

BOMB JEOPARDIZES THE LIFE OF OTIS AT HIS RESIDENCE

Infernal Machine Comes in Mail and is Received by a Japanese Servant.

IS SECOND ATTEMPT MADE

First Followed Destruction of Newspaper Plant in 1910.

SUSPICIONS OF GENERAL

Authorities Think Mexican Question May Have Part in It.

BOMB IN A SMALL PACKAGE

Examination Shows Parts of Matches and Black Powder—Police Department Asked to Send Mail to Place.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Sept. 16.—For the second time within three years a bomb yesterday jeopardized the life of General Harrison Gray Otis, owner of the Los Angeles Times, which was destroyed by dynamite on October 1, 1910. That he escaped injury probably was due to the watchful eye of his Japanese servant, who received from the postman an infernal machine mailed in this city and called his employer's attention to it.

The first infernal machine directed at the life of General Otis was found at his residence a few hours after his newspaper plant had been destroyed through the efforts of the McNamara conspirators.

The attempt on his life today was attributed by the general to agencies friendly to those whose conspiracy eventuated in the destruction of his newspaper plant, killing twenty-one men three years ago. But the police and postal authorities believed something might be developed from the theory that the Mexican question had a part in it.

General Otis is heavily interested in the Mexican territory of lower California, where a few years ago Industrial Workers of the World joined the "direct action" element of Mexicans in an effort to establish a socialist commonwealth.

A few weeks ago there was another outbreak, caused according to report, by the employment of Chinese in the places of Mexican laborers by ranchers in Lower California, but General Otis asserted at the time that none were employed by him.

The bomb reached "The Bivouac," General Otis' home, at 11 o'clock this morning. It was contained in a small package about five inches long, three inches wide and two inches deep. It was wrapped in brown paper and bore General Otis' full address, written in what was believed to be a disguised hand.

With other mail it was given by the postman to the Japanese servant, who removed the wrapping paper before taking it to General Otis, who was writing in the upper room of his residence. He told the general that he thought there was something suspicious about the package.

"I pooh poohed the boy's belief at first," said General Otis, "but examined the box carefully. I could see parts of matches and black powder. I had the boy remove the thing and asked the police department to send a man to my home."

PROFESSOR KILLS SOLDIER WHO SLAPPED HIS FACE

BERLIN, Sept. 16.—Prof. Heinrich Maass, court painter and social leader, shot and killed Court Chamberlain Von Westernhagen, courtier-soldier and captain of the army reserve. A slap in the face led to the professor's act, which took place before the bar of a dignified court of honor.

There had been bad blood between the two for some time. In accordance with the code, they had agreed to submit their differences to a court of honor, which was to decide whether a duel was necessary.

The two men had just completed giving to the court their testimony concerning their quarrel. Von Westernhagen, in a rage over some remarks made by Prof. Maass struck him in the face. The artist immediately drew a revolver and shot the soldier dead.

The Weather

For Omaha, Council Bluffs and vicinity—Fair; cooler.

Table with weather data for Omaha, including temperature, precipitation, and wind speed for various times of day.

Table with weather reports from various stations, including Cheyenne, Denver, Des Moines, and others.

PRESIDENT OF INTERNATIONAL TYPOGRAPHICAL UNION HERE



Pearl Necklace Worth \$650,000 is Found on Sidewalk

LONDON, Sept. 16.—A workman this morning found on a sidewalk practically the entire pearl necklace valued at \$650,000, which was stolen on July 15 while in transit by mail from Paris to London.

Later today the package of pearls found by the workman was taken by him in company with a number of detectives to police headquarters at Scotland Yard, where Max Mayer, the diamond merchant, who owns them, was waiting, and immediately identified them.

The man was going to work in Highbury, a northern district of London, when he noticed the pearls lying in a heap. On picking them up he found there were fifty-eight. He took them to the nearest police station, where they were at once recognized as part of the famous necklace, from which only one pearl is now missing.

