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13 DYNAMITE BOMBS FOUND TO BLOW UP KNOX ON HIS VISIT TO NICARAGUA

Deadly Missiles Planted as a Mine on Railroad, but Secretary's Train Passed Safely.

DEATH FOR PLOTTERS.

Twenty "Liberals" in Conspiracy Jailed and Their Execution Deemed Certain.

NEW ORLEANS, March 20.—As the result of the alleged discovery by the Government of Nicaragua of a plot to assassinate Secretary of State Knox on the occasion of his recent visit to the capital of that country, it is not improbable that a number of prominent "Liberals" will be put to death, according to advices received here today from Bluefields. Thirteen dynamite bombs placed beneath the roadbed over which Secretary Knox's special train travelled from Corinto to Managua and connected with an electric battery were discovered by Government agents and will be used as evidence against the conspirators. Two score "Liberals" or "Elberts" are confined in the penitentiary at Managua and are held incommunicado pending the termination of the present investigation by the Government.

ONE BOMB EXPLODED AND TELEGRAPH WIRES CUT.

On the day of Mr. Knox's arrival at Managua a bomb was exploded under the Chiriquete bridge, between Leon and La Olla, destroying a small portion of the track, but doing very little damage to the bridge.

Near this point four sections of the telegraph and telephone wires were cut.

The thirteen dynamite bombs with the battery connections were discovered between Posoltega and Chichigalpa, carefully planted beneath the railroad tracks. The discovery of these bombs, it is said, was not made until after the Knox special train had passed on its way to the capital, and the failure of the conspirators to get in their deadly work is believed to be due either to a lack of proper battery connections or the approach of guards who had been detailed to patrol the tracks.

A wireless message received here yesterday from the cruiser Washington, which is conveying Secretary Knox from port to port on his Central American trip, said that the Secretary was safely aboard that vessel and proceeding to La Guira, Venezuela, which point he expects to reach next Friday.

The Secretary boarded the cruiser at Puerto Barrios, Guatemala, last Sunday. The message stated that he was in excellent health and spirits and enjoying his rest from the almost continuous round of festivities arranged in his honor at the various places he visited. Mrs. Knox is accompanying her husband on the trip.

NICARAGUANS BITTER AGAINST KNOX SINCE 1909.

The bitterness displayed against Mr. Knox by the Liberals of Nicaragua and other Central American countries had its inception in the 1909 Nicaraguan revolution, when Mr. Knox handed the Nicaraguan Minister his passports after Groce and Cannon, Americans connected with the revolutionary army, had been shot by the order of President Zelaya.

The Liberals openly blamed Secretary Knox for the downfall of Zelaya, asserting that the revolutionists were openly aided by the United States Government.

It is believed that Mr. Knox was advised of the discovery of the activities of the conspirators during his visit to Managua, for, at the suggestion of President Diaz, it is said he cancelled his plans to stop at Leon en route back to Corinto from the capital. Certain Liberals who reside at Leon, where a strong anti-American spirit has long existed, have been charged by the Government with being the principals in the conspiracy and it was deemed unwise to have Mr. Knox visit that place.

TAFT CABINET OFFICER WHO ESCAPED BOMBS PLANTED IN NICARAGUA



PHILANDER C. KNOX

BRONX COUNTY BILL PASSES ASSEMBLY; GOES TO GOVERNOR

Dix Will Probably Sign Measure and Question of New County Will Go to Voters.

ALBANY, N. Y., March 20.—The Assembly this afternoon by a vote of 106 to 6 passed the Stillwell bill creating a new county out of the Bronx Borough.

The bill has already passed the Senate, and will now go to the Governor for his approval. It is believed that he will sign it. If he does, the proposal will be submitted under the referendum amendment to the voters of Bronx Borough next fall, and, if accepted by a majority of them, the Bronx will be set up as a separate county, the sixty-second to be erected in the State. The Republican County Committee of New York County went on record against the bill, and Tammany Hall leaders in New York City are known to be almost unanimously against it. They all consented, however, to withhold their opposition in the Legislature and make their fight against it at the polls.

FRAWLEY BOXING REPEAL BILL PASSES ASSEMBLY.

Measure Killing Law Permitting Ring Contests Goes Through by Bare Vote Required.

ALBANY, March 20.—The Allen bill, repealing the Frawley Boxing law, passed the Assembly today by a vote of 76 to 46, just the required number. The bill will now go before the Senate, where it will get the embalming treatment. Senator Wagner has declared his opposition to the repealing of the measure, and he is backed by the Democratic majority of the upper house.

