



SUNDAY BLAZES COST FOUR LIVES

Costly Fires in New York, Sacramento, Aiken, S. C., and Savannah Cause Damage to Property.

FOUR DIE IN CALIFORNIA

Autos Worth Half Million Destroyed in Garage Burned in West 56th Street—Rockefeller's Valuable Horses and Cars Saved.

Automobiles owned by W. A. Clark, former Senator from Montana; Daniel G. Reid, C. Oliver Iselin and other rich men were destroyed in a fire in a garage in West 56th street yesterday afternoon.

The Hotel Park-in-the-Pines at Aiken, S. C., was burned, with a loss of \$250,000. Forty-four guests, several of them from New York, fled for their lives.

A waterfront blaze at Savannah did damage estimated at \$1,500,000.

Starting last evening on the fifth floor, fire swept through the three upper floors of the six-story brick building occupied by the Victor Auto Storage Company, at No. 118 to 122 West 56th street, and destroyed one hundred automobiles belonging to wealthy patrons.

Although the fire was kept within narrow confines by the small army of firemen, at one time it looked as though the flames would sweep across 56th street, in the rear of the burning building, and communicate to the stables owned by John D. Rockefeller, at No. 125 to 129 West 55th street.

In the stables were seven horses owned by the oil magnate, each one valued at \$8,000. All the horses were saved by employees of the stable, who also saved several of the Rockefeller automobiles from the danger of fire.

A national feature of the fire was the momentary fear held by the firemen, police reserves and the thousands of sightseers that a large gasoline tank in the burning garage would explode, scattering death and destruction.

Under the direction of Chief Kenlon, however, the firemen managed to avert an explosion, although they had a stubborn battle with the fierce bursts of flame.

Played as Flames Raged.

Henry Bierman, a chauffeur, of No. 127 East 158th street, the Bronx, was standing outside a garage alongside the rear entrance of the Great Northern Hotel, in 56th street, when he saw a sheet of flame issue from a window on the fifth floor of the Victor Garage.

He sent in an alarm from the box at 56th street and Sixth avenue and then ran to the burning building, where he found Fred Hallen, William Henderson and Joseph Kirkpatrick, chauffeurs, playing cards. They were in ignorance of the fire that was raging above their heads, but when Bierman gave the alarm they lost no time in ringing the elevator bell.

Joseph Zigmann, the elevator operator, started to run the big freight elevator.

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This Morning's News

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WATER IN CANAL IN 1913 Dredging Operations at Panama Before End of Year.

Panama, Feb. 2.—The canal officials say that they are not perturbed by the land slides which have recently occurred in the Culebra cut, and that they expect to turn on the waters at the appointed time.

POPE REPORTED ILL

Gouty Symptoms and Condition of Heart Unsatisfactory. (By Cable to The Tribune.) London, Feb. 3.—Rome advisers state that the health of the Pope is again causing some anxiety at the Vatican.

GHOSTS WRECK HOUSE

Such Is the Belief of Miners of Charleroi. (By Cable to The Tribune.) Paris, Feb. 2.—A house near Charleroi, in the mining district of Belgium, just across the frontier, has been partially wrecked by mysterious showers of stones, which superstitious persons are ascribing to malignant ghosts.

BIGGEST GERMAN STATION

Prussian and Saxon Distinctions Made Among Porters. (By Cable to The Tribune.) Berlin, Feb. 2.—The new railway station at Leipzig, stated to be the largest in Europe, was opened on Saturday night in Leipzig, which is in the Kingdom of Saxony.

MINIMUM WAGE BY LAW

Each British Rural Laborer to Own His Own Cottage. London, Feb. 3.—"The Daily News" understands that the intention is, in the land campaign started by Chancellor Lloyd George, to propose the statutory establishment of a minimum wage for agricultural laborers of at least £1 (\$5) a week, and provision for every laborer of a cottage and a plot of land to be held independently of farmer or landlord.

BEAR ANTICS REVEAL CUBS

Announces Birth of Four by Refusing to Enter Pit. (By Telegraph to The Tribune.) Rochester, Feb. 2.—All records for groundhog day were broken in this locality this morning, when a large male cinnamon bear refused to enter its pit at Exposition Park.

INCOME TAX SEEMS SURE

Amendment Likely to Be Ratified This Week. Washington, Feb. 2.—Ratification of the income tax amendment by the necessary three-fourths of the states probably will be accomplished this week, favorable action by only one more state being necessary to make possible the amendment, which will become the Sixteenth Article of the Constitution of the United States.

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STRIKERS' BOMB KILLS 1, MAIMS 2

Intended for Garment Strike Breakers in Bronx House. It Wreaks Death and Injury to Others.

