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## GAS EXPLODES 21 ARE KILLED

### Four Meet Death As Result Of Terrific Concussion

Searching Parties Penetrate Mile And A Half Into Mine At Dubois, Pa., Before Coming Upon Bodies Of Victims--One Foreigner So Badly Mutilated That Identification Was Made By Brass Check Around His Neck--Government Investigates

Dubois, Pa., July 17.—By an explosion of gas in the Sykesville shaft of the Cascade Coal and Coke company, 21 men lost their lives.

Every miner in the southern part of the workings perished. Four of the men were killed by the explosion itself, and from the position of the bodies found by rescue parties it was evident that following the flash many of the men gathered up their belongings and were endeavoring to reach an outlet when overcome and suffocated by the fatal afterdamp that invariably follows an explosion of a gaseous nature. Only one victim was mutilated beyond recognition, and this was Ralph Marianna, who was identified by the brass number check worn around his neck. Most of the dead men bore no marks at all, indicating that death came through suffocation.

No Indication of Tragedy.  
To those on the surface the first knowledge of the explosion came when the safety door on the big ventilating fan was blown open. Immediately a rescue party under direction of Fire Boss John Brown descended the 150-foot shaft to investigate. At the bottom no indication of the awful tragedy was apparent, and the rescuers penetrated a mile and a half underground before they came onto a group of seven men huddled together in death. These victims were sent to the surface and 83 volunteer

rescuers began a thorough search of the mine for more bodies, with the result that 11 more were recovered, with three more still missing, probably buried under rock and dirt, as in several places the roof was tumbled down by the explosion. The government relief car with experts has arrived at the scene and an investigation is being made. The theories as to the cause of the explosion are many, but the one most accepted is that a pocket of gas was struck and ignited, from a lamp, thus creating the conditions for the afterdamp.

Used Hammer on Dynamite.  
Butte, Mont., July 17.—While Fred Gaudion, 18 and 11, found a stick of dynamite. Willie hit it with a hammer and was instantly killed. Fred is still alive, but was so badly injured that he will die.

#### AS YOU LIKE IT

During the fiscal year ending June 30 American business with foreign nations reached the sum of \$3,509,000,000.  
William Gebhardt was crushed to death while operating a die at the Springfield (O.) plant of the International Harvester company.  
Worthington Kautzman, former assistant adjutant general, has been made head of the Columbus (O.) garbage collection department.

## KILLED ON GOLF LINKS WAS NAVAL SOLICITOR

Washington, July 17.—While playing golf on the Chevy Chase links, Tristram B. Johnson, former Republican alderman of New York city and recently appointed solicitor for the navy department, was struck dead by a bolt of lightning. He was fully 80 yards from the nearest tree.  
When Johnson was picked up a few seconds later it was found that

the bolt had made a hole in his left shoulder, small and almost as cleanly cut as if it had been bored by a sharp-pointed bullet. The hair on his head was completely burned off and his face blackened beyond recognition. The burn ran down over both shoulders. Physicians said they had never seen a person so terribly burned by lightning.

## WM. E. BENSE IS DEAD

Fort Clinton, O., July 17.—William E. Bense, 60, died at the Toledo state hospital after a number of years of suffering from stomach trouble. He was state representative from Ottawa county from 1887 to 1894 and 1905 to 1910, and county clerk from 1878 to 1884. He is survived by a widow and two daughters, residing here. Mr. Bense for many years was owner of the Bense Fish company, being one of the founders of the company. Mr. Bense was known as the father of the house and as author of the Bense water law.

Ohio Man to Swing.  
Beaver, Pa., July 17.—Unless Governor J. K. Tener interferes, Charles P. Hickman of East Liverpool, O., will be hung here tomorrow for the murder of his wife in February, 1910.

