

WEATHER.

Generally fair tonight and Saturday; continued warm; light to moderate variable winds.

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ONE CENT.

MANUFACTURE PANIC FROM DANGER ZONE

Destruction Threatened by Fire in Naval Magazine of Explosives.

POLICE AND FIREMEN DARE NOT APPROACH CLOSELY

Flames Kept From Spreading After Building Is Destroyed.

DUNNITE BURNS LIKE PITCH

Admiral Twining Directs That Residents in the Vicinity of Giesboro Point Be Warned to Leave.

Fire in the Bellevue magazine for explosives of the Navy Department at Giesboro point, D. C., early this morning, caused hundreds of residents of the vicinity to flee panic-stricken for safety and endangered many thousands of dollars' worth of property.

Scores of families living in the neighborhood of the magazine were awakened by employees of the place and warned to leave their homes. Men, women and children, mostly colored, fled in consternation from their homes and sought refuge on the hills of Congress Heights, where they remained for nearly six hours, until assured by the police that all danger had passed.

Owing to the nature of the high explosives, including "dunnite," stored in the building, Supt. William J. Fay of the almshouse at Blue Plains, when notified of the possibility of an explosion, ordered all the helpless inmates of the institution conveyed to the lawn and warned all others of the danger impending. Although much alarmed, order was maintained among the charges, and after assurances had been received that the flames were under control the inmates returned to their quarters.

That there was no explosion is explained by the circumstance that the "dunnite" fortunately was not inclosed in shells, but was packed in wooden boxes, and hence burned vigorously but quietly like pitch.

The origin of the fire has not been determined, but it is believed one of the wax works in a bottle containing a powerful explosive became heated and melted. The explosion took place within a short time the entire building was ablaze.

Police and Firemen Summoned.

It was shortly before 5 o'clock this morning when Chief Inspector Thomas Hurd of the navy, who is in charge of the magazine, discovered the flames. He notified other employees about the place and also telephoned to the eleventh precinct police station and to No. 5 chemical engine company.

The fireboat Fire-fighter also was called. Chief Gunner Hurd and Charles Hayes, also employed at the magazine, went to the homes of residents in the vicinity and warned them of their danger. Hardly waiting to don their clothing the people left their homes and watched the fire from a great distance. When the fire engine company and the police of the eleventh precinct arrived at the scene they were warned not to approach the building, as it was not known when an explosion might occur. The fireboat Fire-fighter did not approach the wharf of the magazine.

It was stated about 300 pounds of explosive, "Nitrure," in liquid form, were stored in the building.

Shortly after the first bottle caught fire the corks in other bottles melted, the flames adding intensity to the flames. Not daring to approach the place the employees, firemen and police stood at a distance and watched the flames destroy about \$1,400 worth of explosives and cause about \$500 damage to the building, which was of brick, one story high.

Flames Kept From Spreading.

After it was seen that all of the explosive in the building was burned and the structure itself destroyed, the fire engine company and the firemen threw streams of water about the place to keep the flames from spreading to other buildings in the vicinity. The firemen worked until nearly noon before all the embers were extinguished.

Many of the families residing in the neighborhood, who had left their homes, went to the homes of relatives and friends and would not return even when assured by the police of the eleventh precinct there was no danger. They declared they would take no chances and it was not until this afternoon that members of all the families had returned to their homes.

In a number of instances fathers and older brothers who were awakened by the employees of the magazine early this morning, went away from their places of employment during the day, because of the nervous condition of the women in their families.

Action of Admiral Twining.

Rear Admiral Twining, chief of ordnance of the Navy Department, was early notified of the fire and it was by his instructions that persons living in the vicinity were notified to leave the place. Admiral Twining said that the Bellevue magazine was not an important station, it was attached to the Washington navy yard and was used principally for the storage of high explosives designed for experimental purposes. These were mainly in the form of rockets for the primers, although in addition there was a quantity of "dunnite" on hand. There was a comparatively small amount of powder at Bellevue, the naval proving station at Indian Head being the main factory and depot for powder in this vicinity.

Admiral Twining said that he had not yet received any details regarding the fire, but had been informed generally that the building where it originated had been destroyed, and that all the contents, that the fire had with all tendency to any of the other buildings and that there had been no loss of life or injury to any one. Chief Gunner Hurd, who is in charge of the magazine, will make an official report of the occurrence.

