



MINE EXPLOSION IN GERMANY CLAIMS 339 VICTIMS

Of 380 Workers Only Six Escape Uninjured.

CAUSE IS UNKNOWN

Accident Which Occurred at 4 A. M. Yesterday is Followed by Fierce Fire.

FLAMES PREVENT RESCUE

Engineers After Conference Decide That Further Attempts at Rescue Would be in Vain Owing to the Fire and Smoke.

HAMM, West Phalia, Germany, Nov. 12.—The greatest mine disaster of many years in Germany occurred this morning at Radbed Mine, about three miles from this place. There was a heavy explosion at 4 a. m. and almost immediately the mine took fire. Of the 380 miners working underground at the time, only six escaped without injury. Thirty-five were taken out badly hurt and 37 dead have been brought to the mouth of the pit. The remaining 302 have been given up for dead. The explosion was unusually violent, destroying one of the shafts which had been partly repaired before the rescue work was begun. In addition, the flames and smoke proved almost insurmountable obstacles in the efforts of the rescuing parties. Special corps composed of men who rendered such valuable aid in the terrible mine disaster at Courrières, France, in March, 1906, arrived on the scene shortly before noon but were unable to enter the mine, being forced to await the efforts of the firemen to keep the flames in check. Meantime heart-rending scenes took place at the mine when the dead and injured were brought to the surface and there were similar scenes when the injured were transported through the streets to the hospitals. At 1 o'clock the fire had made great headway and later in the afternoon after a consultation of engineers, it was decided that any further attempts to rescue the entombed men would be in vain owing to the impossibility of entering the galleries. At the same time an order was issued to flood the mine. First reports indicated that the accident was a result of an explosion of coal dust, but statements of the injured men rendered this improbable, and it is not clear just what caused it.

A HEARTLESS DEED.

OAKLAND, Cal., Nov. 12.—Charged with having buried alive a dog that had chased his chickens, E. Mc-

SENATOR BOURNE JOINS MR. TAFT

Oregon Official in Company With Other Senators Visit President Elect at Hot Springs.

HOT SPRINGS, Va., Nov. 12.—Scott of West Virginia and Bourne of Oregon are her to spend some time. Both these gentlemen will have an opportunity to have talks with Judge Taft. It was said by those in position to know that the Republican campaign fund was made up of between 11,000 and 12,000 names, only three or four of which were greater than the \$10,000 limit fixed by Bryan.

Henry, aged 74 years, was arrested yesterday by agents of the Humane Society and booked in the city prison. It is affirmed that the dog, after having been underground some time was exhausted, found to be still breathing and was chloroformed by an officer. McHenry declares that he had clubbed the dog until he believed it dead and had then buried it.

HAVE NARROW ESCAPE.

Park Theatre at Brooklyn Burns Shortly After Audience Leaves.

NEW YORK, Nov. 12.—Less than an hour after the large audience had left the Park Theatre the historic Brooklyn playhouse fire was discovered tonight and an hour later the building was in ruins. There were several members of the theatrical company in the dressing room but they escaped unhurt. Loss \$125,000.

"TEDDY" AND TAFT TO DISCUSS CABINET

LATTER WILL BE THE PRESIDENT'S GUEST, SATURDAY AND SUNDAY NEXT

WILL SPEAK AT NEW YORK

Taft's Trip to New York is For the Purpose of Making a Dedication Speech in Fort Green Park at Brooklyn.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 12.—At the White House Saturday night and Sunday President-elect Taft will be the guest of President Roosevelt on his way from New York City. President Roosevelt's message to congress will probably be in shape for Taft's perusal and Taft's cabinet will probably be discussed. Taft's trip to New York is for the purpose of making a speech at the dedication of the prison ship, Martyr's Monument, in Fort Green Park, Brooklyn.

DEFENDS THE TRUSTS.

Chas. M. Schwab in Address Says Corporations Are Here to Stay.

