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GASOLINE IN AUTO EXPLODES

Chauffeur Is Killed and Woman Mortally Injured — Two Others Are Badly Hurt.

COMPANIONS FLED

OCCUPANTS WERE BLOWN HIGH IN THE AIR—WHEN POLICE ARRIVED MRS. TAYLOR, MISS PECHETEL AND PLOWER WERE LYING UNCONSCIOUS.

[United Press Leased Wire.] Philadelphia, Aug. 14.—The explosion of gasoline in an automobile today containing a chauffeur, four women and three men, caused the death of the driver, mortally wounded one of the women and seriously injured another woman and one of the men. The remaining two men and two women escaped uninjured and have not been found, having disappeared from the scene immediately after the accident.

The dead: JAMES DUGAN, chauffeur. Fatally injured: Mrs. Laura Taylor. Seriously injured: Caroline Pechetel, both arms broken; Charles Plover, broken leg. The party had been riding all night in a borrowed machine. They had entered Fairmont park when the

gasoline in the tank caught fire and blew up. The occupants of the automobile were hurled high into the air, and when the police arrived Dugan was dead, Mrs. Taylor and Miss Pechetel and Plover were lying outstretched and unconscious 20 feet from the wrecked machine. Two men and two women who had been in the machine, but who escaped injury when the gasoline exploded, were present, but before the arrival of the police they slipped away and have not been seen since. They gave no names to the police.

ENGLAND PREPARING TO TRAIN HER ARMY

[United Press Leased Wire.] London, Aug. 14.—One great army uniformly equipped and trained is to be the outcome of the imperial conferences on the military defenses of the empire, held at the foreign office the latter part of July. The plan provides that all troops of self-governing colonies shall undergo precisely the same training as the regulars in order to be ready to take their places beside the latter when the occasion arises.

Military training colleges are to be established in overseas dominions and there is to be a continuous interchange of officers from all parts of the empire. This, it is expected, will tend much toward making the training and organization of the entire body uniform.

COURT EXAMINING MASS OF TESTIMONY

[United Press Leased Wire.] Annapolis, Aug. 14.—A secret session of the court of inquiry which has been sitting to investigate into the death of Lieut. James N. Sutton began this morning.

The court will consider the 1400 typewritten pages of testimony of witnesses given in the Sutton case.

Before the findings of the board are made public Secretary of the Navy Meyer will pass upon the case. The written testimony of witnesses aggregates 280,000 words.

OREGON BOYS THE ROBBERS

Youngsters Who Made Bold Hold-up of Santa Clara Bank Only 18—Both From Oregon.

BOTH UNDERSIZED

ONE SAYS HIS MOTHER IS AN INVALID AND MAY DIE, THE FAMILY HOME HEAVILY MORTGAGED AND HE INTENDED THE MONEY TO AID HIS MOTHER.

[United Press Leased Wire.] San Jose, Cal., Aug. 14.—Pale from a sleepless night spent in separate cells of the county jail last night, following their bold attempt to rob the Santa Clara Valley bank of \$7000 in gold yesterday, Joseph Willets and Fred Carr, the youthful robbers, were arraigned today before Judge Thompson.

Through A. L. Horn, their attorney, they entered no plea when arraigned and the case was set for Monday at 10:30 o'clock, when they will appear before Judge Thompson for trial.

As the 18-year-old desperadoes stood before the court today they seemed unconscious as to their probable fate, but at no time put on an air of bravado. Those who crowded into the court room to view the prisoners saw two undersized boys who looked to be not more than 16 years old.

Each one said he was 18 years old last March.

After arraignment the robbers were taken back to their cells. They were not allowed to talk to each other, all communication between them being carefully prevented.

Sheriff Langford stated after the youths had been arraigned that he will make no effort to identify the lads as their guilt is firmly established and that is all that is necessary.

He said that any extended effort to establish their identity would result only in chagrin and sorrow to their parents and would not serve the purposes of the state in anyway in bringing about their punishment. "I am a poor boy," said Willets, in his confession, "and ever since I was 14 years of age I have been working. See the callouses on my hands. My parents have nothing except their little home in Oregon, on which there is a mortgage of \$1500.

"My mother, whom I have not seen for a week, is lying seriously ill, and may die. I knew the folks needed money, and I left home. Fred Carr came along with me. We were rooming together and when I told him what I intended doing he consented to come along.

"Four days ago we left Portland, where we had purchased guns and ammunition. We came direct to Oakland and remained there for a night, and then crossed the bay to San Francisco. Thursday we left for San Jose and remained there during Thursday night.

"Carr and myself rented a room at the Eureka hotel and when we went to bed we planned our robbery. We decided that we would tackle the Santa Clara bank, because it was in a little town and we would be better able to escape. During the night in the Eureka hotel we slept but little. We spent the greater part of the night planning our robbery, and thinking over the chances of capture. We thought we saw our way clear and went ahead."