On September 3 five men, three English and two Austrians, were arrested when trying to dispose of some of the pearls in London. They are believed by the police to belong to a notorious international gang of thieves.

A reward of \$50,000, which was offered for the return of the jewels, will probably go to the workman. The necklace, said to be the most valuable in the world, was in transit between two dealers when stolen. Rumors indicated that it was destined for Mrs. W. K. Vanderbilt.

It had become generally known that the police investigation had narrowed to a very small radius and it is believed the thief who had the jewels, realizing the danger of arrest, purposely "lost" the pearls. The fifty-eight pearls found were in perfect condition. Besides two loose pearls not belonging to the necklace, which were packed in the same registered mail parcel when it left Paris, only a single pearl forming part of the necklace is missing.

Irish Unionists Organize Large Volunteer Army

BELFAST, Ireland, Sept. 16.—Sir Edward Carson, leader of the Irish unionists, landed in Ireland today. The object of his visit, it was said, was to inspect the volunteer army which is being raised in Ulster to support the provisional government which is to be brought into existence in case the home rule bill becomes law.

The Ulster army is said to be well organized and to have attained a strength of about 100,000 men. This number its leaders expect to double when recruiting has been completed. Sir Edward intends to spend a week in Ulster. With several lieutenants, he will visit the various corps which have been formed by drilled men of the unionist clubs and Orange lodges.

The climax of Sir Edward's visit will come on Saturday, when he has arranged to inspect the Belfast unionist corps. In the course of the week a number of private meetings of the Ulster Unionist council will take place to complete arrangements for provisional government, which it is the purpose to establish. There seems to be little hope of a general conference between the various parties on the question of home rule.

Women of Holland Will Be Given Votes

THE HAGUE, Netherlands, Sept. 16.—There is every indication that women will shortly be given the parliamentary franchise in Holland.

In the speech from the throne, delivered at the opening of the States General today, the Dutch cabinet stated its intention of granting the vote to women. The speech from the throne says that a bill is to be introduced removing all constitutional obstacles in the way of granting the suffrage to women. The same bill will revise the Dutch constitution in such a way as to extend the parliamentary franchise to all male Dutch subjects on reaching a certain age, with exceptions to be determined later. The bill is to be prepared without delay.

ANOTHER CHICAGO AVIATOR IS KILLED BY FALL

CHICAGO, Sept. 16.—P. C. Davis, an aviator, died today in a hospital here as the result of an accident while he was flying over the Juneau county fair at Mauston, Wis. Davis is the second Chicago aviator to lose his life within twenty-four hours.

BRAND WHITLOCK DOES NOT WANT FOURTH TERM

TOLEDO, Sept. 16.—Brand Whitlock, mayor of Toledo, does not want a fourth term. Today he resigned from the citizen's ticket, on which he was nominated for mayor. Some time ago he refused to head the independent ticket on which he was three times victorious.

MEXICO OBSERVES INDEPENDENCE DAY

Provisional President Huerta is Given Ovation by Thousands, of Holiday Makers.

DAY PASSES OFF QUIETLY

Anti-American Demonstration Does Not Materialize.

INVESTIGATING GUN RUNNING

Prominent Texan Suspected of Being Member of Gang.

CUSTOMS HOUSE IS ROBBED

Forty-Four Hundred Pounds of Ammunition Stored in El Paso is Stolen.

MEXICO CITY, Sept. 16.—The biggest parade ever held in Mexico City began forming early today in celebration of the nation's independence day. Cold, drizzling rain caused the flags and bunting to droop and made marching over the sodden pavements a dreary business, but it did not quench the holiday spirit.

From early morning detachments of soldiers, cadets, students and volunteers made their way toward Chapultepec, where the day's celebration began with speech making and music, where patriotic utterances of orators appointed for the occasion stirred embryo soldiers to excesses of enthusiasm.