## THREE AFTER ONE JOB

Bowling Green, O., July 17.—The trustees of the Bowling Green state normal school are in session today endeavoring to select a president for the institution. Three candidates are seeking to impress the members of the board with their fitness for the position. They are C. C. Miller of Lima, former state school commissioner and present chief clerk in the office of the state school commissioner; H. H. Helter, superintendent of the Mansfield common schools; Harvey Clare Minnich, dean of the state normal school at Athens.

Killed by Burglars.  
Butte, Mont., July 17.—Louis Adler started to run when two masked robbers entered his place of business, and was shot through the head and instantly killed.

## Trouserettes For Girl Tennis Player Allow Free Movement



GIRL athletes have long complained about being hampered by skirts, and there have been various suggestions for a garb that would allow more freedom of movement and at the same time conform with ideas of modesty. Bloomers in one form or another or divided skirts of some type have been worn by most basketball teams, and when bicycling was the craze a few years ago this style of garb was quite common, as it permitted the wearers to ride the "diamond frame," that style of bicycle being much more rigid and therefore safer than the "drop frame." Above is shown a style of raiment designed for girl tennis players. The photograph shows clearly the appearance of the garment, which is made of checked serge. With it a shirt waist is worn. Its attractiveness will depend largely on the personality of the wearer.

## THE NEW WEIGHT LAW IS DECLARED WORTHLESS

Columbus, O., July 17.—"Provisions to allow customers to protect themselves against short measures if they wish to, is the sum and substance of the new law which seeks to have all articles sold by weight," said State Dairy and Food Commissioner Strode, in the opinion of the sealers assembled at the convention at Cedar Point the measure is a failure. It does not accomplish the end for which it was designed.

"Selling by weight is made optional at the wish of the customer. Many persons, through superstition and ignorance, insist on having their articles doled out to them in the old-fashioned way. They are simply inviting dealers to cheat them."  
"Had the old system of measures

been entirely abolished by the law and the new weight system made compulsory, it would have sounded the death knell of cheating by means of false bottoms and crooked measures. As it stands, however, the law simply caters to ignorance."

Collinwood School Rebuilt.  
Cleveland, O., July 17.—Just beside the site of the famous Collinwood school fire, in which 175 children perished in 1908, there has now arisen the most modern and most fireproof school building in America. Every room has a direct connection with the ground without first entering a hall, and there are many features of construction which are decidedly unique.

## OLENTANGY DAMAGED

Columbus, O., July 17.—Olentangy park, an amusement resort, suffered a loss of \$50,000 from a blaze which started in the old mill and destroyed that structure, the Johnstown food, the penny arcade and Coney Island. A cigaret stub is blamed.

Firefighters Hurt.  
Napoleon, O., July 17.—Fred Korte is suffering from serious burns on his head and arms. Arnold Shutter has a broken leg and both have internal injuries, from the burning of Korte's large barn and 50 tons of hay, six cows and a threshing outfit near Okolona.

Boost Cincinnati Realty.  
Columbus, O., July 17.—With an addition of \$28,963,467 to the real estate duplicate in the city of Cincinnati, the tax commission of Ohio concluded its work as a state board of equalization, for real estate.

"Why do you like to pass the collection basket at church?"  
"It looks better than to have the collection basket pass me." Toledo Blade.

## ATTEMPTS SUICIDE

Kenton, O., July 17.—Saying she would rather die than be returned to the Girls' Industrial home at Delaware, Miss Tillie Williams, 17, attempted suicide by shooting herself in the head. She is in a serious condition.

Union Meeting Scene of Murder.  
Chicago, July 17.—Dominio Zecco, hodcarrier, was shot by an unidentified assassin during a meeting of the hodcarriers' union in German hodcarriers' hall. This killing adds still another to the long list of victims of the bloody warfare being waged in union labor circles in Chicago. Seven men, including Frank Galgano, are under arrest.

Motored Across Continent.  
New York, July 17.—After 20 days of hard riding on a motorcycle, Volpe E. Davis, captain of the San Francisco Motorcycle club, reached this city, beating the record for the trans-continental journey by several days. He will stay the return trip after a month's rest here.

