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BATTLESHIP EXPLOSION HURTS MANY

Seventeen Men Injured by Ignition of Charge in the After Turret of Georgia at Provincetown Harbor This Morning.

Son of Admiral Goodrich and Midshipmen Cruse and Goldwaite Among Those Who Are in Hospital—Investigation Ordered.

(Journal Special Service.)

Washington, July 15.—Seventeen men were injured by an explosion in the upper aft turret of the battleship Georgia today, eight of them seriously, and it is feared that several deaths will occur before night. The Georgia was lying at Provincetown, Massachusetts, when the explosion occurred, but has started for Boston where the injured men will be placed in a shore hospital. A board of naval officers has been ordered to investigate the cause of the accident.

Lieutenant Goodrich, son of Rear Admiral Goodrich; Midshipman Faulkner Goldwaite and Midshipman John T. Cruse are among the injured. The extent of their injuries is not stated in the report which has been made by Captain McRea to the navy department.

It is believed that the explosion was caused by the ignition of a charge in the aft turret, although that point has not been made clear in Captain McRae's report.

The Georgia is a first class battleship and has been in commission one year. Captain McRae was assigned to her July 1 and expected to take formal command today, succeeding Captain Davenport, retired.

The Georgia was holding target practice in Cape Cod bay when the explosion occurred. The charge for an eight-inch gun was being lifted into place when it exploded from an unknown cause.

Rear Admiral Brownson said: "I am shocked. I believed we had adopted every precaution possible for preventing the ignition of charges of powder under such circumstances."

The navy department wires its sorrow and orders everything done to take care of the wounded.

SEVEN ARE KILLED BY BOMB AT ODESSA

(Journal Special Service.)

London, July 15.—Seven were killed and many injured by the explosion of a bomb in a factory at Odessa.

PHONE OFFICIAL THROWN IN JAIL

Vice-President Zimmer Refuses to Tell What He Knows About Glass.

(Journal Special Service.)

San Francisco, July 15.—E. J. Zimmer, vice-president and former auditor of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company, was sentenced to five days in jail this morning. Zimmer was found guilty of contempt of court because he refused to testify against Louis Glass when called to the witness stand.

Glass is being tried on a charge of having bribed city supervisors to vote against the application of the Home Telephone for a franchise in San Francisco.

Zimmer was called to the stand and questioned about his knowledge of the transaction. He refused to answer the questions put to him by the graft prosecutors and was sentenced to five days in jail. In passing sentence the court ordered that Zimmer be kept prisoner until he answered the questions put to him by the prosecution.

The trial of Mayor Schmitz on the four remaining extortion indictments, was today set for August 10.

BOMB PLANTED FOR AMERICAN AMBASSADOR AT CONSTANTINOPLE

JOHN G. A. LEISHMAN.

TURK TRIES TO KILL LEISHMAN

Bomb Is Exploded Under the Summer Home of United States Ambassador.

(Journal Special Service.)

Constantinople, July 15.—What is believed to have been an attempt to assassinate American Ambassador John C. Leishman, occurred at his summer home on the Straits of Bosphorus, when a bomb exploded under the house, wrecking one room and injuring four native servants. Mr. Leishman escaped uninjured.

No clue has been found of the perpetrators of the outrage although the authorities have taken up the case with a will and declare that they will run them to earth. One theory that has been advanced is that a discharged servant was attempting to secure revenge upon the ambassador. It is not believed

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HOKE SMITH IS CHEERFUL LOSER

Governor Will Throw Away Six Thousand Dollars by Signing Name.

(Journal Special Service.)

Atlanta, Ga., July 15.—When Governor Hoke Smith affixes his signature to a bill forbidding the manufacture or sale of intoxicating liquors in Georgia he will deprive himself of $6,000, yet the governor will make the sacrifice, for he pledged himself to approve the bill for state prohibition if enacted by the legislature.

The governor will lose $6,000 because under prohibition the bar of the Piedmont hotel, the finest hostelry in Atlanta, will be closed. Piedmont is operated by lessees, who pay the owners $100,000 a year. The lease is for a term of years and there is a clause providing that in the event of prohibition the rental shall be less.

UNITED PRESS IN ACTION

New Association Elects Officers and Commences Service to Papers Formerly Patrons of Scripps-McRae, Publishers and Scripps News.

(Journal Special Service.)

New York, July 15.—Completion of the consolidation whereby the Publishers' Press, Scripps-McRae Press and Scripps News association becomes one concern under the name of the United Press association, was officially announced this morning. Officers of the new company have been selected as follows:

John Vandercook, president; Max Balthasar, Oliver Hershman and Andrew McLean, vice-presidents; H. B. Clark, chairman of the board of directors.

Wires are now being strung along the Pacific coast by the new press association, which will furnish leased wire service to papers between San Diego and Seattle. The Oregon Journal will be the only Portland paper served by the United Press.