General Victoriano Huerta, the provisional president of Mexico, in full uniform, surrounded by his staff and accompanied by many government officials and foreign diplomats, made a short address applauding the patriotic ardor of the younger elements of the population and calling them the "hope of the nation" and "worthy sons of loyal fathers."

At the hour appointed for the opening of the civic observances at Chapultepec, the presidential salute boomed from the guns of the arsenal. At the conclusion of the ceremonials the presidential party drove through the streets lined with holiday makers, showing corffetti and flowers from windows and balconies to the national palace where General Huerta prepared to review the parade. A striking feature of the parade was the presence in line of upwards of 1,500 students in uniform and marching with an air of veterans.

Since the last celebration of independence day many schools have been placed under the military organization. The enrolled students are dressed in uniforms of dark green and wear round hats with cockades of various colors to designate their schools. Next to them in line were the cadets of the military schools, many of whom appeared acceptable, for, lack of years, to pack the rifles which they proudly carried.

Probably not since the centenary parade in the final days of President Porfirio Diaz has there been seen at the capital a larger number of men of the regular army establishments in line. The artillery, the cavalry and the foot soldiers numbered thousands and stretched for miles through the streets.

There was no semblance of anti-American feeling among the crowds. The rumors of probable uprisings, which never fail to recur yearly at this holiday, appeared to be without foundation.

Suspected of Gun Running. CARRISPO SPRINGS, Tex., Sept. 16.—Investigating the underground route for "gun running" from San Antonio to the Mexican border, Robert L. Barnes, acting special agent for the Department of Justice, said today that so far only one man of prominence in southwest Texas is suspected of implication in the smuggling. Several Americans were implicated in the arrest of Charles Cline, American leader of the band of thirteen Mexican smugglers under arrest here.

Barnes declined to reveal the identity of any suspects except the four already under arrest. The four are Sastrom Cruz, Juan Galan, Antonio and Placido Reyes.

The alleged connection of Industrial Workers of the World with a new movement in the revolution in Mexico was further investigated today. Five prisoners claimed to be members of the order including the American, Charles Cline, whose card showed affiliation with the St. Louis local. His correspondence with Jay Smith indicated that Smith's headquarters was in New Orleans and his official title "financial secretary of the southern district."

J. M. Hackett, one of the prisoners, and not Cline, is declared to have been the actual leader of the smugglers. Hackett said today that Zapata, for two months as head of the Industrial Workers of the World in Mexico, had been spreading the organization's propaganda in southern Mexico.

EL PASO, Tex., Sept. 16.—The theft of 4,000 rounds of ammunition from the United States customs house here was discovered today. Federal agents removing ammunition recently seized from smugglers, to be sent to Fort Bliss, found the basement of the customs house had been entered and the 4,000 rounds taken away.

WIDOW HELD IN CONNECTION WITH MURDER OF HUSBAND

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Sept. 16.—Mrs. Frank E. Nelson, widow of a young mechanic, murdered Saturday near his home in Florence, was arrested last night. She was charged with complicity with James F. Cook, who the police say has made a full confession.

Cook in his confession, according to the police, took occasion to declare that Mrs. Nelson had had no knowledge of plans to slay her husband. Nelson had been found shot through the back of the head, with his hands in his pockets.

MAN WHO HELPED SURVEY NEBRASKA TERRITORY DIES

ATCHISON, Kan., Sept. 16.—Charles R. Finis, aged 82 years, who helped survey Nebraska and Kansas territories and in the early days was a freighter across the western plains, died at his home near here today.

The Half-Open Door



RECALL PETITIONS ARE OUT

Effort to Oust City Commissioners is Now Being Made.

NEW SLATE IS ALL MADE UP

Those on the List Have Cast Their Lot in the Political Arena Many Times Before in the City of Omaha.

Following the distant rumblings that have been heard for a month and even more, the recall petitions for the entire seven city commissioners are actually circulating in the city with vigor this week. Men are out all over the city hustling to get the signatures of 30 per cent of the voters at the election that placed the seven commissioners in office.

