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SIX BROADWAY EXPLOSIONS SHAKE BIG BUILDINGS LIKE SHOCK OF AN EARTHQUAKE

Manhole Covers Thrown High and Hundreds of Windows Are Shattered.

NOISE LIKE BIG CANNON.

Persons on Street Are Flung Against Buildings Amid Hail of Iron.

With reports like the firing of an artillery salute six manhole covers were blown from their fastenings in West Fifty-fourth street, between Broadway and Seventh avenue and in Broadway, between Fifty-fourth and Fifty-seventh streets at noon to-day. Hundreds of windows were broken, persons on the street were blown against walls and vehicles, horses ran away and the occupants of hotels, apartment houses and office buildings rushed from their rooms in terror.

The explosions were caused by the accumulation of gasoline vapor in the sewers. Garages abound in the neighborhood and their refuse, swept into the sewers, has caused numerous explosions in the past. The gasoline vapor seep into the underground trolley conduits and are exploded by sparks from the contact shoes of street cars.

WINDOWS BLOWN TO BITS, SASHES AND ALL.
To-day's sewer explosion was the most serious in two years. Although there were many narrow escapes, no one was injured. The greatest force of the blow-up was felt in the block in Fifty-fourth street, between Seventh and Broadway. Not only were the window sashes shattered in the apartment-houses at Nos. 201 and 215, but the sashes were blown in.

The first manhole cover to sail aloft was in front of the Broadway Tabernacle, at Broadway and Fifty-sixth street. Next a cover at the Fifty-seventh street corner blew up. Then followed four terrific explosions, each accompanied by an iron manhole cover coming from fifty to eighty feet in the air, clouds of steam and stifling odors of gasoline and sewage.

Three manhole covers in three blocks along Broadway and three in the short block in Fifty-fourth street went up, one after another. All but one of the manhole covers was shattered by the force of the explosion and came down in a scattered hail of bits of iron. The exception was the cover at Fifty-seventh street, which landed intact alongside a horse attached to a light truck. The horse stopped running at Columbus Circle.

MURKIN IN TWO HOTELS IN A PANIC.
The full force of one of the explosions was felt by the Hotel Carlton, a new story structure at No. 22 West Fifty-fourth street. Every window in the lower floors of the hotel were blown out. A wide crack appears in the masonry to the west of the entrance.

John Anderson of No. 120 West Fifty-second street, the telephone operator, was thrown from his chair by the shock. Guests in this hotel and the Cumberland, at the southwest corner of Fifty-fourth street and Broadway, ran into the halls and frantically rang for the elevators. Two of the women guests of the Cumberland ran down to the office floor in their night dresses. They are actresses and were asleep at the moment of the explosion.

Nearly every window in the Fifty-fourth street block, except those in the Carlton, was broken. The tenants in the five-story apartment house at No. 201 ran into the street to encounter great clouds of steam belching from a manhole in front of the house. Thomas Buckley, a horse-shoer, at work in his shop at No. 215, was blown across the establishment. A driver, had just backed up his truck, loaded with coal, to the sidewalk in front of the Carlton when the manhole cover alongside the vehicle went up. Connelly was knocked from his seat by the force of the explosion. He wears the iron projectile made a hissing noise as it passed him in its upward flight. Pieces of the cover fell on his horses and they started to run away, but Connelly

SOUTH POLE FOUND BY CAPT. SCOTT, IS REPORT IN LONDON

But Wife of Explorer Has Received No Word From Him—News Not Confirmed.

LONDON, March 6.—A rumor is published here in an evening paper to-day that Capt. Robert F. Scott, the British Antarctic explorer, has reached the South Pole.

Mrs. Scott, wife of the explorer, who resides in this city, declares that she has heard nothing from her husband, and there is no confirmation obtainable from any source.

The Central News, which says that it is the agent of Capt. Scott, issued a statement this evening saying that it has not received word from the Captain and that it does not expect to learn whether he was successful or not "for some days to come."

Capt. Robert Falcon Scott of the British Royal Navy, who is in command of the British Antarctic Expedition, left England in July, 1910. He had with him sixty men, twenty Siberian ponies, thirty dogs and two motor sledges. Before his departure he said that his plans for the journey from King Edward's Land to the South Pole included the use of the three means of sledging—traction-poles, dogs and motors—and dogs were to be taken in sufficient numbers to insure a thoroughly adequate amount of food being taken to the base of the Beardmore glacier. A dog team, with a relay of men, was to transport the loads over the glacier surface and a picked party of men and dogs were to make the final dash across the inland ice sheet. Motor sledges were to be the main agent in the transport plan, and he thought that if the party reached the foot of the glacier there could be little doubt that it would ascend it and thus simplify the difficulties of the further journey.

