

TWENTY DIE IN FIRE

Awful Loss of Life in New York Tenement House.

STRUCTURE FIRED BY A BOMB

It is Supposed to Have Been Set Off by Black Hand Society.

FIFTEEN PERSONS INJURED

Explosion of Tank of Kerosene Block Stairways.

OTHER FIRES IN NEW YORK

Long Beach Hotel is Destroyed and Steamer Hamilton Comes into Port with its Cargo Afloat.

NEW YORK, July 29.—Shocking loss of human life and destruction of property estimated at more than \$1,000,000 were caused by fires in New York and its immediate vicinity in the twenty-four hours ending at 6 o'clock this morning. Twenty persons are dead and fifteen suffering from injuries as a result of the burning of a six-story double tenement at 222 Chrystie street, and financial loss resulted from the destruction of the Long Beach hotel at Long Beach, L. I., today and the Steepchase Park and other property at Coney Island yesterday. In addition the steamship Hamilton, of the Dominion line, came into port yesterday with part of her hold ablaze. The Hamilton was at her dock before any of the passengers knew there was fire on board. The flames were extinguished after about \$15,000 damage had been done.

The explosion of a bomb placed, the police believe, by agents of the Black Hand in an Italian grocery store on Christie street, started the fire which swept through the tenement Italian tenement and destroyed the lives of a score of people and injured fifteen others. The noise of the explosion caused a panic in the densely populated district. The police say that many perished in the flames, fearing to escape to the streets, where they believed death awaited them from the dreaded black hand.

A second explosion from a kerosene tank followed and the whole lower floor was a mass of flames from blazing oil. The fire shot up the stairways, cutting off all escape from those in the bedrooms above. Many rushed to the fire escapes which became clogged with frightened people. The house was filled with dense smoke and the flames upstairs drove the half-crazed people toward the roof. The flames killed many as they were about to be rescued from the roof, while others were overcome by smoke. There were many heroic rescues by firemen. The bodies of the dead were found in all manner of places. Four women were discovered dead in a closet, where they had rushed to hide before the flames found them out. The body of a woman was found lying over a chair, as though she had tried to protect it from the flames. Five bodies were found crowded around one doorway on the top floor, showing that they had been struck down while trying to escape.

The fire wave first struck Coney Island yesterday and before long the Steepchase park, a score of hotels and many amusement attractions were in ruins and many persons were homeless. Then came the Chrystie street tenement disaster and next the Long Beach hotel. The 500 guests were all in their beds when the flames were discovered, but all left the building in safety.

LONG BRANCH HOTEL IN RUINS

One of Largest Summer Resorts on Coast Burned.

LONG BEACH, L. I., July 29.—Eight hundred guests of the Long Beach hotel, one of the largest seashore hotels on the Atlantic coast, had to flee for their lives early today when the hotel was burned to the sands. There was no loss of life and so far as can be learned no one was injured. The guests lost almost all their clothing and personal effects. The fire was discovered on the first floor shortly after 5 o'clock. Hall boys and clerks hurried through the smoky corridors and roused the guests. The flames spread so rapidly that the guests had barely time to seize some scanty clothing and escape. They fled to the beaches and were taken care of by the cottagers. The hotel burned like tinder and within a short time was a smouldering mass of ruins. It was three stories high and nearly 80 feet in length and when filled to its capacity housed 1,500 persons. The loss is about \$200,000.

HEAVY LOSS AT CONEY ISLAND

Flames Barely Miss Luna Park and Dreamland at Resort.

NEW YORK, July 29.—Coney Island, the playground of New York's millions, was visited by the scores of small fires today and seven blocks in the amusement park were destroyed. Tillyou's steepchase park and nearly a score of small hotels were wiped out and for a time the flames threatened destruction to Luna Park and Dreamland, great homes of summer amusement, and the scores of small places which fringe the water's edge for a mile. A lucky shift of the wind to seaward added the firemen and probably saved the whole picturesque area, but not until \$1,000,000 damage had been done. Three persons were injured, one of them, Gottfried Messerli, a German, probably fatally. Only the advance guard of the 300,000 people who flocked to Coney Island today saw the fire, but the thrilling tales of the fearless rescue of San Dora, the armless and legless man, and the flight of Francesco, the fire eater, when the alarm was sounded were told and retold along noisy Surf avenue and the park bowery. The island has had four big fires in the last ten years, the last previous one in 1905. "The Steepchase" on that occasion being swept out as it was today. "The Island," as New Yorkers familiarly call it, was just turning in for its early morning nap when the fire broke out and the last thin line of Saturday night merry-makers were swinging gaily, if somewhat unaccountably, up Surf avenue, when George Frost, a watchman at Steepchase park, spied a wavering trail of smoke coming from the "Cave of the Winds," one of the many shows in the park. Scarcely had Frost bawled himself of the mouth of the cave and lighted up the place in a weird glare. A patrolman heard the urgent cry of "fire" for the shout of "fire" in Coney Island is an ominous one—alarm after alarm was rung until the fourth had been

SUMMARY OF THE BEE

Tuesday, July 30, 1907.

