

TWO DIE IN BLAST

400,000 POUNDS OF POWDER BLOWN UP AT DU PONT PLANT IN HASKELL, N. J.

EXPLOSION SHAKES 4 STATES

Disaster Follows Thirty-Six Hours After \$17,000,000 Blast at Kingsland—Springfield, Mass., Feels Shocks—Twelve Persons Hurt.

New York, Jan. 15.—Four hundred thousand pounds of smokeless powder exploded at Haskell, N. J., on Friday night, and for the second time in 36 hours New York, northern New Jersey, western Connecticut and Massachusetts were jarred and frightened by a munitions disaster. Haskell is 31 miles northwest of New York city.

Damage estimated at \$1,500,000 was caused by Friday night's series of blasts. It was said at the offices of the company at midnight that all except two of the more than 1,500 workers had been accounted for, and that 12 had been injured.

The force of the explosions was felt for a radius of 100 miles, and with the exception of the Black Tom disaster last September, they were the most violent of the munition explosions in the vicinity of New York since the business grew to gigantic proportions soon after the start of the war in Europe.

Houses were shaken in Manhattan, Brooklyn and the Bronx, windows were broken in many places in Westchester county, in Staten Island, and the shocks were felt as far away as Poughkeepsie, N. Y.; Milford, Conn., and Springfield, Mass.

Following so closely the destruction of the Kingsland, N. J., plant of the Canadian Car and Foundry company Thursday, the explosion threw all northern New Jersey into a panic. The sky was crimsoned by the conflagration and the flames were plainly visible as far away as Yonkers.

The total loss suffered by the Russian government and by the Canadian Car and Foundry company through the destruction of the big ammunition plant at Kingsland totals about \$17,000,000, according to a statement issued from the New York office of the Canadian company. The statement indicated that the company's loss would reach \$6,000,000, the remainder falling on the Russian government.

"An examination into the circumstances attending the origin of the fire," the statement says, "has created the impression that it is possible, if not probable, that the fire was of incendiary origin."

The buildings destroyed were valued at about \$750,000.

PLOT TO KILL GOV. JOHNSON

Letters Seized in Office of A. Berkman Alleged to Have Revealed Conspiracy.

San Francisco, Jan. 15.—An anarchist plot to assassinate Gov. Hiram W. Johnson, United States senator-elect from California, were revealed on Friday in letters seized in the office of Alexander Berkman several weeks ago, Assistant District Attorney Edward Cunha told Judge Franklin A. Griffin in the Mooney murder trial.

"I found evidence in the letters," Cunha declared, "to prove that Berkman and others conspired to destroy government, blow up California and kill Governor Johnson." He was pleading with Griffin not to permit the defense in the Mooney case to have access to letters which the court has impounded.

"If you have such evidence, why don't you place it before the grand jury immediately?" Judge Griffin asked.

"I wanted to use the letters as evidence in this case and I can get Berkman and his conspirators any time," Cunha replied.

Berkman is supposed to be in New York.

WILL CONTINUE "LEAK" QUIZ

Democrats Abandon Plans for Closing Inquiry and Recommit Wood Resolution—To Make Lawson Talk.

Washington, Jan. 15.—Taunted by Republicans, who charged they did not dare investigate further the charges of a stock market leak on President Wilson's peace note, the house Democrats on Friday abandoned their plans for closing the inquiry and recommitment of the Wood resolution to the rules committee for further action, without a vote.

Representative Wood of Indiana, author of the resolution, addressed the house declaring he had no apology to make for his action.

British Noble Dies.

London, Jan. 15.—Col. Lord George Bullie-Hamilton Binning, eldest son of the earl of Hadd, died at the East Lothian country. He was born in 1856. He was appointed a brigadier general in December, 1915.

Army Uniforms for Governors' Staff.

Washington, Jan. 15.—Secretary Baker has decided not to construe the national defense act so as to prohibit members of the staffs of governors from wearing the regular army uniform.

HER BUSINESS GOING TO THE WALL



"BUFFALO BILL" DIES H. K. THAW IS INDICTED

PASSES AWAY AT HOME OF SISTER IN DENVER.

