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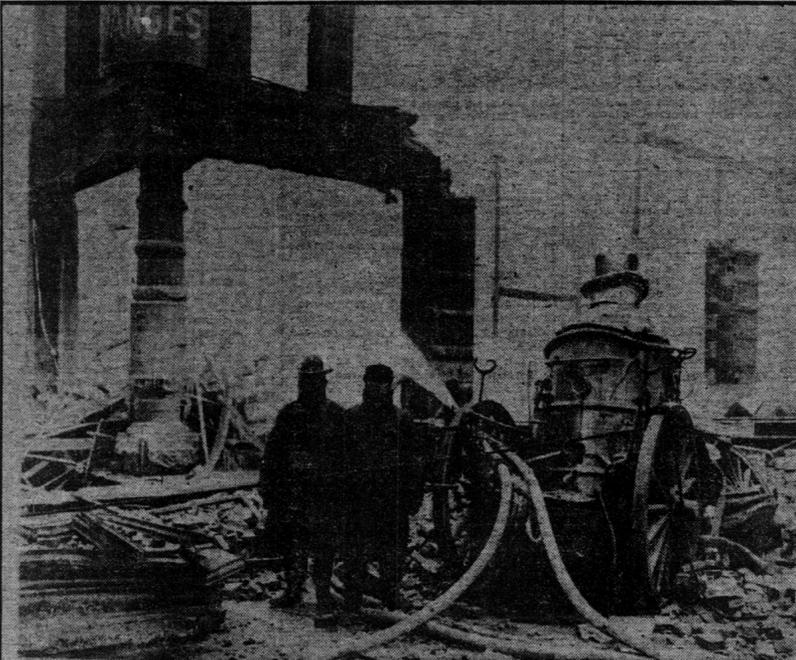


Peck Building, Where Miller Met His Death

THE DEAD JACOB F. MILLER, MEMBER OF THE SALVAGE CORPS. JOHN FELLOWS, PIPEMAN ENGINE COMPANY NO. 18.

THE INJURED FRED KERKHOFF, ENGINE COMPANY NO. 18. ANTHONY WILSON, LIEUTENANT ENGINE COMPANY NO. 18. J. P. BARRETT, LIEUTENANT ENGINE COMPANY NO. 22.

LOSSES AND INSURANCE HALE HOMESTEAD COMPANY, BUILDINGS, \$150,000; INSURANCE, \$105,000. POWERS MERCANTILE COMPANY, BUILDING, \$50,000; INSURANCE, \$60,000; STOCK, \$175,000; INSURANCE TO COVER THE LOSS. O. H. PECK COMPANY, \$35,000; INSURANCE, \$24,250. BINTLIFF MANUFACTURING COMPANY, \$80,000; INSURANCE, \$75,000. BOUTELL BROTHERS, \$300,000; INSURANCE, \$235,000. MISCELLANEOUS LOSSES, \$12,000; INSURANCE, \$7,500. TOTAL LOSS, \$802,000; INSURANCE, \$681,750.



Engine No. 3, Wrecked by Falling Walls

MR. SHAW ANALYZES FLOUR DRAWBACK SAYS WE MAY LOSE OUR FOREIGN MARKET

Secretary of the Treasury Sets Forth the Points to Be Settled in Forming New Regulations and Refers Legal Questions to the Attorney General—Millers Suspend Efforts as to Mixing Canadian and Domestic Wheat

Globe Special Washington Service 1417 G Street WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Minneapolis millers represented in Washington have decided to abandon for the present consideration of the question of mixing Canadian wheat with American product in operating under the drawback regulations now ready for the millers. The latter think it wiser for the present to go ahead and mill the unmixed Canadian product and later to take up the matter of mixing.

of the exported flour and the home-consumed by-products. Third—The only proposition over which any controversy has arisen relates to the manufacture of flour composed in part of Canadian and in part of home-grown wheat. The legal phase has been submitted to the attorney general. It involves the same questions, however, as has been passed on in other manufactures.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—At the request of Secretary Shaw, representatives of leading flour interests of the United States were at the treasury department today in conference over the subject of the regulations under contemplation to allow drawbacks on exported flour made in part from imported wheat. During the conference the secretary questioned the millers present on several matters of detail in connection with the milling of wheat, the condition of export trade and the necessity for the action asked for.