## WILL GO OVER NEW WATERWAY

Junketing Party Will Leave  
Pittsburg Thursday.

## ASHTABULA IS ON THE ROUTE

Congressional Committee and Guests Will Then Make Packet Journey Down the Ohio River, Stopping at Principal Points on Both Sides to Partake of Hospitality of Natives. Party Will Disband Upon Arrival at Cairo, Ill.

Pittsburg, July 17.—The national rivers and harbors committee will on Thursday begin nearly a fortnight's tour of the Allegheny and Ohio rivers. Leaving Washington on Wednesday night, the congressmen and their guests, including many women, will go by special train to Oil City. Another special train will carry from Pittsburg Mayor Magee and the reception committee of the city, who will meet the congressional party at Oil City, starting for Pittsburg together on Thursday morning.

The trip will continue down the Allegheny river, where the projected flood elimination plans and other improvements will be shown the committee. Friday, July 21, the visitors will see Pittsburg's industries. Saturday more special trains will carry the party over the proposed route of the Lake Erie and Ohio river ship canal to Ashtabula, where a banquet will be given them. Returning here, the congressmen will board the packet Kanawha for the trip to Cairo, Ill.

On the way down the Ohio stops will be made as follows: July 22, East Liverpool; Steubenville; Wheeling; July 24, Marietta, Parkersburg, Gallipolis; July 25, Huntington, Catelettsburg, Ashland, Ironton, Hanging Rock, Portsmouth; July 26, Maysville, Cincinnati; July 27, Madison, Louisville; July 28, Tall City, Owensboro; Evansville; July 29, Henderson; July 30, Cairo.

Receptions are being planned all along the river. At Cairo the party will disband.

## CHOLERA SITUATION BECOMES MENACING

Marine Hospital Service Maintains Strict Quarantine.

Washington, July 17.—The cholera situation in countries bordering on the Mediterranean sea is far more serious than the general public appreciates. Thus far the prevalence of the disease has attracted little public attention, although the officers of the state department and the public health and marine hospital service have been kept fully advised and have, on the basis of their official reports, directed that stringent quarantine be maintained against vessels arriving in this country from infected ports. Italy has been the principal source of cholera, although the disease has also developed in Egypt and Greece.

## CHOLERA PATIENT DIES

New York Health Officers Fight Dread Disease.

New York, July 17.—One more of the 15 cholera patients at Swinburne Island died there, and four steerage passengers of the steamship Moltke have been removed from Hoffman Island, the observation station, where there are now more than 400 suspects, with symptoms suspicious of cholera, as quarantine officials express it. If these suspects have the disease, which is more than probable, the total of cholera sufferers at Swinburne Island is now 18. The patient who died was Erzsébet Szabolczik, a Hungarian woman of 25 years.

## LANDS ON STREETCAR

Aeronaut Has Lucky Escape In Fall From Clouds.

Denver, Colo., July 17.—Dropping from a height of 4,000 feet in a parachute, Wayne Abbott, Denver aeronaut, landed on the front end of a streetcar, his feet smashing the glass of the motorman's vestibule. Forty passengers were badly frightened. Abbott was severely bruised about the head and shoulders and it is feared that two of his ribs may be fractured. He had a narrow escape from death.

## DREAM CURE TO BE GIVEN TRIAL

### Latest Psychic Discovery Is Called Soul-Analysis

Had Its Origin In Austria--Henry Phipps Psychiatric Clinic At Johns Hopkins Hospital To Be Scene Of Experiments Conducted By Specialist Who Has Studied Under Dr. Freud Of Vienna--One Of The Pioneers Of The Cult--Aims At Unification Of Personalities

Baltimore, July 17.—A new treatment for nervous diseases, called psycho-analysis or soul-analysis, will be given a trial for the first time on a large scale at the new Henry Phipps psychiatric clinic at the Johns Hopkins hospital, if the suggestions made by the leading advocate of this method are accepted by Dr. Otto Meyer, the superintendent of the institution. Dr. Meyer is now in Europe, and while there he is said to be consulting Dr. Sigmund Freud of Vienna and Jung of Switzerland, who are pioneers in this line.

