

100,000 NEW YORKERS SEE CITY "SAVED" IN "BATTLE" AT VAN CORTLANDT PARK

DARING AUTO BANDITS BEAT AND ROB CASHIER OF \$2,000; FLEE FROM AMAZED CROWD

Fleischmann Bakery Employee Left Senseless on First Avenue Sidewalk.

ROBBERY WELL PLANNED

Auto Bore Same Number as Car Owned by Son-in-Law of William Rockefeller.

At noon to-day in sight of scores of persons held at bay at Seventy-seventh Street and First Avenue near the entrance to the First Avenue branch of the Germania Bank, three bandits attacked Charles Fried, an assistant cashier of the Fleischman Bakery, and beating him to the ground made away in a large touring car with a satchel containing \$2,000.

Fried, who is twenty-nine years old and lives at No. 2662 Valentine Avenue, the Bronx, has been employed by the company for several years and for months past it has been his daily custom to take the receipts from the branch at Eighty-first Street and East End Avenue to the bank. He left the store shortly before noon unaccompanied.

As Fried turned into First Avenue at Eighty-first Street he noticed a large dark green touring car with three men in the rear slowly going down on the other side of the street.

Just north of Seventy-seventh Street on the east side of First Avenue is the cloak and suit store of J. French. The front and side awnings were down and hung so low that a dark space was formed in front of the place.

AUTO BANDITS STOPPED IN FRONT OF AWNINGS.

The auto shot ahead and crossed to the east side of the street. In front of the store with the lowered awnings it came to a stop and the three men got out and appeared to enter the store. A few seconds later Fried, with the bag of money, walked under the awning. The three men suddenly turned as Fried came abreast of them and attacked him.

One of the men struck him with a blackjack. Another tugged at the money bag, and a third flourished a revolver. Fried sank under the blows and relaxed his grip on the bag of money. As he fell unconscious the three men darted out to the auto waiting at the curb with its engines throbbing.

The men dropped low in the car as it started from the curb and several men ran after it. At high speed it went up First Avenue to Eighty-first Street and turned west. It was lost to sight when the pursuers reached the corner.

POLICE PURSUE FLEEING AUTO IN VAIN.

Patrolman Sobole of the East Sixty-seventh Street Station was at Seventy-fifth Street when he heard the crier of Fried and then saw the auto speeding away. His signal brought a dozen policemen and they scattered through the neighborhood in search of the car. Fried was hurried to the Reception Hospital in charge of Dr. Ellis, and later in the afternoon, after treatment for scalp wounds, he was able to leave for his home.

The best description of the thieves

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BURNS OUT CANCER WITH A NEEDLE AT WHITE HEAT

Surgeon Using Electrical Method Performs Operation That Amazes Doctors.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 25.—Heat with a view to curing inoperable cancers of the lower abdomen was applied yesterday for the first time in this section of the country by Prof. James F. Percy, of Galesburg at a clinic of the Medical Association of Pennsylvania, held at the Methodist Episcopal Hospital. The operation, which was declared one of the most remarkable in the annals of medical science, was witnessed by some of the most prominent surgeons in Pennsylvania. An electric needle at white heat was used by the professor.

Prof. Percy is considered an authority on cancer, having spent many years in specializing in this work. After considerable study of the question of reaching cancers too far down in the abdomen to permit of operation the professor conceived the idea of burning them out with electricity. This he found successful, and he predicts that when the method has been improved, as he expects to have it shortly, it will revolutionize surgery on cancer.

The patient who submitted to the operation at the hands of Prof. Percy was suffering from a cancer in its advanced stage in the lower abdomen. At the end of the operation, which lasted several hours, the patient was declared to be doing well. The operation itself was a pronounced success, and unless unforeseen complications arise, such as may be found with any surgical operation, the patient, it is declared, will leave the hospital a well man.

There has been extensive use of the X-ray, violet rays and radium for cancer, but never before was an electric needle, containing a withering degree of heat, used in such an operation here. Physicians said that only upon his own patients in the West had Prof. Percy used this treatment.