Table with columns for days of the week (SUN, MON, TUE, WED, THU, FRI, SAT) and numbers 1 through 31.

THE WEATHER

RECAP FOR NEBRASKA—Fair and clear with a few showers. Temperature at Omaha yesterday: High 84, low 64.

DOMESTIC

A revision of the course of instruction at the United States Naval Academy is contemplated in a report of a naval board to the president. Fred M. Magill still insists that his first wife committed suicide.

W. D. Haywood receives many congratulations on his acquittal. President M. Louis Glass was removed in the sum of \$25,000. Emma Goldman and other socialists send a message to President Roosevelt reminding him the undesirable citizens are on top.

Miners' strike in the iron range country is making little progress. A terrific visitation of heat at McGregor, Tex., raised the mercury in a small area to 119 degrees.

Articles of incorporation filed by an independent packing concern for packing house at Alliance. Another company is being organized at Havelock. Union Pacific road attacks the constitutionality of the revenue law, claiming that valuation of real estate every four years is invalid.

State Board of Assessment increases the valuation of live stock in a number of counties of the state. Kaiser Wilhelm and the czar will meet August 1, accompanied by their foreign ministers.

Germany and Great Britain have agreed upon an international prize court to be recommended at The Hague. Jack-the-flipper continues his deeds in Berlin, to the terror of the population.

Friends of Harry Huntington ascribe his shooting of his brother and sister in Paris to an unbalanced mind, but he does not express repentance. Union labor leaders in Omaha commend the verdict in the Haywood case as a victory for justice and workingmen.

R. L. Thielman, ex-professional ball player and confederate, held as perpetrator of fake prize fight scheme by which they rich large sums of money from victims. Major Cruise and family home destroyed by fire. He attended the death and burial of their son, hero of the Georgia, says gas and not burns killed young man.

Big advance in price of soft coal is noted in bids submitted for supplying the country. Arrived. Sailed. SOUTHAMPTON Philadelphia, Barbarea. LIVERPOOL, Etruria. Campaña. DOVER, Kronland. HAVRE, La Lorraine.

HALSEY CASE IS POSTPONED

Judge Dunne Announces that Entirely New Jury Will Be Drawn.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 29.—The bribery case against Theodore V. Halsey, formerly "competition agent" for the Pacific States Telephone and Telegraph company, did not go to trial today. Judge Dunne announced his decision to draw an entirely new panel of sixty names from the jury box, and the case was continued until next Wednesday morning. Sheriff O'Neill was instructed to return the panel into court at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon, when those who had valid excuses for not serving will present them to the court and be excused.

DYNAMITE CHECKED IN TRUNK

Explosion in Union Station in St. Louis Injures Eight Men, Two Seriously.

ST. LOUIS, July 29.—A quantity of dynamite in a miner's trunk exploded while the trunk was being handled at Union station today, seriously injuring two men, slightly wounding six others and creating a noise and shock that almost started a panic in the crowded traveling place. Ivan Domstrek, a Greek miner on his way west from Appalachia, W. Va., had stowed some sticks of dynamite in his trunk. A baggage man in handling it gave the trunk the usual fling. The explosion followed. Baggage man Warner Sparks and Hugh Gavin were seriously injured and were taken to a hospital. Six others received minor wounds. There was nothing left of the trunk worth rechecking.

OHIO MAYOR BEHIND BARS

Thomas Black of Kenton Admits He is Involved to Extent of \$25,000.

KENTON, O., July 29.—Thomas Black, lawyer and mayor for two years, gave himself up to the sheriff today and asked to be placed behind the bars. Black acknowledged the forgery of papers involving \$25,000. His operations extend, he says, over a period of nine years.

MINERS ARE STRIPPING ORE

Operations Generally Resumed on Minnesota Range.

FEDERATION LEADERS ON TOUR

Petriella, with President of Association, Are Warned Off Location of Different Properties.

HIBBING, Mich., July 29.—Stripping and mining operations were generally resumed today and not a sign of trouble was reported. At all of the mines, deputies armed with long range rifles, occupied various positions hindering situation work were assured of ample protection against the strikers.