GETS TWENTY YEARS

Sentence Is Imposed on J. Barton Miller.

NOTICE OF APPEAL MADE

Pending Higher Court's Action, Bond of \$20,000 Is Given.

ARGUE JUROR'S COMPETENCY

Plea for New Trial—Term May Be Shortened if Books Are Returned.

Twenty years in the penitentiary, the identical sentence imposed last year on John Barton Miller, former secretary-treasurer of the First Co-operative Building Association of Georgetown, convicted on two counts of embezzling funds of the association, was given Miller today by Justice Wright in Criminal Court No. 1, after he had overruled a motion of the defendant to grant him a new trial.

On the indictment charging the destruction of the books of the association, Justice Wright deferred sentence until further order. He intimated strongly to Miller that if the latter would return the books and thereby restore the information as to the condition of the association as disclosed by these records a substantial reduction in the sentence imposed on the embezzlement charge would be made.

Miller noted an appeal from the sentence in the embezzlement case, and gave bail in the sum of \$20,000, pending the decision of the appellate court. George W. Ray qualified as surety. In arguing a motion for the new trial, Attorney Henry E. Davis and John E. Laskey read to the court numerous authorities holding that a relative of a stockholder in a corporation, the funds of which had been embezzled by the defendant was biased and disqualified at common law to act as juror.

Justice Wright disposed of this point by stating that Libbey's father had been dead more than three years before Libbey was appointed juror, and that this was in the possession of the defendant when Libbey was examined.

Challenge Was General.

The fact that Miller knew the father of Juror Libbey was dead and that the challenge to the qualification of the juror was in general terms and did not suggest to the attention of the court the particular ground of challenge, the court said, nullified the point made by the defense that the juror might have been incompetent. The court pointed out that the examination of the books and records without importing words into it the crime could only be committed when the writing described the crime plainly, that without importing words into it the crime could only be committed when the writing described the crime plainly, that without importing words into it the crime could only be committed when the writing described the crime plainly, that without importing words into it the crime could only be committed when the writing described the crime plainly.

Nothing to Say.

When asked if he had anything to say before sentence, Miller calmly responded "Nothing, your honor."

Justice Wright then pointed out that the extreme penalty of the law might be imposed when the defendant was convicted of taking, but a consideration of the former official's action, he said, in the case of the defendant, would be taken into account in imposing the sentence. The court stated that in view of the circumstances, the case called for a sentence of ten years on each count.

FRENCH CABINET CRISIS OVER ARMY CONTROVERSY

Government Defeated in Parliament on the Question of Supreme Command.

PARIS, June 23.—The government was defeated in the chamber of deputies today on a question relative to the supreme command of the army in case of war. The ministry of Premier Monis has decided to resign.

The Monis cabinet was formed March 2 last, following the resignation of the Briand ministry. February 27, Gen. Gotran, who became minister of war following the accidental death of Minister Berteaux, was recently quoted as saying that in the event of war the chief of the army would be the president, have the supreme command. The statement has been both criticized and ridiculed by the opposition, causing some embarrassment to Premier Monis and his other associates.

BULLET CARRIES GERMS.

Passes Through Mad Dog's Head and Strikes Newark Woman.

NEWARK, N. J., June 23.—Mrs. Paquette Pastine of this city is in a hospital here suffering from hydrophobia as the result of a slight bullet wound in the forehead. The bullet, fired by a policeman at a mad dog, passed through the dog's head before it grazed Mrs. Pastine's forehead, and apparently carried the germs of the disease with it.

Walks 3,101 Miles in 55 Days. BOSTON, Mass., June 23.—A month ahead of his schedule, William H. Chapman, a sixty-two-year-old copperworker, walked into the city early today from Denver, Col., having made the trip of 3,101 miles in fifty-five days. He thereby wins a prize of \$2,500 offered by the Western Stock Association of Denver, Chapman walked twenty-three pounds during the trip.

NO PROOF TO GIVE

Hopkins Unable to "Put His Finger" on Any Corruption.

WILL NOT DECRY MOTIVES

Before Committee Investigating Lorimer Election.

TELLS OF REPORTS TO HIM

Says There Were Rumors of the Use of Money on the Day He Was Defeated.

