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# NEARLY THREE HUNDRED DIE BY EXPLOSION IN ENGLISH MINE

## ONLY ELEVEN ESCAPE FROM DEATH IN MINE DISASTER

### RESCUING PARTY IS DRIVEN BACK BY FLAMES

Entrapped Men Cut Off From Escape by Fire, Which Spreads to All Parts of Mine.

Terrific Explosion Followed By Fire, Which Shoots from Main Shaft, Completing Work of Destruction—Twenty Bodies Removed—Second Rescuing Party Will Attempt Entrance Before Night—Flames Being Subdued With Difficulty—Only Hope for Safety of Any of Entombed Men Is That They Have Been Able to Wall Themselves in Some Gallery Which Is Not Burning—Cause of Explosion Is Not Yet Determined—Officials Hold Out Little Hope.

Manchester, Eng., Dec. 21.—Two hundred and eighty-nine out of three hundred miners employed in the Little Hulton company's mine near Leigh are believed to have been killed in an explosion and fire this morning. Only eleven were rescued. The remaining miners were trapped. Twenty bodies were removed this afternoon. It is believed the majority, if not all the others, perished. The explosion was terrific, fire five minutes afterward shooting out of the main entrance drove back the rescuers. After the flames in the main shaft had subsided a small party entered a short distance and removed a few bodies, but could not go further as the main shaft was blocked. The flames apparently spread to all parts of the mine. Though efforts were made to subdue the fire, it was many minutes before the first outburst was controlled. The fire is still raging further in.

## SENATOR ALDRICH TO UNDERGO OPERATION

New York, N. Y., Dec. 21.—Senator Aldrich was taken to the Roosevelt hospital today to undergo an operation on his hand. Although it was given out that the senator is not in a serious condition, an ambulance was used to convey him to the hospital. The ailment is described as a stiffening of the tendons of the left hand as a result of the accident which befell Aldrich a few months ago. At the time of the accident it was announced that Aldrich was struck by a taxicab or street car, but no witnesses who saw the accident were found and the report spread that he had been attacked.

## FILING AND LICENSE FEES SHOW INCREASE

Salem, Ore., Dec. 21.—An increase of about \$60,000 in the filing and license fees of the corporation department at the capitol is noted for the two year period closing with 1910 as against the two year period closing in 1908. The secretary of state's biennial report will show that the receipts for the corporation department for the year 1910 and 1910 were \$371,319.53 as against \$311,671.39 for 1907 and 1908. For the two years ending in 1906 the receipts were but \$240,049.78 and in 1904 they were only \$191,615.87. There has been an increase since 1904 of nearly \$200,000. Of the \$371,319.53 in fees collected by the corporation department this year the last \$265,737.55 were from annual licenses and \$105,581.98 for filing new or supplementary articles of incorporation.

## BARBER TO RECEIVE PUBLIC MONEY IN IDAHO

Washington, D. C., Dec. 21.—President Taft today nominated Benjamin Barber as receiver of public money at Lewiston, Idaho.

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## TWO DIE WHEN WALL FALLS AT BIG FIRE

Cincinnati, Dec. 21.—One fireman and one spectator were killed and ten firemen severely hurt in a fire today which did two million dollars damage. The dead are Robert Greer, fireman, and a boy unidentified. The fire broke out early in the Krippendorf company's factory, spread rapidly to the Taylor-Poole Leather company, destroyed it, and damaged eight other factories before it was subdued. A wall of the Krippendorf factory fell squarely on fifteen firemen. They were rescued by other firemen and the injured rushed to hospitals.

## LORIMER IS FORMALY EXONERATED FROM CHARGES

Washington, Dec. 21.—Exonerating Lorimer of the charges of bribery in connection with his election to the senate, the committee on elections and privileges filed its formal report today. Senators Beveridge and Frazier did not sign. "In the opinion of the committee Senator Lorimer's title to a seat in the senate is not shown to be vitiated by the use or employment of corrupt methods or practices," says the report. The committee in its report asked to be excused from further consideration of the case. Senators Burrows, Depew, Dillingham, Heyburn and Bulkeley, republicans; Bailey, Paynter, Johnson and Fletcher, democrats, signed.

## CAPITAL PUNISHMENT MAY BE ABOLISHED

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 21.—Mrs. Katherine Stritlan today began the campaign that aims at the abolition of capital punishment in the state of Washington. She is circulating petitions that will be offered to the next legislature. She says hundreds of voters have expressed a willingness to sign. A bill repealing capital punishment is to be introduced in the legislature by representative Goss of Seattle, according to Mrs. Stritlan.

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## GERMAN NAVAL MEN ARE ANGRY AT TAFT

PIQUED BECAUSE FLEET PASSED BY GERMAN PORT

Regard Alleged Affront as Affair Between Nations—Fraternalizing of English, American and French Vessels to Exclusion of Others Also Cause of Bitterness.

Berlin, Germany, Dec. 21.—Fraternalizing of English, American and French fleets to the exclusion of all other vessels is said to have caused bitter feelings on the part of Germany's naval heads. The failure of the American fleet on its European tour to stop at Wilhelmshaven although it passed within four hours run of that port, is regarded as an affront by Germany's naval officials. The itinerary of the fleet was outlined by Taft and the navy department; they regard it as an affair between the nations. Count Reventlow, an eminent German naval expert is one of the leaders of the anti-American faction who are making much concerning the alleged slight.

