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## PINCHOT WINNER IN ALASKA COAL CASE PORTLAND'S FIRE CHIEF CAMPBELL LOSES LIFE IN BLAZE

### CAMPBELL DIES MID FLAMES WHEN WALLS TUMBLE

Two Firemen Perish With Chief as Result of Explosion of Gasoline Which Blows Out Two Walls and Roof Crashes Down—Body Found

UNION OIL COMPANY OFFICE IS DEMOLISHED  
Property Loss Will Total \$200,000—Fire Starts From Burned-out Motor in Basement.

PORTLAND, Or., June 26.—David Campbell, chief of the Portland fire department and two men were killed today in a fire which destroyed the offices and warehouse of the Union Oil company on East Water and East Salmon streets. Campbell's body was recovered at 10:30, an hour and a half after he entered the burning structure. A search was immediately started for the bodies of his companions who perished with him.

The chief and his five men had entered the front of the burning warehouse and were exploring the interior when a tremendous explosion of gasoline blew out two walls and the roof fell in.

Battalion Chief John Young, who was directing his company near the main entrance, was knocked down and seriously injured by flying glass and flames. He was removed to the Good Samaritan hospital.

The fire started shortly after 8 o'clock presumably from a burned-out motor was quickly followed by others as various tanks of gasoline and oil became ignited.

Shortly before he was lost, Campbell ordered a second and third alarm turned in and as soon as he was missed every fire company in the city was summoned to the scene.

Adjoining the warehouse of the Union Oil company is the plant of the Standard oil company, which is in the same block, within 100 feet of the scene of the fire and the big reservoirs of oil of the Standard are adjacent. The loss is estimated at \$200,000.

### LOCAL MEN HAVE NARROW ESCAPE

Eddie King and Slim Adams had a narrow escape from death Sunday on the Applegate. When a team of mules they were driving ran away and hurried both of them from the rig. Mr. Adams was injured rather severely while Mr. King was more fortunate. Mr. Adams had recently purchased the mules and was unacquainted with their tendencies. He is learning rapidly, however.

### SECOND TRIAL OF WAPPY UNDER WAY AT SEATTLE

SEATTLE, Wash., June 26.—The second trial of Charles W. Wappenstein, the eight times indicted ex-chief of police, began today. In the first trial the jury disagreed. A special venire of 100 was summoned by Judge Ronald, who will preside in place of Judge Main, from whom a change of venue was secured by Wappenstein. The examination of jurors begun this morning, and the first talsman, Robert Avam, a grocer was challenged by the defense on account of his admission of prejudice, and was excused.

Wappenstein is accused of accepting a \$1000 bribe from Gid Tupper and Clarence Gerald for the operation of two resorts.

### 122 POUNDS IS BABY'S WEIGHT AND IS GOING UP

MOUNT AIRY, Ga., June 26.—James Adolph Cody, aged 2, weight 122 pounds and growing every day, is declared to be the biggest baby in the world. He sleeps well and is perfectly healthy and eats meals like a grown man.

James' measurements are:  
Height 39 inches bare foot;  
neck 14; bust 33; waist 36; arm above elbow 12; wrist 8; across hand above thumb 6 3/4; first finger near hand 2 1/2; thigh 25; knee 13; ankle 9; around foot 8 1/2; length of feet 6 1/4; shoulders 15.

### MRS. M'MANIGAL WONT TESTIFY

Wife of Alleged Dynamiter Refuses to Answer Questions Put to Her for Fear She Will Incriminate Her Husband.

LOS ANGELES, June 26.—Mrs. Ortie McManigal, wife of the alleged dynamiter, was taken before the grand jury shortly before noon and, despite questioning by Deputy District Attorneys Ford and Horton, absolutely refused to answer any questions or testify in any manner. She gave as her grounds that it would not be just for her to make statements which might incriminate her husband.

