



DYNAMITERS COMPLETELY WRECK SEATTLE RESIDENCE

Home of Ivan P. Lee Destroyed But None Hurt.

NO MOTIVE FOR CRIME

Thought to Be Act of Neighbors Who Objected to Erection of Barn.

REVOLVER SHOT ALSO HEARD

Immediately After Explosion Pistol Shots Were Heard—Report of Detonation is Heard For Miles Around.

SEATTLE, Oct. 29.—Shortly before midnight the residence of Ivan P. Lee, 309 Nye Place, two miles from the business section, was wrecked by an explosion of dynamite. The property is badly damaged but none of the occupants of the house were injured although Mrs. Nye and six children sleeping in the rooms upstairs. Fred Edmunds, standing in front of the residence was shot at a distance of 20 feet, but escaped injury. Lee is a reputable business man, and says he cannot ascribe a motive for the crime, although he has been involved in litigation of late and his neighbors are said to have protested against the construction of a stable on his property. Four revolver shots were heard immediately after the explosion. Reports of the explosion was heard in the business section of Seattle. Residences occupied by the police department in the vicinity of the Lee home were slightly damaged.

LAND FRAUDERS CONVICTED.

PORTLAND, Oct. 29.—Dr. J. H. Hedderly, William H. Smith and Richard D. Hines, three of the defendants in the so-called "Los Angeles fraud" were convicted by the jury in the United States District Court this evening. Lee R. Myers and Jeremiah Huntly were acquitted.

FLEET DIVIDED.

Eight Battleships Arrive at Amoy—Balance Proceed to Manila.

AMOY, Oct. 29.—Eight battleships of the Atlantic squadron under command of Admiral Emery, arrived here this morning after an uneventful voyage from Yokohama. Sixteen ships of the fleet left Yokohama

MORE CERTAIN AS FIGHT ADVANCES

Leaders Receive Estimates from Throughout the Country Showing Strong Republican Tendency.

NEW YORK, Oct. 29.—Representative Ludenslager, secretary of the Republican congressional committee, who has been in charge of the headquarters at New York today, gave out his estimate of the complexion of the house of representatives in the 61st congress. He says from several thousand letters received and from personal interviews with observers in all sections of the country he believes it will be 227 Republicans and 164 Democrats. He is confident there

together Sunday but divided into two squadrons when two days out. The first under command of Admiral Sperry, going to Manila and the other coming here. The squadrons will join forces again November 4th at Manila. China will welcome the visitors with unbounded enthusiasm. Preparations to this end are complete and all Chinese of exalted rank will take part in the festivities.

TAFT STILL RUSHING THROUGH NEW YORK

IS STRONG AFTER HEAVY CAMPAIGNING WHICH IS NEARING AN END.

GOV HUGHES IS COMMENDED

Crowds And Demonstrations Great the Presidential Candidates at All Points Visited by Him Yesterday.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Oct. 29.—Republican seers have sounded in the wake of the Taft special which today visited Lyons, Canadawaga, Geneva, Seneca Falls and Auburn. The climax was reached in this city tonight with a big parade, two meetings and an overflow. There has been no lack of auditors and demonstrations wherever the Ohioan has tarried. Despite the heavy campaigning required of him yesterday in New York he showed little effect of the strain today.

He was hot at the hoofs of what he considers Democratic fallacies in every speech and has been free in expressing his optimism as to the result on next Tuesday. Governor Hughes has been commended in strong language, likewise the remainder of the New York State ticket and the vice-presidential candidate. Judge Taft has had a rival attraction here tonight of Mr. Bryan whose special car was at the station when the Taft train arrived. Judge Taft's arguments today have been pointed with new phrases and illustrated with new comparisons. At Lyons in the first speech of the day he asserted that the defeat in 1896 of the silver heresy was a victory for good exceeded only by that of the army in the civil war. His next extended effort was at Canadawaga where he went into an analysis of the government through the political parties. At Geneva his speech was devoted largely to labor.

