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ROOSEVELT DEFEATES TO WIFE IN CUBA

CONTRACT OF MARRIAGE RESCUES TWO CHILDREN FROM BURNING HOME

RESCUES BURNING CHILDREN

Wee Ones Set House on Fire While Mother Away

Little Boy Plays With Matches—Gasoline Ignites

Death in Awful Form Hovers Over Home of Fred R. Graft—Rescuer Comes Just Before Roof Falls

While two tiny tots covered in the corner of their home at 951 East Forty-first street, flames which the little ones had started by playing with matches yesterday afternoon slowly devoured the cottage.

But for the timely arrival of a fearless man the children of Fred R. Graft would have been burned to death.

With fascinated eyes the children, a boy of 3 yrs and girl of 18 months, saw the fire eat through one side of the cottage, and although they knew they were in danger, neither could scream.

A few seconds later the flames caught the gasoline stove, and the reservoir of inflammable fluid exploded with a roar. The burning liquid splattered over the room and little flames sprang up everywhere.

The children retreated farther and farther into the front room and tried in vain to burst open the door which their mother had locked when she went out for 1 day, many hours before the fire occurred.

Rescuers Arrive

Just when the children were about to be caught by the ever-encroaching flames, the door was burst open and Charles Kern, a contractor who was busy on some construction work nearby, plunged through the seething flames and rescued the little girl.

"There's another child in there," shrieked an agonized woman.

"For God's sake, save that baby," was the plea of the neighbors.

Kern looked at the roaring hell but did not pause.

Throwing his coat over his head, the man plunged again through the wall of flame.

Inside the house the hero dropped to the floor to avoid the dense smoke. Choking and half suffocating, he groped about. He shouted, but no answer came.

Almost in despair Kern turned toward the door. Then, in a momentary lull in the crackling of burning timbers, he heard a moan from the child.

Groping his way toward the sound, Kern found the baby boy.

With the body of the unconscious child in his arms, the man stooped and again dashed through the wall of fire.

The group of horrified women outside the burning house saw the almost swooning man burst from the fire encircled door and stagger to the street with the almost naked infant clasped to his breast. An instant later the roof fell.

The little one soon revived in the air but was unable to give an account of the affair other than to admit he had played with matches.

Neighbors said Mrs. Graft left the house in the morning after locking the children in the house. The little ones played with matches in the afternoon with the result that the Graft family is homeless and the children had a most narrow escape from a terrible death.

Patrolman Thornton of the University station, who turned in the alarm, made the assertion that if the children had not been rescued when they were, they must have been burned to death.

Patrolman Jack Walsh helped rescue some of the belongings of the Graft family from the flames after the children were rescued. The fire loss was about \$500. The house was said to have been owned by J. H. Evans.

BURTON FILES BRIEF FOR A REHEARING

By Associated Press.
WASHINGTON, Sept. 14.—A brief in support of the petition of Former United States Senator Burton of Kansas for a rehearing of the case in which he has been found guilty of accepting a fee for services rendered the Rialto company of St. Louis was filed in the supreme court of the United States today.

BLOODY CLOTHES POINT TO CRIME

BUFFALO POLICE UNRAVELING MYSTERY

Hospital for Women Furnishes Clues Which May Lead to Disappearance of Patient—One Death Unexplained

By Associated Press.
BUFFALO, N. Y., Sept. 14.—Dr. W. W. Turver, who conducted a hospital for women at 101 Niagara street and 723 Prospect avenue in this city, is a prisoner at police headquarters and the police are trying to unravel the mystery of the disappearance of Gertrude Knight of Philadelphia from his Niagara street establishment, where large quantities of blood-stained clothes and bedding were found.

The police were first attracted to Dr. Turver's Niagara street place on Wednesday morning when, following a quarrel with Miss Geddes, his head nurse, Dr. Turver went through the place with an ax smashing furniture and windows.

While investigating the cause of the disturbance the police found a bed saturated with blood-soaked cotton. It was learned that a patient who gave her name as Gertrude Knight of Philadelphia occupied the room on Tuesday, Miss Geddes, the nurse, told District Attorney Abbot that this patient left the hospital on Wednesday and took the 11 a. m. train for Philadelphia.