AIR RAID BY FRENCH ON RAILWAY AT METZ

Sablons Railway Station Bombed by Squadron, Says Paris Report.

PARIS, Sept. 25.—A French air squadron yesterday bombed the Sablons railway station at Metz, it was officially announced this afternoon.

STORM RACING NORTHWARD, Now Near Jamaica, It Threatens to Increase in Intensity.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—A tropical hurricane now central southwest of Jamaica promises to increase in intensity as it moves northward, the Weather Bureau reported today. Vessels bound for Yucatan Channel and the western Caribbean Sea were warned to "exercise every precaution."

WARLIKE SCENES AT VAN CORTLANDT PARK TO-DAY



BRITISH WARSHIPS BOMBARD ZEEBRUGGE

German Naval Base Attacked but Extent of Damage Is Not Known.

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 25.—Three British warships heavily bombarded Zeebrugge, the German naval base, at daybreak to-day. The extent of the damage is not known.

FRENCH GUNS SILENCE A TURKISH BATTERY

Warship Enters the Dardanelles and Smashes Strong Position on Asiatic Side.

PARIS, Sept. 25.—A French warship has entered the Dardanelles and silenced a Turkish battery on the Asiatic coast, it was officially announced this afternoon. The battery's guns were of large caliber and had harassed Anglo-French troops near Sed-ul-Bahr by throwing shells across the strait.

The Turks have made several unsuccessful attempts to explode mines under French trenches at the southern tip of Gallipoli. Prisoners report that on one occasion the French countermined and set off dynamite in a Turkish tunnel, killing fifteen men.

Killed by Fall Downstairs. Harry C. Griffin, forty-five, a dentist employed at No. 386 Third Avenue, fell down a flight of stairs in the hall at that address last night and was dead when picked up.

STEAMER SUNK; 39 OF CREW OF 56 REPORTED SAVED

Eemdyk of the Holland-American Line Went to the Bottom, London Says.

Kaiser Removes Navy Chiefs Who Ordered the U-Boat Raids

BERLIN (via courier to the frontier and London), Sept. 25.—Admiral von Holtzendorff, former Commander of the German high seas fleet, has been appointed head of the Naval General Staff, succeeding Vice Admiral Bachmann. Rear Admiral Hehneke, Vice Chief of the Naval General Staff, also is out, and it is understood his successor will be Admiral von Koch, Inspector of Marine Instruction at the Naval Academy, although this appointment is unconfirmed.

The changes, which were made some time ago, took place in connection with the modification in the submarine policy stipulated by Ambassador von Bernstorff's declaration at Washington. The displaced Admirals, it is understood, were opposed to the modifications in the U-boat warfare

DUMBA MUST BE RECALLED; NO BACKDOWN BY THE U. S.

Instructions Sent to Ambassador Penfield Make It Plain That a "Leave of Absence" Will Not Be Satisfactory.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—Ambassador Penfield at Vienna has been instructed to make clear to the Austrian Government informally that the United States must insist on the recall of Dr. Dumba, the Austrian Ambassador, and that his departure "on leave of absence" would not be satisfactory.

Mr. Penfield has been authorized to make it clear that Dr. Dumba's usefulness as the Austrian Ambassador to the United States has ceased and that if given merely "leave of absence" he would nevertheless still remain accredited.

10,000 CLAIMS MADE FOR AIR RAID DAMAGE

There Are 697 Cases of Injury in England, 178 Being Total.

LONDON, Sept. 25.—The East Coast Raid Committee, appointed in January, submitted to-day to the treasury a report covering fourteen German aerial raids previous to June 15 and the bombardment of the Hartlepool, Scarborough and Whitby by German warships.

The number of claims reported for personal injuries is 697, of which 178 were fatal cases. The number of claims for damage to property, which have been investigated is 10,327.

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CITY'S 10,000 SOLDIERS GIVE GREAT WAR DISPLAY THAT THRILLS VAST CROWD

Many Military Manoeuvres Precede Big Show of To-Day—Gov. Whitman and High Officers of the Regular Army See Spectacle.

