

# GREAT EXPLOSION ROCKS NEW YORK

## CAR OF DYNAMITE EXPLODES ON JERSEY CITY PIER; HEAVY DAMAGE

### ALL ALONG BROADWAY PERFECT SHOWER OF GLASS FALLS; MAN SHAKEN FROM BUILDING'S ROOF

Nearly Every Pane of Glass in Morgan's Office, the Produce Exchange and in the Standard Oil and Singer Buildings Shattered—Hundreds of Minor Accidents Occur—Fruit Vendor is Nearly Decapitated By Falling Shower of Glass.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Several workmen were severely injured today when a car of dynamite exploded on pier No. 10, Jersey City, destroying the pier and a barge and wrecking the terminus of the Central railroad of New Jersey.

The bodies of two men believed to have been members of the crew of the barge Catherine W., which was destroyed by the explosion, were recovered this afternoon. No trace has been found of the other three members of the barge's crew.

With a roar which resounded all over New York city, the explosion went off and the lower end of Manhattan island was shaken as though by an earthquake. One lower Manhattan fruit vendor was nearly decapitated by falling glass and a workman was shaken from the roof of a skyscraper and was fatally hurt.

The shock of the explosion was felt most severely at the Battery, which is directly across the North river from the Jersey City pier. The intensity of the tremor lessened as it moved northward, but at J. Pierpont Morgan's office, the Produce Exchange and in the Standard Oil, the Singer and the Customs House buildings practically every pane of glass was shattered.

All along lower Broadway a perfect shower of glass fell into the street and the lack of fatalities is regarded as miraculous.

The numerous accidents caused by the blast resulted in half a dozen simultaneous calls for the police reserves and in the streets the blue-coats stopped hundreds of runaways, where horses, struck and cut by falling glass, had bolted.

## 537 QUAKE IN WEEK AT MANILA

Latest Estimate of Loss of Life During Eruption Places Number at 400—Volcano Continues Very Active.

MANILA, Feb. 1.—Within the last week and up to today the seismograph at the Manila observatory has recorded 537 earthquakes, some of them of considerable force.

The latest estimate of the dead through the eruption of Mount Taal places the number at 400. The volcano continues active and showers of mud and stones are still falling over the adjacent country.

## COUNTY COURT IS IN SESSION

Regular Session Opened Today—Large Amount of Business to Be Considered—Road Work is Being Considered.

The regular session of the county court opened today in Jacksonville and will remain in session for two or three days. A large amount of routine business is on hand to be taken of.

Road matters will come in for consideration, and the court will outline its plans for the season's activities.

## TAFT CANCELS HIS TRIP DOWN SOUTH

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 1.—President Taft this afternoon cancelled all engagements for his proposed Southern trip in March with the exception of a single day at Atlanta. No reason was assigned, but the action of the chief executive is believed to indicate the probability of an extra session of congress.

## WARREN ESCAPES JAIL SENTENCE

President Taft Commutes Sentence Passed on Fred Warren, Publisher of "Appeal to Reason."—Warren Asked for No Commutation.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 1.—President Taft today commuted the six months sentence of Fred Warren, editor of the Socialist paper, "The Appeal to Reason." Warren had asked for no commutation.

## TEXAS MAN IN HINTON'S PLACE

Mayor W. R. Canon Puts W. B. Hall at Work on Police Force—Came Here From Texas and Has Had Experience.

Mayor W. H. Canon has appointed W. B. Hall, who came here from Texas, to the place on the police force left vacant by the resignation of William Hinton. Mr. Hall has had considerable experience in police work.

Probably in another month the police of the city will all be in uniform as this matter is being adjusted.

## EXPLOSION IN QUARRY DEALS DEATH TO MEN

VICTORIA, B. C., Feb. 1.—News reached here this afternoon of an explosion in a quarry at Tod Creek Cement Works, a few miles from Victoria in which a Chinaman, Joe Sing was instantly killed and three other Chinese were seriously injured. The cause of the explosion is not known.

The dead and injured were brought to Victoria in automobiles. No white men were injured, it is said.

## FINAL FIGHT FOR FAIR FRIDAY

Senate Committee Will at That Time Listen to Arguments By Rival Cities Boosters—Want Small Fair in Washington.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 1.—The final fight for the location of the Panama exposition has been delayed until Friday. The senate committee on industrial expositions will then listen to arguments by the New Orleans and San Francisco boosters. Today, instead of giving all its time to the claims of the rival cities, the committee heard a request from Washington for an "official celebration" of the completion of the Panama canal.