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CAR JUMPS TRACK ON SELBY HILL AND TRAGEDY IS AVERTED

Lives of Five Passengers Are Imperiled by Freakish Behavior of Car About to Descend—It Crashes Into Dummy Knocking It From the Track, but Both Are Turned Sideways and a Terrible Catastrophe Is Prevented

Colliding at the top of the Selby avenue hill last night at 10:30 o'clock, a Merriam Park car and a dummy were thrown from the tracks, and only the cobblestones with which the street is paved held the wheels, preventing a disastrous dash down the steep incline. The accident, in which no one was seriously hurt, was the most peculiar of any in the history of the hill. It was due to the wheels of the rear trucks of the Merriam Park car jumping the track at the switch above Summit avenue.

There were five passengers on board, and when they noticed the motion of the car, swaying back and forth as it rushed towards the steep descent, they stood up and remained in the center aisle, clinging to the seats, expecting to be hurled to death at the bottom of the hill. Motorman Baker, seeing that he could not control his car and realizing that a collision was imminent, stuck to his post and was severely bruised in the crash. John Wilson, the motorman in charge of the dummy, was not warned that anything was wrong until he saw that the Merriam Park car failed to slack as it approached. Before he had time to act the car was upon him and he was hurled to the floor of the dummy, severely bruised and stunned.

The dummy was unable to resist the force of the other car, and both would have been precipitated down the hill had not the dummy been thrown completely off the tracks. The dummy was lifted by the impact and when it struck the ground it was turned sideways, so that the wheels caught in the cobble stones, holding it from running down the hill. The Merriam Park car was thrown sideways, though the front trucks did not leave the tracks. The rear end of the car leveled a gas lamp post to the ground and landed against a telephone pole. The front of the car and the rear of the dummy were smashed, though only one window of the car was broken. Conductor E. M. Anderson said that there were five passengers on the car, and that none of them was injured to the extent of requiring the aid of a physician. He escaped injury, though he was shaken up. Michael Hayes, the switchman stationed at Summit and Selby avenues, said he could not understand how the car had left the track. He narrowly escaped being struck by the car when it passed him. The accident tied up traffic on the Selby and Merriam Park lines during the remainder of the night. A wrecking crew in charge of Supt. Burdick and Asst. Supt. Billingslea, worked for nearly two hours before the Merriam Park car was replaced on the track.

CAN'T PROVE SPRENG SLAYER OF GEBHARD

New Ulm's Mayor Is Indignant at Work of Dr. Koch's Attorneys

Special to The Globe NEW ULM, Minn., Dec. 14.—New developments in the Gebhard murder case are daily coming to light. The latest sensation was the hurried visit of A. P. Brooks and H. N. Somsen to Rochester Monday for the purpose of identifying the murderer of Dr. L. A. Gebhard. It was at first thought that a plea of insanity would be made in defense of Dr. G. R. Koch, but it leaked out that Somsen and Brooks went to Rochester for the sole purpose

MR. HILL COMMENTS ON COMMERCE ACT

Says Commission Can't Be Sheriff, Grand Jury, Prosecutor, Court and Autocrat

Special to The Globe NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The World says: "The railway companies of the United States will obey the law," said James J. Hill, president of the Northern Securities company, tonight, when asked his views on President Roosevelt's proposed interstate commerce court to fix railroad rates. "We will obey the laws, but there is a limit to railway legislation. They cannot confiscate our property. The constitution of the United States still prevents that."

