

# NEWSPAPER DYNAMITED

## 3 KILLED, 8 HURT AT RACES LOS ANGELES TIMES WRECKED; ONE KNOWN DEAD; 14 MISSING; 21 INJURED; LOSS IS OVER \$600,000

## GAIN OF 96 PER CENT MADE

### Vanderbilt Cup Race Scene of Many Disasters—Racing Car Strikes Touring Auto Filled With Women One Car Leaves Course and Plunges Through Fence to Destruction.

MOTOR PARKWAY, L. I., Oct. 1.—Three persons were killed, eight fatally injured and an unknown but large number less seriously hurt in the running of the Vanderbilt cup race today, which was won by Grant in an Alco car.

One car was destroyed by fire, another turned a somersault after striking a touring car, and scores of minor accidents attended the event.

Conditions at the course were almost chaotic. Ambulances hurried the injured from the scene and drove them to hospitals. In many cases the names of injured and dying were not known to the hospital authorities who treated them.

**No Check in Race.**  
Through all the chaos the cars surged forward around the course drivers outdoing each other in recklessness. Speeding racers did not stop when accidents occurred. Touring cars and spectators were hit by the racers and the speeding cars. If they kept to the course at all, plunged ahead regardless of the victims left behind.

**The Dead:**  
HAROLD STONE, driver Columbia car.  
FERDINAND D'ZIEUVA, spectator.  
CHARLES MILLER, mechanic Chevrolet's car.  
**Fatally Injured.**  
Harold Hall, mechanic; body

## COLLEGE MEN ARE ORGANIZED

### Rogue River Valley University Club Assumes Definite Form—Committees Appointed to Complete Work of Organization.

With an initial membership of 85 the Rogue River Valley University club assumed definite form in the meeting of college men held at the Commercial club rooms Saturday night. A constitution patterned after one that governs the New York University club was adopted by the organization, upon its able presentation by Henry Griffith.

The constitution arranges for a governing board of nine, which consists of the officers of the club and five additional members. It is this governing board that will conduct all the routine business of the organization, stipulate dues, decide what constitutes accredited colleges and expel members.

A committee of five was appointed as a nominating committee to select candidates for the officers of the club. The nominating committee consists of S. V. Beckwith, Edward Carlton, A. C. Fiero and Fred Northrup. The election of officers will be held on Saturday evening, October 14. Huntley, Perkins and Erickson were appointed as the membership committee. This committee will extend a personal invitation to as many of the eligible men in the valley as they can reach. All bona fide college men are eligible to membership, if they meet with the approval of the governing board.

## MEN BLOWN TO FRAGMENTS

### Great Carnage is Worked by Bombs in City of Angels—Explosion Came Just After Early Watch Men Had Left Work.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Oct. 1.—One man is known to be dead; one is dying; 14 are missing and are believed to be dead, and 21 are being cared for at various hospitals, as the result of the explosion and fire that razed the plant of the Los Angeles Times at 1 o'clock this morning.

The damage caused by the catastrophe, according to the statement of Manager H. G. Chandler of the Times this afternoon, will be close to \$600,000.

So intense is the heat emanating from the smoldering mass of ruins that it is not believed the debris can be searched for bodies of the victims until tomorrow.

According to Managing Editor Andrews, it is almost certain that the following are dead:

**The Dead.**  
J. C. GALLIHER, aged 40, linotype operator, married and has five children.  
W. G. TUNSTALL, aged 45, linotype operator, married.  
FRED LLEWELLYN, aged 36, linotype operator, married.  
JOHN HOWARD, aged 45, printer, married and with one child.  
GRANT MOORE, aged 42, machinist, married and three children.  
ED WASSON, aged 35, printer, married.  
ELMER FRINK, aged 25, linotype operator, married.  
EUGENE CARRS, aged 35, linotype operator, married and one child.  
DON E. JOHNSON, aged 36, linotype operator, married.

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## PAPER BLAMES LABOR UNIONS

### General Otis Reiterates Charge Made in His Paper That Organized Labor is Back of Crime—Paper Had Received Threats.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Oct. 1.—Managing Editor Harry S. Andrews this morning issued the following statement, containing the charge that "enemies of industrial freedom" were responsible for the Times disaster.

"The Times building was destroyed by dynamite early this morning by the enemies of industrial freedom. The Times itself cannot be destroyed. It will soon be reissued from its auxiliary plant and will fight its battles to the end. Horrors of the loss of life and maiming of men precludes any further statement at this trembling hour."