Brave Fight Against Death—Plays Game of Cards Few Hours Before the End.

Denver, Colo., Jan. 12.—Col. William Frederick Cody (Buffalo Bill) died here on Wednesday at the home of his sister.

With Colonel Cody when death came over his wife, daughter, who had hurried down from Cody, Wyo., the family home, last week, to be at his bedside, and his sister, Mrs. L. E. Decker of Denver. Colonel Cody had been in coma since morning.

Colonel Cody fought death as he often had opposed it on the plains in the days when the West was young.

"You can't kill the old scout," he would tell his physician whenever his condition would show improvement. And when the doctor told him his life was ebbing, Colonel Cody accepted his fate like a stoic.

"Let the Elks and Masons take charge of the funeral," he said to his sister.

"Let us have a game of 'high five,'" he said, after he had talked with his family. And everyone joined, the colonel laughing and joking because he was winning.

Colonel Cody, hunter, soldier, scout and showman, was for many years known to nearly every man, woman, boy and girl in America through his Wild West show with which he toured this country and Europe. He was born in Scott county, Iowa, February 26, 1846.

WOMEN PICKET WHITE HOUSE

President Smiles as He Encounters "Sentinels" on Return From Golf Links.

Washington, Jan. 12.—Woman suffragists on Wednesday began their "silent picketing" of the White House. Twelve women from the Congressional Union for Woman Suffrage appeared at the two main gates of the White House grounds carrying suffrage banners inscribed "Mr. President, what will you do for woman suffrage?"

The suffragists said that the guard would be maintained until before inauguration, when a suffrage parade is to be held here and that the number of women on duty around the White House would be increased daily until that time. They estimated that by the time the president is inaugurated on March 5, 3,000 suffragists will be patrolling the White House.

President Wilson returned to the White House from the golf links and smiled as his automobile passed through a gate flanked by the "silent sentinels" who made no demonstration.

SENATE VOTES CAPITAL DRY

Measure Will Bar Sale of Intoxicating Liquor in District of Columbia After Next November.

Washington, Jan. 11.—The Sheppard prohibition bill to make the nation's capital dry after November 1 next passed the senate on Tuesday by a vote of 55 to 32. Under the terms of the measure, no intoxicating liquors of any kind can be brought into the District of Columbia except by individuals for their personal use and for medicinal purposes.

Wayne MacVeagh Is Dead.

Washington, Jan. 13.—Wayne MacVeagh, attorney general in the cabinet of President Garfield and brother of Franklin MacVeagh of Chicago, former secretary of the treasury, died here. He was born April 19, 1833.

Maid and Four Children Perish.

Montreal, Que., Jan. 13.—Four children and a maid of the family of Dr. J. H. Leblanc, a dentist, were burned to death in a fire which destroyed their apartment above a moving-picture theater.

ACCUSED OF ATTACKING BOY IN NEW YORK HOTEL.

Testimony Brought Out at Other Trials Had to Do With Whipping Girls.

New York, Jan. 11.—Harry K. Thaw was indicted on Tuesday by the grand jury on three charges of attacking Fred Gump, Jr., a high school boy of Kansas City, Mo. A bench warrant was issued for Thaw's arrest.

Thaw is accused in the indictment of entailing Gump, nineteen years old, from Long Beach, Cal., to this city and having attacked him at a hotel with a buggy whip on three different occasions. The assault upon which the indictment is based is alleged to have taken place Christmas night. The boy fled to Kansas City, where he told his relatives of his experience.

Frank P. Walsh, a leading lawyer of Kansas City, came to New York and laid the allegations of the boy before District Attorney Swann.

Testimony brought out at Thaw's two trials and during the litigation over his release from Matteawan had to do with the whipping of young women by Thaw and was elicited in an effort to show that Thaw was insane.

BOPP AND AIDS GUILTY

German Consul at San Francisco Convicted of Violating American Neutrality.

San Francisco, Jan. 12.—Franz Bopp, German consul general here, and four of his attaches or employees were found guilty on Wednesday night by a jury in the United States district court of having violated this country's neutrality.