After a short time the district attorneys' deputies came out of the grand jury chambers and summoned attorneys Job Harriman, Clarence Darrow and Lecompte Davis before the inquisitorial board. After being in the grand jury room a few minutes they emerged and immediately went into conference with Mrs. McManigal.

### MANITOBA COUNTRY DELOGED BY RAIN

WINNIPEG, Man., June 26.—Heavy rains have visited many parts of the west. Winnipeg, Brandon, Saskatoon, Lethbridge and many other places being deluged for several hours on Saturday night and Sunday morning.

At Shoal lake and Stoney mountain, both in Manitoba, buildings were fired by lightning, while at many places cellars were inundated and much damage was caused by goods being spoiled by the water.

### "NOT HALF A MAN." SO BEAUTY ASKS DIVORCE

NEW YORK, June 26.—Bitterly complaining that her husband on their honeymoon "treated her like a piece of stone" and only kissed her twice daily "with bird-like little pecks," Mrs. Edith R. Gambier, wife of Edward V. Gambier, today is suing him for divorce.

## SEE DECLARES HIMSELF DIVINE

CHICAGO, Ill., June 26.—That Evelyn Arthur See, "revelator" of the cult of "absolute life," described himself in his writings as the literal and true son of God, was declared today in the trial of the "prophet" by Assistant State's Attorney Burnham in prosecuting See for causing the delinquency of Mildred Bridges, one of his girl disciples.

See, Burnham said, asserted that he was sent to be the progenitor of a perfect race who were, by immaculate conception, to be true sons and daughters of God. Under the chap-

### SCORE HURT SMASH-UP OF STREET CARS

Inbound Santa Monica Flyer and Arlington Heights Cars On Interurban Line Came Together With Fatal Results—Number Will Die.

### ALL AMBULANCES IN CITY RUSHED TO SCENE

Judge Allen of California Appellate Court Among Those Most Seriously Injured.

LOS ANGELES, June 26.—More than a score of passengers were injured shortly after 9 o'clock this morning in a collision between an inbound Santa Monica flyer and an Arlington Heights car on the Los Angeles Pacific interurban line at Sixteenth and Hobart streets. All the ambulances in the city were rushed to the scene and are now removing the injured to the various hospitals. The police state that a number of the injured will die.

Judge Allen of the appellate court of California is among the most seriously injured. He is thought to be fatally injured.

The seriously injured are:  
Judge Allen, injured internally and cut by flying glass, critical condition;  
Edward Demertson, 6, injured internally, may die; Mrs. E. M. Cummings, badly cut by glass and bruised; E. F. Wright, bruised and cut; Allen Wheeler, cut and bruised; Mrs. John Farley of Sawtelle, Cal., badly cut and bruised; A. F. Mellen of Sawtelle, badly cut about the face and arms; Mrs. A. F. Mellen, badly bruised and shaken up. Five others were less seriously injured.

### TRADING ACTIVE IN STOCK MARKET

NEW YORK, June 26.—Today's opening stock market showed a movement of stocks. Trading was active. The decision in the Harriman merger case resulted in heavy buying demand. Later the tone became weak. At noon many stocks were ruling fractionally under Saturday's close. The market closed firm.

Bonds were irregular.

### PAPER BOARD MAKERS IN EAST INDICTED

NEW YORK, June 26.—Officers, agents and members of various paper board manufacturing companies and co-partnerships included in the membership of the Eastern Box Board club were indicted today by the United States grand jury here for conspiracy in restraint of trade.

Most of these indicted are members of the Fibre & Manila association which paid a fine of \$88,000 in February, 1910, for violation of the Sherman anti-trust law.

### What the Cunningham Decision Means

Hundreds of millions of dollars' worth of Alaskan coal lands conserved for the people.

The probable immediate opening to development of Alaska and a consequent great growth in the territory's population.

The vindication of L. R. Glavis, special agent of the interior department, and of Gifford Pinchot, former chief forester, who were dismissed from the service after a clash with former Secretary Ballinger over the Cunningham claims.

The probable final death of the Morgan-Guggenheim plan to grab the resources of Alaska.