H. B. McFarland, representing the local chamber of commerce and the board of trade, explained that the celebration planned would not interfere with the exposition plans made by New Orleans and San Francisco. The Washington exposition, he said, would be a small one, and it was planned to hold it in Potomac park.

Governor Sanders of Louisiana appeared before the committee for a short time before McFarland made his plea.

"If it is a question of money," said Sanders, "New Orleans has more than San Francisco ever dared have. Ten millions will go further in New Orleans than in San Francisco under existing conditions."

He referred to the opportunity to develop trade with South America through the influence of an exposition. This, he said, was of far greater importance than the trade of the orient.

Theodore A. Bell of California then spoke briefly for San Francisco. He discussed the Japanese question and said that the San Francisco delegation here had received telegrams of congratulation from the Japanese consul and the more important Japanese and Chinese merchants of the western city. The San Francisco boosters are very confident of ultimate success.

## EXTRA SESSION IS PREDICTED

Senator Brown Lays Down Law to His Fellows in the Senate—Lorimer Case and Popular Election of Senators are Important.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 1.—"Decide the Lorimer case, popular election of senators, the tariff commission and the Sulloway bill, proposing a leveling of veterans' pensions, or prepare for an extra session of congress."

This was the way Senator Brown of Nebraska today laid down the law to his fellows in the senate.

"It must be understood now," said Brown, "that if any of these questions is put over to another session, some of the appropriation bills will go over also. This is not a threat, it is an ultimatum. I am stating a simple fact, and it is well, with four working weeks ahead, that you should understand it. If congress adjourns without action on these measures it will adjourn without action on some appropriation bills. This will make an extra session necessary."

## Burglars Escape.

VISALIA, Cal., Feb. 1.—After sawing through a wall of the county jail here, Mike Larkins and Mike Burke, held on a burglary charge, are being sought by a sheriff's posse today. Two "saws" improvised from case knives were found in their cell.

## TODAY IS BILL PASSING DAY IN LEGISLATURE

Many Bills go Safely Through Third Reading—Large Number Will Be Acted on This Afternoon—Much Headway is Made.

## SELLING CALLS ABRAHAM DOWN GOOD AND HARD

Duniway Said to Be Behind a Bill Formed to Make Trouble for Portland People

SALEM, Or., Feb. 1.—Today is "bill passing day" in the house and senate. Several bills went safely through the third reading in both houses and many more will pass during the afternoon session.

Bills passed in the senate are: senate bill 131, by Abraham, relating to the requisition of fugitives from justice; senate bill 147, by Oliver, which fixes the salary of the superintendent of schools of Walla Walla county; senate bill 181, by Agramah, providing for the care and maintenance of cemeteries, and senate bill 182, Norton, relating to action arising on contracts.

Bills passed in the house are: house bill 19, Clemens, amending the act concerning insurance companies taking fire risks within the state; house bill 36, Brooks, relating to the summoning of juries; house bill 67, Thompson, relating to conveyance of property by insane persons; house bill 169, Graves, to provide for giving a bond in all condemnation proceedings; house bill 132, Abrams, to provide for the establishment of the existence of foreign corporations doing business in the state; house bill 125, Abrams, requiring secretary of state to report to the governor all foreign corporations doing business in Oregon and providing for the advertising of such associations that do not pay state license fees.

Abraham of Douglas county was called to order today in the senate by President Selinger, who charged him with attempting to inject politics and personal spleen into his speeches. A lively tilt took place between the two senators, which finally resulted in the president ordering Abraham to take his seat.

The trouble started over the debate on senate bill 131, introduced by Abraham. The Douglas county man impugned Selinger's motives in various matters that have come before the senate. Selinger came back at the senator and openly accused him of using his office as senator during this session to vent his spleen on all who opposed him politically and ordered him to keep within the limits of decency in the future.

