

# BOMBS FAIL IN MISSIONS OF DEATH

## DYNAMITERS SOUGHT TO REMOVE OTIS AND ANOTHER ARCH-ENEMY

## TWO LIVE BOMBS MADE HARMLESS THROUGH BLUNDER

Lives of Women in Deadly Peril at Homes of Otis and Zeehandelaar; Clue to Dynamite's Source.

(By the International News Service.)  
Los Angeles, Oct. 1.—Following the explosion and fire this morning that completely wrecked the building occupied by the Times-Mirror Publishing company and resulted, probably, in the death of more than a score of employees of the newspaper, two dynamite bombs or infernal machines were discovered today by the police, one at the home of the publisher of the newspaper, General Harrison Gray Otis, and the other on the premises occupied by F. J. Zeehandelaar, secretary of the Los Angeles Merchants and Manufacturers' association.

Shortly after noon today Detective T. Rico, assigned to the residence of General Otis from police headquarters, together with the caretaker of the place, made an investigation of the grounds surrounding the home of the Otis family at Wilshire boulevard and Parkville avenue.

They searched among the trees and shrubbery surrounding the residence for some time and then went to the front of the place to continue their investigation. In an "ell" at the corner of the home and directly under a bay window leading to the reception room they discovered a suitcase concealed among the bushes. Thinking the suitcase was the property of Mrs. Franklin Booth, daughter of General Otis, who had been preparing the home for the reception of its owner, who had returned to this city this afternoon from a trip through Mexico, they went into the house.

Mrs. Booth disclaimed ownership of the case and Detective Rico started across the street to Westlake Park to ascertain the contents. At this juncture he detected the whirring of clockwork. He cut a semicircular slash in the leather case and disclosed 12 sticks of dynamite bound together with wire, and an ordinary alarm clock of cheap pattern. The detective hastily dropped the suitcase and made a race for a place of safety.

He had retreated about 50 yards when, with a roar that shook the neighborhood, the infernal device exploded. Beyond tearing a great hole in the turf and dirt and uprooting several trees, no damage was done.

C. C. Gabert and W. H. Mackam, special watchmen on the Otis premises, declared that they had made the rounds of the place several times during the night and that the suit case was not in the yard up to the time of the first explosion. It is in the belief of the police that the infernal machine was placed there early this morning. The receptacle contained enough high powder explosive to wreck the entire building.

The other bomb was found earlier in the day by a servant near the foundation of the Zeehandelaar residence. It was connected with 15 sticks of dynamite and the clock was set to explode at 1 o'clock. The mechanism, however, had been wound too tight and the bomb failed to explode.

The discovery was made by Elizabeth Wilder, a servant at the Zeehandelaar residence.

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## TIMES STATEMENT SAYS 21 DIED IN WRECKED BUILDING

Twenty Known and One Unknown Perished as Shown by Newspaper's Canvass of Homes of Employees.

(By the International News Service.)  
Los Angeles, Oct. 1.—Three hundred searchers toiled among the ruins of the Times building tonight and up to midnight the body of J. Wesley Reaves, secretary to Manager Harry Chandler, had been recovered in a badly charred and almost unrecognizable condition.

All day the relatives of the employees who were missing and who inevitably were buried under the bricks and charred debris of the building hovered near the ruin and waited for the work of excavation to begin.

Those who had swept hysterically through the long hours that dragged on until the work of reclamation began at dark gazed with silent grief at the work of excavation in the ruins.

Death List Grows.  
After canvassing the homes of 15 employees...

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## DEATH'S TOLL IN TIMES DISASTER ANNOUNCED AS 21

(By International News Service.)  
Los Angeles, Oct. 1.—The Times tonight gave out a list of 21 dead, of which one is an unidentified man seen to fall in the burning building.

CHURCHILL HARVEY-ELDER, night editor, jumped from building and died two hours later at hospital.

HARRY L. CRANE, assistant telegraph editor.

GRANT MOORE, head machinist.

HOWARD CORDWAY, assistant machinist.

HARRY R. FLYNN, linotype operator.

JOHN HOWARD, printer.

EDWARD WARSON, printer.

CARL SALADA, linotype operator.

ERNEST JORDAN, operator.

W. E. FUNSTEL, linotype operator.

EUGENE CARRISS, linotype operator.

DON E. JOHNSTON, operator.

