

75 LOSE LIFE BY EXPLOSION

Dynamite Boat Destroyed With Terrific Shock Near Baltimore—Most Victims on British Steamer and on Tug Anchored Near

BALTIMORE, Md., March 7.—The toll of death taken by the explosion of 300 tons of dynamite aboard a dynamite scow at Curtis Bay, a suburb of this city today, probably never will be known.

Marine men say that nearly all the crew of the British steamer Almachine, which was taking on a cargo of dynamite, met death.

Fifty sent to hospital. Two carloads of dynamite were transferred from the scow to the Almachine for shipment to Panama when the explosion occurred.

The shock accompanying the explosion was terrific. A number of plateglass windows here were broken.

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CALIFORNIA PROBES WAGES PAID WOMEN

SAN FRANCISCO, March 7.—Statewide investigation by the California legislature of wages paid to women and girls in department stores and other industries and as to whether victims of low wage scales are forced into immorality to sustain life, will be proposed by Senator Edwin E. Grant of San Francisco when the legislature reconvenes after March 10.

Aroused by the revelations made by an Illinois senatorial investigation into wages and conditions, and their relation to immorality and the coincident publication of Labor Commissioner John P. McLaughlin's report showing that thousands of women and girls in California are paid extremely low wages.

PREPARING FOR TARIFF REVISION

House Ways and Means Committee Meets to Outline Program—Tariff Caucus of Democrats Called—Om-nibus Tariff Bill

WASHINGTON, March 7.—President Wilson decided today that the special session of congress shall be called for the purpose of tariff revision only.

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Congressman Fitzgerald conferred today with President Wilson at the White House regarding the special session of congress and the Democratic legislative program.

Charles F. Murphy of New York, leader of Tammany hall, and a dozen of his henchmen, called at the White House this afternoon.

CONGRESS FAVORS EQUAL SUFFRAGE

WASHINGTON, March 7.—Prediction that the new congress will have sufficient members who favor woman suffrage to make possible the passage of an equal suffrage amendment at its first regular session was made here today by Senator Miles Poindexter of Washington.

"The recent widespread change in sentiment and the conversion of individual members of both houses to equal suffrage," said Senator Poindexter today, "makes it altogether possible that the new committee on this question will report favorably."

PORTER BROTHERS BUY LINN TIMBER LANDS

PORTLAND, Ore., March 7.—According to an announcement today, Porter brothers, railroad contractors, have agreed to purchase 102,000 acres of heavily timbered land in Linn county, Oregon, at a price believed to be \$4,000,000 from the Oregon and Washington Colonization company, which is controlled by L. W. Hill of the Great Northern and W. P. Davidson of Portland.

Development of the property will be accomplished through the construction of a railroad to the tract from Albany, Ore., and the erection of two mills on the Santiam river, which flows through the tract.

CLARK PRESIDENT PRO TEM OF SENATE

WASHINGTON, Mar. 7.—Senator Clark of Arkansas, was named today as president pro tem of the senate by the democratic senate caucus. Senator Bacon of Georgia was his opponent.

SMALL WAGES IN MAIL ORDERS

Every Time You Buy From a Mail-Order House You Encourage White Slavery—Your Profits Comes Out of Girls Slender Wages

CHICAGO, March 7.—Testifying here today before a committee of the Illinois senate, which is investigating starvation wages and white slavery in Chicago, Julius Rosenwald, millionaire manager of the great mail order house of Sears, Roebuck and Company, gave this as his view of the situation:

"Any girl who wants to fall will fall whether she gets \$5 a week or not. She may use any subterfuge for surrendering, but there is not any connection between low wages and prostitution. There is absolutely no association between the causes."

Profits \$7,000,000 a Year. Rosenwald admitted the dividends paid by his company last year were \$7,000,000 and the company's surplus \$12,000,000.

Rosenwald denied that he worked his girl employees more than 10 hours a day or that his time rolls were "doctored" to make it appear that the girls worked but eight hours.

Rosenwald testified that his company employs 4,702 women at an average weekly wage of \$9.12. Girls under 16 receive a minimum wage of \$5.

Girl Refutes Testimony. Rosenwald's testimony was flatly refuted by a girl witness, an addresser for Sears, Roebuck and Company.

