

Armed Guard Bringing Prisoners West

McNAMARA, CHAINED TO SLEUTH, PASSES THROUGH ST. LOUIS

Extra Precautions Taken to Avoid Demonstration Along Route

the waivers to the station master, who advised the two prisoners to go along with the detectives without making any trouble.

The detectives arrived in Chicago with McNamara and McManigal on the morning of April 13. They took the men to Reed's home in Commercial avenue. They were immediately separated. From that time until after midnight both men were incessantly sweated. Captain Wood and Detective Burns both tried every means in their power to make them tell all they knew.

McNAMARA DEFIANT

McNamara was defiant and answered questions in monosyllables. "I knew you 'bulls' had something up your sleeves when you pinched us in Detroit," he said. "I won't talk, you might as well give up."

At the same time McManigal was being sweated in another room. When shown the dynamite that had been found among his possessions, and promised a certain amount of immunity, he finally broke down and agreed to tell all he knew, according to Burns.

The immunity promised him did not include anything more than for the minor part he played in the Los Angeles Times explosion. In that particular outrage, it is charged, the dynamite charge was set off by James McNamara.

The total amount of property destroyed in the full series of explosions for which John McNamara was responsible, and in which I took part, was about \$3,500,000," he is alleged to have said in his confession.

"This all took place in a period of less than two years. Last September we set off two charges of dynamite at the plant of Lucas & Sons' iron works at Peoria and we wrecked a bridge there."

CLEAR UP LAST DOUBT

The confession is said to have cleared up every last vestige of doubt that might exist as to who were the instigators of the series of dynamite outrages. McManigal talked freely after he started to give his statement, and it took from about midnight until 7 o'clock in the morning to complete it.

Whether the confession gave any intimation of where the money came from that was behind the operations of the dynamiters the local detectives were unable or unwilling to say. It was not disclosed whether the funds were supplied by the union alone or by the independent iron manufacturers together.

"The confession is in the hands of Detective Burns and the Los Angeles authorities," said Captain Wood today, "and I cannot give any of its details. I understand some more arrests are to be made and any disclosure of the contents of the confession would make this more difficult. There is no doubt that the confession will make the convictions sure in all of the cases, unless the maker of the confession is given immunity in return for what he told."

McNamara and McManigal were taken separately to the house where they were kept, and neither knew of the presence of the other. After Detective Burns had obtained the confession, he notified the California authorities. Indictments were voted and extradition papers were sent here. He waited until the papers arrived before making any move toward arresting John McNamara at Indianapolis.

GET NECESSARY INFORMATION

McManigal's confession has given him all the information necessary to get his warrants, arrange for arresting John McNamara and plan his search for explosives.

McManigal got his orders direct from headquarters, he said in his confession.

"While Mrs. McManigal said she had no knowledge of what her husband had been doing and gave as her opinion that he was innocent, it was learned today that she knew that her husband had been arrested in Detroit, but thought he had been turned loose again and was somewhere in Ohio."

A detective called her up on the telephone last Friday, pretending to be a friend of McManigal, and asked her where he was. She admitted having heard that he had been arrested, but said he had been released and was in Ohio.

Mrs. McManigal spent today at the residence of Thomas McGuire, an iron worker. Inquiries during the afternoon at the McManigal residence were met by the brother of Mrs. McManigal, Emil Schwartz, who refused to make any statement about his sister.

MRS. McMANIGAL LOCATED

At the McGuire residence it was denied at first that the woman was there, but finally a woman who said she is Mrs. McGuire told a reporter that Mrs. McManigal was staying there. Two children, Evelyn and John, are with their mother.

Thomas McGuire was not at the residence until evening. Then he refused to make any statement.

After he had been stopped several times he said: "Now, look here, I am going to lick one of you fellows if you don't leave me alone. Mrs. McManigal don't want to see no one, and that settles it."

A search was made of the premises at

the McManigal residence. In the rear of the house is a workshop, where, according to the neighbors, McManigal spent much of his time when in Chicago. He was working with clock machinery most of the time, and the many springs and other parts of the mechanism of alarm clocks were found strewn about the place.

One almost complete clock with a peculiar looking screw fastened to the back was found. It was examined with curiosity by the investigators.

HE WAS ARRESTED RECENTLY

McManigal, it is said, was arrested a few months ago on account of his failure to explain how he came into possession of a large quantity of brass that he piled into his workshop. After being questioned, he was released.

The sworn copy of the confession, as well as McManigal and McNamara, came near being blown out of existence Saturday night, it was learned today.

An automobile in which they were riding and carrying dynamite and nitroglycerine as evidence, ran into a roadside ditch and almost turned turtle.

