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# GUN EXPLODES ON JAPANESE BATTLESHIP KILLING AND WOUNDING FORTY-FOUR MEN

## ACCIDENT OCCURS WHEN UNEXPLODED SHELL IS REMOVED

Maneuvers Near Kure End With Most Serious Disaster That Has Ever Happened in Time of Peace to Warship of the Mikado.

Officials Reluctant to Give Details of Cause and Effect of · Unfortunate Handling of Shell-Passing Room Crew Among Injured.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Tokio, Sept. 17.-A 12-inch gun on the battleship Kashima exploded during the naval maneuvers near Kure, September 9, killing and injuring 44 members of the crew and seriously damaging the vessel.

The Kashima was commanded by Captain Koizumi. The fatalities include a lieutenant, two cadets and one staff officer.

Details of the accident are lacking, but it is known that the explosion was a terrific one. The explosion followed an attempt to remove an unexploded shell from the gun.

A number of bystanders were mutilated.

The Kashima is the largest battleship ever launched on the Tyne, England.

The Japanese officials were successful in keeping the news from the outside world until today. The navy bureau has been reluctant about giving information and has stated that there will be no official report until a thorough investigation has taken place. The shell is believed to have exploded after removal from the gun, and all within the 12-inch gun turret must have met with instant death. Men in the passing-room were probably badly injured by the concussion.

## MOORE MAKES APPEAL TO DEPOSITORS OF BANK

Presents Plan by Which Institution Can Be Reopened-Declares That Control by Receiver Will Result in a Great Loss to the Depositors.

Trust and Savings bank, today gave out sound basis and open its doors. an important statement to depositors. Through the mail he enclosed a blank form which, signed by the depositor, will authorize Receiver Devlin to transfer to the depositor's account the amount of the deposit in bonds of either the Tacoma or Omaha Home Telephone company, and stock in the

Telephone company, and stock in the same company to the amount of one half of the deposit. The printed statement to depositors is as follows:

"We know that you will help us in an effort to reopen the Oregon Trust & Savings bank.

"There is only one way in which this can be done, and that is to realize on the securities. About \$800,000 of these securities are represented by bonds of the Home Telephone companies. The receiver could only sell these bonds in the local market by making a sacrifice. It would probably take many months for the receiver to realize the face value of these securities by handling them in the ordinary course of receivership.

"If the bonds at par, Furthermore, the sale is made now. If all of the bonds were exchange amounts to a sale of the bonds at par, Furthermore, the sale is made now. If all of the bonds were exchange for deposits the bank would then not be in a position to reopen because many of the securities consist of notes of customers of the bank and which it would not be fair to them to sell at this time."

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"Increase Bank's Capital.

"These notes would therefore have to be carried by the bank after it reopened; hence it will be necessary to do this it has been planned to increase the capital stock of the bank to \$500,000 and possibly \$750,000 or \$1,000,000.

"Many of the subscribers are anxious to subscribe to this increased stock and to pay for the subscriptions with their deposits. These sales of bank stock fer deposits with the sale of telephone bonds for deposits and the cash on hand and the cash which will be received from the other bank stock sales would the control of the subscribe to discuss these plans personally. If there is any
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President W. H. Moore, of the Oregon, be sufficient to put the bank on

Value of Telephone Stock.

## PLUMBERS ARE TO EXPLAIN BOYCOTT

(Pacific Coast Press Leased Wire.) San Francisco, Cal., Sept. 17 .- The opening guns of the attorneys for the John Douglas company of Cincinnati, which claims that its goods are subject to a boycott by the Journeymen plumbers, Gas and Steam Fitters union of San Francisco, were filed in the United States circuit court yesterday. The hearing is to determine whether or not a restraining order shall be issued removing the boycott pending the trial of a suit for \$25,000 damages, also injurious to another."

filed against the union. Judge Van Fleet gave the defendants two days in which to file an explanatory affidavit regarding the use of the word "boycott" in a letter from the secretary of the union to the Master Plumbers' association, filed in the records.

PIPE PLANT

Los Angeles Capitalists Are Looking Over Ground for Purpose of Establishing Factory to Manufacture Wooden Conduits.

