



## DETAILS ARE VERY MEAGER

### The Dupont Powder Explosion Death List Now Numbers Thirty-One.

### MONEY LOSS IS VERY GREAT

Alfred I. Dupont Nemours Married Day of the Explosion in New York Without Knowledge of the Terrible Calamity Being Conveyed to Him.

NEW YORK, Oct. 16.—The marriage of Alfred I. Dupont de Nemours, vice-president of the Dupont Powder Company, of Delaware, and Mrs. Alice Madox, his second cousin, took place yesterday at the Plaza Hotel. Only the members of the immediate families were present.

Neither Mr. Dupont nor his brother Maurice, who is the active head of the powder company, were allowed until today to hear of the explosion of the powder plant at Fontanet, Ind. Their friends believed the brothers would both insist on the postponement of the marriage, in order that they might hurry to Indiana.

It is likely that the automobile trip that the bridegroom and bride had planned through New England will be abandoned and that both will start in an automobile for Indiana.

Mrs. Dupont is a daughter of Judge Bradford, of the United States Circuit Court, and is a grand-daughter of Alexis I. Dupont, son of the original founder of the powder company.

FONTANET, Ind., Oct. 16.—When the residents of this village of 1000 people awoke this morning, they encountered a much different situation than they had been accustomed to in the past. Instead of a quiet country town and pleasant scenery to greet their eyes, desolation was at hand. Soldiers of the Indiana State Militia had stood guard all through the night.

Details as to what caused the terrible catastrophe of yesterday when the powder mills blew up, killing probably 35 and injuring some 600 persons, were lacking. No one connected with the powder company could ascribe any reason for the explosion. Several rumors were current. One of the most probable circulated was that the machinery in the glazing mill became overheated from friction and set fire to some loose powder in the glazing mill, which was the first to blow up, the other sections of the plant following in rapid succession. A number of the people of this place were able, by patching up their houses, to pass a fairly comfortable night. The remainder were accommodated with sleeping room on cots placed in tents brought here by order of Governor Hanley. Systematic efforts are going forth, and within a short time, it is thought most of the houses will be repaired in such a manner as to permit the reoccupation of them.

The officers of Company B, Indiana Nation Guard, which was brought here early last night, report that the night passed with no disturbance of any kind. The soldiers were distributed so as to guard as much of the town as was possible. The guardsmen were instructed to shoot at sight at any attempt to loot.

It is understood the state authorities will immediately begin an investigation of the cause of the disaster.

The injured passed a fairly comfortable night, and no additional deaths at this place are reported.

Systematic efforts to search for victims among the debris in the powder mills were begun this morning. Men were distributed so as to make a thorough search for further victims of the disaster yesterday. A number of coffins were received here this morning from Terre Haute, and the bodies of those recovered will be buried today. The total number of dead will probably never be known, and it will be several days before the exact amount of property loss can be figured out.

The loss to the powder company, in property damaged, is estimated at \$80,000, including 65,000 kegs of powder stored in the magazine which exploded. The property loss in the town of Fontanet will exceed \$500,000.

Dr. W. F. Willien, of Terre Haute, chief surgeon of the Fontanet mills of the Dupont Powder Company, today

compiled an official list of the known dead and seriously injured, a copy of which he forwarded to the company at Wilmington, Del. The list contains 31 dead and 20 in serious condition.

### EXPECT AID FROM CORTELYOU.

Bankers Take Visit of His Assistant Mr. Edwards as Being Significant.

NEW YORK, Oct. 16.—That George B. Cortelyou, secretary of the treasury, has in mind some further relief to the money market is the firm belief in financial and banking circles. The visit of Mr. Edwards to New York seemed yesterday to strengthen this belief. Mr. Edwards, who is Mr. Cortelyou's assistant, arrived in New York in the morning. He was not in Wall Street yesterday, however, having gone to see his chief in his Long Island home.

Bankers who were seen yesterday said they believed Mr. Cortelyou considered that the call for funds from the west for the purpose of moving the crops would culminate within a month, and with this in view the secretary might extend his present limit of \$5,000,000 weekly deposits of national cash in the banks of the first week in November.

