

5 DEAD; 100 HURT FROM EXPLOSION AT FT. RECOVERY

Ohio's Historic Spot a Scene of Death and Destruction as Result of a Discharge of Dynamite.

HOMES MADE HOSPITALS WHILE THE FLAMES RAGE

Fire Departments From Neighboring Towns Go to Rescue of Little City—List of Fatalities Will Probably Grow.

[Publishers' Press] Celina, Ohio, Oct. 17.—The dynamite explosion in the Minard Hardware Company's store at Fort Recovery, Ohio, at noon today wrecked the entire middle section of the town. Four persons were killed, two are missing and at least a hundred persons injured. Physicians had to be summoned from outside points to aid the injured. The property damage will reach \$100,000.

Buildings in the neighborhood of the hardware store wrecked and the hardware store itself was demolished. Fire followed the earthquake like shock and for a time it seemed as if the entire city was doomed. The fire apparatus and firemen were sent from this city and other towns however, and were successful in checking the blaze before the town had been completely destroyed.

As the explosion occurred in the business section at a busy time of the day there were many people in the streets who were injured. The force of the explosion broke every window in the town and the shock was felt in some of the surrounding towns.

The List of Fatalities.

The dead are:
Miss Cleo Weis, aged 23, bookkeeper.
Henry Lammer, aged 23.
Joe Rosener, aged 45.
Charles Wagner, aged 40.
A customer and traveling salesman whose identity has not been learned are reported missing.

The injured are:
John McMullen, leg almost torn from body, cannot live.
Mrs. John McMullen, leg cut and side gashed.
D. Kidder, leg broken.
Al. Risler, leg broken.
Henry Claughman, internal injuries.
Mrs. George Record, body badly bruised.
Many others were injured but all were able to go to their homes and in the confusion their names were not obtained.

Cause of Explosion Unknown.

The cause of the explosion is not known. It is suggested that a gaso-lene tank in the building caught fire, in some way and exploded, setting off a large quantity of dynamite which was kept in the place. It is declared however that the explosion occurred in the engine room of the Journal Printing Company, next door to the hardware store and that the jar set off the dynamite in the store. Both the store and the printing office were destroyed so it cannot be determined where the first explosion occurred.

Just a few minutes before the terrific crash occurred a parade had taken place through the main street in front of the hardware store and printing establishment. The street was crowded with people watching the parade.

People living on the outskirts of the downtown section rushed to the rescue of the injured. They found the street lined with unconscious men and women who had been stunned by the explosion.

They found many persons suffering from cuts from broken glass and some were crushed by the walls of the building which had collapsed.

To Confer First Degree.

This evening at the regular meeting of Herman Lodge of Odd Fellows, the first degree will be conferred upon a class of candidates by the degree team from Whitewater lodge. Tomorrow night Whitewater lodge meets and another class will also receive the first degree.

THE WEATHER PROPHECY.

INDIANA—Fair Thursday and Friday; fresh southwest winds.
OHIO—Fair Thursday; Friday partly cloudy; fresh to brisk southeast winds.

Circulation Yesterday 3165
Previous Day 3145

Richmond and Wayne county's appreciation of the Palladium still continues to manifest itself in increased circulation every day. You have watched this circulation report space every day since Monday and have seen the number of subscribers increase from 3,061 to 3,165 in this short space of time. No better example of the growing popularity of the Palladium could be asked. It is a fitting acknowledgement of the Palladium as the newest paper published in Richmond or Wayne county.

QUESTION OF OWNERSHIP

ARGUED IN CIRCUIT COURT

Decided That Statement of Claim Agent Should be Taken in Litigation Involving Richmond Street and Interurban Company.

