

DEAD NEAR SEATTLE

TWO EXPLOSIONS OCCUR IN A WASHINGTON MINE. SHOCK FELT LONG WAY.

FORCE OF BLASTS TERRIFIC

Showers of Earth, Timbers and Bits of Clothing Worn by Victims Are Blown from Stope of Colliery—Gas Combustion the Cause.

Seattle, Wash.—Two explosions occurring within a few minutes of each other Sunday morning resulted in the death of twelve men in the Lawson mine at Black Diamond, thirty miles southeast of Seattle.

Seven men going down on shift and five men coming up were caught between the first and sixth levels, and it is almost certain that all perished. Natural gas combustion is assigned as the cause. All men were foreigners. The force of the explosion was terrific, showers of earth, timbers and bits of clothing being blown from the stope of the mine. Timbers sixteen inches thick and eight feet long were blown half a mile. A big section of steam pipe was blown a similar distance and sank fifteen feet in the ground.

The shock felt like an earthquake, and many for miles around thought that that was what had happened. As soon as the extent of the disaster was known rescue parties went into the mine to the rescue of any miners who might be alive. It is not believed that any of the men in the stope escaped death.

As far as known the twelve men in the mine at the time of the explosion. The coal mines at Black Diamond are owned by the Pacific Coast company.

Soon after the explosion the mine began the cave in, indicating that all the tunnels were wrecked. It is very doubtful if the mine will be reopened. The damage is estimated at \$250,000. The only cause mine officials assign for the explosion is that the gas chamber may have broken and the gas ignited from a match struck by a workman.

Pension Roll Decrease.

Washington.—While the number of pensioners on the rolls of the United States decreased during the past fiscal year by more than 25,000, the average annual value of each pension at the close of the year was slightly more than \$2 greater than a year previously, when it was \$169.82, according to the annual report of James L. Davenport, commissioner of pensions.

The disbursements for pensions during the year amounted to \$159,974,056.08, a decrease as compared with the previous year of \$1,999,647.69. The annual value of the pension roll at the end of the year was \$158,332,391.82.

The number of new names added to the pensions rolls during the last fiscal year totaled 29,219 and the number of losses 54,330, making a net decrease of 25,111. The running expenses of the bureau and agencies decreased nearly \$200,000 during the past year, \$2,657,673 being required to carry on the work.

Owes Life to His Dog.

Council Bluffs, Ia.—John B. Keeline, a banker of this city, owes his life to his faithful spaniel, which prevented the banker from drowning in Big lake, near this city. Keeline was hunting ducks and waded into the water. Suddenly he sank into a bed of quicksand to his armpits. The dog swam to his master's assistance and supported the sinking man for an hour until he was rescued by two other hunters, who happened to hear Keeline cry for aid.

Low Water Hinders Work.

Sioux City, Ia.—Engineers who have been engaged in work on the Missouri river in the vicinity of Sioux City this summer, declare the stream has been lower than for years. They say that throughout the year there has been less water in the river than in years past. Even this spring, when the river was expected to come up to a high stage, it did not rise.

Football Injuries Prove Fatal.

Roanoke, Va.—James Mock, a student at the Roanoke college, died from injuries received in a football game. He was a native of Damacas, Ga.

Sioux City Live Stock Market.

Sioux City, Io.—Saturday's quotation on the local live stock market were as follows: Top beefs \$5.00 to \$5.50. Top hogs, \$8.45.

\$100,000 Fire in Louisiana.

Stables, La.—Fire of unknown origin Sunday destroyed the company mill of the Gulf Lumber company here and for several hours threatened to spread to other buildings. About 2,500,000 feet of lumber also burned. The loss is estimated at \$100,000.

Montevideo.—The revolutionary movement is spreading. Armed parties have appeared in all districts. Many of the soldiers on the government side are being brought into the city.

FRENCH CABINET OUT

PREMIER IS RETAINED BY FALLIERES TO REORGANIZE NEW MINISTRY.

CRISIS COMES OVER STRIKE

Dissensions Arise Among Ministers, After Vote of Confidence Adopted by Deputies, Over Labor Problems—Briand Wants United Body.

Paris.—Acceding to the urgent request of President Fallieres, following the tendering of his resignation by each member of the French cabinet Wednesday, Premier Briand set out at once upon the task of forming a new ministry.

The new cabinet will be largely the old ministry reorganized, with the distribution of the portfolios, made with special reference to a solution of the vexatious labor problems.

