonel W. M. Inglis, his nearest competitor, 35,342. In the race for nomination for supreme court justice, three to be nominated, Warren W. Tolman, O. R. Holcomb and J. B. Bridges received the highest votes, Tolman being the highest candidate.

Other democratic candidates polled as follows: I. G. O'Hara 1148 and A. E. Judd 2349. Republican votes for the nomination in the 2087 precincts were: Stringer 4277, Hartley 52,410, E. T. Coman 17,434, Louis F. Hart, 29,860, John A. Gellatly 17,392, George B. Lamping 20,123, Anna MacEachern 2265.

For lieutenant-governor William J. Coyle polled 44,173 votes in 1773 precincts for the republican nomination and his nearest opponent, Edward L. French, had 35,323.

Votes for republican nomination for other state offices follow: State auditor (797 precincts), Clausen 25,145, Bundy 17,676. State treasurer (1794 precincts), Orion 25,379, Babcock 24,532, Murray 27,591.

Attorney-general (1244 precincts), Thompson 57,475, Hunt 30,477. Insurance commissioner (1375 precincts), Thompson 57,475, Hunt 30,477. (Continued on Page 4, Column 2.)

SEATTLE TRAILS CITY IN BANK CLEARINGS

PORTLAND SEPTEMBER FIGURES REPORTED \$99,249,536.

Washington City for Same Period Has \$91,089,948; More Than \$5,000,000 Behind.

Bank clearings in Portland for the month of September are running well ahead of the clearings for Seattle, according to latest figures from the banks here and in the Puget sound city.

At the close of business last night total clearings for the 15 days of business thus far this month for this city were \$99,249,536. Telegraphic reports from Seattle yesterday afternoon gave the Seattle bank clearings for the same period as \$91,089,948, showing Portland thus to be ahead in the record for the first half of the month by over \$8,000,000, or \$600,000 a day.

Each day during the past week Portland has been consistently ahead of its sister city in bank clearings. On Monday Portland registered \$9,330,504 to Seattle's \$7,810,287; Tuesday, Portland \$9,181,267 to Seattle's \$8,907,502; Wednesday, Portland \$11,411,180 to Seattle's \$7,780,234; Thursday, Portland \$11,341,412 to Seattle's \$9,205,566.

TWO ASSASSINS TO HANG

Hungarians Convicted of Killing Count to Be Executed.

BUDAPEST, Sept. 15.—Stephen Hodo and M. Stenkyowski have been convicted by a court-martial of the assassination of Count Stephen Tissa, who was shot and killed November 1, 1918, and have been sentenced to be hanged.

M. Huetner has been sentenced to 15 years imprisonment for his connection with the crime, and two other men accused during the trial have been sent to jail for three months.

MINE MANAGER IS SLAIN

Official of Alabama Coal Company Shot From Ambush.

JASPER, Ala., Sept. 16.—L. M. Adler, general manager of the Coferson Coal company, was shot from ambush and killed today while riding in an automobile. Deputy Sheriff Earl Edgel, who was in the car with him, probably was fatally wounded and Deputy Sheriff Brown was badly injured. A coal strike has been in progress in Alabama for 10 days.

Sheriff Guthrie of Walker county has asked for troops.

ROBBERS DYNAMITE BANK

\$10,000 in Bonds and \$1000 Cash Taken in Iowa Town.

SIOUX CITY, Iowa, Sept. 16.—Robbers dynamited the Pierce bank of Linn Grove, Ia., 100 miles northeast of here, and stole \$10,000 in United States bonds and \$1000 in cash early today.

Police are scouring the country here for the bandits, who escaped in a motor car.

LABOR LEADER GONE; FOUL PLAY IS FEARED

HORATIO A. STUART MISSING AND SEARCH IS BEGUN.

Efforts Being Made in Labor Circles to Get Trace of Well-Known Union Man.

Horatio A. Stuart, former secretary of the Portland metal trades council, has mysteriously disappeared, it became known yesterday and a nationwide search in labor circles has been started to gain trace of him.

He has been missing since July 13, last. Yesterday officials of the metal trades council declared that shortly after his disappearance an examination of his books was made and less than \$200 was found missing.

Fellow labor leaders express the belief that Stuart has met with foul play. They point to the fact that he owns property in Portland and feel certain that he would have communicated with his union long since unless the case. He was also connected with the mechanic union and was employed as a solicitor by an insurance company.

Last word of the missing man came from the Hyatt hotel, on Fifth street, where he stayed. His clothing, as well as an expensive mechanic's tools, were left here on July 13.

Stuart is described as about 50 years of age weighing between 150 and 180 pounds. His nearest relative here is a stepdaughter, Miss Celeste Anthony, 174 East Forty-ninth street. When last seen he wore a black derby hat, dark suit, pink shirt, black shoes and a Masonic emblem on his coat lapel.

CONVICTS TO BE REMOVED

Action Taken Following Brutally Investigation in Maryland.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16.—All federal prisoners in the Maryland state penitentiary will be removed to other institutions as a result of an investigation of charges of brutality in the Maryland institution.