As is required by the law, seven names are submitted with the petition as candidates to take the place of the seven present city commissioners. The seven names given on the petition are candidates for the seven commissions are: W. G. Schriver, Fred Bruning, W. J. Broatch, Sophus Neble, Jr., M. L. Endres, Louis Burmeister, Neils J. Anderson.

Burning and Broatch Run.

Schriver was a former assessor of Douglas county. Bruning is a former county commissioner. Broatch is a former mayor. Neble was until recently in the brick business. Endres is a past candidate for county treasurer. Burmeister is a former president of the city council. Anderson was once a member of the legislature.

The petitions have thus far been circulated largely in the residence districts, and it has been stated by men circulating them that they desire to be as secretive as possible about the matter until they get a good healthy number of signatures to flash on the public at once. One man in the Twelfth ward stated that he saw a petition Monday night with close to 1,000 names on it. Another man was seen on the streets in the business section of the city Monday with three of the petitions in his hands, two of which had already been filled with names.

It has been stated by some of those circulating the petitions that within the next few days the petitions will be placed in the cigar stores, saloons and other business houses down town, so that signatures may be obtained the more rapidly.

J. F. Wade, Member of Iowa State Board, Dies of Apoplexy

DES MOINES, Ia., Sept. 16.—John F. Wade, chairman of the Iowa board of control, died at his home here early today of apoplexy. Mr. Wade was a former state senator and a brother of ex-Congressman Martin J. Wade, national committee man from Iowa, and western manager of the last democratic presidential campaign.

Joseph Kopf Says He Has Good Alibi

VALLEJO, Cal., Sept. 16.—Although Joseph Kopf, arrested here yesterday, is held for the murder of Julian Buchard, a wealthy bachelor of Julian, Neb., named after him, fourteen years ago, the papers calling for his extradition are on their way back to Nebraska in the keeping of Sheriff Jones of Nemaha county, who came here last week to make the arrest, failed to find Kopf and turned back.

Kopf said today that he knew Buchard well, as he did Pulker Shellenberger, who in a statement to the prison authorities of Auburn, Kan., implicated Kopf. Kopf has lived here nine years and is a respected citizen. He is positive that he can prove his innocence by an alibi.

Taxicab Driver is Heir to a Fortune; Once Lived in Omaha

SIoux CITY, Ia., Sept. 16.—"Half a million dollars bequeathed to you and your two sisters" read a telegram received today from Sacramento, Cal., by Roy Miller, a taxicab driver here. Five hundred thousand dollars in realty and government bonds will be equally divided among the three children of Mrs. Amelia Miller, sister of J. W. Williams, a land owner as the result of Mr. Williams' death in Sacramento last week. According to the will, Miller will receive as his portion of the estate about \$187,000. Twenty years ago Williams lived in Omaha with his sister. Miller started west tonight to claim his share of the fortune.

HEAVY RAINS WET STATE

Downfall Considerable from the Rocky Mountains East.

SOIL IN PERFECT CONDITION

Pastures Will Also Be Freshened Up So that There Will Be an Abundant Amount of Feed for Stock.

One of the most general and far-reaching rains in months spread over Nebraska, Monday, continuing on into Tuesday. According to the reports to the railroads, it crossed the mountains Monday afternoon and rapidly moved eastward, being general over Wyoming, Colorado and western Nebraska Tuesday night.

Telegrams sent out by the railroad agents at the Nebraska towns and indicated at headquarters yesterday indicate that all through the western part of the state Tuesday night, precipitation was from one to two inches and still raining. Farther west the rainfall seemed to be lighter, but it was being followed up by the heavier rains, coming in from the west.