A rather unusual feature in connection with a damage suit arose yesterday in the Wayne Circuit Court relative to the cases of John S. Lackey and Owen Dillon, both of whom have brought suit against the Richmond Street and Interurban Company. Owing to the fact that this company is a part of the recently formed system of traction lines which are all under one ownership though operated independently, Attorney Johnson, for the plaintiffs, recently took action to ascertain just what company was operating the line between Richmond and Cambridge City at the time of the accident which caused the death of Mr. Lackey's horse and which seriously injured Dillon. In answer to interrogatories filed by Mr. Johnson, answers were made in a sworn statement from the claim agent of the Indianapolis, Columbus & Eastern Traction Company. Attorney Johnson, yesterday contended that the answer to the question as to the ownership of the line in question should be made by some officer of the company. By agreement however, between the attorneys, the answer of the claim agent as to the ownership, is to be taken as authoritative, thus giving assurance to the plaintiffs that their action for damages cannot be invalidated by a technical error, which the naming of the wrong company as defendant would be. The case will be tried in November.

BLOT PLACED ON HIS FAIR NAME IS REMOVED BY JURY

Dr. Frank Brouwer After a Trial Lasting For Ten Days is Exonerated of Charge of Wife Murder.

PLEA OF HIS ATTORNEY MOVED JURY TO TEARS

Freed Physician Will Resume His Practice at Toms River and May Prosecute His Slanderer.

[Publishers' Press] Toms River, N. J., Oct. 17.—Dr. Frank L. Brouwer's prophecy of last Sunday afternoon that before the next Sabbath day came he would be a free man and the blot placed upon his name by the state of New Jersey, which charged him with the murder of his wife wiped out, was fulfilled shortly before six o'clock tonight when the jury, which has been listening to the evidence in the case for the last ten days returned a verdict of not guilty.

The public generally have been confident of an acquittal in the case since last night when three doctors, all well and favorably known in Northern New Jersey, swore positively that it was strychnine poisoning, and not arsenic, stibine or ground glass, that killed Mrs. Brouwer. Their evidence was given in such a straight forward, matter of fact manner, that it naturally impressed the jury and all efforts of the prosecution to fill the missing gaps in the chain of circumstantial evidence against Dr. Brouwer failed utterly.

Shook Hands With Jury. Immediately after the verdict was rendered Dr. Brouwer was discharged. He shook hands with and personally thanked every member of the jury and then went to the home of his counsel where he held a levee for a short time and met many of the townspeople who have all along maintained that he was perfectly innocent of the crime charged.

Today was devoted to the summing up on both sides and the charging of the jury by Judge Hendrickson. The dramatic feature was the argument for the defense by Attorney Wilson who, after talking for two hours, wound up a most eloquent plea by begging: "Send this man home to his aged mother and motherless children." Jurymen Cry Like Babies. Three members of the jury were

Red Men Have Returned

Richmond's delegation of Red Men returned last evening from Indianapolis where they have been attending the sessions of the Great Council.



When the President has a job at his disposal, ever notice the great majority of citizens who want it? In Russia the Czar is not troubled that way.

SESSIONS BEGIN MONDAY EVENING

The Rev. M. Colver to Address Opening Meeting of Olive Branch Synod.

PROGRAM FOR THE WEEK

IN ADDITION TO REGULAR BUSINESS ATTENTION WILL BE GIVEN TO MISSIONARY SOCIETY'S WORK.

The Olive Branch Synod which is composed of Lutheran churches in Indiana, Tennessee and Kentucky will convene at 7:30 o'clock Monday night in the St. Paul's Lutheran church.

The opening sermon will be delivered by the Rev. M. Colver, of Middletown, Ind., who is the president of the Synod. One hundred and fifty persons are expected for the convention and provision for their entertainment have been made by the members of the St. Paul's congregation and those of the First English Lutheran church. It is expected that the meeting will last for at least four days with a possible extension of a day or two, which may be occasioned by certain affairs which may come up. In addition to the regular synod's business will be the affairs of the Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Society which will probably take the better part of one day. A special program of devotional music for choir and organ has been arranged by Organist Charles Weisbrod.

Program of Sessions.

The general outline of the convention program is as follows:
Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock:—Opening sermon by the Rev. M. Colver.
Tuesday, 9 A. M.—Opening session consisting of Communion services for the Synod and the Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Society, sermon by the Rev. H. A. Senner, of Louisville, Ky., Organization of the Synod, reports by the president and Treasurer, election of president, secretary, treasurer and statistical secretary. Appointment of committees for the work of the synod. Regular work of the Synod and reports of the committees.
Evening—A Union Meeting of the Synod and the Women's convention.