FRANK UNDERWOOD, linotype operator.

JOHN GALLAGHER, printer.

J. HARRIS, proofreader.

R. L. SAWYER, Western Union telegraph operator.

FRED LLEWELLYN, operator.

ELMER FRINK, operator.

CHARLES CULLIVER, compositor.

UNIDENTIFIED MAN.

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## IRISH NATIONALISTS WILL VISIT OREGON



Distinguished delegates of the Irish Nationalist party, who recently arrived in New York on their way to attend the convention of the United Irish League of America at Buffalo. They will soon visit Portland. From left to right: T. P. O'Connor, John E. Redmond, Joseph Devlin and Daniel Boyle, all members of Parliament.

## MRS. T. JOHNSTON IS ACQUITTED OF MURDER CHARGE

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Tacoma, Oct. 1.—Mrs. Fletcher Johnston was acquitted tonight of the murder of Frank Hauke in her home in the southern part of the city last summer, following the alleged demand of Hauke that the woman come with him and leave her husband and children behind.

According to the story told by Mrs. Johnston on the witness stand, Hauke was a boarder at the Johnston residence.

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## TAFT IN SPEECH GIVES HIS VIEWS OF PROGRESSIVES

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
New York, Oct. 1.—President Taft tonight made public his definition of "progressive Republicanism" and gave definite notice of his friendly feeling toward that wing of the party.

The occasion was his first political address of the congressional campaign—his "keynote" speech, delivered by the president at the banquet of the National League of Republican clubs. A progressive Republican, according to the views...

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## BULLET FIRED IN PISTOL DUEL MAY TAKE MAN'S LIFE

In a pistol duel on the sidewalk in front of the Arlington hotel, at Sixth and Flanders streets, about 9 o'clock last night, E. C. Roberts, a saloonkeeper, was perhaps fatally wounded, and George Curry, a teamster, was shot in the arm. One bullet passed through the plate glass window of the hotel, narrowly missing two of the guests who were seated in the front of the lobby.

The trouble which brought on the duel was not explained.

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## OSWALD WEST, MAN OF THE HOUR, AND WHY

Than Oswald West, no man ever offered for the governorship was more fit. He came from the lower levels. His early life was a struggle with poverty. He knows all about "the huts where poor men live and the chores that poor men do."

He was a butcher's boy when other boys were at play. He was a banker's messenger when other lads were at school. He fought against adversity at the age when the average child is at his pastimes.

Wherever fate placed him, West the boy or West the man made good. From butcher's boy he went to school, and from school he became bank messenger. From messenger he rose swiftly from one position of trust to another. This life is survival of the fit, and he was fit.

From position to position in one bank, he passed to a higher place in another. Promotions awaited him at every turn, because in every place with which he was entrusted, he delivered the goods.

From bank official he became state land agent, and the first thing he did was to clean up the state land office. There was always scandal before, but there has never been scandal in the office since he entered it. He did not go about his work with a brass band, but as a quiet man of action he drove out the graft and made system and sanity out of chaos. It was such a discharge of duty as men admire and as men are wont to reward.

Because he was splendid as state land agent, West was made railroad commissioner, and in four years the Oregon railroad commission has done more for the shippers and the public than was ever done by any railroad commission in any state in the same length of time. When the track on the Corvallis & Eastern railroad was reported unsafe, West took no man's word as to its condition, but journeyed atop and alone the entire length of the line and personally examined every tie, every siding, every culvert and every bridge. Vigilant ever to duty and mindful always of the safety of the public, he walked the whole length of the west side railroad from Corvallis to Portland, cutting into ties, digging into bridge timbers en route to satisfy himself as to the safety of its track. There have been few instances in which the traveling public has known a public official so unreservedly concerned in its safety and welfare.

It is a splendid record. West's is a career, private and public, that is a guaranty. It is a lifework about which there is no doubt, and of the meaning of which no man raises question.

As a man, the former butcher's boy has become skilled in the law, well rounded in education, polished in the manners of the world and a person of large affairs. Sometime ago, he was admitted to the bar, and his first effort was a case conducted by the railroad commission against the Southern Pacific, in which the state won. He studied law and studied books of science and literature when other men slept. His growth in affairs is testimony of what the lad in the lower walks can do if he only has the vim, nerve and grit.

