# WATTLES DISPUTES BEHMER

## Says Street Railway Never Broke Promise with Union Men.

## LATTER DEMAND GENUINE RECOGNITION

### Both Sides to Controversy Anticipate Strike Unless Issue Can Be Settled by Arbitration Without Delay.

The street railway company has broken a promise made three years ago by discriminating against men who joined the union and has laid plans to break up the union.—A. L. Behmer, vice president International Association of Street and Electric Railway Employes.

We have broken no agreement. We never told the men we would recognize the union, but we said we would treat with union men individually. We still adhere to this policy. We propose to stand by the open shop and square deal.—G. W. Wattles, vice president Omaha & Council Bluffs Street Railway company.

Mr. Wattles makes his reply to the statements of Mr. Behmer, who addressed Central Labor union Friday night.

**Session a Lively One.**

Last evening's session of Central Labor union was the most lively had in many moons. The discussion started with a talk from A. L. Behmer, vice president of the International Association of Street and Electric Railway Employes, who came to Omaha Sunday at the request of the local street railway employes' union and to secure from the Omaha & Council Bluffs Street Railway company a recognition of the local union. Following Mr. Behmer's talk Representative Ed Leeder threw a bomb into the ranks of the street car men by asking whether he would be permitted to negotiate with the street railway officials for the union, promising that the vestibule bill now up for consideration at Lincoln would be withdrawn in consideration of a recognition of the local union.

Explaining his position, Mr. Leeder said he had secured assistance from the street railway officials in his fight for the double shift firemen bill and in forcible tones said that if the street railway employes persisted in pushing the vestibule bill and his double shift bill should be defeated, he would see that defeat at the door of the street railway men.

In reply to Mr. Leeder, Mr. Behmer said the street railway employes would not consent to withdraw the vestibule bill even for recognition of the local union.

**Position of Street Car Men.**

Speaking of his mission in Omaha, Mr. Behmer said:

"The street railway company has broken a promise made three years ago by discriminating against men who joined the union and has laid plans to break up the union. The officials have even exacted from prospective employes promises they would not join the union. The conditions here should be remedied. All we are asking is recognition of the union. The street railway officials have told the union men that if they wanted to do business with the street railway company they would have to do it through the Omaha Business Men's association but Mr. Wattles refused to recognize any one from the union. We are going to resort to every honorable means to gain a recognition for the union and we ask the co-operation of all organized labor.

"We realize the seriousness of a strike, and want to avert it. Our national organization has made a fine record for arbitrations with street railway companies. We are not hard to deal with."

**Committee to Help Out.**

Following a request from Mr. Behmer, the following committee was appointed to work with the street car men in any way deemed advisable: President C. A. McDonald, A. C. Kugel, Ed Miller, J. Martin and John Polinn. The next step will be an effort to arrange for a conference with the street railway officials for the committee.

The street railway men do not allege that the company has discriminated between union and nonunion men in its employ. It is set out, though, that the company, in employing new men, requires a pledge that the employe will not join the union. This, with the natural loss of membership due to changes in employment, threatens the extinction of the union. What the men ask most of all is the right to proselyte among the new employes.

**Warm Moments for Ed Leeder.**

After Representative Leeder made his talk President McDonald of the union reminded Mr. Leeder that he was elected by organized labor to work for all measures for the benefit of organized labor and should not lay down on the vestibule bill merely to make sure of the double shift bill. Mr. Leeder was much wrought up when his suggestion of compromise with the street railway company was not kindly taken. A. J. Donahoe said Mr. Leeder was using poor policy to lay the possible defeat of the double shift bill at the door of the street car men.

The union accepted an invitation to attend a meeting to be held February 17 at Patterson hall, under the auspices of the Omaha socialists and on behalf of Charles Moyer and William Haywood of the Western Federation of Miners. A resolution condemning the incarceration of these men was adopted by the union. The union will attend a meeting of the Child Labor league at the Lyric theater Tuesday evening, February 26. A vote of thanks was extended to all who went to Lincoln in support of the child labor bill.