Both boys admit the names they have given are fictitious.

ONE MORE SAMPLE OF AMERICAN FOOL

[United Press Leased Wire.] San Antonio, Tex., Aug. 14.—Bearing a voluminous invitation to visit San Antonio, signed by almost every man and woman in the city, Ed O'Reilly, cowboy and Philippine scout, today is on a two-thousand mile horseback journey to present the document to President Taft. O'Reilly expects either to reach the president before he leaves Beverly or meet him at some point on his itinerary.

Will Not Have Station

Washington, Aug. 14.—The war department today denied a report from Omaha that the signal corps station would be removed from Omaha to Los Angeles. The station was at Benicela, Cal., before it was established in Omaha.

DENVER ROBBED OF MILLIONS

Judge Ben Lindsay Says Corrupt Corporations Have Stolen \$200,000,000 From the City.

TRIED TO KILL HIM

WILL TELL HOW REPRESENTATIVES OF THESE CORPORATIONS "FIXED" THE SUPREME COURTS AND WILL NAME THE MAN—OTHER CITIES AS BAD.

[United Press Leased Wire.] Seattle, Aug. 14.—"The City of Denver has been robbed of \$200,000,000 by corrupt corporations."

This was the statement of Judge Ben B. Lindsay, the celebrated juvenile court judge of Denver, Colo., at the Y. M. C. A. building today to a representative of the United Press. Judge Lindsay is in the city to attend the sessions of the American Prison association.

Beginning with the October issue of "Everybody's Magazine" there will appear a series of articles from the pen of the noted jurist, describing conditions of alleged graft in the City of Denver. These articles are expected to create a tremendous sensation.

"I will tell," said Judge Lindsay today, "how certain representatives of great and corrupt corporations 'fixed' the supreme courts; how they selected their own court officers, and I will name the men. I will tell how they tried to fix me; how they threatened and coerced; how they took me out one night in a carriage and how first they flattered, then offered money, and then threatened me with ruin. I will tell how a deputy sheriff saved my life. Seattle is as bad as Denver and Denver is as good as Seattle.

"My story does not apply to Denver alone. It could be applied to almost any city of importance in the United States.

"Crime is on the increase and will be until the economic and what is known as social conditions have been changed for the better."

WHEAT PRICES ADVANCE

Reports From Europe, and of Black Rust Give Market Firm and Stronger Tone.

[United Press Leased Wire.] Chicago, Aug. 14.—Cash wheat prices were further advanced today. The government report on European indications was moderately bullish and more black rust reports were received. Together these influences gave the bulls a strong working combination this afternoon and prices were advanced materially. Spring quotations at higher range were followed by a sharp slump, but the market reacted and closed with good gains. Cash markets were all strong. Damage reports regarding corn from Nebraska and Kansas were of a more important kind and came from good sources. The strong cash situation with the drought reports afford plenty of ammunition for bulls and especially in view of the fact that prices have been hammered down to a point where the bullish crop prospects have been largely discounted.

SIX DIE FROM HEAT; HOT SPELL CONTINUES

[United Press Leased Wire.] Chicago, Aug. 14.—The heat which has caused six deaths and thirty-three prostrations in the last twenty-four hours continues today. The suffering is intense and other deaths are expected to result.

CHICAGO VISITED BY HEAVY RAIN STORM

[United Press Leased Wire.] Chicago, Aug. 14.—City basements and streets were flooded this morning by the heaviest rain recorded in Chicago in years. In some places the water was a foot deep, the rainfall being accompanied by a severe electrical storm. Many wires are down, but no fatalities have been reported.

In some sections of the city the rainfall reached the proportions of a cloudburst. In Irving Park the streets were inundated. Railroads this afternoon report a number of washouts, delaying trains in all directions. Street car traffic is delayed on account of the trolley wires being down in many places.

Lightning struck several buildings and heavy damage is reported from various parts of the city.

FIVE KILLED, TWENTY HURT IN COLLISION

[United Press Leased Wire.] Pueblo, Colo., Aug. 14.—Five men were killed instantly and twenty-four were injured by the head-on collision of two passenger trains on the Denver & Rio Grande railroad today at Husted, near Colorado Springs. Both engines and smoking cars were demolished.

Later reports state that 30 persons were injured. All those killed were on the train bound for the Pacific coast.

The two trains were the Pacific Coast flyer, which left Denver at 9 o'clock this morning, and the Pueblo local passenger train. The accident occurred on a sharp curve.

Relief trains have been sent from Denver and Colorado Springs.

HOT WAVE HITS NEBRASKA TODAY

[United Press Leased Wire.] Omaha, Aug. 14.—The thermometer here registered 99 degrees this afternoon. It is the hottest day in three years. Many prostrations but no fatalities have been reported.

Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 14.—One person is dead and a dozen are prostrated here today by the heat. For the third successive day the mercury touched 95.

