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GREAT DISASTER IN BALTIMORE HARBOR

Three Hundred and Forty Tons of Dynamite Explodes, Killing Fifty Men and Wounding as Many More, Many Fatally, During Transfer From Barge to British Steamer

FOUR VESSELS COMPLETELY DESTROYED

The Chine and Barge, Tug Atlantic and Naval Collier, Jason, All Seriously Damaged—Shock Felt 100 Miles Away—Pitiful Scenes on Wharf When Tugs Bearing Dead Arrive—Hundreds Cry and Wring Their Hands

Baltimore, Md., March 7.—Three hundred and forty tons of dynamite exploded this morning in lower Baltimore harbor, killing fifty men and wounding as many more, many of them fatally.

The explosive was being transferred from a barge to the British steamer Chine when it went off from a cause as yet unknown. The men killed were members of the crew of the steamer and the barge and vessels moored nearby.

The Chine and barge, together with the tug Atlantic and the naval collier Jason were either completely destroyed or very seriously damaged.

Shock Felt 100 Miles Away.

The shock was felt as far away as Reading, Pa., 100 miles from Baltimore. It was recorded also at Atlantic City.

School Children Hurt.

People at first thought an earthquake had occurred. A school house at Sparrows Point, several miles from the scene of the explosion, was partly destroyed and several children hurt. Baltimore itself was shaken as though by a powerful tremor, buildings in the center of the city rocked perceptibly.

Vessels Render Aid.

Scores of vessels hurried to the scene of the disaster to render what aid they could. The explosion was so powerful that pieces of steel weighing 50 pounds were hurled through the air for a distance of four miles.

Cases of dynamite were thrown from a great distance from the Chine and exploded as they fell, adding to the damage and destruction.

The injured were removed as rapidly as possible to this city. The dock where they were disembarked was a scene of pathetic effort on the part of women and children, seeking to learn the names of the dead and to identify the wounded.

Pitiful scenes were enacted on the Broadway wharf when the huge tugs bearing dead and injured arrived there. Hundreds of women and children whose husbands and fathers work on the water, crying and wringing their hands, begged to be allowed to see if any of their men folk were among the victims. Nearly fifty of the injured were landed here. Some of these were able to walk to their homes unassisted, but the bulk of them were taken to the hospitals. Some of the injured were taken to hospitals at Sparrows point.

No Definite Figures.

Up to mid-afternoon no definite figures of the number of casualties could be ascertained, but it was said that at least fifty men had been killed and about as many more injured. Some of the latter were expected to die.

Much of the havoc was wrought by unexploded boxes of dynamite which hurtled through the air and exploded when they struck.

Men Frightfully Wounded.

One such shattered the upper works of the collier Jason and killed several men, frightfully wounding at least 32. Another box of the explosive descended on the deck of the tug Atlantic and killed three men.

A shower of large and small pieces of the wrecked vessel, some weighing tons, fell in the waters and on the shore for miles around.

Just before the explosion a tiny wisp of smoke was seen by a seaman working in the hold of the vessel. He gave the alarm and fourteen of the boat's crew jumped into a launch and headed away from the ship before the blast came.

BLAST FELT OVER 100 MILES AWAY

Philadelphia, March 7.—The dynamite explosion near Baltimore was remarkable for the great distance the shock of the blast was felt.

ings of the lower house of the Delaware legislature at Dover, the speaker remarking: "That must have been an earthquake."

REBELS ARE MOBILIZING

Southern Pacific Wires Censored—Hermosillo Preparing for War

Douglas, Ariz., March 7.—With Huerta troops evidently in control at Guaymas, on the California gulf, the constitutional rebels continue mobilization today at Hermosillo. The Southern Pacific railway wires below the border are censored both by the federals at the gulf port and the rebels at the state capital. It appears that the telegraph was not cut, but only temporarily grounded for the convenience of the censors.

A wireless message today from the United States cruiser Colorado at Guaymas said that the railway remains open to the south and that tri-weekly trains are being run by the government. The Colorado, it is assured, will remain at the port, where a large American colony is located. The American consul at Hermosillo today succeeded in getting through a code message to the state department at Washington. All was reported quiet at Empalme, the American settlement near Guaymas.

Hermosillo Barricaded.

At Hermosillo the place is being barricaded and the assembling of ammunition and recruiting of men continues today. Food supplies are being rushed in from the Yagui valley. The expected attacks at Agua Prieta and the Arizona border, Juan Cabral is recruiting a formidable group to assist in the state revolution against Huerta. Colonel Emilio Kosterlitzky, the rural police commander, is expected to move against Magdalena.

