

TWO HUNDRED KILLED BY EXPLOSION WHICH WRECKS AETNA PLANT

Factory Buildings Hurled High in Air in Midst of Terrific Conflagration Yesterday

PROPERTY LOSS PLACED AT MILLION AND HALF

Rescuers, Trapped Amid Deadly Streams of Fluids, Fatally Injured

Pittsburg, May 18.—Probably 200 men were killed today when an explosion of T. N. T. demolished the plant of the Aetna Chemical company at Oakdale, on the Panhandle division of the Pennsylvania railroad, eight miles from here.

Five hundred workmen were started at noon by a report not much louder than the crack of a pistol. It came from the soda house, but they knew its deadly import and as one man they rushed for the nearest exit. Before they could gain the open the very air seemed to burst into flame, the earth heaved and rocked, and with a roar that was heard for miles, the long factory buildings were hurled high into the air, carrying with them ponderous equipment and scores of men. A great cloud of dust and smoke settled over the scene and through its deadly fumes torn and mangled forms dropped to the earth, many dead, but others to meet their end in the flaming debris.

Injured Blown Far. The number of dead had not been determined tonight and it is possible that it may not be known for days. It, indeed, it will ever be known. State and county authorities agreed

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FIND WIRELESS IN-FIR FOREST

Two Receiving and Sending Stations Found by Federal Officers

TACOMA, Wash., May 18.—Two wireless receiving and sending stations were discovered in the fir forests bounding Puget Sound near Tacoma yesterday by government agents after a search of two days. Trees stripped of their limbs were used as aerials and the locations were well hidden by the surrounding forest. The apparatus had been removed from one but the complete outfit had been left behind at the other station in the hurried flight of the operators.

A cabin stove still warm and recent tracks in the mud were found by the searchers. No arrests were made.

LIME BOARD IS NEEDING FUNDS

Emergency Board May Be Asked to Provide Money to Complete Plant

Because of a shortage of funds needed to complete installation and to operate the tramway at the state lime plant at Gold Hill, a meeting of the state emergency board may be called in a few days for the purpose of declaring a deficiency of \$10,000 in the lime board's fund to provide money to carry on the enterprise. A. B. Cordery, chairman of the board, will write a letter to the

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Jeff Baldwin, Convict, Still Evades Officers

Jeff Baldwin, escaped convict, is still successful in eluding the pursuing state police and penitentiary guards. A report yesterday that he had held up a house near Independence brought Pargle Officer Keller from Clackamas county, but proved to be erroneous. Warden Murphy is still of the opinion that Baldwin is in the Clackamas timber.

RYAN AND JOHNS LEAD RACE FOR STATE OFFICES

Figures on Supreme Judge and Treasurer Incomplete at Late Hour

PLURALITIES GROWING

Big Vote Cast for Withcombe and McNary—West Would Cut Campaigning

PORTLAND, May 18.—Ex-Governor Oswald West, nominee of the Democratic party in yesterday's primaries for United States senator, tonight issued a public statement addressed to Senator Charles L. McNary, nominated by the Republicans, proposing that for the sake of their "lifelong personal friendship" and because the public will be better equipped with helping to win the war than in prosecuting a political campaign, they refrain altogether from any activity whatever between now and the November election in behalf of their respective candidates. Prior to the primaries West issued a proposal to all candidates for senator, including McNary, that they withdraw from the contest in the senator's favor. The proposal was rejected by candidates for both party nominations.

Returns from the primaries were still incomplete tonight, but results for the principal offices as forecast were unchanged. Indications were that McNary's plurality might reach 25,000 and that of Withcombe for governor 18,000.

In the Republican contest for the nomination for supreme court justice, Charles A. Johns led tonight on partial returns from all counties, with Multnomah complete. Latest figures were: John, 24,236; Percy R. Kelly, 21,712; John S. Coke, 20,237.

Latest figures for state treasurer give Thomas F. Ryan of Oregon City the lead. The vote so far is: Ryan, 15,736; William Adams, 15,113. It was expected complete returns from up-state would increase Ryan's lead.

GOVERNOR IS GRATEFUL TO OREGONIANS

Issues Statement of Appreciation for Generous Confidence Expressed in Him by People of State

MESSAGES RECEIVED ALL DAY SATURDAY

Defeated Opponents Pledge Loyalty and Support at November Election

In a brief statement issued Saturday, Governor Withcombe expressed appreciation of the winning vote cast for him throughout the state in the primary election Friday. Among telegrams and letters of congratulation that poured upon the governor's desk came missives from four of the candidates whom he had defeated, all pledging their support in the election next fall. No message came from Gus C. Moser, but Mr. Moser previously had declared that if defeated he would support the winning candidate. "I am deeply sensible of the great honor conferred upon me by the people of Oregon," said Governor Withcombe in his statement, "and am delighted with the magnificent endorsement of my administration. I have given the best that is in me in the service of the state and I sincerely hope my administration shall continue to meet the approval of the people. I am profoundly grateful for this splendid expression of confidence.