This was announced today at the department of justice.

DES MOINES SHOWS GAIN

Polk County, Iowa, Has Increased 39.5 Per Cent in Ten Years.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16.—Polk county, Iowa, which includes Des Moines, shows an increase in population of 43,591, or 39.5 per cent, according to an announcement from the census bureau today.

The 1920 official population of the county is 154,029.

TRAINS COLLIDE HEAD ON

300 Sheep Killed in Smashup on Southern Pacific.

DUNSMuir, Cal., Sept. 16.—Two Southern Pacific trains collided head on at a siding near here today. O. H. Merritt, a conductor, sustained minor injuries.

Three hundred sheep on one of the trains were killed.

Political cartoon titled 'IF AT FIRST YOU DON'T SUCCEED' showing men in suits and a pig with a speech bubble. The speech bubble says 'I BET THIS ONE WILL SCARE PEOPLE AWAY FROM THE G.O.P.!!'. A sign says 'NATIONAL CHARGES AGAINST G.O.P.'. Another sign says 'SLUSH FIND CHARGES'.

TAGGART IS TARGET FOR FIRE OF DRYS

Watson to Get Anti-Saloon Vote for Senate.

STATISTICS PROVE RECORD

Cantrill, Cox's Manager in Kentucky, Flayed by Drys.

GLYNN WARNS DEMOCRATS

Former New York Governor Says If Present Tactics Continue Bourbons Are Lost.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16.—Officials of the Anti-Saloon league, in session here today, decided to concentrate all possible opposition on Thomas Taggart, one of the four bosses who, along with French Lick in June, picked Governor Cox for the democratic presidential nomination, subject to ratification by the San Francisco convention.

Taggart is the democratic candidate for United States senator in Indiana. His republican opponent is Senator James E. Watson.

The anti-saloon league leaders were prompt to agree today that Senator Watson was entitled to the most energetic support from the enemies of the saloon because, whatever else Watson is for, they admit that he fought the saloon long before prohibition became popular.

Watson, as the republican candidate for governor of Indiana in 1908, led the election to Thomas Riley Marshall on the wet and dry issue. Watson ran on a platform promising county option. Taggart, on the other hand, has a wet record that is just as open and consistent as Watson's dry course.

Dry Forces to Fight. There were hints today that the Anti-Saloon league will soon be active along the entire political front. Cox's statement in the north that the liquor issue is "as dead as human slavery" is regarded as a dodge by leaders of the fight on the saloon. So long as the liquor interests in New Jersey and three or four other states are raising money to fight prohibition they say the liquor issue certainly has some life in it.

"The American Issue" organ of the anti-saloon league of America, is wrought up over the selection of Representative Cantrill of Kentucky, as one of the active managers of the Cox campaign in the place of George White, new national chairman.

Commenting editorially the paper says: "George White, of Ohio, chairman of the national democratic committee, is reported to have dropped out of the active management of Governor Cox's campaign, and James Campbell Cantrill of Kentucky succeeds him."

"Mr. Cantrill's record in congress is that of a consistent wet."

"On every occasion he has voted with the liquor interests, against the Webb-Kenyon bill, against the Hobson amendment resolution, against the federal act of curbing prohibition bill, against the Shepherd-Webb amendment resolution and on the Volstead act he was a slacker and refused to vote."

"White, as chairman, can talk for consumption in the wet and south, and Cantrill can be quoted as wet democrat, in the supposed to be saturated east. Thus they can catch the voters coming and going."

World Discovers Moonshiners. But all of the wisecracks about the liquor issue are not in one direction. The New York World, leading Cox supporters, discovers through its new columns today that all of the "moonshiners in the mountain districts of New York here have been driven out on the ground that Cox's election means the return of the saloon, which would seriously interfere with those who distill for a living."

Since the Maine election much of the criticism of the republican campaign management has died out, but there is violent outburst among democrats against the leadership of Cox's fight.

Democratic newspapers are expressing dissatisfaction with the way things are going, and former Governor Martin Glynn of New York, who nominated Wilson at the St. Louis convention in 1916, "speaks right out in meeting" in his paper, the Albany Times-Union. He says: "It is quite useless to minimize the result in Maine or to sidestep the situation it presents. New life and greater power must be injected into the democratic campaign. There must be more pep, more energy, more enthusiasm demonstrated in its conduct in order to arouse the electors of the country to the absolute necessity of electing the democratic candidate, and not only by the result in Maine, but also by the results in Georgia and New Hampshire."

Women Oppose League. New Hampshire proved, as Maine proved, that the women who were expected to make the league of nations were against it to an amazing degree. This fact may be hard to understand, but there it is and we might as well face it. "So far the democrats have con-

ARMY OFFICER KILLED AS AUTO HITS ROPE

ACCIDENT HAPPENS FOLLOWING DINNER AT VANCOUVER.

Windshield Is Shattered, Felling Lieutenant Jay M. Fields of First Infantry.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Sept. 16.—(Special.)—Jay M. Fields, first lieutenant in the first infantry, stationed at the Vancouver barracks, was killed and his wife and Chaplain Fisher, also of the first infantry, slightly injured, when the automobile in which they were riding crashed into a rope stretched from the first to the intersection of Eighth tonight at 7:45 o'clock.