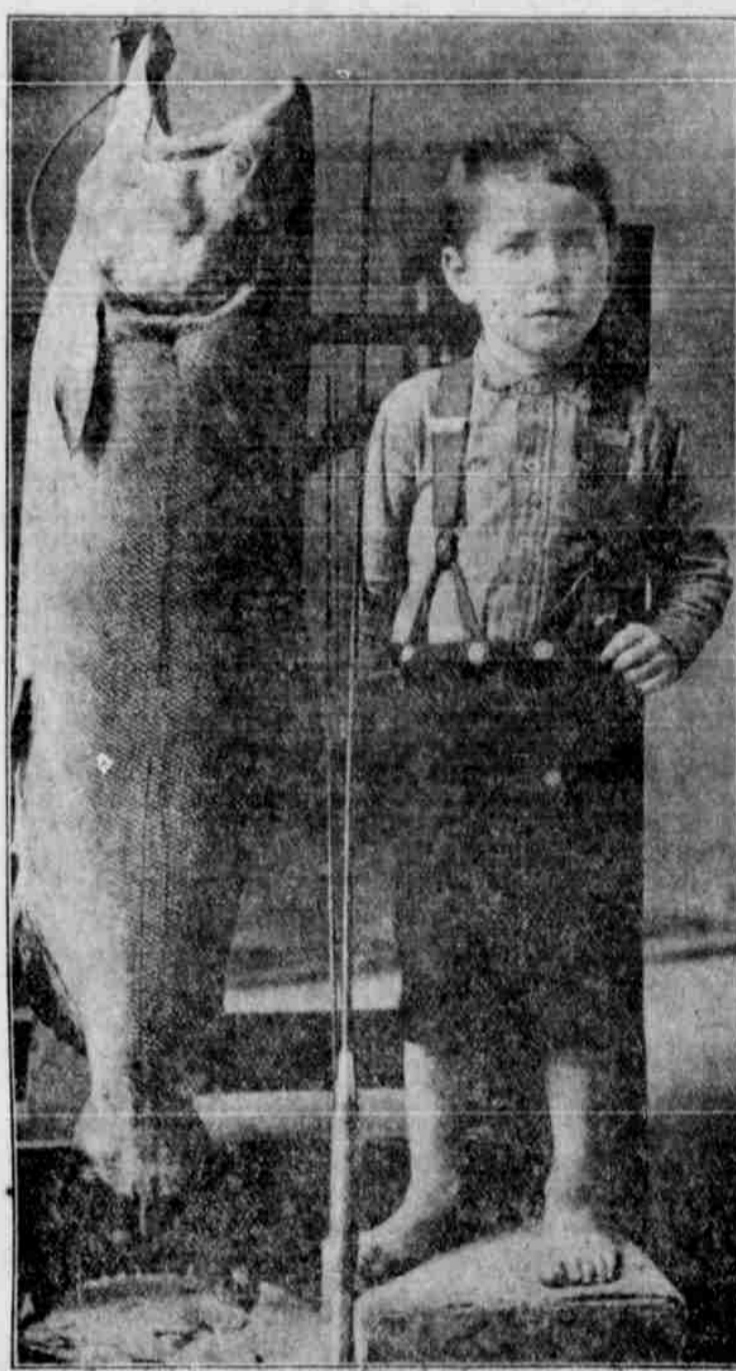
The startling announcement was made in the house this morning that Attorney Duniway of Portland is behind a "joker" bill which is aimed to further embarrass the people of Portland who are trying to build the Broadway bridge. Fouts detected the joker in an apparently harmless measure introduced by Representatives Graves, which provides for giving a bond in condemnation proceedings. He asked that the bill be made a special order for Monday, but his motion was lost and the bill passed to third reading.

The bill was introduced by Graves at the request of W. O. Sims, an attorney of Sheridan. Fouts asked Graves if Sims was a railroad attorney, which Graves was unable to answer. There is much mystery attached to the bill, as Duniway is attending the session this morning. Fouts probably will take the fight into the senate or ask for reconsideration of the measure.

## Cigarette Men Sue.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Feb. 1.—Anargyros and Company, cigarette manufacturers, of Oakland, New York and Egypt, today filed suit for sums aggregating \$10,000 against the firm of S. Anargyros.

## A Monster From the Rogue



The accompanying cut shows one of the monster salmon which are found in Rogue river and which occasionally are taken by hook and line. The cut is used through the courtesy of the Rogue Magazine.

## DEATH PURSUED CHINESE FLEE THEIR HOMES

Over One Thousand Deaths Occur Daily in Northern Manchuria From Plague—Several Villages Have Been Abandoned and Burned.

## STARVING DOGS AND CATS ATTACK CORPSES

Clad in Medicated Gauze all Whites Appear on Streets—Physicians Say They are Helpless.

PEKING, Feb. 1.—Death pursued Chinese fleeing from their homes are spreading Pneumonic plague beyond all possible control of physicians, and today it is estimated that 1,000 victims die daily in Northern Manchuria.