Final consolidation of the three great news associations makes a solid opposition to the Associated Press. Formerly these three organizations have worked together, but under separate management. From this time on the same officiers will preside over the entire system and a matchless and unrivalled service will be the result.

The United Press is capitalized at $310,000, the incorporators being Hamilton B. Clark, of San Francisco, Roy W. Howard, of New York, and C. Harper, of Cincinnati. Mr. Clark was president of the Publishers' Press, Mr. Howard was day manager of the same organization and Mr. Harper was attorney for the three associations.

Since 1897, when the old United Press went out of existence, after a long battle against the Associated Press the number of papers served by the three companies now combined, has been increased to 500 with additions being made constantly. Many of the rights of the former United Press went to the Scripps or Publishers' companies and these are included with the separate privileges owned by the individual concerns which have combined. The association is a strong one and its service to afternoon and Sunday morning papers, which it will deal with exclusively, will be the best ever given the Pacific coast.

TWO SURVEYORS ARE DROWNED IN PLATTE

(Journal Special Service.)

Cheyenne, Wyo., July 15.— Word has just been received here of the drowning in the Platte river of two surveyors working on the Burlington extension from Guernsey to Orin Junction. The men were trying to cross the river in a row boat when the craft struck a counter current, capsizing it. The names of the drowned men have not yet been obtained.

SOUTHERN RUSSIA IS SWEPT BY TORNADO

(Journal Special Service.)

Odessa, Russia, July 15.—Famine and pestilence are feared in the wake of a terrible storm which swept southern Russia yesterday, killing and injuring scores. In the government of Kherson, Orolève and Bessarabi untold damage has been wrought. The entire region will have to depend on other provinces for food, as many cattle were destroyed. Eight persons were killed by lightning in Odessa and many casualties occurred in other sections. Crops were ruined.

OMAHA IS FLOODED BY GREATEST RAIN FALL IN HISTORY

(Journal Special Service.)

Omaha, Neb., July 15.—Omaha and eastern Nebraska were flooded yesterday and this morning by rainfall which broke all previous records of precipitation. During the 24 hours ending at 8 o'clock this morning 4½ inches of rain fell in this section.

The storm has been general throughout the upper Mississippi valley and aside from eastern Nebraska fell with greatest force around St. Paul, where 3.08 inches were recorded during the same length of time.

The excessive moisture came as the break to a hot spell which has continued for several days during the week past. Sunday morning a terrific wind storm was followed by the downpour and cloud bursts have been numerous throughout the section west of here.

All the rivers and streams in the prairie regions have overflowed their banks and it is believed that considerable damage has been done to farms and crops. Railroad and telegraphic communication has been cut at several points, but how great has been the damage to roadbeds is not reported.

ROSE CITY PASSED UP FAIRBANKS

Portland Commercial Bodies Permit Chance to Garland and Banquet Vice-President of United States to Slip by Without Effort.

If Second Man of the Union Passes Through City He Will Do So as Any Ordinary Citizen — May Visit Some Personal Friends.

Portland, the Rose City, noted for the hospitality of its citizens and its garlanded guests of honor, is going to allow the opportunity to bedeck the vice-president of the United States with wreaths and fill him with banquets to slip by ungrasped and unimproved. Astoria the city by the sea where the cool sea breezes blow has ordered Charles Warren Fairbanks "a good cold lemonade" and passed him on to Seaside where the fatted calf is awaiting him. Portland, however, has no calf to kill. Mr. Fairbanks reached Goebel this morning and was taken from there direct to Astoria and thence on to Seaside without coming to Portland.

"If Mr. Fairbanks comes to Portland, so far as we know, he will come as any other man would, quietly and without ostentation," say members of the Commercial club which in the memory of man has never before allowed a distinguished citizen to escape its banquet board and reception committee. "It was generally understood that the delegates who attended the dinner at Seaside would take the vice-president in tow and bring him back to Portland but no official action has been taken by the club."

"I have not heard a thing about his coming officially," said J. B. Laber, secretary of the Portland board of trade. "That is a thing which the political organizations might be able to tell you about." Thus does the board of trade forget the chance.

"The Commercial club generally does those things," said Secretary Giltner of the chamber of commerce. "The chamber has taken no action looking to the entertainment of Mr. Fairbanks." And so each organization intimates that it is not its brother's keeper.

No politician knows anything about the advent of the distinguished visitor and officeholder. "I have not heard anything about any program of entertainment," is the universal sentiment and expression of every one asked.

The last time Mr. Fairbanks was in Portland was when the Lewis and Clark Exposition was opened to the public and at that time he came as the official representative of President Roosevelt. Then he was the guest of the late Henry W. Goode, president of the Exposition.