Wednesday and Thursday—Consideration of the Synod work in the field and reports pertaining thereto. Wednesday evening, sermon by the Rev. S. S. Waltz, D. D., Louisville, Ky.; Thursday evening, sermon by the Rev. Carl Ziesmeister, of Nashville, Tenn.
Friday the Board of Directors of Wittenberg College, at Springfield, will make their report for the past scholastic year.

SPECIAL EDITION TO SHOW BIG INDUSTRIES

The Palladium Will Aid Work of Showing Our Advantages as Commercial Center.

The Palladium has always been anxious to promote in every way possible the interests of Richmond and its industries. This city is one of the most important in Eastern Indiana in the number and variety of its manufacturing industries, and these industries are of great interest to the general public. The life here as a city is based upon them.

It is well for the people and the community in general to know more definitely the number and condition, the peculiar style, capacity and products of the numerous concerns which have made and are making Richmond well known all over the country, and the Palladium is preparing to issue, in the near future, an edition containing accounts of as

large a number as possible of the financial, manufacturing, wholesale and jobbing plants, with a good idea of their special products and the magnitude and capacity of each.

This edition will be the result of special care and study by thoroughly competent representatives of the paper who will call upon the manufacturers, real estate, commercial and financial lines.
The intention is to give a careful and accurate account of the business interests represented in this general edition and the advantage of such showing will be evident to all the business men. The object is to show Richmond as a great manufacturing and financial center, and to that end the hearty co-operation of everyone is solicited.

BEVERIDGE HERE TONIGHT

TO BE A GALA AFFAIR

Reception Committee to Meet Senator Who Will Probably Arrive This Afternoon—Speaking Begins at 8 O'clock.

Tonight the political fire works of the city will be touched off in a Republican speech by Senator Albert J. Beveridge at the Coliseum. The doors will open at 7:30 and the speaking will begin at 8 o'clock. The reception committee will be composed of A. M. Gariner, county chairman, Dr. G. H. Grant, Elwood Morris, William Plummer, S. S. Stratton, Jr., and Mat Von Pein. Over three hundred vice-presidents have been invited to officiate. The Richmond City Band will furnish the music and there will be a large parade on Main street after the meeting. Up to a late hour last night no word had been received from the Senator as to when he will arrive in the city, but it is expected that it will be some time in the afternoon.

ACTUAL CONSTRUCTION ON PLANT HAS BEGUN

The Pennsylvania railroad company has begun actual construction of its electric lighting plant. Instead of a special building to house the machinery, a part of the railroad shops will be used. The electrical apparatus has been ordered and will be in position within a short time. The company officials deny emphatically that it is the intention of the company to use this plant for supplying power for the proposed electric cars on the Pan Handle. It will be used exclusively for furnishing lighting for the yards, passenger and freight depots and other buildings of the company.

HOWES' SUIT NOV. 14

\$5,000 DAMAGES ASKED

Plaintiff Formerly Member of Richmond Fire Department and Was Hurt Through Alleged Negligence of Pan Handle Railroad

The damage suit of Charles Howes against the Pennsylvania railroad company will be called in the Wayne Circuit Court on November 14. The plaintiff formerly was a member of the Richmond fire department and was injured as a result of being thrown from a hose wagon, the driver of which had been compelled to make a very short turn to prevent being run down by a locomotive, at one of the grade crossings in the city. The fact that the crossing was open for traffic and neither flagman nor lowered safety gates warned the driver of the hose wagon that the crossing could not be made in safety, is taken as evidence of negligence on the part of the Pennsylvania company and is the basis for the action, asked.

COMPELLED TO REFUSE A FREE EUROPEAN TRIP

Judge Luther C. Abbott has received an invitation from the European Excursion Company to accompany one of their parties on a six weeks trip through the continent and England. Owing to several engagements which the Judge has booked he was compelled to send his regrets. The trip was to be gratis and the proposition was made the Judge by an old friend in the East who is interested in the company.