BERKELEY, Cal., Nov. 12.—In a lecture before the students of the University of California Charles M. Schwab, president of the United States Steel Corporation defended the principle of trust which he declared had come to stay. "I believe in high wages," the speaker said, "but I demand hard work in return. The United States Steel Corporation always paid its men high wages. This is possibly only with the corporation or form of organization you call trusts. The trusts has come to

stay. It means high wages, economy, lack of waste and hence, is industrially solid."

FINANCING A FAILURE.

CHICAGO, Nov. 12.—Judge Mack announced in the circuit court yesterday that he would appoint a receiver for the Mercantile Finance Company today to hold the assets of the company pending the settlement of the affairs of the Rhodus Brothers. This is the third Rhodus corporation for which a receiver has been appointed. Receiver John C. Felzer of the Central Life Securities company and of the Mercantile Security company will probably now be appointed receivers of the third company by Judge Mack, who expressed the opinion that the interests of the concern might be hostile to each other. elzer claims the Mercantile Finance Company owes the other two corporations \$900,000. The Mercantile Finance Company, according to the allegations of Felzer, has acted as the agent for the sale of the stock of the other two companies.

PEOPLE WANT IT.

CHICAGO, Nov. 12.—With official figures with only three counties now missing the returns at the Secretary of State's office at Springfield indicate that the proposition to issue \$20,000,000 in bonds for the construction of a deep waterway, by a majority of approximately 105,000 of the total vote cast.

MAKING MORE TROUBLE.

HELENA, Nov. 12.—Albert Berger, a former Alaska miner, just before committing suicide last Thursday, threw \$2000 in postoffice orders in a stove, declaring that the money was in the hands of the government and that no one would quarrel over it.

SCANNING HER RECORD.

CHICAGO, Nov. 12.—Chicago police are endeavoring to identify the Madame Leroy, a clairvoyant, alleged to have "controlled" Mrs. A. F. Read, who attempted to export money from Mrs. G. C. Phipps.

BALKAN SITUATION IS NEARING CLIMAX

EVERYTHING DEPENDS ON NOTE EXPECTED FROM VIENNA TODAY.

SOME POSSIBILITY OF WAR

Austrian Note Will Definitely Outline Attitude of That Government Regarding the Discussion of Annexations.

ST. PETERSBURG, Nov. 12.—Although the air of onward calm is maintained at the Russian foreign office, the Balkan situation has now reached the acute stage where everything depends upon the nature of the note which is expected from Vienna tomorrow and the outcome of mediation which Russia, France and Great Britain have undertaken at Belgrade, at Austria's request, with view to limiting belligerent activity of Serbia. If mediation is not successful war is recognized as a possibility in authoritative circles. The Austrian note will definitely outline the attitude of that government, regarding the discussion of the annexation of Bosnia and Herzegovina and the possible compensation to Serbia and Montenegro and the nature of the note will determine whether international congress can be held.

A BIG WALNUT.

SAN JOSE, Cal., Nov. 12.—Santa Clara Valley has a new record of production. A walnut six and a half inches in diameter was taken from the Stewart ranch of Sunnyvale today.

LAMPHERE TRIAL OPENS TODAY

For Murder of Mrs. Guinness and Children.

EVIDENCE IS STRONG

Prosecutor Gives Evidence Where Defendant Showed Hatred for Mrs. Guinness.

THE JURY IS NOW SELECTED

Attorney Smith in Opening Argument to Jury Says He Can Prove That Lamphere Made Remarks Threatening Woman and Children

LA PORTE, Ind., Nov. 12.—The introduction of evidence in the trial of Ray Lamphere for the murder of Mrs. Belle Guinness and her three children by setting fire to the house will be begun tomorrow, the jury having been secured this afternoon and States Attorney Smith having his opening argument to the jury. The prosecutor went into such detail as to what he would prove. He said that evidence would show that Lamphere had made remarks to various persons that indicated his hatred for Mrs. Guinness and his intention to do her harm. He declared he would trace Lamphere's movements on the day of the fire up to the time of his arrest and that when he was arrested his first question was "Did those folks get out of the house?" Smith declared the state would prove where Mrs. Guinness and her children slept and "We will also prove that when the bodies were found, there was a foot of debris underneath the mattresses and bed-springs, etc., showing that these bodies could not have been cadavers if placed on the cement floor of the basement.