The news of Premier Briand's action came on Paris like a thunderclap with no previous warning. The country seemed to be thoroughly in support of M. Briand.

The collective resignation of the ministers was the direct result of the bitter attacks made in the chamber of deputies upon the government's action in suppressing the recent railroad strike. Although a strong Republican majority voted strongly in support of the government, dissensions arose at a recent meeting of the ministry and M. Briand announced that a united body would be needed to meet the new and serious labor problems which had grown out of the labor troubles.

At the meeting at which M. Briand suggested the resignation he said that he had been violently accused and even charged with scheming to throttle public liberty. He knew, he said, that his detractors had been repudiated by the Republican confidence vote, but he considered a new ministry necessary to meet the impending crisis.

Just what M. Briand's program of future legislation provides had not been made known to the public when the resignation of the cabinet was announced.

INDICT LAWYER FOR BRIBERY

Charles E. Erbstein, Who Defended Lee O'Neil Browne, is Charged With Corrupting a Juror.

Chicago.—A true bill, naming Attorney Charles E. Erbstein as defendant, was Wednesday returned by the October grand jury as a result of the alleged confession of Grant McCutchen, a juror in the second trial of Lee O'Neil Browne, that he had been paid money by Erbstein after having voted for the acquittal of Browne.

The offense in connection with which the indictment is returned is covered by a section of the statutes, and the punishment provided contemplates a term in the penitentiary or a fine. Bail was fixed at \$10,000.

NEW REPUBLIC IS MENACED

Lisbon Regiments Threaten Revolt Unless They Are Granted Pensions and Promised Promotion.

Lisbon.—The overthrow of Portugal's monarchy may result in a military revolution within the new government. The Second and Fifth regiments Wednesday addressed a round robin to Provisional President Braga threatening to rebel if they are not granted the promised pensions and promotions for helping to depose King Manuel. Many other demands have been made and it is believed the government will meet them in order to prevent serious disorders.

I. C. EX-OFFICIALS ARE HELD

Harriman, Taylor and Ewing Placed Under \$10,000 Bond on Charge of Conspiracy.

Chicago.—Frank B. Harriman, former general manager of the Illinois Central railroad; John M. Taylor, former general storekeeper, and Charles L. Ewing, former general superintendent of northern lines at Chicago, were bound over to the grand jury by Municipal Judge Mancha Bruggemeyer on the charge of being parties to a conspiracy to defraud the railroad. Their bail was placed at \$10,000 each. The bonds were furnished by Henry B. Smith, an insurance agent.

Strikers Wreck Tailor Shop.

Chicago.—Five thousand striking garment workers and sympathizers Wednesday wrecked the tailor shop of A. Lott & Co., at West Ohio and Bickerdike streets, pulling machines from the floor and carrying them into the street. More than a dozen persons were cut and bruised in the clash with about fifty policemen. Twenty strikers were arrested on charges of disorderly conduct and inciting riot.

Lives With Broken Neck.

Bowling Green, Ky.—Millard Baker of this place is at St. Joseph's hospital here suffering from a broken neck as the result of a line plunge in a game in which he played full back several days ago. His condition is critical.

Six Drown With Fishing Smack.

Berwick, England.—Six persons are reported to have perished when the fishing smack Gleaner foundered off St. Abb's head Wednesday in a heavy storm.

FATHER AND THE FURNACE FIRE



ASCENDS 9,714 FEET

JOHNSTONE BREAKS WORLD'S ALTITUDE RECORD AT CLOSE OF AVIATION MEET.

IS WINNER OF \$2,000 PRIZE

Lack of Fuel Prevents Daring Aviator Going Still Higher—Moissant Captures Another Purse—Englishman Falls in Speed Event.

New York.—The international aviation meet was brought to a close in a blaze of glory Monday when Ralph Johnstone, flying in a Wright "baby" biplane, a craft which he drove for the first time in his aerial flights, broke the world's altitude record by ascending to a height of 9,714 feet.

For his daringly spectacular feat he received a prize of \$2,000. If he had been able to soar just 287 feet higher he would have won an additional prize of \$5,000 offered on the condition that the altitude record be over 10,000 feet. He was prevented from reaching this height because his machine would not climb and more on account of lack of fuel.

It took Johnstone about one hour and twenty minutes to reach his highest point a sky. For an hour he was utterly beyond the sight of the naked eye. He made his descent from the perilous height of almost two miles in the air in less than six minutes.