Her testimony in this respect is partly confirmed by Mrs. Ayres, a boarding house keeper to whom Dr. Turver sent some of his patients. She said a woman came to her place Tuesday night and left for Philadelphia Wednesday. She did not know her name, however.

Find Damaging Evidence

While investigating the Knight case the police learned that Edith Pinner of Hoboken, N. J., died at the Prospect avenue hospital September 8. Miss Pinner's body was shipped to her home at Hoboken by Undertaker M. J. Prouty.

In the last year Prouty stated he has buried six women and two children for Turver. It was first suspected that the Pinner woman and the woman who disappeared from the Niagara street place were the same.

This theory was dismissed yesterday when the trunk found in the Niagara street hospital was opened by the police. It was filled with woman's fine clothing and a bundle of letters addressed to Gertrude Knight.

All the unexplained circumstances that now remain have to do with her. Physicians consulted by the police doubt the statement regarding Miss Knight's sudden departure from Turver's place. They say the woman who occupied blood-stained chamber on Niagara street had so much blood that it would be impossible for her to travel so soon.

They are also puzzled to know why she should leave her trunk and clothing in the hospital. Miss Geddes upon being taken to the district attorney's office admitted that Dr. Turver's ally with an ax followed a quarrel with her, but steadfastly declined to divulge the cause of their trouble.

CAUSE OF DEATH A MYSTERY

Miss Pinner's Family Deny Rumors Concerning Case

By Associated Press.
NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—Miss Edith Pinner was a daughter of J. R. Pinner of No. 57 Washington street, Hoboken, N. J. The father was a business man of standing for thirty years.

Mrs. Pinner, a sister of the dead girl, speaking for her family, said: "My sister died of heart disease. I was with her when she died. I took her to Smith Hall, just outside of Buffalo, for treatment. She was suffering from neurasthenia and heart trouble. She was very sick when she died."

"She died on Saturday and I brought the body home on Sunday. I do not know who Dr. Turver you speak of. When told that the cause of death as given on the death certificate was child-birth, Mrs. Pinner said that this was certainly a blunder—that a great mistake had been made.

Harry Pinner, a brother, said: "My sister Edith was 4 years old. She went to Buffalo was recommended. They brought her home Sunday and we buried her Wednesday. It is a very sad affair for all of us. The cause of death was given us as blood poisoning following an operation for appendicitis. She told us that she was married, but would never reveal the name of her husband."

Ship Sights Icebergs

By Associated Press.
SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 14.—The officers of the British ship Walden Abbey, which arrived today from London, deny the recent report that the vessel was on fire during the voyage. Off Cape Horn the ship passed two immense ice bergs, one being two miles long and 400 feet high.

FIVE ARE INJURED IN AUTO

Strikes a Telegraph Pole East of Venice

Car Turns Over, Burying Occupants Under Debris

Party Includes Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Clark, Mrs. Heinzen and Daughter and J. W. Ferris

The big new touring car belonging to Mrs. B. F. Heinzen, of the family of pioneer druggists of Los Angeles, was upset shortly before midnight last night after colliding with a telegraph pole at Fredericks station, a mile and a half east of Venice, and five persons were injured.

Traveling at a rate of speed said to have been forty miles an hour, the big Pope-Hartford automobile careened as a tire exploded, burying the four occupants and the chauffeur under the debris.

That none were killed seems remarkable to those who were in the accident, the chauffeur being the most seriously injured. He is known only by his surname, Fryer.

Five Lucky Ones

The party included Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Clark, relatives of Mrs. Heinzen, J. W. Ferris and Miss Eda Heinzen and chauffeur Fryer.

They had been to Venice and were homeward bound at 11:30 o'clock, when speeding along the road some defect developed in the tire or wheel, a loud report was heard, the tire collapsed and the big car rounded against a pole, spilling the five.

With means of the women and the excited efforts of the men to extricate them, the scene was one of excitement. Fortunately the machine's lamps were not all extinguished, and the victims were able to help those not so badly hurt, and prepare to take them to the nearest house for treatment.

The accident occurred near the Venice car line, and all five were hastily taken back to Venice on a trolley car and conveyed to the home of a Mr. Knight, where medical attention was given them.

Apparently no one was seriously hurt except the chauffeur. He was given temporary treatment, and at his own request conveyed to the Hotel Casa del Mar.

After a rest the Heinzen-Clark party returned to their home in Westmoreland place, Los Angeles.