LOST SON FOUND.

Scion of a Distinguished Viennese Family Restored to Favor.

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 12.—The lost son of Dr. Joseph Loewy, privy councillor to Emperor Franz Josef of Austria and attorney at the royal court of Vienna, has been found through the enterprise of Otto E. Schroeder, clerk at the Hotel Lankershim of this city. For more than a year past the son of Mr. Loewy has been living at Oakland, Cal., under the name of Fred Anderson and an advertisement which Schroeder placed in the San Francisco papers caught his eye and brought immediate response.

Loewy left home more than six years ago. He was then a boy adventurer and feeling the restraint of home life, as well as disliking the idea of later joining the army, he ran away. For some time he lived in London, then came to America and drifted to California. Here all trace of him was lost.

Schroeder at one time was an ensign in the German navy, and had known young Loewy and his parents were well acquainted with the privy councillor. It was for this reason that the hotel clerk was further entrusted with the work of finding the missing youth.

In his last letter to Schroeder, Dr. Loewy stated that a matter of great importance required the presence of his son in Austria. As soon as the son was discovered in Oakland, the father was assured of his whereabouts and the son will leave at once for Vienna.

SAME OLD MIX-UP.

DENVER, Nov. 12.—Characterizing the participation of the American Federation of Labor through its executive council, in the recent national campaign as "distinct victory for the Socialist cause," it is announced by that element in the Federation that there will be no fight in this convention of the contest between the Socialists and their opponents. Now the Socialists believe that a start has been made by the federation which will bring the labor movement of the country to their party. The program began with the addresses of the fraternal delegates from the English and Canadian labor congresses.

"SINCE TAFT'S ELECTION"

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 12.—A million-dollar order for new Pullman cars, intended for use on limited trains between San Francisco and Portland and Los Angeles, has been placed by the officials of the Southern Pacific Company according to announcement made today. The order provides for 50 cars and said to be due to the increased traffic. In addition to this another expenditure of \$1,000,000 is to be made for 220 new passenger coaches intended for use on the lines of the Pacific Coast.

A SLEEPING FAKER.

LOWELL, Mass., Nov. 12.—Five expert practitioners gathered yesterday at the bedside of Luciana Piette, the French-Canadian girl who has been asleep for 13 days and applied electricity in the hope of awakening her. The physicians are satisfied that the girl is suffering from hysteria and that her own obstinacy keeps her asleep. The doctors applied electricity to her hands and feet. She gave unmistakable evidence of being conscious of what was being done to her, as she offered strenuous resistance to the doctor's work. When one of the doctors said threatening that they would apply electricity for the third time with a much stronger current, telling a colleague at the same time to take hold of her foot to apply the apparatus to it, the girl quickly drew her foot under the bedclothes.

OIL CASE NOW GOES TO U. S. SUPREME

DECISION REACHED BY BONAPARTE AND THE GOVERNMENT ATTORNEYS

AFTER ALL DAY CONFERENCE

Application Will be Made to Supreme Court When it Convenes November 30 to Bring up and Review Circuit Court's Action.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 12.—Following the recent action of the circuit court of appeals in Chicago in refusing the United States government a re-hearing in the Standard Oil case made famous by its \$29,000,000 fine, the department of justice tonight decided to take the case to the United States supreme court. The decision was reached after an all-day conference between Attorney-General Bonaparte and government attorneys who have been engaged in the case. The application will be made to the supreme court when it convenes on November 30th for a writ of certiorari to bring up and review the action of the circuit court of appeals.

TELEPHONE NOT ENOUGH.

NEW YORK, Nov. 12.—Because a firm of importers of this city made their protest to the customs house by telephone, instead of in writing, they have lost their case before the board of appraisers. In dismissing the protest Judge Summerville said: "The report of the collector in this

WOMAN'S PLAN TO MURDER HER MOTHER FRUSTRATED

case shows that the importers offered verbally to abandon the merchandise by telephone. The verbal abandonment, in our opinion, was insufficient. The established practice is to the contrary and any other rule would lead to much uncertainty in customs administration, as well as to embarrassing litigation."

