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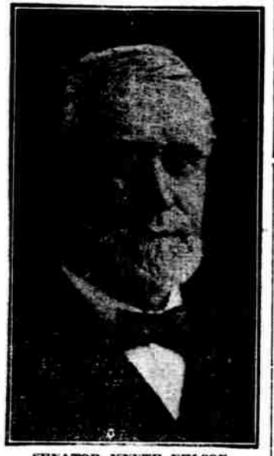
House Members Will Honor Rev. Dr. Couden To-day.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS MARRIED

Preacher Who Lost Sight While Serving in Union Army Will Be Given Surprise—Senators Nelson and Owen to Celebrate Birthdays To-day—Col. Biddle is Fifty-two.

Rev. Dr. Henry Noble Couden, chaplain of the House of Representatives, to-day celebrates his twenty-fifth wedding anniversary, and members of the House for whose enlightenment and blessing the blind preacher has offered so many fervent prayers have prepared a surprise for him in the shape of a purse of \$300.

SIXTY-EIGHT TO-DAY.



SENATOR KNUTE NELSON, of Minnesota.

Norway, and came to this country when six years old. He first settled in Illinois, but removed from there to Wisconsin, from where he left for Minnesota in 1871.

Career as Legislator.

The idol of the Scandinavian-Americans in a lawyer, having been admitted to the bar in 1887. He was a member of the Wisconsin legislature for two terms, State senator, Presidential elector, a member of Congress for three terms, member of the board of regents of the State University, member of Congress for three terms, governor of Minnesota for three terms, and United States Senator for Minnesota.

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Lieut. Col. John Biddle, former Engineer Commissioner of the District, member of the American Society of Civil Engineers, the Engineer Association of the South, Archaeological Society of America, the Society of the War of 1812, the Society of Foreign Wars, the Society of the Carabao, and a life member of the Chesapeake and the Metropolitan and Chevy Chase clubs, will celebrate his fifty-second birthday anniversary to-day.

Prof. Frank Kenneth Cameron, expert in charge of the laboratory of soil chemistry of the Agricultural Department and member of the Cosmos Club, will observe his forty-second birthday to-day.

Reliable Laxative for Old People Given Free

Life is so arranged that there is a close resemblance between infancy and old age. By this is not meant the mental but the physical faculties.

Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, which stands to-day, after a generation, as the ideal remedy for old people, women, children, and all others who require a mild, natural remedy. We would give the names of thousands of old people who use nothing else but Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin.

Dr. Caldwell does not feel that the purchase of his remedy ends his obligation. He has specialized in stomach, liver, and bowel diseases for over forty years and will be pleased to give the reader any advice on the subject free of charge.

EXPLOSION SHAKES NEW YORK CITY

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at the center of the explosion, and not a trace of them save three mangled bodies were found. Three-quarters of a mile away, at the Toothpick pier, the captain of the tugboat Tuohy was blown through his pilot-house and killed, which made up the number of dead positively known as four.

There was hardly any doubt in the minds of the railroad men after they had talked with the barge skippers and the dock workmen, some of whom had been less than 200 yards away from the dynamite car, that all of the twenty-five had been destroyed. Of these twelve had just stretched themselves to rest from shoving dynamite cases between the box car door and the hold of the Katherine. The others belonged to the two lighters, nine on the Katherine W. and four on the Whistler.

They were contract laborers supplied to handle shipments of the Du Pont de Nemours Company to the Communiplex piers and it was not their habit to stroll away from the work in hand. Taking all this into consideration, the Jersey City police to-night put them down as dead men, they and the crews of the lighters, explosion victims, were buried in the morning.

First Explosion on Boat.

Vice President and General Manager W. G. Bester, of the Central Railroad of New Jersey, worked for ten hours without entirely satisfying himself. He accepted the opinion of Capt. Land, of the marine department of the railroad, that boats blew the car and not the car the boats.

For years the Du Pont de Nemours Company has been shipping dynamite and blasting powder from several of its plants to be loaded on to lighters at pier 7. The company owned the Whistler and leased the Katherine W., an explosion steamer which had been converted into a lighter. The Du Pont people did not believe the routine of unloading, but let the job to contractors who furnished Polish or Hungarian labor. Some of these men had been kicking around dynamite for so long that they thought no more of handling it than they would of handling cement.