GOVERNOR HANLY PUTS SHOULDER TO FAIRBANKS' BOOM

In Speech at Spiceland He Declares That Vice President is Well Qualified to Succeed Roosevelt.

HE HIMSELF DECLARES HE SEEKS NO OFFICE

In Reply to Ralston's Speech The Governor Denounces it as a Jumbled Misstatement of Facts.

Spiceland, Ind., Oct. 17.—Governor Hanly spoke to a large crowd in the Stiegleman grove here this afternoon. He devoted part of his speech to a reply to Samuel M. Ralston's address at Greenfield Tuesday night, and the Governor did not mince words in denouncing Mr. Ralston's statements as misrepresentation and wilful perversion of facts. He also gave the Democratic leaders—Taggart, Kern and Alonzo Greene Smith—some hard knocks.

The Governor aroused great enthusiasm when he announced, for the first time in a public speech, that Charles W. Fairbanks was the logical nominee for the presidency in 1908, and that he was heartily in favor of his nomination. Mr. Hanly's tribute to the Vice-president was cheered, as were his utterances in reply to Mr. Ralston.

The Governor's Address.

Governor Hanly, in replying to Ralston's speech said:

"The Democratic official keynote of the campaign was delivered Tuesday night at Greenfield by the Hon. Samuel L. Ralston, the paid attorney of the Big Four Railway Company. It is due to Mr. Ralston, however, to say that he did not write it. It is not his child. It belongs to a syndicate. Among the members of the syndicate who prepared it are Alonzo Greene Smith, Thomas Taggart and John W. Kern, none of whom had the courage to deliver it after they had it prepared.

"The speech is a seasoned one. It was prepared days ago, and would have been delivered earlier but for the inability of the syndicate who wrote it to find some one who would be willing to deliver it.
The Governor after answering Mr. Ralston then went on to show what the Republican party in Indiana had done to cleanse the politics of the state.

He said:
"While I care profoundly for the good opinion of my countrymen, I knew in the beginning there would be vituperation and calumny. I knew the things accomplished could not be done without heartburnings and without the infliction of a wound here and there. When the storm was fiercest and the issue doubtful I said to my friends, 'I can afford to wait for the deliberate judgment of my countrymen. The time will come when they will know and understand and appreciate the character of the service rendered. I can afford to wait.'