At the Morris mine stripping operations were in full blast with a full crew of men. The sellers mine was in the same position. Ore was taken from the Laura, Webb, Albany, Nashua and Winfred mines today with limited crews. The stripping operations at the Albany mine also have been resumed. In the Chisholm district stripping operations were resumed at the Munroe Tenner mine, and underground mining was also in full swing.

The Glen mine was also working and at the Clark mine, thirty men were put to work today at No. 4 shaft. The Myers was also working at its underground tunnel. The Roberts-Kington company had full crews working on its stripping operations at the Pillsbury mine and at the Shenango a good sized crew was working underground. The Hartley, Croxon and Laruen mines are still being worked. At Evelev, the companies were apparently waiting for the situation to be taken at Hibbing and none of the mines were opened today. The Drake and Stratton company is ahead on its contract and is in no hurry to resume work.

Petriella Makes a Tour. Winston Brothers and Dear, who have been stripping at the Burt Poole mine, shut down Saturday night, and will see the outcome of the violence if it is not ended. Acting President Mahoney of the Western Federation of Miners reached Hibbing yesterday and was met by Petriella, who is leading the strikers. After a conference they drove to the Stevenson mine, but the mine officials ordered them off the location. Today they drove to the Morris mine and here Superintendent Thomas told them to keep moving. Later they stopped at the Winfred mine for a moment and then continued in the direction of Chisholm. Mahoney said he expected to remain on the range about ten days. He said the strike would be continued in the same way as it has been conducted up to the present time and that there could be no violence if they could help it. He deplored the presence of so many armed deputies.

SUPERIOR, Wis., July 29.—The Algonac ore docks are working today with a small crew, which has increased gradually since starting up. Many of the Finnish workmen have gone to the harvest fields and the efforts to help an organization together to fight for more pay have failed.

NO HOPE OF ARBITRATION

DULUTH, Minn., July 29.—Before night the strike of the dock workers in Duluth will be at an end if the steel corporation accepts the offer of the men to arbitrate which, however, is doubtful. At a meeting held today the men voted to present a written agreement to the company, which they offer to go back to work at once and leave all differences to an arbitration committee to consist of two men from the company, two from the men and one to be chosen by these four. The offer was to be submitted to the company by Mayor Culligan, who has been acting as mediator, this afternoon.

It is doubtful whether the company will accept the offer, claiming there is nothing to arbitrate. It claims men have violated agreement and if they want to come back on the old terms, they may. A meeting of the ore handlers was held today. An offer to return to work immediately at the old scale of wages and conditions and to arbitrate differences later, if it is said, was under discussion and would probably be made to the Duluth, Missabe and Northern railroad officials today. If the proposition, it is said, would be rejected, at the conclusion of the railroad company would make, would be to take the men back without prejudice as soon as conditions on the dock permit.

GOVERNOR GLENN ASKS HALT

Requests Public of North Carolina to Stop New Indictments Against Roads.

RALEIGH, N. C., July 29.—Governor Glenn today addressed a letter to the public reviewing the railway rate litigation and asking that in view of the agreement between the railroads and the state, judges and solicitors stop all new indictments and nolle those on the docket. RALEIGH, N. C., July 29.—Superior Court Judge Gulon today informed the grand jury that if the railroads failed to carry out the agreement as to rate matters which was reached Saturday night he would call the jury back for further instructions. Attorneys for the Southern and Atlantic Coast Line railways are here today and it is said will file interposing documents consistent with their request for a modification of Judge Pritchard's injunction order purporting to the peace agreement. The documents will allege that the railroads relinquished what they regard as their constitutional rights under duress because of the hostility of certain newspapers, the pernicious activity of certain politicians and resultant demoralization among their men.

ARMENIANS MUCH AROUSED

Mass Meeting Held and Resolutions Passed Condemning Murder in New York.

WORCESTER, Mass., July 29.—At a mass meeting of Armenians in Laura Street Armenian church last night a resolution was adopted condemning the Turkish murder in New York and calling upon all Armenian people to demand the arrest and conviction of the murderers. The church was crowded and impassioned speeches were made.

River Takes Much Land

VERMILION, S. D., July 29.—(Special.)—According to returns made by county assessors, the Missouri river has taken 112 acres of valuable farm land from Clay county farmers during the last year. It has been cutting westward ever the last two or three months, and unless something is done by Uncle Sam to relieve conditions, the next year will witness the taking off of more farm and timber land than was ever known before.

BELIEVE SON WAS CRAZED

Act of Harry Huntington Thought to Be the Deed of a Madman.

WILSON DIES OF HIS WOUND

Richardson Passes Comfortable Day and Has Chance to Recover.

POSSES ON TRAIL OF DESPERADO

Seen by Several Parties and Bloodhounds Are on Trail Which Encourages Belief He Will Be Captured Soon.

