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EIGHT KILLED AND MANY MISSING FROM DYNAMITE BLAST

Over 50,000 Pounds of Explosive In One Detonation On Ship.

VESSEL LYING AT JERSEY CITY PIER

Over \$750,000 Damage Done By Appalling Accident of Unknown Cause.

NEW YORK, N. Y., Feb. 2.—The known dead from yesterday's dynamite explosion which did \$750,000 damage in this section numbers eight. Only five bodies have recovered and the names of only nine of the missing are known. Nearly a score of unknown laborers who were at the end of the pier are unaccounted for. That the damage was not far greater seems a miracle in view of the fact that explosion was the largest that ever occurred anywhere intentionally or by accident. Fifty thousand pounds of dynamite blew up in the single detonation, and it is a remarkable fact that fifty thousand pounds more of dynamite that was standing on a sidetrack within a hundred feet of the pier did not explode. The exact cause of the explosion has not been established. The authorities will make rigid investigation of the accident in view of statements that dynamite is being transported without proper license and under alleged careless conditions.

EARLY STORY OF ACCIDENT.

Extent of Jersey City Disaster Not Appreciated at First.

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—The dynamite boat, Catherine C., lying at the foot of Henderson street, Jersey City, blew up from some unknown cause yesterday. The explosion was felt in many sections of the city and in some large office buildings and elsewhere the excitement assumed almost the proportions of a panic. The boat was demolished and the pier at which she was lying wrecked and many boats in the vicinity damaged. Several persons are reported to have been killed. Several injured were taken to the hospital. Hundreds of windows in the downtown district were broken. Reports from points several miles from the scene of the explosion tell the damage as a result of the explosion was principally broken windows. Thousand upon thousands of panes were broken in the business district. Many persons near the scene of the explosion were injured and one priest administered the last sacrament to five men and saw one headless corpse near the pier. A number of injured persons were blown into the water but were rescued by boats. Many passengers on the ferryboat Somerville which was passing near the scene of the explosion were injured.

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FORMER COOS BAY MAN DEAD

Gottfred Strohm Passes Away at Chas. Hanson Home Near Gardiner.

(Special to The Times.) GARDINER, Ore., Feb. 2.—Gottfred Strohm, a well-known former Coos Bay man died at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hanson on Smith River, near Gardiner, Saturday morning, January 28. Mr. Strohm had been ailing for several years, but was taken seriously ill Christmas day and failed rapidly until his death, Saturday morning. Mr. Strohm was a native of Sweden, aged 42 years and 19 days. Mr. Strohm came to America about twenty-three years ago, and has resided about nineteen years in Coos county most of the time in Beaver Hill. Mr. Strohm leaves a mother and father, and several brothers and sisters in Sweden to mourn him, also one brother in Idaho. Mr. Strohm was a man who made friends wherever he went, and he leaves hosts of friends on Coos Bay and Gardiner, where he has made his home for the past year. Mr. Strohm was a member of the Knights of Pythias lodge of Coquille, Oregon.

STEAMER GOES AGROUND.

Princess Adelaide Strikes During Puget Sound Storm.

SEATTLE, Feb. 2.—The Canadian Pacific steamer Princess Adelaide went ashore at Appletree Point in the snowstorm last night but came off unharmed today and proceeded here. GRANDMOTHER KISSES DEAD CHILD; DIES NEW ORLEANS, La., Feb. 2.—Grieving over the death of her granddaughter, the five months' old baby of Mr. and Mrs. Perry Mason, Mrs. A. J. Mills kissed the cold baby face and within 24 hours was stricken with spinal meningitis and died. The child had died from the same disease.

BREAKWATER IN EARLY TODAY

Steamship Arrives From Portland With Good List of Passengers.

The Breakwater arrived in early this morning after a very good trip down the coast. The weather was fairly good. She had a good list of passengers and considerable miscellaneous freight. The Breakwater will sail for Portland at 1 o'clock Saturday. Among those arriving on the Breakwater were the following: Paul Raubach, Mrs. Raubach, E. K. Jones, Chas. Peterson, E. M. Peterson, L. Morgan, Thos. Wilson, Miss M. Robinson, Carl Davis, Wm. Frazenbach, Jno. Damon, Louis Sotiron, Mrs. Gilkey, E. M. Rosenthal, Mrs. Kepkey, M. McKenney, Alfred Snow, Gust Mercy, F. Rundle, Lloyd Rundle, Ruby Rundle, Miss C. Rundle, Miss S. Rundle, J. V. Rundle, E. L. McConnell, R. Nyren, Louis Noble, Geo. Ulrich, I. R. Tower, C. B. Ray, A. Fillmer, W. H. Lilly, Mrs. Cook, Miss Kate Macgenn, N. Rasmussen, G. Backlaw, T. Warner, H. Courland.

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(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 2.—The long awaited action of the House Committee on Agriculture on the Ballinger-Pinchot investigation report was taken today, reporting that the bills to carry out the investigation being already pending. It had no function to perform and asked to be discharged from the question. SUBSIDY BILL REPORTED. Measure to Protect American Shipping From Monopolies. (By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 2.—The Humphrey bill to protect American trade and American shipping from foreign monopolies was ordered favorably reported to the House today by the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries.

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C. A. Smith of the C. A. Smith Lumber company is figuring on the construction of two of the largest lumber carriers on the Pacific coast to ply out of Coos Bay when the Panama canal is completed, probably carrying lumber direct from here to New York and other Atlantic ports. Preliminary plans for one of the vessels is completed and the other is being figured on. Mr. Smith is personally looking after the matter and many of the details are not known here. It is said that he figures on vessels that will carry in the neighborhood of 4,000,000 feet of lumber. The first vessel he proposes to construct, and the contract for her will probably be let soon, will be about eighty feet longer than the Nann Smith and about eight feet wider. She is to draw not over twenty feet loaded. The vessel will be built on the same plan of the Nann Smith, but still further improved so that the entire cargo can be loaded and unloaded by slings without requiring hardly any packing. The Bessie Dollar, one of the largest vessels on the north Pacific, may come in here soon to take on part of a cargo for China. She carries about 4,000,000 feet, but owing to the depth of the inner harbor will not be able to take on more than 2,000,000 feet here.