Besides Bopp, the defendants were E. M. von Schack, vice consul; Wilhelm von Bricken, J. F. Van Koolbergen, Mrs. Margaret E. Cornell, Charles C. Crowley and Louis J. Smith. Van Koolbergen was out of the country and could not be brought here to stand trial, as his alleged offense was nonextraditable. Smith was the government's star witness, and was given immunity.

The case, which had been on trial nearly six weeks, went to the jury at four o'clock in the afternoon, and the verdict was reached at 8:30.

The maximum penalty on the misdemeanor charge is a fine of \$5,000 and one year's imprisonment, and on the military expedition or felony charge a fine of \$1,000 and two years' imprisonment. The defendants were convicted on both charges.

Mrs. Annette A. Adams, assistant United States district attorney, who conducted the case for the government, received the congratulations of attorneys and friends.

PASS BILL TO TRAIN BOYS

Hughes Vocational Educational Measure Approved by House—\$7,000,000 to Be Used.

Washington, Jan. 11.—The Hughes vocational educational bill, making national grants for training persons of more than fourteen years to increased efficiency in trades, industries, agriculture, commerce and home economics, with appropriations running up to an ultimate annual expenditure of \$7,000,000, was passed by the house on Tuesday.

Wage Increase by Postal Co.

New York, Jan. 15.—The Postal Telegraph-Cable company announced here a wage increase of 6 per cent to all employees throughout the country who were in the company's service on January 1.

"Buffalo Bill" Left \$65,000.

Denver, Col., Jan. 15.—The estate of Col. William F. Cody, which had been estimated at over \$1,000,000, was estimated by Judge W. L. Wall, for years Colonel Cody's attorney, at not to exceed \$65,000.

STUDY OF LINCOLN

WILL AID IN ITS INTRODUCTION IN SCHOOLS OF STATE.

PIONEERS ELECT OFFICERS

Items of General Interest Gathered from Reliable Sources Around the State House

Western Newspaper Union News Service

Instruction on the life of Abraham Lincoln for Nebraska public schools will be provided for in bills agreed upon by Grand Army veterans.

"We expect the loyal and energetic aid of patriots," said Captain C. E. Adams of Omaha. Captain Trimble of Lincoln and Thomas Majors of Peru declared that the most ardent advocate they had yet met was Governor Keith Neville.

The chief executive declared unhesitatingly that he would give personal aid to the legislation, as well as to the flag drills, calling for more frequent and more ardent recognition of the stars and stripes.

"The governor's father and grandfather fought in the union army during the war," said the Omaha major, "and this splendid young American, their offspring, gave the measure his approval at once. It was good to see him declare himself."

Territorial Pioneers Elect Officers

At the twenty-fifth annual meeting of the Nebraska Territorial Pioneers' association at Lincoln last week, officers for the ensuing year were elected. They are:

President, John C. F. McKeesson, Lincoln.

First vice president, Casper E. Yost, Omaha.

Second vice president, C. E. Keyes, Springfield.

Secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Minnie P. Knotts, Lincoln.

Heretofore the secretary of the state historical society has served as secretary of the pioneers' organization, but a change made by the historical organization which involves the appointment of a superintendent will in the future prevent such an arrangement hence the pioneers were forced to select such an officer.

First Bill Is for New Capitol

The first bill to be introduced in the house at this legislative session is one by Representative Richmond to provide for a new capitol building at Lincoln. It authorizes a special tax levy of 1 mill for the purpose, running for a period of years until the total sum realized therefrom shall have reached \$3,500,000. The bill creates a capitol commission, of which the governor is to be chairman, including four other men appointed by himself and confirmed by the state senate. This committee shall employ architects, obtain plans, and award contracts for the construction of the new edifice, one section at a time, as the needs of the state may require. The bill carries the emergency clause.

Henry Richmond Buys a Chair. Representative Henry Richmond of Douglas county is the possessor of a fine, leather-upholstered oak swivel chair, which is conspicuous in the house chamber on account of its superior appearance to the other furniture. He bought it himself and paid \$13 of his own money for it. The chair has Mr. Richmond's name painted on the back.