The former butcher's boy has been named for governor. It is a beautiful incident in that it reveals how in American citizenship the highest office is open alike to the low or high. It is a magnificent country that makes public preferment not a question of rank, but of manhood, purpose and genius. It is a transcendent testimonial to our American life, to raise such men to high position.

It did not stand in the way of Lincoln to the presidency that he was only a rail splitter. Nor did it disparage Garfield in the eyes of the people that he was once the driver of a canal boat. Nor does it dim the lustre of Grant that he was once only a tanner. Give the Oregon man who was once a delivery boy the chance that he deserves, and has fairly earned.

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## CONGRESS PACKED FOR BALLINGER IS PINCHOT VICTORY

Man Familiar With Plan of "Interests" to Put O. K. Stamp on Secretary at Los Angeles Exposes Conspirators.

## PLOT TO DENOUNCE PINCHOT LOSES OUT

Was Purpose of Mining and Oil Men to Throw Cold Water on Conservationists.

The people's denunciation of Ballinger and the "Interests" continues to spread across the nation. The voice of disapproval has been heard from conservationists at St. Paul, irrigators at Pueblo, and, last but not least in importance, from the miners in Los Angeles. The pro-Ballinger campaign, said to have nearly come to an end when the American Mining Congress, which has just ended in Los Angeles, refused to give official approval to Ballinger, though the session had been packed with enemies of the Pinchot conservation policies by the Southern Pacific and Standard Oil.

The inside story of the American Mining Congress was told yesterday in Portland by an authority. It was a revelation of the methods in vogue by the Ballingerites. This is the story: The American Mining Congress is supposed to be representative of the nation's mining interests. In its membership it is, in its meeting at Los Angeles it is not representative. Oil producers attended that meeting and constituted a majority of those present.

Oil Men Pack Meeting.  
The deal was cleverly put through. The local hosts of the congress are given representation on the floor and a voice in the proceedings. The host was the Sierra Madre club, whose members are principally oil men. Oil producers are listed as miners because oil is a mineral and because it is produced in conformity with mining laws. Consequently the oil men were allowed representation. Due to the extensive oil interests in California, a strong district association has been formed. Many delegates came to the congress. As a consequence most of those present were oil men from the district organization and from the Sierra Madre.

A short time previously oil lands had been withdrawn from entry by order of the president. The Standard Oil and Southern Pacific assets cleverly passed the working out of the Pinchot policies, and that Pinchot was to blame. The oil men had been made angry because of the withdrawals. It was not hard to induce them to transfer their anger to Pinchot.

Ballinger's Last Stand.  
It was not explained that the withdrawals were the acts of Ballinger and the administration and not of Pinchot. But thoughts of some such nature must have been circulated among the fairer minded delegates to the convention, for when the resolutions were finally passed Pinchot was not called a "Socialist," as he had been in earlier reports, and there was much less approval for Ballinger.

"That is because the mining men of this country think of Guggenheim when they think of Ballinger," said the man who told the story. "They believe that Ballinger would administer, and does administer, the affairs of his office for the benefit of the greedy Guggenheims."

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## THREE KILLED; SIX MAY DIE; VICTIMS OF SPEED MANIA

Racers and Spectators Share in Destruction That Stalks on Motor Course Where the Vanderbilt Cup Race Is Run.

## HARRY GRANT REPEATS WINNING OF LAST YEAR

Feat Brings No Cheers From Crowds Awed by Slaughter; Speed-Death Records.

VANDERBILT CUP RACE.  
Winner, Harry Grant, in Alco car; second, Joseph Dawson, in Marmion car; third, John Aitken, in National.  
WHEATLEY HILLS SWEEPSTAKES.  
Winner, J. F. Galloway, in Ford car; second, W. H. Pearce, in Balcar.  
MASSAPEQUA TROPHY.  
Winner, Bill Endicott, in Cole "30."  
CASUALTIES IN VARIOUS VANDERBILT RACES.  
In 1904, one dead, one critically injured; in 1905, two killed, five injured; in 1906, one killed, two injured; in 1907, three killed, six critically injured, 28 hurt.

(Publishers' Press Leased Wire.)  
New York, Oct. 1.—Three killed and a score injured, half a dozen of them mortally, was the report by the car world of today's Vanderbilt cup race.

Although Harry Grant repeated his last year's performance of winning the race and achieved a new record, not a cheer burst from the packed grandstand as his winning car thundered over the line.