New Concern Would Find Large Field of Supply-Numerous Local Sawmills and Fir Lumber Make Conditions Here Ideal.

Two Los Angeles capitalists, R. Lloyd and W. E. Hampton, have been in Portland several days and have practically determined to erect a large wooden pipe factory in this city. They have been going over the ground carefully and have decided that everything is favorable to the location of one of the largest factories on the coast if railroad facili-

ties can be satisfactorily arranged.

The new factory would not only supply the water systems of Portland and other Pacific coast cities with wooden pipes but would have the large irrigation area of eastern Oregon, Idaho and Washington to draw trade from. Wooden pipes are used almost exclusively in irrigation projects as they do not rust and in many ways are regarded as and in many ways are regarded a more practical. Yesterday Messrs. Lloyd and Hamp

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owing to the recent discoveries of the damage done iron pipes by electrolysis the city water department is greatly interested in the subject of wooden pipes for the city water mains and there is a possibility that if the factory is located here it may find a large market in Portland itself for its pares for Big Parade

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nstitution Can Be Reopened—
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to the Depositors.

The city is experimenting to some extent at present with wooden pipe, the new additions to the water system in Montavilla being laid with wooden instead of iron conduits.

Owing to the large number of saw-mills in and near Portland it is regarded as one of the best places in the country for the location of such an industry. The pipes are made of Oregon fir almost exclusively and of the very fleat grade of wood, "pipe stock," as it is called by the millmen, being the absolutely "clear" fir. This favorable solutely "clear" fir. This favorable solutely "clear" fir. This favorable and solutely "clear" fir. This favorable solutely "clear" fir. This favorable and solutely "clear" fir. This favorable

STANDARD'S BOND IS FIXED BY GROSSCUP

Chicago, Sept. 17.—Federal Judge Grosscup today fixed the bond of the Standard Oil company in case of appeal from the decision of Judge Landis at \$4,000,000, and \$2,000,000 in the appeal for a writ of supersedeas. The Standard Oil company of New Jersey was ac-cepted as surety in both cases.

APPEALS FOR MONEY TO AID OPERATORS

Washington, Sept. 17.—President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor, today issued an appeal to organized labor throughout the United States for funds for the striking

# **GUILTY BY JURY**

Manslaughter Verdict Returned Against Slayer of James Thompson.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Wallace, Idaho, Sept. 17.-Joseph ♦ Fanniff, who was charged with the nurder of James H. Thompson in a saloon near this city, was convicted of 🏓 that she intended to drown hersaloon near this city, was convicted of manslaughter at 8 o'clock last night.

He was convicted on the seventh ballot.
Fanniff had engaged in a crap game with Thompson and others, the stake being a dinner for all. When his friends indulged in some pleasantries at his expense, Fanniff became angry and a fight followed in which he was knocked out.

Leaving the saloon the angry man secured a revolver and shot Thompson through the doorway. When informed of what he had done, the defendant wept and denied all knowledge of the affair. Insanity was his defense.

SOUTHERN RAILROAD APPEALS.



FEDERAL JUDGE WHO WILL HEAR CORPORATION'S APPLICA-TION FOR A RESTRAINING ORDER.

Asheville, N. C., Sept. 17 .- The application for an order restraining the state courts from taking action in suits brought for recovery of penalties for violation of the rate law will be heard domorrow by Judge Pritchard of the federal court.

The suit in which the hearing is to be held is that of the appeal of Southern railway from the \$30,000 fine imposed against that company.

AMATEUR FIGHTS

City Taboo So-Called

Boxing Matches.

(Pacific Coast Press Leased Wire.)

Chairman Stafford the following state-ments were made:

MURPHY IS FIGHTING

FOR TAMMANY CROWN

NOT LOSE TITLE

Name on Theatrical

Billboards.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

that the Countess of Rosslyn, formerly

actress, who recently obtained a Scott-

Miss Annie Robinson the American

London, Sept. 17 .- The announcement

San Francisco, Sept. 17 .- The police

VIOLATE LAWS

## on the North Bank road and the Northern Pacific tracks, the only hitch in the location they have selected being the question of the railroad company's building a spur into the factory grounds. DEMONSTRATION

atic Exclusion league is preparing for committee of the board of supervisors have issued an ultimatum in which favor of discouraging hereafter the

siring deportation to go over from here.
In view of statements made regarding American members of the league, the Vancouver leaders will see to it that no outside city takes part in the next demonstration. They assert that their parade will be held this week, when 5.000 men will be in line. An international convention, with del-egates from all over the northwest will be held next month be held next month.

is all sufficient, and that a month at least might elapse without another occurring in San Francisco.