"I had an attack of lumbago right after coming to Lincoln and I couldn't sit with comfort in the hard wooden chair," explained Mr. Richmond. "So I got an upholstered one. That's all there is to it. I presume there will be no objection so long as I am paying for it myself."

To Prevent Discrimination

The bill to prevent competition in fire insurance rates within the state of Nebraska, long favored by the insurance agents and most of the companies, made its biennial appearance in the state legislature when Senate File 15 was introduced by Howell Douglas, an insurance agent. Like all of its predecessors it requires all fire insurance companies to file with the state insurance board their basic rates, together with all other schedules, and prevents them from discriminating between patrons or putting into effect unjust rates. It provides for fifteen days' notice of changes and for hearings.

Rural Life Conference

At a meeting of religious interests at the university farm recently it was decided that the next annual rural life conference should be held there June 4 to 15 inclusive. This date was selected because it covers a period during which commencement exercises will be held by educational institutions and because many folks interested in the conference come to Lincoln for commencement addresses.

Another assault upon the legislature, similar to that of two years ago, by county officers who want their pay raised is scheduled to take place at this session. Different associations of county officials have been laying their plans for some months to have the laws changed so as to boost their salaries. The county clerks want a general increase averaging in the neighborhood of 30 per cent, and are also going to ask that the pay of their deputies be shored up. Commissioners and supervisors desire to have their per diem fixed at \$5, instead of \$4.

May Limit Druggists Sales

While no official action has yet been taken by the committee of lawyers that has been engaged in drafting the Nebraska dry federation prohibition law, a practical agreement has been reached whereby the bill will be changed to conform to the wishes of the druggists, and that it will shoulder upon them the task of supplying the needs of the communities in the matter of alcohol. In other words, their sales will be limited to alcohol, and all beer, wines and brandy will be cut out.

THE STANDING COMMITTEES

As Reported to House Majority Caucus and Approved by It

Accounts and employees—Hoffmeister, chairman; Rieschick, Daff.

Agriculture—Meysenburg, chairman; Todd, Hughes, Manzer, Ewing, Harris, Knutzen, Burrows, Benrens, Eric Johnson, Strom.

Banks and banking—Murphy, chairman; Daff, Nielsen, Jacobsen, Neff, Eric Johnson, Good, Lampert, Stearns.

Cities and towns—Richmond, chairman; Keegan, LaBounty, Hunt, Shannon, Seelke, Deal, Anderson (Phelps), Stuhr, Renker, Mosely.

Claims and delinquencies—Fries, chairman; Meysenburg, Lehigh, Nielsen, Ward Hughes, Nesbit, Poulon, Fultz.

Committees on committees—(For the purpose of naming additional standing committees and the sifting committee—Taylor, chairman; Thomas Trumble, Anderson, Howell, Hoffmeister, Swanson, Norton, Fuller, Dau, Osterman, Radke, Sess, Shannon, Bulla, Rieschick, Daffo.

Constitutional amendments—Thomas, chair; Walte, Naylor, Flansburg, Keegan, Manzer, Tracewell.

Corporations—Trumble, chairman; Leary, Daffo, Hopkins, Mills, Radke, LaSelle, Conley, Scudder, Dorsey, Burrows, Education—Ollis, chairman; Taylor, Wood, Swanson, Osterman, Olson, Shaffer, Amlay, Bates, Miller, Richard.

Engrossed and enrolled bills—Naylor, chairman; Walte, White.

Fees and salaries—Shannon, chairman; Knutzen, Koch, Graddock, Strom, Fultz, Conley.

Finance, ways and means—Rieschick, chairman; Hoffmeister, Greenwood, Ollis, Graddock, Fuller, Reifernath, Peterson, Cronin, Mears, Good.

Fish, culture and game—Gormly, chairman; Schottler, Ewing, Koch, Tracewell, Lindberg, Cronin.

Insurance—Swanson, chairman; Murphy, Hopkins, Trumble, Lemar, Astell, Ward, Dalbey, Bates.

Irrigation, drainage and water power—McAlister, chairman; Olson, Regan, Fries, Reynolds, Stearns, Miller, Richard.