The union favored the charter amendment providing that the city boiler inspector be elective and that the incumbent be a licensed engineer.

Send your orders to Kennard Glass and Paint company for glazing. Prompt service. 13th and Dodge streets.


# THE BEST FRIENDS OF PE-RU-NA ARE THE MOTHERS AND CHILDREN

Mrs. F. Brockman, 818 Meade street, Appleton, Wis., writes:

*"I have never had a return of the catarrh, which had made me so miserable and unhappy before I began taking Peruna.*

*"I would not be without it in the house, now.*

*"I have a baby boy, two years old, to whom I give Peruna for a cold, and my husband also takes Peruna.*

*"I thank you and wish you well."—Mrs. F. Brockman.*

## Pe-ru-na Should Be Kept In Every Household

### Where There Are Little Children.

Peruna should be kept in the house all the time. Don't wait until the child is sick, then send to a drug store. But, have Peruna on hand—accept no substitute.

Children are especially liable to acute catarrh. Indeed, most of the affections of childhood are catarrh.

All forms of sore throat, quinsy, croup, hoarseness, laryngitis, etc., are but different phases of catarrh.

**Pe-ru-na Contains No Narcotics.**

One reason why Peruna has found permanent use in so many homes is that it contains no narcotic of any kind. Peruna, if taken according to printed directions, is perfectly harmless. It can be used any length of time without acquiring a drug habit. It does not produce temporary results, but it is permanent in its effect.

It has no bad effect upon the system, and gradually eliminates catarrh by removing the cause of catarrh.

**No Doctor Required.**

Mr. Edward Otto, 927 De Soto street, St. Paul, Minn., writes:

"I cannot say enough for Peruna. It has done great work in my family, especially for my oldest boy. We had doctored with three or four different doctors and they did not seem to do him any good.

"We gave up hopes of cure, and so did they, but we pulled him through on Peruna.

**"We had several doctors and they said they could do no more for him, so we tried Peruna as a last resort, and that did the work. Since then we keep it in the house all the time, and no doctor is required."—Edward Otto.**

There are a multitude of homes where Peruna has been used off and on for twenty years.

Such a thing could not be possible if Peruna contained any narcotics.

**The Benefit Which the Children of the United States Have Received from Pe-ru-na Can Never Be Put Into Words.**

The chronic ailments it has prevented, the suffering it has mitigated, will never be fully recorded.

But at least this much can be said that the coming generation owes a great debt to Peruna, for it is in the tender years of youth that slight ailments are liable to develop into lasting disease, thus blasting the whole career of the individual.

The mothers who are bringing up their children today to believe in Peruna are speaking from their experience.

These children brought up to believe in Peruna from the start, will, when they become heads of families themselves, use Peruna with unquestioning faith.

**A Child's Life Saved.**

Mr. G. H. Farmer, New Martinsville, W. Va., writes:

"Our little son, Harry, is well and healthy now and we think if we do as you directed us, he will keep his health and grow strong.

**"We know that our little son's life was saved by your wonderful medicine, Peruna, and we shall always praise Peruna and use it in our family when needed.**

"Should we have any more catarrhal trouble in our family, we shall always write to you for treatment.

Mr. W. F. Doring, Mr. Vernon, Mo., writes:

"I have used Peruna to my entire satisfaction and am exceedingly well pleased with the results, having suffered greatly with catarrh of the stomach."

Mrs. J. C. Sterling, 132 Brown Avenue, Norfolk, Va., writes:

"My little boy, Meredith, suffered with indigestion so badly he could not eat anything without it making him very sick, so I thought (as many others have) that I would try Peruna, and it worked like a charm.

**"Now he eats anything he wishes, and I would not be without it for anything.**

"My other little boy, Alfred, two and a half years old, has taken it and received as much benefit from Peruna as his brother.

**"I hope my testimonial may be of some benefit to others, as I feel as though I cannot praise it enough."—Mrs. J. C. Sterling.**

Mr. Howard Andrew Sterner, 424 Canal street, Reading, Pa., writes:

"I have Peruna in my house all the time and won't be without it. It is good for children when they take a cold or croup. It cured my baby boy of croup.