The Russian officer apparently remains under orders from Mexico City.

The expected attacks at Agua Prieta, opposite this point and Nogales and Naco, Sonora, did not develop during the night. Some excitement was caused there when a constitutionalist spy escaped over the line, followed by a fusillade from the Mexican troops patrolling out of Agua Prieta. He was held by the Ninth cavalry patrol, but later released.

DELAWARE WINS FIRST POSITION

Washington, Mar. 7.—The battleship Delaware won the coveted first position in elementary practice with guns and torpedoes combined last year with the total score of 46,026 for the last calendar year. The other battleships included in the honor list of the first ten of the Atlantic fleet were the Florida, 43,184; Idaho, 42,555; Michigan, 39,846; North Dakota, 36,114; Connecticut, 34,811; Louisiana, 34,565; Missouri, 33,875; New Hampshire, 33,708 and Utah, 30,997. The Georgia stood at the foot of the list of twenty-five ships for combined practice with a score of 9,302.

YOUNG ASTOR TO IMPROVE ESTATE

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., March 7.—The recent decision of Vincent Astor to devote some of his wealth, youth and energy to the agricultural regeneration of New York state took the form of action today in the offer to provide farmers of Dutchess county, with the seat of his ancestral estate, with white tartar seed oats at \$1.25 a bushel.

Although young Astor himself is

on the way to Panama in his yacht, the announcement is made from Fern Cliff farm at Rhinebeck, which he has decided to turn into an agricultural experiment station.

Old farmers say that young Astor has shown good judgment in the selection of the first neighborhood crop to be improved. Oats in Dutchess county rarely grow more than three feet in height and the heads are scanty and the kernels thin. The Astor farm guarantees that its seed oats will improve the crop in the county, producing five foot straw with long heads and thick plump heavy kernels.

PRESIDENT VERY BUSY

Mass of Correspondence and Numerous Callers Occupy Time

Washington, March 7.—President Wilson today began conferences with some of the leaders of his party in congress. He was in the executive offices shortly after 9 o'clock and at once attacked the mass of correspondence that has accrued to the White House during the last few days. Congress, ready for another special session, was preparing to consider department and bureau heads.

Senators Sheppard of Texas and Tillman of South Carolina called today. Former Governor Glenn of New Jersey came later, and Representative Fitzgerald of the ways and means committee followed.

Mr. Fitzgerald had many matters to discuss with the president.

Late today Mr. Wilson will meet Charles F. Murphy, the Tammany leader. Mr. Murphy was expected to come with eight other New Yorkers and it was not probable that the president would have an opportunity to hold a private conference with him.

White House officials announced that the president had arranged to hold cabinet meetings on Tuesdays and Fridays of each week, as has been the custom for many years. Many special sessions, however, are likely to be called before April 1, when congress is to convene in extra session.

Representative Fitzgerald talked with the president about a half hour and said later that they discussed only general subjects. No decision has been reached, he said, as to whether the house should not appoint an appropriations committee and draft a sundry civil appropriations bill to take the place of the one vetoed by Mr. Taft.

It is possible that a new sundry civil bill and an Indian appropriation bill will be introduced in the special session without going through the hands of the appropriations committee. The house passed the bill in the last congress over Mr. Taft's veto by a large majority and it probably will be reintroduced and passed as it then stood.

LONDON MILITANT SENT TO PRISON

London, Mar. 7.—Miss "Joyce Locke," a militant suffragette, whose real name is Olive W. Wharry, was sentenced today at the Old Bailey sessions to eight months' imprisonment. She was found guilty of setting fire to a pavilion in the Kew botanical gardens on February 20.

When arraigned in police court on the day of her arrest, she hurled a book at the magistrate and fought desperately against removal to a cell. The court today ordered her to pay all costs and to deposit a \$1000 bond to insure her good behavior for two years after the completion of her sentence.

The judge warned Olive Wharry that she would be sentenced to an additional year if she did not keep the peace after finishing her prison sentence. Miss Wharry declared that she would not pay the costs of the prosecution and would immediately start a "hunger strike."

HOLIDAY IN HONOR OF QUEEN MOTHER

London, March 7.—Today was the 16th anniversary of the landing in Great Britain of Queen Mother Alexandra, then a Danish princess. It was the expressed desire of her majesty that the occasion was observed quietly.