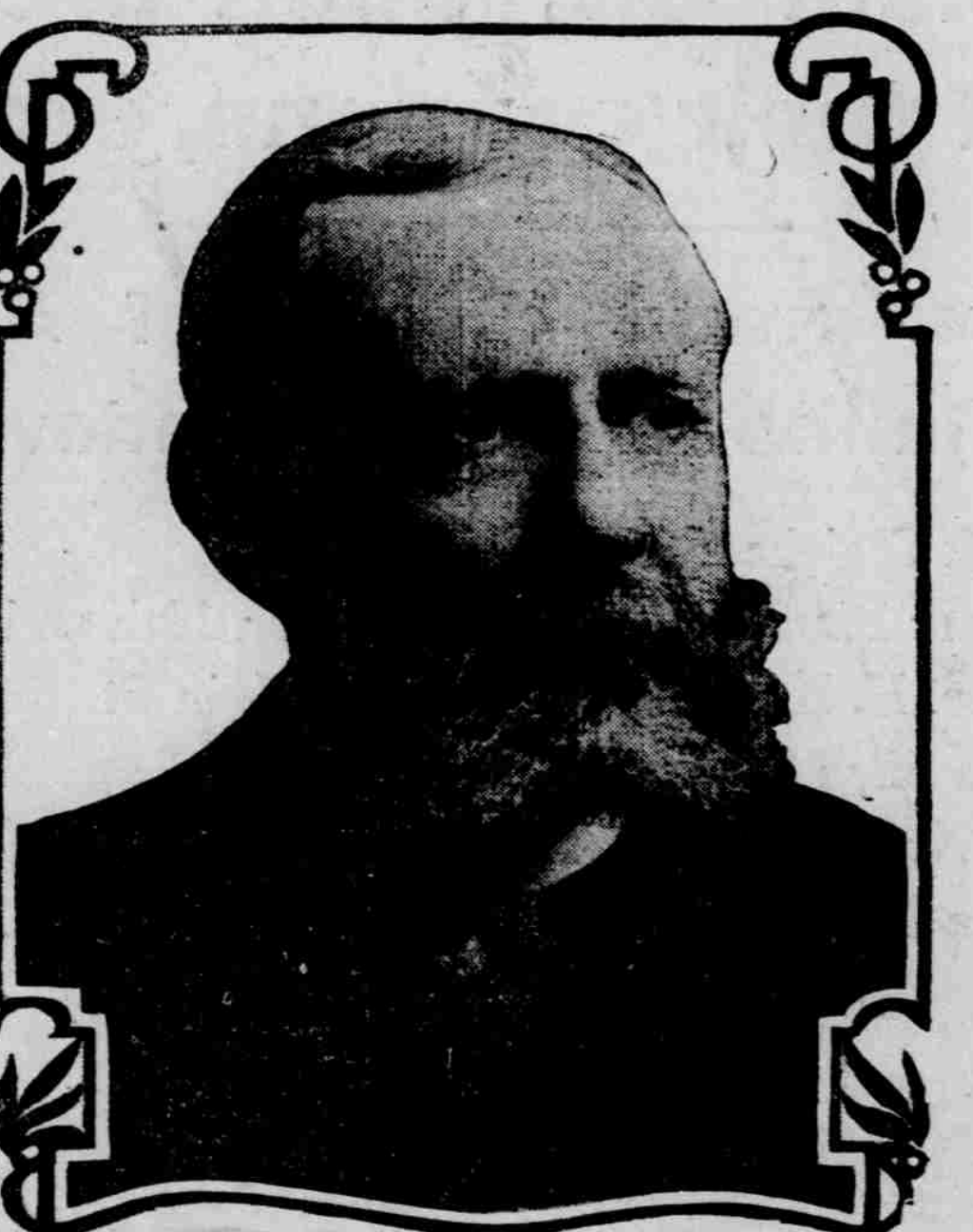
"And I say to you now that much as I care for your good opinion, I can still afford to wait till passion has subsided; until personalities have been forgotten; until the wounds have healed. I can afford to wait, conscious that the day will come when the administration will have the approval of my countrymen, and have it too, without regard to their political convictions. But, sirs, the cause at issue can not afford to wait. The things I ask for must be done now; the opportunity is here; the hour strikes; the occasion bursts full-blown and you can not afford to wait. The needs and welfare of the people preclude that you should wait. The cause I said, must be saved by you and saved now in this election.

Tribute to the Vice-President.

"I have said that I am not a candidate for any office, present or prospective. That, I think, is broad enough to cover the presidency, but I am willing to be specific as to that. I am not now nor shall I become a candidate for the presidency in 1908. But there is a man in Indiana who ought to be a candidate for the presidency in 1908. He has earned not only the right to be a candidate, but the nomination of his party and the election by the people. In poise of character, in breadth of statesmanship, in experience in public affairs, in the cleanness of his life, we find that in abundance which qualifies him for the exalted office and makes of him a fit successor of William McKinley and Theodore Roosevelt.

"That man is Charles W. Fairbanks, the Vice-President of the United States. I am for his nomination and for his election, not only because he is the first citizen of my own State but because of his qualities of mind and heart and the rare qualification he has for the great trust which the President of the United States administers."

ONE OF THE FIXTURES AT WASHINGTON.



ALVEY A. ADEE OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT.

Alvey A. Adee, second assistant secretary of state, is one fixture of that office. Administrations change and first assistant secretaries come and go, but Adee stays "on the job," despite all the vicissitudes of politics. He entered the diplomatic service in 1870 as secretary of legation at Madrid and was transferred to the state department in 1877. President Cleveland appointed him second assistant secretary in 1886. He was present at the signing of the treaty of peace between Spain and the United States and has been acting secretary of state several times.