The three, as guests of the Frunarians, had attended a dinner at the Del Monte restaurant earlier in the evening. They were the first to leave and, entering the car, started to drive east on Eighth street.

The rope, which was used to bar the street from traffic and was marked with a white cross, apparently was unnoticed by Lieutenant Fields, who was driving. On the rebound the rope shattered the windshield to bits, then caught on the steering wheel and tore it loose. The impact felled Lieutenant Fields and the machine careened driverless into a telephone pole.

The lieutenant was taken at once to the post hospital but he never regained consciousness, dying at 8:30 o'clock. His wife and child, who received his commission in 1917.

Mrs. Fields suffered most from the shock, while Chaplain Fisher sustained cuts about the face from flying pieces of glass.

\$3,000,000 DAMAGES GIVEN

278 Plaintiffs in Cloquet Win Against Hines.

DULUTH, Minn., Sept. 16.—The Great Northern Railway company was held responsible for the origin of the forest fire that swept the Cloquet district October 12, 1918, and the district court today awarded to 278 plaintiffs damages approximating \$3,000,000.

The verdict is directed against W. D. Hines as wartime director of railroad roads.

ITALIAN REDS ORGANIZING

Plans for Recruiting Soviet Army in Cities Under Way.

ROME, Sept. 15.—Preparations for recruiting an Italian soviet army are going on in Milan, Turin, Rome, Naples and other large cities throughout the country, according to the newspaper Epoca, which prints a statement to this effect by a superior officer of the Italian army.

It is said that one of the leading chiefs of the soviet organization is Enrico Malatesta, the anarchist chief.

PULSES GRADUALLY FALL

Hunger Strikers in Jail Conscientious With One Exception.

CORK, Sept. 16.—With the exception of Sean Hennessy, 19-year-old boy, all the hunger strikers in Cork jail were conscientious today.

John Crowley, 28, youngest of the 11 hunger strikers, was reported to be in a critical condition, as also was Kenny.

The prison physicians today reported that there was a gradual falling in their pulses.

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Harding speeches arranged. Senator to deliver address at Baltimore September 27.

Marion, O., Sept. 15.—Official announcement was made at Harding headquarters here today that the republican presidential candidate will speak in Baltimore on the night of September 27; at Wheeling, W. Va., the night of September 28, and at Ashland, Ky., the night of September 29.

That the real strategy of the democratic campaign is to hold the 128 votes of the "solid south" and capture enough of the northern states through espousing the wet cause in their large cities and industrial centers, was declared in a statement issued here today by James R. Garfield, former secretary of the interior, after a conference with Senator Harding, the republican presidential candidate.

"The democratic plan is to concentrate efforts in carrying the big cities of these states, through controlling their worst elements," Garfield said.

U. S. SOVEREIGNTY IS HELD MENAGED

Constitution in Danger, Says Harding.

Worth of Organic Law Recklessly Challenged.

SINISTER AGENCIES ABROAD

Document People's Fiat.

Supreme Law of Land, Says Senator, With Which Others Must Coincide or Fail.

MARION, O., Sept. 16.—Intended to usher in the observance of "Constitution day" in his home state, Senator Harding tonight issued a statement asserting that "if by some tragic dispensation of fate this constitution should cease to be, the door would no longer be closed against the stealthy appropriation of autocratic power and the gradual absorption of the people's sovereignty."

Tomorrow Senator Harding will deliver a front-porch address on constitutional government to a delegation of central Ohioans.

His statement follows: "There is abroad in the land a spirit which seeks to weaken the adherence of the people to their constitution and which recklessly challenges its worth. It is well, therefore, that we have one day in the year set apart for the clearing of our vision and the regeneration of our faith.

Document Fiat of All. "To assail or belittle the flag is to invite and incur the just and passionate resentment of all country-loving men, but the constitution may be attacked or so gravely assailed with impunity, and, all too often, with approval. And yet the one is but a symbol while the other is the very warp and woof of our national existence.

"It has sometimes been asserted that the constitution was imposed upon the many for the benefit of the few. On the contrary, it is the one thing, above all other things in our polity, which both in origin and expression is universal in its democracy. A statute rests upon the delegated authority of a small official group but the constitution is the direct expression of the people. It is their mandate—expressing not their wishes, but their will—fixing the immovable boundaries of power beyond which their servants who administer their government are forbidden to go. It is declared to be the supreme law of the land with which every other law and every official act must coincide or fail.

Americans Must Decide. "It is an ever standing proclamation of the right of the people to speak as the sovereign power of the nation whose body and soul they are. If by some tragic dispensation of fate this constitution should cease to be, the door would no longer be closed against the stealthy appropriation of autocratic power and the gradual absorption of the people's sovereignty.

"So long as it endures the people will never have a master, but will rule themselves, subject to no compelling force, but their own authority—the will of God.

"Whether it shall endure will be for the men and women