(Signed) "HARRY S. ANDREWS, Managing Editor Times." Times Is Sincere.

That the Times management is sincere in his charge that human agency was responsible for the holocaust is borne out by the following statement printed in the folio edition of the paper issued this morning:

"It mattered little to the man who placed the bombs which wrecked a splendid newspaper plant that 100 men were at work on the various floors, busily engaged in getting out the newspaper. That the instant that the bombs were exploded their lives were in peril; that as a result of this hellish work lives were probably lost and other lives were in deadly peril. The bombs were planted by experienced hands. They did the work for which they were intended, at least temporarily, to cripple a newspaper plant."

General Otis' wire to the Times (Continued on Page 8.)

## THE SITUATION:

Following is a brief summary of the results of the explosion which destroyed the building of the Los Angeles Times:  
Night Editor Churchill Harvey-Elder is dead.  
Assistant Editor Charles E. Lovelace is dying.  
Fourteen missing, believed dead.  
Twenty-one in hospitals.  
Loss estimated at \$600,000.

Times issued extra charge—union labor responsible. H. G. Otis, publisher, reiterates charge in telegram.  
City council votes \$25,000 for investigation.  
Building trades council offers \$7500 for culprits.  
Infernal machine found beneath home of F. J. Zeehandelaar, secretary Merchants and Manufacturers' association.

Attempt made to blow up Otis' home.  
LOS ANGELES, Cal., Oct. 1.—The Times, owned by General Harrison Gray Otis and his son-in-law, Harry Chandler, has for 23 years been the most deadly foe of organized labor in this country. Every weapon known to journalism has been used to stir up hatred against the labor unions. Daily cartoons and editorials charging labor leaders with conspiracy, assault and even murder have been of almost daily occurrence.

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## BOMB FOUND UNDER RESIDENCE OF OTIS

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Oct. 1.—A bomb found beneath the home of General Harrison Gray Otis, publisher of the Times, in Wiltshire boulevard, exploded in the street near the house late this afternoon.

The explosion tore a great hole in the street and shattered a score of windows.

No one was hurt. The bomb was found by the police. It was similar to that found beneath the Zeehandelaar home this morning.

When the officers carried to the (Continued on Page 8.)

## TIMES LONG AN ENEMY OF UNION

### Of Late it Has Been Especially Virulent in Regard to Organized Labor and This Gives Color to Suspicion That Unions to Blame.

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In the building trades particularly the doctrine of "freedom of contract" obtains. Structural steel workers have been working on great buildings here at \$3 and even less per day within the past fortnight, and every attempt to organize workers has been met with powerful opposition.

**Has Been Virulent.**  
The Times of late has been particularly virulent because of the approaching state federation of labor convention, which was to meet here next Monday.

For many years the Times has waged relentless war on organized labor. Strained relations have existed between General Harrison Gray Otis and the labor leaders ever since organized labor began to be a factor in the development of the city.

Recently, according to Managing (Continued on Page 8.)

## UNIONS OFFER GREAT REWARD

### Head of Typographical Union in Los Angeles Offers Assistance of Union Men to Times During Period of Stress—Offer Reward.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Oct. 1.—An offer of \$7500 reward for the arrest and conviction of the perpetrators of the Los Angeles Times dynamiting was made this afternoon by Secretary-Treasurer O. A. Tveitmoos of the state building trades council. The statement reads:

"Having learned from the press dispatches of the horrible catastrophe that has overtaken the Los Angeles Times, and also having noticed from the same dispatches that the old-time enemy of organized labor is endeavoring to place the blame for the disaster upon the trades union movement, I, as president of the general campaign strike committee, and general secretary-treasurer of the state building trades council of California, hereby offer a reward of \$7500 for the arrest and conviction of the perpetrators of the outrage. Five thousand dollars of this amount is offered by the state building trades council and \$2500 is offered by the general campaign strike committee.

**Going to the Bottom.**  
"Whether the disaster resulted from natural causes or criminal effort I do not know, but I do know that the trades union organizations of California will do everything in their power to get down to the very bottom of this deplorable affair. The general campaign strike committee, which meets this afternoon, will, I am sure, concur in my sentiments, and the California state federation of labor, which convenes next Monday in its 11th convention in Los Angeles, will undoubtedly take definite (Continued on Page 8.)