THREE THOUSAND MEN ATTEND FUNERAL

[United Press Leased Wire.] Pittsburgh, Aug. 14.—The Pressed Steel Car strikers made a remarkable demonstration today when 3000 of the men marched in line behind the hearse which bore the body of Steve Horval, a striker who was killed by a negro employe named Major Smith. There was no violence, but the attitude of the men showed a strong determination to wage their struggle to the end.

SPOKANE CONGRESS CLOSED

One of Its Chief Features Was Passing of Resolutions Commending Pinchot and Newell.

[United Press Leased Wire.] Spokane, Aug. 14.—Having completed the stormiest series of sessions in the history of irrigation, the delegates to the National Irrigation congress are leaving for their homes today, leaving the controversy between Secretary of the Interior Ballinger and Chief Forester Pinchot to come up again at the conservation congress, which will be held in Seattle week after next.

It is probable also that the matter will be mentioned in some form at the Trans-Mississippi congress to be held in Denver next week. Many of the delegates and government officials who were here will attend both the Seattle and Denver conventions, which will deal in a general way with much the same principles.

One of the main features of the congress just closed was the adoption of a series of resolutions commending Chief Forester Pinchot and F. H. Newell, director of the reclamation service. Pinchot was championed chiefly by ex-Governor Pardee of California, and Pardee and his friends took up on the work of the resolutions committee as a victory for the chief forester.

It is expected the fight over what Pinchot termed the "Roosevelt policies" in connection with the public lands and the conservation of water power sites will be heard from in the coming conventions.

BRUTES LANDED IN JAIL

Carl Long and Barney Fields Arrested for Beating and Maltreating Crippled Chinaman.

DO PENANCE IN JAIL

CHINAMAN ALMOST BLIND FROM BEATING BUT READILY IDENTIFIED THEM AND POINTS OUT FIELDS AS THE MAN WHO "PUT YOUR HAND IN MY POCKET."

As a culmination of the brutal conduct of Carl Long and Barney Fields, the two young men who beat the face of an old and helpless Chinaman into a pulp and robbed him of three dollars near Donald, Or., yesterday afternoon, Judge Bushby, before whom the men were arraigned for a preliminary examination in the absence of Justice of the Peace Webster, placed their bonds at \$1000 each and the guilty parties will now have to remain in the county jail and await the action of the grand jury in October, unless some of their relatives furnish the heavy bond, which is not probable, as Long's relatives who reside in the north end of the county, refused to come to his aid in 1905, when he served four months in the county jail on a similar charge.

This is considered to be the most inhuman and cruel case of assault ever coming before the attention of the Marion county authorities. The young men were asked by Walter Winslow, who was representing the state, if they wished a hearing or examination at once or to have their case referred to the grand jury, and at first they appeared undecided as to what course they would choose, but Long, who was acting as spokesman for the two, said they wished to be bound over. He told Judge Bushby that his father was expected up at any time.

Ab Chop, the old Chinaman who was made the victim, appeared at the court house this morning and swore to the complaint, and a more pitiful looking object would be hard to find. The old fellow's face was black and blue, and swollen so that he could hardly see; skin lacerated in several places and his back seriously injured. He is a slight built man, and some time ago had his leg broken, which grew together crooked, causing him to limp and compelling him to use a cane to walk with. Several of Ab Chop's Chinese friends from this city accompanied him and George Sun acted as interpreter.

When Sheriff Minto arrived in Donald where the brutes beat their victim, he found the citizens very angry, and a team of horses had been hitched up awaiting the officer's arrival to take him after the guilty parties. Several persons offered to assist him in capturing Fields and Long, so anxious were they to punish the miscreants. The sheriff went to St. Paul after Fields and then he was compelled to go to Hubbard after Long. Neither of the men resisted, which was surely a sensible thing to do, and the officer went to Donald to catch the truth home. When the sheriff arrested Fields he (Fields) said Long did the beating, but when the Chinaman saw Fields he did not hesitate to say "You're the one who hit me. You're the one who put your hand in my pocket."

The act amending sections 1768 and 1769 of Ballinger and Cotton's annotated codes and statutes of Oregon during the last session of the legislature, section 1769 of the general laws of Oregon, is the law which the district attorney has applied to the case, which reads as follows: "If any person, not being armed with a dangerous weapon, shall by force and violence, or by assault, or by putting in fear of force and violence, rob, steal, or take from the person of another, any money or other property which may be the subject of larceny, such person, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by imprisonment in the penitentiary not less than three years or more than fifteen years."

In this case, if the Chinaman's story proves true, the punishment is too light for the crime, for in addition to beating and robbing the poor old cripple, he claims they dragged him behind a building and used him as a urinal.

Capital Street's Turn.

All the streets and alleys of Salem have been dressed up, ready for the state fair, and now I think it is Capital street's turn, as it is both out at the elbows and the knees. —A Resident.

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