The prisoners were being hurried from South Chicago to Joliet to take the overland Santa Fe train, which reaches that city about 9 o'clock, and had got as far as Frankfort, 13 miles from Joliet, when the mishap occurred. The prisoners, guards and the Los Angeles prosecuting officials, badly frightened, climbed from the automobile and went to the one Frankfort hotel for the night, as it was too late to catch the train.

The party remained quietly at the hotel today and went to Joliet on an interurban for tonight, leaving on the overland train 24 hours later than they had intended.

GREAT SECRECY IN TRIP WEST

Detectives Take No Chances of Having Prisoners Intercepted

LOS ANGELES, April 23.—Upon separate trains and hidden away in locked Pullman compartments under the sleepless surveillance of heavily armed guards, John J. McNamara, international secretary of the international structural iron workers' association, and his two alleged confederates, James McNamara and Ortie E. McManigal, are being rushed to this city to answer the charge of having dynamited the Los Angeles Times building October 1, 1910, and caused the death of 21 men. By what route they are being brought here is a secret. When they will arrive also is unknown.

The place here, and William J. Burns, the detective who is credited with having laid bare a gigantic conspiracy of murder and destruction, are taking no chances. The most elaborate precautions were laid to prevent an attempt at rescuing the trio accused of numerous outrages and Chief of Police Sebastian went so far today as to say that any publicity regarding the movements of the prisoners might result in more dynamiting and the loss of lives and railroad property.

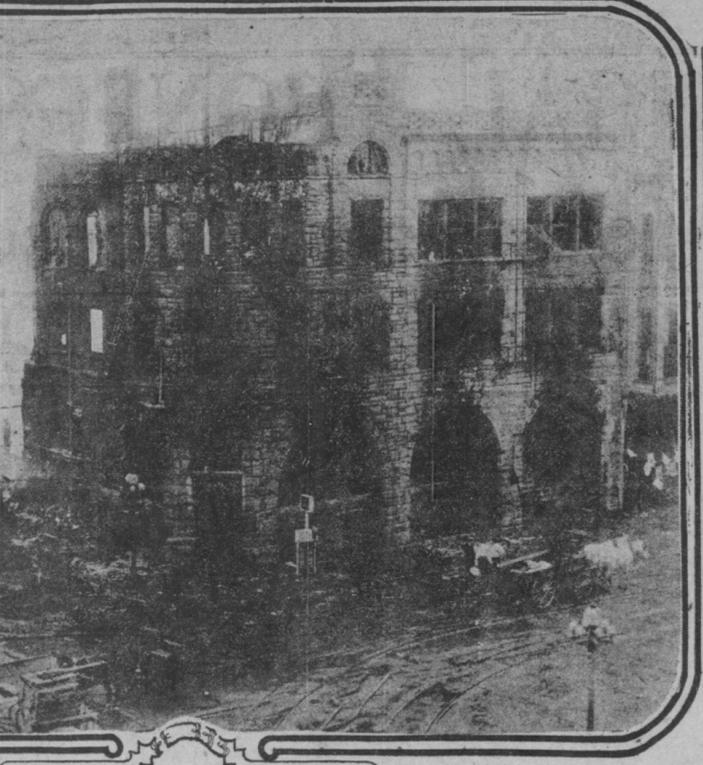
THINKS ANYTHING POSSIBLE

"Though such a thing would be absolutely useless, remember that we are dealing with men accused of the most awful crime of recent years," said he, "and anything is possible."

Secrecy also is necessary to avoid legal complications. At labor temple, Los Angeles union labor headquarters, today, there were many loud and bitter denunciations of the way in which the McNamara brothers and McManigal had been taken into custody, but these came only from the rank and file of union members.

None of the labor leaders could be found, and it was said that several of them were in conference with James E. Timmons, general organizer of the iron workers' association, to devise plans to obtain for the prisoners here the rights and constitutional privileges, which, it is declared, were denied them when Burns' men swooped down upon them in Detroit, and Indianapolis, and held them incommunicado.

Comparisons with the case of Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone, the union men who were spirited away from Colorado to answer to the charge of having caused the death of Governor Steunberger in Idaho several years ago, were frequent. "Every man at the labor temple today agreed that the arrest of the iron workers' official and his two alleged accomplices had brought to a climax the long battle waged between the unions and their opponents in Los Angeles, and though preparations admittedly were being made for the de-



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he had made good his assertion that the capture of the dynamiters was only a matter of time."