In Fifty-pound Cases.

The lighter Katherine W. was snuggled against the string piece on the north side of pier 7. From her main hatch ran a wide, smooth runway, on which were placed fifty-pound cases of dynamite sticks from the nearby full car. Outside the Katherine W. on the north was the Whistler, which had taken on a cargo of dynamite, according to workmen in the freight yards. The Whistler was equipped with gasoline engines, and the Katherine W. had a gasoline engine for auxiliary purposes.

Scene of Activity.

Within a half circle of 1,000 yards from the end of pier 7 were 200 freight handlers, dock men, switchmen, and others tending the ordinary business of a freight terminal. A switch engine was puffing and grumbling and bumping cars somewhere.

In a crash this scene of industry was changed to widespread ruin and confusion. The Katherine W. vanished; the Whistler sank. The big Ingrid keeled over and righted herself with a damaged starboard side and her superstructure piled with wreckage. The Hardwick, less injured, reappeared through the smoke in a condition that made her helmsman, Captain Swain, hysterical. The Empire, of Oxford, and the other lighters showed ripped planking, and like a topsy-turvy schooner, will need a new lot of glass fixings.

Laws Preclude Similar Catastrophe in District

So stringent are the laws governing the sale and handling of dynamite and other high explosives in the District of Columbia, it is believed, such a catastrophe as occurred in New York could not possibly happen in Washington. The police regulations cover every phase dealing with explosive matter, and they are rigidly enforced.

Must Be Buried in Ground.

Unless it is to be used immediately the dynamite is buried in the ground to a depth of several feet, and at the remotest possible distance from human habitation. Carried in buckets or baskets by hand, there is little danger of the explosive being jarred—the surest way it can be exploded.

Red Letters Must Be Used.

More than fifty pounds to be taken through a public thoroughfare, the vehicle must be marked "dangerous" in letters of red. It is not necessary that smoking is a mortal crime in the neighborhood of dynamite.

Thursday Friday & Saturday Prices Cut to Atoms

Men's Underwear, Piece-lined and derby ribbed, worth up to 75c. Thursday, Friday, Saturday, garment..... 29c

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90 Men's Overcoats; worth up to \$35.00. If your size is here, the bargain of a lifetime. 52 inches long; plain and reversible collar. Thursday, Friday, Saturday only.. \$8.95

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65 Men's Cravenette Overcoats; worth \$20.00. Just think of it! Less than the cost of making. Thursday, Friday, Saturday..... \$3.98

Men's Soft and Stiff Hats, worth \$2.00, \$3.00, \$3.50. The greatest hat bargain ever offered in Washington. Choice Thursday, Friday, Saturday..... 95c

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ELLIS ISLAND IS SHAKEN; FEW IMMIGRANTS THERE

First Day in Six Weeks that No Liners Landed Steerage Passengers at the Station.

New York, Feb. 1.—This was the first day, exclusive of holidays, for six weeks when no immigrants were received at Ellis Island, about half a mile from the explosion. On the main floor of the registry building there is a huge room, forty feet high, with heavy glass lights and huge slanted windows, fifteen by thirty feet, where the arriving immigrants are lined up between several rows of iron railings, and to-day when the concussion came it was immediately followed by a thunderous crash of glass and metal, which showered the entire room and broke the heavy metal railing like so much rope.

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knocked off their trucks. The car of dynamite which was being unloaded into the Katherine W. was gone with the end of the pier. Scattered over the debris for yards around were broken cases of dynamite from the second car and loose sticks that had been thrown, many of them, for fifty yards. In the first work of relieving the injured and hunting for the dead, railroad men and ambulance surgeons walked over dynamite without thinking much what they were treading on, and much too busy to worry if they had thought. Later they were more careful, and the police rammed back everybody but a few workmen and officials.

Schooner a Strange Sight.

The three-masted Ingrid was a curious disreputable sight. Her masts staggered drunkenly and the mizen topmast dangled like a broken arm. Her yards were askew and her rigging was in a tangle. Car trucks, solid masses of steel, were jammed on deck between masses of splintered timbers, barrels of cement, smashed glass, and fragments of dynamite cases. Bones from South America, which she had unloaded, were scattered about the deck.

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