Although former Senator Hopkins on the day Senator Lorimer was elected to the Senate heard many rumors of the use of money in accomplishing that result, Mr. Hopkins, whose toga was wrested from him by Mr. Lorimer, was unable to "put his finger" on any corruption when he testified today before the Senate committee which is investigating the Lorimer election.

Pressed to tell the committee whether he had any reason to believe that any of the republicans who deserted him for Senator Lorimer in his hour of sorest need had done so because of improper influences, the witness declined to answer.

"I don't think I ought to say," declared the former senator. "It is only my belief." Neither could he name any person who could aid the committee, he testified. He added that he had tried to forget his defeat to a seat to which he declared he was entitled, saying that he was sure the public had no time for a man with a grievance.

His examination had not been finished when the committee took a recess for luncheon.

Regarded as Party's Candidate.

After his victory at the senatorial primary Mr. Hopkins said he was considered the republican party's candidate for senator, just as Gov. Deneen was regarded as its candidate for governor.

"I was assessed by the state central committee, just as the other candidates were, to run the campaign at the fall election," said Mr. Hopkins. The election of senator by the legislature in 1900 was then inquired into. The witness told of the election of a speaker by a coalition of "democrats and recalcitrant republicans" and of a republican senatorial caucus in which he was elected the party's candidate.

Hears Report of Bribe.

Coming down to reports that he had heard about the use of money to defeat him, Mr. Hopkins repeated the testimony he gave to the Illinois legislature investigating committee to the effect that on the day Lorimer was elected his private secretary told him Senator McCormick had informed him that \$2,500 had been offered him to vote for Lorimer.

Hopkins' Apple Barrel.

Mr. Hopkins said he heard that two other members he was going to lose were Logan and Durfee. Both of them had been at his hall at 11 o'clock the night before the election, the witness said, "and ate my apples and smoked my cigars."

Wanted to End Deadlock.

Former Gov. Richard Yates of Illinois, on the stand yesterday afternoon, was asked many questions regarding the reasons for the deadlock voting for Mr. Lorimer for senator.

Delve Into Illinois Politics.

During the questioning of Mr. Yates there was much delving into Illinois politics. It was about forty-eight hours before the election of May 28, 1900, he said, that he learned first that Mr. Lorimer was a candidate, and Mr. Lorimer told him at that time there was a chance of his (Lorimer's) election.

Parting Gift to Saratoga Park.

SARATOGA, N. Y., June 23.—Richard A. Canfield, who some time since disposed of his Saratoga gambling establishments in widely known fact, one of the most prominent men in the city, today sent the Saratoga park commissioners a check for \$5,000. This parting gift to the village is coupled with the condition that it be used to maintain the clubhouse, which is now used as a public casino.



PUZZLE: FIND THE MAN AT THE WHEEL.

but he added that rumors of the use of money were "in the air" the day Lorimer was elected. He heard talk of Lorimer's possible election two or three weeks before the election.

"I felt Lorimer was trying to defeat me, and my understanding was that he would use any instrument to defeat me," said Mr. Hopkins.

Will Serve as Lesson.

"I think this mix-up will serve as a lesson to the District officials," said a member of the appropriations committee this afternoon, "and will make it certain that there will be no occurrences of this sort in the future."

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LIKELY TO GET \$200

Appropriation for Contagious Disease Fund Expected.

WOULD LAST TO JULY 1

House Committee. It Is Thought, Will Make Favorable Recommendation on Subject.

The House appropriations committee, of which Representative Fitzgerald of New York is chairman, probably will recommend to the House that the contagious disease fund of the District, which is entirely exhausted, be increased by \$200. This sum, it was expected, would be available for the next fiscal year.

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committee think it rather odd that the local health authorities should have delayed May 23 that they must have \$2,000 additional to augment the contagious disease fund, then a couple of weeks later say that \$100 would be sufficient, and today ask for merely \$200.

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ARABS SLAY TURKS

A Thousand of Sultan's Soldiers Die in Fierce Battle.

FIGHT AT CLOSE QUARTERS

Five Hundred Survivors Suffering From Dagger Wounds.

GUNBOAT'S DEADLY MISTAKE

Turns Guns on Friends, Mistaking Them for Enemy—Rebels Take Several Big Guns.

