

M'NAMARA TRIAL IN LOS ANGELES BEGINS

Two Brothers, Accused of Dynamiting, Go Before Jury in California Court.

Los Angeles, Cal. — Wednesday morning, October 11, in a large airy room on the fifth floor of the new hall of records building the curtain was drawn for the first act of another great drama which has been written in the struggle between labor and capital when John J. McNamara, secretary of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron workers, and his brother James Bryce McNamara were placed on trial before Judge Walter Hordwell on charges of wholesale murder by dynamiting, in connection with the destruction of the Los Angeles Times building at First street and Broadway on the morning of October 1, 1910, in which disaster 20 men lost their lives.

A web of what the prosecution regards as evidence has been spun around the two brothers, one a national labor leader, and the other a worker in the ranks, and will be presented to the jury. Clarence S. Darrow and the other attorneys engaged in the defense of the McNamaras, however, are confident that they will be able to rend asunder the case of the prosecution, and that their clients will walk forth free men.

Unions Parade for McNamaras.

Portland—A monster parade, embracing the members of 43 labor organizations of this city, took place Sunday for the purpose of demonstrating that the sympathy of the laboring classes is with the McNamara brothers, who are to be tried in Los Angeles, October 10, charged with the dynamiting of the Times building.

EQUAL SUFFRAGE REFUSED

Recall Adopted and Initiative and Referendum Favored.

San Francisco.—Election returns indicate that California refused to grant equal suffrage to women, but had by emphatic vote adopted the initiative and referendum and the recall, the latter including the judiciary, as part of its organic law.

Twenty-three proposed amendments to the constitution of the commonwealth were voted upon. Of these the three mentioned and the proposal to make the State Railway Commission an appointive body and empowering the Legislature to enlarge greatly the powers of the board, overshadowed in public interest all the rest.

Death Comes to Cornelius Bliss.

New York—Cornelius Newton Bliss, for years one of the leading figures in National Republican politics and otherwise well known as a merchant and member of the drygoods firm of Bliss, Fabyan & Co., died here from heart failure. Bliss had been ill for a year. He was 78 years old, having been born in Fall River, Mass., in 1833.

STRIKE HAS BECOME ENDURANCE CONTEST

San Francisco.—Quiet prevails in the strike situation over the Harriman lines on the coast, after a week which has been characterized here by lack of the usual disorders and riots between strikers and strikebreakers. Beyond a few fist fights there has been no trouble.

On the coast the strike has settled down into an endurance contest, with the strikers calm and appearances greatly against the railroad. Engines are known to be going dead in large numbers in various coast divisions.

Portland.—The railroad strike on the Harriman railroad lines reveals no sign of weakening in either of the beligerent camps. The officials of the railroad companies are doing everything in their power to ignore the fact that a strike is on, but each day the condition of the rolling stock and motive power of the roads becomes more impaired until, so the strikers believe, it can be only a comparatively short time until the officials will have to not only recognize but concede the strikers' demands.

BOGUS COIN CHIEF CAUGHT

Officers Follow Clew Across Entire Continent.

Washington.—After a search across the continent and up into British Columbia, the Secret Service operatives captured Albert Leon, a Russian Jew and political refugee, as he was about to leave New York for South America. Leon is alleged to be the head of an extensive counterfeiting gang which has flooded the Pacific Coast with spurious \$10 bank notes during the last year.

THOMAS A. EDISON



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Thomas A. Edison, the American inventor, who has just returned from a trip to Europe where he was dignified.

NO DEATHS IN FLOOD

Enormous Property Loss in Black River, Wisconsin, Region.

Black River Falls, Wis.—The devastating flood of the Black River, which inundated this town, sent its 2000 inhabitants scurrying to shelter in the hills, and causing property damage between \$3,000,000 and \$5,000,000, has receded.

Latest reports indicate that there has been no loss of life, people in the devastated section having been given sufficient warning to flee to the hills.

This city practically has been blotted from the map. Only a few of the 61 business buildings have thus far escaped the fury of a raging flood. The entire business district has disappeared, the Black River having cut a new bed through what was Water street, the main street in the town. The Black River is filled with wreckage as far as La Crosse, and numerous farm houses have been demolished.

Wiley Will Begin "Soft Drink" War.

Washington.—An order for the immediate consideration of the perplexing questions, "What is beer?" "What is vinegar?" and "What is a soft drink?" has been passed by the Board of Food and Drug Inspection at a meeting in the office of Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, chief of the Bureau of Chemistry and chairman of the Board.