KILLED BY CARS.

NEW YORK, Nov. 12.—William F. Sanley, 23 years old, an employe of a Brooklyn newspaper, was struck by a gust of stiff westerly wind which prevailed here last night, and losing his balance, as he reached for his hat, was swept from an elevated train platform in Brooklyn under an approaching train. His groans were heard while the wrecking crew endeavored to remove his body but he died as the work progressed.

6 CHINESE SMUGGLERS ARE DROWNED

FOUR OTHERS AND THREE WHITE MEN ARE RESCUED BY POLICE.

THEIR MOTOR BOAT WRECKED

White Men Disappear, Federal Authorities and Detectives Are Now Searching For Them—Are Thought to Have Smuggled in Chinese.

BUFFALO, Nov. 12.—A motor boat containing 10 Chinese and three white men was wrecked on the break wall off the foot of Michigan street early today. Six Chinese were drowned or dashed to death against the seawall. The survivors were rescued by a crew of police in a life boat. The three white men disappeared and the federal authorities and local detectives are searching for them as they are suspected of having been engaged in smuggling Chinese into this country from Canada.

ASKS BIG DAMAGES.

NEW YORK, Nov. 12.—Mrs. C. B. Heeren has brought suit against the New York Central Railway asking \$30,000 damages because, as she alleges, she was mistaken for Mrs. Belle Guinness, the La Porte, Ind., murderess, and taken from the train near Utica N. Y., last summer. Her mother, it is said, who was with her at the time has filed a suit for a similar amount for alleged indignities to which she alleges she was subjected. Mrs. Heeren who lives in Brooklyn, declares that she suffered such a shock that neither she nor her mother has completely recovered.

DRINK HABIT IS NOT FALLING OFF

Wave of Prohibition Has But Little Effect on the Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 12.—The wave of prohibition which it is claimed has spread over the country apparently has had little effect upon the consumption of alcoholic liquors and spirituous drinks according to evidence brought out at today's hearing on the proposed tariff revision before the house committee on ways

Plotted to Do Away With Parent for Insurance.

ENGAGED "SLUGGER"

Detective Poses as Thug and Nabs Mrs. Otis As She Pays Him to Commit Deed.

MAKE COMPLETE CONFESSION

Chicago Police Have Been Watching Woman's Movements For Several Days—Pays Supposed Sluggler \$2500 to Carry Out Her Plans.

CHICAGO, Nov. 12.—Mrs. Otis, 36 years old, a daughter of Mrs. Sarah Otis was arrested tonight charged with having plotted to murder her mother. According to police Mrs. Otis was to have arrived from Mauston, Wis., next Saturday and a private detective supposed by Miss Otis to be the "slugger" employed by her. Her mother is said to have money and life insurance policies together worth \$5800. The woman's movements have been watched by the police for several days. Some time ago she called on a private detective agency and explained her plans. The agency informed the police and it was arranged by the police to have the agency carry on the affair. Detective Mackay was introduced as a "slugger" from Pittsburgh. Mackay met Miss Otis tonight and according to him she paid him \$100 on account and gave him a promissory note for \$2400 more. Just as Mackay received the money at Miss Otis' home, police officials, who had been concealed there, stepped out and took the woman into custody. The police say she confessed to the plot and expressed chagrin at its failure. It is believed she is demented.

AFTER COIN DAMAGES.

CHICAGO, Nov. 12.—Suit for \$12,000 was begun yesterday against Elizabeth Rodgers, Katherine burningham, Elizabeth M. Logan and Mary E. Rayburn, former officers of the Women's Order of Forerunners by Mrs. Mary Keckley. She charges that the defendants caused her to be expelled from the order last February. She was reinstated at the convention held in Detroit, Mich., recently.

ROOT DECLINES.

BOSTON, Nov. 12.—In an interview in an afternoon paper Secretary of State Root said today he is not a candidate for the United States senate.

and means. It was apparent too that the liquor interests are on the whole well satisfied with the present tariff on spirits and wines and other beverages as wine growers and importers were practically the only interests interested at today's hearing. Tomorrow the committee will take up the tobacco schedule.