"I have introduced Peruna into six families since I received your last letter, and four have seen relief already."

—Howard Andrew Sterner.

**Pe-ru-na Protects the Entire Household.**

As soon as the value of Peruna is appreciated by every household, both as a preventive and remedy, many lives may be saved and thousands of chronic lingering cases of catarrh may be prevented.

**When Sickness Comes to the Little Ones**

**It Is the Mother Who Chiefly Suffers.**

She suffers even more than the child who happens to be sick.

Her sympathy is deeper than that of any other member of the family.

The mother looks forward with dread to the torrid heat of summer, thinking of her children and the many liabilities to disease that are before them.

Spring and summer are sure to bring ailments, especially among the little folks.

It does not take a mother very long to discover that Peruna is the best friend she has in time of illness among the children.

**A Multitude of Mothers**

Have discovered that Peruna is their stand-by, and that in many of the ailments of spring and summer to which the children are subjected, Peruna is the remedy that will generally quickly relieve.

Whether it is spring fever or stomach derangement, whether it is indigestion or bowel disease, a catarrhal congestion of the mucous surfaces is the cause.

Peruna quickly relieves this condition of the mucous membranes. Its operation is prompt, the children do not dislike to take the medicine, it has no deleterious effects in any part of the body.

It simply removes the cause of the disagreeable symptoms and restores the health.

Peruna is a household remedy for all catarrhal ailments of winter and summer, acute or chronic.

The mothers all over the United States are the best friends that Peruna has.

Mr. C. Hallock, Antwerp, Ohio, writes:

"My daughter Allia, after taking three bottles of your Peruna, is entirely cured of catarrh of the head of two years standing. We have used Peruna as a general tonic as well as for catarrh and are well pleased with it and recommend it to anybody who has catarrh."

**The Mothers Hold Pe-ru-na in High Esteem**

not only because it has cured them of their various ailments, but because it promptly rescues the children from the throes and grasp of catarrhal diseases.

We have in our files many testimonials from mothers whose children have been cured by Peruna. However, the large majority of mothers who use Peruna, we never hear from.

But we do hear from a great number of mothers who are so overjoyed at some special good they have received from Peruna that they cannot restrain their enthusiasm. They are anxious to share these benefits with other mothers.


# TOPICS FOR DAY OF REST

## Rev. Julius F. Schwarz of Connersville, Ind., Comes to Omaha.

## PASTOR FIRST GERMAN PRESBYTERIAN

### Episcopal Bishops of Eleven States Protest Against Predominance of Military Features at Exposition at Jamestown.

In the election of Rev. Julius F. Schwarz, pastor of the First German Presbyterian church at Connersville, Ind., to the vacant pastorate of the First German Presbyterian church, 617 North Eighteenth street, a pastor has been secured for the Omaha congregation who comes with the highest recommendations from his home city and who, it is believed, will prove a valuable addition to the clergy of Omaha as well as an ardent worker for the First church. He will preach his first sermon at the church Sunday, February 24, but will not arrive here much before that time on account of his pressing duties at Connersville.

Rev. Mr. Schwarz was called to the pastorate made vacant last July by the resignation of Rev. August Hinkleman and accepted the position last October with the understanding that he could remain at Connersville until March 1. He had been the pastor of the Connersville church for the last six years and the members of his congregation and the community in general were loath to have him accept the Omaha pastorate. The charge at Connersville was his first after graduating from a seminary at St. Louis and soon after taking charge the church was rededicated and improvements costing $1,200 made at the initiative of the new pastor. This indebtedness has been liquidated and many new members secured under his administration.

In addition to his duties as pastor at Connersville, Rev. Mr. Schwarz was secretary of the Ministers' association, interpreter for the Connersville Blower company and a writer for the local press.