It may be that when Mr. Fairbanks slips into town in his private car, he will tarry a spell as the guest of some personal friend and that so tarrying some unofficial courtesies will be extended to him, but no provision has been made for a public recognition of his presence in the city or the state. He will leave for the south as quietly as he came, bearing no wreaths and hearing no plaudits of assembled throngs fading and growing faint in the distance.

STUYVESANT FISH TO CONTROL ROAD AGAIN

(Journal Special Service.)

New York, July 15.—Wall street and financial circles are agitated by persistent rumors that Stuyvesant Fish may again secure control of the Illinois Central. According to some of the stories he believes he may count upon the support of President Harahan, who, it is said, is displeased with E. H. Harriman for various reasons, the treatment of his brother and son being offered as examples.

The government attacks upon the Union Pacific and other Harriman deals are also said to have alarmed the financiers, who would be glad, it is said, if the Illinois Central were returned to its former conservative management.

All rumors are in the air and no one will be quoted, but they continue to circulate. Something definite is expected at the meeting Wednesday, as especial effort is being made to bring in every vote possible.

Sensational developments, according to current stories, may be looked for at the October meeting. It is known that Stuyvesant Fish has written or wired Governor Deenan of Illinois to attend the meeting.

MELLEN GLOATS OVER HARRIMAN

President of New York & New Haven Delighted by Attack on Magnate.

(Journal Special Service.)

Boston, July 15.—President Mellen of the New York & New Haven railroad is "dee-lighted" over the attack made on E. H. Harriman by the interstate commerce commission and declares that it could not be better if he had made it himself.

In speaking of the report presented to President Roosevelt by the interstate commerce commission President Mellen said that he heartily approved of every word of it that related to Harriman and declares that it expresses his views as closely as if he had dictated it.

GEORGIA SOCIETY LEADER WON BY TOBACCO MAGNATE

MRS. WILLIAM INMAN.

TRUST KING TO WED AGAIN

James B. Duke and Mrs. William Inman Sail for Europe, Where It is Reported They Will Be Married—Both Deny Rumor of Match.

(Journal Special Service.)

New York, July 15.—James B. Duke, the millionaire head of the so-called tobacco trust, and Mrs. William Inman, the beautiful society woman of Atlanta, Georgia, to whom he has been attentive for the past few months, are included among the members of a party of society folk booked to sail for Europe today. Despite the repeated denials from both Mr. Duke and Mrs. Inman it is generally believed among their friends that the pair have arranged for their wedding to take place abroad, probably within the next few weeks.

Duke has furnished plenty of sensations for society within the past few years. His suit for divorce from his first wife, which was begun after a honeymoon of scarcely 10 months was food for much talk and the report that he is to wed again set the smart set agog. After being married a few months, Duke was called to Europe. On his return he filed suit for divorce.

Made Business Trip.

Mr. Duke went to Europe for business solely. While he was abroad, it is alleged, certain information reached him by cable involving the names of Huntoon and Mrs. Duke. It was said that the couple were seen at the races together, that they went automobiling and were together at fashionable restaurants. Private detectives were called in by Duke through his lawyers in this city.

The suit coming so quickly on the heels of the sudden and romantic marriage of Duke and his wife was a great surprise. When the couple were married there were not half a dozen friends of Mr. Duke that knew he was about to end his long years of bachelorhood.

Secretly almost Mr. Duke and his secretary left Somerville, New Jersey, on the day prior to the marriage and went to the Hotel Walton, in Philadelphia. Mrs. McCredy, as she was then, went to the Bellevue-Stratford in Philadelphia, and the next day went to the home of her uncle, Lewis J. Seal, president of the Consolidated stock exchange in Philadelphia, who lives at 217 Cooper street, Camden. There the copule were married, with hardly a dozen of their friends attending the simple ceremony. Camden was the birthplace of Mrs. Duke. She was Miss William N. Fletcher.

Honeymoon in Europe.

After the wedding Mr. and Mrs. Duke sailed for Europe on the Baltic and were abroad until February. Then they settled down to live at 11 West Sixty-eighth street.

Upon few places in the United States has so much care and money been spent as on the Duke estate, which is about two miles from Somerville, New Jersey. The estate has 2,000 acres of land in it, and villages and ancient landmarks have been removed to make it one of the finest estates in America. Of all this land a great park has been made by the finest landscape gardeners of the world. An artificial lake that cost $1,000,000 was built in one corner of the great property.

Three hundred men, with 60 teams, worked for three years to improve the estate. The mansion on the property cost $1,500,000. Two millions more went into the fittings. The paintings in the house are worth $1,000,000. Walks and drives that lead one through a wealth of landscape rivaling the tropics were laid out; and there was for years such a lavish outpouring of wealth on the property that it is now a great show

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CUPID WILL FIGHT RACE SUICIDE WITH TRADE UNIONS AID

(Journal Special Service.)