An impending influx of Alaskan coal into the markets of the Pacific coast, eliminating the necessity of purchasing British Columbia fuel.

The development of a great naval base on the coast, where coal may be cheaply obtained for the fleet and the consequent strengthening of America in the Pacific.

### LOCAL CLOTHING HOUSE ENTERED

Burglars Force Entrance Into Store—Fail to Secure Anything of Value—Leave Stock in Orderly Array—Broke In at Window.

Burglars broke into the Model Clothing store late Saturday night but secured little or nothing of value. The proprietors state that they have missed little but admit that considerable loot could have been taken from the shelves without their knowledge. The stock was not disarranged in the least.

Entrance was gained through a window at the rear of the store. The window fastener was dislodged and the frame removed.

### ELECTRIC CHAIR CLAIMS VICTIM

AUBURN, N. Y., June 26.—Gueseppe Naeo, the murdered of Antonio Canadano, with whom he lived, was electrocuted here today. The sight of the chair threw Naeo into hysterics, and screaming wildly, he broke for liberty. At the door of the death room he was overpowered, hauled back, pushed into the chair and the straps adjusted.

Then, still struggling, he wept bitterly, begging for a chance to kiss the crucifix. Father Kobetti, chaplain of the prison, presented the crucifix to Naeo's lips and a moment later 1800 volts of electricity shot through his body. Life, however, was not soon extinct, and two more convicts were required before the slayer's spirit fled.

### PRESIDENT RETURNS COINS SENT TO HIM

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 26.—Hundreds of silver coins mailed to President and Mrs. Taft for the silver wedding anniversary, are being returned to the senders, with an explanation that the executive and his wife appreciate the motive prompting the gifts but cannot accept them. The coins ranged from dimes up.

### QUADRUPLETS BORN TO FARMER'S WIFE AT KLAMATH FALLS

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., June 26.—Though the infant are small, the three girls which went to make up quadruplets born to Mrs. Al Bimuel, a farmer's wife near here, will probably live, according to Dr. M. Patterson, the attending physician, today. The boy died a few hours after birth. Their combined weight was 12 1/2 pounds.

The babes are all perfectly formed and despite their unusually small size, are apparently strong and healthy.

### RIVER GIVES UP M'DONALD BODY

The body of Arthur McDonald was found this afternoon in Rogue river below Trail about six miles below the whirlpool in which he was lost Saturday.

Coroner Kellogg has left to secure it and bring it to Medford.

### AGREE TO VOTE ON RECIPROcity

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 26.—An agreement was reached today for a vote on the Root amendment on the reciprocity measure before adjournment of the senate. It appeared certain that it would be defeated by a large majority. Senator Thornton of Louisiana opened the debate. He opposed the entire agreement and said that he would not support it unless amended to "prevent the great injustice that would otherwise be done to the agricultural interests." He favored the Root amendment.

Senator Townsend of Michigan and Senator Clark of Wyoming spoke in favor of the amendment.

### PINCHOT UPON COAL DECISION

NEW YORK, June 26.—Discussing the decision of the department of the interior to cancel all the Cunningham Alaskan coal claims, former Chief Forester Gifford Pinchot, in a statement to the United Press, said today:

"The cancellation of the Cunningham claims is proof by the administration itself that the fight against it to prevent the coal monopoly of Alaska is not only successful, but necessary to the government. The action insures the cancellation of multitudes of fraudulent claims in Alaska.

"Of course, the fight is not yet won. It is still possible that the secret order of last October whereby President Taft opened the harbor front of Controller Bay, the natural outlet for coal, will result in a coal monopoly through the transportation monopoly thus created."

### BALLINGER SAYS ITS ALL POLITICS

SEATTLE, Wash., June 26.—A former secretary of the interior, in a statement to the general land office, in relation to the general land office's action in cancelling the Cunningham claims, ex-Secretary of the Interior R. A. Ballinger, later in the day considered the matter and gave the following statement to the United Press:

"Many persons seem to be laboring under the erroneous impression that the recent decision of the commission of the general land office in cancelling the Cunningham claims is a reversal of my official relation to these claims.