Rev. Mr. Schwarz has been highly honored in the councils of his church in the state of Indiana. He has been chairman and treasurer of home missions in the White Water presbytery and was honored by the presbytery to the chair of moderator and commissioner to the last general assembly and was appointed a special commissioner to adjust certain difficulties in the presbytery; he was made the chairman of the committee on "Separate Presbyteries" of the German ministers of the west, and was honored by the last named body as its delegate to the eastern German convention in Newark, N. J.

A peculiar incident in his announcing to the members of his church his decision to accept the call at Omaha was that within a few minutes after arriving at the decision, the son of Rev. Mr. Schwarz left the house and, in pulling the door, jarred the plate bearing the minister's name from the door. The plate had practically completed its service in Connersville and appeared ready to move to its next place of duty.

Episcopal bishops of the dioceses of eleven states, including Rev. Arthur L. Williams, bishop of the diocese of Nebraska, have issued a circular letter protesting against the predominance of the military features of the Ter-Centennial exposition to be held this year at Jamestown, Va. It is intimated in the letter that the military features of the exposition will overshadow those of a different nature and that the former were not advertised with such great prominence when the plans were first projected and requests for aid solicited.

The triennial meeting of the general convention of the Protestant Episcopal church will be held at Jamestown during the progress of the exposition and the primacy of the military and naval displays is thought to make the present plan of the exposition discordant with the character of the religious and civic celebrations to be held.

An entertainment entitled "The History of Protestantism; or "The Story of the Reformation," is to be given February 25 and 26 at the Auditorium, under the auspices of the Kountze Memorial church. The entertainment was originated by Mrs. H. E. Monroe, a celebrated lecturer of Washington, D. C., who spent three years of research in the art galleries and museums of Germany and the continent and has collected a large assortment of costumes contemporaneous with the period of Martin Luther's greatest ascendancy in Europe.

The best musical talent of the vicinity has been obtained for a large chorus, under the direction of Ben Stanley, organist and musical director at Trinity cathedral. The cast will be instructed by Miss S. Ethel Brown, who has assisted in the preparation of the entertainment for the last ten years.

Rev. T. C. Iliff, secretary of the Home Missionary and Church Extension society of the Methodist Epsicopal church for this district, will make his headquarters in Omaha and is expected to arrive in Omaha with his family within the next few weeks. The board of governors of the society decided that Omaha was advantageously situated for maintaining the office of the secretary, but it is believed the action formally ordering the removal of the office to this city was at the request of Rev. Iliff. Omaha Methodists are considerably elated over the action of Rev. Iliff in selecting Omaha for his official residence and he will be tendered a most hearty reception on welcome upon his arrival.

Rev. John Albert Williams is preaching two series of sermons at the Church of St. Philip the Deacon, Twenty-first street near Paul, on the Sundays during Lent. The morning series is on "Simon Peter, a Servant and an Apostle of Jesus Christ," or "A Representative Case of Our Lord's Dealing With Men. The afternoon series is on "Some 'Excepts' of Christ," and will embrace these topics, respectively;

Except Ye Repent—Repentance.
Except Ye Be Converted—Conversion.
Except a Man Be Born Again—Regeneration.
Except Ye Abide in Me—Absolution.
Except Ye Eat the Flesh of the Son of Man—Communion.

Mrs. Ben Stanley will sing an offertory solo at the 5 o'clock service at the Church of St. Philip the Deacon, Sunday afternoon.

A special series of evangelistic services will begin Sunday evening at Trinity Methodist Episcopal church, Twenty-first and Binney streets, in which the pastor, Rev. J. R. Smith, will be assisted by Rev. J. Calfee of Kansas City, who recently conducted a series of highly successful meetings at the Hanscom Park Methodist church. Mrs. Calfee will assist also, by taking charge of the music at the services, which will continue for a week or ten days. Rev. J. R. Smith will preach the morning sermon at Trinity church.