Exaggerated reports concerning the accident reached Venice, and the Los Angeles-Pacific company put a special car immediately at the service of the injured in case it was needed.

NARROWLY ESCAPES BEING ROASTED ALIVE

SAN LUIS OBISPO, Cal., Sept. 14.—J. Simas was perhaps fatally burned today when the burning of the heroic rescue of Oscar Lowenthal of San Francisco, would have been roasted alive, during a fire caused by the explosion of a gasoline stove in the tailor shop of Patrick Hughes.

Simas' shoe repairing shop adjoined the Hughes place, and when the explosion occurred the two frame buildings were in flames within five minutes.

Simas was so overcome with the heat and the smoke that he was unable to open his door and escape. The fire cut through the side of the house and rushed through the flames and dragged the old man to safety just as the burning timbers collapsed.

GREEK KILLS FATHER OF ALLEGED BOY THIEF

By Associated Press.
VALLEJO, Sept. 14.—Antone Ashley, aged 60, was shot and killed tonight by A. Moro, a Greek.

Moro had caused the arrest of Ashley's 12-year-old son on a charge of stealing from Moro. Ashley met Moro on the street today and upbraided him for causing his son's arrest. Ashley struck Moro and knocked him down, when Moro drew a pistol and shot Ashley four times in the chest and stomach.

The injured man died on his way to the hospital and Moro is in jail charged with murder.

WYOMING DEMOCRATS ARE OUT FOR BRYAN

By Associated Press.
CHEYENNE, Wyo., Sept. 14.—The Democratic state convention today adopted resolutions endorsing W. J. Bryan as "the triumphant candidate in 1908."

The platform demands national and state eight hour labor laws and their enforcement; favors a law making it a felony for state officers to accept a pass or other free transportation from a railroad; demands a primary election law and a return to the Australian ballot system, and favors free trade in various commodities, particularly wheat.

The platform demands election of United States senators by direct vote of the people and that lobbyists appearing before the state legislature in the interests of pending legislation be compelled to register and state their connection with the proposed legislation.

The manner of opening the Shoshone Indian reservation condemned, in that the settlers are alleged to be confronted by a private corporation having complete charge of all the water, which was favored by the Republican state administration.

The present forest reserve policy of the general government is condemned and charges of favoritism and graft are hinted at.

The following ticket was nominated by the convention:—S. A. D. Keister, Fremont county.

Secretary of state—Daniel W. Gill, Laramie county.

State auditor—Thomas A. Dunn, Big Horn county.

State superintendent of public instruction—Miss May Hamilton, Natrona county.

Congress—J. C. Hamm, Uintah county.

FOUR ARE KILLED IN NEBRASKA STORMS

By Associated Press.
TECUMSEH, Neb., Sept. 14.—Two violent and seemingly distinct storms resulting in six deaths and considerable injury of two and painful of five others.

The dead: O. A. GENEL, aged 40; leaves wife and five children.

AUGUST ZEMAN, aged 45; leaves wife and three children.

ROY CARMINE, boy of 17.

GEO. KOEHLER, schoolboy of 14.

The first three were killed by lightning from the town of Elm Creek. A party of threshers were at work on the farm of Henry Walther when a rain and electric storm came up.

Four of the men crawled under the threshing machine, which was shattered by a lightning bolt, and three instantly killed.

Henry Walther, jr., was badly shocked and burned, but will probably recover.

The second storm, a tornado in violence, swept the country district ten miles west of Tecumseh, demolishing a school house, killed the Koeheler boy, seriously injuring two other school children, names unknown, and inflicting other injuries on four other school children.

Mrs. Parns' windmill was blown, but there have been no further reports of deaths or injuries.

Strikes Nelson, Too

By Associated Press.
NELSON, Neb., Sept. 14.—The fall of a tornado struck Nelson this evening, killing some stock and doing considerable property damage, but injuring no one so far as known.

The windows on the south side of the high school building were blown in, causing a panic among school children. Earnings of about \$2000 were leveled all over town. It is said the storm is worse north of here.