A great air race from Belmont Park around the Statue of Liberty in New York bay and return for a bet of \$10,000 a side probably will result from a challenge issued by Claude Grahame-White to John B. Moissant. The challenge is the result of Sunday's race over the same course in which Moissant defeated the Englishman by forty-three seconds.

Grahame-White issued the formal challenge and the Chicago aviator said he would accept it. Moissant, flying the Bleriot in which he captured the Statue of Liberty prize, won the Aero Club of America's distance prize of \$2,000. In two hours he made the course fifty-six times, a total distance of about eight-seven and one-half miles.

Moissant made a sensational landing in front of the grand stand, smashing his propeller and breaking one wheel of his monoplane. He climbed out of the machine, however, uninjured. Latham was second in the race with thirty-five laps.

Grahame-White, who was flying in the speed race against McCurdy, overturned in front of the grand stand and was buried under the machine. Helpers lifted the machine off him and he walked out limping slightly, waving his hand to the crowd to let them know he was not seriously injured. His machine was damaged.

Y. M. C. A. RETAINS OLD BASIS

Only Evangelical Church Members Shall Have Vote in Government of Association.

Toronto, Ont.—At its closing session the thirty-seventh annual convention of the Y. M. C. A. decided that there shall be no change in the present evangelical basis of the association, which provides that only members of evangelical churches shall have a vote in the association's government.

Indict 28 in Rail Rate War.

Toledo, O.—Twenty-eight indictments against officials of the Hocking Valley railroad and nine against the Sunday Creek Coal company were returned Wednesday by the United States grand jury, charging discrimination in freight rates.

Rob Ohio Bank of \$9,000.

Hilliard, O.—Burglars blew open the safe of the Merchants and Farmers' bank Tuesday night and got \$9,000. They escaped in a stolen horse and buggy.

BOMB CAUSES WILD PANIC

BELIEVED EXPLOSION DUE TO "BLACK HAND" MISCREANTS.

Three-Story Building in Italian Colony is Partly Wrecked—No One is Killed.

Chicago.—A bomb wrecked the three-story brick building at No. 2107 South Clark street, which was occupied by a number of Italian families, early Tuesday. A wild panic among the occupants immediately followed the detonation, many leaving from the lower windows, while others rushed down the stairways.

The explosion, which is declared by the police to have been the work of "Black Hand" immigrants, blew in almost the entire front of the building on the ground floor, which is occupied as a grocery. Part of the wall was demolished and all the windows were shattered. The shock made the building totter, and those asleep, believing it was collapsing, were almost helpless in their fright.

By the time a policeman, hearing the bomb's report, had reached the building, it had been emptied entirely of its occupants, many of whom stood shivering in their light attire. A call to a police station brought detectives, who, however, were unable to find a clue to the perpetrator.

The detectives learned that Antonio Frenzi, proprietor of the grocery, who, with his family, is an occupant of the building, had received a number of threatening letters directing him to put \$1,000 in a certain place within a certain time, which had elapsed.

DEPUTIES STIR UP TUMULT

Disorder in French Chamber During Strike Debate Rivals Turbulence of Revolution.

Paris.—The debate on the railway strike in which the government has been bitterly attacked in the chamber of deputies by the Socialists, has taken a new and dramatic turn.

During Saturday's session, which was not only the most violent in the history of the French parliament, but rivaled in disorder and turbulence the sessions of the national convention during the French revolution, Premier Briand, smarting under the repeated attacks of M. Jaures, the leader of the Socialists, and others, leaped to his feet and, defending the cabinet's suppression of the strike as a revolutionary outbreak, exclaimed: "If the actual laws had been insufficient we would not have hesitated to resort even to illegality for the purpose of preserving the fatherland."

An uproar followed these words. The Socialists jumped up and were joined by a number of radicals. With shouts of anger they moved towards the tribune, crying "Resign! Dictator, resign!"

Finally, M. Brisson, president of the chamber, amid cries from the Socialists, adjourned the debate.

Mistrial in Bribe Hearing.

Springfield, Ill.—After a fruitless deliberation of forty-three hours, the jury which considered the evidence against Senator Stanton C. Pomeroy and Representative Joseph S. Clark, charged with conspiracy to commit bribery in connection with a state furniture contract, was unable to agree upon a verdict and was dismissed by Judge Owen P. Thompson Saturday.