"Since 1907, when I was commissioner of the general land office, these claims have been standing on my order of re-investigation. As secretary of the interior, I took no action respecting these claims as they were under the control Commissioner Dennett. As to the present decision, I am of the firm belief that there is no evidence that a court of justice would hold sufficient to warrant the denial of patents.

"In other words, the decision of the commissioner is political and not judicial."

### CANCELLATION OF CUNNINGHAM CLAIMS IS ORDERED

Morgan-Guggenheim Effort to Grab Resources of Alaska Is Foiled—Claims Held Grossly Defective and Restored to the Public Domain—

CLAIMANTS TO TAKE CASE TO FEDERAL SUPREME COURT

Adherents of Pinchot Jubilant—Consider Fight Made Against Ballinger Fully Justified.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 26.—Cancellation of all the Cunningham coal claims in Alaska, the fight over which cost former Secretary of the Interior Ballinger his place in public life, was today ordered by Commissioner Fred Dennett of the general land office with the approval of Secretary Walter L. Fisher of the interior department. This action of the government, it is alleged, will forever frustrate the Morgan-Guggenheim scheme to grab Alaska as the lands are restored to the public domain and will be at once thrown open to re-entry.

Adherents of Gifford Pinchot, former chief forester, were jubilant when the government's decision was announced, and "consider that the fight against Ballinger has thus been entirely justified. Attorneys for the Cunningham claimants, however, have decided to carry the case to the United States supreme court and will fight to the last ditch to retain the Morgan-Guggenheim hold on the coal fields of the far north.

Department Findings.

The decision of the government finds:

"Several locations, filings and entries made pursuant to an understanding and agreement of the claimants prior to their location to combine the claims for their joint use and benefit; each location, filing and entry was made with the unlawful purpose and intent that the title acquired thereunder should inure to the benefit and use of an association or corporation of claimants."

The department then rules "That no mine of coal opened or improved on these tracts shall be located or entered."

The government finds that the claims of Charles Sweeney and W. W. Baker, both in the Cunningham group, are defective as to be invalidated, regardless of the decision as affecting the group generally. The government department decides it to have been clearly shown that the Morgan-Guggenheim syndicate had an option to finance and take over the development of the coal lands through a \$5,000,000 corporation which was not ratified by a majority of the claimants.

Is a Final Decision.

Secretary Fisher, after the publication of the Cunningham decision announced that action on the other Alaskan coal claims in dispute would be at once pushed to a conclusion and that congress would be asked at the next session to enact new land laws for the territory. Of the Cunningham decision, Secretary Fisher said:

"This is the final decision on the Cunningham claims so far as the department of the interior is concerned."

### FINAL EVENT OF CORONATION

LONDON, June 26.—Tonight's great feature of the coronation festivities will be a gala performance at the Royal opera house, Covent garden. King George, Queen Mary, members of the royal family and royal delegates to the coronation from other countries have returned to London from Portsmouth to participate in the concluding events of the celebration.

The demand for seats for tonight's event is unprecedented. Ambassador Whitelaw Reid of the United States secured a box seat for \$500, but as high as \$5000 has been offered for boxes by late applicants.

### WOMEN HIRING OUT FOR HARVEST WORK

OMAHA, Neb., June 26.—Lured by wages of \$3.50 a day and board, scores of women today are deserting the restaurants and shops and displacing men as harvest hands. They are said to be more reliable, quicker and do heavy work as well as men. The experiment was first made a year ago and worked out successfully.

### VOLIVA INDICTED IN ILLINOIS ELECTION FRAUDS

WAUKEGAN, Ill., June 26.—Of 190 indictments returned before a grand jury here this afternoon for conspiracy to violate the election laws, one, it is said, is Wilbur Glenn Voliva, successor to Dowie as head of Zion city.