LIKE FATALITY A YEAR AGO

Ten Families Stampede in Panic as Terrific Explosion Rocks Building from Cellar to Roof Amid Shrieks of Victims.

Just a year ago, locking a day, from the date Helen Taylor, a widow, was killed by an infernal machine sent to her home, No. 103 West 77th street, a bomb, which the police think may have been intended for some strike breakers in the garment makers' industry, who make their home at No. 1475 Fulton avenue, The Bronx, riddled the body of one woman and sent two other persons to Fordham Hospital in a serious condition.

The dead woman is the wife of the superintendent, Mrs. Madeline Herrera, forty-five years old. Herrera herself has a lacerated head from being blown against the wall by the force of the explosion, and a piece of the steel in his left eye, and a boarder in the family, Miss Sarah Fuchsman, thirty years old, has five wounds in her breast, five in her left arm, three in her right and a half-inch piece of steel in her skull.

Miss Fuchsman was placed on the operating table at the hospital as soon as she arrived, and the doctors held out hope of her recovery at an early hour this morning. She is the more seriously injured of the two.

Miss Fuchsman was forewoman in a cloak and suit factory in Walker street. She did not go out on the garment workers' strike, and detectives are investigating to see if the bomb was meant for her and was sent by angered strikers or their sympathizers.

Deputy Police Commissioner Dougherty, after investigating, said that the bomb was evidently similar to the one sent to Judge Rosalsky, of the Court of General Sessions, last summer.

Ten Families Stampede

The explosion caused consternation in the apartment house and sent the ten families which occupy it out into the street on the run. Their alarm was communicated to the crowds in Crotona Park, across the way, and for a time the police had hard work to restore order. The flat where the explosion occurred was completely wrecked, and the family overhead, who were in the midst of supper, were thrown from their chairs.

Herrera, who is a Cuban, and works at his trade of cigar making besides being superintendent of the house, found the bomb in the vestibule of the apartment house on his return from a moving picture show last evening. It was wrapped in innocent looking white paper and tied with a string to resemble a box of candy. Though it was unaddressed, he picked it up and carried it into his flat, on the first floor, with the idea of asking the janitor, John Farrell, where it came from.

The package aroused the curiosity of his wife, and when Miss Fuchsman suggested that it might be a present from some admirer she was for opening it, but was overruled by the two women, who, poor-poohed his fears. Miss Fuchsman procured a pair of scissors and Mrs. Herrera cut the string.

Havoc Wrought by Blast. Instantly a terrific explosion shook the flat. The dining room table, on which the bomb was placed, was split in half as cleanly as though a gigantic axe had fallen on it. The sideboard was blown to atoms. Pictures flew through the windows and the plaster fell in showers from the walls where pieces of the steel penetrated.

Patrolman Gilbert, of the Bathgate avenue station, standing on post at Wendover and Fulton avenues, heard the explosion and rushed to the scene. Giving what aid he could to the injured, he sent in an ambulance call to which several responded. Dr. Muth, of Fordham Hospital, arrived first and pronounced Mrs. Herrera dead. He removed the others to the hospital.

Herrera remembered that a number of non-union workers in the garment factories made their homes in his house, who, questioned by the police, with this clue Captain Samuel Price and detectives started out last night to run down the sender.

Shortly after the arrival of Commissioner Dougherty, however, Herrera was made a prisoner and was taken to the Manhattan Eye and Ear Hospital, No. 210 East 64th street, in the custody of detectives, for an immediate operation. Commissioner Dougherty refused to make a statement following the arrest of Herrera.

The bomb that killed Helen Taylor on February 3, 1912, was included in a small wooden box that was so arranged that when opened by the receiver it exploded. In the room at the time was Charles M. Dickenson, son of the postmaster of Champlain, N. Y., who was arrested and exonerated by the coroner. He was but a short distance from the woman when it was opened. A steel slug w. h. i. added itself in the woman's chest killed her. The cause still is one of the many unsolved murders of the city.

KAISER INTERFERES TO SHIELD TURKEY

Makes Urgent Representations to King Ferdinand That Latest Proposals of the Porte Be Accepted.

DRAMATIC INTERVENTION

French Government Said to Have Advised Bulgaria to Reopen Negotiations, but Diplomats Still Think War Inevitable. (By Cable to The Tribune.) London, Feb. 3.—Though all the world expects guns to be booming at Adrianople to-night, the German Emperor has interfered at the eleventh hour in a final effort to keep peace in the Balkans.

WHERE THE "MOVIE" PANIC TOOK PLACE. Exterior of the theatre at Nos. 141 and 143 East Houston street, where two persons were killed.



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Final Action Not Likely Until Late on Wednesday—All Day Conference Devoted Entirely to Details.