HOEDEDAH, Arabia, June 17, via Aden, June 23.—Rebels in great force today surprised and cut up a Turkish column commanded by Mahomed Ali Pasha outside Gheesan, a town on the Red sea about 100 miles north of Hoededah. A thousand Turkish soldiers were killed, Mahomed Ali Pasha is missing.

The fighting was so desperate and at such close quarters from serious dagger wounds. The survivors fled in disorder to Gheesan, pursued by the rebels.

Gunboat Shells Friends.

The Turkish gunboat Sutebbe, intending to shell the Arabs, shelled Gheesan instead, killing or wounding several hundred of the soldiers.

The rebels captured four big guns, two Maxim's, 2,000 rifles and a quantity of ammunition, and ultimately retired.

Are a Rebellious People.

Gheesan, near which rebellious Arabs routed the Turkish troops, is a seaport of the Turkish vilayet of Yemen in southwestern Arabia. Yemen is a mountainous district whose people are engaged most continuously in revolt against Turkish authority.

To the north is the vilayet of Assir, or Assyr, the capital of which, Abha, was recently captured by rebellious Arabs, who made prisoners of the Turkish garrison composed of 5,000 men.

Relief Force Missing.

Subsequently a relief force was sent out from Mecca, but whether it reached Abha has not been reported. At the same time Izzat Pasha, who had suppressed a revolt in Yemen was sent into Assir.

The most recent uprising in Yemen appears to have developed while a great share of the Turkish military strength in the southwest was occupied with the rebels in Assir.

TRIBUTE TO LATE SENATOR.

Daniel of Virginia to Be Eulogized by House Tomorrow.

There will be eulogies in the House tomorrow, beginning at noon, on the life, character and public services of former Senator Daniel of Virginia. Among the speakers will be Speaker Clark, former Speaker Cannon and Representatives Brantley of Georgia, Humphries of Mississippi, Richardson of Alabama, Henry of Texas, Olmsted of Pennsylvania, McCall of Massachusetts, Kahn of California, Small of North Carolina, Dalzell of Pennsylvania, Payne of New York and Jones, Holland, Mann, Turnbull, Saunders, Glass, Hay, Carlin, Slomp and Flood of Virginia.

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KING SEES LONDON

AS GUEST OF CITY

Met at Temple Bar by Lord Mayor, Who Offers to Give Up Pearl Sword.

TODAY'S ROYAL PROGRESS

IS OVER A LONG ROUTE

Pageant More Brilliant Even Than That of Yesterday.

MORE HAVE CHANCE TO SEE

Masses of His Subjects Afforded an Opportunity to Attest Their Loyalty—Streets Lined by Cheering Thousands.

GEORGE V THANKS TAFT.

LONDON, June 22, 1911. The President of the United States of America, Washington, I heartily thank you for the people of the United States for the very kind congratulation which you offer me on this great and solemn day, and for the good wishes which you express for the prosperity of the United States and for the welfare of myself and family. I heartily reciprocate your wishes that the friendly relations between the United States and Great Britain may ever continue.

GEORGE V. R. I.

LONDON, June 23.—King George and Queen Mary today showed themselves to the masses as distinct from the more favored classes who were able to obtain access to the circumscribed area of yesterday's pageant. Today's procession was on an even grander scale than that of the coronation. The route was more extended, including a circuit of some of the most populous districts of the capital, and the crowds that looked on were correspondingly greater. Then, too, their majesties were accompanied by a larger escort.

The scenes along the route were to a great extent a repetition of those of yesterday, with a much greater crowd of spectators. The procession began to form in the yard of Buckingham Palace and the adjacent streets at 9 o'clock, and two hours later it was under way.

Thousands Cheer Monarchs.

Between lines of cheering thousands the royal party made stately progress from Buckingham Palace by way of Constitution Hill, Piccadilly, Trafalgar square, through the city, over London bridge, by Borough road and by Westminster bridge, thus making a complete circuit.

The pageant included four full squadrons of cavalry, representing all branches of that arm of the service; life guards, dragons, hussars and lancers, each accompanied by its own band and a section of horse artillery.

These were followed by all the naval and military aids-de-camp on duty, the war office staff, deputations of foreign officers, the royal suite, the members of the royal family and the foreign princes, and the colonial and the Indian escorts, immediately preceded the state carriage.

Kitchener Bides With King.