WANTED TO DIE AFTER PLEDGE VOTE DECIDED BEING BUNCOED UNCONSTITUTIONAL

'Frisco Shark Gets Idaho Man's Money at Race Track. Are Not Compelled to Vote for Popular Candidate.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 29.—H. H. Lage, a farmer from Winona, Idaho, attempted suicide here today. Lage, when removed to the hospital, declared he came here for medical treatment. He met a man who promised to stake \$200, virtually all the farmer possessed on a race. The stranger and Lage's money disappeared and illness and the loss of his money made him despondent.

COMMENDS PRESIDENT.

Union Printer Approves 'Roosevelt's Reply To Gompers.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 29.—John Stuart, a union printer of Philadelphia, has written President Roosevelt commending him for the President's reply to Gompers. Stuart says until recently he has been an admirer of Gompers but his "Recent erratic course has caused me to turn with disapproval from his foolish attempt to turn organized labor against the Republican standard bearer, W. H. Taft." Stuart asserts that two-thirds of organized labor will be found supporting Taft for the presidency.

DEATHS IN FIRE.

NEW YORK, Oct. 29.—Hemmed in by flames and unable to escape from the basement of a business house on Duane street, two men were burned to death this evening and a third was fatally injured.

BASEBALL GAMES.

Los Angeles 1, Portland 7.
Oakland-San Francisco game called on account of rain.

BISMARCK, N. D., Oct. 29.—Members of the North Dakota legislature will not be compelled to carry out their pledges to vote for the successful candidate at the primary senatorial election Tuesday. The Supreme Court today decided unconstitutional the pledge feature of the primary law as it relates to the popular election of United States Senators. The court however upholds the provision of the law providing for holding a primary for the selection of a popular choice for Senator.

RETURNS EN ROUTE.

Travellers On Illinois Central To Be Given Election Bulletins.

CHICAGO, Oct. 29.—A scheme to give election returns on trains Tuesday night has been devised by the managements of the Illinois Central and Rock Island systems. These bulletins will be posted in and distributed through all passenger cars and sleepers on every through train over the entire railroad. The plan provides for special telegraphic service through agents and the figures will be given to conductors at every stopping point.

This is the first time that an elaborate arrangement for informing travelers of the results of a national election will have been executed.

CORTELYOU SPEAKS.

NEW YORK, Oct. 29.—Secretary Cortelyou addressed a large and enthusiastic mass meeting at Murray Hill Lyceum tonight, making a plea for the election of W. H. Taft and the entire Republican ticket.

SCRIBER IS SPIRITED AWAY TO PORTLAND FOR SAFETY

ASTORIAN APPOINTED.

Otto Heilborn Elected on Executive Committee of Assistant Postmasters.

ALBANY, Or., Oct. 29.—The assistant postmasters of Oregon formed an association here today. The following officers were elected: President, Frank M. Powell, Albany; vice-president, John J. Shipley, Portland; secretary, J. H. Farrar, Salem; treasurer, F. A. Page, Eugene; executive committee: H. B. Ross, Pendleton; Otto Heilborn, Astoria; Lyman D. McKee, Ashland. The association will meet February 22 of each year. The 1909 meeting to be held at Salem.

HEARST AGAIN ATTACKS OPPOSITE PARTIES

DIRECTS ARGUMENTS TO THE WORKINGMEN AND UNIONISTS IN NEW YORK

MORE LETTERS IN EVIDENCE

Letters Alleged to Have Been Written by Archbold to the Late W. J. Sewell Were Read by the Editor Last Night.

NEW YORK, Oct. 29.—Arguments directed to the workingmen and trade unionists, arraigning the Republican and Democratic parties were made by a speech delivered by W. R. Hearst in Cooper Union tonight for the Independence League. Two letters from J. D. Archbold to the late W. J. Sewell, United States District Attorney for New Jersey, bearing on what Hearst called indifference of Representative Gardner, chairman of the house committee on labor to "demands of the plain every-day workingmen," figured in the speech and in two other letters which he said were written by Auditor King of the Democratic national committee to D. M. Parry, president of the Manufacturers' Association and to John T. Maxwell, Barry's secretary. Hearst said the letter to Parry congratulated him on his reelection as president of that association and on the adoption by the association of Parry's "Anti-Labor Union policies." The letter to Maxwell, Hearst said, referred to a fight of the association against the International Typographic Union and against the eight-hour bill in congress.

IS PINT OF WINE A LADY'S LIMIT?