VERSAILLES, July 29.—Grief and sorrow reign today in the residence near Napoleon park of the stricken Huntington family, where last night Harry Huntington, son of Major Douglas Saint George Huntington, shot down two sisters and two brothers at the moment the members of the family had gathered around the deathbed of the father. Major Huntington is breathing his last. The condition of Elizabeth and Alonzo Huntington is today declared to be desperate, although not hopeless, the wounds inflicted upon Edith and Douglas Huntington are not serious. Mrs. Huntington, their mother, is completely prostrated from the shock and is confined to her bed. A few blocks away Henry, who is regarded by his family and friends as demented, is in jail. He is dazed and confused and he hardly realizes the terrible thing he has done. Major Huntington is one of the best known Americans in Paris and he and his family have long taken a prominent part in the social and official gaiety of the French capital. He is a retired army officer and prior to taking up his residence abroad he lived in Chicago, where he was an associate of these prominent in army and business circles. In Paris he became well known for his after dinner speeches at the American club, of which he was one of the organizers and recently the president.

TARIFF OBSTACLE REMOVED

France Extends Time for the Collection of Minimum Duty on Coffee.

PARIS, July 29.—What has been characterized as the obstacle in the way of the continuation of communication between France and the United States in regard to the tariff has been removed, for France has notified the United States that it has extended from August 1 to October 1, 1907, the decree providing for the collection of the minimum duty on coffee brought in from Porto Rico. France makes clear that it considers this extension purely an act of courtesy and good will and an evidence of its earnest hope that the negotiators upon the propositions submitted through M. Jusserand, the French ambassador at Washington, will result in an agreement. The negotiations will now proceed between Ambassador White and the Foreign office.

FIVE SUBJECTS IN TREATY

Japanese Minister to France Makes Public Conditions of Russian Agreement.

PARIS, July 29.—M. Kurkino, the Japanese minister to France, is the authority for the following information concerning the Russo-Japanese treaty named, commerce and navigation, which was signed at St. Petersburg. The treaty embraces five subjects: Commercial relations, fisheries rights, the junction of the Manchurian railroads, the delimitation of frontiers and political relations. The clause dealing with the fisheries subject is brief and is practically a duplicate of the Franco-Japanese agreement for the maintenance of the status quo. M. Kurkino denies the report that Japan has ordered two dirigible balloons in Germany.

NO INTEREST IN ELECTION

Filipinos Apathetic Over Approaching Contest for Places at the Polls.

MANILA, July 29.—Unusual quiet reigns through the islands on the eve of the general elections. Mass meetings were held in Manila Sunday by all parties, but aroused little enthusiasm. The native papers are exhorting the people to go to the polls. Election day will be declared on Monday. The political outlook is unchanged and all parties are confident their own candidates will be elected. The campaign is being conducted on strictly modern methods.

RIPPER CONTINUES HIS DEEDS

Woman Surprises Man While Striking Girl, but He Makes Escape.

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KAISER AND CZAR TO MEET

Early in August They Will Confer Together with Their Foreign Ministers.

BERLIN, July 29.—Emperor William on his way home from his tour in Scandinavian waters is due at Swinemunde August 1, to witness the target shooting of the fleet. He probably will meet the emperor of Russia at Swinemunde August 3. Emperor William will probably be accompanied by Chancellor von Buelow, and the emperor of Russia will have with him M. Lwowsky, the Russian foreign minister.

REINFORCEMENTS IN COREA

New Men from Twelfth Brigade Have Landed from Japanese Ships.

SEOUL, July 29.—All the reinforcements of the Twelfth brigade have landed. The re-organizing of Corea by Japanese troops according to the new plan of occupation will be completed by tomorrow (Tuesday) evening. The local authorities are confident that the man who shot the two officers is a man who is wanted somewhere, a man who is to be killed before he would be taken alive. The description given by the two officers and by Mr. Aspinwall answers that of a man wanted in St. Louis for shooting and killing Patrolman Lemuel R. Boyce on the night of March 21 last.

TERRIFIC HEAT IN TEXAS

Thermometer Registers 179 Degrees Over Area of Six Square Miles.

MCGREGOR, Tex., July 29.—A terrific heat visitation which lasted an hour and twenty minutes yesterday is reported. The thermometer registered 179 degrees in the sun and 117 in the shade. An area of three miles long and two miles wide was affected. The visitation was accompanied by a peculiar haze hanging like a veil in the sky which moved over the area affected. Scores of people were overcome. Horses, cattle, dogs and poultry dropped dead in their tracks.

WESTERN MATTERS AT CAPITAL

Land Turned Over to State of Wyoming to Be Put Under Irrigating Ditches.

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