The lord mayor and corporation of the city of London went to Marlborough house to present an address to her majesty on behalf of the citizens of London, while the mayor of Windsor and the mayor of Margate, where she first came ashore, offered their official congratulations.

Many members of the diplomatic corps called at Marlborough house in the course of the day.

SEN. CLARK TO BE PRESIDENT PRO TEM

Washington, Mar. 7.—Democrats of the senate today chose Senator James P. Clark of Arkansas for president pro tempore of the senate over Senator Augustus Bacon by a vote of 34 to 17. The outcome was a great surprise, as it was expected Senator Bacon would be elected. The caucus selection was equivalent to an election.

HOLLAND ADOPTS OLD AGE MEASURE

The Hague, March 7.—The second chamber of the Netherlands parliament today adopted a bill providing compulsory old age and sickness insurance for working men.

TARIFF TO BE ISSUE

Democrats to Devote Special Session to Framing Measure

Washington, March 7.—With the house ways and means committee meeting to organize the real tariff work of the 63d congress began today. With only three new members on the Democratic side of the committee, it seemed certain that the Democratic tariff measures framed under the supervision of Majority Leader Underwood during the last session would be accepted by the new committee and laid before the caucus before the extra session begins on April 1.

In addition to its tariff work the committee is confronted by the problem of reorganizing the entire Democratic side of the house through its functions as committee on committees. The committee appointments are expected to develop some lively contests and the leaders are inclined to defer action on them as long as possible.

Should Work on Tariff Only.

Representative Underwood and his associates are of the opinion that the Democrats should get down to work on the tariff and let all other questions go until the regular session next December.

With this program in mind it has even been suggested that only the necessary committees—appropriations to take care of the two supply bills which failed in the last session, enrolled bills and accounts, necessary to care for the routine of the house—be organized at the extra session. This would defer any trouble over appointments until the tariff was out of the way.

Currency Legislation.

There is some sentiment in the house, however, in favor of immediate currency legislation, arising from an impression that President Wilson desired early action in that direction. Whether Representative Carter Glass, who will be chairman of the banking and currency committee of the new congress, will be allowed to bring in his bill at the extra session, will rest largely with the president. It is said, although the house leaders are urging Mr. Wilson to confine the activities of the extra session to the tariff.

Big Crop of Lobbyists.

The usual crop of lobbyists is appearing in Washington to watch the ways and means committee. Organized opposition will combat any real tariff bills in the house and will follow them to the senate where strenuous efforts will be made to temper any great reductions.

WILL BE DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY AT 18

Cambridge, Mass., March 7.—Norbert Weiner, son of a professor in Slavic languages at Harvard, will soon be able to sign himself a doctor of philosophy at the age of 18 years.

He has just completed his course in the graduate school and he will receive his degree of Ph. D. next June, the youngest man ever to attain this honor here.

Weiner entered Tufts college at 11 years of age, obtained his degree of A. B. within three years, added the degree of A. M. at Cornell in another year, and then entered Harvard where he has been a university scholar, specializing in philosophy and mathematics. He plans to engage in teaching.

SOLDIERS ARE SHOT

Fifty Mutinous Arabs Executed by Turks as an Example

Constantinople, March 7.—Fifty mutinous Arab soldiers belonging to the Turkish regiments guarding the peninsula of Gallipoli and the Dardanelles straits were shot today as an example to the others.

Most of the men guarding the lines in this district have been brought from the warm climates of Asia Minor and have become mutinous owing to the extreme cold. They declare that they are too number to fight.

GREETINGS ARE SENT TO RUSSIA

Washington, March 7.—The three hundredth anniversary of the accession of Michael Feodorovitch Romanoff to the imperial throne of Russia prompted President Wilson to send to the czar a message extending "cordial felicitations and the earnest hope of the government of the United States that the bond of friendship which now unites the two nations may ever continue and strengthen."

NO PLACE FOR HIS STENOGRAPHER

Washington, March 7.—Miss Salome Tarr, a pretty and exceedingly efficient stenographer, is increasing the number of gray hairs with which time is sprinkling President Wilson's head. Miss Tarr was one of the president's stenographers when he was governor of New Jersey and Mr. Wilson is desirous of finding a place for her in some one of the departments here. Accordingly he has canvassed the

situation and interviewed virtually all of his official family, with the result that each has told him that the civil service rules stand in the way. In addition the government of late years has been endeavoring to replace women stenographers with men shorthand writers.

"You'll have to kick a hole in the civil service rules and make the appointment an executive one if you desire to place the young woman," is in effect what his advisers told the president. Mr. Wilson is jealous of the civil service and the situation in which he is finding himself is embarrassing him.