YELLOW FEVER CAUSES DEATH

Coxswain On U. S. Cruiser Marietta Victim of Dreaded Disease.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) NEW ORLEANS, La., Feb. 2.—According to advices received here, J. B. Minor, coxswain on the United States cruiser Marietta, who died suddenly at Puerto Cortez harbor, was a victim of yellow fever. HAS FEVER ABOARD. Marietta Ordered to Key West for Examination. (By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 2.—Because the Marietta has several cases of suspected fever aboard, the Navy Department has ordered the vessel to Key West.

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Mr. and Mrs. K. V. Kruse of North Bend announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Bertha, to Dr. Geo. A. Cophey of Portland. The wedding will take place about the middle of March. The announcement follows a little romance growing out of the bride-to-be's decision to be a nurse. She went to Portland to take a course but instead of winning the right to wear the white cap and gown for her life's work, little Dan Cupid brought a prominent young Portland physician on to the scene and the decision was changed. Miss Kruse is one of the best known and most charming of Coos Bay's girls and has a host of friends who will congratulate Dr. Cophey on winning her.

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Former Coos Bay Woman Passes Away at Portland After Long Illness.

Word has been received here of the death of Mrs. Fred Webber, a former well-known resident of Marshfield, which occurred in Portland recently. No particulars have been learned. Mrs. Webber moved away from here with her family a number of years ago and had resided at Portland most of the time since. For several years she has been practically an invalid so that her death was not altogether unexpected. She was about seventy years old and is survived by a husband and several children. Her eldest daughter, Mrs. Lockwood, has resided at home for some time, taking care of the mother. The Webber family came here in 1872 and Mr. Webber was identified with the lumber mills in this section during their stay here.

COOS BAY WOMAN DIES IN SAN FRANCISCO

Mrs. Elizabeth Weeks Well-Known Here Passes Away After a Brief Illness.

News was received here today of the death in San Francisco, January 25, 1911, of Mrs. Elizabeth Weeks, wife of E. Weeks, who for several years was head caulker at the Kruse & Banks ship yard in North Bend. Mrs. Weeks was well-known on Coos Bay and was a most lovable character. Kind and generous almost to a fault, she was dearly loved by all those who were fortunate enough to know her. Much sympathy is expressed for

RECEIVED SAD NEWS.

Mrs. Henry Black Gets Telegram Telling of Sister's Death.

Mrs. Henry Black received a telegram today from Richmond, Miss., announcing the death of her only sister, Mrs. M. Shotwell. The telegram did not give any details except that her death was very sudden, as she was sick only a few days. She was 77 years old at the time of her death.

SAIL SOUTH ON THE ALLIANCE

Steamship Arrives From Portland; Sails This Afternoon For Eureka.

The Alliance arrived in early today from Portland. She brought a big shipment of machinery for the Oregon Power Company and had considerable freight for Eureka. She also had a good passenger list for Eureka. R. M. Baker, L. Wright and G. K. Towers were among those coming here from Portland on her. She sailed this afternoon for Eureka and among those going from here on her were the following: W. R. Wood, Fred Olin, Louis Fless, Arthur Turner, J. M. Nye and Lawrence Conery. The Alliance is scheduled to sail from here for Portland at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon. People will say meaner things in a letter to an enemy than they will say to his face.

Dr. Pantchenko Claims Count De Lassy Influenced Noted Crime.

PLEADS GUILTY AT THE SECOND HEARING

Count Said to Have Been Prompted to Deed by Greed For Wealth.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) ST. PETERSBURG, Russia, Feb. 2.—There was an unusual occurrence at today's session of the trial for the murder of Count O'Brien De Lassy, and the notorious prisoner, Dr. Pantchenko, the latter being called on to plead a second time. He pleaded guilty as before. The count is accused of having employed the doctor to murder his brother-in-law, Count Vasselli Bourturin, the heir to estates of an estimated value of \$3,500,000 in order that the property might be inherited by the Countess De Lassy. Pantchenko confessed his guilt but set up the defense he committed the crime while under the hypnotic influence of Count De Lassy. SENATE TO ACT FRIDAY. Washington Now Wants a Panama Exposition. (By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 2.—The Senate Committee on Industrial Expositions yesterday heard the claims of San Francisco and New Orleans for the honor of Panama canal exposition and a new city, none other than Washington, D. C., is setting forth its claims for the distinction through a committee of business men. The Washington people, however, desire a distinction from the exposition to be held in San Francisco or New Orleans. The committee will hold its final meeting Friday. NO TRACE OF HEIRESS. Think Dorothy Arnold May Have Gone Abroad. (By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) NEW YORK, N. Y., Feb. 2.—It is fifty-one days since Dorothy Arnold, the heiress, disappeared. Detectives are now looking toward the old world for some clue of her whereabouts. But her father, Francis R. Arnold, still believes she is dead. The girl's mother has been in Europe several weeks searching for her daughter. The fact that reading matter of several European steamship lines was found in Dorothy's possession is taken to indicate she may be abroad. TO CLOSE OFFICES. Government at Land Branches to be Consolidated. (By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 2.—The Seattle land office for many years one of the most important in the United States, now does so little business that there is talk of the consolidation of the Seattle, Vancouver and Olympia land offices. The public domain has nearly all passed into private ownership, hence the slump in the land office business.

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