### FATHER ORDERS SON'S ARREST.

HOT SPRINGS, Ark., Oct. 16.—Following telegraphic instructions from St. Louis to Chief of Police Bentz, Daniel B. Brennan, who was secretly married to Miss Lillie Ammerman, niece of the millionaire brewer in St. Louis last Monday, was arrested here today and will be held pending the arrival of his father who it is alleged ordered his arrest. The reason for the arrest not known. The young couple arrived here yesterday morning and had intended remaining here a few days and then resume their journey to Mexico City.

## NO NEWS AS YET

### Supposed Great Earthquake Has Not Been Located.

### CABLE LINES ARE ALL RIGHT

Inquiries Among Cable Companies Result in Reports of no Interference With the Working of Cables and no Interruptions of Communication.

NEW YORK, Oct. 16.—The earthquake of large proportions which was registered by seismographs at Albany and Washington this morning has not been located after inquiry among all the cable companies for interruptions of communications. Lines running through the West Indies and Central and South America were all reported working smoothly and officers of companies said none of their offices nor those of their connecting lines to the south had reported any earthquake disturbance.

### TOMBOY PLANT NEARLY READY.

Improvements Will Greatly Facilitate and Cheaper Ore Handling.

DENVER, Oct. 16.—The improvements undertaken by the Tomboy Gold Mines Co. of Telluride during the past summer are well advanced toward completion and the mill will probably be ready to run inside of the next 60 days.

The improvements consists of a set of large furnaces for drying both concentrate and tailings, a magnetic separator, a system of tanks for dewatering the tailings and the installation of a large number of Wildley tables, together with automatic elevators, conveyors, etc., for handling the ore as it passes through its different stages of treatment almost entirely by mechanical means.

Two new buildings have been built and most of the machinery is in place. The owning company set aside \$100,000 for these improvements, which are expected to make a further net saving of \$1 per ton of ore treated. The estimate of the amount of ore in sight is upward of 600,000 tons. While these improvements are in progress the 60-stamp mill is running full capacity, handling about 300 tons per day.

### PORTLAND MAN PRESIDENT.

NORFOLK, Oct. 16.—The American Association of Traveling Passenger Agents in 34th annual session, today selected Seattle as the next place of meeting and M. J. Roche, of Portland, was elected president.

## UNITED COPPER DROPS LOW

Common Stock Falls From \$59 to as Low as \$10 Per Share.

### ONE STOCK FIRM SUSPENDS

The Suspension of Gross & Kleberg of New York Stock Exchange Contributes Materially to Slump in Prices of Stock—Preferred Stock Drops to \$24.

NEW YORK, Oct. 16.—Trading on both the New York Stock Exchange and the curb stock exchange is in turmoil as a result of excited movements and violent declines in the price of United Copper in the latter market. The suspension of the firm of Gross & Kleberg, of the New York Stock Exchange, contributed materially, if it was not the chief cause of the decline in both markets. This firm has been trading actively in United Copper and it was reported that they were members of a pool formed to support the price of this stock. Apparently there was a break in this pool yesterday as a result of which common stock broke from \$59 to \$36 per share and the transfer agent of the company refused to record the transfer of a block of 16,930 shares which he said had been sold in violation of the rights of parties having some interest in it.

It was reported that Gross & Kleberg, acting for the interests identified with F. A. Heinze, had bought in some of this stock and that Heinze interests refused to accept the stock because of the manner in which it had been placed on the market. United Copper common which closed at \$36 yesterday opened at \$25 today and during the excitement of the afternoon went as low as \$10 from which it recovered to \$15 before the close. Preferred stock, which before today has been quoted at \$74 reached the low point of \$24 during the day. Trading in these stocks was confined to the curb market.

### TO SAVE CANADA PULPWOOD.

Dominion Paper Men Ask Premier to Prevent Exhaustion of Resources.

OTTAWA, Oct. 16.—The government was asked to prevent the wholesale export of pulpwood to the United States. A delegation representing the pulp and paper section of the Canadian Manufacturer's Association had an interview with the prime minister at noon, in reference to their interests, particularly as to the legislation necessary to prevent exhaustion of Canadian pulpwood resources through exports to the United States.

Among the members of the delegation were J. S. Rolland, president of the association; C. Riordan of St. Catherine's

and J. B. Booth of Ottawa. The agitation in the United States for removal of the duty on news print as an offset to alleged extortion by the paper trust has a peculiar significance for the Canadian industry.