Railroad men who have to do with the crop situation are delighted with the changed outlook brought about by the rain. They are of the opinion that all through the western and central portion of the state, rain of Monday night and that has since fallen, will put the ground in perfect condition for fall plowing and the sowing of winter wheat. At the same time, they believe that it will freshen up the pastures, start the grass to growing, and that as a result, fall feed will be as good, if not better, than during former years.

Washes Out Tracks.

In the Black Hills the rain Monday and Monday night was the heaviest in years, estimated at from four to six inches. Two miles north of Hermosa, on the line running to Rapid City, the track was washed out for a distance of 500 feet by the water coming down Battle Creek, out of the hills. The creek is said to have risen six feet inside of ten minutes.

JAPANESE FLOTILLA IS SENT TO NANKING

TOKIO, Sept. 16.—A flotilla of Japanese torpedo boat destroyers was dispatched by the admiralty today to reinforce the war vessels ordered to Nanking yesterday.

The Tokio government fears further anti-Japanese activities on the part of General Chiang Hsun, Chinese commander at Nanking, whose dismissal is regarded by the Japanese government as an indispensable condition for any settlement of the dispute.

METHODISTS ORGANIZING

Conference at Lincoln Will Select Officers This Morning.

LOWE TALKED OF FOR OMAHA

Cedar Falls, Iowa, Minister, Who is to Speak Friday Before Ministers. Thought Candidate for First Church Here.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Sept. 16.—(Special.)—The three old conferences of the Methodist Episcopal church held separate sessions today. The old Nebraska conference is to have the secretary; the North Nebraska the treasurer, and the West Nebraska the statistician.

The superintendents selected the men to be nominated at the session of the consolidated conference in the morning. The men they selected were: For secretary, H. G. Langley, Laurel; and for statistician, Rev. B. F. Eberhart, Beaver City. The members of the old Nebraska conference resented the action of the superintendents and demanded a voice in the selection of a secretary so two names were presented. Rev. A. A. Rasmussen by the superintendents, and Rev. E. M. Furman of Tecumseh, from the floor of the conference. Rev. Mr. Furman elected by a majority of eight votes as the man to be nominated in the morning at the new conference. It was stated on the floor of the conference that at the morning session when the nominations will take place, Rev. Mr. Rasmussen will be renominated and the three conferences as one, will elect one of these men. The other conferences had no trouble in their sessions about the man selected by the superintendents.

Oldest and Youngest. At the roll call in the old Nebraska conference the Rev. Hiram Burch was the only man to respond as a member of the class of 1861, when this conference was organized. He is considered the oldest member. Rev. S. Barille of David City is the youngest member of the conference, being transferred by the old Nebraska conference from the North Nebraska last year just before it adjourned, thus making him the "baby" of that conference.

Rev. C. E. Carroll, pastor of the Emmanuel church, this city, will be announced tomorrow as transferred to the Colorado conference and will be given a church in Denver. The Rev. G. W. McCreey of Fallsdale, Colo., will come here to take charge of the Emmanuel church. It is difficult at this time to say anything about some of the talked of changes. Dr. U. G. Brown of Beatrice told a Bee reporter that he would not accept the University Place church, saying "I feel that I am not the type of man for that church. The other men being talked of are much better fitted for such a pastorate. My church at Beatrice is insisting upon my return for the eighth year."

Important committee to be appointed tomorrow will be the one on equalization of railroad fares. The men in the western part of the state will have to pay about \$16 car fare to attend the conference. The Lincoln men nothing. It is the purpose of this new conference to equalize the fares so that each man will pay the same.

On Friday afternoon Rev. Titus Lowe, D. D., of Cedar Falls, Ia., will deliver an address from the subject, "The Emancipation of Women in Heaven Land." It is understood from good authority that Dr. Lowe is one of the men being considered for the First church at Omaha.

At tonight's session Dr. B. L. Paine acted as chairman and an address was delivered by Rev. G. P. Mains, D. D., of New York City, in the interest of the book concern, Rev. Dan P. Brummitt, D. D., editor of the Epworth Herald of Chicago, delivered an address from the subject, "The Prophetic Mortgage of Methodism."