PANIC IS BARELY AVERTED

Fifty Thousand in Big Crush at Columbus

Unveiling of McKinley Monument Attended by Throngs

President Roosevelt's Daughter Among Those Injured, but All Will Recover—Mrs. Longworth Has Exciting Experience

By Associated Press.
COLUMBUS, O., Sept. 14.—With a panic threatened in a crowd estimated at 50,000 people, who were surging about the stand erected in the capitol grounds and frantic to secure a glimpse of Mrs. Nicholas Longworth, the president's daughter, the exercises arranged for the dedication of the McKinley monument were suddenly terminated this afternoon after the statue of the martyred president had been unveiled by Mrs. Longworth.

The prompt action of the committee on arrangements was indeed fortunate, as the crowd was beyond control and the checking of the women and children who were caught in the rush was rapidly working the crowd into a frenzy. Many women fainted and were carried out of the crowd by the police.

Two were so badly hurt that they had to be removed in an ambulance, but both will recover.

Throughout the exciting scenes Mrs. Longworth remained cool and self-possessed, but afterward she said: "It was the worst crush I ever witnessed. I have seen nothing like it in my trip around the world."

Mr. and Mrs. Longworth had an exciting experience at the capitol. From the speaker's stand they went through a window overlooking the platform to the governor's office, but they were scarcely inside when the people began to surge through the doors.

Then they attempted to reach an automobile which was waiting for them on the street, but once outside they remained until a carriage was secured and the police cleared a way to it, and were then driven to the Hotel Hartman.

Later they took a train for Cincinnati.

Expected Large Crowd

The committee on arrangements had expected a enormous crowd on account of the presence of Mrs. Longworth, but in view of the solemnity and dignity of the occasion they believed the crowd would easily be kept in restraint. Under ordinary circumstances the police arrangements would have been adequate, but the officers found quickly that they were powerless to cope with the crowd.

Tiers of seats had been constructed across the entire west front of the capitol with the speaker's stand in the center.

Four thousand tickets were issued for these seats to invited guests and all were occupied.

The McKinley monument stands at the west entrance to the grounds, facing the street, and the crowd was packed into this space between the speaker's stand and the monument. The exercises were set for 2:30 and began promptly on time.

It was not until the band was playing the overture that the danger of a panic became apparent. Suddenly women in the crowd next to the speaker's stand began to scream for help. Then several women fainted and were carried up to the stand. Rev. Dr. Washington Gladden rose to deliver the invocation, but he spoke only a few sentences when the roar of voices forced him to stop. Governor Harris then attempted to quiet the crowd. "Keep back," he shouted, "you are crushing these people in front to death."

The governor's voice could not be heard twenty feet away, however, on account of the din. The commotion became so alarming that those on the stand asked Mrs. Longworth to come forward, in the hope that a glimpse of her might satisfy the crowd. She came to the front of the stand, and it was seen that something must be done, and it was decided to unveil the statue at once.

Statue Unveiled

Mrs. Longworth then pulled the ribbon attached to wires which drew the flags covering the statue aside. A man hoisted on another man's shoulders grasped the ribbons and the wires, and they were quickly torn into fragments by relic-seekers.

The crush was stopped for a few moments, but it soon renewed and Mrs. Longworth again came to the front of the platform and bowed to the throng. In the meantime, however, the committee on arrangements had decided to defer the addresses until evening at 7 o'clock.

MESSAGE PROVES TO BE A HOAX

EDWARD'S NAME FORGED TO TELEGRAM

Widow of General Min Receives Words of Condolence Which She Proposed to Be From Great Britain's Ruler

By Associated Press.
ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 14.—Diplomatic and administrative circles are greatly exercised over the discovery that a telegram purporting to have been sent by King Edward to the widow of General Min, three days after the assassination of the general at Peterhof, was not genuine. The message was as follows: "I am overwhelmed by your faithful bereavement and beg you, madame, to accept my profound condolences. Ed. ward."

DESTROYS AMERICAN PROPERTY

Important Letter Is Forwarded to Havana

President Declares War Must at Once Cease

Secretary Taft and Acting Secretary of State Bacon Go the Island With Important Communication

By Associated Press.
HAVANA, Sept. 14.—The extra session of congress called by President Palma completed at one sitting the business for which it was summoned, namely:

- The granting to President Palma of the fullest powers not already constitutionally possessed by the executive for carrying on the work, including the right to appropriate any public funds for war purposes, revoking applications voted at the preceding session of congress in order to permit the diversion of money to the prosecution of the war and authorizing the increase of the rural guards to 10,000 and the artillery to 2000 men. This tramples the former custom of rural guards and doubles the artillery.