Music at the Kountze Memorial church first Sunday in Lent:

MORNING, 10:30.
Anthem—Come Unto Me.....Burleigh
The choir.
Solo—Selected .....
Miss Amanda Tebbins.
The Penitent .....Vandewater
Miss Livingston.
EVENING, 7:30.
Male Quartet—Praying For You.....Parks
The Parpora quartet.
Duet—Glory to Thee My God This Night .....Gounod
Miss Frances and Mr. Alvord.
Solo—But the Lord is Mindful of His Own .....Mendelssohn
Miss Weber.

Sunday evening at the Central United Presbyterian church, Twenty-fourth and Dodge streets, Dr. McBride begins a series of Sunday evening lectures on, "Great Reformers and Their Doctrines." Dr. McBride declares himself most pronouncedly opposed to the pulpit turning aside from the preaching of the gospel to dabble in mere literature, philosophy, history or politics, apart from the gospel, but holds that certain great truths, when grasped by men, made these men strong. In the truth he asserts he finds the secret of the man and holds that the power of truth is not exhausted, but is yet able to work wonders in other men if they will but accept it. Rev. McBride professes to believe that great reformers cannot be understood apart from the great truth or doctrine of which each in turn becomes the special champion.

The first of the new series of vesper choral services at St. Mary's Avenue Congregational church will be given Sunday afternoon at 4:30. The series is entitled, "Every-day Maxims," and the subject for Sunday is, "The Rest Cure." The subject is treated with great care musically, in harmony with the short address by Rev. L. O. Baird. The program is:

The Chimes—Westminster chime and tune "St. Philip."
Organ Prelude—Meditation.....
Processional—Weary of Earth.....Langran
Choral Responses—Ancient.....
The Canticle—Magnificat.....Smart
Special Offertory Hymn—Come Unto Me
The choir.
Sung by the choir, without accompaniment.
The Anthem—Come Unto Me.....Hatton
Recessional—Hark! Hark! My Soul.....Smart
Thomas J. Kelly, director.

The First Methodist Episcopal church at University Place is reputed to have one of the largest, if not the largest, Sunday schools in the state. The city of University Place was recently divided into twenty districts and one or two energetic workers selected to make frequent house-to-house visits, recording the results of their visits on printed blanks for future statistical purposes.

By these and similar methods the membership of the main Sunday school has been increased to 690; the Home department of the school to 136, and the Cradle Roll to 105. From the foregoing figures it is seen that the total membership of the Sunday school, adult and infant, is 931; a number hardly to be equalled in any other city in Nebraska.

Music at the First Congregational church, Nineteenth and Davenport streets:

MORNING.
Prelude—In the Morning.....Grieg
Anthem—The Heavens are Telling....Haydn
Trio and chorus.
Offertory—Song without words.Mendelssohn
Anthem—I Will Lift Up Mine Eyes.....Whitfield
Postlude in E.....Vincent
EVENING.
Berceuse .....Kinder
Anthem—Hearken Unto Me.....Sullivan
Offertory—Romance .....Salome
Quartet—Lead me, Lord.....Wesley
Postlude .....Guilmant
Martin W. Bush, organist; Ira B. Penniman, director.

The revival meetings at the Hanscom Park Methodist church held during the past two weeks will close Sunday morning with a sermon by Dr. Calfee of Kansas City, who has been assisting the pastor of the church, Rev. Clyde Clay Cissell, in this special work. Much interest has been created in this work; many in the community have been stimulated to more active Christian life, and there have been a number of thorough conversions. Sunday evening Dr. Calfee will speak at the Trinity Methodist church and the usual service in the Hanscom Park church will be set aside that the congregation may unite with the Trinity people.

Music at the First Methodist church:

MORNING.
Prelude—Spring Song.....Mendelssohn
Anthem for Quartet and Chorus—Lift Up Your Heads.....Coleridge-Taylor
Offertory—Prayer in E flat.....Groven
Quartet—It Is High Time to Awake Out of Sleep.....Tours
Mrs. Jennison, Mrs. Anderson and Messrs. Green and Kratz.
Postlude .....Forester
EVENING.
Prelude—Andante in C.....Bliss
Chorus—Let All Creation Praise the Lord .....Allen
Offertory .....Chopin
Quartet—Lead Us, Our Father, Lead Us .....Sullivan
Postlude .....Batiste
Mrs. Anna B. Andrews, organist; Lee G. Kratz, choirmaster.