BITS OF BRASS LED TO CLEWS

Two Small Alarm Clock Fixtures Put Burns on Trail

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

LOS ANGELES, April 23.—Comparison of bits of brass soldered on the backs of two small alarm clocks gave William J. Burns his first important clue in his pursuit of the men accused of having blown up the building of the Los Angeles Times in this city the morning of October 1 last, causing the death of 21 employes. Two attempts to explode infernal machines, one in Peoria, Ill., the other here, made possible the comparison, which had such important results for the detective, and spelled doom for the dynamiters.

The first infernal machine was found after an explosion among some steel girders in the foundry of A. Louis & Sons, in Peoria, September 4, 1910. Some fault in the mechanism caused the clockwork to fail, and it passed into the possession of Burns, to whom was intrusted the task of finding the men who caused the explosion. A few hours after the destruction of the Times building in this city, two more infernal machines were found—one at the home of General Harrison Gray Otis, owner of the Times, and the other at the home of F. J. Zechandelaar, secretary of the Merchants' and Manufacturers' association, long the implacable foe of the "closed shop."

FOUND IN SUIT CASE

The device found at the home of General Otis was in a suit case and it exploded an instant after a detective, who was carrying it away from the building heard the ticking of the clock. He narrowly escaped death and the device was blown to fragments, tearing a great hole in the ground. The "plant" at the Zechandelaar home was recovered intact, and when Burns was called upon by the city to undertake an investigation of the Times explosion, it was one of the first things he inspected closely. It looked like the mechanism found after the Peoria explosion, and comparison showed it to be identical.

The device consisted of a small alarm clock, a dry battery and the deadly nitro-glycerine. The clock's alarm device was used to fix the time of the explosion. When the ringing of the bell began the uncoiling spring caused the key of the alarm to revolve. Soldered to this key was a small piece of brass, and when it came in contact with a similar piece on the back of the clock the electric circuit was closed and detonating caps exploded in the nitro-glycerine.

Satisfied that the brass work was the handiwork of the same men, even though the explosions were many miles apart, Burns began to check carefully other dynamite explosions as they occurred. In every case he gathered evidence tracing the explosions to the three men now being hurried to Los Angeles—John J. McNamara, James W. McNamara and Ortie E. McManigal.

JAMES McNAMARA IS BRYCE

It is considered certain that James McNamara is the man who was known in San Francisco as J. B. Bryce and who negotiated for the explosive used to wreck the Times building when it was purchased at Giant, Cal., several weeks before the Times was blown up. As the other men do not answer fully the description of Bryson's companions on that trip to Giant, it is believed two more men will be arrested as accomplices, aside from other arrests which probably will be made to hold certain persons as witnesses.

The two McNamaras and McManigal were indicted secretly in this city Saturday, April 15, after Burns had tele-

graphed a request that such action be taken, accompanied by meager portions of the evidence obtained. His telegrams were in cipher and hours were required to translate them. The grand jurors who previously had indicted Bryce, David Caplan, and M. A. Schmidt reassembled with the utmost secrecy and returned true bills against the men Burns was waiting to arrest.

It is surmised that Schmidt and Caplan are still to be caught.

The three prisoners now being brought to Los Angeles would arrive Tuesday if they were brought through direct, but precautions are being taken to guard them, both from a mob, which might attempt violence, or a demonstration by working men who believe them innocent. It is certain that an attempt will be made to smuggle them into the city. Probably they will be taken from the train at some point outside Los Angeles and brought into the city under cover of darkness by automobile.

REWARDS TOTAL \$15,000

The rewards that will be paid if the men are convicted total only \$15,000, offered by the supervisors of Los Angeles county—\$5,000 for each man. Many other rewards were offered during the excitement following the destruction of the Times, and at one time the total was near the \$100,000 mark. However, nine-tenths of these were not made officially and hence can not be collected.

Mayor Alexander and Chief of Police Sebastian said today that they had received no additional advices from Burns regarding the arrests yesterday or what is to follow so far as the investigation in Indianapolis is concerned.

Burns' coup followed several months of seeming idleness, during which, so far as Los Angeles knew, he was accomplished nothing. He happened to be in Los Angeles the morning the explosion occurred, as the American banking association was holding its convention here and it was his purpose to make a report from his agency, which had been handling the association's business.

The city council authorized the setting aside of a fund of \$25,000 to be used in paying Burns, payments to be made at the discretion of the mayor. About \$10,000 of this sum has been paid.

Burns has sent to the mayor assurances that the evidence obtained is so conclusive that conviction is certain. He says he will trace the movements of the men from the time they started west, showing how they bought the dynamite at Giant, transported it on a launch, the name of which had been changed for the occasion, stored it in a house in South San Francisco, bringing only what they needed to Los Angeles, and all their movements up to the time one of them slipped into the dark opening in the Times building, known as "ink alley," and placed the infernal machine that wrecked the structure, killed 21 employes and injured two score or more.