The Terra Nova in which Capt. Scott's expedition sailed left London on June 1, 1910, and was joined later in New Zealand by Capt. Scott, the leader. Stores sufficient for three years were carried on board. In January, 1911, Capt. Scott and his comrades went south to establish depots, the Terra Nova, meanwhile, returning to New Zealand. All through the summer it was intended to make the final preparations for the last dash toward the Pole which was to be carried out at the end of the year.

Before leaving Capt. Scott declared that the entire expedition would hurry back to New Zealand as soon as the Terra Nova could break away from the ice and report the success or failure of the journey.

REAL BROKEN HEART CAUSES THE DEATH OF BASEBALL PITCHER.

Finlayson, Formerly Brooklyn Twirler, Fails to Recover From Rupture, Despite Long Treatment.
Fremboke Finlayson, once a pitcher with the Brooklyn National League club, which signed him when he was sixteen years old and kept him under contract for three years, died in the Norwegian Hospital, Brooklyn, to-day, as the result of a rupture of the heart muscles.

ENGLISH EXPLORER, REPORT SAYS, HAS REACHED SOUTH POLE.



CAPT. R. F. SCOTT

SCHIFF BURGLAR TELLS HIS STORY TO GRAND JURY

Brandt Also Has Long Conference With District-Attorney Whitman.

Polke E. Brandt, the Schiff burglar, appeared this afternoon before the Grand Jury and was examined at length by District-Attorney Whitman and Assistant District-Attorney Moss. It was expected that the testimony of Brandt and former Inspector of Police McLaughlin would wind up the Grand Jury investigation to-day unless Mortimer L. Schiff and Howard Gans should be allowed to appear before the jurors to tell their version of the affair.

Thus far there does not appear to have been any conclusive evidence submitted to the Grand Jury to sustain a conspiracy to "railroad" Brandt to prison and keep him incarcerated for thirty years. Daily intimations as to indictments to come have leaked from the District-Attorney's office for the past three weeks, but it is asserted by persons familiar with the proceedings that these intimations have been unwarranted.

Members of the Grand Jury are anxious to question Brandt. They want to know if he alone was responsible for the letter sent to Gov. Dix in which charges were made against Mrs. Schiff. And if Brandt did not write the letter the jurors want to know who did write it.

For the first time since the opening of the Brandt affair Assistant District-Attorney Moss began to take an interest in the investigation to-day and yesterday. Mr. Whitman and Mr. Moss are now working as a team in the examination of witnesses inside and outside the Grand Jury room.

GARDNER'S FORMER WIFE ARRESTS HIM AT COURT.

Claim for Arrears of Alimony Faces Former Senator Held in Will Plot Case.
Former State Senator Frank Gardner and George H. Decker, the nurse of Samuel E. Haslett, the reclusive, into whose house at No. 108 Remsen street, Brooklyn, Chief Magistrate Kemper and policemen forced their way to take possession and to bring about charges against the two of conspiracy to defraud, were in the Adams Street Court to-day for examination.

SAVE FOUR WOMEN FROM FIRE SET BY TINY ALTAR LAMP

Firemen Take Three From Window as Flames Set Clothes Ablaze.

ONE HANGS TO LINE.

Aged Woman Overturned Light in Room as She Completed Devotions.

The religious devotion of aged Mrs. Mary Hayes, who lives at Mrs. Gillie Zwiner's boarding-house at No. 121 West Sixteenth street, led to a spectacular fire in the house and the thrilling rescue of four women early to-day.

Mrs. Hayes had a little altar in her room on the second floor, and before her crucifix kept a tiny sanctuary lamp perpetually burning. Before going to mass at St. Francis Xavier's Church to-day she knelt at the altar for her morning devotions. As she rose she must have accidentally upset her lamp without noticing it. The altar draperies soon flamed up and Mrs. Hayes was hardly out of the house before her room was all ablaze.

In the room above Mrs. Louisa Devine was dressing. Her two daughters, Anna, twenty years old, and Mercedes, nineteen, were still abed. Mrs. Devine smelled smoke, and when she looked over the railing on the landing she saw the flames coming up the staircase. Mrs. Hayes had her door open. Mrs. Devine pulled a cord and opened the scuttle, thinking to let the smoke out. But she created a draught that brought the fire up at a furious pace.

As she rushed back to her room Mrs. Devine left her own door open, and as her daughters jumped up the fire entered the room. The three women fled to a window, and as the flames gained on them, climbed out on the sill. Several times they were ready to throw themselves to the pavement, but the crowd below cried to them to wait, as the firemen were coming.