Chicago, July 15.—Trade unions as aids to cupid and antagonists to race suicide was the novel idea advocated at an interstate conference of women workers held in the Hull house. It was one of the first three of that character ever held in America, two others being conducted simultaneously in Boston and New York.

Miss S. P. Breckenridge, assistant dean of women at University of Chicago, appeared as one of the champions of the idea and made a strong plea in favor of labor unions giving dowrys to women.

"We believe in this marriage dowry," declared Miss Breckenridge. "It places the marriage question upon serious basis. Unions have their death and sick benefits, and marriage benefit or dowry would be quite in order. If a woman unionist is going to be married she must be taught that it is a serious undertaking, but at the same time a plan that is favored by the organization to which she belongs, the experience she acquires by being a unionist and wage-earner will enable her to spend the money wisely after she is married.

ORCHARD'S FOREBEARS CRIME-DAFT

Haywood Defense Claims Evidence That Grandfather and Uncle Raved of Fearful But Imaginary Criminality.

Orchard Admits Uncle, Insane, Hanged Himself—Willis Dewey Names Leader of Bunker Hill Mob—Farce in the Trial.

By John Nevins.

Boise, Id., July 15.—Colorado came to the front again today in the Haywood murder trial and before the session ended the jury had considerably more light on happenings there than has developed heretofore. However, one cannot refrain from wondering just what all that is being brought out here in this vile-smelling courtroom has to do with the guilty or innocence of Haywood and his associates of the murder of former Governor Frank Steunenberg. The spectators had their inning this morning, and their frequent guffaws and open outbursts of laughter were disgraceful in the extreme and emphasized more than ever the manifestly wide latitude granted in this locality to witnesses, lawyers and mere curiosity seekers. It would indeed be hard for an outsider to realize that the neck of a man is in danger, by the inside proceedings here.

It Is to Laugh at Cheap Wit.

Counsel smile across the table at each other, propound ridiculous interrogations to witnesses and then lean back in their chairs with the most self-satisfied of expressions to await the result of the cheapest of humor and the outward manifestation of approval from their interested partisans.

E. M. Sabine, an attorney from Idaho Springs, Colorado, was the chief witness today. Orchard was again on the stand, but he is no longer the "Big Noise." In fact, all interest in Orchard seems to have fallen off ever since it became known that his "confession" had been made a literary prize and is being peddled to a credulous public at 10 cents per copy in a sensational "magazine."

Witness on Stand Argues Case.

Sabine opposed Richardson in the prosecution of certain officers and members of the Federation accused of conspiracy in destroying the transformer-house and attempting to blow up the Sun and Moon mine at Idaho Springs. And so the questions and answers were along familiar lines. It developed that the men were tried and acquitted.

"But you know, and I know, they were guilty," declared Sabine from the stand, and though Richardson tried to have the answer stricken out it was permitted to stand. Then Richardson checkmated by bringing out that union men deported from Idaho Springs had brought suits for damages and that the only case tried resulted in a recovery. True, it was less than $200 and costs, but still it was a recovery.

Anything But the Light.

And so it went. The jury, the lawyers and the spectators lost sight of what Sabine was called for, and that was that Lyte Gregory, the detective killed brutally in the streets of Denver by Harry Orchard, had worked to convict those federation men of conspiracy and arson and had failed.

Anything to becloud the real issue seems to be the latest motto in this trial, and it certainly is being adhered to.

Orchard while on the stand impeached the evidence given by Max Malich and other witnesses, who swore he knew Gracious, the Pinkerton detective, who became head of the Globeville smelltermen's union and was familiar with his movements.

Crime in Orchard's Blood.

He made one interesting admission on cross-examination. Yesterday Darrow received a letter declaring Orchard's maternal grandfather was a lunatic for years, kept chained to a cabin wall in his home at Ontario, Canada, insistent that he had committed a series of unbelievable crimes in Ireland, and that his uncle committed suicide by hanging after having gone crazy through brood-

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EVANS PRAISES AMERICAN NAVY

Admiral Declares the United States Has Best Fighting Crews in World.

(Journal Special Service.)

Washington, D. C., July 15.—Resenting the recent criticism of the Atlantic fleet of the American navy, Rear Admiral Robley D. Evans said today that he would match it against any foreign fleet in the world either in peace or war. Continuing along this line he said:

"From the chief commander down to the lowest petty officer, efforts are constantly being made to keep the fleet up to the highest standard of efficiency. Battle plans are worked out in detail and the charge that the officers of the navy are deficient in training has not the least foundation. Captains of the Atlantic fleet are prepared to enter a competitive drill with anyone at any time if their efficiency is questioned.

"No one has constructed an ideal battleship as yet but the United States has come as near to that construction as any nation on the face of the globe."