FEAR MOVE AT ALBANY

Prospect of a Successor to Chairman Willcox Being Named Acts as a Spur to Hurry Work—McAneny Denounced in Letter.

It did not look last night as if the contracts for the dual transit system would be ready for approval by the Public Service Commission much before Wednesday. There was a conference of the officials of the transit companies and of the city yesterday afternoon and evening, but they devoted all their time to considering details of the elevated certificates and the supplemental contracts for joint trackage rights on the Jerome avenue extension and the lines. The Interborough subway contracts were not taken up, because the lawyers engaged in straightening out the phraseology did not complete their work in time to have the contracts printed. It is hoped that they will be ready for a final detailed examination by both sides to-day or at the latest to-morrow.

As the term of Chairman Willcox has expired, some fear has been expressed that Governor Sulzer might appoint his successor and the Senate confirm the appointment before the important contracts could be signed. Every effort is therefore being put forth to complete the work at the earliest possible moment. Although work has come from Albany that the Governor is likely to send in the name of the successor to Chairman Willcox early this week, it is believed that he has no serious intention of having the present plans upset by putting in a new commissioner before the contracts are signed.

NO JAIL FOR NELSON

Judge Latshaw Says Editor Shall Never Be Locked Up. Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 2.—"William R. Nelson never will spend one minute in the county jail," declared Judge Ralph S. Latshaw, of the Criminal Court here. This was his answer to the ruling of Judge Guthrie, of the Circuit Court, sentencing Mr. Nelson to one day's imprisonment for contempt of court in criticizing the judge in "The Kansas City Star," of which Mr. Nelson is owner and editor.

COIN NICKELS WITH BISON HEAD

Philadelphia, Feb. 2.—The first nickels of the new design will be coined at the mint here this morning. The coins bear a representation of a bison's head.

ANTIEDILUVIAN WHISKEY

Every colic-remedy and medicine cabinet should contain a bottle. Luytens Bros., N. Y.—Advt.

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2 SLAIN, 32 HURT IN "MOVIE" PANIC

Women Fatally Crushed in Mad Rush to Safety After Boy Raises Cry of Fire in East Houston Street Theatre.

FIVE HUNDRED JAM THE EXITS

Operator of Picture Machine in Theatre Arrested on Charge of Criminal Negligence—Firemen Jump Into Maddened Crowd and Check Panic Before Victims Can Be Taken Out.

Two women were crushed to death and thirty-two persons were injured, five of them fatally, in a panic in a moving picture theatre at Nos. 141 and 143 East Houston street last night. A boy in the balcony raised the cry of "Fire!" when a small section of a film caught fire, and in an instant a mad, headlong rush for the exits began.

Scenes similar to those that attended the great Iroquois Theatre fire in Chicago some years ago were enacted. The five hundred persons in the theatre all tried to leave by the narrow exits at the same time. The result was that these exits became jammed with humanity, the pile of persons being wedged fifteen feet high.

Fire Commissioner Johnson, who made an examination of the premises soon after the dead and injured had been carried away, said the theatre had complied with all the building laws and that the fire did practically no damage. He places the entire blame for the fatalities and injuries on the panic which was started by the audience, the great majority of which was made up Italians, Russians and other excitable persons.

CLOTHING TORN FROM VICTIMS.

Outside the main entrance, where the greatest crush occurred, the firemen picked up bits of torn clothing, hats, jewelry, watches and other articles of wearing apparel which had been torn from the bodies of the victims of the panic. Some persons had their clothing ripped almost entirely from their bodies.

Coroner Israel L. Feinberg and Assistant District Attorney John Minton held a preliminary examination in the 5th street police station last night. After the hearing the Coroner held Irving Steiner, the operator, in bonds of \$100. The proprietors of the theatre, Abraham Minsky and Charles Steiner, were paroled in the custody of their counsel for a hearing this morning at the Coroners' office.

LINER FOR N. Y. HELD UP

Deck Officers of the Canada Quit at Marseilles. Marseilles, Feb. 2.—The deck officers of the steamer Canada quit in a body to-day, just before the vessel was due to sail for New York.

PLANS HUMAN STOCK FARM

California Would Begin with 25 Ideal Couples. (By Telegraph to The Tribune.) Sacramento, Cal., Feb. 2.—The California League of Justice has sent to Senator Hans, of Alameda, a bill on which he is conferring with Dr. W. P. Snow, secretary of the State Health Board, which provides a plan for a human stock farm.

THE DEAD.

- List of names and details of the victims of the movie theatre fire, including Mrs. Margaret C. (thirty-two years old), Mrs. Elizabeth (thirty-two years old), Mrs. Elizabeth (thirty-two years old), etc.

Used for 50 years by people of refinement. Adamson's Botanic Cough Balm.—Advt.