Olcott Pays Personal Visit. Among the first felicitations to reach the governor was a personal word of congratulation from Secretary of State Olcott who went to the governor's office and acknowledged his defeat. Later in the day Mr. Olcott addressed the following letter to the governor:

"My dear Governor: A clean, clear-cut campaign you have achieved a decided victory. Please allow me to extend to you my heartfelt congratulations.

"Permit me to say that in the election to follow you will be given my loyal support.

"The campaign just closed has been conducted along dignified and gentlemanly lines and the Republican party is to be congratulated upon this feat. It augurs well for the future.

"With assurances of my cordial support and extending you all good wishes, I remain

"Yours very sincerely,

"BEN W. OLCOTT."

Simpson For Party Unity.

L. J. Simpson, in a message to the governor, declared it the duty of every loyal Republican to stand squarely behind the party's nominees. He said:

"Please permit me to offer my hearty congratulations to you upon your nomination. The Republican voters of Oregon have selected certain individuals to be their standard bearers in the November election and it is now the unquestionable duty of every loyal Republican in the state to stand solidly and loyally behind the party's nominees and I hasten not only to offer congratulations to you but to offer my personal services in the coming campaign in any way in which I can be of service. Do not hesitate to call upon me. Yours for Republican success."

From Dr. J. E. Anderson of The Dalles, another defeated candidate, came this message:

"Accept my congratulations on your victory. I will be glad to render you any service which may help you to an even greater success in November."

Stanfield Offers Service.

Mayor Harley of Astoria sent this laconic message: "Congratulations. Count on me for loyal support in Clatsop county next November."

Robert N. Stanfield, defeated by Charles L. McNary for the United States senatorial nomination, showed no disgruntled spirit in his message which reached Governor Withcombe early Saturday:

"Please accept my congratulations. I am yours to command in the interests of the grand old party. All defeated primary candidates should rally to the support of the party leaders. I reiterate, any service that I can render you will be most happily performed."

W. T. Foster Lectures in Salem Tuesday Night

Dr. W. T. Foster of Portland will lecture Tuesday night at the artory on the subject "Destruction and Reconstruction in France." The lecture will begin at 8:30 o'clock and will be given under the auspices of Willamette chapter, Red Cross. Dr. Foster will show pictures taken by himself while in France and will show conditions exactly as he found them. The pictures include those of maimed soldiers and destroyed property.

Mutiny Occurs in Hun Regiments in Estonia

MOSCOW, Wednesday, May 15.—Mutiny is reported among German regiments at Wessenberg, Estonia. Several officers have been killed, it is said.

The German high command immediately dispatched trustworthy troops to Wessenberg and arrested about 200 of the mutineers. Ten of them were condemned to death.

Another mutiny occurred in a German regiment at Dvinsk, which was reported by prisoners who had returned from the interior of Russia.

PROPERTY LOSS FROM MID-WEST CYCLONE HEAVY

Heavy Rainfall Accompanies Storm in South Dakota and Minnesota

BUILDINGS DESTROYED

Several People Injured—None Reported Killed—Damage to Crops Light

ABERDEEN, S. D., May 18.—Accompanying a heavy rainfall, which was general over this part of the state, a cyclone today demolished buildings on a dozen farms in the vicinity of Groton, twenty miles east of here. Three persons received minor injuries. There was a slight hail but no damage to crops. Aberdeen was struck by a bad wind and rainstorm, but no serious damage was done.

RESIDENCES LEVELLED

MITCHELL, S. D., May 18.—A high wind storm, accompanied by rain and sleet, ripped its way through Woonsocket, S. D., about twenty miles north of here early tonight, leveling a number of residences and other buildings. Reports received here tonight indicated that none was killed or injured. The storm entered the town from the southwest and swept a narrow path through the town. No other details of damage wrought by the storm has been received here tonight.

POSSIBLY SEVERAL DEATHS

NORFOLK, Neb., May 18.—A cyclone is reported to have caused one or more deaths, destruction of one church and several buildings at Norfolk, Neb., tonight.

ABERDEEN ISOLATED

ST. PAUL, May 18.—A terrific storm swept over part of South Dakota late today, according to fragmentary information received in the Twin Cities early tonight. Aberdeen was isolated, so far as wire communication was concerned.