Question Brought Up in Gould Divorce Case in Evidence Given by a Witness.

NEW YORK, Oct. 29.—Elijah W. Sells, cousin of Mrs. Katherine Clemmons Gould and a distant relative of her husband, Howard Gould, gave testimony in the Gould divorce proceedings before the referee today. Sells is going abroad and for this reason Justice Bishoff ordered his hearing now. Sells testified to his part in trying to arrange means by which the parties to the present suit could live harmoniously. One of the stipulations of Gould's however, was that his wife should abstain from the

Has Been Under Heavy Guard Several Days.

VIOLENCE WAS FEARED

Scriber Freely Confesses to the Misappropriation of the Bank's Funds.

SPECULATION, NOT THE CAUSE

Claims to Have Used the Money to Save the Bank But Does Not Explain in What Manner he Did So.

PORTLAND, Oct. 29.—Spirited away from La Grande because of the numerous threats of lynching which Deputy United States Marshal Hammersley says he heard, J. W. Scriber under arrest for misappropriating the funds of the Farmers' & Traders' National Bank of La Grande was brought to Portland tonight, 12 hours ahead of the scheduled time by Deputy Hammersley. Hammersley, Hammersley says that in order to avert a possibility of violence, the Sheriff of Union county has had Scriber under heavy guard for several days.

Scriber freely confesses the misappropriation of the funds of the bank. He talked freely of the charge against him tonight, and assumed all responsibility. He declared, however "They cannot find I appropriated any of the money to my own use, speculated with any of it or squandered one cent of it. It all went in an effort to save the bank." The ex-cashier did not, however, explain in what manner he disposed of the bank's funds or what he meant by his allusion to his effort to save the bank.

THOMPSON WHIPS UNHOLZ.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 29.—Cyclone Thompson practically knocked out Rudolph Unholz, the "Fighting Boer," in the eleventh round of a scheduled 20-round contest tonight.

WHITWORTH WINS.

TACOMA, Oct. 29.—Whitman College of Walla Walla, fell before the onslaughts of Whitworth College here yesterday and was defeated from that game.

OREGON SEACOAST RAILWAY RE-ORGANIZATION PROJECT

Secretary William Reid Eliminated from the Enterprise as One Result of the Receivership.

BONDS OF THE COMPANY SOLD IN LONDON

Receiver Warner and Engineer Hawgood Spent the Day in Astoria Yesterday Conferring With the Company's Attorney Here, and Departed for Portland Leaving Assurances Behind.

There are very strong, even flattering, prospects for the early re-organization, and subsequent completion of the Oregon Seacoast Railway, better known as the "Reid" line, from Clatsop City into the Nehalem country, and thence east to Portland, via Hillsboro.

Messrs. C. H. Warner, the newly appointed receiver of the system and business, with H. Hawgood, of Los Angeles, the chief engineer of the company, was in the city yesterday, in close conference with J. Q. A. Bowlby, of the company's legal staff, departing for Portland on the evening train. They reviewed the situation at this end of the road very thoroughly and fully determined its status before their departure.

The elimination of Secretary William Reid may have relieved the conditions somewhat; at all events there is no question now, in the minds of these gentlemen, that the original plans and scope of the project are to be again undertaken and prosecuted to a finish. This is good news for Astoria and all this section, and it is backed by the ample certainty that the bonds of the company have been sold on the London market, and

the recent action instituted in federal circuit court at Portland as against Mr. Reid, in adjudication of the \$50,000 transaction for which he was responsible and which precipitated the receivership and divested him of all further interest in the enterprise, has cleared the project of its only grave impediment and given new impetus to its fulfillment.

The cheerful assurance was left by the gentlemen referred to that the re-organization of the company would be effected in the course of a very few months, and that thereafter the new company will build to tide-water at Astoria and to the Nehalem, as quickly as men and money can accomplish it.

There is said to be plenty of money in sight for the thorough investigation of this long-deferred enterprise and that it is at last in hands that mean something; but just whose hands these be, is yet among the remote and unguessable problems that surround all railway projects, especially in their earlier stages. Astoria has no need to worry over the proprietorship of the line so long as it shall be built, and quickly; and the quicker, the better.