FIRE CLAIMS TWO LIVES AND \$800,000

Conflagration Destroys Much Property and Threatens Entire Retail District

Two lives and nearly \$1,000,000 worth of property were wiped out of existence in Minneapolis Tuesday night by a conflagration which at first appeared to be an incipient blaze in the basement of O. H. Peck's photographic establishment at 112 Fifth street south. When the firemen thought they had the fire under control it burst out on the second floor of the five story building and made short work of the inflammable material which the structure contained. Lines of hose were turned on the fire and then several lines were taken

HADLEY AND BEGGAR WRESTLE

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 14.—After a personal struggle, in which he was assisted by two students, President Hadley, of Yale university, caused the arrest today of an alleged beggar, who called at the president's office and introduced himself as Charles F. Porter, of Denver, Col. The man, who is about sixty years old, represented himself as the son of an old Yale man, and asked for a loan sufficient to carry him to Syracuse, N. Y. Upon questioning him President Hadley became suspicious of the story and telephoned the detective bureau.

BREAKS HIS RIB BY COUGHING

Special to The Globe DULUTH, Minn., Dec. 14.—W. H. Reynolds, of Detroit, Mich., traveling salesman for a Detroit varnish house, broke one of the large ribs in his left side this afternoon by the strain incident to coughing. Dr. F. N. Phelan, who set the fractured rib, says such accidents, while very rare, do happen occasionally. Reynolds had suffered with a hard cold for two weeks. He was in a jewelry store when seized by a violent fit of coughing in which the accident occurred.

GUNS OF JAPANESE COVER PT. ARTHUR

NOT A CRAFT AFLOAT IN THE HARBOR

Japs Torpedo the Battleship Sevastopol, the Last Russian Warship in Sight, and the Mikado's Fleet Will Go Into Dock—Many Buildings Burned and Others Shattered

BATTLESHIP IS TORPEDDED TOKYO, Dec. 15.—It is reported that the Japanese have successfully torpedoed the Russian battleship Sevastopol.

HEADQUARTERS OF THE THIRD JAPANESE ARMY, via Eusan, Dec. 14.—Every part of the city and harbor of Port Arthur is visible from 203 Meter hill. The streets of the city are deserted and but few soldiers are doing patrol duty. Many buildings have been burned and others shattered. The shelters of the harbor present a strange appearance, with the turrets, masts and funnels of warships showing just above the water. There is not a vessel afloat in the harbor. The docks and buildings on the water front are torn and burned. The Japanese shells reach every part of the city and harbor. The Russian battleship Sevastopol, the only Russian warship that escaped destruction, being docked when the other vessels were sunk after the Japanese captured 203 Meter hill, escaped from the dock and harbor last night and is now anchored under a protecting mountain. Some torpedo craft are also outside of the harbor. The tremendous price in life paid by

SENATOR McCUMBER CREATES SURPRISE Gives Out an Interview in Which He Favors Tariff Revision

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 14.—Senator McCumber, of North Dakota, has issued an interview for Eastern paper consumption which is strongly favorable to tariff revision. This has caused some surprise, as it differs from the standpoint talk indulged in by the senator earlier. —Walter E. Clark.

RUSSIA WILL GIVE AMERICANS CONCESSIONS Prince Sviatopolk-Mirsky Annuls Hostile Ordinance of Von Plehve

Special Cable to The Globe ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 14.—Von Plehve's secret ordinance that no American be granted a concession for building or furnishing a railway in Central Asia was annulled today by Prince Sviatopolk-Mirsky's order. It is reported the prince intends to annul all restrictions to free choice of trade where Americans are concerned.

SAYS STICK IS BIG AND MENACING

Criticises Roosevelt's Views as to International Intercourse

Special to The Globe TORONTO, Dec. 14.—"Here we have a big stick as menacing and as big as ever," said Goldwin Smith, referring tonight to what he terms "the most characteristic and most ominous part" of Roosevelt's message—that is, the president's "incitement to an increase of armament on the ground that high-sounding language addressed to other states, unless backed by force, would be futile and contemptible."

Deserters Come to America VIENNA, Dec. 14.—The Nova Reform, of Lemberg, says a steady stream of Russian deserters continues to arrive there, most of whom are going to America.