"Your committee has caused an investigation to be made of the standing of professional and so-called amateur clubs and has found that not one of said clubs complied with the provisions expressed in ordinance number 624 of your honorable board relative to equipment ate." The civic authorities say another parade will not be allowed but the league intends to hold one, and if necessary it will take the matter into the courts.

#### JAILS AND VAGRANCY TOPIC OF DISCUSSION

(United Press Leased Wire.) Chicago. Ill., Sept. 17.—Jalls and vagrancy was the topic of discussion at this morning's session of the National Prison association. A report from the committee appointed to investigate the subject was presented by Professor Charles R. Henderson of the University of Chicago. The speakers included H. H. Shirer, secretary of the Ohio board of state charities, and Orlando F. Lewis of New York City.

This afternoon special meetings were held by the associations of prison wardens, chaplains and physicians. Mrs. Maud Ballington Booth is to be the principal speaker tonight, when the subject of discharged prisoners is to be considered. Chicago, Ill., Sept. 17 .- Jalls and vag-

#### DESPONDENT WOMAN CLASPS BABE AND JUMPS INTO WATER

(Pacific Coast Press Leased Wire.) Los Angeles, Sept. 17 .- After writing a note which she left at her home in Garvanza stating self and baby, Mrs. Anna Barker last night made her way to a reservoir back of the Church of the Angels and clasping the child to her breast leaped into. the water. The note was found and turned over to the police, who discovered the bodies this morning. No cause for the tragedy is known.

Amusement Places and Baseball Will Fall Under Ban of Sunday Rest Law Planned for Golden State.

to One in Force in Idaho Will Be Formulated by Superintendent of International Reform Bureau.

Under the auspices of the International Reform bureau, Rev. Mr. G. L. Tufts, Ph. D., is preparing to visit California to carry on an active campaign to secure the passage there of a Sunday rest law similar to the one the bureau succeeded in passing in the state of Idaho at the last session of the legislature of that state. In discussing the matter today Rev. Mr. Tufts said:

"It is not the purpose of the rest law on Sunday to work any hardships. Frequently bodies of merchants get together and discuss closing on this day or that day, but usually there is one or more in the different organizations who, more greedy than the rest, decide new freight schedules to be illegal

intend going before the people thing ecclesiastical and the word religion does not figure in the measure in any way, shape or form. It is a rest proposition pure and simple. In going into California we shall pursue the same policy we did in Idaho, namely, place the matter on a purely physological plane. We believe that business can be done on the whole six days a week and men who work we contend are entitled to one day's rest in a week of seven days.

Owing to conflicting statements published, the figures have been somewhat confused. A lumberman who has made increase amounts to an additional burden on the whole six days a week and men who work we contend are entitled to one day's rest in a week of seven days.

Idaho Has Best Law.

"In California as in Idaho the Sunday rest law we will seek to have the legisla-ture pass will embody three salient ture pass will embody three salient points. Firstly, business shops must close; secondly, saloons must close; thirdly; public amusements must close. Our aim will be to have a few improvements over the Idaho rest law, one being that we hope to include the stoppage of baseball, which is permitted under the Idaho law.

has put itself formally on record in favor of discouraging hereafter the holding of pugllistic exhibitions, whether they are professional or so-called amateur events.

In a report filed with the board by Chairman Stafford the following state-

law in California it will carry with it a fine of from \$50 to \$500 for any sherilf or county attorney who fails to bring to justice any violator of the law, as well as removal from office for the balance of the term.

Officers Must Enforce Law.