World Real Estate Ad. Brings Nearly 100 Replies and Sells the Property Advertised

Warwick, N. Y., March 15, 1912. Publisher New York World. Dear Sir: I received today one hundred replies to a Real Estate advertisement placed in your issue of the 12th inst. I sold the farm and also various pieces of property as a result, and \$12,750.00 was received.

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AVIATOR COFFYN THROWN OFF BRIDGE BY SKIDDING AUTO

Daring Flyer Who Has Thrilled New Yorkers Near Death in Central Park.

CAR TEETERS ABOVE HIM

E. E. Harvey, Who Was Also in Car, Thrown From Bridge With Aviator.

Frank Coffyn, the daredevil aviator, was badly hurt this morning in an automobile accident. He is the man who has been keeping all New York with its heart in its mouth for the last few weeks soaring over sky-scrapers, diving at tugs from a thousand feet in the air, floating over and under the East River bridges—and the first serious accident he has ever suffered was in an automobile going eight miles an hour over a Central Park roadway.

The aviator was bruised about the nose, right eye and the side of his face and he had a narrow escape from being crushed to death. Edward Harvey, confidential secretary to Commissioner Thompson of the Water Department, in whose official car they were riding had a rib an ankle and a wrist broken. The chauffeur, Paul Zuelick, was unhurt, and Albert S. LeVino, Coffyn's manager, had a finger broken.

ON THE WAY TO TAKE PICTURES AT CROTON DAM. Water Commissioner Thompson had arranged through Coffyn and LeVino, who are under contract to the Vitagraph Moving Picture Company, to have pictures taken of the overflow at the Croton Dam. These were to be shown at the Budget Exhibit.

Harvey was taking the two out to the dam where Commissioner Thompson was waiting for them. It had been the original plan to take the Commissioner's wife on the trip, but the plan was changed. The car was running up the East Drive of the park about opposite Sixty-seventh street. Zuelick was driving it at about eight miles an hour. The middle of the road was very hard and the skids slippery with oil. As the car approached a bridge over the footpath, it began to skid.

"Zuelick threw out his clutch immediately," said Mr. LeVino afterwards to an Evening World reporter, "and I remember thinking that he was handling the machine brilliantly. He threw the brake on and started the reverse."

"The car kept right around that fell tonneau crashed into the three-foot iron guard railing. The car half turned over and the front wheels caught on a lamp post just inside the railing. Coffyn and Harvey were hurled over the railing to the concrete path below. The chauffeur and I were rolled out on the roadway."

BIG CAR HELD ABOVE THEM BY LAMP POST.

Immediately under the bridge a gang of five park workers were repairing the concrete. The Captain ordered them to follow him on the run, bringing blankets and stimulants, and went to the spot. Coffyn and Harvey were wrapped up and laid on the grass. Both were unconscious. Dr. H. A. Griffin of No. 53 West Fifty-fourth street saw the group from the drive and got out of his automobile and attended to them. He was joined a little later by Dr. Hall with an ambulance from the Presbyterian Hospital.

MRS. COFFYN HELPS NURSE HUSBAND IN HOSPITAL.

Mrs. Coffyn reached the hospital about fifteen minutes after the accident. At one time she was a trained nurse, and she was permitted to aid in making Coffyn comfortable.

As soon as his and Harvey's injuries were attended to both were placed in special rooms, and there they will be attended until they are discharged. Coffyn will probably go to his home, No. 41 East Fifty-eighth street, on Saturday. The hospital physicians prefer that he should remain under observation for a day or two.

Coffyn accepted his injury with his accustomed coolness. And as soon as he was established in his room at the hospital he said to a reporter for The Evening World:

"After this I'll stick to aeroplanes. No more motorcars; bicycles are safer. But I'm not badly hurt and I shall be out in a little while."

Auto Hanging Over Bridge in Central Park; Aviator Who Was Thrown Out and Badly Hurt



BILL'S WEE NAP IN SUBWAY NETS TEN-DAY SLEEP

Thought the Bench in Station Was His Bed and Began to Undress.

There was a christening last night at the home of Michael Finnegan. He had known Mike for years, had Bill Murphy, but for the life of him he could not reveal to Magistrate O'Connor, in the West Side Court today, where Mr. Finnegan and the little Finnegan lived, gave in a vague way.