JONES AND LACHMUND WIN EXCITING RACE FOR STATE SENATORS

JOHN PHONES TO CHARLEY

Senator at Washington and Salem Brother Talk Across Continent

An interesting incident of the primary election here was a transcontinental telephone conversation between John H. McNary and his brother, United States Senator McNary, in Washington. At 2 o'clock Saturday morning, the Salem brother and law partner of Oregon's junior senator, put in the call. A few minutes later Senator McNary was aroused from bed in his Washington apartment to answer the phone. The conversation was direct and not relayed, and the brothers had no difficulty in conversing over the thousands of miles of wires. Senator McNary was told of the big vote cast for him in Oregon and given the congratulatory of supporters seated in his law office in Salem.

One of the endorsements reaching McNary supporters here prior to the election was the following from a Pendleton man:

"I am for McNary, you bet. I was a teamster in my younger days, and I never would swap horses when I had one in my team that was pulling good for one that was unbroken, and that I did not know whether he could or would pull, especially if I was on a steep grade and a heavy load."

PARENTS DEAD, CHILDREN ILL

Mr. and Mrs. Frey Victims of Trichinosis After Eating Rare Pork

With their parents dead from trichinosis, four young children of the well-known H. H. Frey family of St. Paul, Or., lie seriously ill at the Willamette hospital with the same ailment as a result of having eaten some under-cooked pork. The father, Henry Frey, who was 38 years old, died late Friday night at the hospital and the mother died early yesterday morning, four hours after her husband. The youngest child is 3 months old and is the only one of six children that has not been ill.

It is said that the family killed a pig a few weeks ago and from considerable questioning by the physician in charge it was learned that all

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Hughes, Jones, Looney, Martin and Weeks Successful Quintet for Lower House at Next Session

TRIBUTE PAID KELLY AND CHARLES McNARY

Ryan Carries County for Treasurer—West and Pierce Favorites

W. Al Jones and Louis Lachmund will represent Marion county in the state senate at the 1919 session of the state legislature. Complete returns from the seventy-three precincts in the county show Jones highest of the four men who contested for the two nominations. His vote is 2865. Lachmund is only seven votes behind him with 2858, and La Follett dropped out with forty-eight votes behind Lachmund, or 2810.

Jones is ill at his home and received the returns in bed. As the counting neared the finish at the office of County Clerk Boyer at 5:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon the race became an exciting one between the three leading candidates. Jones has served two terms in the lower house. Lachmund has never been a member of the legislature, while La Follett has served in both the upper and the lower houses.

No Shake Up in Const. In the lower house the county will be represented by S. A. Hughes, Seymour Jones, D. H. Looney, Ivan G. Martin and George W. Weeks. Dinwoodie and Riggs were the low men. While L. J. Adams of Silverton polled 2473 of the 6085 cast for county judge, W. M. Bushay, incumbent, maintained a continuous lead over his opponent and the issue was never in doubt from the first flash of the results on the screen. There will be no change in the board of county commissioners for at least two years for W. H. Goulet succeeded in defeating both his opponents, James P. Feller and Ben E. Robertson.

Glenn E. Unruh conquered Frank Davey in the tilt for the justice of the peace nomination for Salem district and Walter E. DeLong overcame Acheson, Robertson and Southwick for constable.

McNary Triumphs at Home. Marion county paid a rousing compliment to Senator Charles L. McNary, handing him 5176 votes to Stanfield's 1174. Ben W. Olcott

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June Brides And Girl Graduates

What an opportunity is presented here for the selection of beautiful materials for dresses suitable for these occasions! The completeness of our goods by the yard in these lines will make it a genuine pleasure for us to show and you to choose. Then too, the policy and integrity of the store, gives you the assurance that whether a yard is sold for 30c or \$3 it represents the best in its class. The materials are the best that are produced in that particular fabric

FOR THE BRIDE—

Fine white Satins, in several qualities, 36 to 40 inches wide. These make up beautifully in combination with our rich quality Tulle, Silk Nels or the incomparable Georgettes, yard \$2.00, \$2.25, \$2.40

Lovely Crepes De Chine in many qualities, 40 inches wide at yard. \$1.65, \$1.95, \$2.00, \$2.25, \$2.65

SILK NETS, SILK FLOUNCINGS, TULLES AND FINE COTTON NETS IN VARIED PATTERNS AND QUALITIES.

FOR THE GRADUATE—

Fine, crisp, new, white goods of all kinds. Look at this collection.

Extra fine quality Voiles, 36 to 44 inches wide at yard. 35c, 50c, 60c, 75c, 90c

Beautiful, Sheer, Swiss Organics 40 to 44 inches wide at yard. 40c, 50c, 60c, 80c

Fine white Mercerized Batiste 40 to 44 inches wide at yard. 35c, 45c, 50c

But we can't list all the Persian Lawns, Silk Mulls, Fine Crepes and other White Goods together with the numerous trimmings and little fixings so necessary for the occasion. See them now.