In this country the leading exponents of this unique treatment are Professor J. J. Putnam of Harvard, Dr. August Hoch and Dr. A. A. Brill of New York. It is said that Dr. Meyer has arranged with a specialist who has been studying under Dr. Freud to come to his country to take charge of the psycho-analysis ward.

Learn Unconscious Wishes.  
The treatment aims at the unification of the personalities. Knowing the wishes and wants of the conscious personality as derived by the conversation of the patient, there remains to be ascertained the wishes and wants of the unconscious personality. Specialists interested in the treatment hold that when a person is asleep the conscious personality is at rest and the unconscious personality is predominant. Hence dreams are the interpretation of the repressed ideas of the unconscious personality, and "dream analysis" is the chief method employed in psycho-analysis. The principle of the school is that "there lurks in every dream, often disguised, a repressed wish for fulfillment of the unconscious personality."  
The patient goes to bed under conditions as nearly as possible natural,

and if he be afflicted with nervousness the physicians say that he will dream. When he again reaches the waking state, he is told by the physicians to close his eyes to shut out the suggestions of the surrounding world and to tell the ideas that have come to him from his unconscious personality while the customary stronger personality has been at rest. This is called the "manifest content," and the translation requires special technique only to be mastered by the most careful study of Dr. Freud. No drugs or artificial stimulants are to be used, but the dreams analyzed are to be those which will reveal the cause of the patient's state of nervousness.

Church Menaced by Fire.  
Zanesville, O., July 17.—When a barn adjoining the Presbyterian church at Fultonham was set on fire by children at play the church services, then in progress, were dismissed and the 100 members of the congregation formed a bucket brigade and fought the flames. The church was endangered for a time.

Traction Car Hits Carriage.  
Fostoria, O., July 17.—Anthony Gallagher, 40, a glass worker, is dead; Jacob Fletcher, 55, a butcher, is dying, and Otto Knopf is badly hurt as a result of a crossing accident, when a Toledo, Fostoria & Findlay car struck a double rig in which these and W. Williams were riding.

Mrs. Lea Improves.  
Denver, July 17.—The wife of Senator Lea of Tennessee, brought here by her husband because of fear that pneumonia would kill her in the hot, miasmatic climate of the east, has been improving every hour since her arrival. Her physician states that her improvement has been wonderful and he no longer considers her condition critical.

## TWO SWIMMERS DROWNED IN NIAGARA RIVER

Buffalo, July 17.—Two men were drowned in the Niagara river. A few minutes before they had narrowly escaped a similar death at almost the same place. The men were Frank Heigs and Lewis Luedeke. With a third friend, William Wenacott, they had started to spend the day on the river. As they were leaving Straw-

berry island their clinkerboat capsized and the three were rescued with difficulty. Then, as they were so wet, they decided to have a swim. Wenacott was the last to undress and he never entered the water. His friends simultaneously shouted for help and went down together before his eyes. Divers recovered the bodies.

## B. & O. RY GETS BOOST MACCABEES IN SESSION

Columbus, O., July 17.—Railroad valuations were sent soaring by the state tax commission. The commission took up the B. & O. system and increased the valuations of the various lines from 400 to 1,000 per cent. The railroad complained that the commission was using too high a factor in determining values, claiming that the expenses of the various roads were much higher than the commission allowed for.

Cleveland, O., July 17.—Eleven states, 43 divisions and 1,500 Knights of the Maccabees are quartered in tents at Camp Cleveland to attend the quadrennial review of the supreme tent. The national encampment of the uniform rank is in session and today the supreme five, Ladies of the Maccabees, will adjourn at Atlantic City and 1,000 strong come here for the meeting.