Auto Kills D. A. R. Leader.

Washington, Mrs. Alfred Wood, aged sixty-five, who was run down by an automobile after alighting from a street car, died Tuesday of her injuries. She was prominent in Daughters of the American Revolution.

Kills His Alleged Rival.

Toledo, O.—William Fitzgerald was shot and instantly killed by Gottlieb Klingbeil Tuesday. Klingbeil asserts that Fitzgerald was trying to win his wife away from him.

AWARD MINE HEROES MEDALS

FIFTY-EIGHT PERSONS ADDED TO CARNEGIE FUND.

Thirteen Brave Fellows at Cherry Disaster Receive Recognition—Widows and Children Remembered.

Pittsburg, Pa.—Fifty-eight names were added to the Carnegie hero list in the United States by the Carnegie hero fund commission at its fall meeting. For acts of heroism thirty silver and twenty-eight bronze medals were awarded the life savers or their families in cases where death resulted.

While heroes and heroines come from the Atlantic coast to the Pacific, the greatest number (sixteen) come from Illinois. The Cherry mine disaster has been considered and thirteen heroes are named from its rescuing parties. First of all is Isaac Lewis, Iveryman, who rescued so many miners and then lost his life. His widow is given a silver medal and \$40 per month pension, with \$5 additional for each of three children until they become sixteen years of age.

Other heroes of the Cherry mine extended medals and pecuniary rewards are Dominik Ferment, Andrew McLuckie, Alexander Norburg, Henry Stewart, Robert Clark, James Speir, John Bundy, John Szabinski, Charles Waite, John Flood, Walter Waite and George Eddy.

Allen S. Blood, a school boy of Grayville, Ill., is awarded a bronze medal for saving three young men from drowning. James L. McFarland of West Frankfort, Ill., gets a bronze medal for saving Ruby Cantrell, a fifteen-year-old girl, from being run over by a train.

Henry P. McCoy of Tucson, Ariz., tried to save Frank L. Sherrer at Mendon, Ill., from suffocating by gas. He gets a bronze medal and \$1,000 as needed. Charles Evans of Mendon, Ill., almost lost his life in the same attempt at rescue and gets a bronze medal and \$1,000.

STRIKERS AND POLICE CLASH

Garment Workers at Chicago Stone Shops—Thousands More Walk Out—Society Women to Aid.

Chicago.—Policeman Edward Engelmeyer was injured and six men and a seventeen-year-old girl were arrested in a riot of striking garment workers in front of Tison & Co.'s tailor shop in West Division street Tuesday.

Bricks were thrown by the crowd, which numbered over a thousand men and women, and windows in the first floor of the tailoring plant and in adjacent dwellings were shattered.

Another riot occurred in Market street, near Adams, when a band of 500 strikers invaded the loop district. Mounted policemen, caring not where they drove, spurred their horses upon the sidewalk and into the crowd. The action was greeted with hisses from crowds thronging the streets and in windows.

For a time a clash between the workers and the uniformed men was imminent, but the appearance of more policemen on foot, who forced the marchers to disperse, prevented more serious trouble.

While the police were battling with the paraders, 1,000 more workers walked out in the various shops in the loop district and joined the ranks of the union. The walkout, however, had been expected, and before the strikers could form in line to parade the streets a squad of policemen, summoned by a riot call, dispersed them.

A dozen tailoring establishments signed union agreements. Workers who had quit at the strike order returned to these shops.

Becoming desperate at the progress of the strike, officials of the firm of Hart, Shaffner & Marx, whose shops are practically closed as the result of the general walkout, are said to have appealed to Sheriff Strassheim for aid. They requested, it is declared, that the sheriff swear in the employees now in their shops as deputies and permit them to carry revolvers and "bills."

Fifty prominent society women are said to have offered their assistance in picketing and doing other aid work in the strike, following a meeting in the headquarters of the Women's Trade Union league.

BATTLES WITH THIEF, DIES

Insurance Man Is Shot by Burglar While Wife and Children Look On.

Chicago.—After a desperate hand-to-hand encounter with a burglar who had entered his home at 2138 Fulton street, Sunday night, Guy Williams, a solicitor for the Prudential Life Insurance company, was shot and killed by the intruder.

Williams' wife and two young sons, cowering behind a door but a few feet distant, saw in the dimly lighted room the struggle of the husband and father with the burglar. They saw the two men fight for mastery. They saw the flash of the revolver shot.