TRYING TO SAVE WOMEN WITH ROPE WHEN FIREMEN ARRIVE.

Several men in the crowd tried to get into the house, but they were driven back by the fire. There was no fire escape either at the front or back. Some tried to rescue the women when Capt. Hanley and Engine Company No. 11 dashed up.

Drive Arthur Boylan set his horses on their launches and with a scolding ladder made for the three women. He took Anna in his arms the flames burst out at the window beneath him. Frederick Baumann in escaping from that room had not closed his door. With the flames snapping up toward him Boylan turned to lower the elder sister when the younger one, crazed with fright, threw herself upon his neck and clung to him so tightly that he was powerless to move.

Seeing Boylan's plight, Fireman Pollock mounted to a next door window, but before he could get the girl untwisted from Boylan's shoulders, the flames had caught her nightgown, and were burning Boylan's clothes beneath his rubber coat. Truck No. 11 came up as the two girls were saved and Fireman Henry Goulden quickly ran up his ladder and brought down the mother, who by that time had become unconscious.

HANGS TO CLOTHESLINE 30 FEET ABOVE GROUND.
Meanwhile Mrs. Mary Gordon, the housekeeper, who had rushed up to the second floor, thinking Mrs. Hayes was in her room and then had not been able to get back, had climbed out of a side window. As the flames reached her she threw herself out to a clothesline and clung screaming to that thirty feet above the ground. Fireman Martin rescued her just as she was becoming exhausted.

Dr. La Rochelle, ambulance surgeon from the New York Hospital, attended Mrs. Gordon, who was badly burned, and Mrs. Devine and her daughters, all of whom were overcome by the smoke. The fire, which was soon got under control, did damage estimated at \$1,000.

NEW ANANIAS CLUB BEGUN TWIXT SOBS BY MRS. ABRAMS

She Elects Hubby President by Unanimous Vote of One in His Divorce Suit.

HIS WITNESSES IN, TOO!

And Club's Password Is "Affinity Party"—'Cause That's Biggest Lie of All, She Says.

Mrs. Amelia Fendler-Abrams, testifying in her own defense to-day in the Supreme Court in the suit for divorce brought by her husband, Dr. Alexander Abrams, dramatically denied she had ever acted improperly with Henry M. Wolf, a San Francisco merchant, named as co-respondent by Dr. Abrams.

"It has been testified you proposed holding an 'affinity party' in your home in December, 1907, at which Mr. Wolf was to be the guest of honor. Is that true?" asked Mrs. Abrams's counsel.

"It is a lie, a miserable lie!" cried Mrs. Abrams. "I did not know Mr. Wolf at that time. I met him through a relative of my husband in January, 1908."

"Isn't it a fact that after you met Mr. Wolf he tried to bring about a reconciliation between yourself and your husband?"

"That is true,"

"I ask you now," continued the lawyer, "whether Mr. Wolf ever remained overnight in your home, as has been testified?"

"It is not true," replied the witness, sobbing.

"Did he ever breakfast in your home?"

"No."

"Did he ever bathe in your home?"

"At this juncture Mrs. Abrams broke down and sobbed aloud.

"Oh, why do you ask me such questions?" she demanded, crying. "It's terrible!"

"I have to ask these questions of you, madam," explained the lawyer.

"What! You have to bring me here to be insulted?"

MRS. ABRAMS' HYSTERICS FORCE ADJOURNMENT OF COURT.

Mrs. Abrams became so hysterical that Justice Newburger had to adjourn court for five minutes. Miss Lillian Abrams, the pretty eighteen-year-old daughter of the defendant, hurried to her mother's side and finally succeeded in calming her.

SUFFRAGETTE LEADER WHO ELUDES POLICE ON CONSPIRACY CHARGE.



MISS C. CRISTABEL PANKHURST.

WHAT HYPNOTIST COULD HYPNOTIZE AN UNDERTAKER?

Bayonne Man Tries It and He Makes Costly Exit From the Town.

After reading a rich harvest in Bayonne, N. J., as a hypnotist and fortune teller Zeslaw Petroski bumped into a succession of "Waterloos" that terminated his career, so far as Bayonne is concerned, in Recorder Maria's court to-day.

The first bump came last night when Stephen Jewiska, an undertaker of No. 65 Prospect avenue, Bayonne, called on the mesmerizing soothsayer to buy \$1 worth of future dope.

Jewiska has had little business lately and began to worry about the future. A friend suggested that Petroski could give him a line on the spirit and summer death rate, and tell him if he was likely to have a brisk trade.