The imposition of an export duty by Canada on pulpwood, it is felt by the American newspapers that are fighting the combine, might militate against the success of their campaign at Washington for tariff reform, while the freedom of the United States market would probably be an advantage to Canadian paper makers.

It is announced that free admission of paper would in any event be restricted to the product of countries which do not place an export impost on pulpwood.

### SUICIDE LEFT \$2 FOR "GAS."

German's Rule of Life Not Forgotten When he Sought Death.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 16.—"Dear George: Please find enclosed \$2 for the gas I have used to end my life. Good-bye."

This was the brief note Herman Oberer, 63 years old, wrote to his friend, George Neef, proprietor of a lodging house at 426 George street, before he turned on the gas in his room there on Tuesday.

As exactly 1200 cubic feet of gas had been consumed, Deputy Coroner McGonigal estimated that this would cost \$120, leaving a balance of 80 cents for Neef. "Oberer was one of the most careful and thoughtful men I ever knew," Neef told Coroner Jerome at the inquest yesterday. "He could not endure being in debt. He never allowed a bill to go unpaid or a favor unacknowledged."

"His father had set down this principle as a rule of life for him to follow, and he did. He had a comfortable income. He desired to return to Germany, but as he had made some investments in silver, he was afraid that if he left this country he would lose them. This was what worried him and probably led to his suicide."

### GIRL KILLS HERSELF.

Grace Thompson, Unequal to Struggle For Existence, Takes Arbotic Acid.

BUTTE, Oct. 16.—Grace Thompson, 19 years of age, died this morning at six o'clock from the effects of a dose of carbolic acid she took in her room in the Boston block last night. With her mother, Mrs. Thomas Brady, the girl had been living in the lodging house. The mother had been in poor health and whatever food she received came from the daughter. From persons in the block it was learned today that the young girl had been despondent over the financial straits of the family and that she probably took the poison to end her life and relieve herself of further responsibility. One of the roomers last night in going through the hall heard the noise of the girl groaning and opening the door of room 19 found the woman in bed breathing heavily and a strong smell of carbolic acid in the room. He looked around and found a one-ounce bottle on the floor. After some time Dr. W. C. Matthews was secured and he worked with the unfortunate girl for a number of hours, but without effect. The body was removed to White & Krebs' undertaking rooms where an inquest will be held this evening at 7 o'clock.

## NAVAL STATIONS NEED MECHANICS

Additional Skilled Labor Needed for Repairs to Ships in Stations.

### TEMPORARY CHANGE IN RULES

When the Battleship Fleet Reaches This Coast There Will Not be Sufficient Skilled Mechanics Here to Put the Vessels in Order.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16.—The situation at Pacific Coast naval stations and yards is such that some means must be found to secure additional skilled mechanics for not only is there insufficient labor to put the battleship fleet in order when it arrives on the coast, but there is actually insufficient force to keep up with the demand for current repairs of ships now in stations.

Temporary relief may be found, it is hoped, by the navy department for relaxation of rules for employment of labor in navy yards so as to permit applicants for such work to file their applications by mail instead of presenting them in person as is now required. As soon as congress assembles the case will be carried before that body with a recommendation that legislation may be had to secure a force of labor sufficient to meet the needs of the Pacific Coast yards, not only for the present but for the future.

### TRIES TO GET WIFE BY MAIL.

Station Agent Writes to New York Chief of Police for Blonde Lady.

KANSAS CITY, Oct. 16.—W. S. Childress, agent for the Missouri Pacific Railroad at Centropolis, who put an application for one of the cargo of "marriageable maids" landed by the White Star Steamship Baltimore a couple of weeks ago, is still waiting results.

"My letter seems to have reached about all the single women in the country except the Baltic bunch," Childress complained last night. "I've had replies from Arkansas and Missouri, and way up in Canada, but not a nibble from the Scandinavian blondes. I sent my letter to the New York chief of police and told him to look the bunch over and use his discretion. Instead of that he used his nerve and handed it over to the newspapers."

Childress has been married before. His first wife was a blonde and he wants another of the same kind. "That's why I sent in for these Swede girls," he explained. "They are tow-headed and good-tempered girls. I'm no piker. I own my little property here, which brings me in good rent, and my job is good for \$70 a month. I figure that these foreign girls would not have the spending habit so bad as American girls have and would know how to save a man's money. Of course, there's the drawback of their not speaking English, perhaps, but I could teach them enough to keep house on."