TAFT URGES LEASE PLAN FOR ALASKA

Seattle.—In his formal speech here, the President declared that Alaska should have at least a semi-self-governing body. "Congress cannot make the necessary laws for Alaska. Alaska must have a local body. In bringing this about, I hope there will be no politics played. I hope the two houses of Congress will unite in bringing about a change that will result in the development of Alaska and making that territory valuable to itself and valuable to all mankind. "I see no more reason for government ownership in Alaska, however, than elsewhere. We should introduce there the same limitations as to the disposition of the public domain as in the rest of the country. I favor the leasing system. It has proved a success in Australia, New Zealand and Canada."

Spokane, Wash.—President Taft, in a speech here, repeated and strengthened his declaration of a rigid policy towards business. "Dissolve or be dissolved," was the gist of the president's declaration.

Governor Hay, who met the president at Walla Walla and accompanied him from there to this city, declared himself in the first speech he made introducing Mr. Taft, as in favor of his renomination in 1912.

THE MARKETS.

Portland.
Wheat—Track prices: Club, 79c; bluestem, 82c; red Russian, 77c.
Barley—Feed, \$22 per ton.
Oats—No. 1 white, \$30 per ton.
Hay—Timothy, valley, \$15; alfalfa, \$12.
Butter—Creamery, 23c.
Eggs—Ranch, 34c.
Hops—1911 crop, 28c; 1910, nominal.
Wool—Eastern Oregon, \$14c; Willamette Valley, 15@17c.
Mohair—Choice, 27c.

Seattle.
Wheat—Bluestem, 83c; Club, 79c; red Russian, 77c.
Barley—\$20 per ton.
Oats—\$29 per ton.
Eggs—35c.
Hay—Timothy, \$15 per ton; alfalfa, \$16 per ton.

OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Events Occurring Throughout the State During the Past Week.

Investigating Beetle Pests.
Corvallis.—H. F. Wilson, assistant professor of entomology and crop pest expert at Oregon Agricultural College, returned from Portland, Hillsboro, Yamhill and Carlton, where he has been making a continued investigation into the ravages of a species of beetle found in these sections. His object was to discover whether this particular pest attacks healthy trees. Professor Wilson did not find as many of the pests as on his previous trip but during and found them only in the apple and cherry trees.

Douglas Fair Success.
Roseburg.—Although somewhat hampered on account of rainy weather during the first three days of the fair, the 18th annual exhibition of the Douglas County Agricultural Society proved one of the most successful events ever held in this section of the state.

BRIDGE CREW HEIRS WIN
Douglas County to Pay \$1000 to Families of Men Killed.

Roseburg.—Acting upon the advice of hundreds of taxpayers, together with petitions from various granges of Douglas County, the county court authorized the payment of \$1000 to the legal heirs of the six members of the county bridge gang who were killed as a result of the collapse of the Umpqua bridge on August 24. Mrs. Alice McFarlane, of Curry County, widow of Peter McFarlane, a victim of the accident, accepted the compromise and tendered the county a sufficient release from damages. It is believed that a like compromise also will be effected in the other cases.

According to the order filed by the court, the county denies all liability as a result of the accident. This allegation, they aver, is based upon court decisions in parallel cases in which it was held that the county was not liable. The commissioners contend that the money was not authorized with a view of satisfying the claims, but was tendered with a view of assisting those dependent upon the victims.

Loot Is Barrow's Burden.
The Dalles.—While seven operators were at work in the next room, robbers entered the business office of the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Company here and carried out a safe. It was loaded on a wheelbarrow at the back door and taken to the river beach, where it was blown open. The safe contained \$22.

Knox and Wilson Hit.
Medford.—Characterizing Secretary Knox as an agent for the brewers and Secretary Wilson as honorary president of the beer-makers' league, Mrs. Ada Wallace Urub, state president of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, delivered an address at the state convention now being held in this city.

ELECTRICITY LOGS LAND
Marshfield Concern Plans Test of Clearing Stumps.

Marshfield.—Tests of the possibilities of logging by electricity have been started by the Smith-Powers Logging Company. Machinery has been installed in the timber near the mill and the Oregon Power Company of this city is furnishing power. A big logging engine is being used. The experiment as conducted so far, it appears, will be a success. Logging by electricity will be continued for some time and the faults and benefits studied so that the details can be worked out. It is thought that the work of logging on the Pacific Coast will be revolutionized if the tests prove successful. When the details of machinery have been decided upon it is likely that the Smith-Powers Company will plan to do all its logging by machinery.

Drainage District Asked.
Hillsboro.—A petition is filed with the county court here asking for a drainage district in the Lousionant Lake and Daisy Creek sections, affecting more than 50 valuable farms. The proposed ditch will reclaim several thousand acres of the richest beaver-dam and bottom lands in Washington County.

Sight Loss Value \$10,000.
Eugene.—Because the cold chisel, which he was using to sever a piece of gas pipe, broke, and a chip of the metal flew into his eye, causing injuries which may result in the loss of sight, Loren P. Harris, a gas fitter, is suing the Oregon Power Company for \$10,000 damages.

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