The accumulating reports of deaths and injuries had not only hushed the thousands in the grandstands, but the multitudes along the course, as well. Throughout the last two hours of the race the air had rung with the ambulance wagons.

Vanderbilt Says "Drive On!"  
Yet, knowing that the race would take its place with the Erie-Madira contest as an appalling slaughter, under the guise of sport, William K. Vanderbilt, Jr., manager of the race and donor of the cup, declared that the long chapter of tragedies would not interfere with the international Grand Prix race to be run on Long Island October 12.

Two mechanics were slain in smash-ups. Harry Stone, driver of the Columbia No. 12, may die of his injuries and Louis Chevrolet had his arm and shoulder broken when his racer cut a touring car in half and injured three women.

Killed Going to the Track.  
Ferdinand D'Ziuevas, sales manager for the Pope-Hartford, was the only nonparticipator of the race killed outright. He met death on his way to the race and his wife, a bride of two weeks, was seriously hurt. Both her legs were broken and she was bruised and cut on the body. The D'Ziuevas were speeding to the race in their own car at an early hour when it turned turtle on a downhill curve in Westbury, L. I. Four men and one woman, Mrs. D'Ziuevas, were in the car when it turned over.

Chevrolet's Calamity.  
Chevrolet's mechanic, Charles Miller, was killed on the course, two miles from the start.

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## MAYOR P. H. MCCARTHY AND OTHER LABOR LEADERS RESENT CHARGES THAT UNION MEN BLEW UP TIMES

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
San Francisco, Oct. 1.—Denial that union labor, as such, had anything to do with the dynamiting of the Times plant in Los Angeles was the tenor of all statements made today in local labor circles.

Mayor P. H. McCarthy, who is president of the state and San Francisco building trades councils, tonight issued the following statement:

"For any person or institution to lay at the door of organized labor responsibility for the horrid destruction of the morning Times plant in Los Angeles last night amounts to an outrage that decent, right-thinking people should earnestly resent. The greatest and most detested enemy which either the organized forces of labor or its representatives have is contained in the man or element advocating violence and inclining to the 'rule or ruin' policy."

"The instant this outrage in the south became known the labor organizations

of San Francisco offered a cash reward of \$7500 for the apprehension of the guilty persons. For any community or individual to turn, in the heat of the moment and level the finger of outright suspicion at the organized toilers of this country is to betray a hatred which knows no sense of justice or fairness, and which demonstrates only a fixed determination to injure the cause of the workman, right or wrong. As well might the enemies of organized labor instantly assign the blame for this great crime to the forces of organized capital, or to any other body of citizens in the land. It is not an absurd parallel to say that the interests bent upon wrecking union labor might as well declare that the Democrats dynamited the newspaper plant in order to avenge themselves upon the Republicans."

"When free born men in a free country cannot freely express their beliefs and

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## S. F. SOCIAL CLUB IN NIFTY LITTLE PAN-HANDLING GAME IRRITATES FOLK WITH SALARIES

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
San Francisco, Oct. 1.—The latest and most amazing of all the various achievements of the McCarthy administration has been the organization of a mysterious society, technically known as the "S. F. Social club."

Its chief purpose, as far as at present made known, is the collection of an immense sum of money from the men whose names appear on any of the city payrolls. "This collection appears to be practically by coercion, with an implied alternative either to pay or presumably suffer the loss of a job."

Personnel of Leaders.  
The personnel of the leadership in this hold an organization appears to be as follows:  
President—Supervisor John P. McLaughlin.  
Secretary—Park Commissioner W. H. Bemis.  
Leading spirits (technical office unknown), Michael Casey, president of the board of public works, and Cleveland L. Dan, Mayor McCarthy's legal adviser.  
Official collectors—Leon Denny, otherwise known as administration adviser; W. H. Bemis, who thus appears to hold a joint position; V. B. Ho, treasurer employed by the board of public works.  
One of the announced purposes of the organization is to protect the interests of union labor in politics, and the way this protection is to be accomplished up to date is to extract from every pay envelope every month an average of 5 per cent of its contents in addition to an initial payment on the part of every city employee of 10 per cent of his monthly income.

All May Only In.  
It is also understood that the collection of this tax is not to be confined to union labor employees, but to include all employees, however classified, under control of the administration.

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