Childress still has hopes of hearing from the Baltic cargo.

"They probably had a lot of applications at the start," he said, "and are sitting 'em down. When the pickers and four-flushers are thrown out and the girls get down to business, I may still be in the running."

### ALTA, UTAH, MINE SHOWS WELL.

Columbus Wedge Has Four Feet of Ore Cropping Out for 100 Feet.

SALT LAKE, Oct. 16.—With four feet of ore exposed for 100 feet along the vein that numerous samples show averages better than \$150 a ton in silver, lead and gold, the management of the Columbus Wedge, at Alta, Utah, is pleased with the outlook.

The ore found in all the workings or holes made along the vein, which asks a great porphyry dyke that cuts through from the South Columbus westward for a long distance, is characteristic of the rich carbonates and chlorides that were mined in the early days of the camp. It has one characteristic that is not found in the early day deposits—it makes along the porphyry dyke, while the rich deposits in the old mines were invariably found in fissures. It is the purpose to open this vein both by shaft and tunnel and Manager Jacob-

son promises big results from the work. Within a few days a number of Michigan operators who are largely interested in the Wedge will be out to make an investigation.

### TRIAL ASCENTS POSTPONED.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 16.—Weather conditions interfered with the plans of two of the ballooning teams that are here to compete in the international cup races Monday and trial ascents planned for the day were postponed. The weather however did not bother the other teams which spent the afternoon looking over their machines for possible rents acquired in transit.

### REV. RYDQUIST AT TACOMA.

TACOMA, Oct. 16.—"The Festivities of the Church of Christ" was the subject chosen by Rev. G. E. Rydquist of Astoria, Ore., in the opening address of the Columbia conference of the Augustana synod last night at the First Evangelical Lutheran Church. The conference will be in session the remainder of the week and is attended by many pastors from over the Pacific Coast.

### FALSE IMPRISONMENT SUIT.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 16.—Suits were filed this afternoon by Fremont Older against Luther G. Brown, G. A. Wyman, and Ben Cohn, alleging false imprisonment and demanding damages of \$102,250. The suit grows out of the recent kidnapping of Older, the three defendants having been concerned in that adventure.

### YESTERDAY'S BASEBALL SCORES.

At San Francisco—San Francisco 1, Portland 8.  
At Los Angeles—Los Angeles 5, Oakland 0.

## MEETING ADJOURNED

### Fight for Control Will be Waged Today.

### WILL START OVER DIRECTORS

Delay Was Caused by Inability of the Election Inspectors Appointed to Act as Committee on Credentials to Finish Their Work.

CHICAGO, Oct. 16.—A meeting of the Illinois Central stockholders which was called at noon today was finally adjourned late in the afternoon until tomorrow at 9 o'clock. No vote on the directors was taken and it is possible that none will be reached before a late hour tomorrow. It is generally expected, however, that an early session will see a new directorate established. The delay was caused by the inability of three election inspectors appointed to act as a committee on credentials in considering proxies to finish their work. Adjournment was taken after an earnest tilt between William Nelson Cromwell, Harriman's leading counsel and James A. Patten, prominent member of the Chicago Board of Trade. Cromwell desired that the meeting be adjourned until 8:30 tonight while Patten was set on having it taken until 9 tomorrow morning.

### ASKS DEFINITE ANSWER.

STOCKHOLM, Oct. 16.—Goesta Kyhlberger, in an interview today on the subject of the proposed Swedish challenge for the America's cup, said that he had cabled to Secretary of the Swedish Legation requesting him to ask the New York Yacht Club to answer definitely before October 21 if the challenge for a series of races with a 70-foot yacht would be accepted.

### TWO SHOT IN A FIGHT.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Oct. 16.—In a raid on an alleged oleomargarine factory by Internal Revenue officials this morning, Edward Daly, a Federal officer, was shot through the breast, and H. C. Moorman, owner of the suspected creamery, was shot in the groin. Both may die.

R. H. Love, of Kansas City, revenue agent, accompanied by four officers, gained entrance to the building in which Moorman operated a creamery company. While the Federal officers were going up stairs Moorman opened fire. Daly fell, but not before one of the party had shot Moorman. No incriminating evidence was found.



Lipton—If I can only put salt on that bird's tail, it's mine. Sir Thomas Lipton will endeavor again to lift America's cup, and he thinks his new yacht will be a winner.—News Item.