## MUCH PROGRESS BEING MADE IN ORCHARD CLEANUP CAMPAIGN

### INSPECTORS ARE HARD AT WORK

### Tree to Tree Inspection is Being Made on Many of the Larger Orchards—Hill Orchards Are Especially Well Cleaned Up

The work of inspecting the orchards of the valley is progressing rapidly and the inspectors find much satisfaction in the assistance they are receiving in the clean-up campaign. During the past week the force of inspectors, including Chief Inspector Myers, Inspectors Medley and Barnum, have been working in the large orchards immediately south of Medford. Inspectors Smith and Hall have also been busy in their respective districts. The largest commercial orchards, such as the Burrell, Bear Creek, Palmer, Hill and several other tracts, have received a tree-to-tree inspection and are now in fine condition. In some of the orchards, after the owners and foremen had gone over them, the inspectors found but little infection that had been (Continued on Page 3.)

## BROWNELL IS NOT TO ASSIST J. BOWERMAN

### Man Who for 12 Years Has Been State Senator From Clackamas County Says He Cannot Aid Man Who Was Named by Assembly.

OREGON CITY, Or., Oct. 1.—George C. Brownell, for 12 years state senator for Clackamas county, and who was three times honored with election to that office by the republican party, will refuse to support Jay Bowerman for governor, and will bolt all republican nominees who were endorsed by the assembly, save those who were presented with the indorsement without solicitation. Mr. Brownell takes the ground that he fought the assembly through the primary campaign and that if it was wrong then it is wrong now, and that the only way to kill it is to defeat the assembly republican nominees. It is probable, therefore, that he will come out openly and make a fight against Mr. Bowerman and the other republican nominees who were in any way identified with the assembly.

## ONE HUNDRED MINERS KILLED IN FIRE DAMP EXPLOSION IN MEXICO

### DETAILS NOT YET REPORTED FULLY

### Special Train Bearing Nurses and Physicians Leave for Scene of Disaster—This is Second Explosion in Los Esperanzas Districts.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Oct. 1.—It is reported tonight that a hundred miners were killed in an explosion of fire damp in a mine at Palen, Mexico, today. A special train bearing nurses and physicians left for the scene of the accident. Details of the reported disaster at Palen will not be obtainable until the relief train arrives. This is the second explosion in the Las Esperanzas district.

### Postal Receipts for September Greater Than Any Previous Month in History of Local Office—Every Business in City Making Great Gains.

October 1 finds Medford stirring with renewed activity, the fall business with its customary increase in momentum having succeeded the quiet summer months. Merchants and business men generally report business better this fall than ever before. In all lines business is good and prosperity is in the air.

No better criterion of a city's general welfare and growth can be named than its postal receipts. September receipts were greater this year than any previous month in the history of the local postoffice not barring any month—even last December with its Christmas business.

During September the postal receipts in Medford totaled \$2653.69, while for September only \$1352.66. The increase was \$1301.03 or 96 per cent—nearly double.

The receipts for the quarter ending September 30 totalled \$6954.62, while for the corresponding quarter a year ago they were \$4304.23. The increase was \$2650.39, or 61 per cent.

The postal receipts are but an indication of the increase in the business of the city. Never before were building activities making as great a showing, never before were business houses making as great strides. Medford is surely coming into her own.

## FATHER SAVES HIS BABE FROM DEATH

### Only Presence of Mind Saved Life of Little Tot in Runaway—Other Persons in Wagon Are Injured. But Slightly.

Four men and a crippled babe were principals in a runaway on the road in front of the Vilas ranch last Saturday morning. A wagon belonging to M. D. Bowles of Fish Lake, containing the owner, O. Adams, and his little 21-months-old daughter Stella and two other men was being driven from Brownsboro to Medford when the accident occurred. A motorcycle passing close to the wagon caused the team to become panic-stricken. The horses gave a plunge which threw Bowles out of the wagon, reins and all. The two men in the back of the wagon made flying leaps to the ground and saved themselves from other injuries than scratches and bruises. This left the father and baby in the runaway wagon alone. The seat on which Adams was sitting fell over backwards and precipitated child and father in the bottom of the wagon. Here they lay while the team ran wildly down the road, the father clasping the baby in his arms. In their wild race, the horses ran into the barb wire fence which lined the road. So great was the force of impact that the wagon cut a semi-circle and the horses continued their wild stampede in the opposite direction. As the runaways passed the Phipps ranch, Mrs. Phipps ran out into the road with a broom and tried vainly to stop the horses.