At the Calvary Baptist church, Twenty-fifth and Hamilton streets, on Sunday morning, Miss Florence DeGraff will sing by request "My Redeemer," by Dudley Buck, which she rendered last Sunday night. The Men's Baraca class will have a service in the evening, under their auspices, at which time the pastor will give an address on "Backbone." A special program of music will be given. Miss Elizabeth Hamling will be the soloist. Rev. W. A. Quale of Chicago will give his great lecture on Shakespeare's "Tragedy of Greatness" March 15 at this church.

Music at First Baptist church, under the direction of Miss Margaret Boulter, organist:

MORNING, 10:30.
Prelude .....Merkel
Anthem—The Soft Sabbath Calm.....Barnby Shelley
Quartet.
Organ Offertory.....Barnes
Solo—The Ninety and Nine.....Campion
Mrs. L. T. Sunderland.
Postlude.....Buck
EVENING, 7:30.
Prelude .....Buck
Anthem—The Radiant Morn Has Passed .....Woodward
Quartet.
Organ Offertory.....Lemare
Anthem—Rock of Ages.....Buck
Postlude.....Lemaigre
Mrs. L. T. Sunderland, soprano; Miss Alice Fawcett, contralto; John McCreary, tenor; G. W. Manchester, bass.

Following the custom of previous years during the Lenten season, members of Omaha council, Knights of Columbus, are arranging to attend a series of vesper services in the Catholic churches of Omaha and South Omaha. The first service will be held at St. Philomena cathedral, Ninth and Harney streets, Sunday evening, beginning at 7:45. Members and their families will meet in the adjoining school hall at 7:30 and march to the church. Rev. J. W. Stenson, chaplain of the council, will conduct the service. Other dates arranged are at St. John's Sunday, March 3, and at St. Patrick's Sunday, March 24.

**Y. W. C. A. Notes.**

The Sunday afternoon gospel meeting at 4:30 will be led by Rev. Newman Hall Burdick. Mrs. Vera Allen will sing. All women are cordially invited.

The reading recital given by Miss Lillian Fitch in the assembly room of the Young Women's Christian association Monday evening was well attended and proved one of the most enjoyable events of the season. Miss Fitch delighted her audience with every reading and the vocal solos given by Miss Alice Gates were greatly enjoyed. The evening was certainly a rare treat for all present.


**A Most Valuable Agent.**

The glycerine employed in Dr. Pierce's medicines greatly enhances the medicinal properties which it extracts from native medicinal roots and holds in solution much better than alcohol would. It also possesses medicinal properties of its own, being a valuable demulcent, nutritive, antiseptic and antiferment. It adds greatly to the efficacy of the Black Cherrybark, Bloodroot, Golden Seal root, Stone root and Queen's root, contained in "Golden Medical Discovery" in subduing chronic, or lingering coughs, bronchial, throat and lung affections, for all of which these agents are recommended by standard medical authorities.

In all cases where there is a wasting away of flesh, loss of appetite, with weak stomach, as in the early stages of consumption, there can be no doubt that glycerine acts as a valuable nutritive and aids the Golden Seal root, Stone root, Queen's root and Black Cherrybark in promoting digestion and building up the flesh and strength, controlling the cough and bringing about a healthy condition of the whole system. Of course, it must not be expected to work miracles. It will not cure consumption except in its earlier stages. It will cure very severe, obstinate, hang-on chronic coughs, bronchial and throat troubles, and chronic sore throat with hoarseness. In acute coughs it is not so effective. It is in the lingering hang-on coughs, or those of long standing, even when accompanied by bleeding from lungs, that it has performed its most marvelous cures.