## HOPE FOR PATRICK'S RELEASE GROWS SLIM

New York, Dec. 21.—The New York Medical-Legal society, which has been trying to get another trial for Albert Patrick, the lawyer serving a life-term for the murder of millionaire William M. Rice, in 1909, will hear the report of their committee selected to wait upon Governor White, at a dinner this evening. It is not believed, however, that the report will be very encouraging, although none of the members of the committee will discuss the matter. The committee, which is headed by Clark Bell, the well-known lawyer, wants Governor White to commute Patrick's sentence, pending a scientific inquiry. This case is one of the most famous in the country, because of the number of distinguished men who are fighting both for and against the release of Patrick, who is a lawyer of eminent ability himself.

## OBJECTION TO HOLDING OLYMPIC GAMES HERE

Paris, France, Dec. 21.—Tremendous opposition is to be made to the holding of the Olympic games at Cleveland, Ohio, in 1916 by England and other European countries, according to the Excelsior, a Paris sporting journal today. The objection, the paper says, is not to Cleveland but to America. The announcement in Paris that the American athletic union had endorsed Cleveland and referred it to the international committee created a sensation in the sporting circles of the continent. The paper says the extra cost of the journey is the principal objection.

## To Study Koreans.

Chicago, Dec. 21.—Professor Frederick Starr, head of the department of anthropology of the University of Chicago has completed all arrangements for leaving here tomorrow for Korea, where he will make a study of the inhabitants. He will be accompanied by Manuel Bonzales, who has been his companion on previous trips of this kind. Prof. Starr's previous investigations have been in the interior of Africa, Mexico and Japan.

## The Dam Bids Opened

New York, Dec. 21.—The Board of Water Supply today opens bids for the \$4,000,000 Kensico dam, which will be one of the largest in the world, when completed. It is to be constructed in connection with the Catskill water system and will include five lines.

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PRESENT DISPENSERS ARE NOT DAUNTED

Applications to be Made Tonight for Full Number Allowed Under New Law—All Thirteen Near Beer Men Have Petitions in and Others are Expected—Licenses Also Requested for Drug Stores.

That the new saloon regulating ordinance as adopted recently by the city council is not so stringent as to be prohibitory is proven by the number of persons who have made application for licenses. Every man who is at present conducting a near beer establishment, and there are thirteen of these, either has already filed or will file before the council meets this evening, his application with Recorder Fitz Gerald and it is probable that two or three others not now in business will do likewise. As the new ordinance limits the numbers of saloons to 12, it is certain that Pendleton will have the full number allowed. Up until 2 o'clock this afternoon the following men had filed their applications with their \$2000 bonds: Antonio Nolte, Alfred Schneider, William A. Hook, W. G. Bogart, Antonio Kraft, David Gorgan, James Harvey Taylor, and W. A. Brown while Marvin Anderson, George Darveau and others had signified their intention of applying before evening. The Pendleton Drug Store, Tailman Drug company and the Red Cross Drug Store had filed their applications and bonds for drug store licenses, while Gus Lafontaine, proprietor of the Quella had applied for a restaurant license. The council will receive these applications at the meeting this evening but will probably refer them to a committee for a week.

## DEMOCRATS IN CONGRESS LOSING NO TIME

Washington, Dec. 21.—Within a day or two, even before the holiday adjournment, the democrats expect to have their plans for complete organization under such perfect control, that they will be able to get right down to business after the New Year. All of the democratic representatives elect will meet here in January and a caucus of the congressmen-to-be or their proxies will pass on the method of appointing the majority members of the committees of the next session. It will also consider the revision of the tariff. Champ Clark, whose election as speaker is now certain, is devoting nearly all of his time to a study of the tariff. It is well known that he favors a reduction of the tariff by a sliding scale and in his plans he has the support of Colonel Henry Watterson.

## WANT EQUAL RIGHTS FOR JEWS IN RUSSIA

St. Petersburg, Dec. 21.—A new bill designed to give equal rights to the Jews was received by the duma committee which defines the rights of Russian subjects in Finland. It is framed to overcome objections in the bill which was recently rejected. The number of passengers killed during the year ending June 30th, was 450; injured, 15,515; employees killed, 3418; employees injured, 68,925. The report asserts the most important feature of the new railroad regulation law is a provision authorizing the commission to suspend the proposed increases pending investigation.

## Yale to Open Hockey Season.

New York, Dec. 21.—Hockey enthusiasts will attend the opening season of the Yale team in this city this evening at the St. Nicholas skating rink, when the team of St. Paul's school will be the opponents. Although a small school, St. Paul has one of the best hockey teams in the country, having defeated last year the Princeton champions by a score of 4 to 0.

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This Number Shipped by the Milton Fruit Growers' Union During Season.

Organization Sends Fruit to All Parts of Nation—East End of Umatilla County Better Advertised Than Ever Before as Result of Co-operation on Part of Growers—Strawberries, Prunes, Apples and Pears Form Greater Part of Year's Business.

## REPORT OF MANAGER IS MADE AT ANNUAL MEETING

Nearly one-half million boxes and crates of fruit and berries were shipped to various parts of the country by the Milton Fruit Growers' union this year, according to the report of Manager H. D. Lamb, which he submitted to the members of the association at their annual meeting and banquet in the Oregon Grand theater in Milton yesterday. Over 200 members of the union and their families attended the meeting, which lasted all day, and the principal purpose of which was to hear the manager's report. President E. P. Jensen presided at the meeting and made the opening address, in which he traced the rapid development of the union within the past five years. During the year the valley was better advertised than ever before he said this was due chiefly to the union. "This section of the valley is in better shape this year than ever before," he stated. "And I think that is due in no little degree to the union."

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