Inspect the Gatun Dam.

Panama.—The members of the American Institute of Mining Engineers to the number of 150, with their families, arrived here Tuesday night after a tour of Gatun dam. They inspected the Culebra cut.

Ex-Governor of Kansas Dying.

Atchison, Kan.—G. W. Glick, former governor of Kansas, who was injured last winter when he fell down a flight of steps, is growing weaker and his physician said Wednesday he would not live long.



BOARD OF REGENTS MEETING.

Consideration of the Biennial Request Takes Time.

At a meeting of the board of regents held Thursday much time was given to consideration of the university's appropriation request to be made to the next legislature. Final decision on this matter was not reached. It was voted to have the pipe organ given by the alumni to the university repaired.

The resignation of H. Clyde Filley, who holds a scholarship in the university, was accepted. Mr. Filley is running for the legislature from Hayes county. He did not care to be on the payroll of a state institution while running for office.

Professor Brownell's title was shortened to "professor of physical science in the teachers' college."

The resignation of Professor Boyd, Dr. Everett and Mr. Watson were accepted. The ad interim appointments made by the chancellor were approved.

The board devoted one hour to listening to the deans explain the needs of their departments.

The board voted to give Prof. A. L. Haecker a partial leave of absence the time which he will devote to university work to be arranged by Mr. Haecker and Chancellor Avery. Professor Haecker is the dairy expert at the state farm.

Trying to Get Roosevelt.

An effort is being made to get Theodore Roosevelt to address the Nebraska State Teachers' association at its meeting in Lincoln, November 23 and 24. Colonel Roosevelt is to appear at the state teachers' association of Iowa at Des Moines, Friday evening, October 4. President N. M. Graham of the Nebraska State Teachers' association and Local Manager J. L. McBrien will go to Des Moines on that date to meet Colonel Roosevelt in the hope of making an appointment with him for an address before the Nebraska association. The formal program of the association has been completed for some time, but the managers are anxious to procure an engagement with Colonel Roosevelt as a special number of the program if it is at all possible to do so.

Illinois University Visitors.

A delegation from the University of Illinois recently visited the agricultural college and experiment station of the university. This delegation consisted of Dean E. Davenport of the college of agriculture; A. P. Grout of Winchester, Ill.; F. L. Hatch of Spring Grove, Ill.; F. J. Mann of Gilman, Ill.; C. O. Ewing of Decatur, Ill.; R. Allen of Delevan, Ill.; H. J. Scone of Sidell, Ill., and W. N. Rudd of Morgan Park, Chicago. Mr. Hatch and Mr. Grout represented the trustees of the university, and the other gentlemen of the committee represented the several state agricultural organizations, which feel the necessity of providing more adequate facilities for the University of Illinois than they now have for purposes of instruction.

State Treasurer's Report.

The report of State Treasurer Brian shows that he had on hand at the close of the month \$754,141.89. Of that amount \$731,870.20 is cash on deposit in state depository banks, and \$22,271.59 is cash and cash items on hand. There is \$232,237.37 in the general fund. In the trust funds there is \$113,407.91 that is uninvested, being divided between the funds as follows: Permanent school fund, \$42,372.75; permanent university, \$5,798.65; agricultural college endowment, \$63,417.58; normal endowment, \$1,818.93. The total trust funds now invested aggregate \$8,737,239.65.

The Nebraska state railway commission has been made a defendant in the United States circuit court as a result of an order issued by the commission granting permission to the Union Stock Yards company (limited) to increase its rates and ordering the railroad companies using the stock yard company's tracks to pay the increase.

The position of railway commissioner caused by the death of W. H. Cowgill is still unfilled. It was first offered to Chris Gruenther and declined, and again, to John W. Furse, private secretary to the governor, and also declined.

Governor Shallenberger has honored a requisition from the governor of Washington for the return of Bert Schuman, alias Herbert Rollason, to Seattle on the charge of kidnaping Dewey Wellman, aged eleven years.

Arthur Mullen of O'Neil, deputy oil inspector under Governor Shallenberger, has been appointed to the vacancy caused by the resignation last week of Attorney General W. T. Thompson.

Paying the penalty with his life for the murder of his sister-in-law, Pearl Taylor, Bert Taylor was hanged at the state penitentiary Friday afternoon. The condemned man's neck was broken by the fall, though he was not pronounced dead until twelve and a half minutes after the drop was sprung.