From Harbin, it is reported, all towns within a radius of 200 miles are infected. Some villages have been deserted and burned.

Fungicidal is a city of the dead. Of its 30,000 people, 4,000 have died, over half have fled and those remaining are kept within the city limits by soldiers.

It is believed the authorities will burn the city.

A new danger appeared this morning when starving dogs and cats attacked the corpses on the streets. Soldiers have been ordered to shoot every dog and cat in the city.

The ignorance and superstition of the inhabitants are causing the physicians trouble. Dead bodies are surreptitiously removed and thrown into vacant lots or hidden in cellars by surviving relatives attempting to escape quarantine.

From Uden Northward Chinese, Japanese and all the whites employed on the railroads go about garbed from head to foot in medicated gauze with only small slits in the coverings to look through.

Physicians arriving here today from Harbin report that the plague situation there is most grave. Refugees are spreading the germs of the disease all over Manchuria.

Dr. Appek, one of the arrivals, declares that the outbreak is harder to treat than the bubonic scourge, as the expectation of the victim is the principal means of infection and this is becoming one of the most difficult problems medical science in the Orient has ever faced.

## MADERO SURE OF HIS SUCCESS

Says in Next Sixty Days He Will Control all Parts of Entry—Declines Aid of Americans in Rebellion.

HUACHUCA, Ariz., Feb. 1.—Declaring that the Mexican rebellion is for Mexicans, Francisco Madero, insurgent leader, today sent word that American aid is not solicited. Within 60 days, he says, he will control all parts of entry.

A report that government troops defeated the rebels at Sapauripa is denied today.

The insurgents voluntarily abandoned the town.

Captain Babcock, in command of United States troops on the border, declares neutrality laws are being enforced.

## Japs Sell Bad Beef.

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 1.—Forty beef carcasses alleged to have been treated by an embalming process have been seized in five local eating houses operated by Japanese. The Japanese bought the unfit meat for about six cents a pound, the authorities allege.

## WOMAN WRECKS SALOON

### IS BACKED BY SHERIFF AND COURT DECREE

Armed with a judgment in her favor signed by Justice McBride of the Supreme Court of the State of Oregon and reinforced by her attorney, W. E. Phipps, Deputy Sheriff Robert Dow and a small army of carpenters Mrs. Frances Snyder, widow of the late Victor E. Snyder, swooped down on the Office Bar shortly after one o'clock this afternoon and started to dismantle it. Everything from the linoleum on the floor to the fixtures hanging from the ceiling is claimed by Mrs. Snyder under the ruling of the court and on the strength of the judgment John Harrington, present occupant of the saloon, will be left this evening with nothing but a saloon license and four bayo walls.

Mrs. Snyder, after taking possession of the saloon today personally supervised its wrecking.

The case first attracted attention when, shortly after the death of Snyder in 1907 his widow endeavored to obtain from Harrington her share of the value of the saloon. Harrington claimed that Snyder's interest amounted to nil and the legal battle started.

It has waged through every court in the state since June 1907 and ended two weeks ago when Justice McBride handed down the present decision.

The removal of the fixtures and, regardless of the fact that the place was crowded with men, calmly occupied the center of the bar room while with screw drivers and claw hammers her assembled "wreckers" completed their work.

## GREAT BLIZZARD SWEEPS PLAINS

Railroad Cancels its Train Schedules—Coal Famine Becomes Acute—the Street Car System Suffers Greatly.

WINNIPEG, Man., Feb. 1.—The prairie West of Winnipeg is in the grip of yet another blizzard and trains on the Canadian Pacific Railway are badly delayed. The Grand Trunk Pacific has cancelled its train service. The street car system in this city is being operated with difficulty. The coal famine is becoming more acute every hour.

## ATTELL SAYS HE DID NOT TRAIN ENOUGH

BALTIMORE, Md., Feb. 1.—Monte Attell, the San Francisco fighter today attributes lack of training as the cause of his defeat last night by Young Britt of Baltimore.

## GREAT GAIN IN POSTAL RECEIPTS

Seventy-nine Per Cent Gain is Shown Over January a Year Ago—Increase Was Over \$700 During the Month.

The receipts of the local post office for January, 1911 show a gain over January, 1910 of \$721.83 or 29 per cent. In January, 1910 the total receipts were \$2,424.43. During the month just ending the receipts were \$3,146.26.

As January's one of the duller months in the year the amount of business done is gratifying as it assures a continued gain for the year.

## Club to Meet.

There will be a meeting of the Medford Commercial Club this evening.