- These measures which were combined in one blanket bill were passed by party votes, the liberals and independents refraining from voting and the liberal nationalists voting with the moderates.

- President Palma submitted a brief message, principally devoted to deploring the conduct of the opposition, whom he charged with the responsibility of causing the rebellion.

By Associated Press.
OYSTER BAY, Sept. 14.—After a protracted conference with Secretary of War Taft, Acting Secretary of State Bacon and Secretary of the Navy Bonaparte President Roosevelt tonight addressed an important communication to Cuba and arranged to send Secretary Taft and Acting Secretary of State Bacon to the island.

RUSSIAN UNIVERSITIES REOPEN

Students Resolve to Put an End to Paralysis of Educational System

By Associated Press.
ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 14.—At a great "skhoditka," or meeting held today and attended by thousands of students it was resolved to reopen the universities and begin actual academic work, thus putting an end to the paralysis in the educational system of Russia, which has endured for two years.

The resolution, which was adopted by 1241 votes to 375, is as follows: "In view of the fact that an attitude of passive protest is incompatible with a high position in revolutionary activity, and the great role that the universities hitherto have played in the combat for liberty, the students of St. Petersburg find it necessary to mobilize the youth of the land in the cities and other urban centers, and therefore decided that the universities shall be reopened."

A small party of the less fanatical students who wish to complete their education, resisted a proposal to hold in the universities meetings of the proletariat which would cause the government to re-close the schools. They succeeded in compelling a modification of a second resolution, which as amended reads:

"The moment is not ripe for political meetings. The students are exhorted to resume their studies, but we reserve the right, in face of another upheaval of the masses, to hold general meetings to unify the students and the proletariat in a determined struggle against the aristocracy."

The great assembly hall of the St. Petersburg university was packed by students.

Several hundred girl students, who are far more radical than their male associates, were present. The students took every favorable opportunity to burst forth into revolutionary songs, and the climax of the meeting came when the name of the girl who assassinated General Min was mentioned. Every student arose and debates were suspended while the assembly chanted a revolutionary dirge.

Emperor Reaches Finland

By Associated Press.
STOCKHOLM, Sept. 14.—A telegram received from Bjork, Finland, announced the arrival this morning at Virtanell of the imperial yacht Standart, with Emperor Nicholas, Empress Alexandra, the heir apparent and the princesses on board. The Standart is escorted by a number of warships.

Military Guards Doubled

By Associated Press.
ODESSA, Sept. 14.—In consequence of anarchistic threats to destroy all official buildings here with bombs, the military guards today were doubled. The authorities are showing vigilance in baffling the attempts of the "black hundreds" to stir up attacks on Jews. The political arrests average 150 a day.

COAST

Four men buried alive by cave-in near San Francisco.

San Diego woman sues bank for damages which refused to honor her check.

San Francisco property owners secure judgment against insurance company which failed to have earthquake clause inserted in policies.

LOCAL

Mother creates scene in court after being separated from child.

Heineman's auto dashes into pole and five occupants are injured.

Incoming sheriff will be enriched by \$20,000 fees.

County supervisors call a bond election for November.

Children rescued from burning house on East Forty-first street.

Two men injured in sewer explosion.

THE DAY'S NEWS

Southern California: Cloudy Saturday; possibly showers; fresh south wind. Maximum temperature in Los Angeles yesterday, 73 degrees; minimum, 60 degrees.

- 1—Rescues burning children.
- 2—Shrieks for her infant.
- 3—Took bonds for \$910,000.
- 4—Citizen ticket near completion.
- 5—Sports.
- 6—Editorial.
- 7—City news.
- 8—Southern California news.
- 9—Society attends the Barlow fete.
- 10—Markets.
- 11—Classified advertisements.
- 12—Railroad news.

EASTERN

Fifty thousand people threaten panic during unveiling of McKinley monument at Columbus, O.

Goldfield miners settle their differences and will return to work this morning.

Wyoming Democrats endorse W. J. Bryan.

FOREIGN

President Roosevelt issues ultimatum to Cuban government, practically saying that unless hostilities between the United States will intervene.

Telegram supposed to have been sent by King Edward to Gen. Min's widow, offering condolences, alleged to have been a hoax.