NEW IDEA PATTERNS 15c

Barnes Cash Store
T. T. BARNES PROPRIETOR

BURNS QUILTS POSITION AT PENITENTIARY

Deputy Posts Armed Guard in Dining Room and Clashes With Warden

PRISON RULE VIOLATED

Official Disregards Instructions While Murphy Is On Man-Hunt

Because of a disagreement that arose suddenly between Warden Charles A. Murphy of the state penitentiary and Deputy Warden C. E. Burns relative to the posting of a gun guard in the prison dining room at meal hours, Burns has submitted his resignation. Warden Murphy has accepted the resignation and Burns will go out June 1.

On an interior balcony in the dining room is constructed a cage where formerly prison regulations required the posting of an armed guard at meal hours as a precaution against possible disturbance by the convicts when congregated at that time. Warden Murphy opposed to this practice and soon after he took charge of the prison he abolished the rule.

According to available information in the Burns affair, the deputy warden stationed a gun guard in the cage a few days ago when Warden Murphy was in Clackamas county leading the search for Jeff Baldwin. Upon his return to Salem Murphy discovered the guard in the dining room. He called Burns to account and ordered that there be no further violation of the ruling. Murphy again went to Clackamas county and it is said that Burns again posted an armed guard over the prisoners as

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DONATIONS ARE GENEROUS FOR RED CROSS CAMPAIGN MORE THAN THREE THOUSAND GIVEN PRIOR TO START LIEUT. ROLSTON, WOUNDED CANADIAN, TALKS TODAY

The accompanying partial list of advance subscriptions is some indication of the spirit with which this community will enter upon the big drive for Red Cross war funds tomorrow morning to raise \$20,000 in Marion county and \$9000 in Polk county, and in which it is the confident expectation to go "over the top in forty-eight hours."

Final advance reports at the workers' assembly this afternoon will swell the above total materially. The executive committee has ruled that the complete list of names and amounts contributed will be published.

Soldier Comes Today. All workers are summoned to the workers' opening rally at the First Methodist church at 3 this afternoon and 100 per cent attendance is expected. Some great addresses are promised. The speakers are Lieutenant Rolston, a Canadian army officer, and Elton Watkins of the department of justice. Manager Gingrich says he is assured that the speakers are fully up to the capacity of those of the recent liberty bond drive who started that work with such pronounced impetus.

Rolston Striking Figure. Lieutenant W. H. M. Rolston, veteran of the Somme, who will speak in Salem this afternoon, is one of the wounded Canadians who have come to Oregon to speak on behalf of the Red Cross. While Lieutenant Rolston's life was not actually saved by the Red Cross, yet he has seen action and can testify as to whether the American public receives value for its dollars. Well over six feet in height, looking more a platoonman than a soldier, Lieutenant Rolston

ADVANCE SUBSCRIPTIONS TO SECOND RED CROSS WAR FUND IN SALEM	
Bush family	\$500
Thomas B. Kay Woolen Mills Co.	200
H. S. Gile & Co.	200
T. A. Livesley	175
Salem Water Co.	150
D. A. White & Sons	100
Vick Brothers	100
P. R. L. & P. Co.	100
C. P. Bishop	100
J. O. Golla	100
R. P. Boise and wife	100
D. W. Eyre	100
J. P. Rogers Estate	100
E. T. Barnes	100
Weller Brothers	100
William Brown and wife	100
C. L. McNary	100
John McNary	100
Salem Bank of Commerce	100
Roth Grocery Co.	100
Steusloff Brothers	100
Drs. Steeves and Findley	100
Irwin Griffith	100
Total	\$3125

die for a principle; when he tells of the fields that men are enduring in Europe.

Lieutenant Rolston was delighted to learn he had been assigned to Salem. He will tell Salem all about war at first hand, but he has one request to make. "Please ask them not to talk to me about war. Get them to tell me of their famous loganberries. Ask them to talk about golf, gardens, girls—anything but about war."

The executive committee will assemble at the church at 2:30 for final reports and deliberations.

Picture Shows Enlisted.

Two moving picture films portraying in a most vivid and practical manner the Red Cross appeal in this drive will be used by local theaters tomorrow. One is entitled "Humanity's Appeal" and the other "Field Service on the Western Front." A third picture, "The Spirit of the Red Cross," by James Montgomery Flagg, will be shown at a local theater on Tuesday and Wednesday. It comprises two full reels and 2000 feet of film.

County Organizer Page reports the organization of all outlying districts completed and everything in readiness for the beginning of active work tomorrow morning. A trip over to the north end of the county Friday to the principal centers of activity assured Mr. Page that everything is in fine shape.

Butterville will form an independent

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WEATHER.

Showers north, fair south portion moderate westerly winds.