BIG NEST OF CRIME BARED BY THE POLICE IN MURDER CASE

Rev. Hans Schmidt, Confessed Slayer of Domestic, Discovered to Be a Counterfeiter.

COMPLETE OUTFIT IS FOUND

Dr. Muret, Dentist, an Associate of Priest, in Custody.

WOMAN HELD AS A WITNESS

Two Men Had Spent Much Time Together in Flat.

THEY RESEMBLE EACH OTHER

Murderer's Pretensions to Insanity Dealt Death by a Blow by His Record as Counterfeiter, Coroner Thinks.

NEW YORK, Sept. 16.—Stripping from New York's river murder its mysteries, the police bared today a nest of crime, fathered, they claim, by Rev. Hans Schmidt, confessed slayer of Anna Amuller, and Dr. Ernest A. Muret, dentist by day, by night, alleged counterfeiter. Muret is under arrest on a technical charge of having in his possession a pistol in violation of the Sullivan law. He was arrested early this morning after detectives, ransacking Schmidt's apartments, had uncovered evidence to show that Schmidt was a counterfeiter. This evidence led them to a flat rented by a man under the name of George Miller, in which were found all essentials to the counterfeiter's craft. The janitor of the building, brought face to face with Muret, greeted him as Miller. Muret, unaware of his impending apprehension, recognized her at once and said so, as the woman from whom he had rented the flat under his pseudonym.

Camera and Press Found. Schmidt and Muret, the justice said, and Muret admitted, had spent long hours together in the flat. They told the renting agents that they were medical students and wanted the flat as a place for making experiments necessitated by their studies. What they really did, the police alleged, was to experiment in counterfeiting. The kitchen was fitted up as a dark room; a camera, a printing press, photographic supplies and other equipment handy to counterfeiters was found there. But what the police railed on to rivet their case was a bundle of charged counterfeit bills under the kitchen sink and bits of many other such bills charged by fire, scattered through the four rooms.

After the detectives had arrested Muret, they took into custody as a material witness the maid employed at the dental office. She said she was Betha Zech and protested that she knew nothing of the crime, of which her employer was suspected. The police, busy with Muret's case, had little time to question her this morning, but expected to go to her during the day whatever she might know concerning the counterfeiting operations.

With Muret looked up, detectives set about searching his office. They found, in addition to such equipment as a dentist uses in practicing his profession, a revolver and all kinds of obnoxious instruments, several surgical saws and bone forceps. The findings of these instruments caused the detectives to press with renewed vigor the search for something which might directly connect the dentist with the murder of Anna Amuller.

Men Look Like Brothers. In spite of a strong physical resemblance between Muret and Schmidt, Muret claimed there was no relationship. Inspector Barret was of different mind. "The foreheads are the same," he said. "The eyes are the same. The noses are the same. The others are the same. If these two men are not brothers, they are at least closely related."

The copper plate from which the spurious bills were struck was made, in the opinion of detectives, by an expert engraver. The maker may have been the priest or the dentist, but detectives believe it was neither. They sought an expert today as an accomplice. The bills were imitations of \$5 yellow backs. Schmidt's pretensions to insanity, in the opinion of Coroner Fenberg, have been dealt a death blow by the baring of his record as a counterfeiter.

"Father Schmidt impresses me as an unscrupulous man with a master mind," Mr. Fenberg said. "Think of a man who is able to qualify for the priesthood."

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Money Thrown Away

Every time you buy something carelessly or foolishly the chances are that at least part of your expenditure is thrown away.

If you pay more for something than it is worth, the extra amount is practically thrown away. If you buy something that, through haste or carelessness, is not at all suitable, a large part of the money rightfully may be said to have been thrown away.

In all the varied expenditures you make, the more nearly you understand what it is that you require, where you can buy it most conveniently, and what the value should be, the more nearly you approach satisfaction and economy.

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