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GOMEZ OF CUBA SLAPS AT BRYAN

Warned by Secretary of State not to Sign Amnesty Proclamation, Cuban President Does It in Anger at Un-asked Advice

HAVANA, March 7.—President Gomez signed today a general amnesty bill freeing all political offenders and agitators, despite a note from the United States which advised him to veto the measure.

United States Minister Beaupre delivered the American note, signed by Secretary Bryan, yesterday. It was couched in strong language and intimated that the United States would resent any general amnesty which would free some of Cuba's worst agitators.

President Gomez said he first intended to let the bill become a law without his signature, but that Secretary Bryan's note so incensed him that he determined to sign the bill as a notice that Cuba objected to any interference by the Wilson administration.

POLICE REFUSED TO STOP ROWDIES

WASHINGTON, March 7.—Strong evidence against the Washington police force for failure to protect women marchers in the suffrage parade here March 3 was given the Jones senate sub-committee today by Miss Elizabeth Kent, daughter of Congressman William Keat of California.

Three men caught hold of my riding habit and almost pulled it from my body," Miss Kent declared. "A policeman was standing near and although he watched the proceedings, he did absolutely nothing."

Major Richard Sylvester, head of Washington's police force, was summoned today to testify tomorrow before the probers. Senator Poindexter does not expect Sylvester's testimony to be of value.

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ASK FAIR PLAY FOR FRIEDMAN

Disinterested Physicians Assert That Scientist Must Be Given a Chance—Offers to Treat All Kinds of Tubercular Cases

NEW YORK, March 7.—Many disinterested physicians here today declared Dr. Frederick Franz Friedmann of Berlin, discoverer of an alleged tuberculosis cure, must be given a "square deal."

One prominent New York physician, whose name is withheld, asserted that such doctors make themselves ridiculous. He declared it probably would require three months and treatment of 1,000 patients to demonstrate the fact of Dr. Friedmann's remedy.

Reputating statements by his critics, Dr. Friedmann declared this afternoon that he would treat all sorts of tubercular cases, even those in the most advanced stages. He declared that he had not been treated fairly here.

Dr. Friedmann declared he might ask the American government to send a committee of experts here Sunday.

COURT TO PLUG ANOTHER LEAK

The county court has formed another drain on the county treasury which they are about to plug and save the taxpayers from a certain amount of needless expense. This time it is in connection with the county poor farm. Hereafter all supplies for the farm will be purchased by bids and not by direct buying as at present.

"In this connection," stated Commissioner W. C. Leever today, "we wish it distinctly understood that no reflection is cast by this move upon the superintendent of the farm. It is remembered how he has held down expenses with direct buying, a little here and there as needed and we appreciate his efforts and economy."

"We believe that many hundred dollars can be saved by buying supplies by contract and shall, therefore advertise for bids. It should result in a considerable saving."

TUMULTY PROVES AN EARLY BIRD

WASHINGTON, March 7.—Attaches of the presidential offices here have awakened to the fact that Secretary of the President Tumulty is an early bird. When Tumulty arrived today at 8 o'clock the office force was on the job. In a very few minutes the routine work was done, the mail sorted and all was ready for business when President Wilson arrived.

ENJOIN WATER RATES AT GRANTS PASS

SALEM, Ore., March 7.—Following a preliminary hearing in the matter, the state railroad commission has today granted a temporary injunction against the city of Grants Pass, restraining the city from enforcing its ordinance regulating the water rates of the Rogue River Water company, which supplies the city water.

COLONEL DENNY REMAINS COMMANDANT OF MARINES

WASHINGTON, March 7.—Notwithstanding a report that his health is impaired, Colonel Frank L. Denny of the marine corps will continue at the head of the quartermasters' department. A board of examiners reported to the secretary of the navy that Colonel Denny is physically capable of performing the duties of his office.

NO VERDICT IN DARROW CASE

Indications Are for Hung Jury—Said to Stand 10 to 2 for Acquittal—Out Since Yesterday Afternoon—Jury Out Until Saturday Evening

LOS ANGELES, Cal., March 7.—At 2:52 o'clock Judge Conley despatched a bailiff to bring the Darrow jury into court, that he might question the jurors regarding their deliberations. The jurors refused to leave the juryroom and Judge Conley adjourned court until 4:30.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., March 7.—Sitting beside his loyal wife and surrounded by a closely packed mob of sensation seekers who filled the courtroom, Clarence S. Darrow, today patiently awaited the verdict of the jury that is debating the question of his innocence or guilt of bribing Juror Robert F. Bain in the McNamara case.