Judiciary—Norton, chairman; Fleetwood, Thomas, Radke, Lovely, Walte, McAlister, Dorsey, Flansburg, Hostetter, Reiner.

Legislation—Howard, chairman; Naylor, Goodall, Schaffer, Fred G. Johnson, Lindberg, Conley.

Manufacturers, retail and commerce—Neff, chairman; Schneider, Jacobsen, Hostetter, Fred G. Johnson.

Medical societies—Hoffmeister, chairman; Goodall, Reifernath, White, Reischer.

Miscellaneous subjects—Daffo, chairman; Knutzen, Richardson, Taylor, Dan, Reynolds, Parkinson, Hutton, Nesbit.

Poll taxes and elections—Lovely, chairman; Jellin, Sindelar, Mills, Liggett, Reed, Astell.

Railroads—Regan, chairman; Sess, Bulla, Lehigh, Schwab, Scudder, Mosely, Reiner, Mears.

Revenue and taxation—Osterman, chairman; Sugeke, Trumble, Olson, Jellin, Hutton, Amlay, Anderson (Phelps).

Roads and bridges—Anderson (Phelps), chairman; Sess, Anton, Todd, Schwab, Harris (Greely), Hunt, Stuhr, Stearns, Dalbey, Fultz.

Schools—Jackson, chairman; Norton, Peterson.

School lands and funds—LaBounty, chairman; Anderson (Doyd), Anton, Harris (Greely), Rickard.

State institutions—Fuller, chairman; Sindelar, Greenwalt, Mills, Poulon, Reed, Lampert.

Results of Compensation Act

The sum of \$76,143 was the balm for industrial injuries in Nebraska under the workmen's compensation act in the first eleven months of 1916, according to the annual report of Labor Commissioner Coffey. The amount in 1915 was \$24,923. The total number of reports filed with the labor commissioner was 10,822 in 1916, compared with 4,082 in 1915. There was settlement of six fatal cases in 1915, averaging \$1,041.46 for each case. Sixteen fatalities in 1916 averaged \$1,221.31 each.

Wrestling, basketball and indoor track, with about 400 Cornhuskers participating will be the sports schedule at the university until the spring months. Basketball will keep about 200 men busy. The varsity season will commence next week when the Nebraska team will invade Iowa, playing the small colleges there. The conference season is slated to start at the end of the month, with the Kansas Aggies as Nebraska's opponents. The latter school is angry because Nebraska would not schedule a football game at the end of the 1917 season.

AN APPEAL FOR FAIR PLAY

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Waste of Energy.

Clarence announced his coming by a series of howls. "Oh, my finger, my finger!" he said.

"Poor little finger," mother cooed.

"How did you hurt it?"

"With the hammer."

"When?"

"A long time ago," Clarence sobbed.

"But I didn't hear you cry."

"I didn't cry then; I thought you were out," said Clarence.

FALLING HAIR MEANS DANDRUFF IS ACTIVE

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Favored by Circumstances.

"Wonderful time that aviator made!"

"Yes," replied Mr. Chuggins. "But think of the advantage she had. Not a traffic policeman on the entire route."

France in the first half of 1916 imported United States products valued at \$232,188,264.

Joe Arnold of Weatherford, Tex., raised a watermelon that weighed 105 pounds.

When Work Is Hard

That kidney troubles are so common is due to the strain put upon the kidneys in so many occupations, such as: Jarring and jolting on railroads, etc. Cramp and strain as in barbering, moulding, heavy lifting, etc. Exposure to changes of temperature in iron furnaces, refrigerators, etc. Dampness as in tanneries, quarries, mines, etc. Inhaling poisonous fumes in painting, printing, chemical shops. Doan's Kidney Pills are fine for strengthening weak kidneys.

A Nebraska Case

B. F. Barker, retired locomotive engineer, 208 N. Twenty-Second St., Omaha, Neb., says: "For four years I was in misery with my back. Awful pains darted through my back day and night. The kidney secretions were in bad shape, too. Three doctors treated me, but the trouble continued until I used Doan's Kidney Pills. They fixed me up in good shape and made me feel like a different man. Whenever I have used them since, the results have been satisfactory."

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