SITUATION IS COMPLEX

Reports of Peace in Southeast—Northern Mexico in Revolt

Mexico City, March 7.—Rafael Tapia, an officer of the rural guards, who took the field against Huerta after the death of Madero, surrendered today to the government authorities today.

Coahuila Stands by Government.

News reached here today that a majority of the members of the legislature of Coahuila have signed a proclamation favoring the rebel governor Carranza and urging the citizens of the state to join in opposition to Huerta.

Carranza yesterday received 250,000 pesos as a contribution to the revolution cause from citizens of the state.

Manuel Mascareñas of the state of Sonora, who is a candidate for the governorship, arrived here last night and expressed great optimism in regard to the plans of the government to put down the uprising there.

SWISS LOAN BIG SUM TO SERVIANS

Geneva, Switzerland, March 7.—The Servian government today negotiated a loan of \$8,000,000 at 7.12 per cent with a Swiss banking group. The money is to be repaid within three months after the signature of peace between the Balkan allies and Turkey.

MANY WAIT TO TESTIFY

Federal Court Room at Omaha Filled With Implement Dealers

Omaha, Neb., March 7.—The federal court room was again full of implement dealers waiting to testify when Special Examiner Taylor began taking testimony for the defense in the government's suit against the International Harvester company charging violation of the Sherman anti-trust law.

Judge D. W. McHugh of counsel for the defendant said he believed ten days more would be required to hear all the witnesses called.

Incidental to the present suit the gathering of evidence in the government's suit against the moving picture combine was begun in this city by Attorneys Darling and Grosvenor, who represented the government in the Harvester suit.

GENERAL TREVINO IS NOT DISLOYAL

Monterey, Mex., March 7.—General Trevino, provisional governor of the state of Nuevo Leon, received a telegram today from Carranza, rebel governor of Coahuila, inviting him to join the revolution against the new administration.

General Trevino expressed indignation at the receipt of the message and refused to reply. He afterwards issued a statement declaring strongly his loyalty to the Huerta government.

"I will not be disloyal to the government of Mexico," he said.

This appears to put an end to rumors that Trevino was inclined to join in the revolt because of the killing of the late President Francisco Madero, who was his kinsman by marriage.

AGED NEW YORKER LOSES HIS MONEY

San Francisco, March 7.—Police are hunting the man who robbed Peter Morrison, aged 89 years and 11 months, of \$87 in currency, which the aged victim had tucked away in his vest pocket when he sat down to take a nap in the lobby of a waterfront hotel today.

Morrison discovered his loss when he awoke and he notified the police. He said he came to California from Albany, N. Y., on a visit to a relative and to celebrate his one hundredth birthday, which he says will fall on March 11.

DEADLOCK IN CANADA

Government's Navy Bill Meeting Vigorous Opposition in House

Ottawa, Ont., March 7.—Not since 1896 has the dominion parliament experienced such a protracted deadlock as that which now exists over the clause in the government's navy bill, which authorizes a grant of \$35,000,000 to the British government for building new battleships, which are to be an integral part of the British navy.

The house of commons has now been in continuous session for over three days and the general belief is that the deadlock will continue until midnight on Saturday. The regulations of parliament make it impossible for the house to sit on Sunday.

The trouble began Tuesday morning when Premier Borden refused to accede to a motion by Sir Wilford Laurier that the house adjourn.

"We must make some progress first," said Mr. Borden.

"Very well, then, let us make some progress," retorted Sir Wilfred, who thereupon moved that the clause providing for an appropriation of \$35,000,000 "for the purpose of immediately increasing the effective naval forces of the empire" be eliminated and a clause substituted providing for a Canadian naval service in cooperation with and in close relation to the imperial navy.

On this amendment the members of the house have been talking without cessation for more than three days, and everybody believes that each side is endowed with sufficient strength and determination to keep up the fight until Sunday comes to their relief.

NEW LAW OF EXCHANGE

Business Conduct of Members to Be Watched by a Committee

New York, March 7.—The New York stock exchange is notifying its members that the amendment to the constitution authorizing the appointment of a "committee on business conduct," which was adopted by the governors on February 25, has become a law of the exchange.

The committee is to consist of five members, whose duties are "to consider matters relating to the business conduct of members with respect to accounts; to keep in touch with the prices of securities listed on the exchange, with a view to determining when improper transactions are being resorted to; and "to shall have the power to examine into the dealings of any members with respect to the above subjects and report to the governing committee."