GUNS ROAR AS INVADERS APPEAR FROM THE NORTH

New York was defended from hostile attack to-day by her 10,000 soldiers who mobilized at Van Cortlandt Park. In the presence of at least 100,000 persons the "invaders" were repulsed and the city "saved."

Previous to the great sham battle, which started at 2.30 o'clock, there was a series of military manoeuvres that began at 10 o'clock in the morning. The great throngs that assembled in the grand stands and encircled the wide stretching park witnessed some hair raising feats that showed the skill and the daring of the guardsmen. Then came the review by the Governor.

MINE WORKERS INVITE JOHN D. JR. TO A CONFERENCE

Union Suggests Meeting to Frame Agreement "If He Has Welfare of Men at Heart."

DENVER, Col., Sept. 25.—An invitation to John D. Rockefeller Jr. to meet representatives of the United Mine Workers of America and establish contract relations in Colorado, "if he has the welfare of his employees at heart," is contained in a formal statement given out to-day by Robert H. Harlin, Percy Tetlow and James F. Moran, committeemen representing the International Executive Board of the miners' organization in Colorado.

The committee recently came to Colorado vested with power to decide policies for the miners' union in Colorado and take necessary steps to defend members in any legal proceedings. It takes issue with a published statement by Mr. Rockefeller that the Colorado Fuel and Iron Company "does not care whether its employees are union or non-union men," and says:

"Since the strike was called off last December this company (Colorado Fuel and Iron) has steadfastly refused to re-employ men who were still affiliated with the union, and we defy Mr. Rockefeller to produce from his entire working force in Southern Colorado a dozen men who are members of the union."

The statement says the "miners' representatives" with whom Rockefeller has conversed in the coal camps do not represent the union (United Mine Workers of America), but an organization "created by the head officials of the company and afterward folded upon the miners."

The statement says that, despite Mr. Rockefeller's recent announcement, "one of 500 members of our organization" have been refused employment by the company, while others have been "discharged on some flimsy, trumped-up pretext" and that "the elements that led to the revolt of miners in Southern Colorado still obtain."

It seemed as if all New York had taken a holiday by the time the "battle" was to begin. Since early morning the crowd had been pouring in from all directions, by surface, elevated and trolley cars, afoot and in automobiles. Most of them had brought lunches preparing to make a full day of it. Tremendous enthusiasm was shown by the great throng as it looked on the scene that presented all the excitement of warfare with none of its horrors.

In the stands watching the display with interested and critical eyes there were, besides Gov. Whitman, Major Gen. Leonard Wood and his chief of staff, Col. Glenn; Gen. Wotherspoon of general staff of the regular army; Gov. Walsh of Massachusetts, Mayor Mitchell, nearly all the city officials and many who figure in the State government.

The formation for the battle was begun at 1 o'clock. With the exception of Squadron A and the Machine Gun Corps, which represented the advance guard of the imaginary enemy, the citizen soldiers were all deployed in positions best calculated for the city's defense.

Gen. O'Ryan's invading army was supposed to be coming down from Westchester County. On reports that cavalry patrols of the enemy were approaching, the guns of the defenders began sputtering from the groves about the Van Cortlandt Mansion. In a moment regiment after regiment, battery after battery and troop after troop were deploying and banging away all over the valley, while the 100,000 spectators yelled and clapped their hands in approval.

There wasn't a space in which a foothold could be maintained anywhere in sight outside the cleared fields and the roads. The crowds kept growing with the arrival of every train.

The roads far up on the hillsides a mile or more from the parade grounds were all occupied by row on row of people. Automobiles were parked three deep all around the edges of the park where no grandstands had been erected.

When the shooting and the First Cavalry, dismounting, ran forward on the field, keeping up a rattling fire by rushes, and the batteries on the hills began their ear-breaking smashes tumultuous roars of applause came from the spectators.

While machine guns and the rifles of infantry squads were popping all