The jurors apparently all talked at once and argued so loudly that their voices were audible outside the room.

Shortly after noon Defense Counsel O. W. Powers said: "It looks like a hung jury. I understand they are standing 10 to 2 for acquittal."

Assistant District Attorney Ford would not forecast the verdict. "If the jurors consider the evidence," he said, "they can do nothing but find him guilty."

It is expected that Judge Conley will keep the jury until tomorrow night if an agreement is not reached before then.

MOTORCYCLIST IS BADLY INJURED

Riding a new motorcycle, and being unable to control its feed levers when approaching a curve, Leo Young, aged 28, a driver for the Medford Ice and Storage company, who resides at 822 East Ninth street, ran off the road on Ross Lane early Friday and was badly injured. He was rushed to the Sacred Heart hospital and treated by Dr. Clancy.

Young's right leg was broken in two places below the knee. So serious was the break that the leg had to be laid wide open and the bones fastened together with wire. Young was on the operating table nearly three hours.

HARRIMAN STOCKS FORCED DOWN A POINT

NEW YORK, March 7.—Pressure converged upon Union Pacific and the metal stocks at the opening of the stock market today, and these issues lost about a point. Exports of gold to Europe caused apprehension over the domestic money situation. Call loans opened at 3 1/2 per cent, against 2 1/2 yesterday. The outlook for easy rates is doubtful. The market closed dull.

PORTLAND WOMAN TO RUN FOR COUNCIL JOB

PORTLAND, Ore., March 7.—Dr. Victoria Hampton today filed with the city auditor her declaration of becoming a candidate for city council. Miss Hampton is the first woman to announce herself for this position since the securing of equal suffrage last fall.

LIMITED WOMAN SUFFRAGE GRANTED AT BUDAPEST

BUDAPEST, March 7.—Woman suffrage was granted to certain classes here today when parliament adopted the government's suffrage reform bill.

FEW DAYS REST FOR COMMONS

Parliament Adjourns After one of the Longest Sessions in Many Years—New Parliament Meets on Monday to Pass Appropriation Bills

LONDON, March 7.—Parliament adjourned today after one of the longest sessions in many years. Except for brief recesses at Easter and Christmas and a six weeks' vacation in the summer, the legislators have been in continuous session since February of last year, and have disapproved of one of the heaviest programs ever undertaken by a cabinet.

The two big measures passed by the commons, the Irish home rule bill and the Welsh church disestablishment bill, were both promptly and overwhelmingly rejected by the Lords but they will become a law under the terms of the veto act after being passed by the Commons in the coming session and again in 1914.

One of the most important legislative achievements of the session was the passage through both houses of the white slave bill, providing for the flogging of procurers. The only big measure the government was compelled to drop was the franchise reform bill, on account of the introduction of suffragette amendments.

In order to get the appropriation bills under way by the usual time, the end of March, it was necessary for parliament to re-assemble for the new session next Monday, one of the shortest intervals on record.

\$7.25 PER WEEK SUFFICIENT WAGE

CHICAGO, March 7.—Here is what Edward Mandel, millionaire member of the great Mandel brothers department store here, the second largest in the city, thinks the working girl should live on. He gave the figures this afternoon to the state senate committee which is probing white slavery and starvation wages in Chicago. Mandel's figures were on a slip which he drew from his pocket. They allotted the girl worker weekly:

Clothes \$1, laundry 25 cents, car fare 60 cents, lunches 70 cents, church 10 cents, sickness 60 cents, board and room \$4, total \$7.25.

NO FUNDS FOR LABOR BUREAU

WASHINGTON, March 7.—That congress completely forgot to supply funds to run the new department of labor was discovered today by Secretary William B. Wilson. The temporary quarters of the department are in a little room containing a desk and a few chairs in the headquarters of the department of commerce.

A stenographer, borrowed from another department, pasted on the office door a slip of paper carrying the words "department of laor."

The special session of congress probably will vote funds for the new department immediately.

RECORD APPLE SALE BY PORTLAND WOMEN

PORTLAND, Ore., March 7.—According to the announcement today made of estimates, between twelve and fifteen carloads of apples have been sold to the people of Portland during the first two days of the apple sale arranged by the Economic committee of the Woman's Club. This is more apples than has been moved in any previous two weeks in the history of Portland. It is estimated that before the sale closes tomorrow night that twenty carloads or 12,000 boxes will have been sold.