MAN LURED TO DEATH

Minnesota University Professor Invokes the "Unwritten Law"

St. Paul, Minn., March 7.—Clyde N. Darling was lured to his death last Wednesday night by Prof. Oscar M. Olson of the University of Minnesota, in the opinion of police and coroner, who have been investigating the mysterious tragedy.

The shooting occurred in the summer kitchen of the Olson home. Prof. Olson, who gave himself up and acknowledged the shooting, continued today his policy of silence, still maintaining, however, that his defense will be the "unwritten law."

BASKETS TO CATCH CIGARETTE SNIPES

Los Angeles, Mar. 7.—Fire-proof baskets to catch the cigarette "snipes" thrown away by school ma'ams, were ordered for the city schools today by the board of education.

Women teachers do not smoke in public as yet, but H. W. Frank, president of the school board, peering into the future in a speech delivered before that body, declared he was certain that within a short time it would not make pupils stare wide-eyed to see the teacher sitting at her desk puffing a cigarette and it were well to be prepared.

NATIONAL BABY SHOW PLANNED

Portland, Oregon, March 7.—With the idea of having a national baby show, or exposition of eugenics, at the world's fair at San Francisco, a movement has been started here to have such shows at all the state fairs throughout the United States, the winning babies in each to be entered in the international event.

One thousand dollars has been ap-

propriated by the Oregon state fair board for the exposition of eugenics at the state fair next fall. It is the largest appropriation ever made by any state for an exposition of this kind.

O. M. Plummer of this city, who will have charge of the eugenics exposition at the state fair, conceived the idea of a national exposition. He stated that he had received assurances from managements of several state fairs that they will hold similar expositions. These include Arizona, Idaho, Montana, Minnesota, Nebraska and Oklahoma.

INVITATIONS TO WILSON

Begin to Arrive at White House—Unique Texas Greeting

Washington, March 7.—President Wilson already has begun to receive invitations to attend civic and state affairs. Thus far he has received two such invitations, one from Louisville for October 13 and the second from Cuero, Tex., for next November. The president has not yet either accepted or rejected the invitations, although it is regarded as highly improbable that he will attend.

Governor James B. McCleary personally extended to the president the invitation to attend the centennial anniversary of the battle of the Thames to be held in the Kentucky metropolis. The celebration will be part of a general observance by 11 states of the \$111,000 monument to Commodore Peary. In that naval victory, Governor McCleary told the president, Kentuckians took a leading part.

The would-be Texas hosts sent their invitation by Master Jack Houghton, who appeared at the White House in the uniform of a boy scout and accompanied by Senator Sheppard. The invitation was in the form of a huge turkey standing upright of ten feet high and the letter of appeal to the president was wedged in the bird's bill. The celebration is to be designated the "Turkey Trot Parade" and is said to be one of the big events of Texas. Cuero is said to be one of the greatest turkey markets in the country, from 5,000 to 8,000 birds being shipped from there every day to northern markets.

RAIN STOPS PRACTICE

Galveston, Tex., March 7.—Rain interfered with practice marches today with troops of the second army division mobilized here. The task of moving of the entire division was begun.

FIFTEEN IN THE RING

Federal Officers After Members of Opium Smuggling Combine

Seattle, Wash., March 7.—Federal officers arrived here from Portland today intent on arrests of fifteen persons supposed to be involved in an opium smuggling ring. A millinery store is said to be the headquarters from which the coterie works.

Statements of a man who gave the name of John W. Rogers sent the officers here from Portland. Rogers was arrested there Wednesday, in company with Marian Bergman, a stenographer, as they left a train from Seattle. The two had \$7,500 worth of opium, but Rogers said his companion was unaware of the nature of the packages and the authorities believe him.

Packhorse of Crowd.

"I'm the packhorse of the crowd," Roger told the officers, and said his business was to transport opium from Seattle to Portland.

When he learned that he had been shadowed by detectives for months he gave information upon which it was decided to make the further arrests.

Miss Bergman was released upon \$200 bond and returned to Seattle.

SONORA IN TURMOIL

Excitement Prevails and Rebel Bands Are Devastating Country

Washington, March 7.—Sonora, one of the northern border states of Mexico, continues in a defiant attitude toward the Huerta government. The consul at Hermosillo reports considerable excitement there.

Rebel bands are approaching Nacozari, devastating the countryside. They demand a large money payment for surrendering their arms. An armed band which appeared in Acapulco spread panic through a theater and many persons fleeing from the building and other buildings were injured.

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