The fortune teller had his shingle out at No. 24 Prospect avenue, whither the undertaker journeyed from his shop. Jewiska left, saying, "I'll be back."

Petroski laughed at him.

"I ought to charge you two dollars," he said, "for I have put in two dollars worth of work on you."

"All right then," said Jewiska, "give me my dollar back."

Petroski laughed at him.

"How about this," said the recorder, "you engaged to hypnotize this man and disclose the future. You took his money under false pretenses."

"I didn't know it or I wouldn't have taken his money. You can't hypnotize an undertaker."

"How about Judge?" asked the Recorder. "Think you could hypnotize me?"

"You ought to be easy," said Petroski.

"Go ahead, then," said the Court. "If you succeed I'll dismiss the case."

Petroski pulled up his cuffs and went to work. He made all the known passes and cross-palm fixtures in the absence of mesmerism. He blinked and jangled and reached his fingers until he was exhausted. Then he dropped his arms and said:

LONDON POLICE SEIZE \$500,000 WAR FUND OF SUFFRAGETTES

English Authorities Will Draw on Cash to Cover Riot Damages and Records Also Taken to Form Basis for Conspiracy Charges.

TRY LEADERS AS FELONS; FACE SEVEN-YEAR TERMS.

Christobel Pankhurst Dodges Police, Who Hunt Her With Warrant—Others Arraigned in Court.

LONDON, March 6.—Militant suffragism has received a severe setback in the seizing of half a million dollars, the war fund of the movement, which the authorities announce will be used to reimburse shopkeepers whose windows have been smashed and property damaged by the skirred raiders during the last week.

The Government officials are busy going over papers seized at Suffrage Headquarters. Among these complete plans of a campaign as prepared by Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst and other leaders have been found. These plans, it is said, will be used as the basis for conspiracy prosecutions.

The seizure of the \$500,000 is a severe blow to the suffrage cause. Under English law it is permissible to use this money in settling the claims of all who have suffered injury as a result of the destructive tactics of the suffragettes. Premier Asquith believes that the seizure will put a quietus to the strenuous tactics of the militants.

The police admitted to-day that they had not captured Miss Cristobel Pankhurst, a daughter of Mrs. Pankhurst, as yet, although they expect to arrest her shortly. Last night they had said that the plans of the city authorities to stamp out the property destroying tactics of the militant suffragettes, McCarthy engineered the raid last night on the suffragette headquarters and is in active charge of the work of repression.

WOMEN FACE FELONY TERMS OF SEVEN YEARS.

This announcement brought home to the suffragettes to-day the seriousness of their recent demonstration. It is to be expected that every woman who, through devotion to the cause, injures property or jeopardizes any person will face a felony prosecution. Conspiracy charges will be lodged from now on, according to McCarthy, against every militant suffragette.

The penalty on conviction may be seven years' imprisonment. The first persons to face that charge are Petrick Lawrence and Mrs. Petrick Lawrence, editors of the suffragette newspaper arrested on warrants. They will be tried speedily and if convicted will receive the felony sentences.

Mrs. and Mrs. Lawrence and Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst and Mrs. Tuka, the last two of whom were brought from Holloway Jail, were arraigned at Bow Street Police Court this afternoon on a charge of conspiracy and intending to commit malicious damage to property.

The four prisoners were remanded by the Magistrate for a week, bail being refused.

"HEINIE" ZIMMERMAN HAS SIGNED UP WITH CUBS.

CHICAGO, March 6.—"Heinie" Zimmerman of New York, the last of the Cub hold-outs, signed a three-year contract to-day, according to announcement by President Murphy. "Zimmerman reported here to-day, said he was glad to report and we are delighted. He will not be traded, but will start for the training camp to-morrow night," said the president. It is understood the utility infielder secured no change in the nature of his contract as the result of his hold-out.

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AMERICAN SUFFRAGETTE AT WORK IN JAIL.

An effort was made by the United Press correspondent to-day to see Miss Alice Morgan Wright, the young Albany, N. Y., girl sentenced to two months in Holloway prison. The authorities refused to permit her to be seen. She and the others arrested in the London suffragette raid are held incommunicado and all are being forced to work.

Miss Wright, who graduated from Smith College as a member of the class of 1901, and a doctor of wide reputation, will have no favors shown her, she

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World Building Turkish Baths. Always open. Bath with private rooms. 81. 10th St. and 10th Ave. Chicago, Ill. 100.

WOODRUFF TAFT'S GUEST AT THE WHITE HOUSE.

WASHINGTON, March 6.—Former Republican State Chairman Timothy L. Woodruff of New York will be a house guest of President Taft overnight at the White House. It is said that details of the President's campaign in New York will be discussed.

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