"It will be obligatory on the part of officers of the law to enforce it without their attention being called to its existence. It will be unnecessary for a saloonist to sell liquor to be prosecuted if we are successful. The mere fact that the saloon is open will for the first offense subject the offender to a fine ranging from \$30 to \$250 and imprisonment not to exceed 30 days. For a second offense the guilty saloon-keeper will receive a similar fine and imprisonment and his license will be revoked for a period of two years.

"With regard to stores and shops that persist in evading the law fines will be levied ranging from \$25 to \$100 or imprisonment not to exceed 30 days. It will be our aim to close all amusements, race tracks, dancehalis, merry-gorounds, shows, circuses, variety halls, etc. As I said before we will try to prevent Sunday baseball. We did not succeed in doing so in Idaho, but I feel certain we will two years hence.

"In California we will probably ask that confectionery and cigar stores he ments were made:

"Your committee reports against the petition of Alex Greggains for permission to conduct a professional exhibition during the month of October, 1907. Your committee is of the opinion that the recent pletifora of professional boxing exhibitions running the last few months is all sufficient, and that a month at least might elapse without another oc-

will be our aim to close all amusements, race tracks, dancehalls, merry-gorounds, shows, circuses, variety halls, etc. As I said before we will try to prevent Sunday baseball. We did not succeed in doing so in Idaho, but I feel certain we will two years hence.

"In California we will probably ask that confectionery and clear stores he New York, Sept. 17.—Primary elections are being held today in Manhattan and the Bronx, on the result of which depends the Tammany leadership. The issue is a sharply drawn one between Charles F. Murphy, the present leader, and Mayor George B. McClellan. that confectionery and cigar stores be closed. We did not do so in Idaho be-cause the majority decided that lux-uries were a Sabbath necessity. I be-

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Business Houses, Saloons, Valley Mills Would Be Completely Shut Out From California and Eastern Markets Under New Tariff -Will Bring Suit.

Prospective Statute Similar Unfairness Against Manufacturers of Lumber Doing Business on East Side Escape Tax While West Side Is Made to Suffer.

> Willamette valley will bring suit in the United States court to enjoin the transcontinental lines from putting into effect the new freight rate schedules just filed at Washington. In these schedules there has been made by the railroad traffic chiefs a, singular blunder that will, it is said, prove to be the salvation of Willamette valley lumber mills, as discrimination. The schedules impose a different rate upon mills at the same point of location.

and Denver territory, and double that amount on shipments he makes to Misamount on shipments he makes to Missouri river territory. One of the peculiar results of the new rate schedule invented by the Chicago traffic mechanics is that Portland mills on the west bank of the Willamette river must pay the advanced rate while the mills on the east bank escape the tax. Thus the Portland Lumber company, already hard pushed by the car shortage, are hit by the increased freight rate, while the Inman-Poulsen mill and the East Inman-Poulsen mill and the East Lumber mill may ship under the old rate.

Strange Discrimination. This singular discrimination, while

chargeable to the local freight traffic officials of the Harriman lines, is said to have been actually committed in the

Change Former Plans.

It was the understanding between local freight officials and the lumber-men that the Salt Lake rate would re-main the same as it was following the

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## MYSTERY SURROUNDS DEFENSE OF HICKS

Earl of Rosslyn Will See His

Wallace, Ida., Sept. 17.—The trial of Carson Hicks, deputy sheriff of Shoshone county and county jailer, for the murder of William Quinn, ex-chief of police of Wallace, began here today.

The murder occurred in a saloon last April. Quinn and H. W. C. Jackson, a local newspaper publisher, became in-

#### RENO GAMBLING IS ish decree of divorce against the earl, is to return to the stage, after her absence of seven years, is made. It has DELAYED BY LOCK caused a perfound sensation in the social life of London, which is still dis-cussing the divorce and the action of the earl in filing an appeal against the

decree.

The Scottish decree allows her to retain her title, and members of the peerage are now asking if the American countess, as she is known, will use this title on the playbills in the city where her former husband lives as a ciced for Sunday. Six experts have with ritro-gives the safe failing to open the doors and the doors. But the city of the c

Reno, Nev., Sept. 17.—The gambling yet the hankers at the faro game still idle.

Manager Beardslee has a state of the still idle.