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FIFTEEN KILLED MANY INJURED

Passenger Trains in New York Central Tunnel Under Park Avenue Collide.

BOTH TRAINS WERE CROWDED

White Plains Engine Plunges Into Rear Car of Motionless Train and Is Driven to Middle of the Car.

NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—In the New York Central tunnel, that burrows under Park avenue, this city, two local trains collided today. Fifteen passengers were killed and twice that number injured.

The dead are: ALBERT M. PERRIN, B. D. C. FOSKETT, A. E. H. MILLS, E. O. HINSDALE, MISS A. F. HOWARD, FRANK WASHBURN, WILLIAM LEYS, THEODORE FORBARD, WILLIAM FISHER, WILLIAM HOWARD, CHARLES METZOWITZ, FRANKLIN CROSBY, ERNEST P. WALTON, H. G. DIAMOND, C. B. MARKS.

All of the dead resided at New Rochelle, N. Y.

It was a rear end collision between the south Norwalk local, that was halted by block signals at the entrance of the tunnel, and a White Plains local.

The trains were crowded by suburbanites. Most of the deaths, injuries and damage was caused by the engine of the White Plains train, which plunged into the rear car of the motionless train and was driven through to the middle of the car.

Within a few minutes the work of rescue began. An alarm that brought every available ambulance in the city, the police reserves of five precincts and the firemen of the Central and Eastern district of Manhattan were sounded at once.

Ladders were run down the tunnel air shafts, and the firemen and police attacked the debris with ropes and axes. The passengers already had rattled and were trying to release those imprisoned in the debris. The injured persons in need of immediate attention were given temporary dressing by the ambulance and volunteer surgeons and then hoisted to the street. Many Park Avenue mansions were thrown open to the suffering.

The responsibility for the disaster is unfixed, but Superintendent Franklin said that as far as he had been able to discover, John Wischo, engineer of the White Plains train, is to blame.

The residents of New Rochelle contributed the largest number to the casualty list, because the rear car of the South Norwalk local was reserved for them and was kept locked until the train reached that place.

HENDERSON B. OWEN DEAD. Well-Known Newspaper Man Passes Away at New York.

NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—Henderson B. Owen, a newspaper man in this city since the late 60s, is dead at his home in Jersey City Heights, N. J.

Mr. Owen, who is 54 years of age, was born in a suburb of Belfast Ireland. He was graduated at an early age from Queens College at Belfast and then attended the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Dublin, completing his course. Coming to this country soon afterwards with the intention of following his profession of medicine, he changed his mind, and took up newspaper work. He was connected with the leading news agencies and held editorial positions on the Evening World and the Mercury.

UNDERCUT THE DEACON. Row at Chinook, Wash., Terminates in General Mix-Up.

ELWACO, Wash., Jan. 8.—Mayor A. E. King, of this city, who is also a justice of the peace, went to Chinook today to try a mixed-up case at that point in which two boys, a girl and her "fellow" and the deacon of a church too a hand. Judge Dalton, the Chinook justice, did not care to try the case, as it was a neighborhood fight, and feeling ran high.

Otto Andrews and his girl were on their way to church Sunday night. When near the front door they met two mischievous boys and for some reason the girl shoved one of them off the sidewalk. The other then took the matter up and a fight ensued in which all four took part. The noise attracted the people inside the church and

SPEAKS IN FAVOR OF THE TRUSTS

Schwab Says They Are Necessary Outcome of Our Advanced Civilization.

PREDICTS A GREAT FUTURE

Says American Workmen Are Better Paid and Happier Under Trust System—Commercial Possibilities.

PARIS, Jan. 8.—Le Journal prints an interview this morning with Charles M. Schwab, president of the United States Steel Corporation, who defends trusts as a necessary outcome of an advanced state of civilization. Mr. Schwab says that the countries where trusts do not exist are destined to abandon the struggle for commercial supremacy. He says that the trusts have nothing to fear from Socialism, and that the American workmen are better paid and happier under the trust system. When people earn good wages, he says, their rights do not trouble them.

Mr. Schwab said further that the commercial power of the United States is unlimited and unmitigated. He says he will inundate France with his products and force the French industrial classes to abandon the struggle. America is only beginning a quarter of a century hence. All here belongs to the middle ages.

Mr. Schwab approves of the French plan of industrial schools in the United States, but expresses his fear that the graduates of these schools, when they return to France, will be paralyzed by the old idea prevalent here and will do little or nothing.

Je Journal also announces that it is in receipt of a letter from Mr. Lebaudy denying any connection with the reported gift of \$1,000,000 to the University of Chicago for the establishment of French school in connection with that institution.

WILL SPEAK IN CHICAGO. Prominent French Politicians to Deliver Address on Washington's Birthday.

PARIS, Jan. 8.—Baron de Constant, the well known French diplomat, member of the Chamber of Deputies and delegate of France at The Hague Peace conference, in informing the Associated Press that he has accepted the invitation of the city of Chicago to make an address there February 22, Washington's birthday, adds that he has striven for a long time past to draw the attention of Frenchmen to the marvellous progress of the United States. Continuing the deputy says: "We have schools in Italy and Greece to learn lessons of the past. We ought to establish similar schools in the United States to prepare us for the future. I desire that Americans should know France and that Frenchmen should know America, because an understanding between the two countries would be a most precious guarantee of civilization and the world's peace."

MISS GOULD TO COME WEST. Will Start Today on Six Weeks' Pleasure Trip With Eight Young Women.

NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—It is announced that Miss Helen Miller Gould will start tomorrow on a six weeks pleasure trip through the West and Southwest. Miss Gould says that she is going to make a tour of the big cities with eight young women and that they would leave at 10 a. m., over the New York Central for St. Louis, their first stopping place. From St. Louis they will go to Kansas City and thence to Galveston, where they will spend two days looking over the work of re-modeling the city that was annihilated by a tidal wave. From Galveston Miss Gould and her friends will go to Houston, Los Angeles and San Francisco. On the return journey east they will visit some of the larger cities, including Chicago.

BOOM IN KAFFIR MARKETS. Prices Have Advanced Steadily During Last Few Weeks.

NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—Commenting upon the situation in South Africa, the London correspondent of the Tribune says: Lord Rosebery will entertain Cecil Rhodes at Mentmore for a few days and will be brought into closer touch with the situation in South Africa. Speculators in mining shares are anxious to impress foreigners with the fact that there is a boom in the kaffir market. Prices have advanced inter-

mittently during the few weeks but the movement is artificial, with speculative purchases with borrowed money other than solid investments.

Operators eager to work up excitement in the kaffir market refer to the increased demand for shares from Paris and New York, but the evidence of foreign investment is tainted with suspicion. The market is always strengthened when Mr. Rhodes is in London, for his optimism is infectious. Money is now cheap in the city and speculative purchases of shares are easily financed.

TERMS ARE IMPOSSIBLE. Revolutionists Are Said to Be Divided Among Themselves.

NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—Nicaragua continues to help the revolutionists, said Minister of War Concha in an interview with the Bogota, Colombia, correspondent of the Herald. "The revolution in the interior of the country is a Venezuelan affair. The situation is unchanged but we will have more well armed men on the frontier soon." "How long do you think the revolution will last, and why not come to terms?" the minister was asked. "It is impossible to arrange terms," Minister Concha replied. The revolutionary chiefs do not even agree among themselves, and they have no recognized leader with whom we can deal. The guerrillas are getting weaker and tired of fighting. They see no prospect of success. I expect the revolution to end within two months. We are strictly protecting the foreign mails. The government has repulsed all the revolutionary leaders after seven days of fighting."

WANTS DIVORCE SET ASIDE. Former Wife of Senator Turner Brings Suit for Large Amount.

SPOKANE, Wash., Jan. 8.—Blanche C. Turner, first wife of Colonel W. W. D. Turner, brother of Senator George Turner, and a wealthy mining man, has brought suit to have his decree of divorce set aside and to compel him to pay her at least \$25,000.

She claims the divorce was secured by fraud without her knowledge, and that the pretended answer from her was filed without her consent. Colonel Turner is now a resident of Montana, having married since his divorce was granted.

NEGATIVE MINE DISASTER. Hopes of Finding the Men Alive Almost Abandoned.

NEGUNEE, Mich., Jan. 8.—The rescue force has been unable to penetrate the Negaunee mine, the scene of yesterday's cave-in. Hopes of finding any of the men alive are almost abandoned. The officials say only nine men are in the mine.

The dead, according to this statement are: William Williams, John Sullivan, John Pearce, John Pasco, Jacob Mattson, Erick Lofy, Jacob Hanala, William Hokanen, Louis Mattson.

AFTER PORTLAND CRIMPS. PARIS, Jan. 8.—According to the Courier Du Soir, De Lanessan, French minister of marine, has appointed a commission to inquire into the reports of the "crimping" of French sailors at Portland, Oregon.

WITH AMERICAN MONEY. GAS SYNDICATED TO BE FORMED IN PARIS.

NEW COMPANY PROPOSES TO SUPPLY THE CITY AND SUBURBS AT REDUCED RATES.

PARIS, Jan. 8.—La Vie Financiere announces in its issue this morning that an American syndicate, represented by A. Brady, a gas expert, is preparing to finance a French company, which is now being organized, to the amount of 10,000,000 francs, and that this amount will be increased if necessary to 25,000,000 francs.

The paper says that the French company proposes to take up the concession to supply gas to the city of Paris and its suburbs upon the expiration of the present monopoly in 1906, and that it will manufacture gas by a new process and that it will agree to supply gas to private consumers for 18 centimes per cubic metre and for municipal, industrial, heating and cooking purposes at 15 centimes per cubic metre. The company asks for a concession lasting 50 years, the city to have the right to repurchase in 1950. The company demands no guarantee and hopes to be able to pay the six million francs annually out of the profits. Parisians now pay 30 centimes per cubic metre for gas, while the municipality pays 25 centimes.

The new proposition will come before the municipal council next Thursday. The name of the new company is La Societe Fermiere.

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PRICE OF SILVER. NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—Silver, 56.

MAY SELECT THE PANAMA ROUTE

Debate in House Develops Sentiment in Buying That Company's Franchises.

MORRIS MEASURE FAVORED

It Empowers President to Select Panama Route if Canal Commission Recommends It—Debate to Close Today.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—The debate on the Nicaraguan canal bill in the house today developed a sentiment in favor of giving consideration to the recent offer of the Panama Canal Company to sell its franchises and property for \$40,000,000, this sentiment taking the form of advocating the Morris amendment to empower the president to select the latter route if the canal commission, upon consideration of the company's offer, recommends it and the required concessions can be obtained from Colombia.

Of the sixteen members who spoke today, nine favored the Morris amendment. The general debate will close tomorrow at 2 o'clock, after which the bill will be open to debate under the five minute rule. The final vote will probably be taken tomorrow.

PRIVATE PENSION BILLS. Gallinger Announces None but Meritorious Cases Will Be Considered.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—During the consideration by the senate today of private legislation, some statements were made by Gallinger, chairman of the committee on pensions, in respect to the regulations adopted by the committee to govern it in the consideration of private pension bills.

He announced that none but absolutely meritorious cases would be presented to the senate for consideration, and that the closest scrutiny would be given by the committee to every bill introduced.

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