Bill Murphy blinked his eyes and hardened his features. Followed a heavy bar of silence while the Court turned his head away. Bill Murphy was taking violent hold of himself and began:

"Me own home, Your Honor, is at No. 30 West Fortieth street, was flight down, straight ahead an' then to the right."

"Good, Magistrate O'Connor cheered him. "Now tell me where Mr. Finnegan hold his christening and how you came to undress and go to sleep on a bench in the Ninety-sixth street station of the subway."

Bill Murphy drew his hand across his lips and set his teeth. "Mike Finnegan," he uttered fiercely, "gives just a bit off that seven-o'clock after the Wop what discovered New York. 'Tis a common name, but it don't come to me."

"Columbus avenue," suggested His Honor. "Right!" ejaculated Bill Murphy brightly. "Columbus was the wop's name. Now we're gittin' along. 'Twas a grand christenin', Judge, an' it began Sunday. Leastwise Sunday run along into it, not to speak of 'part of Saturday' an' mello some o' Friday."

"Lavin' Mike's house, says I to meself, 'Bill, let's walk home. Ye need the air.' The answer was, 'yes, an' we walked, the two of us, Bill an' meself, castin' two shadows off the lamps."

"Me home as I said before, Judge, is at No. 30 West Forty, one flight down, straight ahead, an' then to the right. We come along, Judge a long piece, a good Irish mile, when I see ahead of me a open-faced entrance an' steps leadin' down."

"'Is it home we are, Bill?' says I, an' Bill says 'Yes.' 'Very good,' says I, 'I need sleep an' a power of it, only step right an' don't waste the house.' So down we went, the two of us, Judge, one flight down, straight ahead an' then to the right."

"There's our bed, Bill," says I, an' Bill says 'Yes,' so we both undressed an' went to bed, the two of us in the same bed, an' next thing I know me home is full of cops an' beatin' women, yellin' 'Horror!' an' 'He ain't got no pants!' an' the like of that. All I ask is a bit of sleep, Judge, an' no more christenin's for a bit speck."

Magistrate O'Connor so arranged it that Bill Murphy may sleep ten days unless some of his kin or friends come and bail him out.

AMERICAN WOMAN IN DOUBLE TRAGEDY AT HOTEL IN NAPLES

Found Shot Dead With Titled Italian, Her Identity Is Not Revealed.

POLICE RAIDERS SWING AXES TO GET 200 MEN.

Inspector Cahalane and 20 Policemen Hew Through Three Doors on South Street.

Inspector Cahalane with a squad of twenty policemen raided a place he calls a poolroom and gambling house, on the second floor at No. 12 South street, late this afternoon. Three men were arrested on warrants issued by Chief Magistrate McArdoo.

Cahalane has been working to get evidence against the place for weeks. It is said he got his information that the place was really a gambling house through the reports of detectives who were stationed on nearby roofs with field glasses.

There were 250 men in the room when Cahalane and his men battered their way with axes through three heavy doors. Many tried to escape, but found all avenues of escape blocked by policemen, and were compelled to remain and give their real names.

VOTES FOR WOMEN BILL ADVANCED IN ASSEMBLY.

ALBANY, March 20.—Contrary to expectation, the House Committee today put the Murray Women's Suffrage bill on the Assembly calendar on order of second reading. It was advanced to third reading, which put it back in the Rules Committee. There was no objection to its advancement.

HIGHLANDERS VS. ATLANTA.

ATLANTA, Ga., March 20.—Manager Wolverton selected "Big Jim" Vaughan to do the pitching for the Highlanders in their exhibition game against the Atlanta nine. The score by innings: Highlanders, 1; Atlanta, 1. Batteries—Highlanders, Vaughan and Williams; Atlanta, Jessau and Kerr.

LAUGH FOR AN HOUR.

You surely will if you spend that time, as thousands will, enjoying the 15 series of witty, funny, funny, comic pictures, "Laugh, Laugh, Laugh," that comprise the brand new series of the weekly "Joke Book," to be free with next Sunday's "World."

WIDOW KILLS HERSELF, DISGRACED BY ARREST AS JEWEL SMUGGLER

Mrs. Blanche Carson Plays Solitaire to Decide Fate, Then Ties Rope About Neck and Leaps From Hotel Broztell Window.

HID HER \$12,000 GEMS TO EVADE THE DUTIES

Prominent Clubwoman in San Francisco—She Dreaded Notoriety of Her Confession of Guilt.