CROWDS THROUGH ST. LOUIS DEPOT

McNamara Breakfasts in Missouri Handcuffed to Detective

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

ST. LOUIS, April 23.—John J. McNamara, secretary-treasurer of the international association of bridge and structural iron workers, who was arrested in Indianapolis yesterday by William J. Burns of the National detective agency of Chicago, charged with complicity in the Los Angeles Times dynamiting last fall, was brought through St. Louis en route to Los Angeles this morning.

McNamara was in charge of James Hossick, a Los Angeles detective to whom he was handcuffed, and Charles

J. Smith and G. B. Biddinger of the National detective agency of Chicago. They arrived here on the Vandallia line at 7 a. m. and ate breakfast at the union station lunch room. They left for Kansas City at 9 a. m. on train No. 1 of the Missouri Pacific.

Hossick kept McNamara handcuffed to and from the restaurant and the news of his identity attracted a fair sized crowd to the windows of the restaurant. No interview could be obtained from any of the party. McNamara ate heartily and save for a preoccupied expression seemed perfectly at ease.

BOYS INNOCENT, MOTHER INSISTS

Electrical Apparatus Found in McNamara Home in Cincinnati

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

CINCINNATI, April 23.—Several fine saws, a large amount of electric wiring, an electric bell, an electric battery tester and several other articles of a similar nature were taken from the home of Mrs. John A. McNamara, 4206 Quarry avenue, Cumminsville, Cincinnati, today. All the property taken is being safely guarded at police headquarters and will be forwarded to Los Angeles. Mrs. McNamara is the mother of the arrested man, who has been much in Cincinnati in the last few years, though nobody ever knew just why he came here.

This search, made today, continued for several hours and was made by Detectives Bell and Schaefer of the Cincinnati police department and two detectives from the office of William J. Burns. The articles taken today were found in a trunk belonging to James W. McNamara, which, the mother said, had been at the home for a few weeks.

When the officials called at her home Mrs. McNamara was not aware of her son's arrest. When shown a newspaper detailing the arrest yesterday Mrs. McNamara broke down and wept bitterly. "My boys are innocent—I know they are," she said. "Their arrest is simply a plot to ruin them, and this plot has been going on for some time."

The officers went through the home carefully. The mother offered no resistance to their efforts and offered to aid them in any way they wished. When questioned about this trunk she said it was "Jimmy's trunk," which had been in the house for many weeks. Asked as to why it was that her sons came to Cincinnati and worked at home for several days every month or so, Mrs. McNamara said she never knew what they were working on, but that they came here and remained for several days in the house, and never told her anything of their work.

Trouble has been the fate of Mrs. McNamara for some time. Her husband, John A. McNamara, was arrested several years ago charged with assault upon his 12 year old daughter. He was convicted April 27, 1894, and sentenced

BURNS FEARS ATTEMPT TO CHEAT TRIAL

Mystery Envelops Route Taken in Hurried Trip to Los Angeles

Repetition of Idaho Incident Anticipated by Detectives on Arrival

to the Ohio state penitentiary for life. About three years ago he was released on a pardon of the governor. He is said to be in Cincinnati, but his wife has had nothing to do with him since his arrest.

UNIONS RAISE LOUD PROTEST

St. Louis Central Trades Adopts Resolutions for McNamara

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

ST. LOUIS, Mo., April 23.—The St. Louis central trades and labor union this afternoon adopted resolutions protesting against the arrest in Indianapolis and deportation to California of John J. McNamara, international secretary of the bridge and structural iron workers of America, characterizing the proceedings as "kidnaping," because, the resolutions say, the police court at Indianapolis denied McNamara his constitutional right to get an attorney while it was in session and turned him over to California's representatives for deportation to their state. The resolutions call upon all union men and organized labor's friends to unite to thwart the "foul conspiracy" and authorize the central trades and labor unions' executive boards to take necessary steps to carry out these resolutions' purpose.

Addressing the meeting, L. G. Pope, the central union's attorney, declared McNamara's arrest the most atrocious crime by capital against labor in America's history, and predicted that it would prove a repetition of the Moyer, Pettibone and Heywood affair in Idaho, in which organized labor spent \$300,000 to prove those labor leaders innocent. "The capitalistic class," added Pope, "may order its hiring detectives to shoot McNamara, fearing a conviction would be impossible. They could say he tried to escape, and that would settle the matter."

The issuance of a requisition before the arrest also was denounced.

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