Prof. Finley Ellingwood, M. D., of Bennett Med. College, Chicago, says of glycerine:

"In dyspepsia it serves an excellent purpose. Holding a fixed quantity of the peroxide of hydrogen in solution, it is one of the best manufactured products of the present time in its action upon enfeebled, disordered stomachs, especially if there is ulceration or catarrhal gastritis (catarrhal inflammation of stomach), it is a most efficient preparation. Glycerine will relieve many cases of pyrosis (heartburn) and excessive gastric (stomach) acidity."

"Golden Medical Discovery" enriches and purifies the blood curing blotches, pimples, eruptions, scrofulous swellings and old sores, or ulcers.

Send to Dr. R. V. Pierce, of Buffalo, N. Y., for free booklet telling all about the native medicinal roots composing this wonderful medicine. There is no alcohol in it.

# Jewel Gas Ranges

A big car of new ranges just received. Nothing like them in Omaha. Greatest money-savers.

Require no blacking. Unique all-steel construction—dull ebony finish. See the new elevated oven style.

**PRICES $10 to $40**

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14th and Farnam Sts.


# BOILER EXPLODES AT SEA

## Seven Persons Killed on Steamer Valdivia by Accident.

## VESSEL'S DECK RIPPED OPEN BY EXPLOSION

### Men Who Die on the Ship Are Buried at Sea After Bodies Are Rescued with Difficulty.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.—Seven men were killed, three men were injured and considerable damage was sustained by the vessel by an explosion on board the German steamer Valdivia at sea last Wednesday. The accident was reported when the steamer arrived here today.

The donkey engine boiler exploded on Wednesday, throwing the steamer's funnel over and ripping open the upper deck. The seven dead were killed instantly.

The escaping steam from the bursted boiler enveloped the steamer, creating a scene of great confusion.

The names of the dead are:

FOURTH ENGINEER J. STEINHAGEN of Hoboken, N. J.
FIREMAN A. SELDON, colored.
COAL PASSER W. H. HANNA.
COAL PASSER J. SALENSKI.
SAILOR P. DITHO.
SAILOR W. DEITRICH.
STEWARD WILLIAM SIMMONS, colored.

The chief officer, who was on duty on the bridge, was buried in the debris when found. He stated when the explosion occurred everything appeared to fall over the bridge onto the deck and the superstructure above the decks was torn open. All the lifeboats were damaged, one so smashed that it was thrown overboard. The smokestack fell down to the deck, but was secured. All of the inner structures abaft of the bridge were completely torn out.

When the explosion occurred the steamer stopped and everybody rushed to the rescue of the injured. The dead were so mangled that it was with difficulty that the bodies were secured. They were buried at sea.

XII.

# Letters Written by a Bride to Her Best Girl Friend

Dearest Nellie:—

Your charming letter has been the subject of many interesting conferences. John, like the dear he is, insisted that you must come direct from your aunt's—and realize to the fullest extent the conveniences of our little home, from cooking range to gas grate, Welsbach lights and all—but, alas, "Fate steals along with silent tread," and I'm simply torn with emotions. Just as we get comfortably settled in our little home along stalks Fate and in the guise of "business" decrees that John shall hie him to the coast at once on a matter of much importance, where his stay will be indefinite—several weeks, at least. Of course, I shall accompany him. Nellie, dear, it is needless to say I have had a good long cry over the disappointment of not seeing you before we leave—but we shall simply lock up our home and on our return, mark you well, young miss, you must be the very first "guest of honor." Tears will come when I think we must surrender our dear little home for a small, stuffy hotel room. Just think, we must give up, possibly for months, our pretty gas grate, before which we have spent so many pleasant evenings; our beautiful den, of which we were so proud, with its little gas heater and cute colored lights; our gas range, with all its conveniences, and even my waffle irons, to say nothing of the beautiful Welsbach inverted lights which have just been put in. Oh, it's simply awful. We are so busy getting ready—for we start at once—that I cannot write more now, but, girlie, I'll write just the first chance I get and tell you where to address me. Tearfully and lovingly yours.

ANNIE.

P. S.—Before leaving I'm going to order the Gas Company to send to your home address one of those lovely sad iron holders, with which you can heat as many as four irons at one time—over one jet. I know you will be pleased with it when you get back home.