Overwhelmed by the disgrace attached to detection in the act of smuggling jewels through the customs, Mrs. Blanche M. Carson, a wealthy widow, of No. 1925 Gough street, San Francisco, committed suicide today by hanging herself from the window of her room on the eighth floor of the Hotel Broztell, No. 3 East Twenty-seventh street. She made a noose at one end of a piece of trunk rope about twenty-five feet long, attached the other end to a radiator in the room and leaped from the window to her death.

The act was committed some time after 4 o'clock this morning. A tenant in the Knickerbocker apartments, No. 247 Fifth avenue, saw the body, clad in a blue dressing gown, swinging on the wall of the Broztell at 8 o'clock and notified a policeman, who took the news of the suicide to the hotel.

CRASH AT FERRY INJURES FIVE AS BOAT RAMS PILING

Passengers Knocked Prostrate and Panic Follows Mishap to the Bergen.

Five passengers on the Lackawanna ferryboat Bergen were injured this afternoon when the boat crashed into the "rack" of the ferry slip at the foot of West Twenty-third street. One, Michael J. Rotz of No. 119 Bank street, had his left leg and hip fractured and another, John Craig of No. 265 Tenth avenue, sustained fractures of the right arm and leg. The other three were cut and bruised.

The tide was at flood and the pilot of the ferryboat, to make the slip, kept the engines working until the boat was within a short distance of the bridge. When he gave the signal to reverse there was a little delay in answering and the boat, under considerable headway, collided with the heavy mass of wood and metal and the ferryhouse entrance.

All passengers who were standing were thrown from their feet and several horses were knocked down by the shock. Craig, a driver, was hurled from the seat of his wagon, and one of his horses, struggling on the deck, kicked him and broke his leg.

The ferryboat bounded back after the collision and considerable difficulty was experienced in making the landing. In the mean time panic reigned as erst, the steersman, passengers, Rotz and Craig were hurled to New York Hospital.

TAFT BACK IN WASHINGTON FROM NEW ENGLAND TRIP.

WASHINGTON, March 20.—President Taft returning from his New England trip reached here this afternoon and proceeded to the White House, where there was much official mail awaiting him.

DECLARED PEARLS WORTH \$600, OTHER PROPERTY \$200.

Mrs. Carson, a woman about fifty-five years old, well dressed, dignified and self-contained, handed Meyer a declaration acknowledging that she had \$600 worth of unstrung pearls and \$200

When the room Mrs. Carson had occupied was entered a deck of cards was found on a table alongside the bed. The cards lay in orderly array as they had been left by the distracted woman after she failed to work out a game of solitaire.

It is supposed she had recourse to the cards in order to settle in her mind the project of suicide she had conceived. She played what is known as "Canfield" solitaire, possibly with the idea that if she accomplished the end of getting out all the cards in sequence it would be a sign she should live and face the disgrace.

SHE COULDN'T RELEASE CARDS TO WIN GAME AND LIFE. The cards on the table showed that she failed to get them all out, but she had succeeded in building up in sequence on three aces, but the other ace was hidden, face down, in one of the rows of cards as they are placed to play the game.

This probably settled the fate of Mrs. Carson. Two hastily scrawled letters were found on the table near the cards. They were written, it is believed, after she had lost in her effort to complete the "canfield" solitaire.

A search by The Evening World from San Francisco states that Mrs. Carson was the widow of Edward Carson, who died some fifteen or eighteen years ago, leaving a large fortune. She was one of the most prominent clubwomen in San Francisco and was scheduled to deliver a lecture before the Century Club of that city upon her return from a trip around the world which she started last August.

She was an alumna of Vassar College and the author of several books. She spent much of her time at Carmel-by-the-Sea, a colony of writers and artists, near this city. Her father, Hiram Mahany, was for years one of the most prominent residents of San Jose, Cal., and was a man of great wealth.

Mrs. Carson was arraigned before United States Commissioner Carpenter in Jersey City yesterday afternoon, charged with smuggling. She admitted her guilt and was held in \$2,000 bail for examination Friday afternoon. Bail was furnished through Mrs. Carson's lawyer, Harrison Osborne, No. 4 Nassau street.

Mrs. Carson arrived in New York Monday morning on the North German Lloyd liner George Washington. At the pier in Hoboken Customs Inspector Alexander Meyer was assigned to take her declaration and look over her luggage.

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